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A photograph of four young people walking and laughing on a cobblestone street in a city, likely London. They are dressed in casual, colorful clothing. The background shows classic European architecture with balconies and windows.

London

School

Guide

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About London

Name of location: London

Famous landmarks: Buckingham Palace, Covent Garden, Oxford Street, West End theaters, Trafalgar Square, British Museum

Cuisines within a 20-minute walk:

American, British, Chinese, European, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, Middle Eastern, Seafood, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, Vegetarian

Transport within a 10-minute walk:

London Underground, buses

Top 5 reasons to choose this city:

Diverse mix of people from all over the world, fantastic shopping, wonderful theaters, major financial and arts centers, growing hub of technology and design

What makes this city unique? Situated in the center of London on a beautiful historic street beside a lovely park

Alternative things to do: Catch a live show in the West End, experience world-class shopping, sample every type of food you can think of

City personality: Active nightlife, ancient architecture, artistic, business capital, cosmopolitan, creative, cultural, diverse, fashion, foodie scene, historical, iconic landmarks, museums

Examples of nearby cities to visit: Brighton (travel time: 60 minutes, price of return ticket: from £14); Edinburgh (travel time: 4 hours, price of return ticket: from £100)





Why choose to study in our London school?

- Study at our school close to the British Museum and London's famous Covent Garden market.
- Enjoy trips and tours to nearby attractions including Notting Hill, Camden Market, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, and Oxford Street!
- You will be situated in a beautiful historic building with modern facilities, typifying London's mix of culture and glamour.
- The school features an outdoor courtyard garden, ideal for breaks between classes.
- We provide English courses for all levels: from Beginner (A0) to Proficiency (C2).



Location and contact information

Address

3-4 Southampton Place, London, WC1A 2DA

Phone

+44 (0)20 7404 3080

Emergency contact

+44 (0)7221 883481

At this address since

1990

Providing English courses since

1990

School information

School Director

Anthony Selby

Total number of teachers

20+ (Full time teachers: 5)

Languages spoken by staff

Turkish, Spanish, Italian, French, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Macedonian, Hungarian, Japanese, Chinese

Accreditations and memberships

Accredited by the
**BRITISH
COUNCIL**
for the teaching
of English in the UK

ENGLISHUK
member

Disclaimer: All the information on this school guide is for reference. Please contact your advisor for the latest information

About the School

- **Number of buildings:** 1 (additional teaching premises are used during peak periods)
- **Number of floors:** 6
- **Total number of classrooms:** 15
- **School facilities:** Elevator, air conditioning, interactive whiteboard, Wi-Fi (free), SIM cards to buy, self-study center, coffee and hot drinks vending machine, garden, student lounge/ common room
- **Wheelchair / disabled access:** No
- **Extra cost of facilities:** No

School materials

- **Materials provided for all students:** K+ Course Books, K+ Learning Space
- **Extras provided for Semi-Intensive and Intensive students:** Language in Action workshops, K+ Extra
- **Other services provided:** Visa support, travel support, airport transfer, UPS (University Placement Service)
- **Extra cost of other services:** Airport transfer (please see price list for details) Alternative transfer options: [TFL](#), [train from Gatwick](#), [train from Stansted](#), [coach](#)
- **Number of computers available:** 20
- **Levels of English offered:** Beginner, Elementary, Lower Intermediate, Intermediate, Higher Intermediate, Advanced, Proficiency
- **First day of school:** Students should plan to attend class and orientation on their first day.

Samples

Class timetable

	Morning	Afternoon
Class	08:30 - 10:00	14:00 - 15:30
Break	10:00 - 10:15	15:30 - 15:45
Class	10:15 - 11:45	15:45 - 17:15

Specialist skills class timetable

Morning class (Monday to Thursday)	Afternoon class (Monday to Thursday)
12:00 - 13:30	12:00 - 13:30

Be sure to check your email the week before your start date for your class and orientation schedule! Also, don't forget to complete the placement test and send in any required documents before you arrive. Please bring your passport (and visa information if required), pen and paper.

School location and transport

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The nearest café / restaurant	3 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	3 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest post office	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	3 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	20 minutes	10 minutes	17 minutes	17 minutes
The city center	12 minute	10 minutes	15 minutes	12 minutes

For the most up-to-date transport prices, please visit [TFL](#)



Regular social activities

London Eye: £20
 Warner Bros Harry Potter tour: £100
 Tower of London: £27
 Kensington Palace: £19
 West End musical: £40 - £50
 Arsenal stadium tour: £29
 Weekend trip: from £15

Living cost

(sample prices for items in this city)

Bottle of water: £1
 Coffee: £3 (in school £1)
 Can of Coke: £1
 Meal out for two: £25 - £60
 Takeaway pizza: £10 - £15
 Sandwich: £3
 Local bus ticket: £1.50 - £2.50
 Local train ticket: From £2.80
 Bike rental: £2 for first hour
 Cinema ticket: £15

Typical 2-week social schedule

Days	First week	Second week
Monday	Welcome Dinner	Covent Garden walk
Tuesday	Victoria & Albert Museum	Madame Tussauds
Wednesday	Kensington Palace	British Museum
Thursday	West End Musical	London Aquarium
Friday	Student club night	Camden music legends walk
Saturday	Cambridge & Oxford	Windsor, Bath, & Stonehenge

Number of social activities per week: 8-10

*These are a combination of staff-led and suggested independent activities.

