





## 2. korak – organizacija i pripreme za odlazak

- Nakon što dogovorimo termin za vašu grupu, treba da mi pošaljete tačan broj dece i njihova imena, kao i ime nastavnika koji ih vodi, kako bih mogla da vam pošaljem **SOL formulare** koje treba da popunite i pošaljete sekretarici SOL-a na adresu [sharon@sol.org.uk](mailto:sharon@sol.org.uk). Dobićete nekoliko različitih formulara (jedan je zbirni na kojem ćete navesti imena dece koju vodite i osnovne podatke za svakoga; zatim svako dobija Student Information Sheet, kao i Language Portfolio). Prvi navedeni šaljem vam čim prijavite grupu, a ostale nekoliko nedelja pred polazak.
- Treba da pomognete svojim učima prilikom popunjavanja formulara:
  - a) posebnu pažnju obratite na navođenje nivoa znanja deteta (precizirajte koliko dugo uči, po kojim programima, udžbenicima, mesto se dešava da su naša deca naprednija od vršnjaka iz ostalih zemalja). Možete da navedete i šta bi voleli da nastavom bude obuhvaćeno, koje teme, oblasti, date svoje sugestije. Takođe, deca će na prvom času imati zadatak da se predstave, kažu nekoliko reči o svojoj zemlji i odgovore na par pitanja SOL-ovih profesora da bi oni mogli da procene kako se deca snalaze i koji su nivo
  - b) ukoliko deca ne vole ljubimce ili su alergični na njih, obavezno navedite da im smeta ako su psi i mačke po kući (kao što verovatno znate, veliki broj engleskih porodica voli ljubimce i drži ih u kući)
  - c) ako deca žele da budu sa nekim od svojih prijatelja u istoj porodici, obavezno navedite (kao i ako žele da budu s nekim iz druge zemlje, što se i preporučuje za starije, da bi što više koristili engleski. Leti je velika gužva i u porodicama je obično smešteno od 2 do 5 dece)
  - d) Ne zaboravite da napišete ako je dete alergično na neku vrstu hrane ili bilo šta drugo
  - e) Uz formular, treba da pošaljete i sliku, sve skenirate i prosledite na gore navedeni mejl (ako nemate skener, možete sliku poslati i mejlom, samo uz sliku obavezno navedite i ime osobe!)
- Svako od vas dobiće i **pozivno pismo SOL-a** koje treba da ponesete uz ostala dokumenta za vizu (prošlog leta su nam slali poštom na kućnu adresu, međutim to neće biti neophodno, ja ću vam svima proslediti mejlom, pa ga samo odštampajte)
- Čim sakupite grupu i odaberete termin, savetujem vam da **rezervišete avionsku kartu!** Možete se obratiti agenciji Fly u Beogradu (koja posreduje pri kupovini karata, pronalazi najpovoljnije letove i može da čuva rezervacije), kontakti u toj

agenciji su nam Vera i Marko, a njihov telefon je: **0113830608**. Sa njima imamo dogovor, upoznati su sa našim terminima, puvaće nam rezervacije za leto.

- Što ranije kupite kartu, to će vam biti povoljnija cena! Pri odabiru letova, jako je važno da vam let za London bude ujutro, a u povratku birajte kasni popodnevni ili večernji let (SOL autobus uvek čeka čeka na dogovorenom terminalu na Heatrowu oko 12 ili 13 časova, tako da je važno da do tada stignete. Takođe, u povratku, krećemo iz Devona rano ujutro, predviđeno je razgledanje Londona sa njihovim vodičem, a zatim nas voze na aerodrom)
- Ukoliko želite, pored 10 dana navedenih u prethodno datim terminima, možete produžiti boravak u Britaniji za još nekoliko dana i provesti ih u Londonu. U tom slučaju, SOL će vam rezervisati hostel, a cene noćenja sa doručkom su oko 20 evra. Potrebno je da sve to na vreme najavite jer se i hostel plaća unapred (SOL plati, a vi njima kad dođete tamo)
- U Londonu ima raznih hostela, mi ćemo, ako želite, tražiti smeštaj u jednom kojim smo bili zadovoljni prošlog leta – **Smart NHS Russell Square**, evo linka: <http://www.smartbackpackers.com/hosteldetails/United-Kingdom/London/Smart-NHS-Russell-Square-Hostel/index.htm>,
  - na odličnom je mestu, čist, nov nameštaj (nemojte očekivati previše, to je, ipak,
  - studentski smeštaj, u spavaonama je od 6 do 10 osoba, zajednički toaleti za više soba i sl. Ako želite, možete i sami da potražite smeštaj koji bi vama odgovarao na internetu, pa zamoliti SOL da vam rezerviše)
- Da li ćete u Londonu ostati pre ili posle kursa zavisiće i od datuma i vremena leta, a to sve dogovarate i usklađujete sa agencijom Fly (naravno, mene obavestavate kako bih mogla da vodim evidenciju o polascima grupa)
- Iako nije među obavezanim dokumentima koje podnosite za dobijanje vize, preporučuje se da ponesete i dokaz o kupljenoj avio karti (kako bi se uverili da nameravate da ispoštujete navedene termine za boravak u Britaniji)
- Kao grupa, imate slobodu da putujete kojim god letom vama najviše odgovara, niste obavezni da krećete sa ostalima iz Srbije koji će biti u istom terminu sa vama u SOL-u (npr., ako živite u Subotici, možda vam je jeftinije i jednostavnije putovati iz Budimpešte ili Temišvara). Važno je samo da budete u dogovoreno vreme u Londonu kada dolazi SOL autobus po sve vas i vozi vas u Devon.

