



# General English + Mini Group

Course Information

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General English lessons are designed around a course book and provide the opportunity for students to improve the skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking as well as enhancing and increasing their active/working vocabulary and grammar knowledge.

Mini-Group English follows a communicative English syllabus with the advantage of studying in a smaller group.

This course is for students who prefer to study for part of their course in a smaller group and are seeking to improve their communicative skills in everyday situations as well as gain a good understanding of the principles of the English language.



## Location

Torbay, Cape Town

## Objectives

- 1-3 weeks: Consolidate existing grammar knowledge, increase vocabulary, improve communication skills
- 4 weeks +: Improved communicative competence, improved grammar and vocabulary, increased learner independence and confidence, make significant progress in the level or towards the next level

## Key Facts

Lessons/hours per week:	30 / 22.5
Lesson length:	45 minutes
Lesson schedule Torbay:	08.30-12.00 & 12.45-14.15
Lesson schedule Cape Town:	09.00-12.30 & 12.45 - 14.15
Class size:	12* + 6
Course length:	Any
Start Date:	All year
Levels:	All
Minimum number to run:	2**

\* 15 in TOR during High Season \*\* If fewer than 2: General English + 4 Private Tuition lessons.

## Sample Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Arrival, Induction &amp; Welcome Event</b>	<b>Homework Check</b>	<b>Homework Check</b>	<b>Homework Check</b>	<b>Homework Check</b>
	<b>Listening</b> Vivid Recollections of Early Childhood	<b>Speaking</b> top attractions in the area	<b>Vocabulary</b> current affairs multi-word verbs	<b>Learner training</b> making use of study websites
	<b>Grammar</b> used to/would for past habits and states	<b>Webquest</b> planning a weekend <b>Writing</b> filling in an online form	<b>Reading skills</b> prediction newspaper articles	<b>Authentic</b> Listening real news source
Break				
<b>Negotiation of the week's work</b>	Vocabulary building descriptive language	<b>Functional English</b> making a complaint roleplay	<b>Language of presenting an argument</b>	<b>Review of week</b>
Asking for/giving opinions	Speaking describing a childhood memory  Library lesson	<b>Pronunciation</b> sounds in connected speech	<b>Speaking</b> discussion of topics from a newspaper	<b>Progress test</b>
Lunch				
<b>Reading</b> <b>Eating Out</b>				
<b>Vocabulary and Discussion</b> Favourite dishes around the world	<b>Discussion</b> The language travel experience so far	<b>Speaking</b> What's my job?	<b>Listening</b> Authentic news clip	<b>Review of week</b>
<b>Speaking</b> Role play: Making a complaint in a restaurant	<b>Reading</b> A brochure and pricelist	<b>Vocabulary and Reading</b> Start Your Own Business  <b>Speaking</b> Language of negotiation	<b>Vocabulary and Speaking</b> Are computer games addictive?	<b>Discussion</b> Current news topic

This is an indicative timetable and the exact contents of the course will vary from week to week.