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An English Academy with a Difference

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INTRODUCTION

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English Steps is an English academy which runs intensive general and business English courses for adults in Leeds, UK. Our courses include accommodation with qualified English teachers.



3 IMPORTANT THINGS ABOUT YOUR STAY WITH US:

- 1) You will be living with a qualified and experienced English teacher at all times.
- 2) We have a maximum of four students per class (five in Summer), making sure you really improve.
- 3) Our activities, social events and work experience increase your English speaking time, and also give you valuable experience, which looks great for your CV!



We know that your lessons are important to you, so we make them the best

All lessons take place in the house, with qualified, experienced teachers and materials designed to help you learn exactly what you want and need to learn.

Because of the small group sizes (maximum 4 students) you will receive a lot of individual attention in all the skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing, as well as homework every day.

Living with an English teacher also means that any problems you have with your English are noticed instantly, and your teachers will be advised on what topics to cover with you.

We will be correcting you at lunch, dinner and in the evening! We only teach what you need to learn, and because of our small group sizes we are very flexible. Our teachers have a lot of experience teaching Cambridge exams (PET, FCE etc) as well as IELTS, TOEIC and English for Medicine, Business or Legal purposes.



Harry set up English Steps Courses in 2012 with help from friends, colleagues and family. He has a Law degree from Sheffield University and an Oxford Trinity CertTESOL qualification in teaching English (he is currently studying for a masters level qualification part time). He has experience teaching in private and public schools in England, Morocco, Spain, Belgium and Northern Ireland. Harry is interested in sports and cinema and also works part-time as a welfare benefits advisor for a nearby charity.



Val loves her career as an ESOL teacher, having gained her Trinity CertTESOL certificate in early 2012 following a previous long career in the healthcare sector. Outside of work, Val enjoys fellwalking, music and holidays.



Andy is CELTA qualified and has been teaching General and Business English for the last 12 years and has trained teachers in grammar and phonetics. He has taught in China, Poland, Slovakia, Turkey, Chile, Colombia, Libya, Russia, Vietnam and Sicily.

ACCOMODATION

Each student has their own double room in our house, including a desk to work on. Our houses are all walking distance from each other and all have free wifi access included. Remember - You will be living with a qualified English teacher who can help you learn even in your free time!



COOKING

We believe that cooking and eating together is an important part of English culture and a great opportunity to practise using your English, and some eat some delicious food! Lunch is prepared for you by our staff. For dinner we cook and shop together – but don't worry if you haven't cooked before, you will be working as part of a team and it's a good chance to learn some new skills!





Leeds is a fantastic location right in the centre of England. You can travel to London, Manchester, Liverpool and Edinburgh by train in less than 3 hours, or explore the fantastic national parks only 25km away.

Leeds is much cheaper (and friendlier!) than London, but with a population of 750,000 two universities and the most protected buildings outside London you will not be missing any excitement! Leeds is situated in Yorkshire, which Lonely Planet travel guide recently put as the 3rd best place to visit in 2014 in the world! There is plenty of sport here too, with international cricket and rugby stadia 10 minutes from our houses, and the stadium for Leeds United also in the city.



Doing voluntary work experience is an important way to learn more about life in the UK. You can practise your English while doing something really useful, and improve your CV to make it easier to find a job in the future.

- Work in local charity shops to raise money for them
- Prepare and serve food in cafés for different groups of people in need including the elderly, the homeless, and refugees
- Work for community gardens making the area look better and learning new skills
- Raise money for charities such as Oxfam and The Red Cross, help at their events



AFTERNOONS

Students can get work experience, do charity work or take advantage of one of our fantastic trips. We visit local museums, towns and other places of interest. You will be accompanied by a native English speaker and have a chance to practise all the English you have learnt in your lessons. Best of all, these trips are completely free, you only pay for travel or entrance tickets.

EVENINGS

In the evening we organise more social activities for you to do, always with a native English speaker. We do pub quizzes, movie nights, language exchanges and more - again, you only pay for travel and entrance tickets!

WEEKENDS

These are your free time, however there will be something happening – play sports in the park, explore the city, travel around the UK (by train Manchester is 1hr 30mins, the coast is 1hr 20mins and London is 2.5hrs) or you can take advantage of one of our excellent organised trips.

Lessons: 9 am - 1 pm, Monday to Friday. Intensive speaking lessons in small groups, with 3 different teachers to practise different styles and accents.

Meals: Breakfast is self service (before 9am). Lunch is prepared by English Steps staff (1-2pm) and dinner is prepared by the group (7-8pm). Lunch and dinner are great times to practise your English because the teachers will be eating with you!

| MONDAY | | |
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| 2 - 5:30 pm | <i>Trip</i> | The historical city of York by train. Visit the beautiful Cathedral and walk the ancient walls around the city |
| 8:30 - late | <i>Pub Quiz</i> | Go to our local pub and try to beat the other teams in this test of trivia - and win the prize! |
| TUESDAY | | |
| 2 - 5:30 pm | <i>Voluntary Work</i> | Volunteer at a local café, serving customers and taking orders in English, speaking with other members of staff. |
| 8:30 - late | <i>Stand Up Comedy or Salsa Lessons</i> | In Leeds City Centre |
| WEDNESDAY | | |
| 2 - 5:30 pm | <i>Trip</i> | A guided tour of Leeds city centre and its famous landmarks, museums and shops. |
| 8:30 - late | <i>Film Night</i> | Watch and discuss a film in the house with help from a teacher - choose from our massive movie collection. |
| THURSDAY | | |
| 2 - 5:30 pm | <i>Trip</i> | Bus to Manchester to see its historical monuments, museums and football Stadia |
| 8:30 - late | <i>Language Exchange</i> | Practise languages you're learning while teaching others - buffet included! |
| FRIDAY | | |
| 2 - 5:30 pm | <i>Conversation Lesson</i> | Practise your job interview skills and learn new techniques with a native English speaker. |
| 8:30 - late | <i>Bowling</i> | Competition and a possible night out in Leeds afterwards. |

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PRICE & CONTACT

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We are happy to provide you with a complete and intensive immersion in the English language, and English culture. We are very passionate about improving your English, and look forward to meeting you.

Please see our separate price list for more information on prices. Please note that if you are unable to have lessons in the groups of other students because you have a different level – we will provide 2 hours of 1-1 tuition every morning instead. Extra 1-1 tuition is also available from £12.50 per hour.



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