



General English

Academic English

Work Skills

2026



English in York

*Celebrating student success
for over 40 years*





Welcome



With over 40 years of experience in the field of English language teaching, our teachers provide you with professional and friendly academic guidance to help you achieve your individual learning objectives.

We look forward to welcoming you on our General, Academic and Work Skills courses.



English in York



York Associates

Communicate professionally anywhere



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Peasholme House



Students

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Choose EiY

We understand that our students have diverse learning needs and goals and come to us with different language learning abilities. If you need to work towards an accredited exam for onward studies at a UK university, or you hope to improve your career prospects, we guarantee that you will have a memorable experience studying with us in York and we look forward to helping you along your journey.



Personal Focus

From the moment you arrive at Peasholme House, we take care to make sure you have an amazing experience with us. Our teachers will take time to get to know you, and understand your individual needs and learning styles. We are all committed to making sure your learning is a success, and to helping you take full advantage of the experience of socialising with other international students in York.



Amazing Location

English in York is located in one of the UK's most historic and international cities. Visited by over 7 million tourists per year, it is a city with a range of cultural experiences from the past, as well as being a forward-looking university city and home to thousands of students.



Variety of Courses

We offer a wide range of courses which will enable you to develop your command of the English language, your fluency, your skills for work and your ability to pass exams such as IELTS. If culture is your passion, we also offer programmes which combine English and cultural activities to match your interests.





Coffee lounge at Peasholme House



Beautiful School

Our school, Peasholme House, is a beautiful 18th century Georgian house near Peasholme Green in York. It is a charming building with bright and spacious classrooms and a large outdoor space where you can enjoy the English summer. There is also a pleasant coffee lounge where you can relax and chat to friends between classes. Wireless internet access and graded readers are available for all our students.

Students



Quality of Teaching

English in York has over forty years of teaching experience which we use to maximise your learning. All of our teachers are qualified and dedicated professionals, and are focused on helping you succeed. We are also integrating Google Classroom to offer a digital learning experience.



Accreditations

Our long list of accreditations includes the **British Council**, **IALC**, **Quality Education** and membership of **English UK**. We are committed to providing the highest academic standards in the English teaching industry.

York – A Great Place to Learn

York is one of England's most beautiful, historic and popular cities. Once the capital of England, it is now a stylish and vibrant place to live and study. With so much to offer, it's no surprise that York is regularly voted as one of the best cities in the UK to visit.



Safety

As a smaller city, York provides a very safe environment for international students wishing to study but at the same time enjoy a vibrant English social and nightlife.



Travel to York

York is easy to get to from nearby airports (Leeds-Bradford or Manchester International). We are also easily accessible from London in under two hours by train.



History

York's history begins with the Romans over two thousand years ago. It was the Viking capital of England for over a hundred years, and a cultural centre during the Middle Ages. Visit York's heritage at the Viking Museum, The National Railway Museum, and its award-winning Castle Museum.



Sights

York is one of the most picturesque cities in the UK, boasting city walls which encircle the centre, York Minster which dominates the city skyline, well-preserved medieval streets such as The Shambles, and the river Ouse on which you can hire pleasure boats to cruise and enjoy the countryside as you head out of the city.





Social Programme

At English in York, we offer an exciting social programme for you to explore historic York and enjoy fun evening activities such as bowling, theatre and sport. We also organise day trips to other cities, to the seaside and to the National Parks just outside York. The weekly cost of a typical social programme is around £20. The weekly cost of a typical social programme is around £20. The social programme is run on a 'pay-as-you-go' basis, so students can just join the activities they choose.

The Shambles



Castle Howard



Cycling in the Dales

Around York



Trips from York

York is ideally located for day trips to the beautiful seaside towns of Whitby and Robin Hood's Bay, the thriving northern cities of Leeds, Manchester and Liverpool, the historic country houses of England's past such as Castle Howard, the beautiful countryside of the Lake District or the North York Moors, as well as day excursions to London and Edinburgh by train.



See Great Britain from York



Lake District

The Lake District

One of the UK's most-loved National Parks, its landscape is like no other with lakeside walks, forests to explore and hills to climb. The Lake District holds the accolade of UNESCO World Heritage Site and offers visitors one of the UK's most magical destinations.



