

Culture & Literature

We offer a cultural and literature language course for Adult students. Practice your English while learning about the culture, history and literature of the South West of England.

Sidmouth International School is based in the centre of Sidmouth. Sidmouth is a beautiful Regency town in East Devon set against the stunning backdrop of the Jurassic Coast. A World Heritage Site featuring Lyme Regis, Dartmoor, Dartmouth, Torquay, and Sidmouth. This UNESCO World Heritage Site offers breathtaking landscapes and rich history.

We'll explore the writings inspired by this area, like those of Mary Anning in Lyme Regis, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle on Dartmoor, Agatha Christie in Torquay. Their stories come alive in British films set in these locations.

Morning lessons (9am - 10.30am & 11am - 12.30pm) with our experienced teachers, will be based around topics covering local culture/traditions, literature and places of interest.

You will then get the chance to visit some of these beautiful places with one of our leaders, bringing history and literature to life.



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Some examples of lessons and activities included in your course.

Literature

Reading and discussing great stories based in Lyme Regis and then visiting the town, which is also the setting for the film starring Kate Winslet based on the life of Mary Anning the fossil hunter.



The life, times, and stories of Agatha Christie, with a visit to Torquay where Agatha lived and worked, and follow the Agatha Mile, including a visit to the Torquay Museum, home to the UK's only dedicated Agatha Christie Gallery. Here, you'll find lots of props used in the ITV adaptations of Agatha Christie's Poirot, including Poirot's desk, furniture, and fireplace from his London Art Deco apartment, his iconic walking stick, one of Miss Marple's outfits, and some of the author's personal effects and first edition novels. You will also visit Greenway House, Agatha's former holiday home for her and her family.

Other Activities

In Sidmouth, you can embrace the quintessential British seaside experience with a stroll along its charming promenade, lined with pastel-colored beach huts and offering panoramic views of the Jurassic Coast. Enjoy the sea views with some traditional fish and chips, a Devonshire cream tea, or even an ice cream! Explore the town's elegant Regency architecture, including the award winning Connaught Gardens, with its beautifully landscaped terraces, vibrant floral displays, and stunning cliffside views.

In nearby Exeter, immerse yourself in history at Exeter Cathedral or wander through the cobbled streets of the historic Quayside, where you can enjoy riverside dining and boutique shopping. Explore the city's cultural offerings at the Royal Albert Memorial Museum or take a relaxing boat trip along the Exeter Canal. Whether you're seeking relaxation by the sea or a taste of urban charm, Sidmouth and Exeter offer something for every visitor to enjoy.



History

A walking tour and quiz of Sidmouth's Blue Plaque buildings to learn about the history of the town including our school.



Culture & Literature Course Timetable

Week 1	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Saturday	Arrival		
Sunday	Spend the day with your host family		
Monday	Lesson time	Walking tour of Sidmouth & Quiz	Film Night
Tuesday	Lesson time	15:30 Cream Tea	Free time
Wednesday	Lesson time	Trip to Lyme Regis	Quiz Night with Cheese & Wine
Thursday	Lesson time	Trip to Exeter	Free time
Friday	Lesson time	Free time	Fish & Chips in the Pub

Week 2	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Saturday	Full day excursion to Torquay		
Sunday	Spend the day with your host family		
Monday	Lesson time	Visit to Sidmouth Museum & Walk	Film Night
Tuesday	Lesson time	Trip to Topsham	Free time
Wednesday	Lesson time	15:30 Victoria Sponge & Tea	Games Night with Drinks & Nibbles
Thursday	Lesson time	Trip to Dartmoor	Free time
Friday	Lesson time	Free time	Pub Evening

N.B: Activities and trips on the above programmes may be changed to alternative days.

Your free time

On your free afternoons, you can relax, go shopping or visit one of our many coffee shops in Sidmouth. We have tennis courts, mini golf and walking routes along the banks of the river Sid. We can also assist you in getting a public bus to Exeter or nearby villages.

During free evenings, we can arrange and book theatre or cinema tickets for you, or you can take a walk along the seafront to meet your class mates for a British beer in one of our many pubs. We have a number of restaurants and take away establishments serving Indian, Chinese and traditional British food. You can also go for an evening swim at our local swimming pool, free of charge.



YOUR DETAILS

Surname	First name	Date of birth
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Gender	Nationality	First language
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Email address	Telephone number	
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COURSE DATES & FEES

Minimum class number of 4 students. Perfect for students travelling alone or with family and friends.

<input type="checkbox"/> 10 - 24 May 2025	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 week £570	Start & End Dates <input type="text"/>	Course price includes excursions, transfers and a social activity programme.
<input type="checkbox"/> 18 Oct - 01 Nov 2025 Registration Fee: £85	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 weeks £1130		

ACCOMMODATION (PER WEEK)

<input type="checkbox"/> Homestay - single £230	<input type="checkbox"/> Private bathroom supplement - £50
<input type="checkbox"/> Homestay Executive - single £290	<input type="checkbox"/> No homestay required.
<input type="checkbox"/> Homestay Shared - £220 per person	<i>We are able to recommend hotels, guest houses or cottage rentals.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Homestay Executive Shared - £270 per person	

Please inform us of any special dietary or medical requirements, when booking.

TRANSPORT

FREE Sidmouth International School Bus (Saturdays, Heathrow Airport only, flights must arrive before 15.30; flights must depart UK after 13.45) When we confirm your booking we will send full information about when and where you should meet our representative on arrival.

Free bus required School car (ask for details) Own transport arranged