### 3. korak – apliciranje za vizu i potrebna dokumenta

- Bez obzira na ukidanje viza za zemlje Šengenskog sporazuma, za Britaniju nam i dalje treba viza.
- Aplicira se online, evo linka: <http://ukins Serbia.fco.gov.uk/sr/visas>
- Pažljivo pročitajte sve što je navedeno na njihovom sajtu, a zatim popunite formular i zakažite termin za podnošenje dokumenata : <http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/resources/en/docs/1903073/VAF1A>
- Popunjavate formular za **General Visitor**, a ne Student (koji bi se odnosio na mlade koji nameravaju da se školuju u Britaniji u nekoj od akreditovanih škola i ostaju duži period na usavršavanju)
- Kao razlog posete navedite *linguistic and cultural experience*, a tamo idete kao *tourist*
  
- Na pitanje kod koga ćete biti smešteni navedite :
  - Mr Grenville Yeo
  - 2 Bridge Chambers, Strand
  - Barnstaple, North Devon EX31 1HB
  - Tel. **00441271327319**
  - E-mail: **sol@sol.org.uk**

(Svi navodite isto ime, oni će u pozivnom pismu objasniti da ćete biti raspoređeni po porodicama, kao i svrhu boravka, koncepciju kursa i sve ostalo. U ambasadi su već upoznati sa programom SOL-a i do sada niko nije bio odbijen)

- Deo koji se odnosi na finansije pažljivo popunite, podaci o primanjima moraju da se poklope sa onima koje ćete imati u izveštaju iz banke! Na ostala pitanja o troškovima života, odgovarajte okvirno, važno je da vide da, kada pokrijete sve troškove, ostaje dovoljno novca za vaš boravak u Engleskoj
- Na pitanje – da li putujete sami, bilo bi dobro da navedete imena svih koji će biti u vašoj grupi, kao i da zakažete zajednički termin za predaju dokumenata (nije problem ni ako neko ne bude mogao da ide sa ostalima, može i pojedinačno)
- Nakon što popunite svoju aplikaciju, popunite i deci koju vodite (u prisustvu njihovih roditelja) i u svim aplikacijama treba da stoje vaši podaci kao osobe koja će biti odgovorna za maloletnike u Britaniji (vaše ime biće i u njihovim vizama)

## Dokumenta potrebna za dobijanje britanske vize

-Sva originalna dokumenta potrebno je kopirati.

-Od oktobra ove godine, **potrebno je prevoditi originalne dokumente sa srpskog na engleski** : [https://www.visainfoservices.com/Pages/Content.aspx?tag=Welcome\\_Page](https://www.visainfoservices.com/Pages/Content.aspx?tag=Welcome_Page)

- Ne zahteva se da stranke uplaćuju zdravstveno osiguranje. S druge strane, preporuka je da se ipak uplati osiguranje, ne zbog dobijanja vize nego radi sopstvene sigurnosti. To osiguranje ne morate poneti sa sobom u ambasadu

**U ambasadu je potrebno doneti sledeće dokumente:**

### **Dokumenta za dete:**

- 2 fotografije pasoškog formata na beloj pozadini, ne starije od 6 meseci, 3.5x4.5
- Pasoš sa rokom važenja još minimum 6 meseci od trenutka kada viza počinje da važi, takodje treba da bude potpisan od strane vlasnika pasoša
- Pasoši roditelja (ako ih imaju)
- Potvrda iz škole da je redovan učenik, obavezan potpis direktora i pečat škole – **kao i potvrda prevedena na engleski!**
- Mapa knjižica na uvid (original i kopija)
- Saglasnost OBA roditelja da dete putuje u inostranstvo u pratnji svog nastavnika (ime, prezime, JMBG, broj pasoša nastavnika), overena u opštini ili u sudu. Ovaj zahtev važi bez obzira na bračno stanje roditelja i pravo starateljstva – **prvi deo ovlašćenja na srpskom, dodati par rečenica na engleskom i sve overiti!**
- Ako dete pohađa časove u privatnoj školi stranih jezika i ide u pratnji nastavnika te škole, potrebna je potvrda i iz te škole (na memorandumu, potpis vlasnika)
- Ukoliko su roditelji razvedeni, potrebno je rešenje o starateljstvu nad detetom
- 67 funti u dinarskoj protivrednosti (koliko u ovom trenutku iznosi britanska viza)
- Dokaz o novčanim sredstvima za školarinu tokom trajanja kursa (može biti u formi bankovnog izveštaja ili potvrde o mesečnim primanjima roditelja)

