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Bournemouth

MINISTAYS ° WORKING LIFE ° IGCSE

13+ years old (10-12 years on request)



General Information

- Distance to city centre:
2km, 30-minute walk
- Closest major city: Southampton
- Distance to London: 150 km
- Main Airports:
Bournemouth (15 minutes)
Southampton (1 hour)
London (2 hours)
- Tourist attractions:
London
Oxford
Brighton
Bath
Portsmouth
Winchester
Salisbury
- Optional half and full day trips



Accredited by the
BRITISH COUNCIL
for the teaching
of English in the UK

Why Bournemouth

- More than 10km award-winning, sandy beaches
- One of England's most popular student towns
- School in walking distance from shopping area and beach
- Cosmopolitan atmosphere
- Activity programme

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Accommodation & Facilities

Our School

Our school is located 10-17 minutes from Boscombe Pier and the Boscombe shopping area. Established in 2003, we are accredited by the British Council and a member of English UK. It is an open city campus walking distance to the beach and it is easy to catch a bus to Bournemouth city centre. There's also a backyard garden with a table tennis table where the students can relax during their breaks or after the lessons.



School Facilities

- ✚ Two spaces on one site: a 4-classroom building with modern rooms and equipment and a large historic building with another 8 large classrooms for our off-season groups
- ✚ Easy access to the beach (10-15 minutes walking distance)
- ✚ WIFI available at Europa School

Quick Check

Ages	13+ (10-12 on request) years
Centre Type	Open city campus
Tuition	General English (20x45 min / 15 hrs) 15 students maximum per class



Accommodation & Catering

Homestay Accommodation

- ✦ Students stay in twin rooms (triple rooms on request only!). Single rooms available for group leaders only.
- ✦ Students stay in a room together with students of the same sex, and if possible of the same age
- ✦ All of our hosts are DBS checked and respect our strict homestay guidelines and are carefully chosen by our local Accommodation Manager
- ✦ Students receive breakfast, a packed lunch and dinner. Vegetarian food available. All other special diets or food allergies on request only. Halal and kosher food is not available.
- ✦ Bedding: Provided and changed weekly
- ✦ Towels: Provided
- ✦ A reasonable amount (one load per week) of laundry is included
- ✦ No more than 4 students in a household
- ✦ Hosts assist students with travel between home and the IP centre on the first day of school
- ✦ Hosts can be located in Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch and are normally close to the school but in some cases, it may take students up to max. 45 minutes by public transport.
- ✦ If students need to take public transport to get to the school centre, they are not necessarily able to stay until the evening programme finishes, because some local bus services run less frequently in the evenings (in case an evening activity has been booked).

