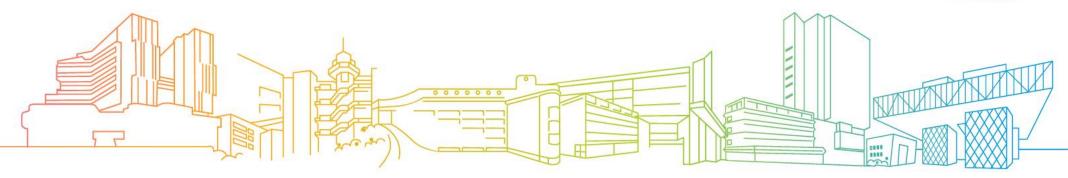
Applied Learning (Vocational English) – English Communication (QF Level 3)



Professional Development Programme (PDP) on Introduction to English-related Applied Learning Courses

28 Feb 2023









Course Title: (in English)	Applied Learning (Vocational English) – English Communication (QF Level 3)
Qualification Title: (in English)	Certificate in Applied Learning (Vocational English) – English Communication (QF Level 3)
QF Credits:	27
Mode of Study:	Full-time
Nominal Duration:	180 hours (to be completed normally in 1.5 years)
Commencement Date:	February 2021



Course Objectives

The course aims to:

- a. develop students' English proficiency and generic skills through practice in simulated or near authentic vocational contexts and application;
- b. enhance students' awareness of the role of English in authentic work environments;
- c. develop students' career-related competencies, foundation skills (notably communication skills), thinking skills and people skills as well as to nurture their positive values and attitudes as in Applied Learning (ApL) curriculum pillars through application and practice; and
- d. enable students to lay a good foundation of English for further studies or work.

Course Structure



- ApL(VocE) (A) and ApL(VocE) (B), each with two modules
- covering all four language skills
- pegged at QF Level 2 and QF Level 3

Module Title	Unit of Competency	Contact Hour	Self-study Hour	Notional Learning Hour	QF Credit
Module 1 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (A) – Listening and Speaking (QF Level 2)	GCEN201A GCEN202A GCEN203A GCEN204A	40	20	60	6
Module 2 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (A) – Reading and Writing (QF Level 2)	GCEN205A GCEN206A GCEN207A	40	20	60	6
Module 3 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (B) – Listening and Speaking (QF Level 3)	GCEN301A GCEN302A GCEN303A GCEN304A	50	20	70	7
Module 4 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (B) – Reading and Writing (QF Level 3)	GCEN305A GCEN306A GCEN307A	50	30	80	8
	Total	180	90	270	27

Course Structure



Module	Contexts	Learning Elements & Topics	Language Output
Module 1: Listening and Speaking (QF Level 2) (40 hrs)	General Workplace Contexts	 Oral Presentations Describing Product/Service Features Making Offers and Suggestions Giving a Product Demonstration Giving a Product Presentation Oral Interactions Conducting Workplace Telephone Conversations Selecting the best courier Discussing Workplace Health and Safety Handling Manpower Issues 	Discussions, presentations, telephone conversations, etc.
Module 2: Reading and Writing (QF Level 2) (40 hrs)	General Workplace Contexts	 Presenting Written Information Organising Trade Fairs and Exhibitions Selecting Means of Promotion Planning Business Trips Written Correspondence Planning an Office Supplies Fair Stating Preference for Office Expansion Offering help to customers/colleagues Opening a New Branch 	Emails, letters, promotional leaflets, etc.

Course Structure

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Module	Contexts	Learning Elements & Topics	Language Output
Module 3:Listening and Speaking (QF Level 3) (50 hrs)	Specific Trade Sectors (e.g. banking, engineering, hospitality, import/export, logistics, retail)	 Oral Presentations Arousing Audience's Interest Using Body Language and Visual Aids Calling for Action Conducting a Briefing Session Oral Interactions Handling Enquiries and Requests Conducting a meeting with customers/clients Handling Late Payment and Delivery Handling Problems and Complaints 	Briefings, discussions, meetings, presentations, telephone conversations, etc.
Module 4: Reading and Writing (QF Level 3) (50 hrs)	Specific Trade Sectors (e.g. banking, engineering, hospitality, import/export, logistics, retail)	 Presenting Information on Social Media Sites Promoting Products/Services Announcing New Products/Services Responding to Negative Feedback Presenting Survey Results Written Correspondence Handling Orders Promoting Products/Services Responding to Customers' Requests Handling Problems and Complaints 	Emails, promotional leaflets, reports, social media posts/responses, etc.