**Dokumenta oba roditelja:**

- Potvrda o stalnom radnom odnosu, na memorandumu firme sa datumom zasnivanja radnog odnosa i pozicijom na kojoj ste, kao i visini plate u poslednja 3 meseca – **i prevod na engleskom!**
- Isepak od plate iz banke za poslednja tri meseca – **i prevod na engleskom!**

Ukoliko su roditelji vlasnici firme;

- Kopija rešenja o registraciji firme
- Potvrda o plaćenom porezu
- Stanje na računima firme (zadnja 2 – 3 izvoda)
- **Sva ta dokumenta prevesti na engleski!**

Ukoliko su roditelji advokati:

- Rešenje upisa u advokatsku komoru – **prevod na engleskom!**
- JMBG advokata

Ukoliko su roditelji penzioneri:

- Fotokopija rešenja o penzionisanju
- Fotokopija zadnjeg lista od penzije
- **Oba dokumenta prevesti na engleski!**

Ukoliko je roditelj preminuo:

- Fotokopija umrlice – **prevod na engleskom!**

- Još jednom naglašavam, kao što možete videti na sajtu ambasade, **nema potrebe da dokumenta budu overena kod sudskog tumača**, možete sami da ih prevedete, a oni će u ambasadi porediti sa originalima!

#### 4. korak – pripreme za put i korisni saveti

- Kada dobijete vizu (savetujem vam da aplicirate na proleće, nemojte čekati leto jer su tada veće gužve; svakako, pre kraja školske godine kako bi deca mogla da uzmu i potvrde iz škole), možete poпети sa pripremanama za put
- Nakon što prijavite grupu, biće potrebno uplatiti **10% avansa** na račun SOL-a, kao sigurnost da ćete doći u terminu koji će za vas biti rezervisan (naravno, tih 10% odbiće od ukupne cene kursa koju uplaćujete kad stignete tamo)
- Na vama, nastavnicima koji vode decu, je da odlučite da li želite da prikupljate novac u ratama od svojih đaka do leta ili ćete savetovati roditeljima da ostavljaju sa strane i vode računa o tome
- **Još jedna važna stvar:** kao što znate, SOL je neprofitna organizacija i kao takva nema sredstava da, kao komercijalne škole, plaća nastavnicima koji dovode decu i avio kartu. Svi vaši troškovi u Britaniji biće pokriveni (prevoz od Londona do Devona i nazad, smeštaj, tri obroka dnevno, izleti), pa vam savetujem da to objasnite i roditeljima i tražite da svako dete koje vodite plati određeni iznos kojim bi mogli da pokriju bar cenu karte (to bi, npr., bilo oko 30-40 evra po detetu). Uvek to možete da poredite sa načinom kako funkcioniše u državnim školama gde svaki nastavnik koji vodi decu na ekskurzije ili rekreativnu nastavu dobije lep honorar. Vaša je odgovornost velika, pomažete im pri organizaciji, aplikaciji za vizu, prevodite dokumenta i zato bez ustručavanja možete da tražite da vam se za taj trud plati
- **Dobro pripremite i decu i roditelje za taj put:**
  - a) Pošto ćete vi u Britaniji da odgovarate za njih, jako je važno da deca budu poslušna, da se ne izdvajaju iz grupe i ništa ne rade bez vašeg znanja i saglasnosti (u samom Devonu neće biti problema jer su im dani u potpunosti popunjeni i uvek je neko sa njima – porodica domaćina koja ih vozi u školu i vraća kući, u školi su sa nastavnicima i sa vama, na izletima sa vama i ponovo sa vama, za vešernje izlaske moraju da traže vaše odobrenje. Međutim, ako odlučite da provedete i nekoliko dana u Londonu, to je drugačija situacija, ogroman grad, tamo bi sve vreme trebalo da ste na okupu!)

