

KURUS ENGLISH

language culture discovery

10 years

# English Language School

Cape Town, South Africa





## Kurus English

is an extraordinary language school situated in Cape Town, South Africa. We offer you **highest quality English tuition**, conducted in small groups and, in addition, **cultural, social and historical Language Excursions** extending deep into the fascinating and wonderful cultural diversity that is Cape Town's soul.



### Achieving lasting results

while improving your English language skills through the experience of our Kurus English concept will provide **a finely balanced combination of theory and practice**. Situation-oriented learning and teaching are always complemented and enhanced by your own very personal discovery experiences.

### Memorable encounters

await you with selected people from various cultures, as well as **lots of fun** and sufficient leisure time for **your own discovery trips** and **all this in one of the most exciting cities of the world**.





### **Classes**

are held at Kurus English on any one of 6 language levels. Relevant to your current personal language level, you will be placed in a class evaluated to best suit you.



### **The School**

is situated in one of the most beautiful areas right in the centre of Cape Town. Kurus English is accommodated in a handsome heritage building which was converted into the language school in 2008. Fresh, colourful rooms with modern equipment characterise the friendly and informal atmosphere of our small private school.



### **The Academic Staff**

comprise qualified language teachers who are all native speakers and who distinguish themselves by their long-term experience and refined intuition regarding your particular language challenges. The language foundations are laid in class – and you are guided to improve your competence through authentic, real-life applications, including experiencing our unique Language Excursions.







## Cultural Language Excursions

are far more than tourist excursions and constitute the heart of Kurus English beside the theoretical classes: Due to our unique network, three times a week students are immersed in diverse cultures of Cape Town, providing opportunities to converse with the fascinating people of the city. Should the conversation ever begin to flag, your teachers will be at your side to assist you. Themes change daily defining the language learning concept with regards to content and ensuring exciting personal encounters. With Kurus English you will experience Cape Town in a unique way: it will be really up close and definitely personal!



### Intercultural Competence

describes the potential cultural learning and experience that will be stimulated through taking any course with Kurus English and through which we will prepare you to become international communicators – open-minded in your dealings with people of different origins and experiences, as well as expanded in attitude and in this way, well-equipped for the communicative challenges of a globalised world.





A man with a black cap and a brown vest over a light blue shirt is smiling and looking down at a woman. He is holding a white sign that says 'GREETINGS!' in blue letters. The woman is wearing glasses and a patterned top, and she is also smiling. The background is a dry, bushy landscape.

## Our Hosts

### Loit Sols

Loit Sols' infectious smile and easy manner make him a joyous Capetonian to meet. He is a KhoeKhoe poet, performing artist and activist. Loit's deep connection to and knowledge of indigenous practice, as well as KhoeKhoe heritage, make him one of the most important narrators of indigenous experience. This is an excursion of rich cultural discovery.

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### **John Bauer**

John Bauer is a multi-skilled Cape Town based artist, best known for his work with ceramics and pottery. His distinctive styles and techniques are inspired by science and nature. John shares his magnetic personality as well as his unique and inspiring art with us at his studio in the Montebello design centre, nestled between the trees in Newlands forest.

### **Alfred Magwaca**

Alfred Magwaca is a local Langa resident, curator of the Langa Pass Office museum, and a storyteller that will enthrall you with his lilting laugh and charisma. He takes visitors back in time on an emotional journey through the sadness, defiance and triumph of the Apartheid struggle.



