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IH London opened its doors in 1959 and today it is known around the world for excellence in language teaching and teacher training. IH London was the first member of the IH World Organisation - a network of over 140 schools in more than 50 countries.

What does IH London offer you?

We focus on your goals and interests so that you learn the language that is most relevant and useful to you. Small class sizes and lots of English practice in real-life scenarios help you make fast progress. We have different courses for different needs. You can improve your English for everyday use, prepare for an English language exam, or get ready for a new job or university place.

What makes our teaching so good?

Our excellent teachers are enthusiastic and well qualified. Lots of them trained at IH London and they are very passionate about the school. Many train new English teachers, or they are examiners, so you will benefit from their knowledge and experience. Several popular course books were written by IH London teachers.

Because IH London is a large school we can teach English at 13 different levels. This means you will always be learning with people of a similar ability, and you can move up through the levels as you improve. Having a structured learning environment like this helps to build your confidence and knowledge quickly.

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Study in London

Our school is right in the middle of London – just a few minutes from Covent Garden. This makes it a lively and inspiring place to study. Students from over 100 different nationalities come to IH London every year, so you'll soon make friends from many different backgrounds.

Our experienced teachers understand how students from different backgrounds learn in different ways, and the average class size of 10 means you always get the support you need.

IH London is well-equipped with the latest modern technology to benefit and improve your studies. The school has free wi-fi access throughout the building, a large computer centre, and interactive whiteboards in most classrooms. Our well-stocked library is also packed with books, DVDs and journals.

Learning Outside the Classroom

At IH London we think it's very important that you learn the language you need for daily life. That's why 'Learning in London Outside the Classroom' – or LILOC – is part of every English course. We'll give you tasks for using English in real life situations – for example catching the bus, ordering in a café, or going shopping – and then discuss it in class afterwards.

We also run a very lively Social Programme where you can discover more of London, meet other students and practise your English skills. Activities include trips to the theatre, football games and of course parties!



How we teach



English teaching at IH London uses a range of methods to help you communicate effectively at work, in your studies, and in daily life.

Lessons are interactive and you will work in pairs and groups to practise English straight away. Your teacher will give you practical tasks and lots of feedback to help you learn the correct vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation.

Classroom activities include:

- Role plays where your teacher can correct grammar and vocabulary
- Discussions about how and when you might use certain types of language
- Reading and discussing written texts to improve your understanding of grammar and vocabulary
- Listening to texts and giving practice presentations to improve your spoken skills

Which General English course should I take?

We will ask you to take an online English test before you enrol to find out your language level. You will also be interviewed by a teacher on your first day to make sure you join the right class for your needs. Our courses are flexible so you can add one-to-one tuition, or combine General English with exam preparation depending on your goals. Please note the minimum entry age for General English courses is 16.

The chart below shows the different English levels and this is how classes are divided up.

How will I progress?

Because IH London is a large school, we are able to offer 13 levels of study. This wide range means we can match you closely with students of a similar ability. It also means lessons are very focused. Every four weeks, your teacher will assess your achievements and recommend the level you should move to so that you are always studying at the right speed.

What are the facilities like?

Our modern, air-conditioned school is a lively, busy place. Classrooms are bright and spacious, there are comfortable areas to relax or do homework in, and there is a café in the school if you get hungry. Our friendly library is full of useful books, DVDs and journals, and there is a large computer centre and internet access throughout the building.

