

TOEFL SmartClass



The **Kings TOEFL SmartClass** course is ideal for students who want to prepare thoroughly for the TOEFL exam. In addition to developing TOEFL skills and strategies, you will improve your overall academic English proficiency so that you are fully equipped for study at a US college or university.

Section 1: The essentials

Key facts

Start dates: Every Monday

Levels available: Kings Level 5+ (Intermediate)

Class sizes: Minimum 4, Maximum 8

Minimum age: 16+

Minimum course duration: 1 week

Lesson times

■ EST (US English): 09:00, 17:00, 19:00

Price: US \$225 per week

Included in the price

- 22.5 hours of structured language learning
 - 12.5 hours of live teacher led TOEFL preparation
 - 5 hours of structured interactive exercises
 - 5 hours of structured self-study
- Live group workshops focused on specific exam techniques, practice examinations and online tutorials with your teacher
- Initial level test, weekly assignments, group participation and progress tests
- Access to Classmate the Kings online learning platform
- 12 months access to Microsoft Office 365
- Official end of course Certificate with level assigned

Please note: the TOEFL test fee is not included in the course price and should be booked separately. Please see the <u>official TOEFL website</u> for further details and booking.

Section 2: Course structure and content

Course Structure

22.5 hours

- 7.5 hours of live TOEFL preparation lessons (2 x 45 minutes per day)
- 5 hours of live TOEFL skills workshops/ testing exercises
- 5 hours of structured interactive exercises with other students
- 5 hours of structured self-study

Course Content / Curriculum

TOEFL SmartClass is designed to improve students' overall English language proficiency, build academic vocabulary, and enhance student performance on academic tasks in all sections of the exam.

Experienced instructors who have a track record of success teach the TOEFL classes. They help students achieve the maximum possible TOEFL score by creating an individual study plan and by providing regular feedback. Classes may be supplemented by reading additional literary materials to strengthen vocabulary and comprehension skills.

Students also have access to full-length practice tests so that they become comfortable with the exam's online format and the time pressure. To further accelerate their improvement, students also have access to thousands of extra online practice exercises.

Kings Recommendation

We recommend that students begin training at least four weeks before they take the real exam. Depending on their level, some students may require longer periods of study before taking the TOEFL exam to reach their test goals.

Students can request additional assistance on specific TOEFL skills during their Guided Study lessons.

Assessment

Continuous assessment helps students check their progress towards their goal and see their own improvement on a regular basis. Students begin with a diagnostic test and are then assessed on a weekly basis with assignments, participation, and tests.

They have online access to one full-length test per month during their course and hundreds of practice exercises. Students can review their incorrect answers with detailed explanations of the correct answers.

Sample timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday						
09.00 - 10.30 TOEFL Preparation	Reading skills: Word families and the academic word list, how to paraphrase	Writing skills: Pre-writing, agreement and disagreement prompts, discussing both sides of an argument, visual brainstorming technique	Speaking skills: Stating a preference, describing a successful person, topic statement grammar and language check, describe an important lesson learned, describe a skill you would like to learn	Listening and speaking skills: Recognizing signal words and predicting	Progress testing: writing the Comparison Essay						
10.30 – 11.00	BREAK										
11.00 – 12.00 Seminar/Group work	Speaking: Video — university interviews about junk food	Vocabulary: Most common vocabulary words practice exercises	Reading and listening: Responding to reference questions, note-taking	Listening: responding to detailed questions, listening practice	Mock TOEFL test						
12:00 – 13:00 Interactive exercises	Pair work: Listen to a newscast and discuss w/a partner	Group work: Talk about your dream job	Pair Work: Listening passage practice	Group work: Discuss the use of context in determining meaning	Group work: Recognize referents						
1 hour daily Self-study exercises	Writing Skills: Independent writing	Reading Skills: Dividing sentences into meaningful parts	Listening: Understand the gist	Speaking: Free choice response practice	Vocabulary: Most common words list						

Section 3: The SmartClass Advantage

1. Choose your perfect course

Kings SmartClass courses are designed for specialist outcomes. A range of courses suits different needs:

- IELTS SmartClass →
- TOEFL SmartClass →
- Essential English SmartClass →

2. Live learning experience

SmartClass uses Microsoft Teams to make learning come alive.

- Interact with teacher and classmates in real time
- Live whitehoard
- Share screens, files, video and chat
- Break out into smaller groups
- Students also have access to a huge range of learning resources including video, audio and text-based materials.

3. Live teacher contact time

At the heart of every *SmartClass* course is direct live contact time with our expert Kings teachers. Students have **12.5 hours** per week of live interaction with their teacher.

Classes of between **4 – 8 students** mean lots of personalised teacher contact.

Optional **1-2-1 lessons** can also be added. Prices on request and subject to availability.

4. Lessons to suit different time zones

Students can choose lessons delivered according to their own time zone.

This can be requested when booking.

5. Friends from around the world

With **SmartClass** students can share learning with new friends from all over the world. They can interact with their new friends in class, out of class — and stay friends after their course has finished

6. Real outcomes

Progress is tracked through regular assessment of class participation, tests and assignments. Every student completing the full course receives a Kings Certificate of Completion.

Students preparing for IELTS or TOEFL will be fully prepared to maximise their test scores.



"Working from home has helped me learn perseverance. I have more time to work on TOEFL now. I meet with my teacher almost every day to work on TOEFL exercises and she also gives me things to practice during my free time."



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"SmartClass has proven that online teaching, and thereby facilitating learning, is achievable. Most of the methodological process we use (such as engaging students through key words, quotes, images, etc., using audio and video, reading, writing, and discussion) are replicable.

"Pair work/small group work...is achievable through 'break-out rooms'. We have all learned new delivery techniques that build upon traditional teaching techniques, which has opened up new potentialities"



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Section 4: Practical Information

Technical requirements

It's easy to get started with **SmartClass**. For the most immersive experience we recommend a modern laptop or PC. But students can also use a smart phone.

Basic requirements

- Laptop computer/phone/tablet
- Stable internet connection
- Microsoft Teams download

Further technical information

If you would like further details, you can visit this page:

Requirements for Microsoft Teams →

To download Microsoft Teams: Microsoft Teams Download →

How to book

We've made booking a **SmartClass** course as quick and simple as possible:

<u>Book course</u> →

Notes on bookings

- Students must book with at least 48 hours' notice prior to course start date (excluding weekends)
- Students will first need to take the online Kings level test to be placed into the correct class. This must be taken under exam conditions without dictionary/internet assistance. Please submit this with your booking for the most efficient response.

 Take the test here →
- Confirmation of booking will be sent within 24 hours of receiving the level test.
- Students will receive details of their class times/level and the log in details to join their SmartClass course 24 hours before the start of their course.
- Payment can be made via our online payment platform or by bank transfer/credit card. See our <u>How to Book page</u> for further details.

Time zones

This chart shows when **TOEFL** *Smart* Class lessons are running for each time zone.

TOEFL SmartClasses (US English)			Moscow	Istanbul	Dubai	Delhi	Bangkok	Shanghai	Taipei	Seoul	Tokyo	Sao Paulo	Bogota	Mexico DF
EST (Boston)	9	10	10	10	11	12	14	15	15	16	16	4	2	2
09:00	15:00	16:00	16:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	20:00	21:00	21:00	22:00	22:00	10:00	08:00	08:00
17:00	23:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	01:00	02:00	04:00	05:00	05:00	06:00	06:00	18:00	16:00	16:00
19:00	01:00	02:00	02:00	02:00	03:00	04:00	06:00	07:00	07:00	08:00	08:00	20:00	18:00	18:00