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WELCOME TO ISC AT BLOXHAM SCHOOL

Improve your English, make friends for life, and have a fantastic time at International Student Club, our residential, English language summer school for students aged 9-17 years.

This is the 30th year that ISC has been running fun, educational English language courses! We consistently receive positive feedback on our high levels of care, mix of nationalities, and fun, "super interactive" lessons and activities. Our agents and leaders frequently comment on ISC being one of the best UK junior summer schools. Our students obviously agree, with 97% of students rating their experience at ISC as good/excellent! One of our Argentinian students loved the "future skills" practice in each lesson, and said it made him "feel more confident using English and for what lies ahead".

Historic Bloxham School, founded in 1860, has a safe and beautiful campus, near the stunning Cotswolds, Oxford and only 1.5 hours from London, meaning we have a fantastic location for exciting trips around the UK. The school has excellent, modern facilities, 60 acres of beautiful grounds, and homely boarding houses for you to socialise with new friends.

We work hard to ensure our students are safe, happy and enjoy high-quality English courses. In 2026 we had 20 nationalities on campus, so there are lots of opportunities for you to practise speaking with international classmates and learn about other cultures. Our dedicated, hardworking team bring their talents and enthusiasm to give you an experience you'll never forget!

In our recent British Council inspection (2026), we were awarded 12 Areas of Strength including course design and implementation, leisure opportunities, safeguarding under 18s, premises and facilities and care of students. Please see the ISC website for the most up-to-date information about courses in 2027.

ISC is a special place, where you will improve your confidence in English and make lifelong memories.

We can't wait to meet you in summer 2027!

Al, Nic, Hugo (the dog)🐾 & all the ISC team



ISC STUDENT TESTIMONIALS



"The food is delicious, the campus is beautiful and the teachers are great. I really like it here, I would love to come again if given the chance!"

Ziying Coco from China



“The best thing was definitely getting to meet so many new people from different countries. I loved the feeling of actually learning in a fun way in classes!”

Gabriela from Portugal

“I loved being able to use my English to make new friends and discover new cultures.”

David from Romania

“Thank you for making this camp such a memorable experience for all of us. We especially appreciate your professionalism and the warmth with which you welcomed us and took care of our group every single day. Our students insist on coming back here, so we will definitely see each other again.”

Adina & Juliana, Group Leaders

"It was an amazing experience, especially because of the tools and skills we learned, and how we became more confident using English. I think it’s a great advantage for everything that lies ahead.”

Cristian from Argentina





"I loved the excursions, especially Oxford. You could do no better, you are the best school!”

Sergio from Spain

“This summer was the best! I really enjoyed everything. The classes and project classes were perfect. Thank you!!"

Alzbeta from Czechia

“My favourite thing about ISC was the staff, their kindness and responsibility.”

Ingrid from Romania

“My teachers were very friendly and kind, The food was delicious. My favourite thing was making friends from different countries.”

Yuri & Shiho from Japan



ISC COURSES AT BLOXHAM SCHOOL

LOCATION

ISC is held at Bloxham School, a historic, independent boarding school founded in 1860.

Bloxham is a fantastic location for a summer school. Set in a picture-perfect village in north Oxfordshire, near historic Oxford and vibrant London, this is a must-visit destination for a summer language course. The campus provides a very safe environment for students, situated on the edge of the beautiful Cotswolds.





CAMPUS FACILITIES

• Indoor sports hall, 23m indoor swimming pool, tennis courts, fitness studio, AstroTurf pitches and outdoor playing fields.