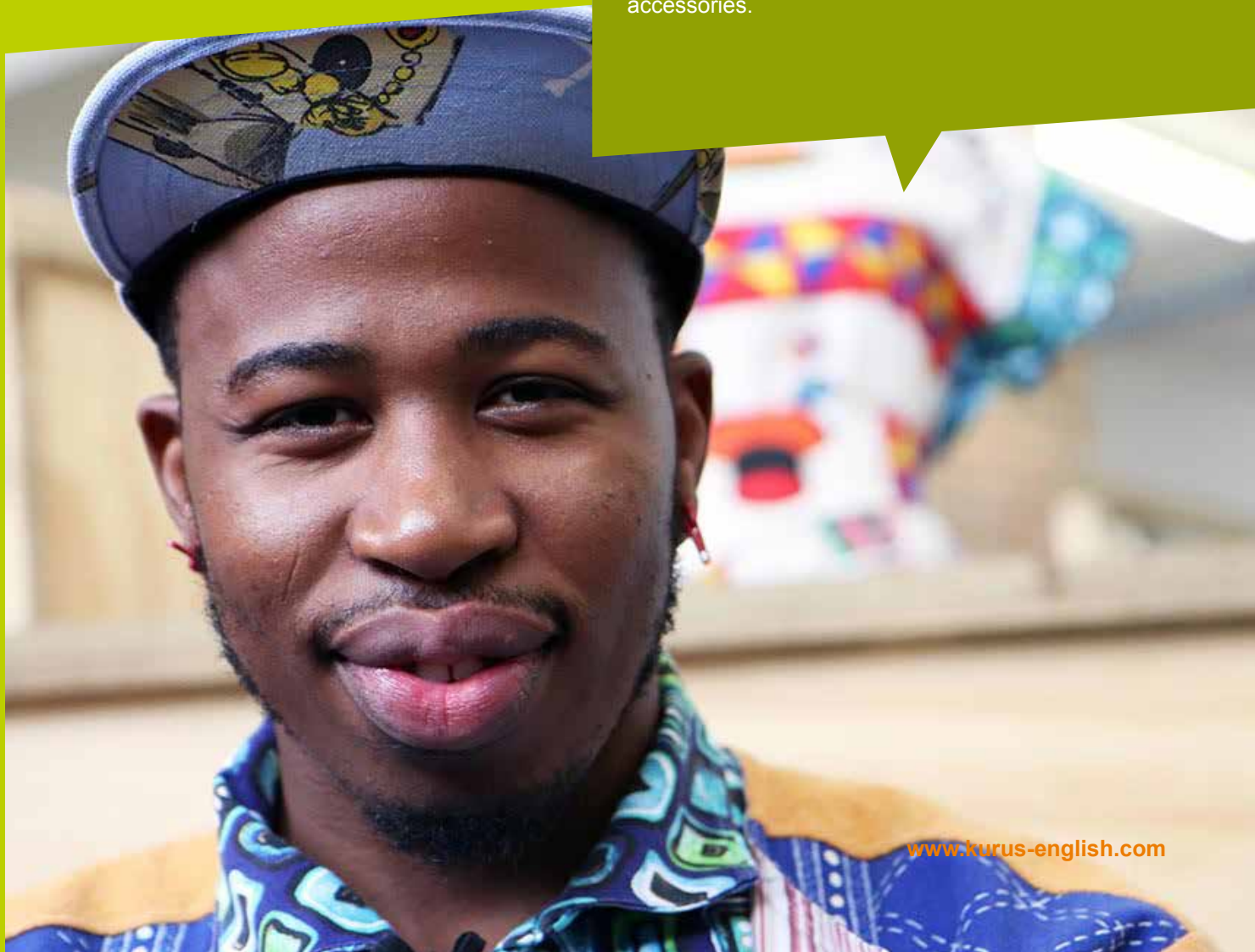


### **Sheila Tempi**

Sheila Tempi, or “Ma Sheila” as she is affectionately known, is a terrific cook from Gugulethu. This motherly host opens her home and heart to share her culture and its culinary traditions. Through this she encourages cultural integration and understanding. Her food makes the stomach and the soul full, making it difficult to leave.

### **Mzukisi Mbene**

Mzukisi Mbene was born and raised in the townships, and it is something he celebrates; the people, the music and the culture. He has risen from humble beginnings sitting at his mother's sewing machine to owning a successful fashion label. His label, Imprint, celebrates the glamour and stories of African ancestors, using iconic print, fabrics and specific points in time to create unique fashion forward and wearable clothing and accessories.







