

Kings English Special Interest Groups (SIGs) — sample list

	Special Interest Group (SIG)	Kings Levels	Description
Boston	Writing 1	2+	In this class, students will develop practical writing skills at the sentence level while mastering relevant grammar and vocabulary.
	Conversation 2	5+	students will read about and discuss controversial or contemporary issues not usually covered by general English course books. Text, video, role plays, debates, may be included.
	TOEFL Test Prep	4+	This course is intended as an introduction to the TOEFL and its 4 sections – listening, reading, speaking and writing. Students whose level is not quite ready for the rigorous nature of this academic test will benefit from seeing the question types and practicing test items in simpler language.
	Business English	4+	In this class, students will increase accuracy and fluency of English specifically for business and professional settings. A focus on entrepreneurship topics introduces students to this exciting aspect of American business culture, especially in Boston right now, a hotbed of start-up innovations.
	Business and Leadership	1	This Special Interest Group is perfect for students who want to combine English lessons with an introduction to US entrepreneurial culture and develop the skills needed to become a future leader in business.
Bournemouth	Beginner Skills	1	Skills-based syllabus to build on general English component of course.
	Elementary Skills	2+	Skills-based syllabus to build on general English component of course.
	Exam Skills	3 and 4	Development of basic skills and techniques for popular English language examinations. Areas such as time management, proof-reading, structuring written answers, and more, will be covered.
	Reading and Writing	3 – 4	Topic-based development of reading skills and writing structures, with critical thinking thread and discrete weekly outcomes.
	Listening and Speaking	3 – 7	Topic-based development of vocabulary, pronunciation and listening comprehension, with critical thinking thread and discrete weekly outcomes.
	International Business	4 – 7	English language class with a focus on Business themed topics, functions and case studies. Students will develop the skills essential for communicating successfully within the international context of modern business.
	IELTS Preparation	3 – 7	IELTS exam technique and strategy combined with vocabulary, grammar and skills development.
	Cambridge FCE Preparation	6	Exam skills for the Cambridge: First Certificate exam
	Cambridge CAE Preparation	7 – 8	Exam skills for the Cambridge: Advanced Certificate exam
Brighton	Reading and Writing	3 and 4	Students work on sentence structure, spelling, paragraphing, linking and planning to help them develop these crucial areas.
	Speaking Drama and Pronunciation	3 – 5	Develops speaking and fluency through different tasks and topics. Useful vocabulary and functional language is studied; including discussion, debates, role plays, surveys, presentations.
	IELTS Preparation	3+	IELTS exam technique and strategy combined with vocabulary, grammar and skills development.
	Marketing and Digital Media	4+	Covers topics such as websites, digital marketing, creative software and social media, through creating and managing projects involving trips to local businesses related to these areas.