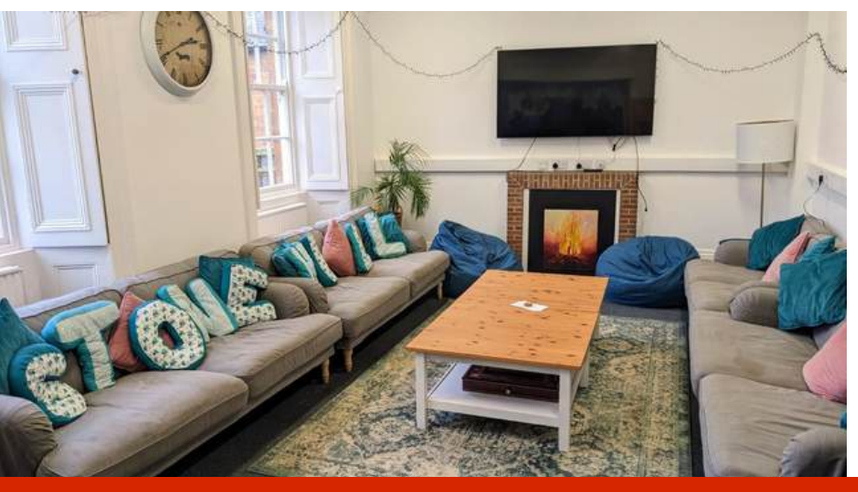
• Modern classrooms, well-stocked library and excellent facilities for theatre, art, food technology and leisure activities.

• A mix of historic and impressive modern buildings. All boarding houses are within a 5-minute walk of the facilities.

• On-site café and homely common rooms to relax and socialise in, and Wi-Fi to keep in touch with family.

• The ISC directors and team live onsite, so there is always someone to help.







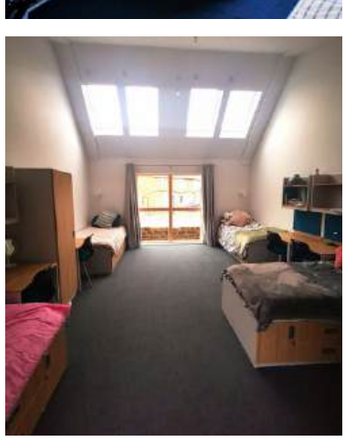
BLOXHAM SCHOOL

ACCOMMODATION

The peaceful campus is located in the picture-perfect Bloxham village - a safe environment for young people.

Residential accommodation is in one of the seven homely, comfortable boarding houses. Each house has its own character and a mix of single, twin, triple and quadruple bedrooms. There are two dormitories for younger students. The houses have ample bathroom facilities, kitchens and lovely common rooms for students to socialise in.



All of our staff live on site so there are always people around to help.

The boarding houses have individual access codes and lock at 23:00.

CATERING



Bloxham are very proud of their chefs who prepare all meals on-site using fresh ingredients.

The food is plentiful and delicious and there is always a choice of meat, fish or a vegetarian option. There is a well-stocked salad bar, pasta bar, soup, fruit and desserts. All special dietary requirements are routinely catered for.

A range of cooked and cold options are available for breakfast. The fortnightly barbecue is always popular with students!

There are light snacks at break times and after evening activities in the boarding houses. There is also a modern school café that sells snacks, cakes, hot and cold drinks.

General English

English Lessons

Our team of qualified, professional and friendly teachers help students to improve in confidence and fluency when using English. 97.27% of our students in August rated their lessons as good/excellent!

Lessons are “fun and interactive” and focus on improving communication skills.

Students practise vocabulary, pronunciation, grammar and skills work, with a focus on spoken production. The communicative approach is used to encourage students to speak as much as possible. We also help our students to prepare for life beyond school.





Course components include leadership, teamwork, problem solving, critical thinking and effective communication skills activities. Students enjoy delivering their ISC business pitches, reporting on ISC news as mini-journalists and debating lessons.

Students have a short level test on arrival and classes are organised by age, nationality and ability. Teachers monitor the progress of students in lessons and present students with a written report and certificate at the end of the course.







British Culture

In our British Culture lessons, students have the opportunity to learn all about the British way of life, food, music, culture and much more.

We also prepare our students for their excursions in British Culture lessons, where they learn all about the history, geography and cultural significance of the places they will be visiting. Students are able to practise the English they have learnt in class in real-life situations on trips.

Learning is fun at ISC and we want to help you learn and use English to the best of your ability!



General English

Projects

Project classes are a much loved part of ISC and are an enjoyable and creative way to improve spoken confidence and public speaking skills.







Mixed ability classes work together as a team with the support of their teachers to create a drama project. Students learn how to direct and perform in a play. Project teams work together and use their imaginations to create a story, dialogue, characters, costumes, set and props.