### **Sihle Tshabalala and Mzi Duda**

Sihle Tshabalala and Mzi Duda are singular men who prove that the rehabilitation and reformation of offenders is possible. They have made us think about our ideas about male prisoners and men in general. They work with offenders, ex-offenders and vulnerable youth to help them learn skills such as coding and to become positive and powerful change-makers in their communities, thereby ending the cycle of poverty and crime in poor communities. Their work seeks to spark imagination and get participants to believe they can be anything they want to be.



### **Wongama Baleni**

Wongama Baleni's journey to coffee was not an obvious one. He has been a fireman, a petrol service attendant, and done many other things to put food on the table. Since 2012, he's been one of three partners at the Department of Coffee, the first gourmet coffee shop in a township in the Western Cape. Wongama and his partners come from Khayelitsha, home to more than a million residents and with not a single coffee shop. Having observed trends in other parts of the city, they figured that there was a huge gap in the market in Khayelitsha and other townships, and opened the Department of Coffee in the heart of the Khayelitsha central business district to build a major black owned food and beverage brand.







### **Naiema Fakier**

Naiema Fakier is a lifelong Bo-Kaap resident, mother of five, and a terrific cook. She shares the rich traditions and aromatic food of the Cape Malay people in her Bo-Kaap kitchen tucked between other brightly painted houses on quaint cobbled streets. She shares about the culture and religious traditions that have played a major role in shaping the history and diversity of Cape Town.

### **Tony Elvin**

Tony Elvin believes that Langa, Cape Town's oldest township, is one of the city's most important economic and cultural nodes. Located right in the middle of the metropole, Tony's vision is that Langa is not a peripheral area, but a major centre piece. His Langa Quarter initiative draws on Langa's location and cultural heritage to create a thriving precinct built on enterprise development principles.







### **Unathi Dyanti**

Heading up Tyisa Nabanye, a non-profit farming organisation, is our host Unathi Dyanti. He is a food security activist who is fighting for change on the slopes of Signal Hill between Tamboerskloof and the Bo-Kaap, on an old military battery. Tyisa Nabanye aims to create a space in the city where everyone is welcome to explore the possibilities of growing food in an urban environment. The space includes an organic vegetable garden, an indigenous nursery, a weekly market and workshops and events.

### **Jason Redman**

Our host Jason Redman, otherwise known as "Dfeat Once", is a graffiti artist and designer with some 20 years in the mural art and hip hop scenes. His extensive knowledge forms the basis of our excursions around the street art of Woodstock and Salt River. Most recently, he co-ordinated a street art festival in the Winelands, helping to create a new street art epicentre in the city.





# Programmes

<b>Opportunity 1:</b> <b>General English 20 h</b>	20 h General English*
<b>Opportunity 2:</b> <b>General Intensive English 30 h</b>	20 h General English* 10 h Communication Classes
<b>Opportunity 3:</b> <b>Language Culture Discovery 30 h</b>	20 h General English* 10 h Language Excursions
<b>Opportunity 4:</b> <b>Language Culture Discovery 34 h</b>	20 h General English* 10 h Language Excursions 4 h Private Lessons
<b>Opportunity 5:</b> <b>Business English 30 h</b>	20 h General English* 10 h Private Business English
<b>Opportunity 6:</b> <b>Examination Preparation 32 h</b> <b>(FCE, CAE, CPE)</b>	20 h General English* 8 h Exam Preparation 4 h Language Excursions

\* General English: Grammar and skills in reading, writing, listening, speaking and vocabulary development  
1 h = 50 min.

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There are many reasons to decide on a language course with Kurus English.  
Here are some of them:

- Professional English classes in small groups guarantee intensive training
- Extraordinary teacher-accompanied Language Excursions ensure practical language experiences and a deeper insight into South African culture
- Carefully selected host families offer a high level of personal commitment
- Outstanding learning environment situated in the centre of the city of Cape Town
- All-round service: assistance with flight and trip planning as well as local excursions and leisure activities

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