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## Guide to English Language Learning & Advice Services

for **Migrants & Non-English  
Speakers** in Cork City



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for Migrants & Non-English Speakers in Cork City

This guide has details of English language learning services and integration opportunities for Migrants and non-English speakers in the Cork City area.

It is produced by Cork City Libraries and Cork ETB (Education and Training Board)

Many of these courses and supports are provided by Cork ETB Further Education and Training Service and are free of charge.

This guide also contains information on free resources and supports available to you at Cork City Libraries.



## Free English Language Classes

English Language courses are available at the following Cork College of FET locations:

Location	Contact
<b>Ables Centre (The Glen)</b> CCFET Ables Centre (Community Services Building), Carnloch Drive, Glen Avenue, The Glen, Co. Cork.	<b>Ms. Fiona Long - Resource Worker</b> email: <a href="mailto:fiona.long@corketb.ie">fiona.long@corketb.ie</a> phone: 021 455 3180 or 086 608 7111
<b>Altrusa Literacy Centre</b> CCFET Altrusa Centre 107 Douglas Street, Cork. T12 K22T	<b>Mary Ryder - Adult Literacy Organiser</b> email: <a href="mailto:mary.ryder@corketb.ie">mary.ryder@corketb.ie</a> phone: 021 425 5542 or 086 1986029 <b>Mark D'Aughton - ESOL Resource Worker</b> email: <a href="mailto:mark.daughton@corketb.ie">mark.daughton@corketb.ie</a> phone: 087 6849150
<b>Ballincollig Centre</b> CCFET Ballincollig The Village Shopping Centre Station Rd, Ballincollig, Cork	<b>Deirdre Treacy</b> email: <a href="mailto:deirdre.treacy@corketb.ie">deirdre.treacy@corketb.ie</a> phone: 086 8808057
<b>Ballyphehane (Read &amp; Write)</b> CCFET Ballyphehane (Community Resource Centre), Lower Friars Walk, Ballyphehane, Cork.	Phone: 021 431 9085
<b>Churchfield/Farranree Write Together</b> CCFET Churchfield/Farranree (Education & Rights Centre), 5 Churchfield Ave, Churchfield, Cork	<b>Margo Kelleher - Resource Worker</b> <b>Margie O'Riordan - Resource Worker</b> email: <a href="mailto:margo.kelleher@corketb.ie">margo.kelleher@corketb.ie</a> , <a href="mailto:margie.oriordan@corketb.ie">margie.oriordan@corketb.ie</a> phone: 086 0106411 / 086 040 7497
<b>Farranferris Centre</b> CCFET Farranferris (NCE) Farranferris, Redemption Road, Cork	<b>Brenda O'Connell</b> email: <a href="mailto:brenda.oconnell@corketb.ie">brenda.oconnell@corketb.ie</a> phone: 086 0320557
<b>Knocknaheeny Centre</b> CCFET Knocknaheeny Hollyhill, Knocknaheeny, Cork.	<b>Kirsten Mocke - Resource Worker</b> email: <a href="mailto:kirsten.mocke@corketb.ie">kirsten.mocke@corketb.ie</a> phone: 086 1074204
<b>Mahon Centre</b> Mahon Family Resource Centre Mahon Drive, Mahon, Cork	<b>Bríd Murphy - Adult Literacy Organiser</b> email: <a href="mailto:brid.murphy@corketb.ie">brid.murphy@corketb.ie</a> phone: 021 435 8866 / 086 857 7820

## Free Advice Services



The **Cork Migrant Centre** has a drop-in centre which offers English classes, help with filling in official forms, advice and support on appropriate further services.

**Contact:**

Cork Migrant Centre  
Nano Nagle Place  
Evergreen Street,  
Cork T12 XPX8

**Email:** [cmc@nanonagleplace.ie](mailto:cmc@nanonagleplace.ie)  
or [una@nanonagleplace.ie](mailto:una@nanonagleplace.ie)

**Phone:** 083 2081678



The University Language Centre provides English language tuition, academic support and teacher training in the field of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).

In support of UCC's status as a University of Sanctuary, the Language Centre is offering four sponsored



**Cork City Partnership** holds regular free English languages classes in The City Library, Grand Parade. The classes cover basic English and help with CV and job interview preparation vocabulary.

**Contact:**

Cork City Partnership CLG  
Heron House, Blackpool Park,  
Cork

**Email:** [gabuike@partnershipcork.ie](mailto:gabuike@partnershipcork.ie)

**Tel:** 021 430 2310 / 087 955 7981

places on courses each year that will directly or indirectly have a positive impact on the educational or career prospects of asylum seekers and refugees living in the Cork area.

Scholarship: one year's free tuition. Students have the full support and access to services within UCC.

The courses run each year from August to June.

**For further information contact:**  
[infolang@ucc.ie](mailto:infolang@ucc.ie)

## Integration Opportunities



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Cork City Council

### Local Authority Integration Team (LAIT):

Cork City Council's LAIT team supports people to connect and integrate into the Cork community. This can include supporting with accessing PPSN, education, employment, volunteering opportunities and more.