At the end of the course, the drama productions are performed to the school in an exciting project show, in which project teams compete to be the best class in school.



General English - Key Information

- **For students aged 9-17 years old**
- **Elementary to Advanced levels**
- **Leadership and teamwork components**
- **Maximum class size of 16 (General English and British Culture)**
- **Classes are mixed for Project and assisted by three staff**
- **30 hours study/27 lessons per two-week course, which includes General English, British Culture and Project lessons and a level test**
- **3 full-day excursions and full day and evening programme**
- **End-of-course ISC certificate, report and prize-giving ceremony**
- **Please see the ISC website for full details**

General English

Example Programme

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	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	JETS		
TUES	ARRIVAL	TEST	WELCOME TALK & FILMS IN HOUSES
WED	SPORTS/SWIMMING/ BENCHBALL/DANCE/ARCHERY TENNIS/ARTS & CRAFTS – KEYRING MAKING	FIRST LESSONS	19:15 HOUSE MEETING WELCOME DISCO/GETTING TO KNOW YOU GAMES
THUR	LESSONS	TRADITIONAL BRITISH GAMES/SPORTS/DANCE/ARTS & CRAFTS – CLAY MODELLING/SWIMMING	TEAM GAMES
FRI	FULL DAY TRIP TO BIRMINGHAM – HISTORICAL TOUR, BMAG MUSEUM AND FREE TIME/SHOPPING IN THE BULLRING		DRAMA GAMES
SAT	TREASURE TRAIL/SPORTS/TOUCH RUGBY/YOGA/BAKING OR OPTIONAL COURSES	LESSONS	INTERNATIONAL TALENT SHOW
SUN	OPTIONAL TRIPS 1. LONDON EYE & SHOPPING TRIP **OR** TOWER OF LONDON 2. THORPE PARK THEME PARK 3. HARRY POTTER WARNER BROTHERS' STUDIO TOUR 4. ROYAL WINDSOR AND CASTLE VISIT 5. THE COTSWOLDS VILLAGES 6. WARWICK CASTLE & STRATFORD UPON AVON OR ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS & BLOXHAM NATURE WALK		QUIZ NIGHT
MON	LESSONS	ARCHERY/SPORTS/CAPTURE THE FLAG/TIE DYING T-SHIRTS/OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SKILLS OR OPTIONAL COURSES	FANCY DRESS DISCO & KARAOKE/GIANT GAMES
TUES	SPORTS/SWIMMING/BADMINTON /ARTS & CRAFTS – JEWELLERY MAKING/TOUCH RUGBY OR OPTIONAL COURSES	LESSONS	7.15 HOUSE MEETING ISC MURDER MYSTERY
WED	FULL DAY TRIP TO LONDON – WALKING TOUR AND NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM		LATE DINNER AND CINEMA NIGHT
THUR	LESSONS	OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SKILLS/SPORTS/DODGEBALL/ BAKING OR OPTIONAL COURSES	BARBECUE AND OUTDOOR GAMES
FRI	LESSONS FOR ALL	FULL DAY TRIP TO OXFORD – WALKING TOUR, PUNTING AND FREE TIME/SHOPPING. LATE RETURN 20.30.	
SAT	CIRCUS SKILLS/SPORTS/BASKETBALL ARTS AND CRAFTS/SWIMMING	LESSONS	PROJECT SHOW
SUN	LESSONS	ARCHERY/SPORTS/ARTS & CRAFTS - CROCHETING/ULTIMATE FRISBY/DANCE/ROUNDERS	PRIZE-GIVING & DISCO
MON	DEPARTURE		BINGO/BOARD GAMES FOR THOSE STAYING ON

Sample Daily Timetable





07.30 - Wake up call
08.00 – 08.30 - Breakfast in Dining Hall
09.00 – 10.30 - General English lesson
10.30 – 10.50 - Break
10.50 – 11.40 - British Culture lesson
11.40 – 12.30 - Project lesson
12.30 – 13.00 - Lunch in Dining Hall
14.00 – 15.30 - Sports, Arts & Crafts, Dance Workshop or Climbing
15.30 – 16.00 - Break
16.00 – 17 .00 - Capture the Flag, Swimming, Tennis or Arts and Crafts
17 .00 – 18.30 - Time to relax in boarding houses/access to wifi
18:30-19.00 - Dinner in Dining Hall
20.00 – 22.00 - Evening activity
22.00 – 22.30 - Supper in houses
23.00 - Bedtime











