Evening language programme 2024/25

Course title: Cornish Upper-Intermediate Part IV – online

Course descriptor/objectives

The aim of the course is to help the learner to become a fully independent user of the target language.

Lessons cover "Yeth" (language) and "Lien" (literature).

By the end of the course participants will be able to:

- understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics
- follow detailed instructions and answer questions in Cornish
- translate passages into English and Cornish
- produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects
- understand Cornish grammar, including the intricacies of syntax in Cornish.

This course is suitable for those aiming to sit the Kevsa Grade 3 exam.

Language-specific information:

Derived from the Celtic language family, Cornish is one of the ancient languages of the British Isles.

It is widely believed the language became extinct as a first language in Cornwall in the late 18th century, although there is evidence of continued use after this date.

The Cornish language plays an important part in preserving Cornish heritage and culture. As of 2022, Cornwall Council told the BBC that there were over 4000 children learning the language for free in schools. This effort on the part of Cornwall is not just an attempt to revive the language, but the cultural identity that goes with it.

Prerequisite:

Completion of our upper-intermediate part III course, or equivalent.

Technical requirements:

-PC, laptop or tablet with camera and microphone

-Stable internet connection

Delivery will be via Zoom
https://zoom.us/download

Once the course is confirmed, your teacher will send you an invitation for the first online session. You can expect to receive this invitation one day before the first session.

Coursebook and/or learning resources:

Course materials are provided, but the following are

suitable accompanying textbooks:

- Wella Brown: Skeul an Yeth II - all
- Graham Sandercock: Holyewgh an Lergh II - all
- John Page: Intermediate Grammar

Recommended reading:

- Tony Hak: Grammar for the Third Grade

- John Parker: Keskowsow Istorek ha Keskowsow
- John Page: Hwedhlow Nowydh ha Koth