

COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND BUSINESS ENGLISH COURSE FOR WORKING PROFESSIONALS

BUILD YOUR CONFIDENCE. BE MORE ACCURATE.

Communication skills, or rather **effective** communication skills are crucial in the business environment. Regardless of your rank or role profile, every employee is expected to be able to communicate confidently and accurately. Whether it is written or spoken, business communication is integral to the success of your career and the organisation you work for.

SYNOPSIS

This interactive course helps you build the skills needed to communicate successfully in the modern business environment. Through case study scenarios, role plays, questionnaires and mini presentations, you will develop techniques to ensure you become more effective in your work life and communicate in a clearer and more confident manner. Be it written or spoken, you will get plenty language input and practice with real world scenarios.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Useful language for various business settings, from written documents such as emails, reports and memos to spoken contexts such as meetings, presentations, networking and negotiations.
- Essential vocabulary for the modern work environment, regardless of industry
- Grammar essentials and common errors Malaysians make
- Clearer writing that conveys your message succinctly and accurately while developing a rapport with the reader
- Increased confidence in spoken English pronunciation
- English for various soft skills required in meetings, presentations, telephone conversations and different social events
- · Confidence to practice writing and speaking in all contexts and with all levels of audience

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Module 1

WRITING: Better Emails	SPEAKING: Presentation Skills	SOFT SKILLS: Communicate with Confidence 1
Week 1Fundamentals of emailsDiagnostic task: email6Cs: Making writing meaningful	 Week 4 Fundamentals of presentations Diagnostic task: 5-min presentation Features of a good presentation 	 Week 7 Fundamentals of communication Diagnostic task: elevator pitch Body language and controlling your message Communication styles
Week 2Structure: BLADE vs ODACOrganising your messageGrammar: tenses	Week 5Controlling nerves: recognising and overcomingOrdering information	Week 8FlexingVoice: volume, pace and pausing
Week 3Proofreading skillsFinal task: email	Week 6 • Grammar: describing trends - Movement - Degrees of change • Final task: 5-min presentation	Week 9 & 10 • Consolidation sessions

Module 2

WRITING: Business Writing Essentials	SPEAKING: Being Effective in Meetings	SOFT SKILLS: Communicate with Confidence 2
 Week 1 Fundamentals of business writing Diagnostic task: students' choice POWER: the writing process Register: Formal v informal language Recognizing Using 	 Week 4 Fundamentals of meetings Diagnostic task: mini-meeting Roles in a meeting and vocab Signposting Opinions (Dis)agreeing 	Week 7 • Barriers to communication • Active listening
Week 2 • Grammar: SVA - Singular/plural - Final -s - Old-fashioned v modern English - Malaysian English	 Week 5 Signposting InterruptingPreventing interruptions Grammar: checking understanding Mirroring and rephrasing 	 Week 8 Grammar: question forms Direct v indirect Follow-up questions Putting it all together Final task: elevator pitch
Week 3Editing skillsFinal task: students' choice	Week 6Chairing a meeting: keeping everything on trackFinal task: meeting roleplay	Week 9 & 10 • Consolidation sessions