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# TEFL & Languages

## Internationally accredited TEFL

120 to 300-hour TEFL certificates and modern language courses for teaching abroad and practical fluency.

### AT A GLANCE

Hours	120 to 300-hour TEFL
Accreditation	Internationally recognised
Duration	6 weeks to 6 months
Study mode	100% online
Job board access	Included with TEFL

TRUSTED BY 4.5 MILLION+ LEARNERS

TQUK accredited

International

Job board

## Speak to a course advisor

Free advice, no obligation. Monday to Friday, 8:30am – 6:00pm.

CALL US ON

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## In plain English

### Q. How many TEFL hours do I need?

A 120-hour TEFL is the international employer standard. The 120-hour TEFL certificate is the global minimum standard for paid English-teaching roles abroad and online. Shorter courses (40-hour, 60-hour) exist as introductions but do not meet most employer requirements. The 180-hour and 300-hour TEFL options add specialisations (Young Learners, Business English, Online Teaching) that improve your application and rate. All learndirect TEFL certificates are internationally recognised and include job board access.

### Inside this guide

A 30-page guide to choosing a TEFL course, picking a country, and earning your first £2,000 per month teaching English.

- Country-by-country comparison: pay, visa, lifestyle
- 120 vs 180 vs 300-hour TEFL decision matrix
- Top 10 online platforms ranked by pay and reliability
- Sample TEFL CV that got hired in Vietnam

### Your route into TEFL teaching

Three steps from enrolment to your first paid teaching role.

#### STEP 1 STEP 2 STEP 3

Complete a 120-hour Specialise (optional) Apply through the job TEFL Add Young Learners (for board The 120-hour course covers ages 4 to 12), Business Use the included TEFL job grammar, lesson planning, English (for corporate board to apply for roles. classroom management, and clients), or Teaching Online Online platforms (English TEFL methodology. Most modules. These add 60 to Online, Cambly, Preply) hire learners complete in 6 to 12 180 hours and improve your immediately. Country-specific weeks of part-time study. hourly rate and employability. roles (Vietnam, South Korea, This is the certificate Spain) typically pay £1,000 to employers want to see. £2,200 per month with accommodation.

## Why study TEFL & Languages with learndirect

100% online, fully flexible Study from anywhere, anytime. No commute, no classroom hours. Designed to fit around full-time work, parenting, and shift patterns.

### Tutor support throughout

Dedicated subject specialists mark your assignments, answer your questions, and guide you from enrolment to certificate.

Pay monthly with 0% interest Spread your fees across 9, 12 or 24 months with no credit checks and no hidden charges. Start your course today, settle the rest later.

Trusted by 25,000+ Trustpilot reviewers learndirect is one of the UK's largest and most established online learning providers, with a five-star rating across thousands of independent reviews.

### Recognised qualifications

Every course leads to a regulated certificate from a UK awarding body, ready to share with employers, universities, or professional bodies.

### Courses in TEFL & Languages

This faculty currently offers 3 regulated qualifications. Prices below are full one-off fees. All courses also offer 0% monthly payment plans spread across 9, 12 or 24 months.

Course Awarding body From

Part-Time Trinity CertTESOL (Level 5) ? RQF Trinity College London £999

## Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Level

Gatehouse Awards £449.99 5 Advanced Diplo...

## Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Level

### Gatehouse Awards £799

5 Advanced Diplo...

See the full live list at [pathways.learndirect.com/faculties/tefl-languages](https://pathways.learndirect.com/faculties/tefl-languages).

### How payment works

Option How it works Best for

Pay in full Single one-off payment when you enrol. Learners who want the simplest option.

9-month plan Equal monthly instalments over 9 months. 0% interest. Most popular. Lines up with course duration.

12-month plan Equal monthly instalments over 12 months. 0% interest. Lower monthly outlay.

24-month plan Equal monthly instalments over 24 months. 0% interest. Longest, smallest monthly cost.

No interest, no credit checks, no hidden fees. If you ever want to pay off your balance early, you can settle the remainder at any time at no extra cost.

### Frequently asked questions

#### Q. Is a 120-hour TEFL enough?

Yes for most employers. The 120-hour TEFL is the international employer standard for paid English-teaching roles in schools, language academies, and online platforms. Some high-paying markets (Middle East, top-tier South Korean schools) prefer 150+ hours and a Bachelor's degree.

### Q. Do I need a degree to teach abroad?

Not always. Some countries (most of South-East Asia, parts of Latin America, parts of Europe) hire TEFL-certified teachers without a degree. Other regions (East Asia, Middle East) require a Bachelor's degree for work visas. Online teaching platforms have varying degree requirements.

### Q. Are learndirect TEFL certificates internationally recognised?

Yes. Our TEFL certificates are internationally accredited and accepted by language schools, online platforms, and visa-issuing employers worldwide. The certificate states the course hours, accreditation, and a unique verification reference.

### Q. Can I teach online with a TEFL certificate?

Yes. Platforms like Cambly, Preply, italki, and English Online all accept 120-hour TEFL certificates. Some platforms (VIPKid for Chinese learners) require additional credentials or a Bachelor's degree. Online teaching pays £8 to £25 per hour depending on platform and your profile.

### Q. How long does the 120-hour course take?

Most learners complete in 6 to 12 weeks on a part-time basis. Intensive learners can complete in 3 weeks. The course is 100% online and self-paced, with no fixed end date.

### Q. Is there practical teaching included?

Our standard 120-hour course is theory and methodology only. We offer an Observed Teaching Practice add-on (in-person or via video submission) for learners who want to add practical experience to their CV. This is recommended for higher-tier employers.

### Q. Can I switch to teaching language other than English?

Our TEFL qualifications are specifically for teaching English as a foreign language. For teaching other languages (Spanish, French, etc.) you would typically need native or near-native fluency, plus teaching methodology training specific to that language.

## Get TEFL-certified and teach English worldwide

Speak to an adviser about which TEFL hours fit your goal: teach online, teach abroad, or both.

Speak to an advisor: 0800 101 901 | [pathways.learndirect.com](https://pathways.learndirect.com)

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