Edinburgh

Travel to Edinburgh

Edinburgh is Scotland's hilly capital. It has a beautiful medieval Old Town combined with an elegant Georgian New Town with gardens and neoclassical buildings. Looming over the city is Edinburgh Castle, home to Scotland's crown jewels and the Stone of Destiny.



YORK



Old Trafford



Manchester

Visit Manchester

Manchester is one of the UK's most exciting and welcoming cities, with shops, museums, galleries, restaurants and bars to suit every appetite. Of course, Manchester is also synonymous with football, so make time to take a tour of the grounds of Manchester United and Manchester City, and learn more about the 'beautiful game' at the National Football Museum.



London

Trip to London

Just two hours from York, it's easy to visit London for the day and see some of the UK's most famous landmarks such as Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and Covent Garden, with shopping in Oxford Street and theatre in the West End.

General English Courses



Students



General English

General English is a group course with the option of studying part-time (mornings only, 15 hours per week) or full-time (mornings and afternoons, 26.25 hours per week). This course can be taken short term (1-7 weeks) or longer term (8+ weeks).

By following a General English group course, you will improve your fluency, pronunciation, vocabulary and command of essential grammar. We will give you plenty of opportunities to speak English as well as practise other skills such as reading, listening and writing. With us, you will gain the confidence and skills to use English the way you want.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	18*
Length of Course	Minimum 1 week
Start Date	Every Monday
Average Class Size	10
Max Class Size	15**
Lessons/Week	General English Part-Time : 20 (15 hours) General English Full-Time: 35 (26.25 hours)
Times of Classes	09:00 – 12:30, 13:30 – 16:00
Levels Available	A2 B1 B2 C1

* 16 and 17 year olds are accepted onto these courses with parental consent.

** Between 29/06/2026 – 31/07/2026 our maximum class size increases to 16 to accommodate our busiest period.



General English 1:1 Individual Tuition

The focus and content of GE Individual is completely flexible and determined by your needs and preferred learning style. Individual lessons allow you to concentrate on your specific learning needs and objectives, helping to reach your goals faster. This course is booked in two-hour blocks, making it perfect for those who need a more flexible timetable than group classes can offer. In a personalised learning environment, the teacher can give very tailored feedback to accelerate your learning. This course suits individuals with very specific needs or those who want a totally customised experience.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	18*
Length of Course	Minimum 2 lessons
Start Date	Every Monday
Group Size	1
Lessons/Week	Flexible
Times of Classes	Between 09:00 – 16:00
Levels Available	A1 A2 B1 B2 C1 C2

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General English for Beginners

General English for beginners is a group course designed specifically for beginner level students. This course will help students with a very basic level of English to start their introduction to English language; developing vocabulary, grammar and building the confidence to use English in day-to-day life.

This course is 12 hours per week, mornings only, from Monday – Thursday and is an ideal starting point for students looking to join our General English classes.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	18*
Length of Course	Minimum 1 week
Start Date	Every Monday
Average Class Size	2
Max Class Size	12**
Lessons/Week	12 hours
Times of Classes	9:00 – 12:30, Monday to Thursday
Levels Available	A1

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Teacher and students

IELTS Exam Preparation Courses



General English & IELTS Combi

This course combines General English in the mornings with IELTS exam preparation classes in the afternoons. It's a great way to develop your English for everyday conversation and social situations, with lessons which help you get the IELTS test results you need for your future academic studies.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	18*
Length of Course	Minimum 1 week/Maximum 48 weeks (A2+ required on entry)
Start Date*	Every Monday
Average Class Size	10
Max Class Size	12**
Lessons/Week	Each week has 26.25 hours of lessons, with a combination of: General English Part-Time (15 hours) with IELTS Preparation (11.25 hours) Extra 1:1 teaching hours available on request
Times of Classes	09:00 - 12:30, 13:30 - 16:00
Levels Available	A2+ B1 B2 C1

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IELTS Exam Preparation (PM Only)

