

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES

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1 & 2 WEEK COURSES FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH AT PRIMARY LEVEL (Ages 3-11) in England, Wales, Scotland & Northern Ireland: 2018

LANGUAGE AND PRACTICAL METHODOLOGY: CREATIVITY IN THE CLASSROOM

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

These courses aim to provide teachers of English at primary level with:

- a range of new ideas, practical classroom skills and materials for teaching English to young learners
- an opportunity to improve their own language skills and to acquire language for the primary classroom
- an insight into Primary Education in The United Kingdom
- an opportunity to exchange ideas and develop links with teachers from primary schools in other European countries
- cultural background to Life in Britain

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES:

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES has over 30 years' experience in designing teacher development courses for European Ministries of Education, teacher-training institutes and schools and has a well-founded reputation for providing quality courses.

ISP is an experienced provider of European Union funded programmes in the UK. As a course provider with many courses in the former Comenius Database and now in cooperation with many Erasmus+ funded schools, ISP has successfully arranged a wide variety of courses for thousands of European teachers funded by the European Union.

ISP offers an unusually wide variety of teacher development courses, not only for teachers of English and CLIL but also for teachers of other subjects including science, music, art and drama as well as for headteachers and inspectors, in a wide variety of locations in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Each course is designed to meet the training needs of specific types of teachers.

International Study Programmes' team of teacher trainers includes highly respected trainers such as Graham Workman, Lucy Norris and Dr Diana Hicks - author of 'Primary Colours' (Cambridge) and 'Pingu's English' (Linguaphone).

ERASMUS+ GRANTS:

Schools may apply for Erasmus+: Key Action 1 funding for their teachers to attend courses in the UK.
(Individual teachers may no longer apply for grants.)

Teachers with Erasmus+ funding and those paying with their own or other funds are welcome to apply for listed ISP courses.

ISP is also pleased to design tailor-made courses to meet the needs of closed groups of teachers from one school.

The annual Erasmus+ deadline is 2 February 2017 for courses starting 1 June 2017 – 31 December 2018, and in February 2018 for courses starting 1 June 2018 – 31 December 2019.

Schools should first register on-line to obtain a Personal Identification Code (PIC) number for the school.

Applications for funding should then be made on-line to applicants' National Agency for Erasmus+.

International Study Programmes will be happy to help with information and advice for your school's Erasmus+ application.

2 WEEK COURSES FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

EXETER:	Monday 5 February- Sunday 18 February	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Sunday 11 February- Saturday 24 February	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
DUNFERMLINE:	Monday 19 February- Sunday 4 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
DUNFERMLINE:	Sunday 26 February- Saturday 10 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
PORTSMOUTH:	Monday 5 March- Sunday 18 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
PORTSMOUTH:	Sunday 11 March- Friday 23 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1896
CARDIFF:	Sunday 18 March- Saturday 31 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
BELFAST:	Sunday 25 March- Saturday 7 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Sunday 8 April- Saturday 21 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
IPSWICH:	Monday 16 April- Sunday 29 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
IPSWICH:	Sunday 22 April- Saturday 5 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
CHELMSFORD:	Monday 30 April- Sunday 13 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
CHELMSFORD:	Sunday 6 May- Saturday 19 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
CHELtenham:	Sunday 13 May- Saturday 26 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
MAIDSTONE:	Monday 4 June- Sunday 17 June	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
MAIDSTONE:	Sunday 10 June- Friday 22 June	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1896
DUNFERMLINE:	Monday 18 June- Sunday 1 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
BELFAST:	Sunday 24 June- Saturday 7 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Monday 2 July- Sunday 15 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Sunday 8 July- Saturday 21 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
DUNFERMLINE:	Sunday 15 July- Saturday 28 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
CARDIFF:	Sunday 22 July- Friday 3 August	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1896
PORTSMOUTH:	Sunday 5 August- Saturday 18 August	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
PORTSMOUTH:	Sunday 12 August- Saturday 25 August	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
DUNFERMLINE:	Sunday 26 August- Saturday 8 September	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
CHELMSFORD:	Monday 24 September- Sunday 7 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
PORTSMOUTH:	Monday 1 October- Sunday 14 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
PORTSMOUTH:	Sunday 7 October- Saturday 20 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
MAIDSTONE:	Monday 15 October- Sunday 28 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
MAIDSTONE:	Sunday 21 October- Saturday 3 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Sunday 28 October- Saturday 10 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
EXETER:	Sunday 4 November- Saturday 17 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998

