

Mayflower College

High-quality English language teaching and testing



**MAYFLOWER
COLLEGE**



IELTS™
Official Test Centre



Plymouth Hoe

Plymouth

“Plymouth is the best place to live in the country” - Guardian Newspaper

Plymouth (population 275,000) is a city of history, beauty and pleasure combining the old with the new; it has something for everyone – culture, entertainment, history and exciting activities.

Visit the Barbican and see the Mayflower steps where the Pilgrim Fathers set sail to America in 1620 on a ship called ‘The Mayflower’.

See the beautiful landscape of Dartmoor - a place full of history with its stone circles, Bronze Age ruins and its own collection of myths and legends.

Plymouth's city centre has a wide range of shops for all budgets as well as a large selection of restaurants, cafes and bars.

With its world-famous harbour Plymouth offers many possibilities to have fun on the water such as canoeing, sailing, diving and windsurfing. Other attractions include swimming pools, sports centres, golf courses, cinemas, bowling, casinos, arts centres, libraries, museums, theatres and dry-ski slope / toboggan run.

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 relatively few foreign students in Plymouth. Consequently there is far more opportunity for students to speak English and far less temptation to speak their native language.

Mayflower College

Mayflower College, founded in 1988, is a member of English UK and accredited by the British Council (Accreditation UK) and ISI (Independent Schools Inspectorate).

Mayflower College has a friendly, supportive and caring atmosphere. Our established team of administrative and teaching staff always strive to work together in the best interests of our students. We offer outstanding teaching and support with accommodation, student welfare and travel arrangements.

97% of our students say they would recommend Mayflower College to a friend / colleague / relative

Every year we welcome more than 1000 learners from 50+ countries. We are located just a few metres from the seafront and our students benefit from the tranquility of being close to the water. We have small class sizes (average 6-8 students per class) with 20 classrooms, all with internet access and many rooms have a sea-view. Other facilities include two computer suites, free wi-fi internet access, a cafeteria and two roof gardens with stunning views of Plymouth harbour. There are four public tennis courts next to the college and also a medical clinic in case of emergency sickness.

For our longer-term learners we allocate a personal tutor to help them with the academic and non-academic challenges of adapting to life in the UK.

“Mayflower College excels in helping students prepare for the IELTS test”

Xianghua - Agent, China

Accommodation



"My homestay took care of me as a special guest, preparing scrumptious breakfasts and dinners and taking their time to discuss and explain everything. The room and feeling in their house was lovely". François (French executive)



To give adult students the maximum opportunity to practise their English in a real-life situation, Mayflower College can arrange accommodation in one of our carefully selected homestays. All of our homestays are inspected and monitored by our Accommodation Officers.

The homestay provides adult students with their own private bedroom, meals (breakfast and dinner from Monday to Friday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and Sunday) and the warmest of welcomes. Light laundry, bed linen and towels are provided. Homestays normally meet students upon arrival and take them to their departure point (in Plymouth).

Homestays are a short bus ride (15-20 minutes) from the Mayflower College; travel passes can be purchased from the main office.

It is our policy not to accommodate more than one person of the same native language in the same host family (unless specifically requested).

Advice can also be provided about other types of accommodation (for example, guest houses and hotels within walking distance of Mayflower College).

Teaching



Our teaching team are highly experienced, enthusiastic professionals committed to improving our students' English language skills.

Students are helped to express themselves freely, to understand how the language works and to transfer theory into practice in realistic situations.

Weekly testing and 1:1 tutorials help to maximise our students' progress and improvement.



