



CURSOS D'ESTIU ONLINE 2020

B2 English Debating Skills and British Culture

This is a student-centred course where a formal debate is held in every class. Each class begins with activities which introduce appropriate language and key principles of debating before progressing to the debate itself.

We will take a look at different popular culture topics such as music, fashion, literature and learn about British history and food.

Key ideas, debating conventions or argumentation strategies include: how to define a motion, presenting an argument clearly, challenging the other side's argument, finding the key point of disagreement, building a case, unsupported arguments, and fundamental viewpoints.

Teacher: Andrew Szwejkowski

Objectives

- To develop students' ability to take an active part in structured English language debates around British culture, history and traditions in the MACE format.
- To use language appropriate to the task, including language for structuring and sequencing, referencing supporting evidence, and for giving and moderating opinions.
- To give students experience discussing a wide range of issues of contemporary British lifestyle and society in an environment that stimulates their critical thinking skills.
- To train students to structure an argument, defend their position, find weaknesses in arguments and identify fallacies.
- To enhance students' interest in British contemporary society, and increase their knowledge of the country's main cultural strengths

Methodology

This is an online course which will use the platform "ZOOM" for the daily video sessions. Participants will interact with the teacher and

with each other using the different interactive options this platform provides. Each session will include specific content and language practice in the 4 basic skills.

Homework, extension materials, reference sources and revision activities will be posted regularly on the Moodle platform. The course will be divided into a number of modules, each of which will include cultural and language content materials together with a number of interactive activities aimed at assessing the students' progress. The Moodle platform will also serve as the channel of information and communication with the participants, where they will receive individualized feedback outside video sessions.

Assessment

This is a continuous assessment-based course. There will be a number of interactive activities covering the course content and the 4 basic language skills that will assess the participants' progress on the Moodle platform. Students will receive individualized feedback for the activities they do.

ACCÉS AL CURS:

Persones destinatàries: han de tenir un nivell de llengua corresponent com a mínim al B2 del Marc europeu Comú de Referència. Si no podeu acreditar el vostre nivell haureu de fer una prova en el moment de la matriculació.

Durada: 30h (10 sessions de 3h), o bé 45h (15 sessions de 3h)
Cada sessió diària constarà de 2 hores de classe *online* a través de la plataforma Zoom, més una hora de treball *offline*

Horari: de 9.00 a 12.00 de dilluns a divendres, entre el 29 de juny i el 17 de juliol (segons opció escollida)

Certificació: en acabar el curs, es lliurarà un certificat acreditatiu. Es requereix una assistència del 80% per obtenir-lo.

Preu: 169,80€ (30h), o bé 229,80€ (45h)

Matriculació: del 8 al 26 de juny de juny de 2020 per e-mail a secretaria@eoilapau.net