

*"To speak English or not to speak English  
- that is the question!"*



**MAYFLOWER**  

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**COLLEGE**



## Mayflower College...

- was founded in 1988 and specialises in the tuition of English to international students
- is inspected and accredited by the British Council and is a member of English UK
- welcomes approximately 1000 learners per year from 50+ countries
- is an IELTS examination centre and many of its teachers are also IELTS examiners. Mayflower College also provides IELTS examiner training.
- is located just a few metres from the seafront in the historic city of Plymouth
- has small class sizes (average of 6 students per class on adult General English courses)
- has 20 classrooms (all with internet access and many rooms have a view of the sea)
- has a computer suite (20 terminals) with free internet
- has its own pub ("Pilgrims Inn") - this is a private pub only for Mayflower College students and their friends
- has a cafeteria serving lunches

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 **BRITISH COUNCIL**

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*I really enjoyed staying in Plymouth, and I improved my English. I met some nice people and had the chance to see a different culture*

**Galina - Bulgaria**

*All the teachers are very friendly and positive. The programme of study is very interesting and enjoyable.*

**Aleksandra - Russia**



## Why Plymouth?

Plymouth combines the old with the new. In 1620 the Pilgrim Fathers chose Plymouth as the starting point of their historic voyage to Massachusetts, North America in a ship called "The Mayflower".

Now, Plymouth is a modern city of 275,000 inhabitants offering a wide range of shops, pubs, restaurants, theatres, sports facilities, etc. The surrounding countryside of Dartmoor and Cornwall is some of the most spectacular and naturally beautiful in Britain.

It is of no surprise that Plymouth has been voted "*Britain's Most Desirable City*".

Plymouth's size means that it has a great deal to offer while managing to avoid many of the social problems found in some of England's larger cities. In addition, there are very few language schools in Plymouth. This means that unlike Bournemouth, Brighton, London, Oxford, Cambridge, etc. there are not find many other foreign students in Plymouth. Consequently students have far more opportunity to speak English and far less temptation to speak their own language.



*Very good and helpful teachers. Mayflower College is a well located school. I had a great time learning here and made some good friends for life.*

**Gabriela - Brazil**

*Mayflower College has a friendly atmosphere, with motivated and qualified teachers. Lots of good humour.*

**Sabrina - Italy**



## Courses

### General English

These courses concentrate on improving students' confidence, fluency and accuracy in using all aspects of the language including:

- A comprehensive coverage of grammar
- Authentic listening and reading exercises
- Group communication exercises
- Expansion of vocabulary including phrasal verbs and idioms
- Pronunciation & intonation

<b>Minimum age</b>	16 years
<b>Start dates</b>	Any Monday
<b>Length of course</b>	From 1 to 48 weeks
<b>Levels of classes</b>	From "elementary" to "advanced"
<b>Maximum class size</b>	10 students (average 6)
<b>Hours per week</b>	15 or 25

For more information and prices:

[www.maycoll.co.uk/english/courses-adults.htm](http://www.maycoll.co.uk/english/courses-adults.htm)



*Mayflower College has a nice and friendly atmosphere, with beautiful surroundings. It has good teachers with wonderful personalities and interesting trips.*

**Magdalena - Poland**



## Courses

### IELTS preparation courses

Mayflower College is an IELTS examination centre and many of its teachers are also IELTS examiners. We are therefore confident that we can offer the most effective preparation for the IELTS examination.

An IELTS examination is scheduled at least once per month.

Preparation courses offer language improvement as well as examination techniques.

See <http://www.maycoll.co.uk/ielts.html> for further information.

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### English for Professionals / Executives

These courses combine General English classes with individual (1:1) classes. These courses are tailor-made entirely to the needs and objectives of the student (following a detailed needs analysis)

<b>Minimum age</b>	16 years
<b>Start dates</b>	Any Monday
<b>Length of course</b>	From 1 to 26 weeks
<b>Levels of classes</b>	From "elementary" to "advanced"
<b>Maximum class size</b>	10 students (average 6)
<b>Hours per week</b>	Option 1: 30 hours (25 in a group and 5 individual) Option 2: 25 hours (15 in a group and 10 individual) Option 3: 30 hours (15 in a group and 15 individual) Option 4: 35 hours (25 in a group and 10 individual)



## Courses

### Aviation English

Mayflower College is a global leader in Aviation English testing and training. New ICAO regulations require all pilots and air traffic controllers to have a minimum level of English - this is known as ICAO Level 4.

