

Information and Pre-Interview Tasks 2023



TECSOL

Teaching English to Child Speakers of Other Languages.

TECSOL is an intensive 6-week teacher training course for non-native English speakers where you study both the theory and practice of English Language Teaching to children aged between 6 and 12 years old. This NZQA approved course is based on best practice in communicative language teaching and includes peer teaching as well as a visit to a local primary school. It also prepares students for the TKT YL module awarded by Cambridge English Teaching Qualifications.

To meet the entry requirements for this course you need to:

- have a minimum level in English of Upper-Intermediate (B2 to Advanced (C1) or IELTS 5.0 (or subject to interview if you are below this).
- fulfil the NZLC application criteria.
- be aged 18 or over.

TECSOL Course Contents:

- Methodology based on current trends and theories of language learning.
- Roles of teachers and learners
- Language and skills teaching
- Background to language learner and teaching
- Language awareness for teaching purposes
- Lesson planning and resource development
- Managing the classroom



Key Features of the course:

- Taught by highly experienced and qualified teacher trainers
- NZQA Level 4 approved course completion certificate
- 5 peer-teaching sessions with written and oral feedback and 3 assessed written tasks and homework
- Performance reports from trainers and supported study time
- TKT Young Learner Module preparation
- Work placement / work experience support provided and opportunities to work as a Teacher Aide at NZLC
- Pre-course task provided
- A primary school visit and lesson observations
- Library visit to learn about their literacy programmes

SAMPLE TIMETABLE:

	Monday		Tuesday to Friday
13:45 – 15:15	Input Session	13:45 – 14:45	Input Session
15:30 – 16:30	Input Session	15:00 – 16:00	Preparation & Feedback
17:00 – 18:30	Input Session	16:30 – 18:30	Teaching Practice

TKT YOUNG LEARNERS:

Cambridge

English Teaching

Cambridge Assessment
English

Authorised Centre

NZLC
NEW ZEALAND LANGUAGE CENTRES

TKT: Young Learners (80 minutes / 80 questions)

What is TKT: Young Learners?

TKT: Young Learners is a test of the knowledge of the strategies and skills required to teach young learners. It is suitable for international teachers working, or intending to work, in the primary sector of education.

What does TKT: Young Learners test?

TKT: Young Learners tests the background knowledge related to teaching young learners in the 6–12 age range. It also tests understanding of planning lessons, different teaching strategies and assessing learning.

The test is divided into four parts:

- Learning and development in young learners.
- Planning lessons for young learners.
- Teaching strategies for young learners.
- Classroom-based assessment for young learners.

TECSOL Fees:

- Enrolment Fee: \$250
- TECSOL 6 week course: \$2880
- Material Fee: \$100

TKT Fees:

- TECSOL TKT Young Learner - \$120
- Additional postage fee

Reissuing of TKT Certificate:

Cambridge University cannot reissue Cambridge TKT certificates. NZLC TECSOL certificates and reports can be issued at a cost of \$50 per document.

TKT Booking & Payment Options:

- Your enrolment is accepted when your applicant test fee is received.
- Full payment is required at least 7 weeks in advance of your test date (failure to do so will result in your booking being cancelled).
- Cancellations can be accepted no less than 7 weeks prior to the test date with a cancellation fee of \$50.
- Postponements will only be accepted 5 weeks prior to the test date with a surcharge of \$50.
- Late applications can be accepted with full payment of the test fee plus a late fee of \$30 per module. This must be received no later than 5 weeks prior to the test date.
- **NO** changes to applicant details are possible less than 7 weeks prior to the test date.

What to bring on your TKT test date:

- Photo ID (passport / International Student ID / Driver's license) & An eraser and pencil to write with.

What is the test date schedule?

- TKT Young Learners – 5.00 p.m. - 6.20 p.m.

When will the certificate arrive?

Approximately 5 – 6 weeks after the date of the test.



2023 Course Dates:

TECSOL Auckland + (TKT Young Learners Module Dates)

- 20 Feb – 31 Mar (31 Mar)
- 7 Aug– 15 Sep (15 Sep)

STUDENT DETAILS

Today's date:	
Name:	
Nationality:	
Date of birth:	
Are you a current NZLC student?	<input type="checkbox"/> No Please complete the NZLC Online General English Placement test - https://nzlc.ac.nz/online-placement-test/ Or send us your IELTS score (IELTS 5.0 +) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Student ID: _____ Current Level: _____
Course Start Date (1 st choice):	
Course Start Date (2 nd choice):	
Home Telephone Number:	
Mobile Telephone Number:	
Email Address:	
Skype Address:	
Other languages spoken:	
Have you taken a teacher training course before:	<input type="checkbox"/> No. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Please give details:
Why are you interested in doing the TECSOL course?	<input type="checkbox"/> Employment / career in teaching <input type="checkbox"/> University study in English <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in teaching <input type="checkbox"/> Other Please give more details regarding your answer above:
Do you have experience of the following?	<input type="checkbox"/> Teaching a class of students <input type="checkbox"/> Work as a teacher aide <input type="checkbox"/> Work in an English-speaking country <input type="checkbox"/> Living in an English-speaking country Please give more details regarding your answer above:

STUDENT DECLARATION

Do you agree with the following?

- I feel I will be able to teach pre-intermediate students
- I can read academic text
- I will learn teaching terminology for the Cambridge exams
- I can easily understand when I listen to others
- I always participate in speaking activities
- I will follow my teacher trainer's advice
- I really want to do this course
- I have read the following summary of this course:

Duration: 6 weeks (Monday to Friday)

Input sessions:

- Language analysis
- Classroom management
- Lesson planning
- Other teaching skills

Teaching practice /Excursions:

- 3hrs peer teaching (other TECSOL students)
- Primary school visit
- Library workshop

Assignments:

- Language skills (reading and speaking/writing)
- Language analysis (grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation)
- Reflection on school visit

Exams:

- Cambridge TKT test
- Young Learner module (Friday, week 6: 5.00 p.m. – 6.20 p.m.)

This in an intensive course with:

- Homework tasks and readings
- Detailed lesson preparation
- Assignment writing
- Exam revision

These tasks will take place both during and after school hours.

Do you have any questions / comments?

TECSOL Course Acceptance Terms and Conditions

Course entry is subject to meeting the placement test and / or Interview requirements. Acceptance or rejection onto the course is at the discretion of the Head of Teacher Training.

Declaration: I have read through and understand the above information:

Name: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____

STUDENT WRITING TASK

You need to complete a piece of writing using the following title. However, it needs to be handwritten and should either be scanned and e-mailed as an attachment or posted to NZLC. You may print this page to use if you wish.

**Why do you think you will be an effective English language teacher for children?
In what ways do you think teaching children is different to teaching adults English?**

STUDENT WRITING TASK