

ESOL classes in Leeds

Classes taught by paid, qualified teachers

Organisation and location	Details	How to apply	Childcare
Leeds City College Enfield Centre Roundhay Road LS7 1RE Buses 12/13 from Headrow/New Briggate/Harehills	- Classes at all levels from Beginner. - Two or three lessons per week from Sep- Jun - Free for asylum seekers in the UK for more than 6 months. Reduced fees for some other people, call the college for details.	Apply February or March to start classes in September. Call in and get a form from Reception. Ask for 'ESOL application form'. Call 0113 2846474 for fee details.	There is no crèche in the college but they can help with childcare in the local area.
Leeds City College Beeston Burton Avenue, LS11 5ER	They have their own system for ESOL applications, it can be easier to get a place.	Call in to Reception or call 0113 3861997	They may be able to help with childcare.
Learning Partnerships Burton Business Park Hudson Road, LS9 7DN Buses 4/16 from Boar Lane/side of bus station, 42 from Headrow	Classes at lower levels, some are free, some low cost. Short courses, one or two lessons per week for 12 – 16 weeks.	Call in and fill in a simple form at Reception OR Apply on line	No childcare but may be able to help to find places at local Children's Centres etc.
Leeds English Language School Burley Hill, Burley Road, LS4 2PU Buses 49, 50 from Headrow	Currently nothing available	Call 0113 2883046 to book a place Email Alister.dos@leedsenglish.com	No childcare
Action English (now under Centre of English Studies) 9 Park place Leeds LS12RU Buses 5 from bus station	- General English classes at different levels (not Beginner). - Free 2 hour lessons every week day 2-4pm - Assessment carried out before starting - Enrol two weeks in advance.	Go to the school any morning between 9 – 11.30 am to enrol 011324 27171 leeds@ces-schools.com	No childcare
The Leeds School of English Stewart House, St Andrews Court, LS3 1JY Bus 49, 50 from Headrow	Fridays 1-2.30pm. 'Explorer' social activities, ranging from walks to visiting local places. All levels welcome. Free.	Just turn up Call 0113 245 6476	No childcare
Archway 95 Roundhay Road, LS8 5AQ Bus 12, 13 from Vicar Lane or New Briggate	Informal Conversational English for 16-25 year olds, mixed level class. Wednesday 13:00 – 15:00	Call- 07496888657 Email- info.archway@gipsil.org.uk	No childcare, but feel free to bring your children

<p>Aspire-igen 1 Eastgate (4th Floor) LEEDS LS2 7LY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time course • Available to 16-19 year olds. • Achieve a City & Guilds Certificate in Reading, Writing and Speaking & Listening. • Functional skills Maths • The course is FREE • Students may be eligible for up to £40/week bursary, 75% reduction in travel costs, lunch vouchers. • Rolling starts so young people can start at any point through the year. • Weekly inductions • Those living independently would be entitled to Income Support. 	<p>Call Glyn Dean on 07825924355 or email on glyn.dean@aspire-igen.com and he will book learners onto 1 of the weekly inductions.</p>	<p>No childcare. Although learners may be eligible for care to learn to fund childcare places at a nursery/child minder.</p>
<p>RETAS 233-237 Roundhay Road LS8 4HS Buses 12 or 13 from Vicar Lane or New Briggate</p>	<p>IELTS (International English Language Testing System) classes for those wanting to study at University 10 week course: Weds, Thurs, Fri 10.30-12pm Join any time Price- Refugees, asylum seekers, people with ILR and their spouses £2.50 per hour Everyone else £5 per hour</p>	<p>Call- 0113 380 5630</p>	<p>No childcare</p>

Classes taught by trained volunteers

Organisation and location	Details	Contact	Additional information
<p>St Vincent's Support Centre York Road LS9 9LF Bus from St Peter's Street number 56</p>	<p>Free to everyone Various classes. Contact Julie</p>	<p>Julie Linley 0113 248 4126</p>	<p>No childcare</p>
<p>St Vincent's Richmond Hill Community Centre Long Close Lane LS9 8NP</p>	<p>Free to everyone Various classes. Contact Julie</p>	<p>Julie Linley 0113 248 4126</p>	<p>No childcare</p>
<p>St Vincent's Christ Temple of Worship 20 Shannon Street LS9 8SS Bus from St Peter's Street number 56</p>	<p>Free to everyone Various classes. Contact Julie</p>	<p>Julie Linley 0113 248 4126</p>	<p>No childcare</p>
<p>St Vincent's Ebor Gardens Community Centre Haslewood Drive LS9 7PS</p>	<p>Free to everyone Various classes. Contact Julie</p>	<p>Julie Linley 0113 248 4126</p>	<p>Childcare available</p>