### Target group:

1. Applicants for International Protection (IP Applicants)
2. People with Refugee, Subsidiary Protection, or Permission to Remain status
3. Programme Refugees
4. Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection (BOTPs)

Available for one-to-one meetings on Wednesdays and Fridays.

### To book an appointment

or for information, contact:  
[integration@corkcity.ie](mailto:integration@corkcity.ie)



### Mother & Baby Coffee Morning

CMC has Mother and Baby Coffee Mornings every Friday in the Nano Nagle Centre where mothers can learn new crafting skills while their babies/toddlers are engaged in developmentally appropriate activities by volunteers.

### Gardening Work

CMC also has an International Garden at the Ardfoye Convent in Ballintemple to provide migrants an opportunity to be involved in gardening work in cooperation with the local community.

### For further details contact:

**Email:** [cmc@nanonagleplace.ie](mailto:cmc@nanonagleplace.ie) or  
[una@nanonagleplace.ie](mailto:una@nanonagleplace.ie)

**Phone:** 083 2081678

## Nasc Migrant and Refugee Rights Centre



Nasc's goal is to realise the rights of all migrants and refugees within Irish society. Nasc (the Irish word for 'link') empowers people to fulfil their rights, with the support of its free services.

By working with migrants and refugees to advocate and lead for change within Ireland's immigration and protection systems, the Nasc team seeks to ensure fairness, access to justice and protection of human rights.

### Nasc provides a wide range of services:

- It offers advocacy and legal information for over 1,200 people annually. The Advocacy service includes outreach to direct provision and emergency centres in Cork city and county. Nasc's Advocacy Service can help with questions about immigration status, family reunification, visas to Ireland, citizenship or your reception conditions if you are living in IPAS accommodation or looking to re-enter IPAS accommodation.
- The Women's Project at Nasc includes English language classes, and integration and

employment supports for women who have experienced forced displacement. Nasc's social work initiatives support children, young people and families, including unaccompanied minors and those aging out of care.

- The New Beginnings Children and Family project works with families newly reunited in Ireland, to provide social work and prevention of poverty supports.
- Nasc is involved in the innovative Community Sponsorship programme which supports local people in Ireland who wish to sponsor and welcome refugee families arriving under the resettlement programme.

Nasc also provides a Ukrainian - language information and advocacy service.

### Contact:

Nasc, the Migrant and Refugee Rights Centre, 34 Paul Street, Cork, T12 W14H

**Phone:** 021 427 3594

**Email:** [reception@nascireland.org](mailto:reception@nascireland.org)

## Health Action Zone

Health Action Zone is a HSE initiative which aims to develop Community Health opportunities throughout the city. Its projects target health inequalities and offer opportunities for inclusion, integration and socialising to new citizens of Cork City.



### INITIATIVES INCLUDE:

- Parent and Toddler groups
- Gardening
- Walking groups
- Music groups
- Men's sheds
- Tai Chi and yoga
- Knitting and craft groups

### The contact details for the Health Action Zones in Cork City are:

#### The Glen:

Barry Hickey 087 1689084

#### Blackpool / Shandon:

Liz Madden 087 6977 42

#### Farranree / Fairhill:

Oisín Hennessy 087 3896982

#### Gurranabraher / Churchfield:

Ailish McDonald 087 0979707

#### Mayfield:

Fidelma O'Connell 087 1800210

Cork City Libraries ESOL

(English as a Second Language) Resources and Supports



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It is free to join Cork City Libraries. You can join in any of our branch libraries or join online. Go to: [www.corkcitylibraries.ie](http://www.corkcitylibraries.ie) for more details.

Cork City Libraries has some online resources and supports for English language learners.

Transparent Languages

Transparent Languages is a language learning application which has free beginner English language courses for speakers of over 30 languages. There are also options available for more advanced speakers of English.

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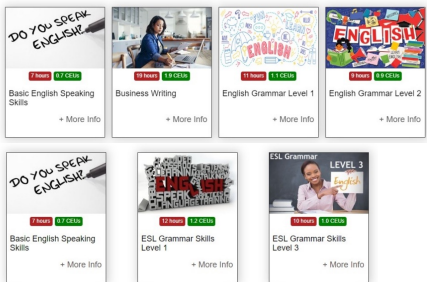
English Immersion KidSpeak

English for Speakers of...

Arabic, Modern Standard (اللغة العربية الفصحى الحديثة)	KidSpeak	Norwegian (norsk)	KidSpeak
Chinese, Mandarin - Simplified (简体中文)	KidSpeak	Pashto (پښتو)	KidSpeak
Czech (čeština)	KidSpeak	Polish (polski)	KidSpeak
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Dari (دري)	KidSpeak	Romanian (română)	KidSpeak
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French (Français)	KidSpeak	Somali (Af-Soomaali)	KidSpeak
		Spanish, Castilian (español castellano)	KidSpeak

Universal Class

Universal Class offers free online courses to members of Cork City Libraries in a wide range of subjects including Basic English Skills and ESL (English as a Second Language) Certification.



