The Big One, a practical communication challenge based on a real workplace situation.

The course will be arranged as a 12 week syllabus. However every week covers a standalone topic so students can join the English for Work course, for 1 week, 2 weeks, 12 week - however many weeks they wish!

Week 1. Making Connections

Practical English	Professional skills	The Big One – The Networking Event
Introducing yourself, making conversation, asking questions and building professional relationships.	Networking, active listening, confidence and making a positive impression.	Take part in a simulated professional networking event. Meet new people, exchange information and build useful connections.

Week 3. Meetings That Work

Practical English	Professional skills	The Big One – The Decision Meeting
Expressing opinions, agreeing and disagreeing, asking for clarification and reaching decisions.	Active listening, meeting participation, decisionmaking and building agreement.	Take part in a realistic workplace meeting. Discuss different options, consider other people's views and agree on a final decision.

Week 7. Careers and Interviews

Practical English	Professional skills	The Big One – The Interview Panel
Describing experience, explaining strengths, giving examples and answering interview questions.	Self-presentation, confidence, professional awareness and interview techniques.	Take part in realistic job interviews as both interviewer and candidate. Practise presenting your experience and evaluating responses.

Week 11 – Leadership and Delegation

Practical English	Professional skills	The Big One – The Project Manager
Giving instructions, assigning responsibilities, checking progress, managing expectations and reporting to others.	Leadership, delegation, accountability, time management and managing upwards and downwards.	Lead a team project. Organise responsibilities, manage priorities and deadlines, respond to problems and report on progress.

Find out more about English for Work and see the full syllabus here.

English for Work Course Overview

Course type	Add-on to General English (GE15 or GE20)
Lessons	5 hours per week, Monday to Friday (1 hour per day)
Duration	1–12 weeks
Levels	Intermediate (B1) and Higher (B2+)
Programme	12 connected but standalone weekly modules
Location	IH Manchester, city centre
Age	18+
Price	£95.00 per week