

### Castle School of English LEARN FOR LIFE

## Brighton

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# Welcome...

### to Castle School

Castle School was founded in 2003 to offer education courses to students in the UK and from overseas and is located in the heart of one of the most vibrant cities in England.

At Castle School we provide students with the opportunity to fully immerse themselves in English culture and maximize their learning potential.

You can choose from a range of courses including General English, Business English for Work, preparation for IELTS, courses leading to FCE and CAE, English for International Tourism, English Plus Career Skills, University Preparation Courses, Conversation and Pronunciation Club and One to One courses.

Between 750 and 1000 students learn with Castle School every year and we pride ourselves on maintaining high academic standards and offering professional student services.

At Castle School the academic team is staffed with qualified and experienced teachers, who are both professional and friendly and who continuously strive to ensure that the level of service is excellent.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school and helping you achieve your goals.

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### Learn with Castle School

Brighton's rich mix of seaside attractions, historic architecture, lively arts scene, varied shopping and entertainment, and cosmopolitan community make it a vibrant, enjoyable place to live.

It's a small city but there's probably as much going on here as anywhere in the country except London. So you get all the benefits of living in a major city but it's easy to walk to shops, entertainment venues, clubs and pubs.

Visitors and residents alike love Brighton for the sea, the beach, the Regency architecture, the extravagant Royal Pavilion, the two piers and the Lanes (the fishing village from which Brighton developed), now a maze of narrow thoroughfares packed with shops and restaurants.



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Alongside the traditional attractions there's a wide choice of pubs, clubs and restaurants, a modern indoor shopping centre and specialist shops, excellent sports facilities, and a revamped beachfront. Once you have been to Brighton you'll understand why so many students choose to stay here.



**Brighton Station** 

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### BOOKING & ENROLMENT

Please either complete one of our Booking forms (available from our head office, by post or online) or email Castle School.

info@castle-school.co.uk

#### agents@castle-school.co.uk

#### www.castle-school.co.uk

The following student details are required:

- Full name, gender, date of birth and nationality
- Course required, start date, finish date and number of weeks
- Accommodation required, start date, finish date and number of weeks
- Personal preferences: smoking, diet, allergies, medical conditions and medication
- Airport transfer if required

#### THE BOOKING PROCEDURE

1. Send the details to the school.

- 2. We will confirm the booking in writing.
- 3. We will then send the enrolment letter or confirmation and invoice by email or normal post. A courier service is available at an additional cost.
- 4. Net payment should be made into our bank account (details follow) at least 3 weeks before the student's arrival. Please send a bank confirmation by email or by fax to the school as soon as you have made the transfer. The confirmation should state the invoice number and student's name.
- 5. The school will then forward the accommodation and transfer details by email.

#### **YOUR FIRST DAY**

Please arrive at 09.00 on your first day (or 11.00 if you are studying in the afternoon).

Please provide one passport photo for our records. When you arrive go directly to Reception and you will be escorted to your testing session.

The placement test includes questions on vocabulary and grammar, and also a writing and speaking component. It usually takes about an hour.

Following the test, all students will be inducted into the school, with information about who to speak to if they have any problems and basic health and safety information.

You will then be directed to your classroom to start lessons.

\* Please note during peak times you may start your lessons on the next day.

#### **OUR ACCOUNT DETAILS**

All school payments should be made to:

Natwest, Brighton Town Centre, Churchill Square Branch, Unit 40, 56 Churchill Square, Brighton BN1 2ES

#### Account Name:

Castle School Limited Account No: 15650049 Branch Sort Code: 01-01-23 Swift Code: NWBKGB2L IBAN: GB85NWBK01012315650049

All bank charges must be paid by the student.





### COURSE OVERVIEW

At Castle School we have lots of courses to help you learn English fast.

#### Who is this course for?

Our courses are for students over the age of 16 and are suitable for students who wish to improve their English for personal reasons, professional reasons, or for future studies in English.