Courses & Students

- **Courses provided at this school:** General English, Semi-Intensive English, Intensive English, Academic Year Abroad, Business Supplementary, IELTS Exam Preparation, Cambridge Exam Preparation, Tailored Group Programs, Young Adults Summer Program
- **Special / extra courses provided:** Specialized one-to-one classes in a variety of subjects (e.g. Project Management and Strategic Planning)
- **Average number of students per class:** 14-15 (Maximum class size: 17)
- **Minimum age of students:** 16
- **Average age of students:** 18-24
- **Students per age group:** Under 18: 9% / 18-24: 65% / 25-29: 19%
- **Top 10 student nationalities:** Turkey, France, South Korea, Switzerland, Italy, China, Brazil, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Spain



Highlighted Programs

Young Adults Summer Program

This city also offers a summer package that is all-inclusive for students aged 16 to 20. The program runs from June 27 to August 29 in 2026.

The Young Adults Summer Program includes:

- Morning-only classes in General or Intensive English
- Full-board accommodation (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) in a homestay or residence
- Placement test
- Certificate
- One full-day weekend excursion (except for the week of arrival)
- Two half-day activities per week, such as: trip to London Eye, Thames River sightseeing, movie pizza night, city walking tour

Students under 18 are subject to a curfew as part of the Young Adults Summer Program. There is a wellbeing coordinator in every residence to supervise students.



Highlighted Programs

Professional Immersion Experience

The Professional Immersion Experience is designed for students aged 18 and above who want to enhance their language skills while gaining practical, real-world experience. This program combines classroom learning with an immersive placement at a local business, giving students valuable insight into professional life abroad.

Program features:

- Language classes in English
- A guaranteed volunteer placement (1– 4 hours per week) aligned with the student's interests and skills
- A wide range of opportunities in areas such as charity work including senior support, animal care, food banks, community outreach, environmental conservation, fundraising, and event assistance
- Full academic and administrative support before and during placement
- Self-study sessions on career essentials
- A letter of recommendation provided at the end of the program
- Placement test and completion certificate
- Opportunities to build communication, cultural, and career skills in real-world settings

Students can start any Monday throughout the year and enroll for a minimum of 12 weeks. The structure includes four weeks of language preparation followed by an eight-week volunteer placement, allowing participants to apply their classroom learning in a professional and socially impactful context.



Highlighted Programs

Professional Certificates

If you choose Intensive English for at least four weeks in this city, you could be eligible for our **Professional Certificates**.

Join a class built around a contemporary, career-focused four-week modular curriculum designed to meet the demands of a global economy. This program is a brilliant fit if you aim to step confidently into the professional world. At the end of each module, you will earn a micro-certificate. Upon completion of three modules, you will earn an Advanced Certificate in your chosen field.

Program structure: 35 lessons per week, 26.25 hours

Entry Level: B1

Business Certificates	Start Dates 2026	Start Dates 2027	Start Dates 2028
Effective Business Communication: Mastering Professional Interactions	05/01/2026	01/02/2027	28/02/2028
Career Essentials: Building a Foundation for Professional Success	02/02/2026	01/03/2027	27/03/2028
Strategic Networking: Building Connections for Success	02/03/2026	29/03/2027	24/04/2028
Leadership in Action: Effective Team Management and Collaboration	30/03/2026	26/04/2027	22/05/2028
Building Brands and Driving Growth	27/04/2026	24/05/2027	19/06/2028
Professional Development: Cultivating Staff Growth and Success	25/05/2026	21/06/2027	17/07/2028
Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability	22/06/2026	19/07/2027	14/08/2028
Start-Up Mindset: Cultivating Innovation and Entrepreneurial Success	20/07/2026	16/08/2027	11/09/2028
Project Management: Leading Initiatives and Delivering Results	17/08/2026	13/09/2027	09/10/2028
Customer Success: Building Relationships and Driving Satisfaction	14/09/2026	11/10/2027	06/11/2028
Data-Driven Decision-Making: Leveraging Insights for Business Growth	12/10/2026	08/11/2027	
Digital Transformation: Navigating Change and Leveraging New Technologies	09/11/2026	04/01/2028	
International Business Communication and Remote Work: Cultural Fluency and Virtual Collaboration	04/01/2027	31/01/2028	