1 WEEK COURSES FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

EXETER:	Saturday 10 February- Sunday 18 February	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
DUNFERMLINE:	Saturday 24 February- Sunday 4 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
PORTSMOUTH:	Saturday 10 March- Sunday 18 March	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
CARDIFF:	Saturday 24 March- Sunday 1 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
BELFAST:	Saturday 31 March- Sunday 8 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
EXETER:	Saturday 7 April- Sunday 15 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
IPSWICH:	Saturday 21 April- Sunday 29 April	S	€1436
CHELMSFORD:	Saturday 5 May- Sunday 13 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
CHELtenham:	Saturday 12 May- Sunday 20 May	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
MAIDSTONE:	Saturday 9 June- Sunday 17 June	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
DUNFERMLINE:	Saturday 23 June- Sunday 1 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
BELFAST:	Saturday 30 June- Sunday 8 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
EXETER:	Saturday 7 July- Sunday 15 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
DUNFERMLINE:	Saturday 14 July- Sunday 22 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
CARDIFF:	Saturday 21 July- Sunday 29 July	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
PORTSMOUTH:	Saturday 11 August- Sunday 19 August	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
DUNFERMLINE:	Saturday 25 August- Sunday 2 September	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
CHELMSFORD:	Saturday 29 September- Sunday 7 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
PORTSMOUTH:	Saturday 6 October- Sunday 14 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
MAIDSTONE:	Saturday 20 October- Sunday 28 October	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
EXETER:	Saturday 3 November- Sunday 11 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436

See also separate information sheets on CLIL & Pre-Primary Courses

C.L.I.L. COURSES FOR PRIMARY TEACHERS:

EXETER: 5-18 February & 10-18 February & 11-24 February

CHELtenham: 13-26 May & 12-20 May

GLOUCESTER: 1-14 July

PORTSMOUTH: 11-19 August & 12-25 August and 1-14 October & 6-14 October

2 WEEK COURSES FOR PRE-PRIMARY TEACHERS:

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COURSE CONTENT:

1. **Practical Methodology Workshops on Teaching English as a Foreign Language at Primary Level** (3 days) conducted by expert teacher trainers with many years of experience in training European teachers of English and a wealth of exciting ideas to impart.

Emphasis will be on motivating pupils through a variety of child-centred activities which engage their imaginations and creativity.

Different approaches to Primary Language Teaching will be discussed.

Plenty of practical ideas will be demonstrated and considered and teachers will be encouraged to participate.

Many aspects will be covered including:

Developing listening & speaking skills;	CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning);
Songs, rhymes & chants; poems;	Increasing motivation;
Drama and role play;	Learner autonomy;
Storytelling activities;	Co-operative learning;
TPR (Total Physical Response) Activities;	Using authentic materials;
Games;	Correction and feedback strategies;
Drawing and craft activities; using pictures	Textbooks for young learners;
Teaching vocabulary;	Using new technologies.

A wide range of ready-made teaching materials will be provided.

The Workshop will include **Aspects of children's lives in Britain**: family life, homes, food, celebrations, customs, school life, games, music, television, literature, fashion, hobbies, pets.

2. **English Language Training** including Listening and Speaking Skills, Pronunciation and Intonation, Grammar Review, Vocabulary (1 or 2 days – see course programmes)
3. **Classroom Language**: Vocabulary, Expressions and Role Play for the Primary Classroom and Language for Storytelling (1 day)
4. **The Education System**:
- a lecture and discussion on Primary Education in the United Kingdom
 - **day visits to two (or one) primary schools** with an opportunity to observe lessons (on 2 week term-time courses)
5. **Educational visit** to:
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| Bath | from Cheltenham |
| or London | from Maidstone |
| or Winchester | from Portsmouth |
| or Dartmoor National Park & Dartmouth | from Exeter |
| or Cambridge | from Chelmsford |
| or Norwich | from Ipswich |
| or Edinburgh (& Glasgow) | from Dunfermline |
| or The Giant's Causeway or Derry | from Belfast |
| or Welsh Open Air Museum & St Fagans Castle | from Cardiff |

TOTAL PRICE (as detailed on Page 2) comprises:

- (a) **Course Fee** to include:

Full programme of study sessions and visits as itemised above.

