

EXAMINATION COURSES 2025

**AVAILABLE ALL YEAR ROUND,
AT SCHOOL OR ONLINE**

Easter (12 April – 3 May) & Summer (7 June – 30 August)

The school will be closed for Public Holidays on: 1 January, 18 & 21 April, 5 & 26 May, 25 August, 25 & 26 December 2025

IELTS COURSE (16+ YEARS) – ALL YEAR

IELTS is an internationally recognised qualification for university entrance in the UK and most English-speaking countries. The IELTS test is available in nearby Exeter (transport provided). Results are issued within 2 weeks of the test. Early booking of test dates is essential to guarantee a place.

COURSE STRUCTURE

- Start any Monday
- 15 hours (20 lessons) of general English per week (9.00-12.30, Monday to Friday, includes 30 min break)
- 6 hours (8 lessons) of formal IELTS training per week in small groups, or personalised tutorial groups (13.30-15.30, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)
- One-to-one lessons can be taken at an extra charge

COURSE FEE PER WEEK:

(Low season): 18yr+ **£468** 16-17yr: **£522**

(Summer): 18yr+ **£571** 16-17yr: **£639**

Supplement for entry fee,
course book and materials: **£265**

FIRST CERTIFICATE (FCE), CERTIFICATE IN ADVANCED ENGLISH (CAE) & PROFICIENCY (CPE)

Our courses are designed to give you the specific exam preparation you will require for all four papers.

Specific attention will be given to any areas that you need to develop. We recommend a minimum course of 6 weeks. Examinations are held in March, June, August and December (CPE examination is not available in August). *Late entry fees may be charged for any courses of less than 6 weeks.* **Preliminary English Test (PET)** – preparation course available, contact the school for dates.

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- Assistance with school, college or university placement
- Class of maximum 6 students (9 in summer)
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All examinations are internationally recognised and correspond to the levels of the Common European Framework.

Common European Framework	Cambridge ESOL	IELTS (General or Academic)
C2 (Mastery)	CPE (Proficiency)	Grade 9
C1 (Effective Operational Proficiency)	CAE (Advanced)	
B2 (Vantage)	FCE (First Certificate)	
B1 (Threshold)	PET (Preliminary English Test)	
A2 (Waystage)	KET (Key English Test)	
A1 (Breakthrough)		Grade 1

Add registration fee £85 (Low season) and £125 (Summer) and accommodation fee to all course fees.

Registration fee also includes travel insurance for all students under 65 years old (registration fee will be adjusted for all other students). Policy details and coverage is provided with registration confirmation and available on our website.

ADULT ACCOMMODATION

Our homestay families only take students from SIS, so we can guarantee: no other students of the same nationality and no junior students.

Most homestays are within walking distance of the school (max 25 minutes). Breakfast and evening meals are included, with a light lunch at weekends. Weekday lunches are not included: lunch is easily bought locally (allow a minimum of £5 per day) and can be eaten in the school.

*** Please note during our high seasons, all Teenage students aged 16-17 years will be placed in a standard room (single or twin) according to age, nationality and gender. In order to maximise homestay capacity during busy times, the school will place students in either single or shared rooms depending on availability.**

A supplement may be charged for special diets – contact the school for further information.

HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION

SINGLE ROOM (low season only)
£230 PER WEEK, PER PERSON

STANDARD ROOM* (high season only)
£220 PER WEEK, PER PERSON

The school can also provide details of suitable hotels, guest houses and self-catering apartments for adult students aged 18yr+.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

There is an adult social programme all year. Some afternoon activities and evening activities are organised for you and are free of charge. Afternoon activities include scenic walks on the Jurassic Coast, tennis, lawn bowls and cream teas in the garden. In the evening, students can enjoy pub nights with other Adult students, movie nights and wine and cheese evenings hosted at the school. There are half day excursions on Thursdays and a full day excursion on Saturdays, visiting places of cultural and historical interest. Students have the opportunity to explore this beautiful part of England with their fellow students. The costs of these excursions are between £5 and £30. For an extra treat, we can also organise visits to the theatre, traditional afternoon tea at one of Sidmouth's seafront hotels or dinner at a quintessential English country pub. Please ask for further details in the main office.

Please note: some activities depend on the weather and/or the number of students. During the low season, the social programme and excursions maybe reduced depending on student numbers. Staff are always available to advise students on interesting things to see and do in the local area.

TRANSFERS

We provide a FREE transfer from London Heathrow Airport every Saturday throughout the year. The bus aims to arrive at the airport at 12.00 and to depart no later than 16.30. Average journey time (including comfort stop) is 3.5 hours approximately.

To use this free transfer:

Arrivals: Flights must arrive at Heathrow before 15.00

Departures: Flights must depart from Heathrow after 13.45.

The bus departure time may vary during low season; please contact the school directly prior to booking flights.

Regular shuttle buses link Heathrow to Gatwick Airport (travel time 80 min approx).

We can arrange car/taxi transfers (up to 4 people) to Sidmouth from anywhere in the UK. Minimum price per car for single journey:

Heathrow £325, Gatwick £341, Bristol £184, Exeter £60.

Please note, prices are approximate only. In the event of delays, waiting time will be charged at £25 per hour.

There are frequent bus (www.nationalexpress.com) and train (www.nationalrail.co.uk) services from London to Exeter and a regular bus service from Exeter to Sidmouth (www.stagecoachbus.com).