Free community classes taught by volunteers

Organisation and location	Day and time	Level/s	Contact	Additional information
Together Women's Project 13 Park Square East LS1 2LF City Centre, off Headrow opposite the courts	Mondays 9-11am (free breakfast) Conversational English class	Basic level	Call Yasmin 0113 3808900	Women only, no child care.
	Mondays 12.30 – 2.30pm Thurs 1-3pm English/IT class drop in	IT (computers) for English students.		
St Georges Centre Great George Street LS1 3BR Next to St George's church/crypt	Mondays 6-7.30pm	Informal classes at all levels, one level per group	0113 383 2140	No childcare.
Mill Hill Chapel (near train station) City Square LS1 5EB	Conversation Club Thursdays 2.30 – 4.30pm Free	All levels	07896 609104	No childcare.
St Annes Resource Centre 66 York Street LS9 8AA (near bus station)	FREE to anyone on any benefits Call to check start dates Short courses (10-12 weeks) at different levels, including Beginner. Small groups with some 1-1 support from teaching assistants.		Nicola Denison: Tel: 0113 2366982 Mob: 07967963219	No childcare available.
Hamara Tempest Road Leeds LS11 6RD Bus from bus station 2,3 and 3A	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9.30 – 12.30pm Wednesdays 12.30-3pm	Women only, basic	Call to check whether classes are running Hamara 0113 2773330 admin@hamara.co.uk	No childcare.
Nightingale Primary School Stanley Road LS9 7AX Buses 4, 16, 49, 50, 42	Mondays 10 – 12pm	New mixed class for beginners and improvers. For anyone, don't need to have children at the school.	volunteering@leedsb eckettsu.co.uk	

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<p>RETAS Roundhay Road Resource Centre, 233-237 Roundhay Road, LS8 4HS Buses 12/13 from Vicar Lane/New Briggate</p>	<p>Job Seekers Class Mondays 1-3pm Entry Level 2 or above Feeling at home in Leeds Wednesdays 10-12.30pm Entry Level 2 or above</p>		<p>Call 0113 380 5630</p>	<p>No childcare</p>
<p>Women's Health Matters Rainbow Hearts group Leeds Refugee Forum Cromwell Steet, LS9 7SG 49,50,50A, 42 bus from Headrow</p>	<p>Tuesday 10.30 – 12.30 Closed in summer</p>	<p>A group for asylum seeker women, including support with English learning. Please refer clients to Sally at the WHM office</p>	<p>Sally Blyth 0113 276 2851</p>	<p>Safe environment No crèche, but children welcome Free cold food and hot drinks</p>
<p>Harehills English Language Project at St Aidans Centre/Church (basement) Roundhay Road, LS8 5QD Bus 12, 13 from Vicar Lane/New Briggate</p>	<p>Tuesday and Thursday 10-12pm Term time only</p>	<p>Free Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and Literacy classes May be full but has a waiting list</p>	<p>Revd Diana Zanker 07882558717 diana@zanker.or g Or main church number 07570 999 477</p>	<p>Free crèche on both days for children aged 1 year and over</p>
<p>Harehills Lane Baptist Church 13Harehills Lane LS8 4HF Buses 12 or 13 from Vicar Lane/New Briggate</p>	<p>Thursdays during term time 10am – 11.30am</p>	<p>Basic informal English in small groups, separate classes for men and women. Free.</p>	<p>Liz New 0113 262 8080</p>	<p>Children welcome in the class, but no crèche</p>
<p>Leeds Refugee Forum/One Community Centre Cromwell Steet LS9 7SG 49,50,50A, 42 bus from Headrow (towards Fearnville/Oakwood)</p>	<p>Tuesday: 1-2.30pm, Women only Wednesday: 1.30-3.00pm (University term time only) 1-1/small group conversation class Wednesday: 6.30-8pm, Mixed group Thursday: 10 – 11.am then 11.30-1pm. Both mixed groups</p>		<p>Ali 0113 244 9600</p>	<p>Children welcome for women's group on Tuesday, but no crèche</p>
<p>Shantona Shepherd's Lane (behind Bangladeshi Ctr on Roundhay Rd)</p>	<p>10-12pm Tues and Wed</p>	<p>Also long-term English</p>	<p>Ashia Akhtar</p>	<p>Women only</p>