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT COURSES:**

- A placement/level test on arrival
- All our teachers are native speakers of English
- Regular homework
- · Our teachers will correct your speaking and writing carefully
- You can talk to your teacher privately in regular individual Private Tutorials
- (two every 10-14 week term)
- Multi-national classes
- Maximum 12 students per class

- A course book issued when you arrive (with a course at least 2 weeks long)
- Dedicated teachers
- Regular Progress Tests
- End of term examinations
- A Certificate of Achievement (Minimum attendance 80%)

#### ALL OUR COURSES ALSO INCLUDE:

- Free wireless internet
- · Help and advice with further study & university placement

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16

10 (maximum 12)

- Use of free self study materials
- No of students (peak season) 200
- No of students (low season) 100
- Average age of students
- Minimum age
- Average class size
- Typical homestay time 20 minutes by bus



### COURSE OVERVIEW

#### **SMALL CLASSES**

At Castle School classes are small and multinational, with an average of 9 to 10 students. This enables our teachers to focus on your individual aims and interests to help you improve your English in a way which is relevant to you.



#### **NATIONALITY MIX**

We are proud to have students from around the World. This is a great opportunity to get to know people from different cultures and for you to make your stay at Castle School a truly unforgettable experience!

#### **INNOVATIVE APPROACH**

You learn better when you are motivated. This has always been the fundamental principle behind Castle School's teaching philosophy. We believe that enhancing each student's motivation is the key to a successful and enjoyable learning experience.

Our philosophy has far reaching effects on the overall quality of our teaching and we believe that this school has excellent standards as a result.

We use an innovative, communicative approach to teaching. Lessons are fun and interactive with a high level of student involvement. As well as using stimulating and contemporary materials, we employ a variety of different methodologies.

#### **INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT**

You are individually assessed both on arrival and throughout your course. We give you a written and oral test on your first day and monitor your progress regularly. If you have achieved satisfactory attendance (80% +) you receive a Castle School Certificate at the end of your stay. These are very useful to show employers when looking for a job.

#### **Teachers who care**

Our Teachers:

- Enjoy teaching
- · Are all native speakers of English
- Are qualified and experienced
- Correct your mistakes so you learn faster
- Understand that every student is different and individual
- Are enthusiastic, cheerful and helpful

Our academic team plan and structure our English courses to ensure that they are varied, stimulating and challenging. The course is specifically designed to help you reach your goals.

Castle School teachers are professional and experienced in English language tuition and undergo continual training in the best and latest teaching approaches. They are chosen for their ability to inspire and give you the knowledge and extra confidence you need to use English to the maximum of your ability.

All Castle School teachers have a TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) qualification and a high level of education. Many teachers have furthered their teaching qualifications by obtaining a DipTESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) or DELTA (Diploma in English Langauge Teaching to Adults) teaching certificate.



### A wide range of General English Courses

All classes have a maximum of 12 students with an average of 9 to 10

#### **MORNING GENERAL ENGLISH**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Standard Course
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	15 hours / 20 lessons
Timetable:	09.15 – 12.30
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Every week

The Standard Course is designed to give you the confidence to communicate effectively in real-life situations. The course provides a balanced programme, focusing on the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, whilst covering essential grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, idioms and colloquial language. It provides effective training for students who need English for work, study or travel and can provide preparation for a number of exams: IELTS, TOEFL, TOEIC, KET, PET, FCE, CAE CPE.

15 hours/20 lessons is the minimum number of hours required for UK student visa issue.



#### **MORNING GENERAL ENGLISH + 2 AFTERNOONS**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Standard Course
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	21 hours / 28 lessons
Timetable:	09.15 - 12.30 + 13.15 - 16.30 (2 Aft)
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Every week

This 21 hour/28 lesson General English course includes the same aspects as the 15 hour/20 lesson course, with 2 extra afternoons

This is one of the most popular courses amongst students staying for short/medium periods, and, who want a comprehensive English tuition programme.

#### **AFTERNOON & EVENING GENERAL ENGLISH**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Standard Course
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	15 hours / 20 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 / 18.15 – 21.30
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Every week

The Standard Course is designed to give you the confidence to communicate effectively in real-life situations. The course provides a balanced programme, focusing on the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, whilst covering essential grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, idioms and colloquial language. It provides effective training for students who need English for work, study or travel and can provide preparation for a number of exams: IELTS, TOEFL, TOEIC, KET, PET, FCE, CAE CPE.

Afternoon and Evening courses are available part-time or full-time.

This course is the perfect choice for students who are looking for a short/medium length course.