Our facilities include:

- Interactive whiteboard in most classrooms
- Digital 'language lab' where you can practise pronunciation
- TV, video and audio facilities in all classrooms
- Large computer centre with free Internet access
- Free wireless Internet access throughout the building
- Library with over 10,000 books and journals
- Busy social programme with activities in the evenings and at weekends
- Café with hot and cold food and drinks
- Dedicated Accommodation Office to help you find somewhere to stay

IH London Language Levels

IH London levels	Cambridge ESOL	ALTE levels	CEF	IELTS band	TOEFL	TOEIC
Advanced 2		5	C2	7.5 - 9.0	276 +	910 +
Advanced 1		4	C1	6.5 - 7.0	236 - 275	701 - 910
Pre-Advanced 2		3	B2 Vantage	5.5 - 6.0	176 - 235	541 - 700
Pre-Advanced 1						
Upper Intermediate B		2	B1 Threshold	4.5 - 5.0	126 - 175	381 - 540
Upper Intermediate A						
Mid Intermediate B						
Mid Intermediate A						
Lower Intermediate B		1	A2 Waystage	3.5 - 4.0	96 - 125	246 - 380
Lower Intermediate A						
Pre-Intermediate B						
Pre-Intermediate A						
Elementary						

- KET** Key English Test
- PET** Preliminary English Test
- FCE** First Certificate in English
- CAE** Certificate in Advanced English
- CPE** Certificate of Proficiency in English

ALTE - Association of Language Testers in Europe
CEF - Common European Framework

IELTS - International English Language Testing System
TOEFL - Test of English as a Foreign Language

TOEIC - Test of English for International Communication

Your Social Life



We believe that socialising is really important to your progress. The more activities you try, the more real-life language practice you get. Joining in with social events also helps you meet other students and make new friends.

IH London runs a busy social programme especially for English students. There are activities every evening and weekend, and it's a great way to see more of London and the UK. From weekend trips to Cambridge, to boat trips on the River Thames and famous musicals in London's West End, there is something for everyone.

IH London values real-life English practice so much that LILOC - ('Learning in London Outside the Classroom') - is part of all our General English courses. Your teacher will suggest different situations where you can practise having a conversation in English. Discussing your experience in class afterwards, and getting feedback from your teacher, will help you learn a lot.

Example programme:

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Monday	Boat party (Free)	London Transport Museum	London Aquarium	Cream Tea at the Hilton Hotel
Tuesday	London Eye	Brick Lane curry night	Fish and Chips	Along the Thames - London Walk (Free)
Wednesday	Conversation Club (Free)	Tenpin Bowling	Tour of Houses of Parliament	Legally Blonde the Musical
Thursday	Visit to Tate Modern (Free)	Oliver the Musical	IMAX Cinema	BBC Studio Tour
Friday	Madame Tussauds's	BBC Proms (Free)	Visit to the Southbank Centre (Free)	Pacha Club Night
Saturday	Football in Regent's Park (Free)	Weekend trip to Paris by Eurostar	Full Day Tour of York	Full Day Tour of Oxford
Sunday	Full Day Tour of Stonehenge and Bath	Weekend trip to Paris by Eurostar	Full Day Tour of Cambridge	Full Day Tour of Windsor and Hampton Court

Prices vary depending on time of year and discounts available.

Standard General English

Timetable

Standard 09.00 – 12.00
15 lessons per week (55 minutes each), Monday to Friday from 9.00-12.00 with a 15 minute break. Total lesson time each week: 13 hours and 45 minutes.

Who should take this course?

This course is perfect for busy people who want to improve their English for everyday use. It's suitable for students from Elementary (CEF A2) to Advanced (CEF C2) level.

What does the course involve?

The Standard General English course gives you the new language you need to improve your English. The classes focus on communication and you will practise speaking, listening, reading and writing, as well as working on your grammar and vocabulary. Teachers use course books, real-life materials like newspapers and DVDs, and out-of-class activities.

You should expect to receive 30 minutes to one hour of homework every day.

What are the course benefits?

- Maximum class size of 14 students, average 10
- Dynamic lessons that go beyond the classroom
- Regular, personal assessment
- Structured self study advice – LILOC (Learning in London Outside the Classroom)
- If your course is 24 weeks or longer, transfer to an IELTS or Cambridge preparation course at no extra cost

Student feedback

Shu-Fen Cheng, Taiwan
"My teacher gave me lots of confidence in speaking and my listening improved as well. He always encouraged us in class."

