

# Newport Community Learning Course Information



<b>Course Title</b>	Introduction to British Sign Language	<b>Course ID</b>	R099
<b>Qualification</b>	Agored Cymru, Certificate	<b>Level</b>	Entry Level 3

<b>Course Overview</b>	<p>This Introductory Course will teach you Entry Level 3 British Sign Language.</p> <p>You will begin to understand the problems a person with sensory loss may encounter. You will also learn about the impact sensory loss can have on an individual and where additional advice and support can be sourced.</p> <p>You will look at the sign language alphabet and other signs, building up vocabulary to enable you to progress to simple everyday conversation.</p> <p>Each session will last for two hours over 10 weeks. Each week we will expand on the vocabulary learned, building new phrases and sentences to use in everyday situations.</p> <p>There will be lots of practice, and typical everyday scenarios will encourage conversation between tutor and class colleagues.</p>
<b>Who is the course for?</b>	The course is aimed at anyone with an interest in learning British Sign Language and increasing their knowledge of sensory loss.
<b>Main Topics to be Covered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand how to communicate with a person with hearing loss</li> <li>• Difficulties a person with hearing loss may encounter</li> <li>• Exchanging personal information in BSL (British Sign Language)</li> <li>• Ask simple questions using BSL (British Sign Language)</li> <li>• Sign Language Alphabet</li> </ul>
<b>Teaching Methods</b>	A wide variety of activities will be used such as group work, pair work, tutor led learning, practical demonstration, and whole class teaching.
<b>Prior Knowledge or Skills</b>	None required
<b>Assessment</b>	Guided by your tutor, you will be required to compile a small portfolio of evidence for certification covering the unit on Introductory to British Sign Language
<b>Material</b>	You will need to bring a pen, ringbinder, dividers and paper. You will need to bring your folder to class every week
<b>Additional Information</b>	<p>Each learner will be expected to keep their work in a file, which will be an excellent point of reference both during and after the course, as well as satisfying the requirements of the awarding body (Agored Cymru). A certificate will be awarded on completion of sufficient evidence of learning. The tutor will provide full guidance and support on this aspect of the course.</p> <p>This course can lead to higher level courses for British Sign Language accredited by Agored Cymru.</p> <p>All languages courses in Community Learning have an emphasis on enjoyment in learning, where people will not feel pressurised in class. It is hoped that learners will gain great satisfaction in seeing their own knowledge and skills grow throughout the course.</p>