Mayflower College offers:

- Aviation English courses for pilots and air traffic controllers.
- Courses for Aviation English teachers
- Courses for Raters (how to apply the ICAO Rating Scale)
- Benchmark testing
- The leading online, independent study programme called “Climb Level 4”
- The formal, licensing test called Test of English for Aviation (T.E.A.) - approximately 25,000 pilots and controllers have been tested with T.E.A. in over 100 T.E.A. test centres around the world.



*“The ‘Climb Level 4’ course was very interesting. I think it’s very important for all aviators, because it has a lot of new vocabulary and good audios, overall it’s a good tool to improve our aviation English.”*

*“The course is very interesting, and helped me greatly in the discovery of new words, inherent in my work as a pilot.”*

### Teachers of English

The Mayflower College has been successfully running courses for teachers of English since 1991. Many of the European teachers who take these courses receive funding under the EU Lifelong Learning Programme (Comenius / Socrates).

Courses are scheduled throughout the year:

- Language & Methodology for **Primary** School Teachers of English - 3 weeks
- Language & Methodology for **Secondary** School Teachers of English - 3 weeks
- Using technology, music & drama in the EFL Classroom - 2 weeks



*I enjoyed everything very much, I’d like to do it again! Excellent example of a good teacher job to copy and I can now use modern technology. This course broadened my mind to different aspects of English. I will recommend this school to other teachers.*

**Monika - Poland**

## Courses

### Junior Activity Courses

These courses include 15 hours tuition per week (09.00-12.00h, Monday to Friday) and activities / sports / visits every weekday afternoon as well as a full-day excursion on Saturdays.

<b>Age of students</b>	13-17 years
<b>Start dates</b>	Courses run between 16 June and 18 August
<b>Length of course</b>	From 1 to 8 weeks
<b>Levels of classes</b>	From "elementary" to "advanced"
<b>Maximum class size</b>	15 students (average 10)

For further information visit <http://www.maycoll.co.uk/pdfs/Junior-activity-description.pdf>



*Wonderful place,  
and very good  
experience. Nice  
international  
students and  
helpful teachers.  
Very good  
atmosphere.*

**Ildikó - Hungary**

## Accommodation

Accommodation is provided in a local host family and includes breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal:

Accommodation is one of the most important aspects of the course for the student. If the student stays with a good family then we have found that he or she can gain as much from them as from the teachers in the classroom. A bad family however can create an extremely negative impression about the course and The Mayflower College in general. It is with this in mind that all the families we use are selected very carefully.



Host families are typically located a ~15-minute bus ride and 10-minute walk from Mayflower College.

Alternatively there is also a wide range of hotel accommodation within walking distance



of the Mayflower College, the City Centre and the seafront.

Mayflower College will be pleased to help with recommendations and bookings.

*My host family was fantastic .... we have become like friends and I hope they will visit me in Budapest next year.*

**Rita - Hungary**

*I really enjoyed staying with John and Susan ... we talked a lot so it really helped with me with English. The food was tasty too!*

**Seda - Turkey**

## Key Mayflower College Staff



**Jonathan Salisbury**  
Director of Studies



**Jill Tyler**  
General Manager



**Aaron Dillon**  
Student Services

## Transport

An easy way to travel to Plymouth is by National Express coach from the airport to Plymouth. A return coach between Heathrow/Gatwick and Plymouth takes about 4 hours and the coaches leave the Airport every 2 hours. For more information on travel options visit our website at <http://www.maycoll.co.uk/travel.htm>

### Heathrow/Gatwick to Plymouth Return coach ticket

- Approx. £55 (Price varies according to date/time of travel)

### Private Transfers

For small or large groups traveling together, we can organise a private taxi or coach transfer.

### London Heathrow- Airport → Plymouth → London Heathrow- Airport

<b>Taxi</b> (8 seats)	£460
<b>Minibus</b> (16 seats)	£775
<b>Coach</b> (29 seats)	£1,540
<b>Coach</b> (49 seats)	£1,700



*I am now more self confident when I am speaking English and I can now say almost everything I want. I love this place and I want to come back next year.*

**Sara - Spanish**

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