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ABC LANGUAGES CAMBRIDGE

English Language Courses for All

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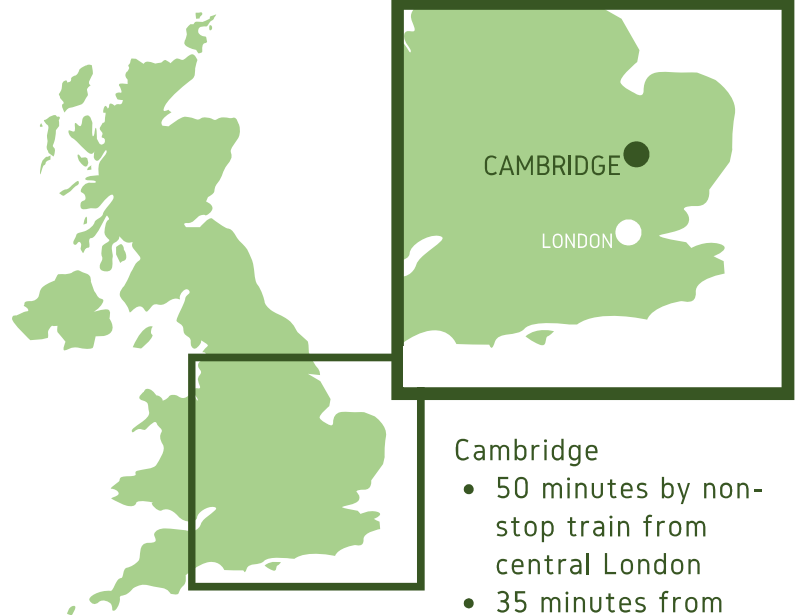
OUR MISSION

ABC Languages' mission is to help people from the global community to learn English in a safe and respectful setting, regardless of religion, race, nationality, age or gender.

We aim to provide a supportive and welcoming environment which enables all our students to develop their English language skills to the full and to explore British life and values, as well as encouraging tolerance and cultural awareness amongst all our staff, students and partners.

LOCATION

- Cambridge is a truly international city that performs on a global stage – the city and its people embrace different cultures and, as such, Cambridge is a welcoming place to visit, stay, live, work and study.
- ABC's main school is situated in the heart of Cambridge's historic University Quarter



Cambridge

- 50 minutes by non-stop train from central London
- 35 minutes from London Stansted Airport.

ABC Languages is inspected and accredited by the Accreditation Body for Language Services (ABLS), a UK Government approved body accrediting private education providers recruiting students to the United Kingdom. We are also members of the following organisations:

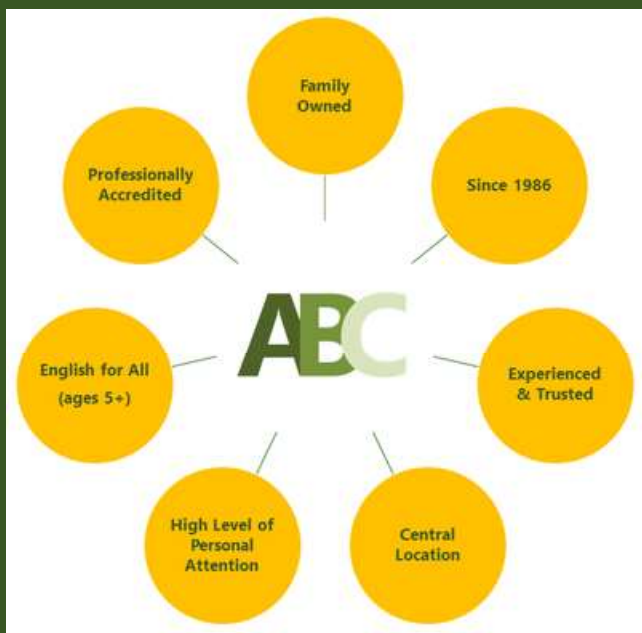


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WHY ABC LANGUAGES?

At ABC Languages, we understand that it's sometimes difficult to choose which school to place your trust in. We're here to make that choice an easy one - here's just some of the reasons why we should be your first choice:



ABC is family owned and managed and has been offering courses in English for more than 30 years. We are small enough to know our students personally and to create a friendly, supportive environment, yet big enough for our students to make the most of studying with a good mix of nationalities and to enjoy an active social life outside of class.

ABC was set up to offer flexibility of choice, quality teaching, and a high level of personal attention. In many cases, students can build their own programme through combining different courses, activities and types of accommodation.

Our teachers are well qualified, and have a wide range of experience, not only in English-language teaching, but also in the business and academic worlds, which enables them to provide a variety of specialist courses for our clients. Most importantly, they love what they do and work very hard to help students achieve their personal goals.



CAMBRIDGE

Our city is everything you imagined, and more: stunning medieval architecture, students punting on the idyllic River Cam, processions of academics in gowns and mortarboards - and a vibrant centre of scientific excellence and innovation with companies such as Microsoft, AstraZeneca, Huawei represented here, as well as major video game producers.