- b) Važno je da deca znaju šta podrazumeva boravak u tipičnoj engleskoj porodici: svi su ljubazni i trude se da vam dane koje provodite kod njih učine prijatnim. Međutim, zbog kulturoloških razlika, drugaćijeg načina života o odnosu na onaj kakvim mi živimo, tu može doći do 'problema' – tipičan primer je njihova hrana: ujutro će vam služiti po nekoliko vrsta žitarica sa mlekom ili čajem, tost sa maslacem i džemom; za ručak ćete dobiti 'lunch box' u kojem je sendvič, pips, voće, sok, čokoladica; oko 17.30 jer glavni, kuvani obrok.
- c) Ohrabrite decu da budu otvorena, da što više pripaju sa domaćinima i ljubazno im kažu ukoliko im nešto smeta ili ne odgovara. Svakako, vi ste prva osoba kojoj će se oni poveriti i ako vam prijave bilo kakav problem, treba odmah da prenesete ljudima iz SOL-a kako bi ga rešili. Mnogi su, na primer, bili iznenađeni kada su u kupatilu videli dve odvojene slavine, za toplu i hladnu vodu, što je tipično za engleske kuće (primetićete i na mnogim javnim mestima), ali i kadu sa takvim slavinama – bez tuša! Većina kuća ima i dodatak za tuš, ali dešava se i da vam pokažu gde stoje posudice za vodu kojima se polivate dok se u kadi kupate! Ukoliko deci unapred spomenete ovakve primere, shvatićete to kao jedno novo iskustvo.
- d) Znam da će vam svi roditelji reći da su njihova deca lepo vaspitana, ali na sastanku ipak naglasite da u porodicama treba da se ponašaju pristojno, ne prave nered, spremaju svoje sobe i kupatilo, poštuju domaćine i ono što im kažu
- e) Za naredno leto imamo i spisak porodica kojima smo bili izuzetno zadovoljni, pa ćemo tražiti da naše škole ponovo smeštaju kod tih ljudi (imamo i 'crnu listu', a zamerke su se uglavnom odnosile na čistoću, veliki broj kućnih ljubimaca ili hranu)
- f) Recite roditeljima da bi bilo lepo da deca svojim domaćinima poklone neku sitnicu, najčešće suvenir, kao znak pažnje (ne moraju ništa skupo da kupuju), a domaćini njima poklone nešto pri odlasku (mada se dešavalo da im spremaju samo sendviče za put)

- Međi stvarima koje **obavezno** treba da ponesete su:

- a) funte (više se isplati kupiti ih u Srbiji, mada možete poneti i eure, pa tamo menjati), pored iznosa koji treba da se uplati SOL-u, individualno je koliko želite da ponesete za džeparac (nosi se između 100-500 funti)
- b) lekove (neki analgetik: fervex, andol, brufen; probiotik; protiv mučnine u putu; ako ima nešto što redovno uzimate, nemojte da zaboravite, vlažne maramice)
- c) kišobran ili kabanicu (vreme je jako promenljivo, nekoliko puta u toku dana 'izmenjaju se sva četiri godišnja doba')

- d) patike i ravne cipele (pripremite se za mnogo pešačenja, svakog dana ide se na izlete i u obilasku)
- e) garderobu da možete da se obujete 'slojevito' (ne mnogo letnjih stvari, nekoliko dukseva i jakni, velike su temperaturne razlike u toku dana, prosečna temperatura leti je između 17-22 stepena, ali jutro i veče su sveže). Uostalom, nemojte mnogo garderobe nositi, ostavite mesta u koferu za stvari koje kupite u Engleskoj!
- Fen ili peglu ne morate da nosite, kao ni adapter za struju, to će vam dati domaćini
  - Ako budete ostajali u **Londonu**, kupite dnevnu kartu za metro (ima i popust za grupe, kao i za decu, obavezno se raspitajte na šalteru), tamo se besplatno može dobiti i karta sa svim linijama metroa, kao i plan Londona, jako je jednostavno snati se;
  - Restorani po Londonu su prilično skupi, na svakom koraku imate po neki fast food, gde je nešto povoljnije, a preporučujem vam hranu iz **Tesco** marketa (na koje ćete nailaziti gde god da krenete). Imaju ukusne sendviče, gotova jela i salate, seckano voće – sve upakovano u posudicama sa priborom za jelo – košta oko 1 – 1.50 funti, slično je i u marketima **Marks&Spencers**, samo malo skuplje. Obavezno probajte sokove **Inocent** (ima ih u malim flašicama i litarskim pakovanjima, to je sok od ceđenog voća a bez dodataka, fantastične kombinacije, svi smo bili oduševljeni)
  - Ulaz u muzeje je slobodan, osim za Madame Tussauds za koji je potrebno mesecima unapred rezervirati ulaznice, London Eye se plaća oko 17 funti. Ako želite da idete u šoping, onda je **Oxford Street** pravi izbor.
  - Kad spominjem šoping, neizostavno moram da vam navedem irsku robnu kuću **Primark** (najveća je u Londonu, ima i u Exeteru i Barnstaplu), gde ćete naći lepu i kvalitetnu garderobu po neverovatno niskim cenama!
  - Knjige su izuzetno jeftine, SOL ima svoju second-hand bookshop gde možete naći knjige od 50 penija do 3 funte, a često su sniženja i u ostalim knjižarama
  - Devon je poznat po poslastici **Cream Tea**, to će vam i oni reći, a vodić će vam preporučiti poslastičarnice u kojima je najukusniji, obavezno probajte!
  - Kad budete na izletu u Tintangelu (gde je dvorac i muzej kralja Artura), obavezno probajte **Cornish Pasty**, još jedan od specijaliteta (susedne oblasti, Cornwall)

## Dodatak - uputstva preuzeta sa sajta SOL-a



## *Sharing One Language*

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### **2010 ENGLISH LANGUAGE OPEN COURSES for small groups**

Our very successful English language courses are now in their 19th year. We have now welcomed over 34,000 students to these courses, almost all from Eastern Central Europe. Almost all students come as part of a group with their regular teachers where pre-course consultation ensures that what we provide is what will most help the students!

