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# Welcome to BEST in Bath!



#### Come and study with us

in the beautiful UNESCO city of Bath, with the atmosphere of a big city, but without the stress! Enjoy the fantastic teaching, active social life, friendly staff and warm welcome that the school offers

in this shoppers' paradise!

The school is owned and managed by people who live in Bath, and love living here. We are experienced educational specialists. School Principal, Mark Appleton, has 25 years' experience, and 15 years running courses in the city.

We are the local experts who can offer you excellent all-round quality, helping you achieve your study goals while

having a great time on our varied social programme, which offers a wide range of cultural, sporting and social activities. We can arrange your accommodation too. Choose from a range of options – homestay, hotel, self-catering apartments, and residences in the summer. The school is run with reference to British Council Accreditation guidelines. We are a small, friendly, independent school dedicated to providing our students with an experience we believe to be the Best in Bath!

Whatever your age, we offer a variety of course options to suit you.

Mark Appleton, School Principal



## Bath - the **BEST** place in England to study!

#### Bath is one of the most visited cities in England,

famous around the world for its beautiful buildings, wide range of cultural attractions, great shops and restaurants and its fantastic atmosphere. Only 90 minutes from London, Bath is the ideal location for study - just the right size to get around easily, but with a vibrant buzz that makes it feel like a much bigger city. With two universities and world-class sporting facilities, there is always something going on. And it's also a great place simply to relax and chill out!

We take care to make sure our school is a comfortable place to study. Situated in the heart of the city, all facilities are close by, so that travel between locations is easy, quick and convenient for our students.

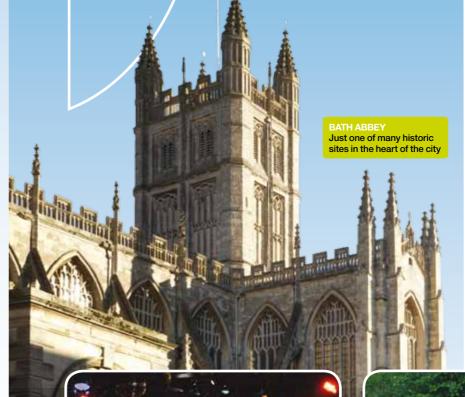
Take a boat on the river, enjoy the parks and local countryside, make the most of the excellent sporting facilities, or go to the theatre or a musical event at one of the city's many festivals. You can also just enjoy the local nightlife! There is something happening in Bath all year round.

#### **PFACT FILE**

#### Some of Bath's features...

- UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Ancient Roman Baths
- Stunning Georgian architecture
- Luxurious Modern Spa the only natural hot springs in the UK
- Famous for the author

  Jane Austen and her novels
- Festivals all through the year
- River and canal boat trips
- 14 amazing museums
- Pretty parks throughout the city
- Botanical gardens
- Olympic-size swimming pool
- 5 theatres
- 10 cinema screens
- 4 golf courses
- Famous Christmas market
- Population of 85,000
- Surrounded by beautiful countryside
- Just 90 minutes from London









## Courses for all

#### All our courses are designed to suit your needs,

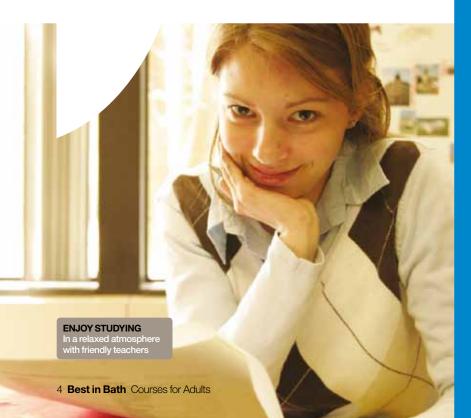
helping you to improve your English for work, study or social reasons. There is a balance of activities every day, with emphasis on improving speaking, listening and vocabulary. We also recognise that developing confidence is important – and like to involve students in using English outside the classroom in real-life situations. So be prepared to spend some time out of school!

There are also options to choose from in the afternoons: history and culture; IELTS; Business English; Cambridge exams – and more. Please contact us for more details of the full programme.

The school has an academic management team of many years' experience, leading a staff of qualified teachers. We place high emphasis on high-quality teaching, individual attention and student care. There are internet-linked computers available for students' use.

All our courses include a free, guided sightseeing tour of the city. For our teenagers' summer courses please see our separate brochure.

We are also experts, with considerable experience of special closed groups: including university of the third age, professional groups, schools etc. Please ask if you require further information.



