



**International House** Bristol

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# Learn English Faster

Intensive English in Bristol, England

Students • Teachers • Adults



**Study, Travel, Exams, Holidays**



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as a Foreign Language

# International House Bristol

## Learn English in a beautiful location

Since 1987, thousands of students have enjoyed our courses. We have students from many different countries. Everyone knows everyone, so the atmosphere is friendly, professional and welcoming. You'll feel at home here, so you'll learn without stress. We are based in a lovely old building in Clifton, a wonderful historic area of Bristol. Shops, restaurants, bars, the university and many more

attractions are close to the school. You have everything you need for the best results: comfortable classrooms, a great study room with listening facilities, a computer room with free email and internet, and a Students' Room, including computers, where you can relax and talk to friends.

### You'll make progress with our methods

1. You'll make quick progress with our interactive methods and unique materials. In your classes you'll study over 100 useful words and phrases every week.
2. You'll speak more naturally, more fluently and with more confidence from your first lesson.
3. The English you'll learn is REAL English – from newspapers and magazines, conversation, TV and radio... the English we use every day, so what you learn is the English you need most.
4. You'll have lots of personal attention from our fully qualified teachers, so you can be sure our methods and materials are the best for you.
5. You can study for important international qualifications like PET, FCE, CAE, CPE, IELTS or Trinity Speaking Exams.
6. Our philosophy: learning English can be easy and fun. We'll share our ideas and techniques with you and aim to make your experience 100% positive.

“Normally, when I had grammar lessons before, I felt bored. Not at IH Bristol”

**Yuko, Japan**



Pictured above: Clifton Suspension Bridge

## Aims of your Programme

We want you to learn quickly and effectively. That's why every class is planned to help you use your English more productively. You'll have a variety of active learning methods to help you think and speak in English.

Regular homework is an important part of the programme.

On the first day, we will give you a test to help us put you in the best group. We generally have five levels from Elementary to Advanced. You learn better in small groups, so our classes have a maximum of 12 students of different nationalities. On all our programmes, we'll help you:

- speak more fluently
- sound more natural in English
- use grammar with better accuracy
- develop your vocabulary quickly
- read and listen with more understanding
- write more effectively
- discover aspects of British life and culture

As a result, you will feel more fluent and confident in English, be more independent in your learning and enjoy your experience of living in England.

### Also included in your course:

- Conversation Club, every Friday – so you learn to speak more fluently
- a Phrase of the Day – to help you sound more natural, and our Cultural Question – so you understand more about our way of life
- your end of week Cultural Project to help you discover more about life in Britain
- weekly tests to help you assess your progress

### And That's not all. You will also get:

- extra lessons with our trainee or full-time teachers every week – so you can get even more English practice for the same price (Low season only)
- access to our study room where there are hundreds of hours of materials to help you improve every aspect of your English. A study room tutor is also available in the afternoon to help you.
- lots of practical ideas for how you can continue to improve your English even after your course
- extra practice exercises and material on our website



Pictured above: International House Bristol

“I have made so many friends from all over the world. It's a great school and I was very happy to be a student here.”

**Atia, Libya**

“I learnt more than English”

**Anna Varee Rivoallan**



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## Your Courses

### Your Personal Programme

With our flexible system, you can plan the programme that is perfect for your needs and your budget. We think this is very important. You decide:

- when to start and finish your course
- how many extra hours to study at school after your lessons
- if you want to take an internationally recognised exam
- how much you want to spend

Our teachers are professional, friendly, experienced experts. They also train new teachers so you can be sure of their high level of expertise. We're here to help you make rapid progress. You'll receive a lot of personal attention in and outside the class, too. We have regular tests and tutorials to update you on your progress.

### General English

We try to make learning easy and fun. Our classes are lively and stimulating and give you lots of practice in communicating. You'll be more fluent and speak more naturally very quickly.