Ours is truly a 'big little city': with a population of around 100,000, plus 25,000 students attending two universities, we're big enough to offer a lively cultural and social scene, but small enough to make living here easy and comfortable. You'll never be too far from the centre, transport is easy to use, and you'll quickly get to make friends. You'll never be bored, either: Cambridge has three theatres, live music and performance venues, a concert hall, two commercial cinemas, and an art-house cinema, as well as swimming pools, sports and leisure facilities.

If you do ever want to get away, London is just 50 minutes away by non-stop train.

TOP 5 THINGS TO SEE & DO

- The beautiful University Colleges – visit some of the smaller and more modern ones, too.
- The 'Backs' – best by punt, chauffeured or 'do-it-yourself'
- Grantchester – walk across the meadows and have tea at the Orchard Tea Garden.
- The Fitzwilliam Museum - stunning collections, like a small British Museum
- The Market – street food, crafts, books, clothes.... different every day, there's been a market here for 1000 years.



SO MUCH MORE TO SEE

- The Museum of Cambridge and the Museum of Technology – find out about the city's heritage.
- The University Museums – from Anthropology to Zoology, and almost everything in between.
- The University Botanic Garden – a surprisingly large, tranquil haven, complete with a lake and squirrels.
- Evensong at King's College - soak up the atmosphere as the world-renowned choir sings.
- The Eagle Pub – where Crick and Watson announced the discovery of DNA.
- Parker's Piece Football Monument – the rules of Association Football were first drawn up here.
- Ely – 15 minutes by train to see the stunning cathedral, fascinating waterfront and historic town.

OUR SCHOOLS

Our year-round school is based in the iconic Cambridge Union Society building in the heart of Cambridge's historic University Quarter – the ideal place to study!

Our central location makes getting to and from school easy by public transport, on foot or by bicycle. It's also the perfect base for exploring all that our city has to offer - historic colleges, the river Cam, shops, restaurants and cafés are all on the doorstep.

Key Facilities:

- Well-equipped classrooms with plenty of natural light.
- Self-study room with learning resources, loan materials and multimedia equipment.
- Free WiFi throughout.
- Café/bar at the Cambridge Union Society.

Our summer centre at Chesterton Community College offers excellent on-site facilities in a near-central location. The school has been newly extended and refurbished and now provides the following:

- Large, modern and spacious classrooms
- Up-to-date teaching aids
- Contemporary break-out spaces
- Playing fields, tennis courts, swimming pool and sports centre
- Performing arts spaces including auditorium
- Fully-equipped cooking classroom
- Newly built dining hall serving a choice of hot and cold meals



ABC YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL

Courses available:

- Adult Group Classes (ages 16+, September-June)
- Group Study Holidays (ages 5+, for groups of 10 or more students, all year)
- Part-Time Group Classes (ages 16+, September to June)
- Bespoke One-to-One tuition (business, leisure and specialist professional options)
- Private, Family Courses (ages 5+, all year)



ABC SUMMER CENTRE

Courses available July-August:

- Junior Summer School (ages 5+)
- Adult Summer School (ages 16+)
- Parent & Child / Family Summer School (ages 5+)
- Group Study Holidays (ages 5+, for groups of 10 or more students)



OUR SCHOOL IN NUMBERS

34

WELCOMING STUDENTS TO CAMBRIDGE FOR OVER 34 YEARS.

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45 NATIONALITIES WELCOMED THIS YEAR.

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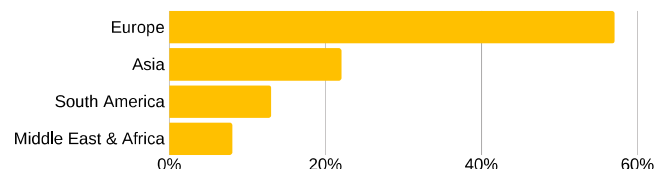
AVERAGE AGE OF OUR STUDENTS.

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COURSES FOR CHILDREN FROM AGE 5 TO ADULTS OF ALL AGES.

Founded in 1986, we've been an integral part of Cambridge's education scene for over 30 years. With many students and their families returning to us year after year, we know we're doing something right!

Our school is a truly international environment; students from over 45 countries visit us each year, speaking a vast array of languages.



The average age of students taking our courses over a whole year is 23 years.

During our summer school, the average age of our adult and junior students is 37 years and 11 years, respectively.

Our year-round adult courses attract adults of all ages from 16 to 82 years!

We offer different programmes to suit almost all age groups, from 5 years old to mature adult students.

PROGRAMMES & TEACHING

ADULTS (16+, available all year)

- Total English
- Total English Plus
- One-to-One 10, 20 or 30
- One-to-One On Demand
- Part-Time 2
- Part-Time 3
- Family Programme

JUNIORS (5+)

- Summer School, July & August
- Family Programme

GROUP STUDY HOLIDAYS

- For groups of 10 or more students



"COMPARED TO OTHER LANGUAGE SCHOOLS, ABC'S LESSONS ARE CLEARER, BETTER ORGANISED AND I ACTUALLY IMPROVED MY ENGLISH LEVEL. MY TEACHERS ALWAYS HELPED ME THROUGHOUT THE COURSE, ANSWERING MY QUESTIONS AND SOLVING MY PROBLEMS, WHILE GETTING ME READY FOR MY EXAM."