Where numbers from one school make things uneconomic, we try to link schools together. However after the success of our open courses these past 2 summers, we are extending this scheme to include our new centre in Tiverton as well, for the two month period June 23 to the end of August. It means whatever size your group is, you pay the fixed price of **£405**. Conditions are explained below.

The overwhelming feedback on our courses is excellent - very practical and concentrating on giving students confidence to use English naturally. Our visits include fieldwork aimed at giving students confidence when talking to people. Our host families provide a lot of help with this in the evenings and on Sunday. If a student only has a short time with us for a language course, we want that time made maximum use of, and those evenings are very important!! Since 2003, our new location and use of drama in the courses have further enhanced our reputation.

The daytime is usually divided into two; one half classes, the other short trips or activities. Lessons involve a great deal of practical use of language, dealing with real situations, and are often related to work done with the families or in the activities or visits undertaken. The visits are both to beautiful places and with guides who further engage the students in using the language.

#### **POINTS TO NOTE**

- One teacher place is free for every 8 students (there may be a small charge if the group is smaller)
- The BEST VALUE quality English course in the UK
- 10% deposit confirms the booking
- We are open ALL year! The climate is moderate, and winters are mild - the Atlantic Ocean is just a few km away!
- The price is FIXED and INCLUSIVE - no hidden extras, other than any special requests e.g. Youth hostels, or visits after leaving Devon.
- The course involves 10 days and 9 nights in England
- Full 8~ hour programme each day except family day
- Students will be placed in friendly and supportive families, sometimes with other students from another country

- One half price place is available for children of accompanying teachers if their own group is 18 or more.
- We do cover expenses incurred by the organising teacher, so no teacher will be out of pocket organising a group.
- The number of teaching groups will depend on the number of students and their relative levels, but we will be working on a maximum ratio of approximately 1:15
- Safety and security of students are paramount - and the small towns we are based in provide a safe environment
- SOL is a small organisation and treats everyone personally before during and after the stay.

## **LOCATION**

BIDEFORD and TIVERTON will be the location for these courses. Bideford is a market town in North Devon, 300 km due west of London and Tiverton is in mid Devon about 50Km nearer London! Both are in the beautiful South West of England. This is the "REAL" England!!!

## **THE FAMILIES**

All families have been carefully selected and are personally visited in their homes by SOL, to ensure that we only use good, supportive friendly hosts. They provide all meals (including packed lunch on course days), and take responsibility for getting the student safely to and from the SOL centre. If any problems arise, they are dealt with on a personal level.

Bedroom accommodation will provide necessary privacy for quiet reading and study, though much of the evening time and Sunday will be spent with the family itself. Many families enjoy welcoming more than one student at a time and we have found that when students are placed together they help and encourage each other to use English in a family environment. It is often possible to place students from different nationalities together in a family.

Students and teachers are asked to complete a simple information sheet about themselves in order to help us match families and guests as far as possible. These sheets need to be received by us at least 4 weeks before the course begins.

## **TRAVEL**

SOL will provide all transport from and to London hostels or airports as detailed below

## **WHEN TO VISIT**

The Open Courses are only operating in the period June 23 to August 28, although we receive group throughout the year.

As the summer is very busy, we do urge teachers to discuss with their Head about a term-time visit if at all possible!! The educational value to a student of such a trip is unquestionable!! It benefits more than just their English and is perhaps the most significant experience of their school career.

As for the weather, the climate is moderate in all seasons, and the good sunshine record is one of the reasons why it is such a popular holiday area. Although it can be unpredictable most groups find it much better than its image!! When it rains, it rarely lasts long, and, even in winter, day temperatures are always above 0°C. Bring something windproof though!

Arrival in Devon will be on the following days: Mondays **July 5, 19 and Aug 9** and Wednesdays **June 23, July 28 and Aug 18**

SOL will arrange to meet each group at a London location (airport or hostel) at an agreed time up to 14.30 before transferring to Devon via Stonehenge (if there have been no delays). Groups whose best flights arrive after 14.30 should fly the previous day and arrange accommodation in London (SOL can deal with this).

Departure from Devon will be at 06.30 on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> then August 6<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>. Return flights should not be booked before 13.00 from Heathrow or 14.30 from the other London airports. Again London accommodation should be considered if earlier flights are preferred.

SOL cannot guarantee to offer additional coach journeys within London for sightseeing at the time of booking. However once the make-up of the final group is known then it may be possible to offer this for a supplementary payment.

