



Language Studies International (LSI) Canada

Cambridge Exam Courses – Start in September 2008

What is a “Cambridge Exam Course”?

It is probably the most effective way for a student to learn English and test their overall **Language skills** in the 5 areas required by the University of Cambridge, England (reading, writing, listening, speaking and use of English). As a result, students achieve a high level of ‘**communicative competence**’ (the ability to **USE** English in any situation) in a fairly short period at LSI Vancouver or LSI Toronto. The next course starts in September and ends in mid December.

The Cambridge course has 5 certificate levels, from KET (Key English Test) to CPE (Cambridge Proficiency Exam). For 15 years, LSI Canada has focused on perfecting our **First Certificate in English “FCE”** (Level 3) and **Certificate in Advanced English “CAE”** (level 4) courses. LSI’s new 3 step Cambridge course offers value which will last lifetime.

What are benefits of a Cambridge Exam Preparation Course?

- 1) The Cambridge Certificate is **valid for life**
- 2) This classroom course teaches all five English language skills, which the exam then tests
- 3) The final qualification is recognized by thousands of employers, universities and government departments as proof of an upper-Intermediate level of English. **You never need to take the exam again.**

Why is LSI so successful? 15 years of Cambridge experience

This year, LSI is celebrating 15 years as a provider of Cambridge FCE & CAE courses in Canada. Many of our instructors have been teaching this course for 10 years, which means they we are able to offer outstanding quality and a higher level of experience than most schools. **Our teachers encourage 12 - 14 students to work as a team.**

How can you prepare for September, from today?

Before a student begins LSI’s 12 week Cambridge program, and often before registering, we e-mail a **FREE ‘Pre-test’**. This 90 minute test identifies weak skills, so that LSI can correct them in a **“Pre-Cambridge course”** on **September 2nd**. The 3 week pre-Cambridge session will help you to prepare for the new 12 week **Cambridge course** on **September 22nd**. **Additional value:** The 3 weeks give you time to get used to Canadian culture, meet the teachers and make friends.

“Taking the three week “pre-Cambridge course” was a very good decision for me. I was able to make friends and meet the teachers, so that I felt more confident about Cambridge. I really recommend that you take this [Intensive 30] course first and prepare yourself for the Cambridge course. It is very demanding, but it is a fantastic life experience too!
(Sewari C., Mexico)

Sewari completed a “pre-test” in Mexico in July 2007 before joining a three week Intensive 30 “pre-Cambridge course” in August. Having identified her skill level in the diagnostic test, our teachers were able to focus on these areas before she started the FCE course in September. Sewari passed the exam and she is now studying in a Canadian University.

How successful is LSI Canada?

We want every student to leave LSI with the ability to **USE** English both fluently and accurately in any situation. Obviously, this focus on quality education also results in a very high success rate in the final Cambridge exam. The Cambridge courses will be offered once more in 2008. **Please note: The “Pre-Cambridge” course is optional.**

The [12 week] Cambridge exam program definitely improved my grammar and listening skills. Classes are balanced with students from many different countries, which is a good chance to improve your speaking ability. I’m happy, because I really improved my English and met wonderful people.”
(Joanna A., Colombia)

Which countries do our students come from?

Over the last year, LSI Canada has welcomed students from 31 different countries (11 languages). Typically, European and Latin American students are more attracted to the Cambridge course. However, since Sony, Samsung and other leading Asian companies started recruiting Cambridge graduates we have seen many forward thinking students in this course. Of course, this creates a fantastic balance of nationalities in the every classroom.

Please contact Carl Williams at cwilliams@lsi.edu for more information and **ask about our Pre-Cambridge promotion**

