

Introduction to British Sign Language (BSL)

An active and engaging “hands on” workshop which aims to increase understanding of Deaf culture, the Deaf community and British Sign Language, and to explore BSL as the fourth official language of Britain. The 1 day workshop is useful for people working with the public and can also be used as a taster for people considering further studies in British Sign Language.



The workshop also aims to

- Enable participants to learn and use a range of useful BSL phrases.
- Develop participants knowledge of the people who use BSL, its history and applications.
- Translate, demonstrate and teach some simple phrases used by participants in their everyday roles in BSL (chosen before the workshop – please contact us for details).
- Increase awareness of working with Sign Language Interpreters.

Content includes:

- Lively and interactive games and quizzes designed to increase your knowledge of Deaf culture and recognition of signs.
- Practice sessions within the day to help you pick up the signs.
- Question and answer sessions with our resident BSL experts.
- An opportunity to learn some signs specific for your job/needs.

What you get:

- Experienced knowledgeable deaf tutors, HearFirst folder, quality handouts, HearFirst Pencil, personalised laminated certificates for each delegate and quality course materials.
- Handouts are available in large print, audio tape, Braille – please contact us if you require any of these.
- If you require more information about one specific aspect of BSL e.g. more about Deaf cultural issues please let us know and we can expand this area for your workshop.



There's more:

Don't just take our word for it – some comments from previous participants.

“Very Good, very useful. Good teaching methods, easy to pick up.”

“I'm even more motivated now to achieve a Level 1 qualification in BSL”

“I've gained a new respect for D/deaf people and their language, learnt so much and had so much fun!”

As with all HearFirst courses, participants are encouraged to contact us after workshops to find out more information or to ask any questions which may arise.

Although this workshop is usually presented over a full day, we are happy to provide it as a half day workshop or 2 – 3 day workshop – please contact us to discuss your requirements.



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