MARTA P. (ITALY)

At ABC Languages, we're renowned for the flexibility we offer when it comes to teaching. Our highly-qualified, experienced and professional teachers give you plenty of individual attention and support - improving study skills, giving personal tutorials, conducting needs analysis questionnaires, offering workshops and more...

You'll always find an informal, friendly and welcoming atmosphere in the classroom and throughout the school. Lessons are often planned to meet your needs by way of a negotiated syllabus, while still considering the needs of all class members. All our programmes and learning resources are arranged according to language levels as defined by the Council of Europe's Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR, e.g. levels A1-C2).





ACCOMMODATION

Cambridge is a beautiful and safe place to be, wherever you decide to stay. You can choose from a wide range of options: homestay, hotels, guest houses, hostels or apartments.

Our dedicated Accommodation Team is always on hand to provide friendly advice and to assist with all stages of your accommodation booking.

HOMESTAY

Our experienced and friendly hosts provide students with a bed, breakfast and dinner, and the chance to experience British culture! You can choose from shared or private bathroom, single rooms, twin rooms, and options for families.

Homestay is most popular with... adults travelling alone or with a friend!

APARTMENTS, HOTELS, B&B'S & HOSTELS

If you prefer your own space, more flexibility with meals, or want to make new friends, we can help you find the perfect place to stay from a choice of good quality accommodation in Cambridge.

Choose from a bed in a shared dorm at the local youth hostel, bed & breakfast at a small guesthouse, or a hotel close to the centre of town.

Most popular with... young people, families, couples and seasoned travellers!

UNIVERSITY ROOMS

With University Rooms you can experience what it is like to live in the heart of the city in historic University of Cambridge accommodation. During the university vacations you can rent a room (and eat breakfast) in one of the Cambridge colleges!



SCHOOL SERVICES

We're here, not just to provide you with quality English teaching, but also to make your time at our school, and in Cambridge, a positive experience you'll never forget. Here are just some of the ways we go the extra mile in making your stay an enjoyable one...

ACCOMMODATION

Our dedicated Accommodation Team is on hand to provide advice and handle bookings.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Take advantage of our airport 'meet and greet' service' - prices on request.

INSURANCE

We've got you covered! All of our full-time adult and junior courses include comprehensive course, travel, personal belonging and emergency medical cover for FREE!

LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

We're a local family who know the city and surrounding area inside out; we'll help you to seek out the best things to do see and do.

FREE WI-FI

You'll find free WiFi throughout our schools.

SELF-STUDY FACILITIES

Make the most of your time at school by using our self-study facilities.

WELFARE

Your welfare and the well-being of everyone in our school community is of utmost importance to us; a responsibility we take very seriously.

We have a dedicated, experienced and highly-trained welfare team whose job it is to ensure the comfort and safety of all our students.

We have comprehensive safeguarding and welfare systems in place for the well-being of everyone in our community, especially our junior students. These include managing risks, having strict supervision ratios, monitoring behaviour, caring for ill students, checking attendance, having a 24-hour emergency plan, promoting British values and more.

With free insurance* and a 24-hour emergency contact number, you can be sure you're in safe hands.

*Insurance only included for individual and family courses of 20 lessons or more - see website for more details.

ACTIVITIES

Make the most of your stay in Cambridge by exploring all that our beautiful city and the UK has to offer, whilst continuing to speak English outside the classroom. Our Welfare and Student Experience Team is here to help you put your free time to to the best possible use...

Throughout the year we offer a programme of afternoon activities including city tours, cultural visits, half-day trips and sporting options - many of these are free or available for a small additional fee.

You'll also find our weekly 'what's on' calendar displayed throughout the school - this is where you can find details of great things to see and do during your stay.

Not sure what to do at the weekend? We have a variety of weekend excursions available to book at reception - both day trips and weekends away. Excursions include city destinations such as Brighton, London, Oxford and Canterbury; attractions like Blenheim Palace, Stonehenge, Alton Towers are also on offer.

In summer, we offer several well-curated activity programmes to suit different age groups between 5 and 19 years. With a high level of supervision from our trained activity animators, you'll enjoy a varied and lively programme of social and cultural activities each afternoon. Sample programmes are available on our website.

Also in summer, you'll find free welcome receptions every Monday evening - a great way to get to know your fellow students and make new friends.

For parents of children taking our full-day summer programme, we offer the opportunity to join in with their activities on some afternoons - most activities are free to join; some attract a small extra charge for parents.



PUNTING ON THE RIVER CAM

An early-twentieth-century tradition



ANIMAL EXPERIENCE

A popular junior summer school activity



SPORTS

Sporting activities are always on offer as part of our junior summer programme



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