Outside of Lessons

ACTIVITIES

ISC has a varied, exciting daily activities programme. Students can choose from 4-5 options each session. The programme includes sports such as football, quick cricket, lacrosse, touch rugby, dance, yoga, tennis, volleyball and swimming. There are also creative options such as clay modelling, baking, jewellery making, chess club, tie dyeing t-shirts and arts & crafts. Students can learn outdoor adventure skills, circus skills and compete in traditional British games, treasure hunts and much more.

Evening activities include a murder mystery, discos, karaoke, team competitions, drama games, quizzes and a cinema night. During activities, students have the opportunity to practise speaking English and make new friends.

We have excellent facilities for activities, including a sports centre, a 23m indoor swimming pool, fitness studio, tennis courts, large sports fields, astro turfs, a modern food-technology kitchen, a well-equipped art block, theatres and indoor spaces for drama, games and events.



One of our activities *OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SKILLS* teaches students how to construct shelters, use camouflage, build and cook on their own campfire, and work as a team to face challenges.

This activity is great for developing team building and problem-solving skills, while enjoying nature.





EXCURSIONS





At ISC students go on 3 full-day trips to London, Birmingham and Oxford. All trips include an informative, guided walking tour and students can practise their English in real-life settings.

- **In London, students explore the capital's famous sights and visit the world-renowned British Museum and go shopping in Covent Garden.**
- **Students go to the beautiful Museum and Art Gallery in Birmingham and go souvenir shopping in Europe's biggest shopping centre.**
- **In Oxford, students go on chauffered punts on the river and learn about the university's historic colleges.**

*OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Discover what Britain has to offer!





On the first Sunday of the course, there are optional trips for an extra charge of £70-120 to lots of exciting destinations. There is also a full day of relaxed activities on campus.

- **For history fans there are trips to Royal Windsor + Castle, or Tower of London.**
- **For culture lovers we have a trip to the beautiful Cotswold Villages.**
- **Harry Potter fans can go on a magical tour of the Harry Potter Warner Brothers studios.**
- ***New for 2027* Visit the historic Warwick Castle and Shakespeare's Stratford upon Avon.**
- **There are also popular trips to the iconic London Eye + shopping.**
- **And for students who love adrenaline, Thorpe Park theme park.**







Optional excursionss are subject to interest. Harry Potter tickets are always very popular and sell out fast!

General English+ Horse Riding



6 hour or 3 hour Options Available

Whether you are learning to ride, or you want to improve your riding skills, our General English+ Horse Riding course is perfect for you.

Come and enjoy either 6 or 3 hrs of personalised riding lessons with our friendly, experienced riding instructors.



"The horse riding lessons were a wonderful experience that I would like to repeat! . Daisy, the trainer at the stable was very nice and supportive."
Smilte, Lithuania



Whether students want to improve their competitive skills, learn to ride or simply enjoy being with the horses and nature, there is something for everyone.

Staff are very experienced and will be able to guide you, whether you want to work on dressage, show jumping skills, or enjoy a trail ride through the beautiful Cotswold countryside.

Improve your English and enjoy expert horse riding coaching at the same time!

KEY INFORMATION

- **For students aged 9-17 years old**
- **6 hours, or 3 hours, of semi-private lessons per two-week course**
- **1:1 private lessons are available on request - please contact us for a quote**
- **Maximum ratio of 3 students to 1 riding instructor**
- **Expert tuition from friendly, experienced instructors**
- **All transport from Bloxham to the riding school is included**
- **Includes General English programme - 30 hrs/27 lessons of General English lessons, 3 full-day and one half-day excursions and daily activity programme**

General English+ 1:1/1:2/Mini-Group Tennis



"I'm in my element improving my tennis and learning English at the same time. The teacher is very good and kind. I'm also learning useful tennis vocabulary".
Philippine, France

1:1, 1:2 or Mini-Group Coaching sessions

Our General English+ Tennis course is designed to help students improve their English and develop their match play techniques, skills and fitness.