In-person Resources

Each of our libraries provide:

- Free PC access and Free Wifi
- Study and reading spaces
- Toys and books for children
- A welcoming space to relax and read



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Our branch locations can be found here:



For information on any of these services contact your local library or email [learning@corkcity.ie](mailto:learning@corkcity.ie)

Our libraries host events, clubs, groups & exhibitions, for young and old, all year round. You can find the details of events here:



Details of our regular clubs and groups are here:



For information on any of these services contact your local library or email [learning@corkcity.ie](mailto:learning@corkcity.ie)



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This booklet  
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Arabic here:



This booklet  
is available in  
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## The City Library 021 4924900

**Lending Library:** 021 4924908  
interlibrary@corkcity.ie

**Children's Library:** 021 4924903  
childrens\_library@corkcity.ie

**Rory Gallagher Music Library:** 021 4924919  
music\_library@corkcity.ie

**Local Studies and Learning Library:**  
021 4924914 local\_studies@corkcity.ie

## Local Libraries

**Ballincollig Library:** 021 2389797 • ballincollig\_library@corkcity.ie

**Bishopstown Library:** 021 4924950 • bishopstown\_library@corkcity.ie

**Blackpool Library:** 021 4924933 • blackpool\_library@corkcity.ie

**Blarney Library:** 021 4924900 • blarney\_library@corkcity.ie

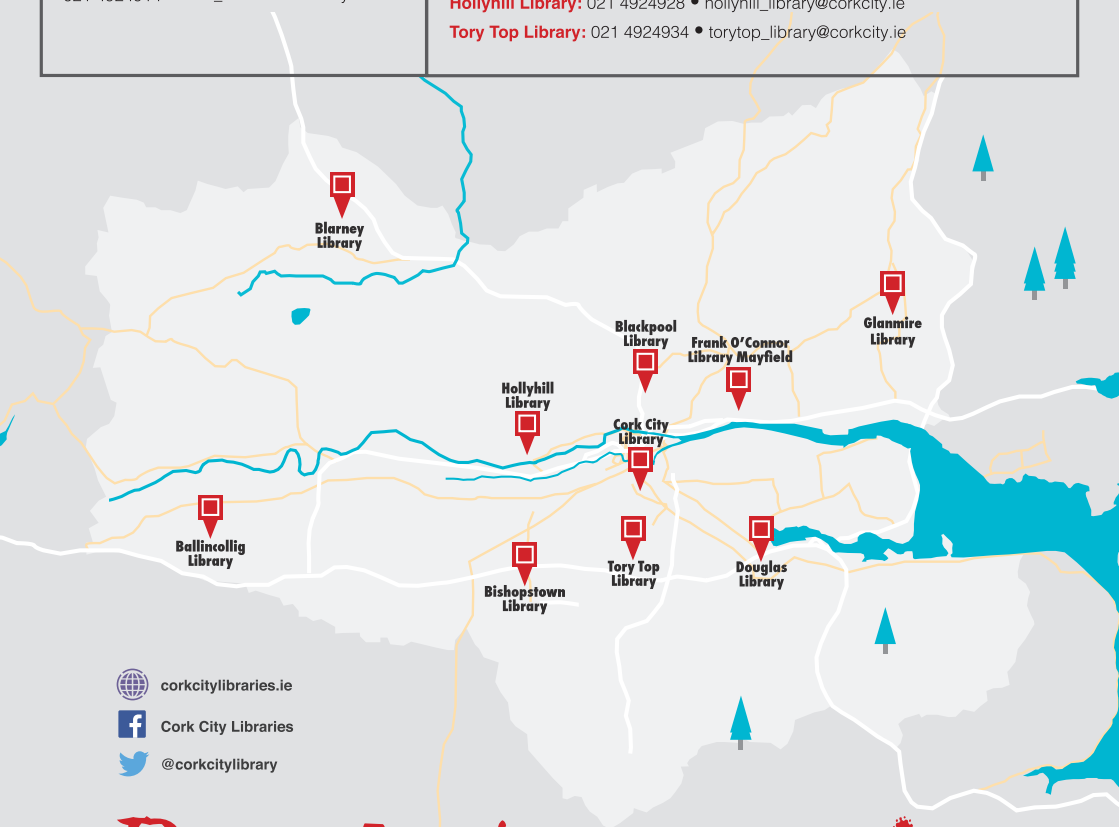
**Douglas Library:** 021 4924932 • douglas\_library@corkcity.ie

**Frank O'Connor Library, Mayfield:** 021 4924935 • mayfield\_library@corkcity.ie

**Glanmire Library:** 021 4924900 • glanmire\_library@corkcity.ie

**Hollyhill Library:** 021 4924928 • hollyhill\_library@corkcity.ie

**Tory Top Library:** 021 4924934 • torytop\_library@corkcity.ie



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