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### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES 2010**

Our very successful English language courses are now in their 19th year. We have now welcomed over 34,000 students to these courses, almost all from Eastern Central Europe. Most students come as part of a group with their regular teachers. Our pre-course consultation with you ensures that what we provide is what will most help your students! Where numbers from one school make things uneconomic, we try to link schools together, but our new open courses make that much less of a problem.

The overwhelming feedback on courses is excellent - very practical and concentrating on giving students confidence to use English naturally. On visits fieldwork is now being introduced to provide more opportunity for using English. Also the tasks set for the evenings give a chance for our host families to help with this, both in the evenings and on Sunday. If a student only has a short time with us for a language course, we want that time made maximum use of, and all their time with us is very important!! Since 2003, our new locations by the river in Barnstaple and Bideford, and now in Tiverton, have further enhanced our courses.

The daytime is usually divided into two; one half classes, the other short trips or activities. Lessons involve a great deal of practical use of language, dealing with real situations, and are often related to work done with the families or in the activities or visits undertaken. The visits are both to beautiful places and with guides who further engage the students in using the language.

#### **POINTS TO NOTE**

One teacher comes free for every complete group of 8 students

The **BEST VALUE** caring, quality English course in the UK. We do not use agents.

10% deposit confirms the booking – which is held provisionally for one month.

We are open **ALL** year! The climate is moderate, and winters are mild - the Atlantic Ocean is just 10 km away!

The price is **INCLUSIVE** - no hidden extras, other than any special visits or requests e.g. Youth hostels, or visits after leaving Devon.

Quoted course length is the no. of days **IN** England, **NOT** including the no. of days on the coach!!

Full 8½ hour programme each day except family day

Students are placed in friendly and supportive families, often with other students and, where levels are similar, from another country

1 half price place is available, for children of accompanying teachers for every 18 students brought - these do not count towards determining the number of teaching groups or free teacher places.

We can book Youth hostels to extend the stay in the UK, but need to be paid for at the time of booking (exact price + £20 fee/group)

For schools with small groups of students who wish to travel by coach we try to find similar schools to join with them.

We do cover expenses incurred by the organising teacher, so no teacher will be out of pocket organising a group.

Additional teaching groups can be agreed. Normally 1 is given for up to 18 fully paid students, 2 for 19 - 40 students and 3 if more.

Safety and security of students are paramount – evenings are with the families unless responsibility is transferred to the visiting teacher.

Adults are welcome as participants but there is a small daily supplement to pay.

SOL is a small organisation and treats everyone personally before during and after the stay.

#### LOCATION

SOL has three centres in Devon; Barnstaple & Bideford and Tiverton. All three towns are safe environments, have populations under 30,000 and are situated 300 km due west of London in the beautiful South West of England. This is the REAL England!!!

#### OTHER COURSES RUN BY SOL

Each summer we run a Language Development and Methodology course for TEACHERS. Because our commitment is to support teachers of English in their work, we run this on a highly subsidised basis - and without any loss of quality. It is definitely the lowest UK price by far (415 GBP)!! A slightly longer course eligible for Comenius funding is also run.

#### THE FAMILIES

All families have been carefully selected and are personally visited in their homes by SOL, to ensure that we only use good, supportive friendly hosts. They provide all meals (including packed lunch on course days), and take responsibility for getting the student to and from the SOL centre. If any problems arise, they are dealt with on a personal level. Bedroom accommodation will provide necessary privacy for quiet reading and study, though much of the evening time and Sunday will be spent with the family itself. Many families enjoy welcoming more than one student at a time and we have found that when students are placed together they help and encourage each other to use English in a family environment. It is sometimes possible to place students from different nationalities together in a family, but whatever the situation the language of the home is English!!

Students and teachers are asked to complete a simple information sheet about themselves in order to help us match families and guests as far as possible. These sheets need to be received by us at least 4 weeks before the course begins.

## TRAVEL

**By coach:** This is usually your most economical way of travelling, and you see a lot of Europe en route! You arrange the coach transport in your own country, we organise the ferry and driver accommodation and the coach is used for all trips. Linking with other schools in the area may make this more of a possibility as a full coach will mean lower costs to the students.

**By air or public service coach:** We meet you at your arrival point in London (or Bristol) and provide all the transport within England. For a group of 40 students, the cost of the course is almost the same as by coach.

## WHEN TO VISIT

Inevitably we have too many requests for the spring and summer vacation periods. It is very busy then, and we do urge teachers to discuss with their Head about a term-time visit if at all possible. The educational value to a student of such a trip is unquestionable!! It benefits more than just their English and is perhaps the most significant experience of their school career.

As for the weather, the climate is moderate in all seasons, and the good sunshine record is one of the reasons why it is such a popular holiday area. Although it can be unpredictable most groups find it much better than its image!! When it rains, it rarely lasts long, and, even in winter, day temperatures are always above 0°C.