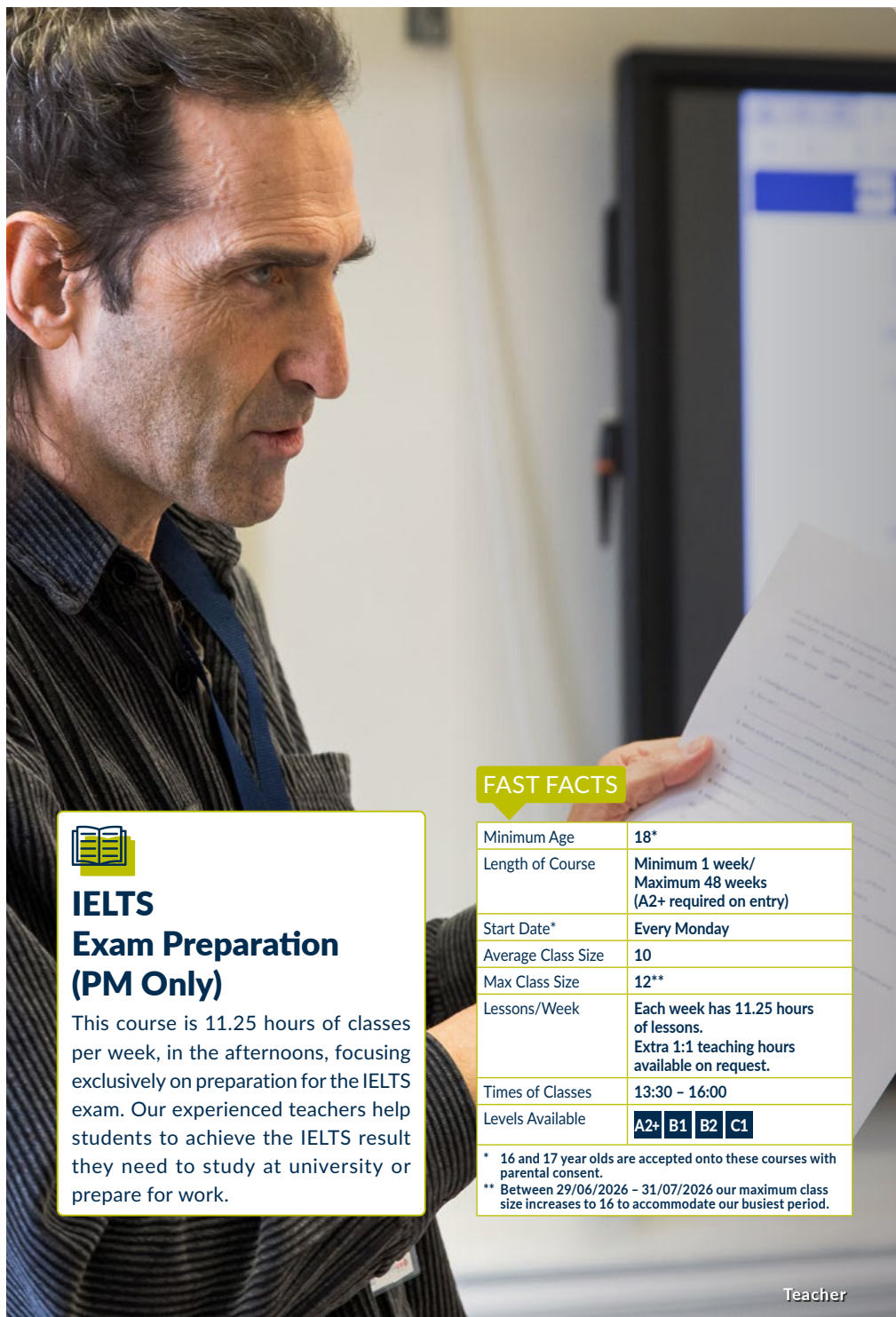
This course is 11.25 hours of classes per week, in the afternoons, focusing exclusively on preparation for the IELTS exam. Our experienced teachers help students to achieve the IELTS result they need to study at university or prepare for work.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	18*
Length of Course	Minimum 1 week/Maximum 48 weeks (A2+ required on entry)
Start Date*	Every Monday
Average Class Size	10
Max Class Size	12**
Lessons/Week	Each week has 11.25 hours of lessons. Extra 1:1 teaching hours available on request.
Times of Classes	13:30 - 16:00
Levels Available	A2+ B1 B2 C1

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Teacher



Students outside Peasholme House

50 PLUS



English & Culture for 50 PLUS

Our 50 PLUS programme is offered three times per year for more mature learners who wish to combine learning English with their interest in learning about culture. It focuses very much on fluency and developing the confidence you need to speak English for everyday situations and conversations.