15 hours/20 lessons is the minimum number of hours required for UK student visa issue.

#### **INTENSIVE GENERAL ENGLISH**

#### **Fact File**

Intensive Course
2 – 24+ weeks
30 hours / 40 lessons
09.15 - 12.30 + 13.15 - 16.30
B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced
16
Maximum 12
Every week

The Intensive Course is designed to give you the confidence to communicate effectively in real-life situations. The course provides a balanced programme, focusing on the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, whilst covering essential grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, idioms and colloquial language. It provides effective training for students who need English for work, study or travel and can provide preparation for a number of exams: IELTS, TOEFL, TOEIC, KET, PET, FCE, CAE CPE.

This course is excellent for students who have a short amount of time to study and who want to make a substantial difference to their ability to communicate effectively in English.

### Examination Courses

All classes have a maximum of 12 students with an average of 9 to 10

#### **IELTS PREPARATION COURSE**

#### **Fact File**

IELTS Preparation Course
2 – 24+ weeks
12 hours / 16 lessons
15 hours / 20 lessons
27 hours / 36 lessons (Intensive)
09.15 – 12.30
13.15 – 16.30
18.15 – 21.30
B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced
16
Maximum 12
Every week

To gain entrance into an English speaking university, have a competitive edge when applying for a job, enhance your career or move to a different country, you need an internationally recognised qualification. The IELTS qualification will prove you have the necessary standard of English skills required by employers and universities.

IELTS is the International English Language Testing System. It measures ability to communicate in English across all four language skills (listening, reading, writing and speaking) for people who intend to study or work where English is the language of communication. The appropriate IELTS score is now the standard requirement for entry to a UK university. IELTS training improves skills required for studying at university - it is really good practice for writing essays/taking notes during lectures and researching topics in libraries and/or online.

We recommend that students staying for the academic year should combine their IELTS preparation with a General English Course.

The examination can be arranged locally. Please book the examination at least four weeks in advance, particularly during the summer months.

#### FIRST CERTIFICATE (FCE) CAMBRIDGE ADVANCED (CAE)

#### **Fact File**

Cambridge Exam Preparation Course
2 – 24+ weeks
15 hours / 20 lessons
09.15 – 12.30
13.15 – 16.30
18.15 – 21.30
B2 – C1 Upper-intermediate to Advanced
16
Maximum 12
Every week

Cambridge Examination courses at Castle School are designed to improve your overall language ability in addition to developing the language skills necessary to pass your chosen exam. They provide complete and careful preparation for all aspects of the examinations.

Exams are held worldwide in March, June and December and our preparation courses precede each examination. Entry onto these courses is dependent on passing the school entry examination to a sufficient level.

You should have completed an Upper-intermediate level course before starting an FCE course and a pre-advanced course before starting a CAE course.

\*Please note you are advised to enrol for an examination course at the beginning of each new term.

The examination can be arranged locally. Please book the examination at least eight weeks in advance, particularly during the summer months.



### Special Options

All classes have a maximum of 12 students with an average of 9 to 10

#### **BUSINESS ENGLISH FOR WORK**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Business English
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	9 hours / 12 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Mon/Wed/Fri
CEF Levels:	B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Please note this course may be
	subject to availability.

The aim of this course is to provide an accessible introduction to key concepts in today's business world. Together with your teacher you will discuss your English language learning priorities and the core professional skills you wish to focus on.

Emphasis is placed on communication tasks, which give you the opportunity to practise fluency and build confidence in business situations.

This course can be studied as an additional component to a General English or Exam preparation course or in combination with one of our other special option courses.

#### **CONVERSATION & PRONUNCIATION CLUB**

#### Fact File

Course name:	<b>Conversation and Pronunciation Club</b>
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week	: 6 hours / 8 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Tues & Thurs
CEF Levels:	B1 – B2 Intermediate
	to Upper-intermediate
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Please note this course may be
	subject to availability.

The aim of this course is to meet the needs of our students by providing models of language as it is used in contemporary society, using topics which are relevant to learners' needs and interests. The classroom activities and worksheets provide you with practice in using expressions, conversation strategies and grammatical items that are relevant to your needs in the 'real world'.

