

Elocution course program

The course programme consists of the below listed units and each course can be tailored to the individuals' particular requirements.

We charge £35 for online lessons and up to two individuals can participate at no additional cost. A 5% discount is given for advance block bookings of ten lessons.

Pronunciation of vowels, consonants, words and sentences

- (a) The phonetic alphabet
- (b) Vowel sounds
- (c) Implementing the correct vowel sounds into words and sentences
- (d) Consonant sounds
- (e) Consonant clusters at the start and end of words and across words
- (f) Implementing the correct consonant sounds into words and sentences

Stress in words and sentences

- (a) Word stress
- (b) Suffixes and word stress
- (c) Prefixes and word stress
- (d) Stress in nouns
- (e) Stress in adjectives and abbreviations
- (f) One and two stress phrasal verbs

Stressed syllables and unstressed syllables

- (a) Vowels in unstressed syllables in content words
- (b) Syllabic consonants
- (c) Important function words
- (d) Weak function words

Pronunciation in conversational speech and characteristics of fluent speech

- (a) Linking sounds
- (b) Ellipsis and close ellipsis
- (c) Omitting consonant sounds and words, which lose a syllable
- (d) Contracted forms

Arranging information in conversation

- (a) Dividing speech into units
- (b) Important words in speech units and also in relation to personal and reflexive pronouns
- (c) Fixed phrases
- (d) Idioms in sentences
- (e) Non-prominent empty words and vague expressions

Intonation in informing, questioning and responding

- (a) Fall and rise tones
- (b) Tails
- (c) Questions, question tags, cleft sentences and repeat questions
- (d) Comparisons and contradictions
- (e) Reservation and demands
- (f) Attitude words and exclamations

Pronunciation in formal situations

- (a) Separating prepared speech blocks
- (b) Step-ups and step-downs
- (c) Tones, including level tone when quoting and creating suspense

The course programme is committed to:

- ✓ Promoting independent learning
- ✓ Understanding key aspects of English pronunciation
- ✓ Offering guidance
- ✓ Developing new speaking habits