









International Student Club

AN EXCELLENT SUMMER SCHOOL IN AN AMAZING LOCATION











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 international students aged 9-17 years.

ISC has run fun, educational English language courses for 24 years with the aim of having an excellent summer school in an amazing location. In 2022, ISC was named in EL Gazette's top 10% of UK junior summer schools. Our students agree with this rating, as we received our best ever feedback across all three courses, with a whopping 98% of students rating their experience at ISC as good/excellent!

Historic Bloxham School, founded in 1860, has a safe and beautiful campus, near the stunning Cotswolds, Oxford and only 1.5 hours from London. 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. We have 18+ 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 last British Council inspection, we were awarded 9 areas of strength including teaching and care of under-18s. Please see the <u>ISC website</u> for the most up-to-date information on 2023's courses.

ISC is a special place, where you will improve your confidence in English and

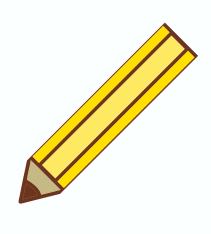
make lifelong memories.

We can't wait to meet you next summer!

Nic, Jill and Al

ISC STUDENT TESTIMONIALS







"I loved being at ISC, everyone was so kind. Being in the common room with my housemates and head of house felt like being with family."

Giulia from Italy

"I really enjoyed the trips and loved the staff. Project classes were amazing and I really enjoyed my English classes."

Yarina from Romania



"Everything was great, the sports activities, the drama project, the friends that I made, the place, the teachers.

Thank you ISC."

Turki from Saudi Arabia

"My English got better and everyone is super nice. I honestly love it here."

Minia from Georgia

"The teachers were the best and helped us when we needed it. Everything was perfect! Thanks for a great time!!"

Teja from Romania

"It was thrilling to find out about all the different cultures and use my English to make good friends with people from all around the world. The staff made us feel wonderfully welcomed too."

Matilda from Portugal



"Well after 7 years at ISC, I'm going to say that everything was perfect, just everything."

Karel from the Czech Republic

"I really liked the food, lessons, activities and the people I met. There is nothing to improve, everything was perfect!"

Demetre from Georgia



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 northern 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, astro turf pitches and outdoor playing fields.
- Modern classrooms 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

Bloxham's 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.





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

The food is plentiful and wholesome 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 sell snacks, cakes, frappes, and 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. 98% of our students rated their lessons as good/excellent last summer!

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 with leadership and teamwork activities.





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.

We use our own range of interesting, interactive course materials, which are continuously updated by our creative team.





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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	JETS Weeks 1 a	and 2 - 2023 SAMPLE	
TUES 4/7	ARRIVAL	TEST	WELCOME TALK & FILMS IN HOUSES 19:15 HOUSE MEETIN
WED 5/7	SPORTS/SWIMMING/ BENCHBALL/GEOCACHING/DANCE/ TENNIS	FIRST LESSONS	WELCOME DISCO/GETTING TO KNOW YOU GAMES
THUR 6/7	LESSONS	ENGLISH SUMMER FAIR & TRADITIONAL BRITISH GAMES/SPORTS/JUST DANCE	TEAM GAMES
FRI 7/7	TREASURE TRAIL/SPORTS/YOGA/BAKING OR OPTIONAL COURSES LESSONS	LESSONS	INTERNATIONAL TALENT SHOW
SAT 8/7	FULL DAY TRIP WINDSOR - CHANGING O RIVER THAMES AND SHOPPING (OPTIC		DRAMA GAMES
SUN 9/7	LESSONS	ARCHERY/SPORTS/ GEOCACHING/ CAPTURE THE FLAG OR OPTIONAL COURSES	PUB QUIZ NIGHT
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SAMPLE DAILY TIMETABLE



07.30 - Wake up call

08.00 - 08.30 - Breakfast in Dining Hall

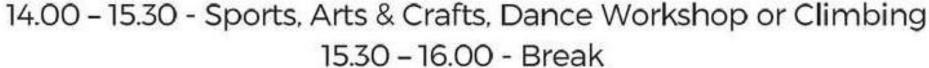
09.00 - 10.30 - General English lesson

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



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





ACTIVITIES

ISC has a fantastic daily activities programme when students are not in class. There are sports, arts and crafts, circus skills, competitions, dance, yoga, swimming, the ISC Bake Off, geocaching, traditional British games and much more.