Throughout the course the target language, aspects of pronunciation, grammatical items and conversation strategies are presented in context, within a communicative framework, so that you are led to see the link between form and meaning. During the lessons there will be a balance between individual, pair work and group work to help develop your confidence and learner autonomy.

Teachers will use a variety of course book and authentic supplementary materials. This course can be studied as an additional component to a General English or Exam preparation course or in combination with one of our other special option courses.



#### **ENGLISH FOR INTERNATIONAL TOURISM**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	English for International Tourism
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	9 hours / 12 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Mon/Wed/Fri
CEF Levels:	A2 – B2 Pre-intermediate
	to Upper-intermediate
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Please note this course may be subject to availability.

English for International Tourism is a language course designed to cater for learners studying for vocational qualifications in the travel trade and for working professionals undertaking in-service language training. The course deals with the language of tourism from an insider's occupational perspective rather than of the individual traveller.

#### **Key facts**

Brings the working world into the classroom with a wide range of authentic materials taken from sources including the acclaimed **Dorling Kindersley Eyewitness Travel Guides.** 

Brings the working world into the classroom with authentic material from companies within the tourism industry.

Improves professional communication skills with strategies for workplace situations such as giving advice, taking bookings and dealing with complaints.

Develops key grammar, skills, vocabulary and pronunciation through the comprehensive integrated syllabus.

This course can be studied as an additional component to a General English or a Cambridge Examination Preparation Course or in combination with one of the other Special Options courses available at Castle School.

#### **ONE-TO-ONE ENGLISH**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	One to One
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	As arranged
Timetable:	Between 13.15 & 17.30
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 1
Availability:	Every week

One-to-One tuition is the ultimate course for making maximum progress during a short period of time.

This is a highly intensive course, which is focussed on your English language requirements and designed by our teachers to match your specific needs. This is the most flexible and personal course available.

This course can be combined with a group course. This gives you the advantage of the interaction of a group course in the morning or evening and individually tailored tuition in the afternoon.

This is a great way of accelerating your progress!

#### **UNIVERSITY PREPARATION COURSE ONE-TO-ONE**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	University Preparation Course
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	7.5 hours / 10 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 14.45 Mon to Fri
CEF Levels:	B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced
Minimum age:	17
Class size:	Maximum 1
Availability:	Every week

#### **One-to-one**

The University Preparation Course is ideal for students planning to study at a British or international university. The course combines General English with intensive One-to-One sessions which take place every afternoon Monday to Friday (13.15 - 14.45). You receive the benefit of participating in group classes, building your communication skills, as well as receiving tailored tuition from an experienced teacher in your private classes.

The One-to-One classes include a complete 'Needs Analysis' and a programme of work, agreed on by your teacher and you, so that study aims can be achieved within a realistic timeframe. The focus of these classes varies depending on your needs.

#### Typical areas may be:

- · Targeting your weaknesses in the English Language
- Skills work, consolidation from General English classes
- Academic writing
- University application process assistance
- General preparation for life at university

#### UNIVERSITY PREPARATION COURSE MINI GROUP

#### Fact File

Course name:	University Preparation Course	
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks	
Hours/Lessons per week:	6 hours / 8 lessons	
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Tues & Thurs	
CEF Levels:	B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced	
Minimum age:	17	
Class size:	Maximum 8	
Availability:	Please note this course may be subject to availability.	

#### **Mini Group**

The University Preparation Course is ideal for students planning to study at a British or international university. The recommended course combines General English with intensive Mini Group sessions (Max 8 students), which take place twice a week. You receive the benefit of participating in General English group classes, building your communication skills, as well as receiving tailored tuition from an experienced teacher in your Mini Group classes.

The Mini Group classes include a complete 'Needs Analysis' and a programme of work, agreed on by the teacher and the students, so that study aims can be achieved within a realistic timeframe. The focus of these classes varies depending on the needs of the students.

#### Typical areas may be:

- Targeting your weaknesses in the English Language
- Skills work, consolidation from General English classes

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- Academic writing
- University application process assistance
- · General preparation for life at university



### English Plus Courses

All classes have a maximum of 12 students with an average of 9 to 10

Castle School **English 'Plus'** Courses combine 'General English' with a 'Special Option'. You receive the benefit of participating in General English group classes, building your communication skills, as well as receiving tailored tuition from an experienced teacher in your Special Option classes.