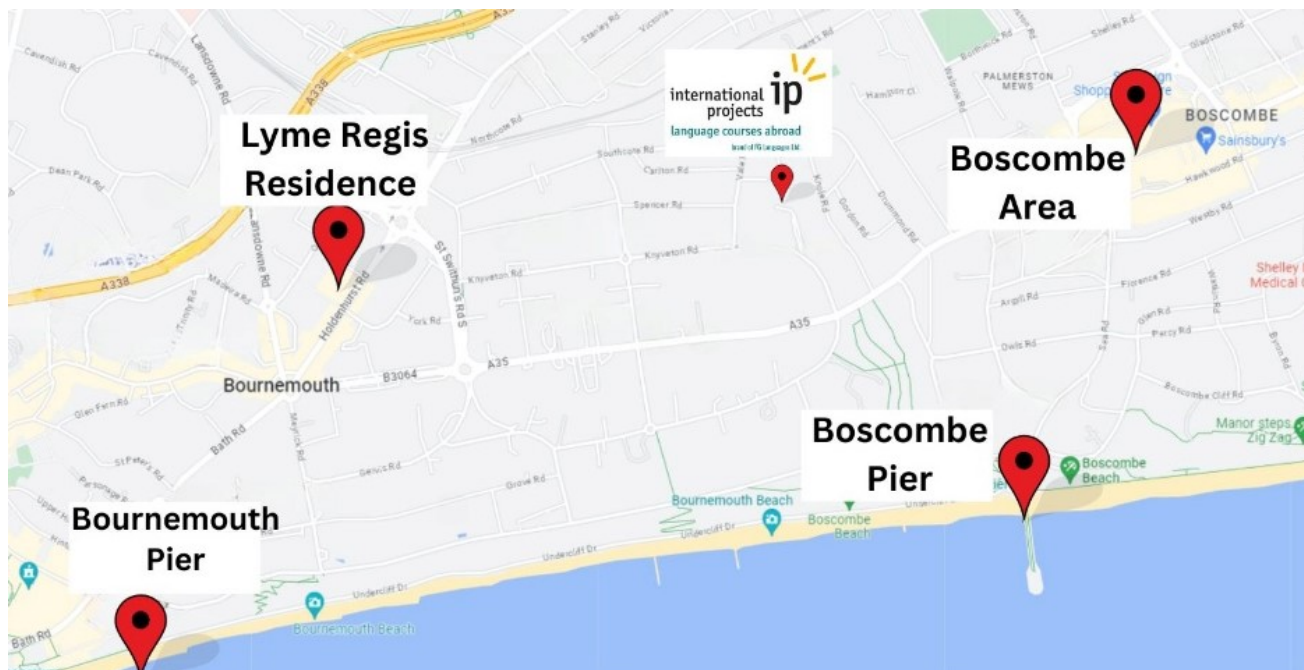
Hotel Accommodation on request only

- ✦ Students live in en-suite twin or triple rooms, single en-suite rooms for group leaders only
- ✦ Hotel is situated about 1 km (approx. 15-minute walk) from the school and the city centre
- ✦ All rooms are lockable with en-suite facilities (toilets and showers in each room)
- ✦ Floor: carpet
- ✦ Beds and wardrobes with one shelf and one hanging rail
- ✦ Free WIFI access
- ✦ Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided at school and/or in the hotel (depending on the booked services)
- ✦ Towels provided, please be reminded of an additional beach towel
- ✦ Bedding is provided and changed weekly
- ✦ Rooms and washrooms are cleaned regularly
- ✦ No safe available, but all rooms are lockable
- ✦ Hotels are normally accessible for disabled students (there is access for wheelchairs)
- ✦ Special diets e.g. gluten free, lactose free and halal on request



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City Map



Lessons

- ✚ Our school is accredited by the British Council
- ✚ Lessons take place at Europa School of English (Freemasons Hall, Knole Road, Bournemouth)
- ✚ **General English Course** (20x45 minutes/ 15 hours per week): levels A2 to C1
- ✚ Fully equipped classrooms at Europa School
- ✚ All our courses follow the European Framework of Reference Levels for Language Learning
- ✚ **Levels:** Elementary (A2), Pre-Intermediate (B1), Upper Intermediate (B2), and Advanced (C1)
- ✚ **Placement Test:** online prior to arrival
- ✚ Teaching material provided
- ✚ **IP Certificate** at the end of the course
- ✚ No more than **15 students** are assigned per group.
- ✚ **All of our teachers are professional and well supported to create a positive learning environment.**



Group transfers

Available transfers with private coach or taxi at any time requested. Other airports on request only.

- ✚ Bournemouth Airport: 10 km, ca. 20 minutes
- ✚ Southampton Airport: 56 km, ca. 1 hour
- ✚ Bristol Airport: 122 km, ca. 3 hours
- ✚ London Gatwick: 185 km, ca. 2.5 hours
- ✚ London Stansted: 245 km, ca. 3 hours
- ✚ London Heathrow: 150 km, ca. 2 hours
- ✚ London Luton: 196 km, ca. 2.75 hours

Transfers will be done by our well-known taxi and transfer companies with DBS checked drivers. On the day of arrival our Meet & Greet Service will be waiting for the group at the exit area of customs with a sign of either the group/agent's name or our company name on it, or the coach driver will indicate on the phone where to meet. They will then go directly to Bournemouth. On the day of departure, the students will leave the centre in order to make sure they arrive at the airport in time to check in.

All students will be dropped off at Europa School of English unless requested otherwise. Host family student arrivals/departures between 6:00 and 22:00 will be collected by their hosts at the school and dropped off by their hosts there. For out of hour arrivals/departures a taxi transfer would need to be booked (with supplement).

Supervision

Our friendly and helpful International Team will run a supervised activity programme during the afternoons and evenings (depending on booked services).