Standard Plus General English

Timetable

Standard 09.00 – 12.00 & plus one lesson 12.15 – 13.10
20 lessons per week (55 minutes each), Monday to Friday from 9.00-12.00 with a 15 minute break, plus an additional class from 12.15-13.10 every day. Total lesson time each week: 18 hours and 20 minutes.

Who should take this course?

Standard Plus General English is the same as the Standard course with an extra lesson each day. This special-focus lesson allows students to work on a particular area of English in more detail.

What does the course involve?

In the extra, special-focus lesson you will look at an area of English such as:

- Grammar & Speaking
- Listening & Speaking
- Vocabulary & Speaking
- Writing & Speaking
- Introduction to Business English

(You'll be informed which options are available at your interview).

Student feedback

Roberta Trusnovec, Italy
"The course provided me with a strong knowledge of English, the ability to understand other nationalities and the experience of living in an international environment. The teachers on the course are excellent and always available for questions."



Intensive General English

Timetable

Standard 09.00 – 12.00 & plus two lessons 13.15 – 15.15
25 lessons per week (55 minutes each), Monday to Friday from 9.00-12.00 with a 15 minute break. There are additional classes from 13.15 to 15.15 with a 10 minute break every day. Total lesson time each week: 22 hours and 55 minutes.

Who should take this course?

Intensive General English includes two extra lessons each day on top of the Standard English timetable. These special focus lessons allow you to develop your reading and writing skills, or your speaking skills.

What does the course involve?

In addition to the Standard course, you'll have a 110 minute lesson, on either:

- Let's Talk
- This is topic based and focuses on your ability to use the best language correctly.
- Study Skills
- Reading and writing skills. Practical guidance that will help you understand and write a variety of text types more accurately. At higher levels, it's useful if you want to do further academic study. At lower levels, it includes a focus on literacy skills.

Benefits of extending your studies beyond the Standard course

- Work on a specific area of English that particularly suits your needs
- Learn with other people who have similar interests and needs
- If you are studying on a long course of 24 weeks or longer, you can transfer to an IELTS or Cambridge preparation course at no extra cost

Student feedback

Elisa Manfro, Italy
"I really improved my English and enjoyed my stay. In my class we have lots of time to discuss in a group and and share our life and experience."

Timetable Options

Standard	LESSONS PER WEEK 15	Standard Plus	LESSONS PER WEEK 20	Intensive	LESSONS PER WEEK 25	Intensive	LESSONS PER WEEK 25	
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One lesson = 55 minutes

Evening English Classes

Our evening courses are perfect for busy people living and working in London. They can also be a useful top-up for overseas students. We offer a range of courses, including:

- General English
- Examination practice lessons for Cambridge and IELTS
- Business English training in correspondence and communication

Evening classes can be taken on one or two evenings a week, from 18.30 - 20.30. More details are available from our website: www.ihlondon.com/study-english/

Cambridge Exam Standard Preparation

Timetable

Cambridge Exam Standard Preparation
13.15 – 16.15

15 lessons per week (55 minutes each) for 9, 10 or 11 weeks depending on the start date. Lessons are Monday to Friday from 13.15-16.15 with a 15 minute break. Total lesson time each week: 13 hours and 45 minutes.

Who should take this course?

This course is for long-stay, motivated students who want an internationally recognised certificate in English. The course will greatly improve your English language skills. Minimum entry level is Upper Intermediate and there is an entrance test for each course: First Certificate (FCE), Advanced Certificate (CAE) or Proficiency Certificate (CPE).

What does the course involve?

- Improving your vocabulary, grammar and skills needed to pass the exam
- Helping you with exam techniques and strategies
- Real exam practice with one full practice exam
- At least 2 hours of homework every day

Recommendations

- Add one-to-one tuition to this option for specialised individual tuition
- Combine this afternoon course with a morning General English option to maximise your studies

What are the course benefits?