Assessment Scheme



Module Title	Task No.	Task Name	Assessment Method	Weighting
Module 1	1	Oral presentation of a new product	Mini-project	10%
Applied Learning (Vocational English) (A) – Listening and Speaking (QF Level 2)	2	Role-play on telephoning	Speaking Test	10%
Module 2 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (A) – Reading and Writing (QF Level 2)	3	Presenting written information a. Online Quizzes (in Enrichment Package)	Written Test	5%
		b. Email Writing		5%
	4	Responding to an incoming email	Written Test	10%
Module 3	5	Conducting a briefing session	Mini-project	15%
Applied Learning (Vocational English) (B) – Listening and Speaking (QF Level 3)	6	Role-play on face-to-face discussion	Speaking Test	15%
Module 4 Applied Learning (Vocational English) (B) – Reading and Writing (QF Level 3)	7	Social media post writing a. Learning Portfolio b. Writing corporate social media posts	Written Test	5% 10%
	8	Responding to an incoming email	Written Test	15%



Exit Awards and Requirements

Award	Minimum Requirement		
Terminal Award:			
Certificate in Applied Learning (Vocational English) – English Communication (QF Level 3)	 Successfully completed the course with reference to the attainment descriptors, taking into consideration the cut score proposed by Course Provider, the VTC, and moderated by an expert panel; Met the attendance requirements (80%) for the whole course; and Passed at least one module at QF Level 3. 		
Intermediate Exit Award:			
Successful completion of individual modules by fulfilling certain requirements			

Learning and Teaching Strategies



- Learner-centred Approach
- Task-based Approach
- Case Studies
- Projects
- Independent Learning
- IT-enabled Learning
- Experiential Learning



Projects





Module 3: Assessment Task 5 Mini-project: Conducting a Briefing Session

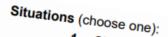
Assessment weighting: 15% Submission deadline: _

Notes to students:

- In this mini-project, you are required to do the following tasks:
 - submit a 3-minute videotaped oral presentation
 - submit the final script of the presentation
- Choose one of the situations on P.3 for your project and conduct a briefing to explain the pros and cons of a new plan.









Shopping Mall Facilities

Your role: a marketing executive at Sunflower Shopping Mall

- Problem: shoppers demanding better facilities
- ➤ New plan: new/improved shopping facilities → attract more shoppers

Magazine Subscription

Your role: a circulation officer at Island Magazines

- ➤ Problem: number of subscribers for your magazines

 recently ➤ New plan: rebranding the company → attract more young readers
- 3. Delivery Service

Your role: a marketing executive at Sunny Fast Food

- ➤ Problem: company profits ↓ for 6 months
- ➤ New plan: providing food delivery service → reach more customers

4. Self-service Checkout Counters

Your role: an operations officer at City Supermarket Audience: shop managers

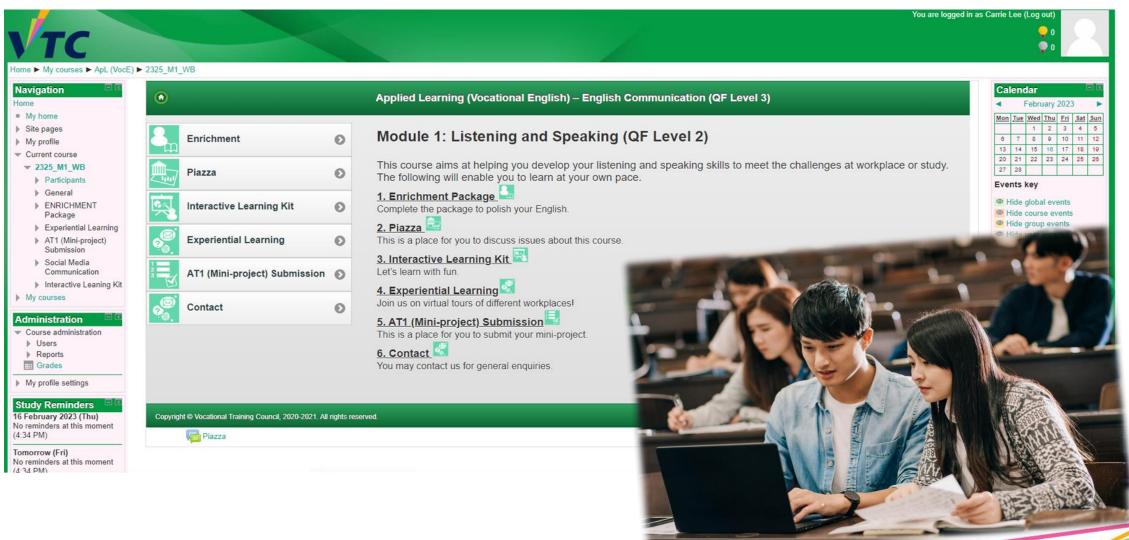
- ➤ Problem: complaints from customers about long queues at checkouts ➤ New plan: self-service checkout counters → more convenient system
- 5. Parking System