Students receive 6 hours of expert coaching from Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) approved coaches. Rosie Clark Tennis Coaching has experience of coaching at top private schools and international summer schools. The coaches have a wealth of knowledge suitable for group and individual lessons of all standards, coaching players from beginner to performance level.

Maurici, Spain "the coaches helped me to improve my technique when taking overhead serves".

Lessons include a brief assessment before highlighted areas are worked on both tactically and technically. Sessions will include competition and match play aspects and take place on hard courts at Bloxham School.

Students participate in all areas of the General English programme, with an additional 6 hrs of individual or mini-group coaching sessions per course.





KEY INFORMATION



- For students aged 9-17 years old
- 6 hours of 1:1 or mini-group coaching sessions per two-week course
- 1:2 coaching available on request
- Maximum ratio of 6 students to 1 coach
- Expert coaching from LTA qualified, friendly coaches
- Includes General English programme - 30 hrs/27 lessons of General English lessons, 3 full-day and one half-day excursions and daily activity programme

General English + Academic English



Get the skills you need for higher education

Our General English+ Academic English course is for motivated students with a B2+ level of English, who wish to improve their academic skills or study in the UK in the future.



Our professional, friendly teachers help students to hone their academic skills and prepare for higher education in English.

Lessons include a Q&A session with the Bloxham admissions team who offer useful advice and information on UK academic life.

Students enjoy all aspects of our General English Course along with eight additional lessons focusing on Academic English.

Students benefit from practical lessons on essay writing, giving effective presentations and note taking techniques. Students create and deliver short presentations and receive individual feedback.





Key information

- For students aged 14-17 years old
- Maximum class size – 8
- For students studying towards a B2/C1 level of English.
- Pre-course interview
- 2 week course - 8 x 45 minute Academic English lessons
- Includes General English programme - 30 hrs/27 lessons of General English lessons (maximum class size - 16), 3 full-day and one half-day excursions and daily activity programme

General English+ Cambridge PET/First Exam Preparation

SECRETS TO EXAM SUCCESS



Our General English+ PET or First Cambridge Exam Preparation Courses are designed for students who require practical exam strategies and guidance on how to approach Cambridge reading, writing, listening and speaking exam tasks.

Students enjoy all aspects of our General English course along with eight additional lessons focusing on Cambridge exam preparation.



During the course, our students practise and develop their communication skills in English and are given exam tips and advice from our professional, experienced teachers. Classes include practice of useful speaking expressions, essay writing and strategies for a variety of reading and listening exam tasks.