- Highly structured with a clear focus on the exam
- Intensive classes with assessment all the way through
- Extremely motivating classes with a very high pass rate
- **First Certificate (CEF B2)**
- A good course for Upper Intermediate, long term students who need to push their language further
- **Advanced Certificate (CEF C1)**
- A good course if you've completed the FCE but need an advanced level
- This course takes your language skills to the standard you need to work at a managerial or professional level
- **Proficiency Certificate (CEF C2)**
- If you've completed the CAE and spent some time in an English speaking environment, this course helps you reach a similar level of English as an educated native speaker
- You'll need to prove you can cope with high level academic work

Cambridge Exam Plus

Timetable

Cambridge Exam Plus 12.15 – 13.10
13.15 – 16.15

20 lessons per week (55 minutes each) for 9, 10 or 11 weeks depending on start date. Lessons are Monday to Friday from 12.15-16.15 with a 20 minute break. Total lesson time each week: 18 hours and 20 minutes.

Recommendations

- Add one-to-one lessons for specialised individual tuition

What does the course involve?

In addition to Cambridge Standard Preparation, this course adds a special-focus lesson each day. Options for the extra lesson include:

- Grammar & Speaking
- Listening & Speaking
- Vocabulary & Speaking
- Writing & Speaking
- Introduction to Business English

(You'll be informed which options are available at your interview)

What are the additional lesson benefits?

- Work on a specific area of English that particularly suits your needs
- Increase the variety of your language learning by working with different teachers and students
- Study in a group that shares similar interests

Teacher feedback

Alastair Douglas

"Having a clear goal to work towards is highly motivating for the students. It is also very rewarding for both the teacher and the students when they pass the exam."



IELTS (International English Language Testing System) Preparation Courses

Timetable

IELTS 13.15 – 16.15

15 lessons per week for four weeks, Monday to Friday from 13.15 - 16.15 with a 15 minute break. Total lesson time per week: 13 hours and 45 minutes.

IELTS Plus 12.15 – 13.10 & 13.15 – 16.15

20 lessons per week for four weeks. Monday to Friday from 12.15 - 13.10 with a 15 minute break (General English), and 13.15 - 16.15 with a 15 minute break (IELTS Preparation). Total lesson time per week: 18 hours and 20 minutes.

IELTS Combination 0900 – 12.00 & 13.15 – 16.15

30 lessons per week for four weeks. Monday to Friday, 9.00 - 12.00 with a 15 minute break (General English), and 13.15 - 16.15 with a 15 minute break (IELTS Preparation). Total lesson time per week: 27 hours and 50 minutes.

What does the course involve?

This course will help improve your academic language skills for the test. You'll get a course book and an official practice test book to support your studies. The main focus is on:

- Academic language and skills
- Test strategies and techniques
- Test practice with a full practice test

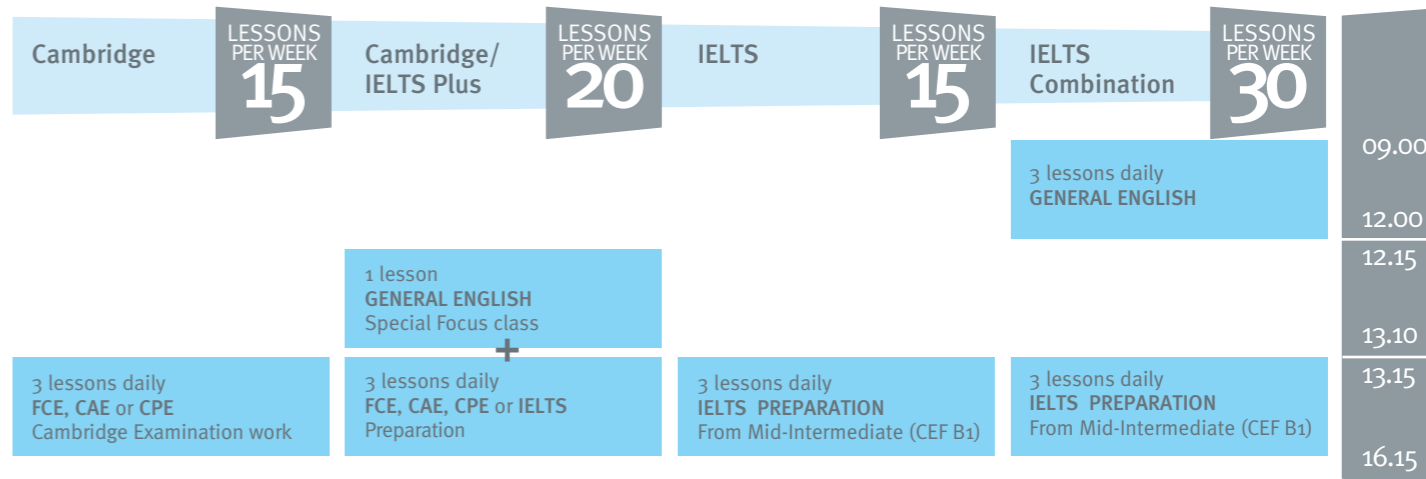
Who should take this course?

