

**SMART English Junior (Elementary) Key learning outcomes**

Listening and speaking	Reading and writing
<p>Types of tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Talk about yourself</li> <li>➤ Describe people</li> <li>➤ Make and reply to offers</li> <li>➤ Ask for and giving information and opinions</li> <li>➤ Describe pictures</li> <li>➤ Talk about gadgets and make a presentation</li> <li>➤ Learn how to agree and disagree</li> </ul>	<p>Types of tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Understand a personal profile</li> <li>➤ Read a survey</li> <li>➤ Read about a description of a house</li> <li>➤ Read and follow a story</li> <li>➤ Understand key points in an article</li> <li>➤ Develop skills to understand both longer factual and fictional texts</li> <li>➤ Develop and use basic punctuation</li> <li>➤ Learn important spelling conventions</li> <li>➤ Learn how to structure a sentence effectively</li> <li>➤ Develop writing to be more descriptive</li> <li>➤ Learn how to check for errors when writing a paragraph</li> </ul>
Life Skills	Exam Skills
<p>Types of tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Organise your studies</li> <li>➤ Choose healthy foods</li> <li>➤ Prepare a presentation</li> <li>➤ Work in a team</li> <li>➤ Understand how to reduce pollution</li> </ul>	<p>Types of tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ True/false/not given</li> <li>➤ Complete gaps in a dialogue</li> <li>➤ Match headings to paragraphs</li> <li>➤ Multiple choice questions</li> <li>➤ Match information and people</li> </ul>
Grammar	Vocabulary
<p>Key areas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To be</li> <li>➤ Possessive 's</li> <li>➤ Adverbs of frequency</li> <li>➤ Present simple and present continuous</li> <li>➤ Comparatives and superlatives</li> <li>➤ Past Simple</li> </ul>	<p>Key areas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Countries and nationalities</li> <li>➤ Everyday activities</li> <li>➤ Places in a town, house and rooms</li> <li>➤ Computers and the internet</li> <li>➤ Jobs and people</li> <li>➤ Animals, geography and the weather</li> </ul>

**Who is it for?**

Elementary is for students aged 11-14 testing at Common European Framework (CEFR) level A1, through a British Council Aptis placement test.

**SMART English Junior General Information**

SMART Junior is an intensive General and Academic English course for students aged 11-14 years old, who wish to study at International or government secondary school in Singapore, and for whom English is a foreign language.

Elementary is for students testing at Common European Framework (CEFR) level A1, Pre-Intermediate is for students testing at CEFR A2, Intermediate is for students testing at CEFR B1, and aims to raise their level to B1+/B2 at the end of Intermediate.

**What does SMART English Junior cover?**

SMART Junior will help students with using functional English on a daily basis, as well as prepare them for the academic experience of studying at secondary school in Singapore. The course will:

- ✓ Raise students' English levels through an integrated course-book based syllabus aimed at teens, focusing on listening, speaking, reading, writing, grammar, vocabulary & pronunciation.
- ✓ Improve students' exam skill strategies with regular *Aptis for Teens* exam preparation study and mock tests
- ✓ Introduce students to subject-specific English to prepare them for their International school study
- ✓ Task-based projects for the international student-centred classroom e.g. presentations, critical internet research

**What materials will students use?**

The programme will utilise a carefully selected course book series (Macmillan Education : Gateway (2nd Edition) incorporating relevant and motivating content. Our experienced and highly qualified teachers will also supplement the course book with highly engaging supplementary materials appropriate to the age and level of the students. Students will also be given guidance and access to online resources to consolidate their learning outside class.

**How will the British Council measure my child's progress?**

We will assess students' *Aptis* level at the start of the course to gauge which key exam areas to work on during the course, and again at the end of the course to measure their progress. There will also be weekly grammar and vocabulary quizzes to check understanding, and we will write progress reports every four weeks.

**What is the maximum class size?**

The maximum class size for SMART English Junior is 16.

**What are the dates, location and timing?**

<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Times</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>SMART English Junior Elementary</b>  (240 hours)  Entry level: CEFR A1	Mon-Fri*  4 hours a day	11.10 – 3.45**	Option to join every Monday, all year round, starting from 4 <sup>th</sup> January.	British Council Napier Road campus  30 Napier Rd, Singapore S258509
<b>SMART English Junior Pre-Intermediate</b>  (240 hours)  Entry level: CEFR A2				
<b>SMART English Junior Intermediate</b>  (240 hours)  Entry level: CEFR B1				

\*no classes on Singapore Public holidays

\*\*lunch 1.10 – 1.45 : students either bring their own food to eat in the classroom or buy lunch in BC café. Students are not allowed to leave the building during lunch

<b>What will it cost?</b>	\$736 per week, all levels Discounts apply for long bookings. See below.
<b>What does the course fee include?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All class tuition from a highly qualified and experienced teacher</li> <li>• British Council welcome pack</li> <li>• British Council Aptis assessments at start and end of course (if you join for 12 weeks)</li> </ul>
<b>What other fees will I pay?</b>	\$500 application fee (\$150 non-refundable application fee and \$350 Student Pass fee, application carried out by British Council) 1% of total payment Fee Protection (minimum \$25) \$60 course book price, per level \$95 for additional Aptis test, if required

<b>No of weeks</b>	<b>Discount</b>	<i>25 to 35</i>	\$800
<i>12</i>	\$250	<i>36</i>	\$1,200
<i>13 to 23</i>	\$350	<i>37 to 47</i>	\$1,400
<i>24</i>	\$600	<i>48</i>	\$2,000

**How do I find out more or arrange a test?**

To assess your child's suitability and level they will take a British Council placement test, which can be done overseas or in Singapore. To find out more and to arrange a test call 64731111 or email [contact@britishcouncil.org.sg](mailto:contact@britishcouncil.org.sg)

**British Council SMART English Junior**

**Q:** What do I need to improve my English and be ready for Secondary school?

**A:** All the skills (e.g. listening) and systems (e.g. grammar) – and determination to succeed!