#### **GENERAL ENGLISH**

The Standard Course is designed to give you the confidence to communicate effectively in real-life situations. The course provides a balanced programme, focusing on the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, whilst covering essential grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, idioms and colloquial language.

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Standard Course
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	15 hours / 20 lessons
Timetable:	09.15 – 12.30
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Every week

#### **ENGLISH PLUS BUSINESS ENGLISH**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	Business English	
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks	
Hours/Lessons per week:	9 hours / 12 lessons	
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Mon/Wed/Fri	
CEF Levels:	B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced	
Minimum age:	16	
Class size:	Maximum 12	
Availability:	Please note this course may be	
	subject to availability.	

The aim of this course is to provide an accessible introduction to key concepts in today's business world. Together with your teacher you will discuss your English language learning priorities and the core professional skills you wish to focus on.

Emphasis is placed on communication tasks, which give you the opportunity to practise fluency and build confidence in business situations.

#### ENGLISH PLUS ENGLISH FOR INTERNATIONAL TOURISM

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	English for International Tourism	
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks	
Hours/Lessons per week:	9 hours / 12 lessons	
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Mon/Wed/Fri	
CEF Levels:	B1 – B2 Intermediate to	
	Upper-intermediate	
Minimum age:	16	
Class size:	Maximum 12	
Availability:	Please note this course may be	
	subject to availability.	

This course is designed to cater for learners studying for vocational qualifications in the travel trade and for working professionals undertaking in-service language training. The course deals with the language of tourism from an insider's occupational perspective rather than of the individual traveller.



#### ENGLISH PLUS CONVERSATION & PRONUNCIATION CLUB

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	English Plus
	Conversation and Pronunciation Club
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	6 hours / 8 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Tues & Thurs
CEF Levels:	A2 – B2 Pre-intermediate to
	Upper-intermediate
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 12
Availability:	Please note this course may be
	subject to availability.

The aim of this course is to meet the needs of our students by providing models of language as it is used in contemporary society, using topics which are relevant to learners' needs and interests. The classroom activities and worksheets provide you with practice in using expressions, conversation strategies and grammatical items that are relevant to your needs in the 'real world'.

#### **ENGLISH PLUS ONE-TO-ONE**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	English Plus One-to- One
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks
Hours/Lessons per week:	7.5 hours / 10 lessons
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Mon to Fri
CEF Levels:	A1 – C1 Elementary to Advanced
Minimum age:	16
Class size:	Maximum 1
Availability:	Every week

English Plus On-to-One is a popular way of combining General English classes in the morning with One-to-One lessons in the afternoon to focus on your personal needs.

Private tuition in the afternoon lessons will concentrate on your personal weaknesses or specific needs, such as language skills for business or academic use. The number of

One-to-One lessons is flexible and can be arranged according to your requirements.

This is a great way of accelerating your progress!

#### ENGLISH PLUS UNIVERSITY PREPARATION COURSE MINI GROUP

#### **Fact File**

University Preparation Course
2 – 24+ weeks
6 hours / 8 lessons
13.15 – 16.30 Tues & Thurs
B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced
16
Maximum 8 Mini Group
Every week

#### **Mini Group**

The University Preparation Course is ideal for students planning to study at a British or international university. The course combines General English with intensive Mini Group sessions (Max 8 students), which take place twice a week. You receive the benefit of participating in General English group classes, building your communication skills, as well as receiving tailored tuition from an experienced teacher in your Mini Group classes.

The Mini Group classes include a complete 'Needs Analysis' and a programme of work, agreed on by the teacher and the students, so that study aims can be achieved within a realistic timeframe. The focus of these classes varies depending on the needs of the students.

#### Typical areas may be:

- Targeting your weaknesses in the English Language
- Skills work, consolidation from General English classes
- Academic writing
- University application process assistance
- General preparation for life at university



#### **ENGLISH PLUS WORK SKILLS**

#### **Fact File**

Course name:	English Plus Work Skills	
Course length:	2 – 24+ weeks	
Hours/Lessons per week:	6 hours / 8 lessons	
Timetable:	13.15 – 16.30 Tues & Thurs	
CEF Levels:	B1 – C1 Intermediate to Advanced	
Minimum age:	16	
Class size:	Maximum 8	
Availability:	Please note this course may be	
	subject to availability.	