NB. Participants are responsible for paying their own daily transport costs, including visits to primary schools. Any optional visits are not included in the price.

- (b) **Host Family Accommodation** to include:

Full board Accommodation with a local family (inclusive of registration fee): 8, 12 or 13 nights (Teachers may request to be the only guest of their mother tongue or to stay in the same family as a colleague).

Host families are carefully selected and offer a friendly welcome and opportunities to chat and learn more about life in the UK today. Participants often find that the experience of staying with a host family is one of the most memorable aspects of the course.

Accommodation is in single rooms (unless participants request to share). Breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal are provided by the host family. (Food allergies, likes and dislikes are taken into account.)

Please note that many of the suitable residential areas are not within walking distance of the town centre, and most host families are an easy bus ride from the town centre/tuition centre. Local transport from host families to the town centre and local schools is at the participants' own expense and is likely to cost 15-30 Euro per week.

Additional nights with host families can be arranged, giving participants extra time for individual research and visits. Accommodation can be provided for family members (but not unaccompanied children) subject to availability. (Rates on request).

Alternatively

Self-catering accommodation in a university residence or similar in a central location - single bedroom with en-suite shower/ wc; no meals provided (inclusive of registration fee) - is available (subject to confirmation) only on the following courses:

Belfast 24 June- 7 July (13 nights)	Total fee including course + Self-catering accommodation:	€ 2054
Belfast 30 June- 8 July (8 nights)	Total fee including course + Self-catering accommodation:	€ 1457
Cardiff 22 July- 3 August (12 nights):	Total fee including course + Self-catering accommodation:	€ 1948
Cardiff 21-29 July (8 nights)	Total fee including course + Self-catering accommodation:	€ 1457

On other courses participants wishing to arrange their own (hotel or self-catering) accommodation may pay a fee for the course only.

LOCATIONS:

CHELMSFORD, England: Population: 156,000; 37 miles (60 kilometres) north-east of London (½ hour by rail).

The county town of Essex, Chelmsford is a pleasant town in an attractive rural area with many pretty villages. It has good shopping and sports facilities and is very conveniently situated for visits to London as well as Cambridge.

The most convenient airport for Chelmsford is Stansted, as there is a direct bus link to Chelmsford. If arriving at other airports, travel to Chelmsford is via central London.

CHELTENHAM, England: Population: 108,000; 98 miles (157 kilometres) west of London (2¼ hours by rail)

Cheltenham is an elegant spa town, situated on the edge of the Cotswold Hills, which are famous for their picturesque stone villages. Cheltenham is known for its Regency architecture, colourful parks and gardens and it has many attractive residential areas.

The most convenient airports: Heathrow (direct National Express Coach to Cheltenham), Birmingham (rail to Cheltenham) or Bristol (airport bus then rail to Cheltenham)

EXETER, England: Population: 105,000; 190 miles (305 kilometres) south-west of London (2½ hours by rail).

Exeter is an historic city with a magnificent Gothic cathedral, many lovely old buildings and a variety of interesting museums. It is the county town of Devon, situated in beautiful hilly countryside, close to the South Devon coast and Dartmoor National Park.

The most convenient airports: Exeter (bus to city centre), Bristol (airport bus then rail or coach to Exeter) or Heathrow (direct National Express Coach to Exeter)

IPSWICH, England: Population: 120,000; 90 miles (144 kilometres) north-east of London (1¼ hours by rail).

Ipswich, the county town of Suffolk, is situated close to the unspoilt Suffolk coast and to many picturesque villages. It has an attractive waterfront and some noteworthy historic buildings, including a fine Tudor mansion.

The most convenient airport: Stansted (direct coach to Colchester) or other London airports (rail/coach via Central London) or direct coach from Heathrow to Ipswich

MAIDSTONE, England: Population: 140,000; 37 miles (55 kilometres) south-east of London (1 hour by rail).

Maidstone is a pleasant riverside town with various historic buildings including a medieval archbishop's palace. It is situated in the beautiful county of Kent within easy reach of London and the coast. One of its chief attractions is the wealth of charming villages in the surrounding countryside.