Your role: a management officer at Kowloon Estate

➤ Problem: ↑ complaints about illegal parking in estate ➤ New plan: new parking system → stop illegal parking

Independent Learning on Moodle Platform





Independent Learning on Moodle Platform – Enrichment Package

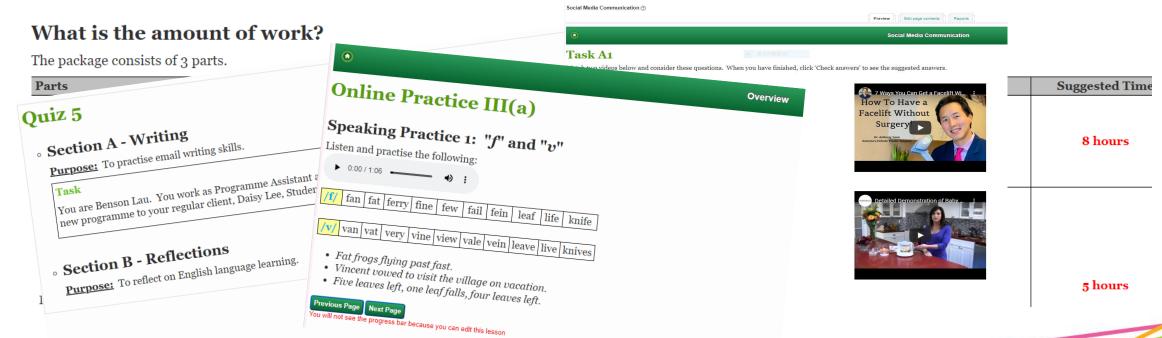


Diversified task types covering four language skills

Enrichment Package

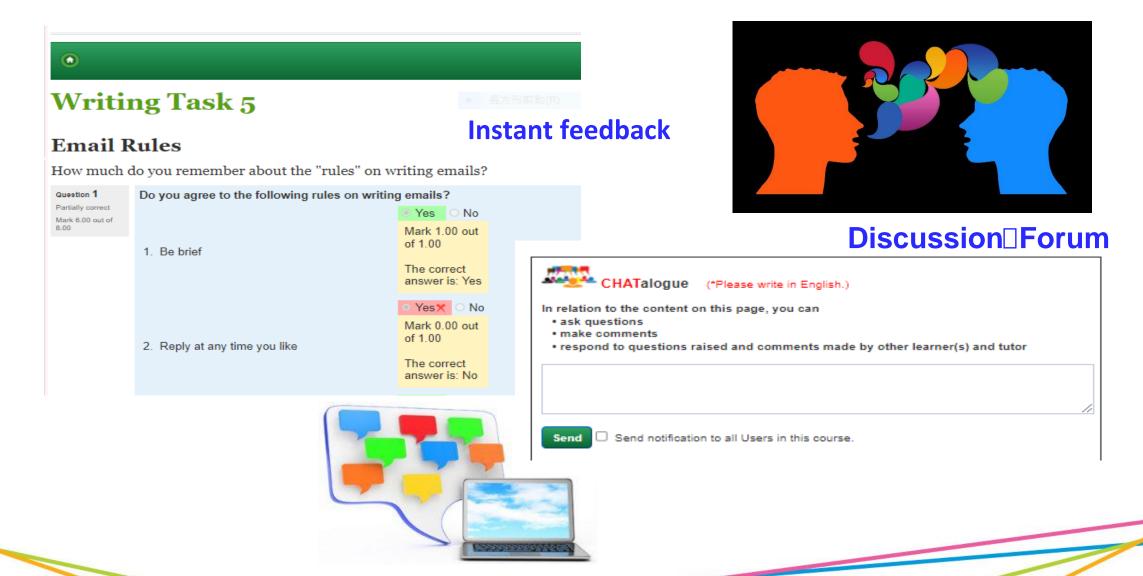
What is the objective of the Enrichment Package?

The objective is to help you work and learn independently in your English language learning. You should make use of materials from various sources to improve your English.



