

ESRA's English Tutoring Program Computerised Oral Bagrut Exam (COBE)

What is the Online COBE program?

- It is a highly structured program in which tutors meet with students on Zoom for an hour a week for 4 weeks, at a mutually convenient time (between 14:00– 20:00), in a simulated COBE format
- Most tutors are not trained teachers, but are native English speakers who receive ongoing professional pedagogical training
- The simulated COBE sessions are based on a MOE approved booklet detailing all 3 parts of COBE
- Zero input material from teachers required
- The program is aimed at students in grades 10 – 12 who want the opportunity to build confidence to speak English in preparation for their COBE in a supportive, non-judgmental setting

What is the format of tutoring sessions?

- The program has three terms: Winter, Summer and Pre-COBE (October - December; January - March; April - June)
- 12th graders doing Winter COBE join the Winter Term and 12th graders doing Summer COBE join the Summer Term
- 11th graders join whichever term during a year not allocated to 12th grade tutoring
- 10th graders join after the Summer COBE for a head start in speaking English
- Each student gets a dedicated time slot during the hour to answer questions from the tutor, 'Alfi'

How can I register?

- Introduce the program to your students. Those who agree to join must be from the same grade and will meet with the same tutor for 4 weeks in socially compatible (NOT academically homogenous) groups of 3–4
- At the end of 4 weeks, another group of students will begin, so the sooner you register the more students will benefit. (It's recommended that students whose level is very low meet in 1:1 sessions)
- [Click here](#) to register your school
- After your registration has been processed I will contact you with further details

Thank you

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