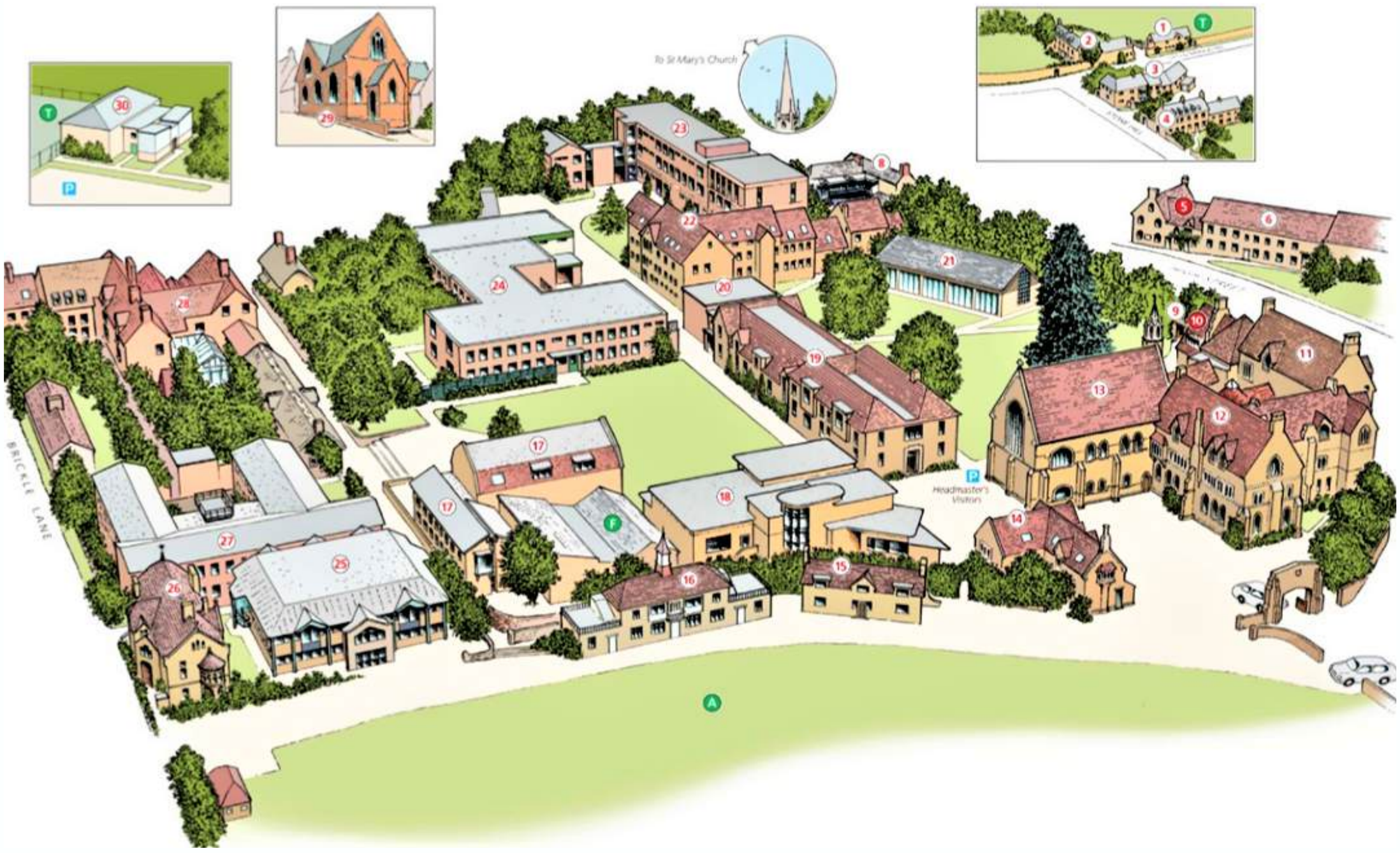
Students have the opportunity to use authentic Cambridge past exam papers and receive individual feedback on mock-speaking exams.

KEY INFORMATION

- **PET Course - for students studying towards a B1 level of English**
- **FCE Course - for students studying towards a B2 level of English**
- **For students who want to take the Cambridge PET or FCE exam**
- **Pre-course interview**
- **Maximum of 8 students per class**
- **2 week course - 8 x 45 minute exam preparation lessons**
- **Includes General English programme - 30 hrs/27 lessons of General English lessons (maximum class size - 16), 3 full-day and one half-day excursions and daily activity programme**

GIVES STUDENTS THE CONFIDENCE THEY NEED!

BLOXHAM CAMPUS MAP



ISC - WHAT SHOULD I BRING?



- **Stationery for lessons**
- ***IMPORTANT*** **Water bottle to refill around campus**
- **Towels for showering and swimming**
- **Sun cream, shower gel and any other toiletries you need**
- **Travel bottle of hand sanitiser**
- **Sports clothes and trainers for use in the sports centre**
- **Comfortable walking shoes for excursions**
- **Swimming shorts/costume. Please bring goggles if you need them.**
- **Sports equipment, if you want to use your own (equipment is provided by the school if not)**
- **Rain-proof jacket and warm sweater**
- **International Evening - any items you will need**
- **A plug adapter – the UK uses 240v**
- **A sensible amount of clothes for all types of weather. A £5 laundry service is available mid-course**
- **Padlock for your suitcase or lockable cupboard**
- **A damage deposit of £40/€40. This will be returned to you at the end of your stay, if you have not caused any damage to school property.**
- **Spending money - students usually bring between £80-£150 per week, but all students have different needs.**
- **Please make sure you have read, understood, and signed the Student Behaviour Agreement before arrival. We have certain times of day when mobiles are not allowed.**

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