

'Learn Braille' Course 2018

Learn to read and write braille by sight

This course is designed for people who want to learn to read and write Braille by sight. It is based on materials originally developed by the School of Education at Birmingham University. These have been updated by ChildVision's Reading Services to reflect the latest developments in Braille use.

Structure

The course is run through a combination of 4 contact days and self-study. **Attendance at all contact days is compulsory.**

Print and Braille workbooks provide the framework for learning Unified English Braille (UEB) now used in schools in Ireland. The workbooks provide the materials for self study, building learners' confidence in the Braille reading, writing and numeracy skills in stages.

There is a task to complete at the end of each learning stage. Learners receive support and advice from experienced instructors throughout the course; face-to-face on the contact days and by email during self study periods. **3 formal assessments must be completed:**

1. based on materials in stages 1 to 4
2. based on materials in stages 5 to 8
3. comprising Braille literacy and numeracy based on materials in all stages

Who should apply?

Those who are interested in learning Braille for personal or professional reasons such as

- Parents, relatives or friends of people with vision impairment.
- Teachers, Resource Teachers and Special Needs assistants working in mainstream or special schools.
- Tutors, Instructors, Trainers and Support Staff working in Further or Higher Education settings.
- Support or Care Workers, Social Workers, Community Resource Workers, Rehabilitation Workers, Mobility or Independence Skills Specialists.
- Those interested in Braille transcription.

Title and Award:

'Learn Braille' leading to a Level 5 Component Certificate (Braille N23028).

Course Duration:

Saturday 6th October 2018 to Friday 26th July 2019.

Mode of Attendance:

4 compulsory contact days and self-study.

Course Location:

ChildVision, National Education Centre for Blind Children, Gracepark Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.

Technical Requirements: Access to email.

Course Fee: €680 which includes the loan of a Perkins Braille and course material.

Applications Deadline: Wednesday 26th of September 2018.

Compulsory Contact Days

Day 1 Saturday, 6th October 2018

Day 2 Saturday, 12th January 2019

Day 3 Saturday, 9th March 2019

Day 4 Saturday, 18th May 2019.

FETAC Level 5 Award Entry Requirements

5 passes in Leaving Certificate/LCVP

or Merit in Leaving Certificate Applied

or FETAC Level 4 Award

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