The most convenient airports: All London Airports (Gatwick, Heathrow, Luton, Stansted, City) – travel to Maidstone via central London

PORTSMOUTH, England: Population: 190,000; 75 miles (120 kilometres) south-west of London (1½ hours by rail).

Portsmouth, situated on the south coast, is an important port, famous for its historic ships - most notably Nelson's "Victory". Old Portsmouth overlooks the busy historic maritime harbour, while the attractive seaside resort area of Southsea, with its parks and gardens and two piers, has four miles of seafront with views across to the Isle of Wight.

The most convenient airports: Southampton (rail to Portsmouth), Heathrow (direct National Express coach to Portsmouth) or Gatwick (direct coach or rail to Portsmouth)

CARDIFF, Wales: Population: 330,000; 150 miles (240 kilometres) from London (2¼ hours by rail).

Cardiff, the capital city of Wales, situated on the south coast of Wales, is a lively cultural centre. Its attractions include: Cardiff Bay, Cardiff Castle, National Museum and Gallery and Llandaff Cathedral. Nearby are the Open-Air Museum of Welsh Life, Caerphilly Castle, the Brecon Beacons National Park and beautiful coastal scenery and beaches.

The most convenient airports: Cardiff Airport (rail or bus to city centre), Heathrow or Bristol Airports (direct National Express coach from both to Cardiff)

DUNFERMLINE, Scotland: Population: 56,000; 16 miles (25 kilometres) north of Edinburgh.

Dunfermline, the ancient capital of Scotland, boasts a famous medieval abbey, palace ruins, interesting museums and a lovely park. It lies on the northern side of the Firth of Forth, at the southern gateway to the Scottish Highlands, and is ideally placed for visits to Edinburgh and to some of the most beautiful scenery of Scotland.

The most convenient airport: Edinburgh (direct Stagecoach 747 bus to Halbeath Park and Ride, Dunfermline)

BELFAST, Northern Ireland: Population: 277,000.

Belfast, the capital of Northern Ireland, is a lively city. It offers a wide range of attractions and cultural visits including the Northern Ireland Assembly at Stormont, black taxi tour of the political murals and Peace Wall, the Ulster Museum, Botanic Gardens, the Titanic Experience, W5 Science & Discovery Centre, theatres, historic pubs, traditional Irish Music, modern shopping centres and historic St George's Indoor Market. The beautiful Antrim coast and world famous Giant's Causeway and Dublin are within easy reach.

Belfast has two airports: Belfast City (bus to city centre – 20 minutes) or Belfast International (bus to city centre – 40 minutes)

TRAVEL:

Transport at the beginning and end of the course is not provided and International Study Programmes regrets that it is unable to assist with travel arrangements. Please check the most convenient airports above. If arriving at other airports, travel to the course location is generally via central London by coach or rail.

For enquiries and timetables:

National Express Coach: www.nationalexpress.com 0044-871 781 81 81

Rail: www.thetrainline.com 0044-871 244 15 45

There is also a useful website www.traveline.info which will assist in planning a journey within the UK using every form of transport.

PAYMENT:

Full payment will be due 2 months before the course begins, or for teachers awaiting funding – as soon as the grant is received.

Cancellation charges apply for cancellations 4 weeks or less before the course commences. 3-4 weeks before arrival: cancellation fee: 380 Euros.

No refund for cancellations within 3 weeks of arrival. Applicants are strongly advised to take out cancellation insurance.

PREPARATION: Participants complete a detailed questionnaire before the course starts to ascertain their level of experience and training, as well as the age groups they teach and any special requirements. Suggestions for pre-course reading are given.

OUTCOMES: By the end of the course participants will have:

- Gained a wide variety of new ideas, skills and materials for teaching English to young learners
- Updated their knowledge of the English Language, life in the United Kingdom and the Education System
- Established links with other teachers from different European countries

EVALUATION: At the end of the course teachers participate in a detailed evaluation of the course.

FOLLOW UP: At the end of the course teachers are asked to consider which aspects of the course will be the most relevant to their own teaching situations. On their return they are invited to keep a record of how they have been able to utilise ideas gained on the course in their own classrooms. They are encouraged to share their experiences with their fellow participants by email. Teachers will also have email access to the teacher trainers for discussion and advice after the course.