Our English 'Plus' Work Skills Course can help you improve both your English skills and Work skills at the same time. You study a language course in the mornings (General English or Exam Preparation) and a Work skills Course in the afternoons.

Our English 'Plus' Work Skills Course is a practical employment skills course concentrating on the essential skills needed to survive in an English speaking workplace environment and is appropriate for junior managerial levels, secretarial, administrative and clerical staff, job-seekers and students embarking upon their careers.

#### An English Language Course Plus Work skills training provides:

- Self assessment you understand your strengths and weaknesses
- Career development you learn how to reach your goals
- Job search skills a vital part of this English language course
- Job application skills success or failure in today's job market
- Interview skills techniques that ensure a successful outcome
- Team building skills a necessary requirement in all companies
- **Communication skills** an important part of any English Language Course
- Personal effectiveness you learn to assert yourself at work
- Problem solving a vital management skill
- Time management you learn how to organize your time successfully
- Presentation skills how to create the right image

Content of the course will be determined by completion of a 'Needs Analysis' and consultation with your teacher.

#### **ENGLISH PLUS WORK EXPERIENCE**

Combining your English studies with an internship in a local business is the perfect way to improve your general and business English, to gain business experience and to interact with English people in the workplace. Our English Plus Work Experience Course consists of an English course and a period of work experience in a company on a full time basis.

This English Plus course gives you the opportunity to take an English language course followed by an internship (unpaid placement) or a Work & Study Programme spent working in a company in Brighton or the surrounding area.

Programmes are designed to offer you the opportunity to improve and practise your English in a real working environment.

Students first undertake a period of study at Castle School this can be General English or our Exam preparation Course.

#### Areas of work include:

- Improved career opportunities
- Opportunity to work in reputable organisations
- · Learn English in a real working environment
- · Learn practical work related skills
- Learn UK working practices
- Enhance your professional CV
- · Gain a Castle School work experience certificate

#### Work placement fields include:

Accounting	Administration	Advertising/PR
Architecture	Computing/IT	Engineering
Fashion	Hotel/Catering	Import/Export
Travel/Tourism	Marketing	Media
Sales	Sport	

#### When can you do your internship?

We can arrange an internship at any time of year, but remember that many English companies close for a few weeks at Christmas time.

You would normally begin your internship as soon as your English course finishes. You need a good intermediate level of English before your internship begins.

For more details of our Work & Study Programmes and Internships please visit our website **www.castle-school.co.uk** 

### Accommodation Options

**Homestay** - At Castle School we offer a range of homestay facilities where you can live with UK homestay providers and enjoy immersion in the language. Your homestay experience is very important to us, and we want you to have a wonderful time while you are here.

There are a number of options available to you in terms of rooms, meal plans and length of stay. Single and twin rooms can be booked and combined with half board.

Homestay providers tend to be very flexible as regards student needs but expect you to fit into the day-to-day life of the homestay.

Long-term students find the language practice very useful and the home environment reassuring. All our homestay providers are very carefully selected and regularly inspected as required by the British Council Accreditation UK regulations. **Self Catering** - If you prefer, you can stay with a homestay provider and cook for yourself. We can also offer advice and guidance regarding living in self-catering accommodation or sharing a flat with other students.

#### **Hotels, Guest Houses and**

**Bed & breakfasts -** We can offer a selection of hotels, guest houses or bed and breakfasts for predominantly short stay visits. These options provide more of a holiday atmosphere and many are located in the city centre making sightseeing and cultural visits easier.

**Student Residence -** You can also choose to live in a shared residence. There are 6 rooms available, single or twin options combined with either half board or self catering.

Our Emergency Number

Please call the school during our 09.00 - 19.00 office hours.

In the event of an emergency, please call the emergency number below:

(44) 07799 770149

### Airport Transfers By Car

If you have booked an airport transfer with Castle School we will use one of our regular transport companies. These are all companies which we have worked with over a period of time and are happy with their level of service. The drivers will usually carry ID badges and a sign with your name clearly shown and will wait in the Arrivals Hall.