Communication and the Arts	Start Dates 2026	Start Dates 2027	Start Dates 2028
The Art of Persuasion: Rhetoric in Media and Advertising	05/01/2026	04/01/2027	04/01/2028
From Page to Screen: Storytelling Across Media	02/03/2026	01/03/2027	28/02/2028
Music and Identity: Soundtracks of Social Change	27/04/2026	26/04/2027	24/04/2028
Public Speaking and Performance: Finding Your Voice	22/06/2026	21/06/2027	19/06/2028
Visual Culture: The Power of Images in a Digital World	17/08/2026	16/08/2027	14/08/2028
The Future of Creativity: Art and Technology in the Digital Age	12/10/2026	11/10/2027	09/10/2028

Media and Technology	Start Dates 2026	Start Dates 2027	Start Dates 2028
Digital Identities: Social Media, Branding, and Online Presence	05/01/2026	04/01/2027	04/01/2028
Fake News and Media Literacy: Thinking Critically in the Digital Age	02/03/2026	01/03/2027	28/02/2028
AI and the Future of Work: Adapting to a Changing World	27/04/2026	26/04/2027	24/04/2028
Streaming and Digital Entertainment: The Rise of the Creator Economy	22/06/2026	21/06/2027	19/06/2028
E-Commerce and Digital Marketing: Selling in the Online World	17/08/2026	16/08/2027	14/08/2028
Cybersecurity and Digital Wellbeing: Staying Safe Online	12/10/2026	11/10/2027	09/10/2028

Accommodation in London



Homestay information

- **Things students need to bring:** Toiletries, prescription medication, personal items to make your room feel like home, a small gift for your host (not required)
- **Services included:** Bed linen, towels, laundry once a week (free of charge), additional laundry (extra cost), internet free of charge, study space
- **Extra cost of services:** If the student wishes to do laundry more than once a week, the host can charge up to £5 per load; we cannot guarantee that all homestays will have a landline available for students to use
- **Meals provided:** Yes
Breakfast: Breakfast is usually a light meal consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, juice, or coffee. Hosts will usually ask you to prepare your own breakfast
Lunch: You will be responsible for buying your own lunch at school, from a local restaurant, or the local shops
Dinner: You will usually eat dinner with your host, or occasionally you may prepare your own meal with food supplied by your host
- **Will the homestay arrange to pick up the student from the airport?** No
- **Transport to school:** Your host will give you directions to the school and explain how public transport works; some of our hosts will take you to the nearest bus stop or underground station, but they wouldn't normally take you directly to school on the first day
- **Where are the homestays located?** London travel zones 1–4
- **Additional information:** Homestays located within zones 1–2 are 30–45 minutes from the school; those in zones 3–4 are 45–60 minutes from the school

Private accommodation

Only students aged 18 and over are permitted to go into private accommodation. If you are 16 or 17 years old you will be housed in a homestay and should be home by 23:00 each night.

If you are over 18 here are some tips if you want to find your own apartment or share a house with friends:

- The Regional Accommodation Coordinator can provide a local alternative accommodation list
- Check whether the accommodation you are going to see is in a safe area
- Take a friend with you when you go to view any accommodation
- If you are sharing an apartment or house find out who has access to it
- Make sure the accommodation is safe and has current fire/safety checks
- Make sure your room is secure and that you have insurance for your laptop, camera, TV and other valuable items
- Keep in mind that in addition to rent, you may be responsible for paying for additional fees and taxes

Accommodation in London

Scape Wembley



- **Address:** Fulton Rd, Wembley Park, Wembley HA9 0TF
- **Website:** [Scape Wembley](#)
- **Accommodation type:** Private studio rooms with kitchenette and ensuite bathroom
- **Service available:** Wi-Fi, Laundry Room
- **Extra cost of services:** £3.70 per wash and £2.40 per dry
- **Bedroom:** Small double bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, mirror, lamp, storage and ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and sink. All bedding is provided and included in the price. Towels and hairdryers are not provided
- **Kitchen:** Oven / hob / microwave, fridge, freezer and all crockery and utensils provided
- **Facilities:** Gym, study areas, laundry facilities, social spaces
- **Extra cost of facilities:** All included in the weekly price
- **Famous landmarks nearby:** London Eye, Sky Garden and West End
- **Visitors or guests allowed?** Yes, 7 nights maximum per month. All visitors must sign in and out at reception daily
- **Noise restrictions?** Yes, after 23:00
- **Smoking allowed in the residence?** No, outside in the designated smoking area only
- **24-hour security?** Yes, an out-of-hours team is available on-site
- **Room cleaning:** Room will be cleaned on arrival only
- **Linen changing:** On arrival only
- **Availability:** Over 18s only - available from 30/08/2025 to 29/08/2026
- **Minimum number of weeks:** One week
- **Check-in and check-out times:** Check in is from 14:00 on a Saturday and anytime on a Sunday. All check outs must be on a Saturday morning by 10:00
- **Room deposit?** No, but all students must sign a Code of Conduct on their first day