As the students will travel in a closed group, the accompanying group leader is responsible for their supervision in line with our supervision policies and procedures and working alongside our team. The group leader will be fully integrated into our teams and all the rules and regulations, and policies will be communicated to them prior to arrival in our Bournemouth school. Our teams do very much appreciate any active support from the group leaders on site.

Students staying in host families must return to their hosts for dinner.

Our rules and regulations, established according to British Council guidelines, give us the possibility to offer the following level of freedom for your students after dinner:

Age Range	Curfew Time
13 & 14 years old	21:30
15 years old	22:00
16 & 17 years old	23:00
18 +	No curfew

Please make sure that students never return alone to their host family.

Students sharing the same host family have to respect the curfew of the youngest one.

This matter will be discussed and agreed at the time of your booking.

Activity Programme

Sample Programme Description

Our IP activity programme is a varied mix of workshops, sport activities, games and evening events aiming to provide our students with lots of fun. We select and prepare our activities with a great care in order to fit into students' area of interest as well as their need of freedom and independence.

We **include** in all our group programmes a welcome meeting, 2 afternoon activities: orientation tour and another indoor or outdoor activity depending on the weather and the age of the students, the graduation ceremony & a cream tea are also included in the package.

You can then decide to book **additional** activities as:

Evening activities:

- Bowling
- Pool
- Lasertag
- Quiz Night
- Karaoke Night
- Marshmallow bbq
- Movie Night at school

Sport and Fitness:

- Volleyball at the beach
- Football tournament
- Table tennis tournament

Arts and crafts:

- Henna tattoos
- Friendship bracelets
- Clay workshop
- Pimp your Tote Bag or Tshirt

Fun Games:

- Photo Rally
- Potato challenge
- Adventure golf

Food & Drinks Workshop:

- Crepes Workshop
- Cake pops workshop
- Cocktail workshop



Sample Excursions

Below you find detailed descriptions of our full and half day excursions. Times indicate departure from the centre and arrival back in the centre in the evening – these might vary depending on traffic.

IP's full day excursions:

After breakfast, we will meet in front of the school. The coach will pick us up there and we'll start the journey to the chosen destination. One of our trained IP staff members will give you a guided tour of the city/area. Every tour starts with some background information on the destination and lasts for 1h15 to 2h. We will stop in different points of interest to take some pictures and tell you the most interesting stories about the places. After the guided tour, we will reach the set meeting points where students will get a minimum of 1h30 to 2h30 free time in pairs or small groups. The supervisor will indicate where the closest shops and cafes are, and students will be free to discover the surroundings on their own, within a maximum of 20mins walking distance. According to the students age, and the amount of free time allowed, they might have to check in mid-time. We will meet in the same meeting point at a specified time, walk back together to the coach and start our journey back to the centre.

Full day trip destinations

London from 08:00-20:00/21:00: During this full day trip you have a unique chance visit one of the most recognisable capital cities in the world and explore its rich history. As London is too big to visit in just one day our guided tour will focus on Westminster. It will take you past London's most important seats of Royal and Political power. You will see many of London's most iconic attractions such as the Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace. Our meeting point is Leicester Square from where you can enjoy shopping in top stores or have a nice lunch in one of the restaurants or cafes during your free time.

SPECIAL: London Stopover on request only

For closed groups we offer a Stopover in London at arrival or departure for one or two nights. Accommodation is provided in a youth hostel, full board (half board upon request only), tube tickets and of course transfer from or to the Airport are included as well. The group will be assisted by a member of IP staff during their stay. There will be a guided tour for the group passing the main sights such as Trafalgar Square, The Mall, Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey... (entrance fees are not included). Of course, we are happy to pre-book any London attraction such as the London Eye or Madam Tussauds for you (at extra cost) prior to arrival of the group.