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Brighton (continued)	Business Fluency	4+	Learn from variety of business related topics, and discuss these in groups. Students will analyse real cases, and work on presentation skills and other communication skills for the world of business .
	Discussion Skills	5+	Students will develop their speaking skills through studying a variety of interesting topics. They will also learn useful language to help them join group discussions and engage in conversations in English.
	Academic Reading and Writing	5+	Students learn from a range of text types and work on skills necessary to help construct similar texts of their own as well as managing vocabulary found in academic texts.
	Cambridge FCE Preparation	6	Exam skills for the Cambridge: First Certificate exam
	Cambridge CAE Preparation	7 – 8	Exam skills for the Cambridge: Advanced Certificate exam
London	Listening and Speaking	All levels	Each week students work on a different topic developing their vocabulary, pronunciation and listening comprehension.
	Art and Design	2+	Flexible course to develop students technical artistic skills and related language competence. Students will be able to work on their portfolio if required.
	Reading and Writing	4+	Students work with a particular title, learning about the use of language and text conventions, both as readers and writers.
	IELTS Preparation	4+	IELTS exam technique and strategy combined with vocabulary, grammar and skills development.
	Business and Finance	4+	Develop vocabulary and communication skills from the world of modern business. Regular educational visits to well-known business and financial institutions in London.
	Law	4+	Law lessons will cover a comprehensive range of legal areas and topics. Students develop their subject knowledge and legal English. Regular educational visits to well-known legal institutions in London.
	Academic Skills	5+	Students will cover a range of the most important skills needed for academic success: from researching and note taking to essay writing and referencing.
	English for Cabin Crew (4 weeks maximum)	4+	An exciting course aimed at communicative competence in various aspects of air travel. Students will learn language related to aeroplanes, airports, customer service, the airline job interview process and, more generally, the travel industry.
	Cambridge FCE Preparation	6	Exam skills for the Cambridge: First Certificate exam
	Cambridge CAE Preparation	7 – 8	Exam skills for the Cambridge: Advanced Certificate exam
Los Angeles	Conversation Starter	2 – 4	This class gives students an opportunity to develop their basic vocabulary and practice speaking skills in particular.
	Slang and Idioms	4 – 6	Students will focus on the kind of language they are likely to hear in popular culture and everyday conversations in English. They will learn and practice slang and idioms that they can use daily.
	Cinema and TV	4 – 6	Students can expect to cover topics such as film, TV, pop culture, celebrity culture, and media. Exercises will include things like group discussion, acting, role-play, improvisation, writing, and reading.
	Grammar	4 – 6	Students will develop their grammar skills in the classroom. Each week they will focus on a different grammar topic and theme.
	Vocabulary	4 – 6	Students will learn and practice different sets of vocabulary. Each week the class will focus on a new set of vocabulary words centered around a theme or content group.
	Advanced Skills	7 – 8	Students will practice and develop their core four skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing). Each week a theme will be presented to the students and each day the class will engage in activities that center around one of those four skills.
	Cambridge FCE Preparation	6	Exam skills for the Cambridge: First Certificate exam

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	Cambridge CAE Preparation	7 – 8	Exam skills for the Cambridge: Advanced Certificate exam
New York	College Bound	5+	This is a multi-skill class designed for students who are interested in entering a vocational or academic program. The content of the course is English taught in the context of college preparedness. Students will receive an introduction to academic skills and English language skills needed for successful transition and participation in higher education.
	Fashion, Art and Design	4+	Lessons will focus on areas such as fashion theory, art history, architecture, photography, print and digital. Students will develop their language skills, and embark on educational visits into New York.
	Fluency and Discussion	3+	Students will focus on a particular area of interest in this class. They will learn to communicate effectively and confidently in this particular context and to understand situations relating to the subject, as well as equipping them with the necessary subject-specific vocabulary, skills and knowledge.
	Elementary Conversation and Pronunciation	2+	This class aims to make students more comfortable in handling a variety of everyday scenarios that commonly occur in their host culture. They will cover vocabulary and phrase building, speaking, pronunciation practice, and more. In addition to holding conversations on a variety of topics (personal, family, home, education, etc.), students will play games designed to improve pronunciation.
	Business English	4+	The content of the course is English taught in the context of business topics. It incorporates discussions, readings, speaking skills and case studies into weekly units organized by different business topics.
Oxford	Art & Design	2+	Flexible course to develop students technical artistic skills and related language competence. Students will be able to work on their portfolio if required.
	Speaking	3+	Each week students work on a different topic developing their speaking strategies, vocabulary, pronunciation and listening comprehension.
	Reading & Writing	3+	Students study different types of text and can practise and get feedback on their writing skills.
	Pre-IELTS	3+	This is an introduction to the IELTS exam for lower level students. They have a practice test at the end of a six week course.
	IELTS Preparation	4+	IELTS exam technique and strategy combined with vocabulary, grammar and skills development.
	Academic Reading and Writing	5+	Students learn from a range of text types and work on skills necessary to help construct similar texts of their own as well as managing vocabulary found in academic texts.
	Discussion Skills	5+	Each week students work on a different topic developing their speaking strategies, debating skills, vocabulary, pronunciation and listening comprehension.
	Business English	5+	Students will learn business vocabulary and have a chance to practise a mixture of skills such as giving presentations and writing emails.
	Cambridge FCE Preparation	5+	Exam skills for the Cambridge: First Certificate exam
Cambridge CAE Preparation	6+	Exam skills for the Cambridge: Advanced Certificate exam	

Please note: This list is up to date as of October 2019, and is subject to change without advanced notice. Specific Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are not guaranteed, as they rotate on a regular basis based on student needs and demand.