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The school	N/A	60 minutes	N/A	40 minutes
The nearest café / restaurant	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest post office	5 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	50 minutes	20 minutes	30 minutes	20 minutes
The city center	50 minutes	25 minutes	35 minutes	20 minutes
The main airport (Heathrow)	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 hour 25 minutes

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Accommodation in London

IQ Shoreditch



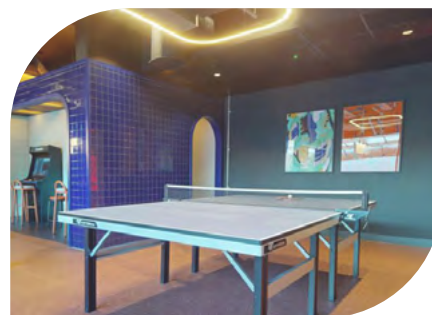
- **Address:** 2 Silicon Way, London, N1 6AT
- **Website:** [IQ Shoreditch](#)
- **Accommodation type:** Private studio rooms with kitchenette and ensuite bathroom
- **Service available:** Wi-Fi, Laundry Room
- **Extra cost of services:** £3.40 per wash and £1.90 per dry
- **Bedroom:** Small double bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, mirror, lamp, storage and ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and sink. All bedding is provided and included in the price. Towels and hairdryers are not provided
- **Kitchen:** Oven / hob / microwave, fridge, freezer and all crockery and utensils provided
- **Facilities:** Gym, bike storage and laundry facilities
- **Extra cost of facilities:** All included in the weekly price
- **Famous landmarks nearby:** London Eye, Sky Garden and West End
- **Visitors or guests allowed?** Yes, 3 nights maximum. All visitors must sign in and out at reception daily
- **Noise restrictions?** Yes, after 23:00
- **Smoking allowed in the residence?** No, outside in the designated smoking area only
- **24-hour security?** Yes, an out-of-hours team is available on-site
- **Room cleaning:** Room will be cleaned on arrival only
- **Linen changing:** On arrival only
- **Availability:** Over 18s only - available from 30/08/2025 to 05/09/2026
- **Minimum number of weeks:** Two weeks
- **Check-in and check-out times:** Check in is from 15:00 on a Saturday and anytime on a Sunday. All check outs must be on a Saturday morning by 10:00
- **Room deposit?** No, but all students must sign a Code of Conduct on their first day

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The school	37 minutes	13 minutes	28 minutes	26 minutes
The nearest café / restaurant	3 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	4 minutes	2 minutes	4 minutes	N/A
The nearest post office	5 minutes	2 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	3 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	1 minute	1 minute	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	15 minutes	5 minutes	15 minutes	N/A
The nearest airport (Stansted)	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 hour 10 minutes

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Accommodation in London

IQ Aldgate



- **Address:** 60 Commercial Road, London, E1 1LP
- **Website:** [IQ Aldgate](#)
- **Accommodation type:** Private studio rooms with kitchenette and ensuite bathroom
- **Service available:** Wi-Fi, Laundry Room
- **Extra cost of services:** £3.70 per wash and £1.40 per dry
- **Bedroom:** Small double bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, mirror, lamp, storage and ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and sink. All bedding is provided and included in the price. Towels and hairdryers are not provided
- **Kitchen:** Oven / hob / microwave, fridge, freezer and all crockery and utensils provided
- **Facilities:** Games room, sky lounge, karaoke room and cinema room
- **Extra cost of facilities:** All included in the weekly price
- **Famous landmarks nearby:** London Eye, Sky Garden and West End
- **Visitors or guests allowed?** Yes, 3 nights maximum. All visitors must sign in and out at reception daily
- **Noise restrictions?** Yes, after 23:00
- **Smoking allowed in the residence?** No, outside in the designated smoking area only
- **24-hour security?** Yes, an out-of-hours team is available on-site
- **Residence cleaning:** Room will be cleaned on arrival only. Communal kitchen areas will receive a weekly sparkle clean
- **Linen changing:** On arrival only
- **Availability:** Over 18s only - available from 30/08/2025 to 05/09/2026
- **Minimum number of weeks:** Two weeks
- **Check-in and check-out times:** Check in is from 15:00 on a Saturday and anytime on a Sunday. All check outs must be on a Saturday morning by 10:00
- **Room deposit?** No, but all students must sign a Code of Conduct on their first day

