



## Course Quotation

### About Hilderstone College

- Hilderstone College was founded in 1970 and has developed an international reputation for quality and individual attention to every student's needs
- The College has a charitable status and is a non-profit, non-funded state further education college
- The College welcomes students from the age of sixteen in its adult classes. We offer group courses for students aged 16+ and in 2017 we introduced closed group courses for teenagers aged 14 – 16 (taught in a specially designated building and separate terms and conditions apply)
- We welcome an average of 1100 students a year, from over 30 different countries, and have a maximum capacity of approximately 130 students at one time
- The College has welcomed groups from: universities, colleges, high schools, Ministries of Education, the British Council, local government, multinational businesses and Educational Tour Operators
- Our courses include: Intensive English, exam preparation for PET, FCE, CAE, CPE, IELTS and TOEIC, English for Academic Purposes, Teacher Development, English and Heritage.

### Quality assurance

- British Council accredited
- Centre of Excellence, as named by the EL Gazette for the seventh consecutive year in 2017
- English UK member
- IALC member
- All courses are eligible for EU Erasmus+ funding. PIC number: 945722647

### Our facilities

- 21 well equipped classrooms, all network connected and with multimedia projectors, some with interactive whiteboard technology
- multimedia Learning Centre with computers, a digital listening centre and lending library
- student study lounge
- free Wi-Fi
- access to [Hilderstone.net](http://Hilderstone.net) our online information and study port
- access to Google Apps for Education
- a cafeteria serving hot and cold food and drinks
- a prayer room
- an on-site theatre
- attractive gardens
- pool table and table tennis.

## Course aims

The aims of the course are to:

- increase course participants' confidence, fluency and accuracy
- expand course participants' understanding, knowledge and ability to use contemporary English, working towards accuracy in grammar, pronunciation, functional language, register and style
- develop participants' ability to use English for their specific purposes
- develop participants' study skills to improve their learning potential
- offer insights into British culture with an emphasis on intercultural awareness and communication
- meet the specific learner objectives agreed between the group organiser and the College

## Course Methodology and Outcomes

- Course participants experience a range of approaches and modes of delivery on the course
- The course is designed to help students develop their confidence and ability to understand and use English effectively in different contexts
- Course participants are assessed on the first day of the course and can also be evaluated prior to, and at the end of the course.

## About Broadstairs



- Broadstairs is a beautiful coastal town, on the famous south-east coast of England
- The town has lovely sandy beaches, a busy town centre and a fascinating history
- Broadstairs has the advantage of being a small, safe town to study in, with excellent transport links to Canterbury and Dover, as well as London, which is only 1 hour and 20 minutes away by direct train
- Mainland Europe is only a short ferry or flight away, and less than 1 hour by Eurostar from Ashford International station.

## Accommodation

- The vast majority of students at Hilderstone College choose to stay in homestay accommodation, which offers excellent value for money and allows students to practise their English and discover more about life in Britain
- All of our homestay hosts are caring and treat students as a member of the family. We do our best to place students with a homestay that matches individual needs and requirements
- Homestay accommodation is inclusive of: a private bedroom or twin-rooms, a place to study, a weekly laundry service, breakfast and dinner on weekdays, breakfast lunch and dinner at weekends
- Students over the age of 18 from the same group may stay together if requested, but there will otherwise be no student of the same mother tongue in the homestay
- Students under the age of 18 are placed together, within the same group, wherever possible for safeguarding purposes. Throughout the year, homestays are provided within easy walking distance of the College (30 minute's maximum). We recommend that students walk to and from their accommodation with a housemate. On courses at busy periods, e.g. July, students may be placed in homestay requiring transport which will be arranged at no extra cost by the College.

## Sample programme

	09.00 – 12.30	14.00 – 16.00	20.00 – 21.30
<b>Sunday</b>	Arrival		
<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration &amp; welcome</li> <li>• Welfare briefing</li> <li>• College tour</li> <li>• Morning classes</li> </ul>	Orientation tour of the local area by coach	Welcome evening
<b>Tuesday</b>	Morning classes: language development	Afternoon classes Cambridge B2 First preparation	Dance performance by Duncan Centre Conservatory students followed by folk dance for all to join in
<b>Wednesday</b>	Morning classes: language development	Afternoon classes Cambridge B2 First preparation	Evening talk on British life and culture e.g. Geography and History, the Royal Family
<b>Thursday</b>	Morning classes: language development	Afternoon classes Cambridge B2 First preparation	Free evening or multimedia learning centre open for supervised self-access study or examination practice
<b>Friday</b>	Morning classes: language development	Afternoon excursion e.g. Canterbury, Dover Castle	Student club or film
<b>Saturday</b>	Full day excursion to Brighton or Cambridge (Brighton will include entry into the Brighton Pavillion, Cambridge will include a guided tour of the city – both subject to availability at the time of booking)		

Sunday departure