

Courses and Prices 2012

Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)

CAE Intensive Max-6 Course

ONE TO ONE ENGLISH

CAE Intensive Max-6 Course: Profile

Our **CAE Intensive Max-6 course** is designed to prepare Advanced level students for the CAE examination. It's a complete course with examination preparation and practice for all sections of the CAE exam.

- **Effective course - just 6 students:** Small classes mean highly effective learning and fast results
- **15 hours per week full-time course:** Weekday afternoons Monday to Friday 13:20 – 16:30
- **Programme:** CAE examination preparation, covering all parts of the exam, includes free Practice Examination

CAE Intensive Max-6 Course: Programme

The CAE Intensive Max-6 course programme covers all five papers of the Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) examination: Reading; Writing; Use of English; Listening; Speaking. It is recommended for students with an Advanced English level (C1). Approximately equal class time is usually given to each paper and there is at least 1- 1.5 hours homework each day. Over the 4-week course you get practice in representative samples of the Reading, Writing, Use of English and Listening task types and all sections of the Speaking test, as well as a thorough CAE grammar and vocabulary programme. A FREE Practice Examination is included as part of the course.

- **Continuous feedback:** teachers give you detailed careful correction and advice on your speaking and writing both in class and on written homework assignments, with the opportunity to discuss feedback
- **Speaking:** small group courses mean plenty of class speaking time to build accuracy, fluency, vocabulary, structural range and familiarisation with all stages of the CAE speaking test
- **Vocabulary:** intensive active vocabulary expansion for richer, more expressive writing and speaking, and building wider recognition vocabulary essential for success in the listening and reading papers
- **Writing:** systematic preparation and practice in the required range of task types for CAE
- **Listening:** familiarisation with CAE examination listening task types and techniques
- **Reading:** familiarisation with CAE examination reading task types and techniques

CAE Intensive Max-6 Course: Summary	
Intensive Max-6 course:	6 students per class
Number of weeks per course:	4 weeks
Number of hours per week:	15 hours per week Monday to Friday
Total course hours:	60 hours
Timetable:	13:20 – 16:30 (includes 10 minute break)
Level:	Advanced (C1)
Minimum age:	18

CAE Intensive Max-6 Course: 2012 COURSE DATES and FEES			
Course Dates	Exam Date	Course Code	Course Fees
Monday 20 February – Friday 16 March	Sat. 17 Mar.	CAE 1201	£1,350
Monday 16 April – Friday 11 May	Sat. 12 May	CAE1202	£1,495
Monday 14 May – Friday 8 June	Wed. 13 June	CAE1203	£1,560
Monday 2 July – Wednesday 25 July	Thu. 26 July	CAE1204	£1,560
Monday 30 July – Thursday 23 August	Fri. 24 Aug.	CAE1205	£1,560
Monday 15 October – Friday 9 November	Sat. 10 Nov.	CAE1206	£1,495
Monday 5 November – Friday 30 November	Wed. 5 Dec.	CAE1207	£1,350

Optional £120 CAE exam fee not included. Course books cost about £25. Registration fee £48. When the school is closed for a public holiday, and for courses with mid-week examinations, extra hours are added to other course days.

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CAE Intensive Max-6 Course: Key skills	
Main Skill	Sub-skills
Reading (Paper 1)	Examination familiarisation: Preparation for CAE Reading Test task types, including: multiple choice; matching; gapped texts; multiple matching
	Intensive reading: overall sense; main points; detail; specific information; opinion; deducing meaning
	Style: familiarisation with a range of styles including: biographies; journals; serious newspapers; leisure interest magazines; etc
	Text organisation: paragraphing; more complex linking and referencing; how arguments are constructed
	Predicting meaning: working out meaning from immediate and wider context
Writing (Paper 2)	Examination familiarisation: Preparation for CAE Writing Test task types, including (Q.1) article; letters; report; proposal; and (Q.2-4) competition entry; review; information sheet [NOTE: We do not prepare Q.5]
	Functions include: evaluating; expressing opinions; hypothesising; justifying; persuading; prioritising; summarising; comparing and contrasting; advising; apologising; correcting; describing; explaining
	Text organisation: e.g. substitution and ellipsis; paragraphing; building a logical argument;
	Process: brainstorming; structuring ideas; planning; reviewing; correction
	Legibility: handwriting; tidiness; making clear corrections; word spacing
Use of English (Paper 3)	Examination familiarisation : Preparation for CAE Use of English task types, including: multiple choice cloze; open cloze; word formation; gapped sentences; key word transformations
	Grammar: Recognising grammatical forms appropriate to the level, such as: verb tenses, including more complex analyses e.g. of simple and continuous forms of perfect tenses; selection of the passive voice and causative structures; modal verbs particularly for speculation, deduction, habitual behavior; conditional forms; relative clauses; subjunctive forms; participle and infinitive phrases; fronting and inversion; reporting verbs and patterns; introductory 'there' and 'it'; nominalisation
	Vocabulary: Building a wider awareness of language typical of CAE including topic sets, word families and lexical grammar such as collocation; parts of speech; word formation; phrasal verbs; prepositional phrases
	Text organisation: referencing and cohesion; coherency; identification of main points
Listening (Paper 4)	Examination familiarisation: Preparation for CAE Listening Test task types: multiple choice; sentence completion; multiple choice; multiple matching
	Intensive listening: main points, specific information, function, role, relationships, feeling, opinion, mood
	Following interaction: identifying speakers; recognising turn-taking language
	Pronunciation: raising awareness of and ability to hear features of spoken English
	Style: familiarisation with a range of sources including: conversations; speeches; instructions; commentaries; stories; announcements; information lines, etc
	Varieties of English: exposure to a variety of accents and dialects
Speaking (Paper 5)	Examination familiarisation: Preparation for parts 1 to 4 of the CAE Speaking Test, including: (pt. 1) social interaction on personal topics (pt. 2) comparing visual prompts, and brief response; (pt. 3) 4-minute task with partner; (pt. 4) 4-minute wider-ranging discussion
	Functions include: giving and asking for personal information; comparing and contrasting; exchanging information; identifying; eliminating; speculating; suggesting; expressing and justifying opinions; organising ideas coherently; agreeing and disagreeing; decision-making
	Fluency: speaking more confidently and quickly without stopping too often
	Organising speaking: linking ideas in speaking and contributing to dialogue effectively
	Pronunciation: work on problematic individual sounds / clusters and features of connected speech
	Interaction: reacting appropriately; showing interest; turn-taking; checking understanding
Vocabulary (All papers)	Building a wider passive and active knowledge of language typical of CAE
Grammar (All papers)	Recognising and using accurately grammatical forms appropriate to CAE