"Mayflower College, the homestay and Plymouth were beyond what I can put into words" Serdar, Turkish

Aviation English

Mayflower College - a global leader in Aviation English training & testing



Aviation English training & testing since 1992

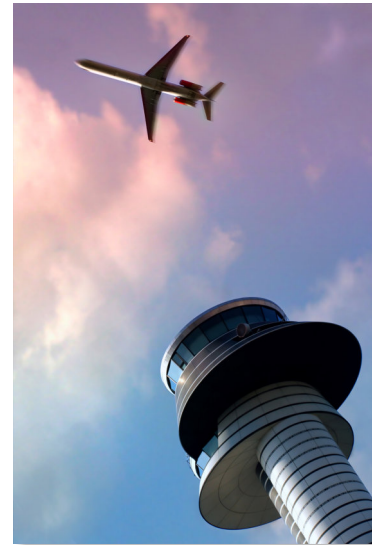
ICAO standards mean that all air traffic controllers and pilots working internationally now need to have a minimum level of English ('Operational Level 4'). Mayflower College specialises in:

- ▶ Classroom based courses for pilots and ATCO's
- ▶ Internet based courses for pilots and ATCO's ('Climb Level 4')
- ▶ Courses for teachers of Aviation English
- ▶ Courses for examiners: how to apply the ICAO language proficiency scale
- ▶ Test of English for Aviation (TEA)

For further information visit www.aviation-english.com



T.E.A. is one of the world's most trusted tests for accurately and securely assessing pilots' and air traffic controllers' level of English according to the ICAO scale. Test centres are offered throughout the world - see www.TEA-test.com. *T.E.A. is approved by many national Civil Aviation Authorities including the UK CAA.*



"I couldn't imagine that studying with 'Climb Level 4' I'd see my English improving like that. The program is amazing" - Rodrigo (pilot), Italy



Climb Level 4 is the leading self-study, online Aviation English programme used in over 50 countries. It uses the latest in Speech Recognition / Artificial Intelligence technology to improve speaking and listening skills.

Climb Level 4 is intended for pilots and controllers aiming to reach ICAO Level 4 or ICAO Level 5. For further information visit www.climb-level4.com



Courses for adults



"I can say your school, your program and your work is the best that I have found in my 16 years working in this market"

(Carlos, Spanish agent)

▶ GENERAL ENGLISH

Students may choose to study for 15 or 25 hours per week. We offer courses for students from elementary to advanced level (but not for complete beginners). These courses concentrate on improving our 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 and intonation.



▶ IELTS PREPARATION COURSES

1, 4 and 12-week courses are offered. Students have the opportunity to perform practise tests under examination conditions and the IELTS tutor offers guidance and feedback on performance.

"The IELTS preparation course was simply brilliant"

Victoria, Russia

▶ IELTS TESTING

Mayflower College is an IELTS test centre. Our students have the convenience of taking the IELTS test in Mayflower College.

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▶ ENGLISH FOR PROFESSIONALS / EXECUTIVES

These courses combine General English classes with individual tuition. They are tailor-made to suit the needs and objectives of each student (following a detailed needs analysis). Students can choose different combinations of 25, 30 or 35 hours per week..

▶ ACADEMIC ENGLISH

These courses are to prepare students linguistically for their studies at British Universities or other institutes of Higher Education.

▶ TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

This course is designed for non-native teachers of English and has three main objectives:

- Language fluency
- British education and culture
- Communicative methodology



During the course, participants have the opportunity to practise and improve their English language skills, enhance their vocabulary and expression and refresh their teaching techniques and approaches. These courses are eligible for Erasmus+ funding.

▶ TAILOR-MADE COURSES FOR GROUPS

Examples include:

- Aviation English
- Business / Marketing English
- Nursing / Health and Social Care
- Exam preparation (IELTS, BULATS, TEA etc.)
- English and sport
- Cultural programmes for senior learners (55+ years)
- A 'Taste of Christmas'



Courses for juniors



"The students had a really marvelous time. In fact, I believe most of them would have liked to stay there forever! I didn't hear one complaint from anybody"

Maree (Group organiser), Hong Kong

The course includes:

- ▶ Social and functional English
- ▶ Language awareness including tense review and study of relevant grammatical structures
- ▶ Pronunciation including sounds, stress and rhythm
- ▶ Idiomatic and colloquial expressions

Throughout the course the lessons use listening, reading, speaking and writing activities in a fully-integrated and natural way.