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The school	N/A	25 minutes	35 minutes	20 minutes
The nearest café / restaurant	2 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	2 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest post office	3 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	2 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	35 minutes	10 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
The nearest airport (Stansted)	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 hour 15 minutes

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Accommodation in London

Urbanest Battersea



- **Address:** 5 Palmerston Way, Battersea, London, SW8 4AQ
- **Website:** [Urbanest Battersea](#)
- **Accommodation type:** Ensuite rooms - own bathroom, shared kitchen and shared communal living area. Rooms will be in flats of 4 to 6 Kaplan students, mixed nationalities and mixed genders.
- **Service available:** Wi-Fi, Laundry Room
- **Extra cost of services:** £3.00 per wash and £2.10 per dry
- **Bedroom:** Small double bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, mirror, lamp, storage and ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and sink. All bedding is provided and included in the price. Towels and hairdryers are not provided
- **Kitchen:** Oven / hob / microwave, fridge, freezer and all crockery and utensils provided
- **Facilities:** Study areas and gym
- **Extra cost of facilities:** All included in the weekly price
- **Famous landmarks nearby:** London Eye, Sky Garden and West End
- **Smoking allowed in the residence?** No, outside in the designated smoking area only
- **Visitors or guests allowed?** Yes, 3 nights maximum. All visitors must sign in and out at reception daily
- **Noise restrictions?** Yes, after 23:00
- **24-hour security?** Yes, an out-of-hours team is available on-site
- **Residence cleaning:** Room will be cleaned on arrival only. Communal areas will receive a weekly light clean, which consists of the cleaning of the floors and worktops in the kitchen area. This does not include tidying up, taking out rubbish / bins, washing the dishes, cleaning the fridge or oven. The overall cleanliness of the kitchen is the responsibility of the students.
- **Linen changing:** On arrival only
- **Availability:** Over 18s only - available from 30/08/2025 to 28/08/2026
- **Minimum number of weeks:** One week
- **Check-in and check-out times:** Check in is from 15:00 on a Saturday and anytime on a Sunday. All check outs must be on Saturday morning by 10:00
- **Room deposit?** No, but all students must sign a Code of Conduct on their first day

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The school	1h 20min	23 minutes	38 minutes	33 minutes
The nearest café / restaurant	3 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	3 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
The nearest post office	6 minutes	3 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	5 minutes	3 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	3 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	50 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
The city center	60 minutes	19 minutes	35 minutes	N/A
The nearest airport (Heathrow)	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 hour 5 minutes

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Accommodation in London

Urbanest Hoxton

This is also a
Young Adults
Summer Camp
Residence



- **Address:** 100 East Road, Hoxton, London, N1 6AA
- **Website:** [Hoxton Student Accommodation](#)
- **Accommodation type:** Private studio rooms with kitchenette and ensuite bathroom
- **Service available:** Wi-Fi, Laundry Room
- **Extra cost of services:** £2.90 per wash and £2.00 per dry
- **Bedroom:** Small double bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, mirror, lamp, storage and ensuite bathroom with shower, toilet and sink. All bedding is provided and included in the price. Towels and hairdryers are not provided
- **Kitchen:** Oven / hob / microwave, fridge, freezer and all crockery and utensils provided
- **Facilities:** Study areas, gym, common room and supermarket on the ground floor
- **Extra cost of facilities:** All included in the weekly price
- **Famous landmarks nearby:** London Eye, Sky Garden and West End
- **Visitors or guests allowed?** Yes, 2 nights maximum for over 18 students only. All visitors must sign in and out at reception daily
- **Noise restrictions?** Yes, after 23:00
- **Smoking allowed in the residence?** No, outside in the designated smoking area only
- **24-hour security?** Yes, an out-of-hours team is available on-site
- **Residence cleaning:** Room will be cleaned on arrival only
- **Linen changing:** On arrival only
- **Availability:** Over and Under 18s - available from 27/06/2026 to 22/08/2026
- **Minimum number of weeks:** One week
- **Check-in and check-out times:** Check in is from 14:00 on a Saturday and anytime on a Sunday. All check outs must be on a Saturday morning by 10:00
- **Room deposit?** No, but all students must sign a Code of Conduct on their first day.

Time to...	By foot	By bike	By bus	By tube
The school	38 minutes	11 minutes	27 minutes	30 minutes
The nearest café / restaurant	2 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest supermarket	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
The nearest post office	8 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest ATM / bank	8 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest sports center	10 minutes	3 minutes	N/A	N/A
The nearest hospital	14 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
The city center	60 minutes	19 minutes	19 minutes	17 minutes
The nearest airport (Stansted)	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 hour 10 minutes

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Academic Year Abroad

**STUDY ENGLISH LONGER
SUCCEED FOR LIFE**

London London

Why choose an Academic Year Abroad in London with Kaplan?
Academic Year Abroad students have access to exclusive benefits.

