



ITT Interview task guidance

Congratulations!

We're delighted to invite you to your ITT interview with the **Sheffield Teacher Training Alliance**, in partnership with the **National Institute of Teaching**.

Please read the guidance below to understand what to expect on the day, along with some helpful tips to support your preparation.

What will I be doing on the day?

Your interview day will consist of **three key tasks**:

1. 5-Minute Lesson Introduction

- Prepare a short **lesson introduction** based on a title from the **approved list** (provided in your invitation email).
- The introduction should last **no longer than 5 minutes**.
- This is **not** a full lesson—just the opening section to engage learners with the topic.
- You'll be 'teaching' two STTA colleagues who will act as your students. Be ready to interact with them!
- Make it **fun and engaging**. Think about how you'd introduce the topic to students who may be unfamiliar with it.
- **PowerPoint is not permitted** (in-person or online).

However, you may use:

- A **physical or digital whiteboard** (e.g., Microsoft Teams whiteboard)
 - Any other creative resources to bring your introduction to life
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2. Interview Questions

- This section helps us get to know you better.
- Questions will be based on our **values, knowledge, and competencies**, including:
 - Motivation for becoming a teacher
 - Resilience



- Self-evaluation
 - Problem-solving
 - We recommend reflecting on these areas beforehand to help you express your passion and enthusiasm clearly.
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3. Written Assessment

- This will assess your **subject knowledge**, aligned to the course you've applied for.
 - Don't worry if you haven't engaged with your subject recently—just take time to **brush up** and review the **National Curriculum** before attending.
 - The assessment will also evaluate your:
 - **English proficiency**
 - **Quality of written communication**
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Tips for Success

- **Arrive on time** and dress appropriately—getting the basics right sets the tone!
 - **Prepare in advance**, then try to relax. Our interviewers are friendly and simply want to learn more about you and your potential.
 - **Attend your pre-interview phone call**—a team member will offer support and answer any questions.
 - **Bring your questions!**
This is a two-way process. If interviewers can't answer them on the day, you'll have a chance to speak with a member of our team afterwards.
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Thanks for reading—and best of luck with your interview!
The STTA Team