

The Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (CELTA) is an initial teacher training course which consists of 200 guided learning hours including 6 hours of teaching practice. It aims to enable candidates to:

- acquire essential subject knowledge and familiarity with the principles of effective teaching
- acquire a range of practical skills for teaching English to adult learners
- demonstrate their ability to apply their learning in a real teaching context.

Candidates who complete the course successfully can work in a variety of English language teaching contexts around the world.

Course content

There are five topic areas:

1. Learners and teachers, and the teaching and learning context
2. Language analysis and awareness
3. Language skills: reading, listening, speaking and writing
4. Planning and resources for different teaching contexts
5. Developing teaching skills and professionalism

Assessment

There are two components. Component One: Planning and teaching. Component Two: Classroom-related written assignments.

Grades of award

Candidates who have fulfilled the course requirements and met the assessment criteria receive an overall grade (Pass / Pass B / Pass A).

An individual report which includes details of performance and achievement is produced for each candidate by the centre at which the candidate completed the course.

Any alteration to this certificate renders it invalid and use of an altered certificate could constitute a criminal offence.

If there is any doubt about the details recorded on the certificate, contact the local Cambridge Assessment English centre for advice on verification procedures.