1. Achieve the **fastest English progression** with Kaplan's exclusive Guaranteed Progression, while mastering fluency across reading, writing, listening, and especially speaking, **with personalized academic guidance every step of the way.**
2. Study for **6, 9, or 11 months** and experience life in one of the world's most **vibrant English-speaking cities.**
3. **Engage with online guest experts** at exclusive online seminars hosted for Academic Year Abroad students.
4. **Start strong and finish proud** with a **bespoke orientation** and **graduation ceremony.**
5. Keep learning beyond the classroom with **12 months of access to K+ Learning Space** after your course ends.
6. Feel at home abroad with **total support from our team: personalized academic guidance from day one, accommodation services tailored to your preferences,** and a lively social calendar.
7. Enjoy **direct and free access** to morning classes.
8. **Get to know the city from day one** with a warm welcome and guided tour.
9. Join a **global community of over 1.2 million learners** who choose Kaplan each year.
10. **Upgrade your academic and professional CV** by investing in a trusted institution since 1938. Kaplan is widely known worldwide for **educational excellence and student success.**
11. Internationally recognized curriculum aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference.
12. Receive a **free IELTS exam** to boost your academic or career prospects worldwide.
13. Build your language toward a capstone project and earn an Advanced Certificate in the area of expertise you would like to focus on.

What programs are available in Kaplan London?

Language & Culture

- Intensive
- Semi-Intensive
- Multi-Destination Year

University Preparation

- IELTS Exam Preparation

Professional Preparation

- Certificate in Business
- Certificate in Communication and the Arts
- Certificate in Media and Technology



Your course timeline

Start dates	End dates		
	6 months	9 months	11 months
5th January 2026	19th June 2026	11th September 2026	20th November 2026
30th March 2026	11th September 2026	4th December 2026	12th February 2027
22nd June 2026	4th December 2026	26th February 2027	7th May 2027
21st September 2026	5th March 2027	28th May 2027	6th August 2027
9th November 2026	23rd April 2027	16th July 2027	24th September 2027

Start dates	1st Holiday Start (All courses)	2nd Holiday Start (9 month courses)	2nd Holiday Start (11 month courses)
5th January 2026	30th March 2026	8th June 2026	14th September 2026
30th March 2026	8th June 2026	14th September 2026	21st December 2026
22nd June 2026	14th September 2026	21st December 2026	21st December 2026
21st September 2026	21st December 2026	29th March 2027	24th May 2027
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How do we help you learn English quickly?

We are proud to offer English programs built on a solid, research-based methodology designed to help you improve your English confidently and quickly. With our carefully structured syllabus, you can join at any point and continue progressing smoothly, with teaching materials tailored to your level and learning style.

Each Academic Year Abroad program is structured with carefully designed lessons aimed at achieving your specific objectives:

Language Foundation (20 lessons, 15 hours)

Build your core English skills with 15 hours of General English per week, using our spiral, blended curriculum aligned to the Common European Framework of Reference. Lessons are topic-based and communicative, designed to boost fluency, confidence, and real-world language use.

Language in Action Workshops (4 lessons, 3 hours)

Take your English beyond the classroom with interactive workshops each week focused on communication, collaboration, and real-life tasks. These sessions help you practice spoken English in creative, practical contexts.

Specialist Skills (8 lessons, 6 hours)

Enhance your learning with focused classes, tailored to your needs and objectives. Ideal for students looking to improve in targeted areas, these sessions focus on specific skills like pronunciation, writing, exam preparation or Business English.

K+ Extra (3 lessons, 2.25 hours)

Students enhance their fluency with K+ Extra online resources supporting personalized language learning.



Learn about every program



Language & Culture

Discover the joy of learning English abroad like never before. Transform your language skills as you embark on a program designed to immerse you in one (or more) exciting destinations around the world. This is more than just a course. During this enriching year, we blend expert language training with cultural immersion, global friendships, and unforgettable experiences.

Intensive

35 lessons per week = 26.25 hours

Want to master every aspect of English? This course sharpens your skills in speaking, reading, writing, listening, grammar, and pronunciation, while also expanding your vocabulary for effective communication in real-world settings.

Lessons	Number of Lessons	Total Hours
Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
Specialist Skills	8 lessons	6 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

Semi-Intensive

27 lessons per week = 20.25 hours

Strengthen your foundational English skills while enjoying plenty of free time to explore your new city and have fun with friends! Join our social activities, dive into local culture, and make the most of every moment on this unforgettable adventure.

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Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

Kaplan Multi-Destination Year

12 weeks London, 12 weeks Dublin, 12 weeks Liverpool, 12 weeks Edinburgh.

Study English in a 6, 9, or 11-month program spanning your choice of school locations.

Students travel the globe to create their own dream Academic Year Abroad by combining two, three or four locations, each destination with a minimum of twelve weeks.

