The Language Guru

Level Description

Our course levels are based on the "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages" (CEFR). The Common European Framework divides learners into three broad divisions that can be divided into six levels; for each level, it describes what a learner is supposed to be able to do in reading, listening, speaking and writing. These levels are:

A1 Beginner

You can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases aimed at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type.

You can introduce yourself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where you live, people you know and things you have.

You can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help

A2 Elementary

You can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment). You can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.

You can describe in simple terms aspects of your background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need

B1 Intermediate

You can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc.

You can deal with most situations likely to arise while travelling in an area where the language is spoken.

You can produce simple connected text on topics that are familiar or of personal interest.

You can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.

B2 Upper intermediate

You can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialization.

You can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party.

You can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

C1 Advanced

You can understand a wide range of demanding, longer clauses, and recognize implicit meaning. You can express ideas fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions.

You can use the language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes.

You can produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organizational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.

C2 Proficient

You can understand with ease virtually everything heard or read.

You can summarize information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation.

You can express yourself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning even in the most complex situations