LS8 5AN Buses 12, 13 from Vicar Lane or New Briggate	morning- all levels conversation class	conversation class for anyone	0113 249 7120	
Vera Media Hillside, Beeston Road Leeds, LS11 8ND Bus 1 from St Johns centre/Park Row	Wednesdays 9.30-12pm Mixed level		07957 152107	Women only; free to everyone on benefits including asylum seekers.
Asha Centre (Vera Media) 47 Stratford Street Leeds, LS11 6JG Buses 2, 3 or 3a from Corn Exchange to Dewsbury Road	Fridays 9.30-12pm ESOL classes, call to ask. Sewing, computer and functional skills course. Free to those on benefits.		Zaheda Khanum 0113 270 4600	Provide child care with some classes. Women only.
Vera Media Ingram Road Primary School LS11 9LB Bus 54,55,65 and 75 from Vicar Lane	Wednesdays 9.15-11.45am Mixed level		07957 152107	Women only; free to everyone on benefits including asylum seekers.
Vera Media Hillcrest Academy Cowper Street LS7 4DR Bus 2,3 and 3A from Vicar Lane	Tuesdays 9-11.30am Mixed Level		07957 152107	Women only. Free. Crèche available
Meeting Point Christ Church Armley Ridge Road Armley, LS12 3LE Buses 5 or 16 from Wellington Street to Armley Town Street	Mondays 3.30–4.30pm as part of 3-6pm drop-in English class Monday 1.1.30-2.30pm Wednesday 11-12.30pm	Basic level and conversation Language café for Refugees and Asylum Seekers	0113 279 6700	Activities for children. Also free hot meal, advocacy, football etc.
STAR (Student Action for Refugees) Little London Community Centre Oatland Lane LS7 1SP Buses 51, 55 from New Briggate (going towards Moor Allerton)	Wednesdays 1-3.30pm (meet at the Parkinson steps at 1pm for taxi to the centre) Fridays at Velocampus (near Roger Stevens) 3pm-6pm	Large conversation class, lots of volunteer teachers working either 1-1 or in very small groups, relaxed atmosphere	Just turn up	All welcome: men, women and children. Free hot drinks and biscuits.

	Saturdays 1-4pm (meet at the Students Union foyer at 1.30pm for 10 min walk to the centre) University term time only			
Oblong/Woodhouse Community Centre 197 Woodhouse Street, LS6 2NY Buses 1, 28 or 97 from opp St John's Centre to Hyde Park corner	Wednesdays 6-8pm Drop in conversation classes Free	All levels welcome	Duncan Millard 0113 245 9610 duncan@oblongleeds.org.uk	No childcare
Liberty English Language School Bridge Street Church Bridge Street LS2 7QZ 2 minute walk from bus station	Tuesday and Wednesday 1-3pm Thursday 1-3pm (beginners) Term time only	Beginner to Upper Intermediate (3 classes) Need basic English to access	Atika 0113 281 8608 Grierson.atika@talktalk.net	£10 registration per term and need to buy a course book
Holborn Church 62 Holborn Approach Woodhouse, LS6 2PD Bus – as above or 51, 55	Wednesday and Friday 10-12 Term time only May be full – call to check	Beginner to Upper Intermediate (3 classes) Need basic English to access	Atika 0113 281 8608 Grierson.atika@talktalk.net	£10 registration a term and need to buy a course book
Compton Road Library Harehills Lane LS9 7BG Bus 42 from Headrow, 4 or 16 from train station	Tuesday 4.30-6pm Free	All levels welcome. Conversation class.	0113 3367790	No child care

ESOL classes in schools and Children's Centres

Many primary schools run short ESOL courses for parents who have children in the school, usually 2 hours per week, sometimes with childcare. Call the school to check. Some Children's Centres also sometimes run ESOL classes for any parent in the local area, sometimes with childcare.