

About Talk English

Funded by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG), the Talk English project is working with people with low levels of English to help them improve their language skills, access services and get more involved in the community.



Volunteering with Talk English

We're looking for enthusiastic, committed volunteers who want to make a real difference to people's lives and teach English or facilitate and support Talk English activities. We offer a number of training opportunities and various volunteering roles on the project.

The role of a volunteer teacher

To be a volunteer ESOL teacher you will need to be able to demonstrate excellent skills in spoken and written English at Level 2 (GCSE equivalent) and good computer skills at Level 1.

As a volunteer ESOL* teacher with Talk English, you will co-teach a Talk English course alongside another volunteer. In return for your teaching commitment, you will receive free training and be supported to achieve a professional teaching qualification at Level 3. If you already have a teaching qualification (i.e. PTLLS/CTLLS/DTLLS or CELTA/Cert. TESOL or PGCE), we have a fast track training course to prepare you for teaching ESOL on the Talk English project.

* **ESOL** stands for **E**nglish for **S**peakers of **O**ther **L**anguages

Volunteer ESOL teachers on the Talk English project are expected to:

- Attend an initial training course and subsequent training as required
- Commit to teaching one, 2 hour Pre-entry/ Entry 1 ESOL class a week in a community setting for a minimum of 6 months alongside another volunteer (your teaching placement will be offered by Talk English)
- Plan, prepare and deliver inclusive learning activities
- Apply for a DBS check if required by the placement organisation.

You must be able to accept a teaching placement offered by Talk English to be start free training that leads to a qualification.

The role of a Talk English Friend

To be a Talk English Friend you will need to be able to demonstrate good skills in spoken and written English at Level 1 and good computer skills at Entry 3. You will also need at least two hours every week to support learners either on Talk English Courses at the time of their class or to facilitate Talk English Activities alongside other Talk English Friends.

How do I get involved?

To register your interest, go to www.talk-english.co.uk or apply via this link <http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/LY4HI/> You will then be sent a reminder to attend an information and assessment session to secure a place. The session will take place at **Greenheys Adult Learning Centre, M14 4HZ** as follows:

Friday 6th January 2017 , 9:30-12:00

Free training opportunities from January 2017

Level 3 Award in Education and Training (PTLLS), accredited by Open Awards

Fridays, 9:30-12:00 starting on 20th January 2017 for 20 weeks

Fast Track for volunteer ESOL teachers

Fridays, 12:30-15:00 starting on 20th January 2017 for 6 weeks

Training for Talk English Friends

Fridays, 12:30-15:00 starting on 20th January 2017 for 3 weeks

Training venue for all Talk English sessions- Greenheys Adult Learning Centre,
Upper Lloyd Street, Moss Side, Manchester, M14 4HZ

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