

# EC Virtual Standard



## WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT ON THIS COURSE?

### Why Choose EC Virtual?

#### 1. Smaller Classrooms (10 students max)

- Allows for more intensive learning
- Increased time for teacher-to-student interaction
- Closer monitoring of speaking and listening
- More personalised feedback from the teacher

#### 2. Collaborative Sessions

- Students work freely and independently with each other, replicating real life workplace collaboration
- More time for student reflection and interaction
- Microsoft Teams allows students to message, video call and share documents
- All collaborations are monitored by the teacher, but the main interactions are among students

#### 3. Classroom Dynamics

- Whole-class activities with participation from all students
- Collaborating in a multi-cultural environment

#### 4. Curriculum

- Virtual classes will follow the same in-school EC curriculum
- All classes use National Geographic Learning eBook adapted for online delivery
- Learning is supplemented by our learning platform, EC Online

#### 5. Flexibility

- 2 different time zones
- Classes are held 2 days per week so will not interrupt other commitments
- Option to boost their English further by adding private classes (€50 per 45-minute class)

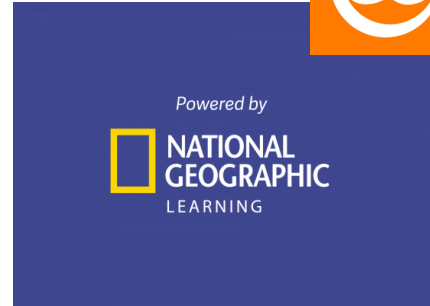
### Included with every course:

- Live classes at a time chosen by individual students. Multiple time zones available
- Lessons delivered by qualified, experienced English teachers
- 2 days of 90-min face-to-face virtual English classes
- 30 mins a day of structured classmate collaboration
- Unlimited self-study with access to materials on EC Online
- Learner Oriented Assessment
- FREE access to Microsoft Office for the duration of the course, including Word, PowerPoint, and much more!
- Ability to upgrade and add one-to-one lessons

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Meet our teachers from around the world [here](#)



### COURSE DURATION

Course duration: 4 weeks minimum

### COURSE START DATES

5th Jan, 9th Feb, 16th Mar, 20th Apr,  
25th May, 29th Jun, 3 Aug, 7th Sept,  
12th Oct, 16th Nov

## WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT ON THIS PROGRAMME?

### How does it work?

#### 1. Before class (15mins)

The teacher will set up a pre-class assignment with relevant questions for students to prepare for the class. This can be anything from reading or listening from the course book, a relevant video or article, or a Flashpoint from EC Online. Students are able to come to class prepared to fully participate and get their best from the lesson.

#### 2. During class (45mins)

Small groups of 8-10 students from around the world collaborate via video call with their teacher. They outline objectives and goals, discuss the questions and task(s) from the pre-class assignment, review any questions and set up the post-class collaborative activity as well as the pre-class assignment for the next day.

*Students should be prepared for a much more intensive class than a normal face-to-face session!*

#### 3. After class (30mins)

Students are asked to work on a writing or speaking post-class collaborative activity, which they upload on Teams. Each assignment has clear success criteria to help students self-evaluate, set their own goals and see their progress. They discuss virtually with their group and the teacher monitors the chat.

### Sample Timetable:

	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	Duration/session
Before the lesson	Prepare the topic and key vocabulary	Prepare the topic and key vocabulary	15 mins
Face to face lesson	Language / skills input	Language / skills input	45 mins
Break			10 mins
Face to face lesson	Language / skills practice	Language / skills practice	45 mins
After the lesson	Practice & production	Practice & production	30 mins

## THIS COURSE IS SUITABLE FOR STUDENTS

- who want to build or improve their English ability in all areas and skills
- who want to learn before/after full immersion
- who cannot travel or are quarantining

### Class Time Zones

Students can choose between their school's local time zone or the following time table (in case the student is back in-country).

London	10:00	18:00
Rome	11:00	19:00
Riyadh	12:00	20:00
Sao Paulo	06:00	14:00
Tokyo	18:00	02:00

*Please note that the clock changes in the UK in the last week of October and last week of March. This will impact the local time of lessons.*