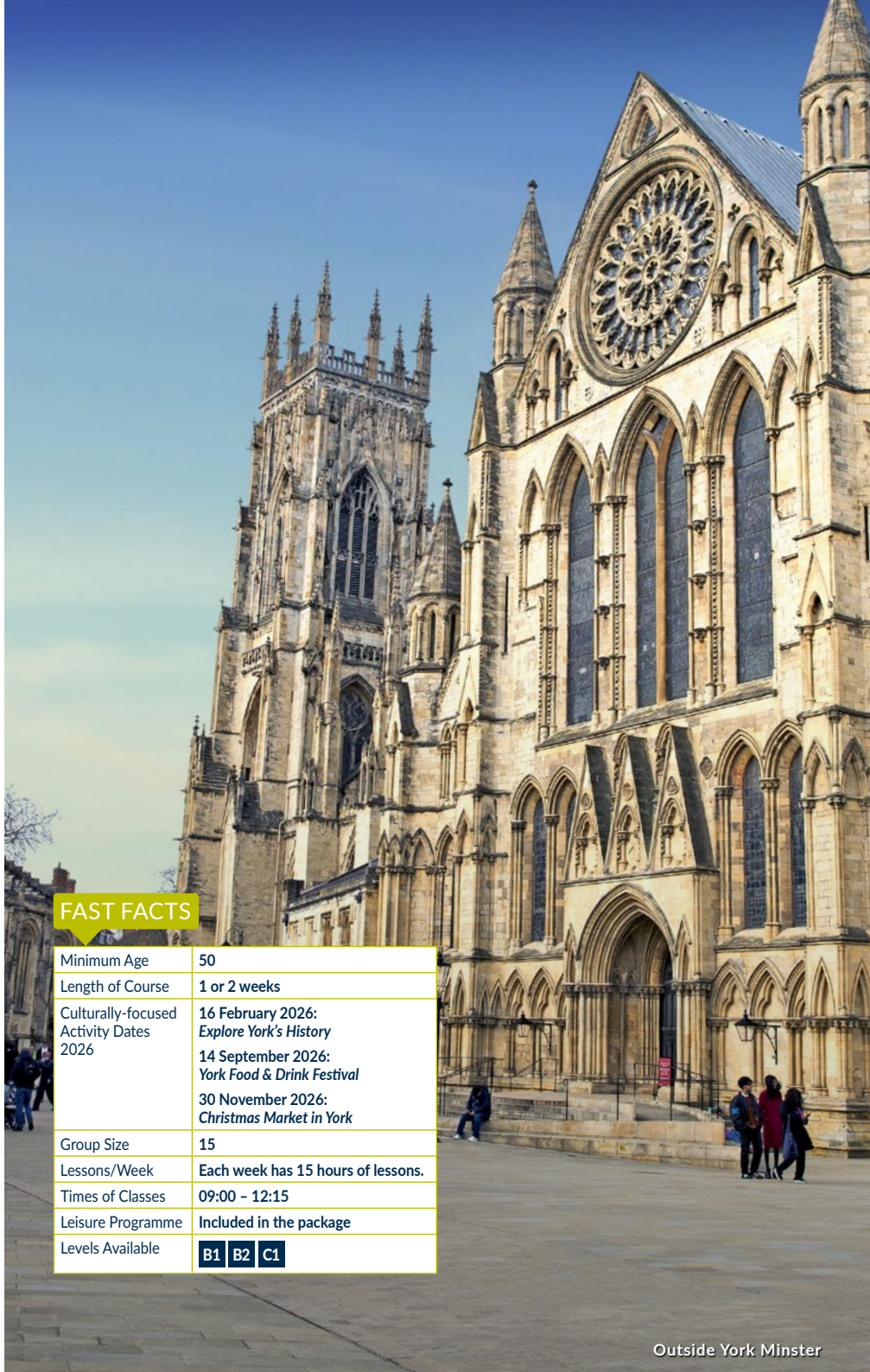
When booked on this course, you follow guided excursions to places of deep historic cultural interest, as well as participating in social and leisure activities of your choice. The course will give you the opportunity to get to know the rich culture of York and England with a focus on history, art, architecture, literature and cuisine.

As a 50 Plus learner, you will take 15 hours of lessons per week. Lessons are held every morning, and are followed by specially organised excursions and activities where you can encounter culture and practise your English at the same time.