If you need a recognised English language qualification for university or work, IELTS is an established standard for most colleges and companies. IELTS Preparation courses teach you test strategies and increase your language knowledge to help you achieve the IELTS level you need.

What are the course benefits?

- Three different levels of study allow you to learn in a group that closely matches your ability and needs
- Dedicated teachers with lots of experience teaching English to pass IELTS
- Take your exam with IH London – a recognised IELTS Centre
- Work in small groups of no more than 12 students

Timetable Options for exam courses



One lesson = 55 minutes



One-to-One tuition



Timetable

Semi-Intensive (3 lessons per day)	09.00 – 12.00 or 13.15 – 16.15
Intensive (6 lessons per day)	09.00 – 12.00 & 13.15 – 16.15

One-to-one tuition can be purchased by the lesson.

Adding intensive one-to-one lessons to your General English course can help you achieve your aims more quickly. Our experienced teachers will assess your language needs and your goals, and then design a programme to suit you. It's a great way to make fast progress in areas such as speaking or writing, or to prepare for an exam. Lessons are flexible and easy to fit around other courses. You can also add one-to-one lessons to many of our courses.

One-to-one lessons are 55 minutes each.



University Foundation Programme



Timetable

09.00 – 12.00 & 14.00 – 17.00

Successful completion of our University Foundation Programme (UFP) prepares you for entry to many top UK universities. The course is flexible and modular, enabling you to study Law, Business or Engineering as well as the core English and Maths units.

What does the course involve?

- General English and IELTS preparation
- Understanding lectures and taking notes
- Independent learning skills
- General essay and report writing skills
- Oral Presentations
- Planning, organising and structuring academic texts
- Researching and writing a project
- Writing and presenting coursework

For more information on the University Foundation Programme, please request a University Foundation Programme brochure or see our website www.ihlondon.com/preparing-for-university/

Entry Level

- 9 month University Foundation Programme – IELTS 5.0
- 6 month University Foundation Programme – IELTS 5.5

Course Calendar

2010			2011						
September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
9 Month Programme									
Start date: 20 September			Study Break					Study Break	End date: 1 July 2011
			6 Month Programme						
			Start date: 10 January			Study Break	End date: 1 July 2011		

Accommodation



Where Can I Stay?

IH London has a dedicated accommodation office for all full-time students. We can help you find a place to stay to suit your budget and your preferences. All our accommodation options are regularly reviewed and of a high quality. Accommodation bookings are for one week minimum, from Sunday to Sunday.

• Homestay With A Local Family

All our host families live in London's zones 2 or 3, and you can choose standard, superior or executive en suite level of accommodation. You will have a single room in the house, and you can choose whether you would like breakfast only, breakfast and four evening meals a week, or breakfast and seven evening meals a week.

• Shared Room

Shared rooms in a large student house are a good option if you want to meet lots of people and enjoy socialising. Shared rooms sleeping 3 to 5 people are available in a big Victorian house located in Finsbury Park (zone 2). There is a communal lounge with television and computer facilities, a kitchen with a washing machine, and a garden. Breakfast is provided. There is no host living in the house.