Arrival in Devon will normally be on a Monday or Tuesday afternoon (Sunday for 7 day visits). The departure, the following week, will be early enough to allow a full 8+hour day in London for groups using their own coach. In Devon the whole programme is fully organised, but after leaving Devon the responsibility lies with the group leader, though SOL is ready to give as much assistance as needed in planning further visits. Many groups plan extra nights near London or elsewhere enabling the group to visit other places of interest (e.g.: Bath, Oxford, Stratford). SOL is ready to help with all this but much can be arranged nowadays on-line!

## LANGUAGE COURSE PRICES 2010

Groups booked and 50% paid for by Dec 22nd will receive a 5% price reduction for all students booked in at that point

## COACH GROUPS

The price does not include travel, but includes accommodation, full board, tuition and guiding, all admission charges in Devon plus Stonehenge, return ferry crossings and guest-house accommodation for 2 coach drivers.

A small budget for each group is set aside to cover organising teachers' expenses.

Days in UK  (includes Stonehenge & London).	Nights in Devon	STANDARD PRICE	Winter Season	Mid Season	Summer Season	Tiverton Reduction
		21 Mar – 29 May; 31 Aug - 9 Oct	To 20 Mar and From 10 Oct	1 Jun - 3 Jul 18 – 28 Aug	4 Jul - 18 Aug	Mar – May & Sept only
10	9	£310	£280	£325	£345	–£8
9	8	£286	£256	£301	£321	–£6
8	7	£262	£232	£277	£297	–£4
7	6	£238	£208	£253	£273	–£2
6	5	£214	£184	£229	£249	-

Additional days beyond 10: + £24 per day  
£20 per day

Less days than 6: -

Additional teaching groups: are provided automatically and free for groups of 41 or over, as long as the numbers have been confirmed as final at least one month beforehand.

Otherwise a third teaching group will cost £10 per student on an L10 course, and £7 for an L7 course. This request needs to be made at least 2 months before the course.

Adult participants will be charged £3 per night extra (but full-time non-employed University students will count as students).

For small groups prices also hold for 34 + 3 teachers. Otherwise for each student less than 34 in number add £12 per day to the total GROUP price. (e.g.: 32 students for an L7 means  $(34-32) \times 12 \times 7 = £168$  added to the TOTAL group cost)

**AIR GROUPS** (or other groups arriving by public transport)

The price excludes the travel to the UK, but includes everything else including all the UK travel, including direct transfers between any London arrival/departure point and North Devon at suitable times (we have no night arrivals or departures in Devon which is 4-5 hours from London). There will be a supplementary cost for any change from the direct route to and from Devon, e.g. for a short visit to central London if flight and journey times permit.

A small budget for each group is also set aside to cover visiting teachers' expenses, except travel.

The prices given below are per student for groups between 18 and 22 in number.

Otherwise the price will vary with the size of the group, as indicated. All prices are reduced by 5% during the winter season indicated above.

6 – 7 students	+ 40 %	13 – 17 students	+ 10%	35 – 40 students	- 15%
8 – 9 students	+ 25%	23 – 28 students	- 5%	41 – 47 students	- 20%

10 – 12 students	+ 17.5 %	29 – 34 students	- 10%	48+ students	- 25%
7 days**	£365	10 days**	£455	13 days**	£565
8 days**	£390	11 days**	£490	14 days**	£600
9 days**	£425	12 days**	£525	15 days**	£640

\*\*The number of nights in Devon is one less than the number of days IN the UK.

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**OPEN GROUPS in BIDEFORD/TIVERTON.** These are groups coming by air made up of smaller groups from different countries, each accompanied by a teacher (ratio 1:8). They are for 10days/9nights in England and include a fixed time direct transfer between London (Victoria or airports) and North Devon both ways. . The courses enable schools to send students for a fixed and probably lower price than if they tried to arrange the course for their own group alone. Flight times must allow suitable arrival and departure times in Devon which is 5 hours from London, more from Stansted.

Full details on request. Start dates: Mondays July 5, 19 and Aug 9 and Wednesdays June 23, July 28 and Aug 18.

Price per student: £405

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# **TEACHER TRAINING COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH**

**In North Devon 2010**

**[www.sol.org.uk](http://www.sol.org.uk)**

Since 1992, S.O.L. has received over 34,000 students and 4,000 teachers on its various courses in N Devon. SOL's excellent reputation is well known, yet it has maintained the lowest prices you will find for courses of such high quality, especially for its teacher training courses which are run at no-profit if no grant is available. These continue to be held in Barnstaple, the 'Capital' of N Devon. This area is one of the most beautiful parts of England, with the spectacular coast of the Atlantic Ocean close by.

We are offering three Courses for 2010. The first two are subsidised by SOL:

Sun 4th July – Wed 14th July 2010 Ref INT 4070. 11 days Cost £415 inclusive (within England)

Sun 18th July – Thu 29th July 2010 Ref INT 4080. 12 days Cost £445 inclusive (within England)

Sun 18th July – Sat 31st July 2010 Ref INT 4081. 14 days Cost €95 but eligible for EU grants

All courses are highly practical intensive courses for teachers of English looking for refreshing ideas for their teaching, experiencing the cultural life of 'real' England and developing their own language knowledge in the process.