Our English & Culture for 50 PLUS programmes are run in collaboration with our sister organisation York Associates.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	50
Length of Course	1 or 2 weeks
Culturally-focused Activity Dates 2026	16 February 2026: <i>Explore York's History</i> 14 September 2026: <i>York Food & Drink Festival</i> 30 November 2026: <i>Christmas Market in York</i>
Group Size	15
Lessons/Week	Each week has 15 hours of lessons.
Times of Classes	09:00 - 12:15
Leisure Programme	Included in the package
Levels Available	B1 B2 C1





Clifford's Tower



Viking Centre



Afternoon tea at Betty's

Professional English



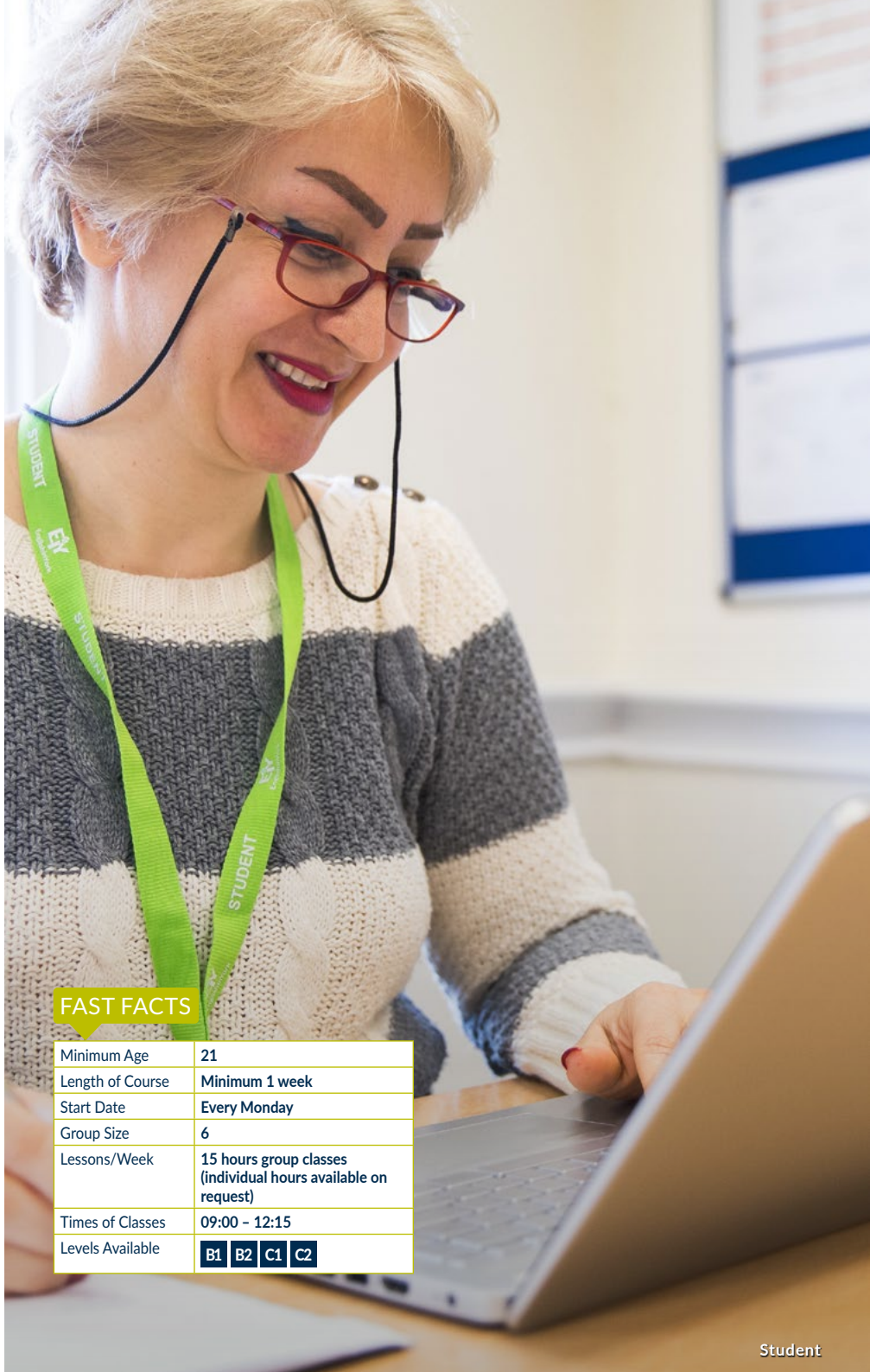
Business English Communication

Become more effective when communicating with international contacts. By following a Business Communication group course, you will develop the English you need at work: grammar and business / profession-specific vocabulary. You can also work on your professional communication skills such as leading / participating in (virtual) meetings, delivering presentations, negotiating, telephoning, socialising and writing emails. This course will also help you increase your intercultural competence (understanding 'culture', profiling your own and others' culture) and give you tips to manage diversity effectively. Individual training is available if desired to create a combination course of individual and group training.