• Shared House

House share accommodation is a single or twin room in a house shared with other students. This option is self-catered and there is no host living in the house. A twin room can be booked if two students come together.

• Halls of Residence

Modern, well-equipped Halls of Residence are available in Kings Cross and Clerkenwell. You will have a single room with en-suite bathroom, and share a kitchen with other students. Kitchen equipment and bed linen are provided and there is wireless internet access in the building.

• London Lodge

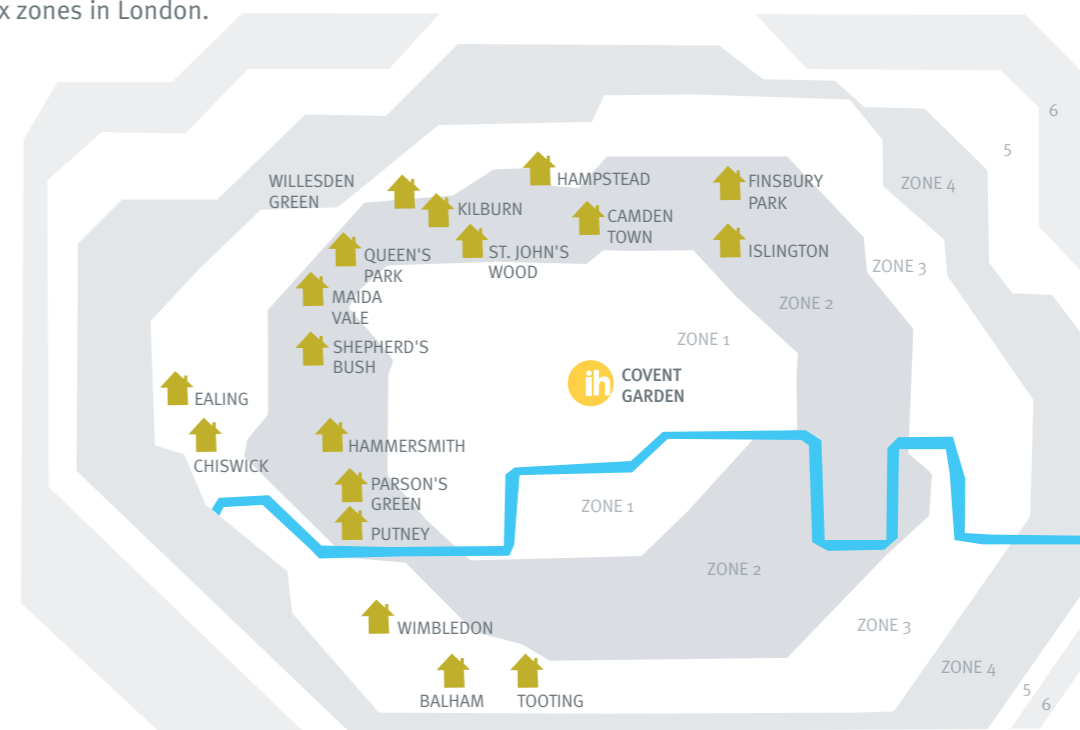
Luxurious guesthouse in north London with en-suite rooms. London Lodge is a good option if you want to share with other students in more exclusive accommodation. Bed and breakfast or bed, breakfast and dinner options are available (no use of kitchen). There is also wireless internet access.

• Hotels and Serviced Apartments

We can arrange hotels and serviced apartments in the central London area. Please contact us for more details.