When we confirm your transfer we will reconfirm your flight details and arrival time. If there are any changes to this information it is essential that we are informed as soon as possible in order for us to be able to make alternative arrangements. Failure to do so could result in you not being met or the driver arriving late.

It is essential that you do not leave the Terminal Building – it is easier for us to locate you if you remain in the Arrivals area.

Please use the emergency telephone if you encounter any problems.

At Castle School we are happy to provide information on how to reach our location using public transport.

Please contact us for further information.

**Rental Properties - Staff at Castle School** 

will be able to advise on the best methods

to search for rental properties in the

There are a number of companies that

provide services to short-term tenants and

groups of students. However this option is

only available to students based in the UK

already, so new students would require a

short-term accommodation option when

During this period you will be given support

with your search for a suitable property to

rent. You should be aware that minimum rental periods may apply and deposits are

required by most UK Landlords. You can

also make your own arrangements.

local area.

they arrive.

### Excursions & Social Programme

Brighton and Hove offers plenty of excitement and social activities every day. Below are examples of activities that you can do.

Brighton City Centre Shopping Swimming Brighton Museum & Art Gallery Brighton Pier Pub Night Seven Sisters Country Park Hove Museum Football City Walking Tour Film night Ghost Walk in the Lanes Royal Pavilion Cinema Night Badminton Beach Volleyball Disco / Club Night Tenpin Bowling Quiz at School Greyhound Racing Devils Dyke Yoga Barbecue















At Castle School we want you to have fun, make friends and learn about life in England as well as learn the English language. This is why we help you to meet people in lessons and out of lessons.

Leisure activities such as outings, cultural visits, sports, parties, dinners, discos, excursions are regularly provided.

\*Social activities and excursions are optional and may incur additional costs. Excursions all over Britain every week!

#### **Full-Day excursions to:**

- London
- Oxford
- Cambridge
- Bath
- Stonehenge
- Leeds Castle
- Canterbury

#### Half-Day excursions to:

- Musicals in London's West End, such as: The Lion King, Les Miserables etc.
- Lewes (old English town with a Norman Castle on the hill)
- Alfriston

- Shakespeare's Stratford & The Cotswolds (scenic English countryside)
- Isle of Wight
- Windsor Castle
- Hampton Court (Henry VIII's Palace)
- Rottingdean (traditional English village)
- The Cuckmere Valley
- Beachy Head & Seven Sisters (scenic coastal countryside walk)

You will have the opportunity to enjoy a real taste of Brighton and the surrounding countryside, as well as English customs and culture.

#### Entertainment

Brighton & Hove has probably the best choice of entertainment on the south coast. In the city you will find several cinemas, concert halls and theatres. Top names in the music world regularly perform here before moving to London's West End. In addition, Brighton & Hove has a reputation for some of the best nightclubs outside London with top DJ's regularly playing here.

#### Shopping

From the modern shopping mall in Churchill Square to the antique jewellery shops of the 'Lanes' in the old town or the bohemian shops of the North Laines, there is something for everyone.

#### **Special Events**

Throughout the year the city is host to many festivals and special events.

- The Brighton Festival of Arts and Music, held in May, is one of the largest festivals in Europe.
- The London to Brighton Bike Ride, in June every year.
- The Brighton Food Festival takes place in September.
- The London to Brighton Veteran Car Run takes place on the first Sunday of every November and commemorates the Emancipation run of 1896.
- Lewes Bonfire Night 5th November is the UKs night for fireworks and most towns and cities will have a display. Lewes, a market town 6 miles from Brighton and Hove, has the most riotous, historic and extensive celebrations in the region.
- December Burning of the Clocks. A parade, fireworks, and a symbolic burning of paper clocks to mark the end of the year.

#### **Sports**

As well as sports centres and swimming pools, there are sports facilities available for sailing, windsurfing, beach volleyball, golf, cycling, football, basketball and tennis, amongst others.