#### **BFACT FILE**

#### **Intensive Courses**

- 15 or 22.5 hours of lessons per week\*
- Start any Monday
- Placement test on arrival
- Flexible syllabus benefits students
- Maximum 15 students per class
- Al course materials included
- End-of-course certificate and full course report
- Optional additional guided self-study
- Weekly feedback sessions with educational staff
- Access to further advice about your English progress

#### **Combined Courses**

- C5 take the Intensive 30, plus 5 hours of 1-1 lessons per week.
- C10 take the Intensive 20, plus 10 hours of 1-1 lessons per week

#### Individual courses

Choose the number of lessons you require in the subject areas you need

#### **Course Content Outline**

- Communication skills
- Fluency practice
- Vocabulary building
- Listening practice
- Writing skills
- Pronunciation
- Grammar focus
- Cultural elements
- External visits









## Social life & excursions

#### Bath has a range of cultural and social attractions

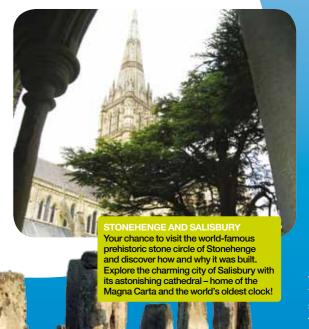
offering something for all ages, making it the ideal city to study in. Surrounded by beautiful countryside and full of historic buildings, you have the opportunity to experience what are sure to become some of your most treasured memories.

The school's active social programme encourages networking, and you can make friends for life in our wonderful international environment. Walk where Romans walked at the Roman Baths, indulge yourself in the state-of-the-art spa, enjoy a stroll along the river Avon, or visit the local pubs and an incredible selection of restaurants. And don't miss out on the fantastic shopping either...

There is so much on offer, you'll never run out of things to see and do! Check what the city has to offer, and the wide range of cultural and social attractions at www.visitbath.co.uk

Our Student Services Manager is here to help you make the most of your time here. You can join in the optional programme of cultural and leisure activities, sports, local visits and excursions. We can also help you with advice about your free time and trips, and with hotel bookings and travel arrangements.





Courses for Adults **Best in Bath** 5



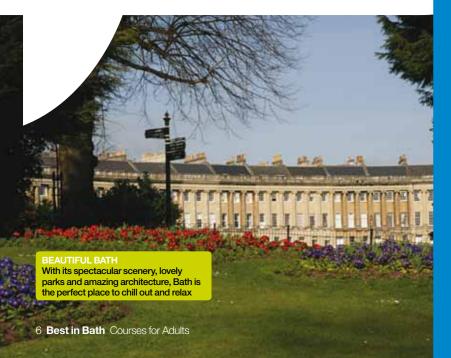
## Accommodation - your stay in Bath

#### Living with a host family means you experience the best of

the city in a friendly and relaxing environment. You are looked after like a member of the family, experiencing life in an English home and practising your language skills. Our homestay hosts are carefully selected for the quality of their homes and the warm welcome they offer, and are and are visited regularly by our accommodation department. Households reflect life in the UK today, which could mean; two parents and their children, a retired couple, a single woman with or without children, or perhaps a young

couple. We always do our best to match families and students together, and will do everything we can to make sure that your preferences are met.

You will be expected to arrive on a Sunday and leave on a Saturday. Families usually receive new guests after 4.00pm. Please let us know if you need to arrive on a different day or at a different time. You will normally be met on arrival in Bath and our accommodation manager is always available to talk to students and families to make sure that you have a fantastic stay!



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RIENDS FOR LIFE

#### Accommodation

- Single room, half-board
- Full-board at weekends
- Study desk or place to work
- Light laundry
- Bed linen and towels
- A maximum of 30 minutes travel from school
- Daily shower or bath
- Superior rate includes private bathroom

#### Other options...

- Hotels
- Guest Houses
- B&Bs
- **YMCA Student Hostel**
- Summer season residence



Bath

STANSTED AIRPORT 160 miles from the city of Bath

HEATHROW AIRPORT 100 miles from the city of Bath

London

GATWICK AIRPORT 128 miles from the city of Bath

## Travel to Bath

#### Bath is well connected with many travel links

including London Heathrow and London Gatwick airports. Bristol airport is only 45 minutes from Bath. We can help arrange transfers and book tickets from and to your arrival airport, by train or coach. We also offer a meeting service. Alternatively you can book a taxi, which will take you directly to your accommodation.

London Heathrow Coach 2 ½ hours Pre-booked taxi 1½ hours London Gatwick Coach 3 ½ hours Pre-booked taxi 2½ hours Train 2½ hours

Bristol
Coach & train 11/4 hours
Pre-booked taxi 45 minutes

Please see the brochure insert for further details, or contact us if you are arriving at a different airport.











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