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

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

EXCURSIONS

ISC students go on 3 full-day trips to London, Royal Windsor 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 Natural History Museum. Students go on a River Thames cruise and witness the historic changing of the guard in Royal Windsor. In Oxford, students visit the Ashmolean Museum and learn about the university's historic colleges.







OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS DISCOVER WHAT BRITAIN HAS TO OFFER!

On the first Monday of the course, there are optional trips for an extra charge of £65-90 to lots of exciting destinations.

For history fans there is a trip to Shakespeare's birthplace, Stratford-upon-Avon. Harry Potter lovers can go on a tour of the Harry Potter Warner Brothers studios. Shopaholics can shop for souvenirs on Oxford Street in London and there is a theme park trip for students who love adventure and adrenaline!

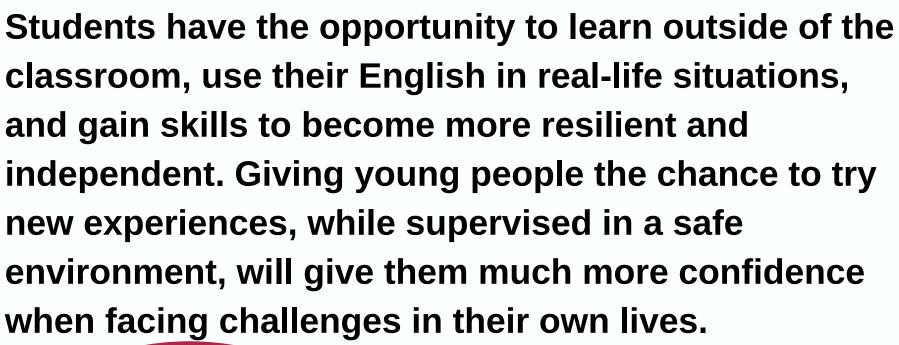
Optional trips are subject to interest. Please see the ISC website for more details.



NEW FOR 2023! OUTDOOR ADVENTURE EXPERIENCE

LEARN OUTDOORS, GAIN BUSHCRAFT AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Our partners at *CAMPFIRE WILD ADVENTURES* will teach students how to construct shelters, build their own campfire, cook food for their team and basic survival skills on this full-day optional experience.













Our Outdoor Adventure experience will give students the chance to respond to challenges and work as a team while immersed in nature.

GENERAL ENGLISH + 1:1/MINI-GROUP TENNIS



'I now feel more confident about all areas of play.' Ksenija, Latvia

1:1 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.

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, along with an additional 6 hours 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/C1 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 PET and First Certificate 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.

