

## The Heart of England Language School and Study Programmes



We are a family run business which has offered high quality courses since 1992. The business is founded on the ethos of quality and respect for every individual student attending any of our programmes. To ensure that you feel welcome we personally work with you by monitoring classes, arranging lively social events and offering courses individually tailored to your requirements.

The Heart of England is a great place to study and visit. Leamington Spa is a beautiful Regency town with plenty to offer students. It is cosmopolitan without being overwhelmed by large numbers of international students.

Being in the centre of the country makes access to other towns and cities, as well as transport links very easily. We have the world famous towns of Warwick, Rugby and Stratford-upon-Avon on our doorstep and are within easy reach of several airports, motorways and train stations.

Ideally located for any stay in the U.K. we are just over 1 hour from London, 1 hour from Oxford and 30 minutes from Birmingham. We are situated in one of the most beautiful and unspoilt parts of England offering a friendly and safe atmosphere and environment.



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### The Heart of England Study Programmes

Language and Travel Programmes for Children and Teenagers

### The Heart of England Language School

One to one and small group English for Speakers of Other Languages







## Aims of the programmes and lesson content

To increase confidence in spoken English and improve oral skills. The students are taught through structured conversation, drama activities, communication games and activities which enable them to pick up the language in a natural and relaxing environment. Our courses include methodology and lesson activities such as task based activities, lexical extension, use of authentic materials, introduction to contemporary culture, use of blended materials which incorporate knowledge of the students' afternoon activities and learner based teaching all of which motivate and encourage young language learners. Our teachers believe in building confidence and offer a wide range of skills as well as an in-depth knowledge of English teaching techniques. Our teachers are professional, welcoming and reliable. They have experience and understand the problems that may be met during an English study course.

### Activities & Excursions

The Heart of England provides a huge range of activities for learners of English with culturally, historically, and geographically diverse areas. We can provide tours and excursions to suit any age group, area of interest or price range. We are based in the elegant town of Leamington Spa which became established in the 18th Century with its natural spa waters and it also the home of lawn tennis. To the north we have Birmingham, our second city, having developed during the Industrial Revolution and which has a wealth of industrial heritage including metal workings and canal history. To the south the world famous town of Stratford-upon-Avon, we find the home of Shakespeare. A little further we can find the beautiful rolling countryside of The Cotswolds and the home of Rugby Football. Something for everybody from art, drama & literature to sports to industry to gardens and countryside to cultural diversity.

### Accommodation

We have over 80 excellent home-stay families in Leamington Spa, Warwick and Stratford-upon-Avon. Home-stay accommodation includes:

- friendly welcoming families
- 3 meals a day including a packed lunch
- single or shared rooms as requested
- collection and delivery to and from a central point when you arrive and leave
- help with settling into your life in the UK

These are a few of the comments from previous students:  
 'Jo and her family made me feel so welcome. I was nervous about going to stay in an English house but everyone was so helpful and kind. I will never forget you - thank you.'  
 'We had so much fun with our hosts. It was a great way to learn more English. We really want to keep in touch with the family and see them again.'

### General support

Accredited by ABLS so you can be assured of a high quality programme and support students who are applying for a student study visa.

Welcome packs (including a welcome letter, maps, tourist brochures for all excursion sites included in the programme and an itinerary), ID tags and rucksacks to all students. We run lively and fun social activities for all students to enable them to practise their English and make friends.



## Junior Programmes

### 1. Easter & Summer Camps for 5 - 17 year olds

For students aged 5 - 11 years and must be accommodated with a parent or guardian. All children under 12 years old must be accompanied by parents or guardians on excursions. Maximum of 6 students in classes. For students aged 12 - 17 years of age. Maximum of 12 students in classes.

#### For both age groups :

Students can choose tuition only, tuition and accommodation (if accompanied by parents), tuition and excursions, or tuition, accommodation and excursions with or without weekend excursions. Minimum length of attendance is one week starting on a Monday. Programmes are run in one week blocks. Course fees must be paid in advance. See the Terms & Conditions. Study Centres - We offer two centres in Stratford-upon-Avon and Leamington Spa. Both are beautiful safe and interesting towns where the students can maximise their English studies, make friends and be safe.

### 2. Parent and Child Classes for Easter and Summer Camp

A combination of Junior Easter or Summer Camp Programmes and course for adults where parents or guardians can study at the same time and in the same building as their children and book excursions and accommodation also if they wish.

### 3. Group Programmes for Schools and Colleges

The Heart of England Study Programmes is an established school offering group study programmes for school groups with and without English language courses. We have 20 years of organising such courses so you can be sure your students will be happy.

We have organised a wide range of courses for many schools, all individually designed to suit the specific requirements of the group leaders. For school study groups or one to one students we can design activities to suit your group or offer a general introduction to the area with a range of different excursions. For Summer Camp students we offer a variety of excursions each week based on 2 cultural, 2 sports based and 1 educational based.

#### Included in all Junior Programmes

- 15 hours' tuition with study stationery
- host family accommodation with 3 meals per day if required
- bus passes if taking accommodation
- information packs
- rucksacks and student ID tags
- entry fees and travel costs on excursions if required
- daily supervision.

#### Not included:

- Airport transfers
- Spending money,

## Adult Courses

### Small group classes - maximum of 4 students in a class

These classes are our most popular choice for students and we believe that 2 - 4 is a perfect number of students in a class to allow students to feel confident and have enough speaking time to enable maximum progression for them. These classes are the perfect environment for learning as the groups are small and friendly. Most classes run from 9.30 to 12.30 Monday to Friday. The classes focus mostly on speaking and listening.

We are also flexible and now accept students into this class for 1, 2, 3 or 4 days a week.

Why not add some one-to-one classes for a combination class?

### One to one classes

These classes are tailored to meet the learner's exact requirements and often result in the fastest improvement for students. These classes can be arranged at any time to suit you including evenings and weekends and can be arranged at your own home or office. You can tell us what areas you would like to work on and we will also assess your level and conduct a full needs analysis.

### Examination Preparation Classes

We offer one to one and small group classes in exam preparation for all the main English exams including:

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| - IELTS                      | - PET                     |
| - KET                        | - First Certificate (FCE) |
| - Advanced Certificate (CAE) | - Proficiency             |

We understand that students often like to work towards a goal and working towards an exam can keep you motivated. Our teachers have experience with all the main exams and we have a full range of up to date resources for the exams. We also provide help with enrolling you on to the exams at a local exam centre.

### Cultural Programmes

We are located in a perfect location for cultural excursions. We are very close to Stratford upon Avon and Warwick Castle. Oxford, London and the Cotswolds are easily accessible for day trips. We can offer you a cultural programme packed with history and culture in a beautiful part of the country. Please contact us for a personalised quotation and we can design an itinerary for you to take in all the best parts of our region.

### Business English Classes

These classes are usually run as one to one classes for students who wish to study Business English rather than General English. The classes can be structured to focus on particular business areas such as report writing, presentation techniques or telephone English.

We offer these classes at the Tuition Centre or if you prefer, at your own home or office. Our Business English teachers come from a business background themselves and know the exact requirements of today's business people. We also offer these classes in a group at your office.