

# Make new friends & have fun at a great school!

## Student Activities & Excursions\*

At Castle School we want you to have fun, make friends and experience life in England as well as learn the English language. Leisure activities such as outings, cultural visits, sports and other excursions are regularly provided. You will have a good opportunity to enjoy a real taste of Brighton and the surrounding countryside.

As well as outings within Brighton we also offer excursions to some of the south of England's most notable places of interest such as:

- London
- Oxford
- Bath
- Stonehenge
- Lewes
- Seven Sisters Country Park

*\*Please note that some of these activities and excursions may incur additional costs.*

## Young Learner Groups, Activities & Trips

At Castle School we offer our young learner groups a unique and exciting programme. Our experienced teachers will create classes full of enjoyable learning activities. Group students can make the most of their stay through our fantastic range of afternoon and evening activities. Days out in London and other nearby locations, half day excursions in the beautiful area that surrounds us and fun evenings out in Brighton, one of the most vibrant cities in the UK, are just a few of the things your students could experience while practising their English skills.

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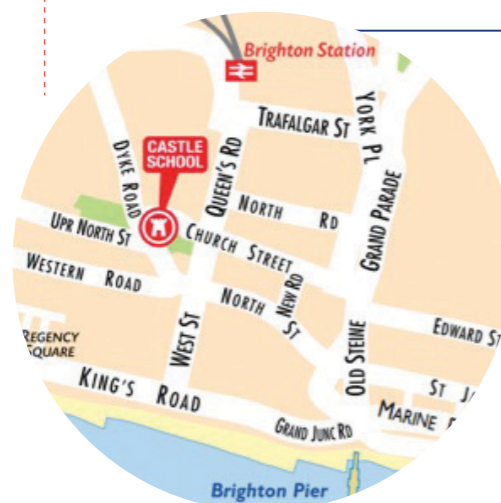
- 15 hours of English classes per week
- Orientation tour of Brighton
- Shared full board accommodation
- Single room full board accommodation for Group Leaders
- Return airport transfers
- Full day trip to London or Portsmouth
- Additional activities available upon request

## Accommodation

We offer carefully selected accommodation with local host families within a 30 minute bus journey from our school (during high season this journey may take longer as Brighton is a summer, seaside location). We believe this is the most effective way to practise English outside of the classroom, giving students the opportunity to experience British culture and family life first hand. We understand and value the importance of a good home and we work hard to always provide excellent standards.

Students can select either self catering, half board or full board accommodation and optional private bathroom accommodation can also be requested. We now also offer residence accommodation for both groups and individuals.\*

*\*Please note that all accommodation requests are subject to availability, especially in high season*



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## Entertainment & Shopping

Brighton & Hove has an amazing range of entertainment to offer. In the city you will find several cinema, 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 nightlife outside of London with top DJ's regularly playing here.

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

## Special Events

Throughout the year the city is host to many festivals and special events, such as:

- The Brighton Festival of Arts & Music, held in May is one of the largest festivals in Europe.
- The London to Brighton Bike Ride, in June every year, is Europe's oldest cycling event in aid of the British Heart Foundation.
- The Great Escape Festival showcases up to 400 up and coming artists from all over the world.
- Lewes Bonfire Night - 5th November is the UK's night for fireworks and displays to remember Guy Fawkes and the gunpowder plot and the nearby, historic town of Lewes has the most riotous and extensive celebrations in the region.
- Christmas in Brighton - celebrate the Burning of the Clocks, enjoy ice skating at Brighton Pavilion and feel festive under the twinkling Christmas lights that illuminate the town.

## Sports

If you are looking to stay active during your stay you can take advantage of its sports centres and swimming pool - the Prince Regent is right next to the Jubilee Library in the centre of town! Brighton also has sports facilities available for sailing, windsurfing, beach volleyball, golf, cycling, football, basketball, tennis and many more!

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# Learn with Castle School

Castle School was founded in 2003 to offer English Courses to adult students over the age of 16. We are located in the heart of Brighton, one of the most vibrant cities in England. We provide the opportunity to fully immerse into English Culture and maximise your learning potential. Between 750 -1000 students learn with Castle School every year and we pride ourselves on maintaining high academic standards and offering professional student services. Our academic team is staffed with qualified and experienced teachers, who continuously strive to ensure that the level of English language tuition offered by Castle School, is nothing short of excellent.

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

## General English Courses

### STANDARD COURSE

The Standard course is designed to give you the confidence to communicate effectively in real-life situations. The course provides a balanced programme, focussing on the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing whilst covering essential grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, idioms and colloquial language. It provides effective training for work, study or travel and can provide preparation for a number of exams such as IELTS, PET, FCE or CAE. The Standard course is the perfect choice for students who are looking for a short/medium length course.

### SEMI - INTENSIVE COURSE

The Semi-Intensive English course follows an integrated approach to language learning, following the same structure as the Standard course, where classes cover all the essential language skills; but with an extra 8 or 12 lessons per week to focus on and improve 'Specific English Skills'.

#### Specific English language skills include:

- Conversation & Pronunciation
- Grammar & Vocabulary
- Listening & Speaking
- Writing & Speaking

### SEM-INTENSIVE OPTION 1

21 Hours per week

Standard course  
+ 6 hours per week  
over two afternoons

### SEM-INTENSIVE OPTION 2

24 Hours per week

Standard course + 9 hours  
per week over three afternoons



## Intensive Course

The Intensive course is excellent for students who have a short amount of time to study and who want to make a substantial difference to their communication ability.

At Castle School we have lots of courses to help you learn English fast. If you want to learn English we have a course for you!

## Exam Courses

### FCE

(First Certificate in English)

### CAE

(Certificate in Advanced English)

Cambridge ESOL 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.

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.

## University Preparation

### IELTS

(International English Language Testing System)

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 your ability to communicate in English across all four language skills (listening, reading, writing and speaking) and is 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- it is really good practice for writing essays/taking notes during lectures and researching topics in libraries and/or online.

## Special Options

### ONE TO ONE ENGLISH

One to One tuition is the ultimate course for making maximum progress during a short period of time. These courses can be designed to meet your special requirements with a focus on specific topics such as business related English. This is a great way of accelerating your progress!

### CONVERSATION & PRONUNCIATION

The aim of this course is to provide you with models of language as it is used in contemporary society, using topics which are varied and genuinely interesting. 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, 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.

## Course Information

The minimum age to study at Castle School is 16 years of age. However, in the summer we also offer classes specifically aimed at students from the age of 12. Throughout the year we offer classes to closed groups of young learners with a minimum age of 12. It is important that you understand that Castle School cannot supervise under 18s at all times during their stay. A consent form must be signed and this will acknowledge that under 18s have a degree of freedom and autonomy and will not be supervised out of class or our organised activities. Under 18's will also be expected to travel to school independently and consent from a parent or guardian will also be required for this.

**1 Lesson is 45 minutes**

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

The school is open on public/bank holidays but we are closed for **2 weeks during the Christmas break.**

**Timetable** am: 09.15-12.30  
pm:13:15 -16.30

**Lessons take place at** 12 & 41 Dyke Road, Brighton and also in additional classrooms close by.

### CASTLE TEACHERS

- Enjoy teaching
- Are all native level speakers of English
- Are qualified and experienced
- Correct your mistakes so you learn faster
- Understand that you are different & individual
- Are enthusiastic, cheerful and helpful

### 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. International mixed classes for you to make new friends
5. Small caring school with the time and energy to help you with your stay