### Au-Pair English

We have special English courses for au-pairs to help you make friends, discover Bristol and improve your English. You can also prepare for an internationally recognised exam in English at the same time

### Group Courses

You can ask us to design a course specifically to suit your needs. Ideal for professional groups any time of year.

You can choose from these popular topics, or add your own:

- English for tourism
- English and politics and economics
- English for business
- English and literature and drama
- English and other languages
- English for hotel workers
- English for journalists
- DVD-making and editing course
- English and music

### Cambridge Exams\*

We are an official exam centre for Cambridge and Trinity exams. If you sign up for our Cambridge Exam preparation course you'll receive excellent preparation for great results in PET, FCE, CAE and CPE. You'll also have regular practice tests that cover all the important points of the syllabus. You'll follow a coursebook, and practise all you need so you feel confident about getting the results you want.

### IELTS Preparation\*

Do you want to study at University or work in Britain?

You need our IELTS programme. Our methods work: our students have been accepted by more than 20 different universities in the UK. In the morning, you follow a general skills programme to ensure your reading, writing, speaking and listening are at a good level. In the afternoons, you focus on exam skills, exam practice and exam English. Regular practice tests will also help you prepare for your exams.

“Great atmosphere, excellent management, enthusiastic teachers and superb welfare staff!”

Sylvia, Germany

\*Minimum student numbers apply

## Work Placement

English is the international language of business. With our work placement programme you will get valuable practical experience of using English in the work place. You'll practise your English and learn about the world of work. Work placements are generally unpaid. Typical placements include: shops, charity organisations, hotels and restaurants, supermarkets, financial advisors, banks, IT companies and more.

## One-to-One English

Ideal for students who want intensive help or busy professionals like doctors, journalists and teachers. We will make a great programme that helps you achieve your goals. Typical elements can include presentations, business meetings, socialising, telephone English, negotiating, and job interviews.

## Combined English

You can combine group courses with a programme of one-to-one classes on the topics that interest you. It's the best of both worlds, and the perfect way to improve your English effectively.

## Courses for Foreign Teachers of English

How can you help your students learn better and enjoy their classes more? Our courses will help you discover new teaching techniques to bring your classes to life. It's fast and fun – and a great holiday too! Brush up your idiomatic English, increase your repertoire of practical activities for your classes and develop your cultural awareness of life in Britain.

## After Your Classes

With International House Bristol, you don't stop learning when the teaching stops. You can learn even after your class. Here are some examples. You can:

- do your homework or practise in our study room.  
This is the perfect place for you to focus on your grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading and writing skills, exam techniques...and there is a teacher available to help you
- use our computer room with free e-mail and internet so you can stay in touch with friends, or do our interactive exercises
- join the Social Programme
- watch a DVD!
- explore Bristol – we'll give you a list of things to do in Bristol to have fun, keep busy, enjoy the city and discover the British way of life

This is an example of a typical week's full timetable (low season)\*:

	9.00 - 9.45	9.50 - 10.35	10.55 - 11.40	11.45 - 12.30	1.30 - 2.15	2.25 - 3.10	3.15 - 4.00	4.00 - 6.00
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F	<b>Coursebook focus</b>		<b>Grammar and vocabulary</b>		<b>Conversation club or exam practice</b>			

\* Subject to change



Pictured above: Bristol Downs

# Social Programme

There's always something to do after school. Our social programme is an excellent chance to practise the English that you learn. You can also have fun meeting other students and experiencing English culture and entertainment.