In each location, students are immersed in comprehensive language development focusing on improving all language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking, while living the language through a variety of cultural immersion activities.

Visa regulations permitting, students can opt to build their own vacation breaks between 12-week quarters to experience even more of what the destination has to offer.

Example Multi-Destination Year itinerary: Eleven-month Ireland and Britain circuit

Spend a year becoming fluent in English while experiencing the tremendous cultural richness and variety found in Britain and Ireland, and trying several accents along the way.

Key facts



- **Minimum Age:** 16
- **Class Size:** 17
- **Entry Level:** Elementary



University Preparation Program

Your pathway to academic success

Turn your Academic Year Abroad into a launchpad for your university journey. Our University Preparation track is designed for ambitious students planning to study at leading institutions in the UK or beyond. This exclusive package combines expert guidance, academic enrichment, and wraparound support, giving you the confidence and credentials to take the next step.

Real-world exposure

- Experience university life through campus tours and academic events
- Online guest speakers on topics like academic preparation and university application strategies

IELTS Exam Preparation

35 lessons per week = 26.25 hours

Boost your IELTS performance with focused skills classes that cover every section of the exam in detail. Build strong verbal skills and learn key test-taking strategies to help you succeed in this globally recognized qualification.

Lesson	Number of Lessons	Total Hours
Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
Specialist Skills on IELTS	8 lessons	6 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

Key facts

- Minimum Age: 16
- Class Size: 17
- Entry Level: B1

Professional Preparation Program

Join a class built around a contemporary, career-focused syllabus designed to meet the demands of a global economy. This program is a brilliant fit if you are aiming to step confidently into the professional world.

Learn actively in each module

You will build toward a capstone project in Week 4, where you apply your new skills in a practical, creative, and collaborative task. At the end of each module, you will earn a Micro-Certificate, and over time, these build progressively toward an Advanced Certificate in your chosen field.

Certificate in Business

35 lessons per week = 26.25 hours

Equip yourself for the global stage! Develop your business communication, expand strategic networks, and drive growth with our dynamic curriculum. Gain the language mastery you need to thrive in any international workplace.

Module highlights

- Effective Business Communication
- Strategic Networking
- Leadership in Action
- Project Management
- Leadership in Professional Development
- International Marketing

Lesson	Number of Lessons	Total Hours
Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
Specialist Skills on Business	8 lessons	6 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

Key facts

- Minimum Age: 16
- Class Size: 17
- Entry Level: B1

Certificate in Media and Technology

35 lessons per week = 26.25 hours

Dive into our digital playground, where savvy communication and media skills become your superpowers! Engage in hands-on, tech-driven lessons—from crafting unforgettable social media brands to harnessing AI and digital marketing strategies. Unleash your creativity, boost your digital fluency, and transform the way you work in today’s connected world!

Module highlights

- Digital Identities: Social Media, Branding, and Online Presence
- Fake News and Media Literacy: Thinking Critically in the Digital Age
- AI and the Future of Work: Adapting to a Changing World
- Streaming and Digital Entertainment: The Rise of the Creator Economy
- E-Commerce and Digital Marketing: Selling in the Online World
- Cybersecurity and Digital Wellbeing: Staying Safe Online

Lesson	Number of Lessons	Total Hours
Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
Specialist Skills on Media and Technology	8 lessons	6 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

Key facts

- Minimum Age: 16
- Class Size: 17
- Entry Level: B1

Certificate in Communication and the Arts

35 lessons per week = 26.25 hours

Dive into a thrilling journey through persuasive media, storytelling, and powerful public speaking! Craft unforgettable speeches, explore the beats of music, and design cutting-edge digital campaigns. The perfect course to jumpstart your media career and unlock limitless opportunities.

Module highlights

- The Art of Persuasion: Rhetoric in Media and Advertising
- From Page to Screen: Storytelling Across Media
- Music and Identity: Soundtracks of Social Change
- Public Speaking and Performance: Finding Your Voice
- Visual Culture: The Power of Images in a Digital World
- The Future of Creativity: Art and Technology in the Digital Age

Lesson	Number of Lessons	Total Hours
Language Foundation	20 lessons	15 hours
Language in Action Workshops	4 lessons	3 hours
Specialist Skills on Communication and the Arts	8 lessons	6 hours
K+ Extra Online	3 sessions	2.25 hours

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Accommodation Options

This program offers special accommodation packages. Get in touch with our team to get a personalized quote depending on your preferences, whether you choose a residence apartment to live with other Kaplan international students, or hosts making the most of integrating into the lives of our local families in the city.



Follow the hearts and explore our previous accommodation section for more details.



“I was preparing for the university exam to study for a master’s in logistics and knew that my English would be a barrier, so I took a year to improve and exceeded the IELTS score I needed. This, combined with the unforgettable experience of living in the UK, was the best year of my life.”