For more detailed information about the London Stopover on arrival or departure, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Bath from 08:00-18:00: Built for pleasure and relaxation, beautiful Bath has been a wellbeing destination since Roman times. The waters are still a big draw, both at the ancient Roman Baths and the thoroughly modern Thermae Bath Spa, which houses the only natural thermal hot springs in Britain you can bathe in. Immerse yourself in Bath's remarkable collection of museums, galleries and historic monuments during our walking tour, and enjoy this vibrant city. Take a walk during your free time in the town centre and listen to all the street artists playing music and enjoy the Georgian architecture that inspired Jane Austen's novels. **Optional for groups only: Entrance to Roman Baths and Royal Crescent for a supplement on request and due to availability.**

Brighton from 08:00-18:00: Brighton, located 47 miles south of London, is a really popular seaside resort. As it's the nearest south coast to London, it attracts every year around 11 million of visitors! It is

known for its diversity and was called “happiest place to live in the UK”. During our guided tour, we will discover some of its wonders, such as Brighton Palace Pier, Brighton Royal Pavilion (entrance fees not included), designed especially for King George, called the most eccentric place in the UK, the Theatre Royal, etc. During your free time in town, you will be able to go shopping in some big-name shops or one of the hundreds of independent boutiques in “The Lanes”, spend some time on the pier or at the beach, explore the world’s oldest operating aquarium opened in 1872 (entrance fees not included), and have a look at the world’s oldest operating electric railway, the Volks Railway.

Oxford from 08:00-18:00: Oxford is situated about 60 miles from London. The city is known worldwide as the home of the University of Oxford, the oldest university in the English-speaking world, which is still one of the most respected in the country. Did you know that Oxford is where Alice in Wonderland was born? Lewis Carroll was teaching at Christ Church when he befriended the Dean of the college and his daughter, Alice Liddell, who inspired Lewis Carroll. During the guided tour, we will discover Oxford’s history through its buildings and architecture, walking through Christ Church, the Radcliffe Camera, the historical covered market, the Bodleian Library, The Carfax Tower, Sheldonian theatre, and others. But Oxford has much else to offer! During your free time, you will have the possibility to explore the gardens, or to go shopping in one of the large shopping malls!

Optional for groups only: Entrance to Christ Church College for a supplement on request and due to availability.

IP’s half day excursions: After lunch, the coach will pick us up in front of the school and we’ll start the journey to the chosen destination. You will then get a guided tour from one of our trained IP staff members of the city/area. Every tour starts with some background information on the destination and lasts for 45mins to 1h15. We will stop in different points of interest to take some pictures and tell you the most interesting stories about the places. After the guided tour, we will reach the set meeting points where students will get 1 to 2h free time in pairs or small groups. The supervisor will indicate where the closest shops and cafes are, and students will be free to discover the surroundings on their own, within a maximum of 20mins walking distance. According to the students age, and the amount of free time allowed, they might have to check in mid-time. We will meet in the same meeting point at a specified time, walk back together to the coach and start our journey back to the centre.

Half day trip destinations



Salisbury (incl. Cathedral visit) ca.13:00-18:00: Salisbury is known as the “city in the countryside”, the magnificent medieval city has a lot to offer, including one of the UK’s finest cathedrals. Salisbury Cathedral and its surrounding Close attract some 500,000 visitors each year. There is nearly 800 years of history that we will explore during your guided tour, including Britain’s tallest spire, the best preserved of only four surviving 1215 Magna Carta documents, the world’s oldest working mechanical clock, the haunted hostelry The Haunch of Venison, ... During your free time in the high street, you will be able to go shopping, or enjoy the historical market held every Tuesdays and Saturdays since 1227!

Southampton ca. 13:00-18:00: Southampton is the largest city in the county of Hampshire, on the south coast of England. It has the busiest cruise terminal and second largest container port in

the UK, and was one of the departure points for D-Day! Very rich in history, and in a constant modernisation, Southampton is shared between the industrial part, with a large shopping centre and retail park, and its historical heart. We will discover together the terminal, see the SS Shieldhall, Holyrood Church and Tudor House in the old town, the medieval walls,... After our guided tour where we will pass the Titanic Memorial, the harbour and the Bargate. You can spend your free time shopping in the mall, or visit the Sea City Museum to discover more about Southampton and the Titanic’s story (entrance fees not included).