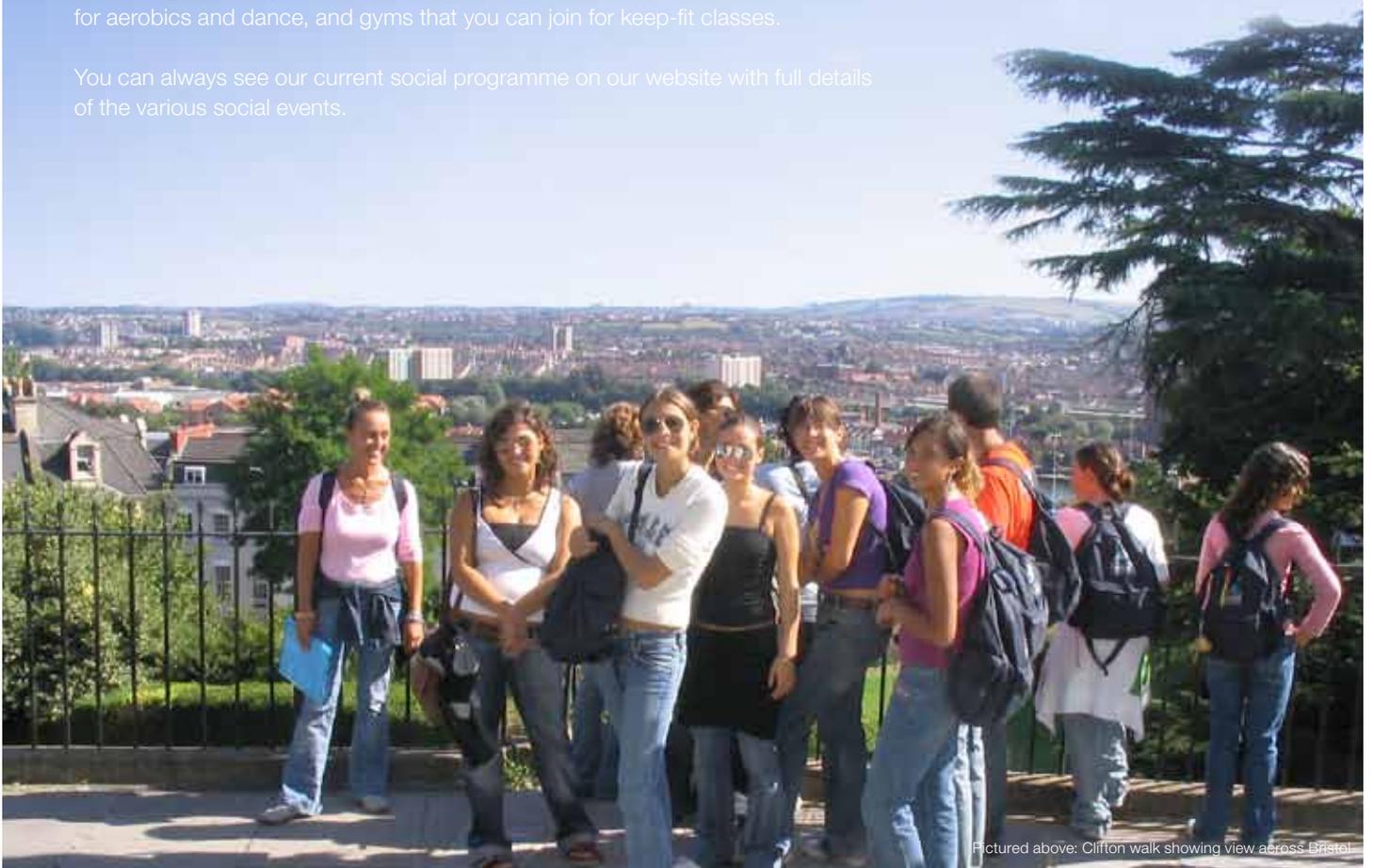
Every week, we organise different afternoon and evening activities for you in Bristol. Regular activities include visits to museums, city tours, BBQs, karaoke, international food parties, pub nights, cinema evenings, concerts and more. This will give you the opportunity to meet friends, practise your English and see more of England.

Most of the activities are free. Activities which are extra are not expensive. Throughout the year we also have visits every Saturday to places like London, Oxford, Bath, Stonehenge and Cardiff.

Here at the school, we have a Social Programme board, which gives you the chance to view the current social programme events and sign your name up to attend. We also give you details of other events in Bristol, in case you want to arrange to go with some of your new friends!