For more information go to:

www.visitbritain.com www.visitbrighton.com www.enjoyengland.com



### Within 5 minutes of the School

- Magnificent George IV's Royal Palace www.royalpavilion.org.uk
- The sea! The beach culture!
- The world famous Brighton Pier www.brightonpier.co.uk/indexflash.htm
- It is a great place for watersports sailing, windsurfing etc www.thebrightonwatersports.co.uk
- One of the coolest areas for clothes and music and shopping in the UK
- Europe's Sea-life Centre www.sealifeeurope.com

- Exemplary food and drink, including regular festivals www.brightonfoodfestival.co.uk
- We have the best nightlife outside of London - www.brighton.co.uk
- Brighton and Hove is a very cosmopolitan city
- The beautiful countryside including the South Downs - www.nationaltrail.co.uk/ Southdowns/index.asp
- A centre for creative thinking in art and music - www.brightonartfair.co.uk

- Brighton is less than an hour by train from London Victoria
- The nearest international airport is Gatwick - 35 minutes by train; approx £8.00 (one way)
- Excellent transport links
- Regular buses around the city

### Top 5 reasons to study at Castle School



- 1 The promotion of high academic achievement
- 2 Affordable prices linked with high quality teaching
- 3 Excellent central location
- 4 Morning, Afternoon and Evening classes available
- 5 Small caring school with the time and energy to help you with your stay and study in Brighton

### Airport Transfers into Brighton by train



London Heathrow: £25 (one way); 110 minutes travelling time London Gatwick: £7 to £10 (one way); 30 minutes travelling time Stansted: £30 - £35 (one way) 2 hours 25 minutes travelling time Luton: £30 (one way) 2 hours 15 minutes travelling time

#### Please note prices may change

We can also arrange a transfer service. Please see our price list or additional prices on the website: www.castle-school.co.uk

### **Castle School**

A quality education and training provider

### GROUP TRAVEL

#### TAILOR MADE GROUP BOOKINGS GREAT PACKAGES

Castle School is specialised in organising tailor made group bookings to Brighton and our service is completely flexible.

We can organise accommodation and a full education and social activities and excursions programme (or anything in between!).

Our packages are for groups of students aged 16 and over, from all over the world.

We offer English courses at our British Council accredited English school in Brighton.

You will be taught by qualified EFL teachers in either closed groups or integrated in mixed classes with other nationalities. Classes can be General English or if the group study in closed groups we can tailor your English lessons to subjects you have been studying at home or concentrate on areas of weakness.



At Castle School we offer the possibility for visiting groups to study for short courses. We can provide lessons, accommodation, transfers and sightseeing packages for groups of students aged 16 years old and above.

General English classes run from 09.15 until 12.30 in the morning, or 13.15 until 16.30 in the afternoon. Special Option courses are also available - English for International Tourism, Business English, Conversation and Pronunciation Club and English 'Plus' Career Skills are some of the most popular courses. We also have evening courses between 18.15 and 21.30.

Accommodation is normally in home stay with half board, but residences are sometimes available if booked well in advance. The social programme can be tailored to fit the group with local visits and sightseeing tours as standard. Day and weekend trips are possible throughout the country with entrance into the most popular sites, such as Madame Tussauds and Stonehenge, available at discounted rates.

Weekend trips are also possible add-ons

- Listed are some example trips.

- Amsterdam & Bruges 3 days
- Edinburgh & the Highlands 3 days
- Liverpool, Warwick & Manchester 2 days
- London Weekend 2 days
- Paris, Versailles & Disneyland 3 days

Rates are available for groups with a minimum of 15 students and one group leader. There is no current maximum number of students in a group.

To find out more about Castle School, visit our website: **www.castle-school.co.uk** 

### PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION OR A NO-OBLIGATION QUOTE.



### Useful Links

#### Tourism

www.brighton.co.uk www.southeastengland.uk.com www.thisisbrightonandhove.co.uk www.visitbrighton.com

#### **Attractions**

www.sealifeeurope.com www.brightonpier.co.uk www.royalpavilion.org.uk

#### Sport & Entertainment

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www.seagulls.co.uk www.brightoncougars.intheteam.com www.brighton-racecourse.co.uk www.thedogs.co.uk www.takepartbrightonandhove.com www.brightoncentre.co.uk www.brighton-dome.org.uk www.southdownsonline.org

#### Arts & more events

www.virtualmuseum.info www.komedia.co.uk

#### Cinema

www.picturehouses.co.uk www.odeon.co.uk www.cineworld.co.uk

#### Counc

www.brighton-hove.gov.uk

#### Transport

www.buses.co.uk www.southernrailway.com

#### News

www.bbc.co.uk/southerncounties

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