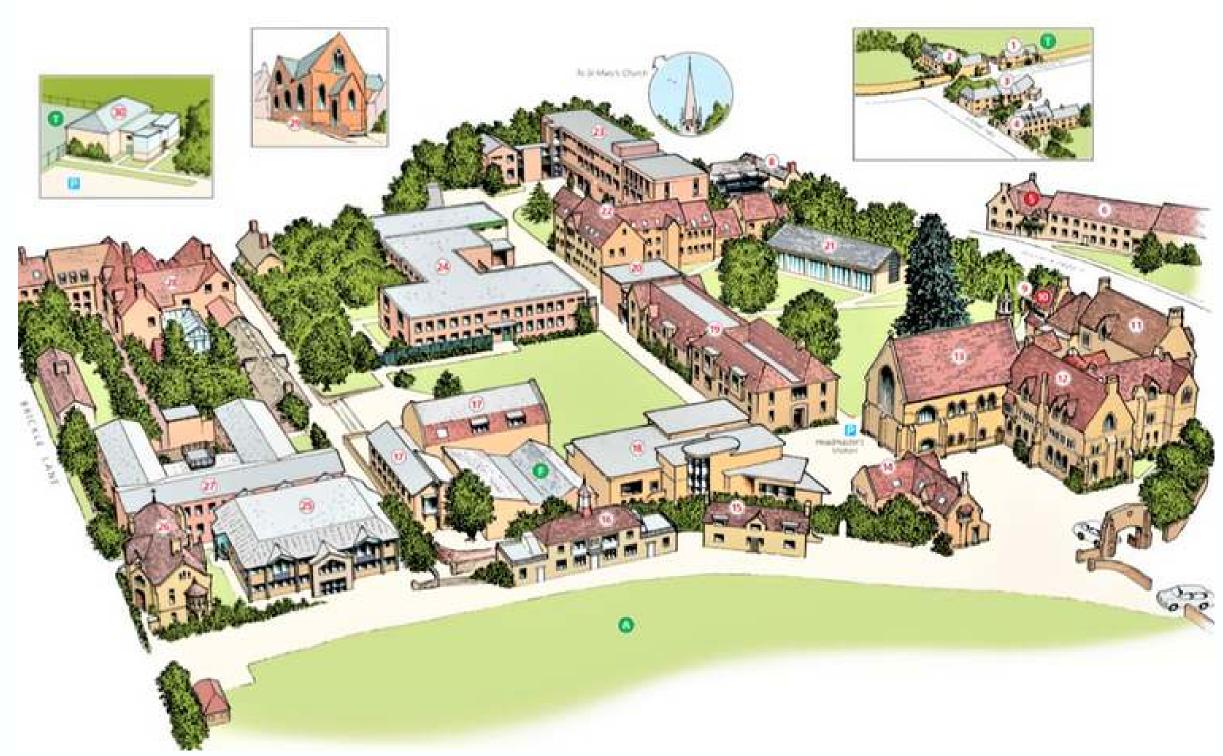
Students have the opportunity to use authentic Cambridge past exam papers and receive individual feedback on mock-speaking exams.

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
- Water bottle to refill around campus
- Towels for showering and swimming
- Shower gel and any other toiletries you need
- Face masks and a travel bottle of hand sanitizer
- Sports clothes and white soled 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 remember you will have to carry your own bags on arrival and departure. A 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 £60-£120 per week, but all students have different needs.



HOME TUITION COURSES - CARDIFF

FAST TRACK LEARNING IN YOUR TEACHER'S HOME

Our fully immersive Junior and Adult Home Tuition English courses offer an unforgettable opportunity for students to develop their confidence and accelerate their learning. Students live and learn with their host teachers, Nic and Al from ISC, and achieve their individual goals with personalised 1:1 lessons, activities and excursions.

Courses take place in Cardiff, Wales' exciting capital city, which is rich in history, culture and home to fantastic restaurants, shops and major international music and sporting events. Cardiff airport is only 30 minutes away and Bristol airport is just over an hour's journey. It truly is the perfect setting for a unique cultural, learning experience.







Our fun, interactive English courses are designed to improve spoken fluency, build confidence and deliver quick progress. Students enjoy personalised lessons, activities, local excursions and 1:1 tuition.

Our friendly, experienced teachers tailor lessons and help students to attain their personal goals. A variety of engaging activities are used to develop communication skills and practise pronunciation, grammar and vocabulary. Immersive General English, Academic English and Cambridge Exam Preparation courses are available from October to April.

KEY INFORMATION

- 7 nights full-board accommodation (adults: half-board)
- Comfortable, friendly home environment
- Private bedroom
- 15 hours 1:1 tuition per week (£30 per extra hr)
- Course materials included
- Diagnostic test, course report & certificate
- *15% Discount 2:1 tuition (same level & sharing a twin)
- 3/4 x half-day local excursions/activities (adults cover entry costs)
- Booking fee & local transfer included (local airport or train station)

















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