Independent Learning on Moodle Platform – Enrichment Package





IT-enabled Teaching and Learning



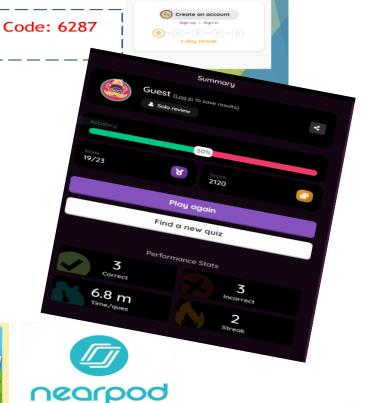


Instruction

- 1. There are 6 rounds
- 2. In each round, there will be 4 sentences of making offer
- 3. Choose the correct one
- 4. They will be some grammatical mistakes made in the wrong ones
- 5. Points will be given to the first one who answers correctly
- 6. The one with the highest points will be rewarded







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2. Enter the code Press "Join a game"





Join our game now

1. Scan this QR code

Which of the followings is a correct

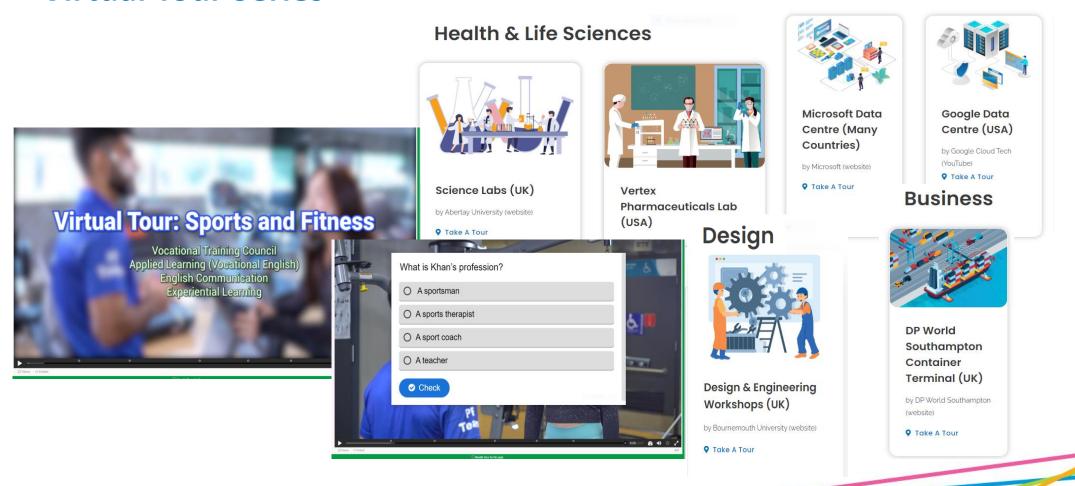
way to make an offer?

Experiential Learning



Virtual Tour Series

Information Technology

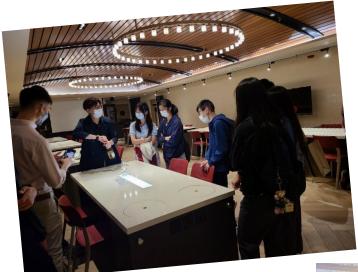




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Feedback from stakeholders



The learning and teaching materials for the course are well designed and highly useful for students. They equip students with relevant skills necessary for their career.

External Examiner





The design of the mini-projects and learning portfolio enabled students to develop their thinking skills and people skills, in addition to enhancing their English language proficiency.

Tutors

The topic of corporate social media communication covered in Module 4 is particularly interesting.

The lessons are delivered in a professional manner. Clear explanations and useful feedback are given by tutors, which facilitates our learning.

Class Arrangements



Commencement Date: September 2023

Mode 1

Time: Saturday 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

(Note: Lessons will also be scheduled during summer holidays.)

Venue:

- Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Haking Wong)
 702 Lai Chi Kok Road, Cheung Sha Wan, KLN.
- 2. Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Chai Wan) 30 Shing Tai Road, Chai Wan, HK.
- Hong Kong Design Institute (HKDI)
 King Ling Road, Tseung Kwan O, N.T.
- 4. Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Shatin) Yuen Wo Road, Shatin, New Territories

Mode 2

Class venues can flexibly be arranged in either students' own schools, or the premises of the VTC. Details will be confirmed between the VTC and schools concerned.

Admission & Selection



	March and April 2023
Taster Programme	 Hands-on activities Role-play in a hair salon Online self-learning package

Selection Interview May - July 2023

Selection Interview	Criteria
	Motivation in learning Vocational English
Group Discussion	Aptitude
	Communication skills

Contact Us



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