Activities, visits, workshops and afternoon excursions may include:

- Bowling
- Visit to UK's largest aquarium
- Boat trip
- Cultural exchange
- Cream tea afternoon
- Theatre workshops
- Golf
- Ice skating
- British sports
- Street dance
- Frisbee golf
- DJ / Rap lessons
- Swimming (indoor & outdoor)
- Tobogganing & Snow tubing

There is also a weekly disco or quiz night. Teachers supervise all of these activities.

Example 2-week programme

WEEK 1

Monday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Tour of Plymouth 13.15-16.30h
Tuesday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Clay Art 13.15-16.30h
Wednesday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Sports 13.15-16.30h
Thursday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Boat Trip 13.15-16.30h
		Private Disco 19.30-21.30h
Friday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Aquarium 13.15hr-16.30h
Saturday	Excursion to Eden Project and Looe 09.30hr - 17.00h	

WEEK 2

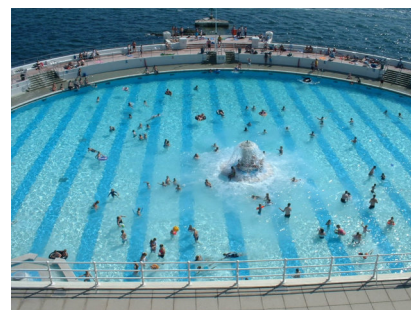
Monday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Ice-skating 13.15-16.30h
Tuesday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Cinema 13.15-16.30h
Wednesday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Swimming 13.15-16.30h
Thursday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Street Dance 13.15-16.30h
		Private Disco 19.30-21.30h
Friday	Lessons 09.00-12.15h	Bowling 13.15-16.30h
Saturday	Excursion to Buckfast Abbey and Exeter 09.30hr - 17.00h	



Saturday Excursions

Full-day excursions are provided to places of interest in Devon and Cornwall. These may include:

Buckfast Abbey, Exeter, Paignton Zoo, Torquay, The Eden Project, Looe, Polperro, Pendennis Castle, and Tintagel.



Saturday excursions



“Mayflower College is a fantastic school with wonderful teachers and it is in a lovely location - the landscapes near the school are amazing!” Aleksandra, Poland

One of the reasons for studying English in England is to be able to practise English outside of the classroom and to experience British culture.

Reasonably-priced excursions are offered every Saturday. A Mayflower College teacher accompanies the students on visits to popular tourist attractions, castles, beauty spots and places of historic importance. The excursions are a great opportunity to practise English and to learn more about the beauty of Devon and Cornwall.



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Travel

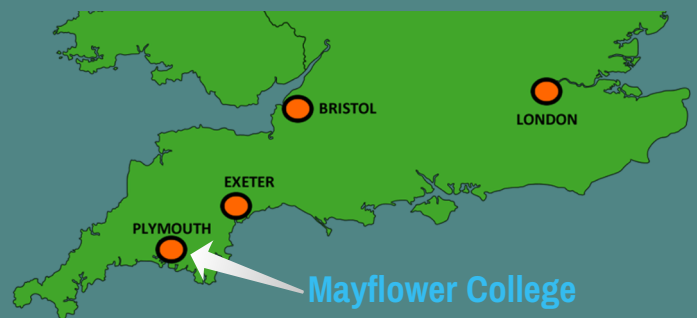
Plymouth is easily accessible from Heathrow Airport, London by National Express coach or train.

From central London there are regular direct trains from Paddington Station.

Brittany Ferries operates regular sea crossings to Plymouth from Roscoff, France and Santander, Spain.

The closest international Airports are Bristol (approx. 2 hours) and Exeter (approx. 45 minutes)

Email english@maycoll.co.uk for assistance with all your travel needs in the UK. We can often buy your tickets in advance for you.



How to enrol

Complete our enrolment form online at www.maycoll.co.uk

When we have received your completed enrolment form, test and deposit, you will be sent an official registration letter (which can be used to support a visa application).

