

Information for Mentees

What is mentoring?

Mentoring at the ELC is a process in which a teacher (mentor) teaches, encourages, counsels, and befriends a student (mentee) for the purpose of providing guidance to the latter about language learning and encouraging the development of learner autonomy. It consists of multiple meetings (face-to-face or online) between the mentor and the mentee, focusing not directly on the language, but rather on **how to learn** the language.

As a mentee, you will work with your ELC mentor to:

- increase persistence, confidence and motivation
- improve language learning skills and strategies for studies and careers
- prepare and implement learning pathways or action plans
- raise awareness of English learning opportunities

How do you start?

- 1. attend an Information Session (in Week 2)
- 2. enrol for the mentoring sessions on a first-come-first-served basis through an online system (end of Week 2)
- 3. attend the first mentoring session according to the time and venue sent to you by email
- 4. discuss with your mentor your learning needs and action plan
- 5. attend subsequent mentoring sessions (**once every three weeks**) and complete activities agreed with your mentor
- 6. keep a learning record

What do you do in each mentoring session?

The focus of each session may vary, but it generally follows this schedule:

Session	Focus
1	 explaining the purpose of the sessions
	 setting goals
	identifying needs
	developing a learning plan
	 making arrangements for subsequent sessions
	 selecting a date to take the DELTA and to work on the online EES learning materials
	keeping a learning record

3	 checking progress following up on the learning plan; modifying if appropriate discussing areas for improvement as identified by the DELTA report identifying other needs, if any following mentor's recommendations: completing online EES learning materials; using other materials and strategies; attending language enhancement workshops
4	Similar to Session 2
5	 checking progress reviewing work done over the semester completing further work preparing for 2nd DELTA in Semester 2

What do you do next?

- 1. Find out how to complete the Excel@English Scheme at http://elc.polyu.edu.hk/EES or https://learn.polyu.edu.hk
- 2. Pick up your Learning Passport at CILL (A305)
- 3. Collect points by
 - participating in various language learning activities (e.g. by *booking* an ELC WAP or SAP session (https://booking.elc.polyu.edu.hk) for advice on planning learning activities and/or learning paths
 - completing EES online learning materials
 - showing progress in your second DELTA scores

What do you get upon completing EES?

You will receive:

- (1) a great prize
- (2) a letter of commendation
- (3) a certificate of achievement

Who do you contact for information?

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Website: http://elc.polyu.edu.hk/EES or https://learn.polyu.edu.hk