

Six Super Destinations for Studying English in the UK

London



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With a population of 8.9 million, London is certainly not for the faint hearted; it can be daunting, hectic and expensive. That said, the UK's capital boasts an extraordinary number of museums, art galleries, theatres and world-class restaurants, making it a year-round popular destination. The city oozes culture, charisma and charm, and promises to reward those willing to look up from the tourist guides with live music and unique subcultures around nearly every corner. Whether it's the wide banks of Reagent's Canal, dotted with cute cafes and vintage shops; the vast and multicultural array of street markets; the wild deer parks in Richmond; or the underground rave culture of East London, there really is a little something for everyone.

London is also a fantastic place to learn English because the city is extremely multicultural and you're likely to encounter a wide variety of different accents and dialects. Further, with Eurostar links to Paris, Belgium and The Netherlands, you can easily use London as a base from which to travel to other parts of Europe.

London is also home to many fantastic English schools, including those listed below:



- Nacel English School
- Speak Up London
- Bayswater College London

Oxford



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Oxford, known as the City of Dreaming Spires, is one of the most famous university towns in the world. In fact, Oxford University is the oldest in the English-speaking world. While the medieval city has been home to renowned scholars since the 13th century, today the city represents a wonderful blend of old and new, ancient and modern. Indeed, the city boasts striking architecture, impressive natural beauty, and vibrant student nightlife.

Many areas of outstanding natural beauty (AONB) surround the city of Oxford — including the Cotswolds, the North Wessex Downs and the Chiltern Hills — making it easy to go on day trips and long weekends away in the beautiful British countryside.

There are lots of excellent language schools in Oxford, including:

- Oxford School of English
- Home Language International
- Oxford House



<u>Liverpool</u>



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Liverpool is situated near the North West coast of England, on the River Mersey. The city is a renowned arts and culture hub, most notably of fame because it was home to The Beatles. Since the 1970s, more bands with No.1 hit singles have come from Liverpool than from any other city in the world.

Liverpool is a port city and, as a result, boasts a number of different cultures and religions. In fact, Liverpool is home to the <u>earliest established</u> <u>black community in Britain</u>.



Studying here, you could expect to meet a wide range of people, from all walks of life, and look forward to embracing the football mania and becoming a dedicated Liverpool FC fan.

There are some really great English schools in Liverpool, including:

- <u>Kensington Community Learning Centre</u>
- <u>University of Liverpool English Language Centre</u>
- Imagine English

Brighton

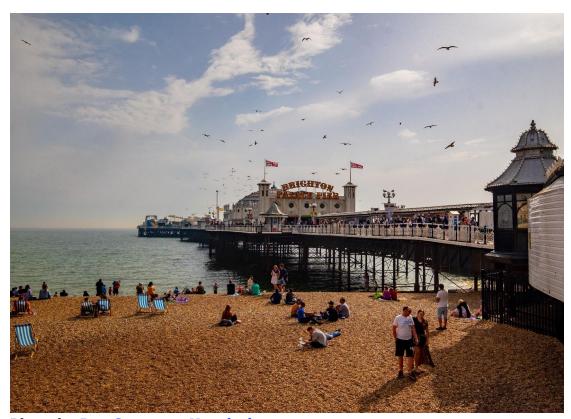


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If beaches are your thing, Brighton is the place! The delightful seaside town is the heart of the South East coast and boasts a wonderful pier, fantastic sea views, and a relaxed bohemian vibe.



Brighton is also famous for being an LGBT hub. Indeed, the city has one of the largest LGBTQIA+ communities in the country and hosts an enormous Pride event every summer.

Brighton is very easy to navigate and most people walk or cycle everywhere. This fits nicely with the eco-friendly attitude you'll also find in the many vegan and vegetarian cafes and restaurants around the city.

Some highly regarded and well-reviewed English schools in Brighton:

- Intensive School of English
- Loxdale English Centre
- <u>Castle School Brighton</u>

Edinburgh



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Scotland's beautiful capital city is characterised by its architectural blend of medieval, Georgian and neoclassical design. Stately and brightly



coloured town houses line the streets adjacent to the Old Town, famous for it's grey stone buildings and walls. From almost anywhere in Edinburgh, you can see Arthur's Seat looming above the city. The impressive hill was formed from an extinct volcano and offers panoramic views of the city, to those brave enough to climb its craggy paths!

Edinburgh has many different art galleries and theatre spaces and every summer the city opens its doors to an international crowd of thespians and comedians, who flock to the city for the month-long Fringe Festival.

Some highly regarded and well-reviewed English schools in Edinburgh:

- Ela Edinburgh
- InLingua
- Alba English

Bristol



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Situated in Somerset, a rural and bucolic county that relies on its large agricultural industry, Bristol offers a fun and vibrant change of pace to the surrounding countryside. The medium-sized city prides itself on its alternative, hippy culture, being politically radical, and promoting independent business.

Indeed, many young people, hoping to escape the hectic pace of London-life, move to Bristol seeking a more relaxed lifestyle. This, combined with the thousands of students at the two major universities in Bristol, gives the city an eternally youthful and energetic feel.

Some highly regarded and well-reviewed English schools in Bristol:

- TEG English Bristol
- Hunter Language School
- Living Learning English