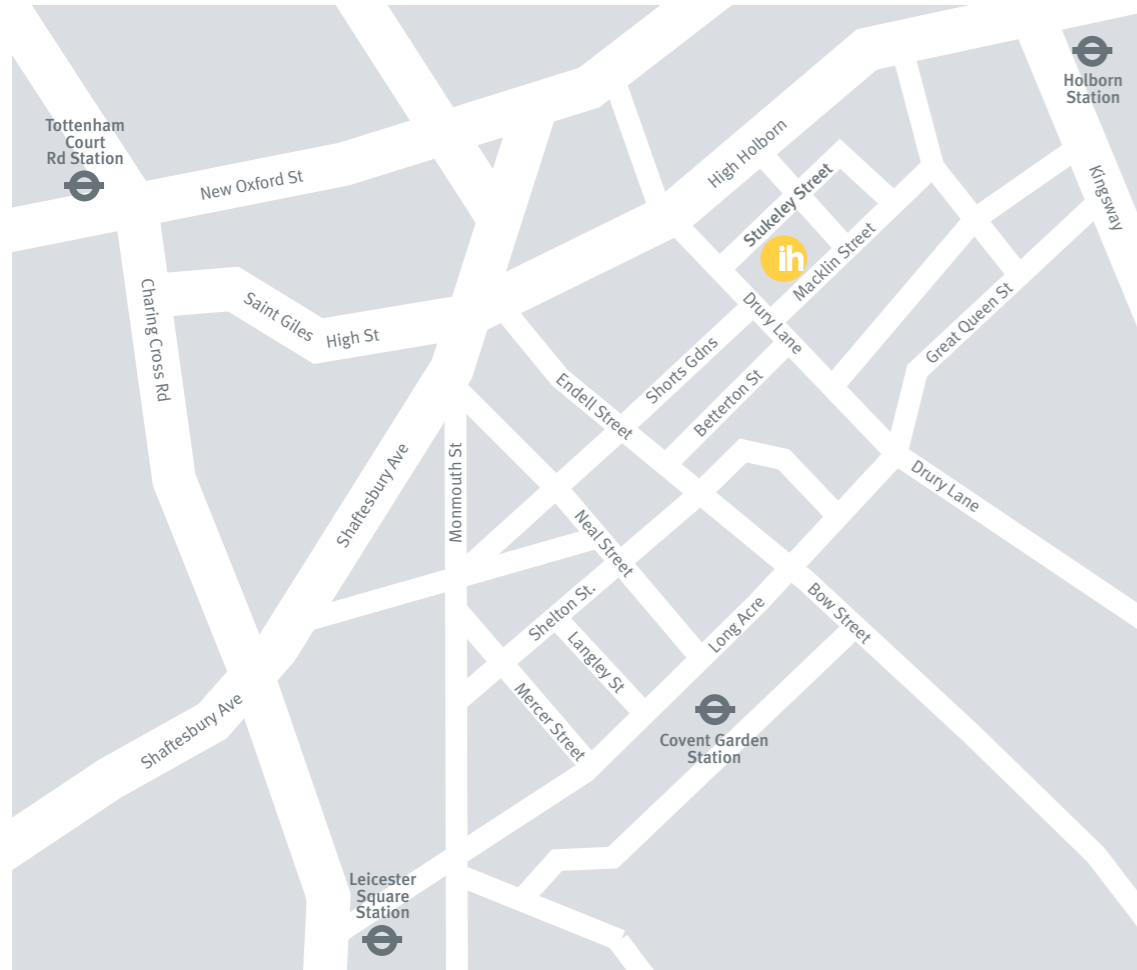


All our host families live in Zone 2-3. There are six zones in London.





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Executive Centre

The IH London Executive Centre provides business and professional people with a range of tailored English language courses. Whether it's a group programme or one-to-one tuition, our dynamic and motivating courses can help you communicate more effectively with your colleagues and clients in a real-world environment.

Teacher Training

We run teacher-training courses for new and experienced language teachers from around the world. Whether you're planning a GAP year, thinking about starting a career as a teacher or interested in teacher training yourself, our range of programmes can help you build your confidence and develop your skills in the classroom.

Modern Languages

Want to learn a new language for work, travel or socialising? Our Modern Languages programme teaches a range of languages to help you reach the level you require. We provide a number of courses including exam preparation programmes, survival courses, corporate training and teacher training to help you achieve your goals.