Accommodation is with host families, who provide all meals, including packed lunch on course and departure days, and, where needed, transport to and from the centre each day. The success of the courses is greatly enhanced by the quality of our host families, who offer warm hospitality to guests and also time in the evening for relaxed conversation. This really is an excellent opportunity to spend time communicating in English naturally - something that most teachers don't often get time for!

The time with the host families is so often underestimated by other institutions. But for many it is the highlight of the course and provides excellent language development! Here, maybe with a teacher from another country also on the course, conversation is relaxed and natural with friendly hosts and in a natural home setting!

Application for any course should be made by letter or e-mail at any time to the contact overleaf. Once you have confirmed your ability to take part, we will send all details regarding payments, and an information sheet, which we will ask you to complete and return to us. This helps with the planning of the course, travel plans and placement with an appropriate host family. A 10% deposit is all that is required to book a place.

Travel to and from England is the individual's responsibility and is not included in the price, though advice can be given. SOL however will organise all travel to Devon for morning arrivals in London on the first day. Heathrow is the meeting point, which is accessible from all London airports. Transport to Devon is included in the price as is all travel within the programme. At the end of the course, the group will be taken to Heathrow and London Victoria by noon. Those with later flights will be able to have a short sightseeing in London.

#### Overview

This course is run by trainers who have current and considerable experience of both teaching and teacher training in central Europe, so you can be sure the whole course will be relevant to your needs. It is an intensive but very enjoyable course offering teachers of English a unique combination of new interactive classroom strategies, improved confidence in speaking English and a varied and well planned cultural experience. Our summer 2009 courses saw a record number of participants from twelve different European countries.

The Daily Programme runs from 08.30 to 18.00 with an hour for lunch. The majority of the programme will be with the tutors but there will also be several visits to local places of interest and a fieldwork approach will give added value to such visits. Free time for discussion and independence won't be forgotten and for shopping SOL is situated next to the town centre!

#### Course 1 : Authentic British Language and Culture: July 4th-14th

Do you feel you need to know the 'real' Britain rather than the stereotypical images of red phone boxes and beefeaters shown in traditional textbooks? Do you want to be able to confidently use the words, phrases and expressions spoken by native speakers? This exciting new course is designed to meet two pressing needs of Eastern and Central European English teachers. Firstly, it will help you to help them to improve their own speaking skills, giving you more confidence in using contemporary British English. Secondly, it will prepare you for a trend commonly seen in the latest text books and exam syllabuses – namely a comparative and evaluative approach to studying modern British culture.

By the end of the course participants will be able to:

speak with greater confidence and fluency in modern colloquial British English

use an extended active vocabulary with a focus on contemporary word usage  
identify and explain differences and similarities between life in modern Britain and their own country  
use strategies for comparing cultures in their own classes  
use new strategies for teaching colloquial English and, in general, strategies that encourage students to speak in their classes

Delivery:

Trainers will teach all topics interactively using strategies that participants can use in their own classes  
'Fieldwork' visits to local towns and the Atlantic coast form an integral part of the course, forming the basis for a range of project linked classroom activities  
Homework tasks will be set to encourage participants to discuss contemporary language and cultural issues with their host families  
Opportunities to discuss British life with visitors from the local community. These will usually include civic leaders, representatives of voluntary organizations, teachers and high school students from Barnstaple

Course 2: The Reflective English Teacher : July 18th – 29th

Hearing about new teaching ideas at conferences and in books and journals and is one thing – applying to your own teaching is quite another! This is the ideal course for teachers determined to bridge the gap between theory and practice and improve their classroom teaching. Taking a strong 'evidence based' approach to professional development, the course will allow participants to experiment with new teaching strategies that they can use immediately when they return to their home countries. The course will naturally make full use of SOL's location in South West England to help develop participant's awareness of contemporary British language and culture.

By the end of the course participants will be able to use a focused range of interactive teaching strategies.

These will include:

Drama and dialogue activities  
Preparing students to deliver formal presentations  
Use of images in the classroom  
Five minute activities  
Creative writing tasks  
Use of music and song lyrics  
Formative assessment strategies (Assessment For Learning)

Delivery

Trainers will both demonstrate new strategies and, explain why they are effective in the classroom

Where appropriate, links will be made with preparing students for specific exams commonly taken in Central and Eastern Europe

The trainers will often differentiate to meet the needs of teachers teaching young learners, teenagers and adults at all ability levels.

Throughout the course participants will be encouraged to reflect on their own classroom practise and critically evaluate new strategies, often through discussions with other participants on the course

Participants will have opportunity to try these activities out in lesson planning and micro-teach activities

Course 3: July 18th – 31st

This follows the same pattern as the second course. However, the final two days provide a further in-depth study which will relate to the interests of the participants themselves.

Further details on a separate information sheet and on the website.

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