Bristol is great for sport, too. You can play badminton, squash, football, volleyball and also go climbing, ice-skating, bowling and swimming. There are also classes for aerobics and dance, and gyms that you can join for keep-fit classes.

You can always see our current social programme on our website with full details of the various social events.



Pictured above: Clifton walk showing view across Bristol





## Accommodation

We carefully select our homestay families to make sure that they are safe, welcoming and caring. Everyone is different – some are families with children, or couples, some are single people living alone – but they are all keen to make foreign students feel welcome, and will make you feel as happy and as comfortable as possible. You will have your own room with a study area, unless you ask to share. In our homestays, you are like one of the family, and will have regular contact with English speakers. You can normally travel to school on foot or by bus in 10-30 minutes. We will try and place you as close to the school as possible.

## Homestay

Living with a host family is the best way to experience British lifestyle and improve your English.

We regularly visit all of our host families to make sure that the accommodation they offer is of the highest standard so you will feel safe and at home.

- **Full Board** – Where the family provides your breakfast, evening meal, and a packed lunch. This means all of your meals are provided for you during your stay.
- **Half Board** – The host will provide your breakfast and will also cook your evening meal.
- **Self Catering** – This is where you buy and cook your own food during your stay. We also have the option of either full board or self-catering residence (not with a host family). This will depend on season and availability.

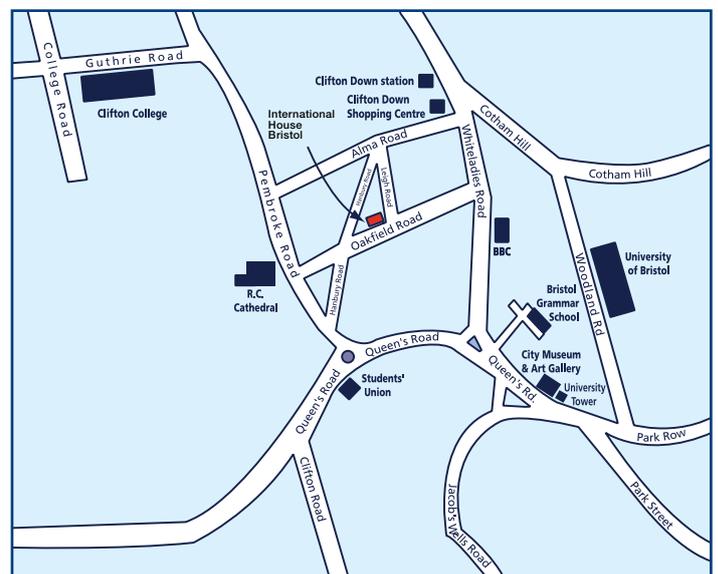
# Bristol

Bristol is a brilliant place to study. It's a friendly, safe, attractive city with a long and colourful history. With a population of 500,000 it's the cultural and commercial capital of the South West. It's also the home of many financial and high technology companies. Bristol has two popular universities, great shopping, hundreds of pubs and clubs both modern and traditional, lots of restaurants, museums, cinemas and parks. We have several music festivals each year, a balloon fiesta, a harbour festival, a food festival and more. If you like music or sport, Bristol is ideal for you: we have rock, jazz and classical concerts every week. For sports fans, there are two football teams, a rugby club, several gyms, swimming pools, climbing, riding, water sports, dancing and more. Bristol is surrounded by places of interest: Bath, Oxford, Cardiff, Stonehenge and Stratford-on-Avon are all close, and London is just 90 minutes away by train.



## Getting to Bristol

You can fly directly to Bristol International Airport from many cities, including Rome, Alicante, Amsterdam, Berlin, Brussels, Copenhagen, Frankfurt, Geneva, Madrid, Malaga, Munich, Nice, Paris, Prague, Toulouse and Venice. If you fly to London Heathrow or Gatwick, you can take a coach direct to Bristol. There are also frequent trains from London Paddington to Bristol Temple Meads.



## Airport transfers

If you are flying to major UK airports we can arrange a transfer for you from the airport to your accommodation.



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