

Vacation English

Section 1: Overview

Is this course for me?

- This course is for students who want to improve their English but still have plenty of free time outside of class.
- Lessons will improve all your key skills: reading, writing, listening, speaking.
- You'll gain confidence through total immersion in English.

Key Facts

Available in

- Boston
- Los Angeles
- New York

Start dates:

- Every Monday between 3 January and 5 December 2022 (first Monday of each month for beginners)

Entry level:

- Beginner (Kings Level 1)

Age:

- 16+

Duration:

- 2 - 12 weeks

Class size:

- Maximum 15

Lessons per week:

- 20 lessons (15 hours) General English

Included in the price:

- 20 lessons per week (15 hours)
- Welcome Information Pack
- Course materials
- Placement test on arrival, weekly assignments, group participation and progress tests
- Use of Computer Learning Centre
- Access to Classmate, the Kings online learning platform
- Free Wi-fi at school
- Full access to Kings social programme, with at least two free activities per week
- Full access to join Kings' school clubs and societies
- Optional weekly lecture programme
- End-of-course certificate (requires minimum 90% attendance)



"Kings has such a good system. You learn everywhere here. We learn and practice English everywhere from cafeteria to classroom, to other dormitories where we have friends."

Section 2: Course structure and content

Your general English lessons will improve your reading, writing, speaking and listening at a consistent rate. Each week, lessons will focus on a different topic.

Key areas covered include:

Communication skills

- Conversational language skills
- Listening and accents
- Reading and interpretation
- Writing and presenting

Linguistic resources

- Building your vocabulary bank
- Fine tuning your pronunciation
- Interpretation of texts
- Grammar and syntax

Study skills

- Note taking and revision
- Research skills
- Time management and planning
- Dictionary work
- Learner autonomy

Cultural and personal development

- Understanding cultural difference and similarity

- Team work and leadership
- Presenting an argument
- Discussion skills

You will be assigned to your general English class based on your current Kings Level. We have classes suitable for students at Level 1 (Beginner) right through to Level 8 (Advanced), and you will progress up through the levels as your skills improve and your confidence grows.

Sample timetable

Please note: Sample timetable subject to change. General English lessons may take place in mornings or afternoons in summer.

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
09:00 - 10:30 (Lessons 1 & 2)	Progress test including listening and writing Individual and group feedback on test	Grammar Using 'will' and 'shall' in polite requests Pronunciation Open and closed questions (intonation) Professional skills Interviews.	Vocabulary Common idioms and phrasal verbs used to describe behaviour Reading, listening and writing Giving tips on how to behave in different situations	Listening Understanding how technology works Functional language Giving instructions Task-based learning (leadership and team work) Building a bridge	Grammar review 'Will', 'shall' and relative clauses Video Ted Talk: How to lead a conversation between people who disagree Discussion Beyond right and wrong?
10:30 - 11:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00 - 12:30 (Lessons 3 & 4)	Vocabulary Social behavior: Talking about norms and customs Discussion Understanding cultural differences	Video Phone addiction. Role-play Asking for and offering help Study skills Making effective notes	Real English People in the newspapers today Grammar Defining relative clauses Vocabulary Adjectives of character	Writing An email describing a new invention. Presentations A future without cars.	Vocabulary Diplomatic language Professional skills Giving and receiving feedback Discussion — Beyond right and wrong?