



Specialist Language Courses

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ENGLISH LEVEL: B2-C1
Upper-intermediate – Advanced

Reach OET B

OET PREPARATION FROM EUROPE'S FIRST ACCREDITED PROVIDER

Reach OET Grade B with SLC!

This 50-hour online course gives you the language skills and the test techniques and strategies to achieve a Grade B in each of the four papers in the international Occupational English Test (OET).

This the grade you need to work as a nurse or a doctor in many parts of the English-speaking world, including the UK, Australia, Ireland and New Zealand.

On this course, you learn the grammar, vocabulary and skills work you need to perform at a high level; you master a wide range of language functions used in clinical settings; you learn how to understand academic medical texts and lectures and answer many different questions on them; and you practice test questions, so you know what to expect in the real test and can enter the exam room with confidence.

The course is online, so you can access it wherever you have a connection. You can study it independently as well as use it for any face-to-face training you take.

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“It was a great way to prepare for OET. I would strongly recommend to other students. Excellent, really pleased, thanks. :-)”

Olea Nicole, SLC OET Student

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“Everything was useful for me. It helped me understand how the exam works.”

Marianna Bellou, SLC OET student

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Course Content

An Introduction to the OET

- About the test
- A person experience of taking the OET
- Booking the test
- Medical and academic English
- What level do you need?

The Listening Paper

- An overview
- Medical listening skills
- Section A listening to consultations
- Section B listening to workplace language
- Section C listening to talks and presentations
- Analyse language and structure
- Compare medical and everyday language
- Understand numbers and statistics
- Understand abbreviations and acronyms
- Practice different activity types
- Practice taking test questions

The Writing Paper

- An overview
- Plan letters
- Analyse case notes
- Write referral letters
- Use the correct format and structure
- Use appropriate language
- Describe complaints and symptoms
- Describe about past medical history
- Describe diseases and conditions
- Describe tests, treatments, medications and surgery
- Make requests
- Say what different healthcare professionals do
- Practice taking test questions

The Reading Paper

- An overview
- Section A rapid text analysis and summary
- Section B short workplace texts
- Section C longer articles
- Analyse different types of medical texts
- Understand graphs and tables
- Read for gist and detail
- Understand opinion and attitude
- Practice different activity types
- Practice taking test questions

The Speaking Paper

- An overview
- Analyse different role plays
- The structure and format of the test
- Manage the warm-up conversation
- Start the role play
- Use appropriate questions
- Describe symptoms and pain
- Describe tests, treatment, medications & side-effects
- Explain wound care and dressings
- Give advice and explanations
- Communicate empathetically and effectively
- Use everyday language
- Practice taking test questions

About Specialist Language Courses (SLC)

Based at the University of Sussex, SLC is the UK's leading provider of English language training to the UK healthcare sector. SLC provides:

- OET assessment and test preparation programmes for international nurses. SLC was the first accredited OET Premium Provider in the UK and Europe.
- IELTS assessment and preparation programmes for international doctors and nurses.
- Online Clinical English courses for doctors, nurses, healthcare assistants and carers.
- Online English courses for Medical Terminology, Medical Academic Purposes and Pharmacy

We work with 100s of candidates every year and specialise in working with healthcare professionals. Clients include many NHS Trusts, private healthcare groups, international healthcare recruitment companies and international medical universities.

This course was written by Virginia Allum, SLC's Head of Medical English, an OET expert and internationally renowned medical English writer, lecture and trainer.



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