Winchester ca. 13:00-18:30: Winchester is the county town of Hampshire in South East England. It was the capital of the ancient kingdom of Wessex, ruled, among others, by King Alfred the Great. Winchester's major landmark is Winchester Cathedral, one of the largest cathedrals in Europe. It is also known for being the place where Jane Austen, one of the most famous female authors of England, wrote some of her novels and where she is buried. During our guided tour, we will discover the river side and medieval walls, see the house where Jane Austen lived, but also see Wolvesey Castle, the Cathedral, and Winchester Great Hall, where is hung King Arthur's Round Table. During your free time, you can enjoy shopping in the medieval streets of the town, or visit the impressive cathedral (entrance fees not included).

Durdle Door ca. 13:00-18:30: World Heritage Site, stretching 96 miles from Swanage in the East to Exmouth in the West, the Jurassic Coast was named as the 5th greatest natural wonder in Britain. Its typical sceneries and wildlife, fossils and cliffs, tell the story of 185 million years of Earth's history. The site contains a number of unique geological features as well as amazing examples of various landforms. These landforms include the natural arch at Durdle Door, in addition to the cove and limestone folding at Lulworth Cove. We will then walk all the way to the small typical British village of Lulworth, where you will have some free time to enjoy one of the cafes' terraces and have a walk in the paved streets.



Christchurch ca. 13:00-18:00: Christchurch is a small town next to Bournemouth on the south coast of England; it has a diverse mix of fascinating heritage, beautiful coastline and countryside. We offer a guided tour visiting the famous Christchurch Priory, Christchurch Castle and the Norman House, and Mudeford Beach. We offer spare time to visit some souvenir shops and enjoy taking pictures in the breath-taking sites of the town.

Poole ca. 13:00-18:00: Poole is a large coastal town and seaport in the county of Dorset. The town is located on the shore of the English Channel and lies on the northern and eastern edges of Poole Harbour. We can offer a visit to Poole Museum (fees are not included), Scaplen's Court (free entry) and The Great Quay. During your free time, you can visit the lighthouse, do some shopping and take beautiful pictures.

Stonehenge ca. 13:00-18:00: Walk in the footsteps of your Neolithic ancestors at Stonehenge – one of the wonders of the world and the best-known prehistoric monument in Europe. Explore the ancient landscape on foot and step inside the Neolithic Houses to discover the tools and objects of everyday Neolithic life. Visit the world-class exhibition and visitor centre with 250 ancient objects and come face to face with a 5.500 years-old man. **A supplement applies. On request and due to availability.**

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Why Bournemouth?

There are so many reasons to travel to Bournemouth! We picked the best ones for you:

- Bournemouth is a very young town: before 1810, the area was a deserted heathland, the only visitors of which were fishermen and smugglers.
- It is a very touristic place, counting 6.88m visitors per year for 510 000 inhabitants
- Bournemouth beaches reach over 7 miles, from adjacent Christchurch to Sandbanks, Poole.
- The coastline just west of Bournemouth, called the Jurassic Coast, is England's first and only natural World Heritage Site and it's the only place where you can explore 185 million years of our history.
- Bournemouth was the first place in the UK to have purpose-built beach huts, built in 1909 and marked with a blue plaque near to the east of Bournemouth Pier
- Literary Lover? Well, you'll adore this next fact: Bournemouth has been home to some pivotal writers of our time, such as JRR Tolkien, Enid Blyton and Mary Shelley. Mary Shelley herself is buried in Bournemouth with her husband's heart.
- After Liverpool and London, Bournemouth is the UK town where The Beatles played the most concerts – there must have been something they liked down here, like the lovely town perhaps?
- Bournemouth Beach has been named the best beach in the British Isles, in an annual round-up of the world's best beaches. The seven-mile English beach was ranked sixth best in Europe and 20th in the world, according to TripAdvisor, for its golden sand and views of the Isle of Wight.

Not convinced yet? Here are some ideas of things to do in Bournemouth:

Educational:

- Oceanarium
- St. Peter's Church, The grave of Mary Shelly, the author of 'Frankenstein'
- Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum
- Bournemouth Natural Science Museum

Parks:

- Alum Chine Gardens
- Boscombe Chine Gardens

Other activities:

- Laser Quest
- Sharkey's pool and sports bar (pool, dart, ping pong, live sports)
- VR Experience
- Zipline
- Mini Golf at Lower Gardens & Boscombe Gardens
- Front Bike Hire
- Rock Reef Bournemouth

We are looking forward to working with you!

Best regards,

Your IP Team

