

Achieve B in OET Nursing with SLC

This 60-hour online course gives you the language skills and the test techniques and strategies to achieve a Grade B in each of the four papers in the international Occupational English Test (OET).

On this course, you

study OET paper by paper, part by part, question by question, so you really understand what to do in the test

learn how to write excellent OET referral letters

✓ practice test questions, so you know what to expect in the real test and can enter the exam room with confidence

master a wide range of language functions used in test-related clinical settings

√ record yourself doing OET Speaking role plays

learn how to answer different questions on academic medical texts and talks

The course is online, so you can access it wherever you have a connection. You can study it independently as well as use it for any face-to-face training you take.

"This has more than met my expectations. The course helped me to understand the test more in detail and how to handle different tasks."

Tashi Lhamo, OET Nursing candidate

"The course is helpful, it really simplified what OET is all about and how to go about it."

Jennifer Ujuanbe, OET Nursing candidate

"The course highlights very important points regarding all of the 4 sub-tests. The explanations are very easy to understand."

Cristiana Lemos, OET Nursing candidate

Course Content

An Introduction to the OET

- About the test
- A personal experience of taking the OET
- Booking the test

- Medical and academic English
- What level do you need?



The Listening Paper

- An overview
- Section A listening to consultations
- Section B listening to workplace conversations
- Section C listening to talks
- Analysing language and structure
- Comparing medical and everyday language
- Understanding numbers and statistics
- Understanding abbreviations and acronyms
- Practising different activity types
- Test practice

The Writing Paper

- An overview
- Planning letters
- Analysing case notes
- Writing referral letters
- Using the correct format and structure
- Using appropriate language
- Describing complaints and symptoms
- Describing about past medical history
- Describing diseases and conditions
- Describing tests, treatments, medications and surgery
- Making requests
- Saying what different healthcare professionals do
- Test practice

The Reading Paper

- An overview
- Section A rapid text analysis
- Section B understanding workplace texts
- Section C understanding longer articles
- Working with academic medical texts
- Analysing different types of text
- Understanding graphs and tables
- Completing a summary
- Answering multiple choice questions
- Test practice

The Speaking Paper

- An overview
- Analysing different role plays
- The structure and format of the test
- Managing the warm-up conversation
- Starting the role play
- Using appropriate questions
- Describing symptoms and pain
- · Describing tests, treatment, medications and side-effects
- · Explaining wound care and dressings
- Giving advice and explanations
- Communicating empathetically and effectively
- Using everyday language
- Test practice

About Specialist Language Courses (SLC)

Based at the University of Sussex, SLC is the UK's leading provider of English language training to the global healthcare sector. SLC provides:

- OET assessment and test preparation programmes for international nurses and other healthcare professionals. SLC was the first accredited OET Premium Preparation Provider in Europe.
- IELTS assessment and preparation programmes for international doctors and nurses.
- Online Clinical English courses for doctors, nurses, carers and radiographers.
- Online English courses for Medical Terminology, Medical Academic Purposes and Pharmacy.

We work with thousands of learners every year and specialise in working with healthcare professionals. Clients include many NHS Trusts, private healthcare groups, international healthcare recruitment companies and international medical universities.

This course was written by Virginia Allum, SLC's Head of Medical English, an OET expert and internationally renowned medical English writer, lecturer and trainer.



