

PRE-GCSE MATHS OR ENGLISH

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Site	Total Fees
English - Pre-GCSE, Distance Learning	20/05/2025	01/07/2025	Online Delivery	0.00
Maths - Pre-GCSE, Distance Learning	31/05/2025	05/07/2025	Online Delivery	0.00
Maths - Pre-GCSE, Distance Learning	21/05/2025	02/07/2025	Online Delivery	0.00

01. Who is this course for?

This is a short course to help inform and prepare you for a FULL GCSE course. It runs between 3 to 4 weeks depending on the time in the academic year.

02. What will I learn?

You will learn what topics are in the GCSE course; experience a taste of a few of these; learn when and how the exams are set; the levels within the GCSE and expectations from both you and us. You will be better informed and prepared to move forward with your GCSE study or look at alternative courses.

03. How will I learn?

You will be asked to complete GCSE questionnaire at the end of the short course to assess your skills are developed enough to build on and give you the best opportunity for success. To support your learning, you will have access to: BKSb, GoLearn Virtual Learning Environment (Moodle). Plus, if you are studying maths, you will also have access to MathsWatch and MyMaths. If studying online, you will be provided with a Microsoft 365 Education account which you will use to access GoLearn VLE (Moodle), MathsWatch and MyMaths (if studying maths).

04. What will I need to bring?

You will need: a PC, laptop or tablet for independent work and joining the distant learning courses and a pen and paper. For Maths courses you will need a calculator.

05. What skills or experience do I need?

Ideally you will have a recent maths or English qualification below GCSE level (for example functional skills) OR you will have had a D grade from leaving school/college. However, this is not essential if you have some good skills to build on.

08. How will I be supported in my learning?

We aim to support all learners to succeed. Our tutors will work with all learners to meet individual needs by using a range of resources and teaching methods. When you enrol on your course you will be asked if you have any additional learning needs or disabilities which may affect your learning. This might include physical disabilities, neurodivergent needs (e.g., Autistic Spectrum Disorder, ADHD, dyslexia, or dyspraxia, etc.), visual and auditory

impairments, or a medical condition which might affect your learning. Your tutor will contact you prior to joining the course to discuss what support can be put in place. For some learners, this may mean organising extra time in exams or arranging for a Learning Support Assistant to support your learning in class. We also offer a wide range of assistive technology such as reader pens, screen readers, large print keyboards and screens, alongside in-class resources such as coloured overlays, large-print resources and more.

09. Is help available with course fees?

Many of our courses are FREE to all learners. For fee-paying courses, if you are in receipt of state benefits or have a low income (£26,211.90 before deductions) you could be entitled to enrol on your course for FREE, or at a 70% Reduced Fee cost. If your course is accredited (working towards a formal qualification) your course may be FREE if you earn under £25,000 before deductions. Some exclusions apply, eligibility for fee reduction is subject to change, and you may be required to provide evidence of earnings. If the amount you must pay for your course is over £50, we offer instalment plans which break down the cost of learning into a set number of easy monthly payments. If you need help with the wider costs of study, such as childcare, resources, travel, and transport costs, you may be eligible to have these costs reimbursed through our Discretionary Learner Support Fund. Visit us online for more details, and to download the online application form.

10. How do I choose the right course for me?

If you are unsure about which course may be right for you, our team of Learning and Work Advisers are on hand to offer FREE and impartial information, advice and guidance on learning and work options available to you. To book your free, confidential, and impartial appointment, please call FREEphone 0800 988 0308 or email LALS.LWA@leics.gov.uk.