This course is delivered by our sister organisation York Associates.

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	21
Length of Course	Minimum 1 week
Start Date	Every Monday
Group Size	6
Lessons/Week	15 hours group classes (individual hours available on request)
Times of Classes	09:00 - 12:15
Levels Available	B1 B2 C1 C2





English & Culture for 50 Plus participants

Closed Groups

We offer a wide range of Closed Group programmes throughout the year which can be customised to specific needs and requests. These courses typically combine English in the morning with cultural activities and visits in the afternoons.



Programmes

GENERAL ENGLISH

ENGLISH WITH WORK SKILLS

ENGLISH WITH TEAM AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS

ENGLISH WITH TOEIC PREPARATION

ENGLISH WITH IELTS PREPARATION

ENGLISH WITH SOFT SKILLS

ENGLISH WITH SPECIFIC PURPOSES



Students

FAST FACTS

Minimum Age	14*
Length of Course	Flexible
Start Date	Flexible
Average Group Size	16**
Lessons/Week	Flexible
Levels Available	A2 B1 B2 C1

* Students under the age of 18 will need parental consent

** We reserve the right to increase maximum class size during very busy periods.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	GENERAL ENGLISH (Topics discussed with Group Leaders) 09:00-12:30 with a 30 minute break						
	LUNCH 12:30-13:30						
ARRIVAL DAY Flight arrival at UK airport Coach transfer will be waiting	AFTERNOON ACTIVITY Meet at Eiy at 13:30 Orientation Tour of York	FREE AFTERNOON Classroom can be made available if needed	AFTERNOON ACTIVITY Meet at Eiy at 13:30 Jorvik Viking Museum	FREE AFTERNOON Classroom can be made available if needed EVENING ACTIVITY Meet in York at 17.00 Ghost Walk	AFTERNOON ACTIVITY Meet at Eiy at 13:30 York Castle Museum	FULL DAY EXCURSION 09:00-17:00 Visit to Whitby and Robin Hood's Bay	DEPARTURE DAY Meet at Union Terrace Coach Park in York to travel to UK airport

Accommodation



Homestay



Warm Welcome

You have a choice of Standard and Executive Homestay, all of which are a short walk or bus ride from our school.

You will receive a warm welcome and a caring environment. You will have your own bedroom and a place to study. Unless you request otherwise, we work hard to ensure that there are no other speakers of your first language staying with the family.



Homestay – Best Place to Stay

We firmly believe that staying with a host family is the best choice for your stay in York. You maximise the opportunity to practise your English, and can experience British culture and hospitality at first hand. Our Accommodation Officer takes great care to place you in the right family, taking into account age, nationality and personal needs. If you prefer to stay in a guesthouse, external student residence or hotel, we can give you contact details for these.



Meals

Lunch is available on Saturday and Sunday only, you are expected to buy your own lunch during the week.



Bedding, Towels and Laundry

The family will be happy to provide you with bedding and towels. You can either include your laundry with the family wash or use their facilities.



Legal

Families which accommodate students under 18 have a DBS check to confirm they are suitable to host young people.

What Students Say About EiY



"During my time at English in York, I truly appreciated the professionalism and dedication of the teaching staff."

Radwan - Kuwait



"Looking at the pictures makes me want to go over soon again. York is just beautiful and EiY was a great experience for us."

Doris - Austria



"Thanks to everybody! All of you have been very kind and offered a great support in my learning journey!"

Cesar - Colombia



"All the staff was really welcoming and there was a friendly atmosphere in the classroom."

Silvana - Italy



"I think I have learned a lot of new words that I could use every day in my life and I didn't know before."

Valeria - Spain



we care



great teachers



high quality



beautiful city



improve fast



enjoy learning



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