- Tochi, Kaplan student in London.



Health & Safety

Medical insurance | All students must have medical insurance for the duration of their stay in the UK. Students need to organize their own medical insurance before they travel. Kaplan does not offer travel and medical insurance in the UK, but students can either use the link on the Kaplan International Languages website to book travel and medical insurance directly with an insurance provider, or they can choose their own.

If you get sick | If you get sick while in the UK you should visit a doctor. You can ask the Student Services Manager or your host where the nearest doctor is. If you have a minor illness you can ask at a local chemist for advice. Remember to bring any relevant insurance or medical documentation with you. You may need to register with a local doctor.

Protecting your belongings | We strongly recommend you take out insurance for your personal belongings, especially cameras, mobile phones and laptops. Personal items cannot be covered by Kaplan homestay or residence insurance.

Under 18 statement | Kaplan recognizes its responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of students aged under 18, within the UK legal framework

and criteria of our educational oversight and accrediting bodies. We endeavor to ensure a safe, positive and pleasant study and home environment for all students. We show an additional duty of care towards our students who are legally minors, monitoring them more closely than other students and requesting all parents of Under 18s to sign a Parent/guardian Consent Form.

- All Kaplan staff and hosts adhere to our Safeguarding Policy, which include straining and regular guidance
- All staff and hosts in regular contact with Under 18s are subject to rigorous recruitment procedures and necessary police checks
- Each KI school has a named contact person for Under 18s who meets the students on a regular basis, explains the legal status of Under 18s, monitors any accommodation issues and liaises with the homestay and students' parents if necessary
- We ensure there are activities in the school which are suitable for students under 18 to participate in and inform Under 18s about learning and socializing outside of the classroom

Medical costs

Medical costs are at the discretion of your local doctor or hospital. Minimum medical costs are as follows:

- **Consultation with a doctor:** £40
- **Prescriptions at a chemist:** £9.90 per item
- **Dental treatment:** £50
- **Eye test or new glasses:** £30

Emergency services

Call **999** in case of fire, medical emergency or if you need the police.

Call **111** for non urgent medical advice.

Laws

- No one under the age of 18 in the UK may buy or consume tobacco or alcohol, including beer and wine. It is against the law to buy tobacco or alcohol for someone you know is under the age of 18
- Driving under the influence of alcohol is a very serious crime and police make regular random checks
- You will need international ID to enter bars, clubs or pubs (e.g. passport, ID card, driving licence)
- Buying, selling and using drugs is illegal

Local Customs

- Always stand in line and wait your turn when buying tickets, at a bank or post office, or waiting for a bus. Keep to the right when standing on escalators
- In the UK, it's not unusual for people to engage in small talk in public places, such as parks or while waiting in queues. This can be a great opportunity to practice English, but it's important to stay cautious. Do not share your address or phone number, and avoid accepting inappropriate invitations. While many people are friendly, some may prefer not to speak with stranger in the UK. Always use them if you ask someone to do something for you, or if they help you or give you information
- "Please" and "Thank you" are widely used in the UK. Always use them if you ask someone to do something for you, or if they help you or give you information
- In the UK, everyone, regardless of gender, nationality, ethnicity, religion, or background, is treated equally and with respect. We are committed to creating a safe and inclusive environment where all students feel welcome, valued, and supported

Kaplan International Languages Rules

- If you leave your Kaplan International Languages course, the government may revoke your student visa and advise you to return home
- You must attend all classes. If you do not attend your classes your representative will be informed. If a student is under 18, parents will be informed.
- If you do not then improve your attendance you will be sent home and no refund will be given
- Be on time for all your lessons
- Always tell Kaplan International Languages if you are going to be absent from school for any reason and tell your host if you are going away overnight
- If you commit a criminal offence or have to be severely disciplined, you will be sent home and no refund will be given. We will also inform the immigration authorities

UK public holidays	
New Year	1-Jan-26
Good Friday	3-Apr-26
Easter Monday	6-April-26
Early May Bank Holiday	4-May-26
Spring May Bank Holiday	25-May-26
Summer Bank Holiday	31-Aug-26
Christmas Day	25-Dec-26
Boxing Day	28-Dec-26
New Year	1-Jan-27

These dates are observed as holidays in the year. If you arrive on a week where the Monday is a holiday, your first day of school will be a Tuesday

Holiday Policy

Academic Year Abroad students | There are preset session breaks for all Academic Year Abroad students. These dates depend on your start date and cannot be changed. Please check with the school if you are not sure when these are.

School closures | The school will be closed from December 21st 2026 to December 28th 2026 with an additional closure for New Years Day on January 1st 2027.

*Take the leap.
Expand your horizons.
Become a global citizen.
Start your journey today.*

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