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Summer courses for Young Learners

English courses for young learners 2015
### CAE, GIRTON

**TEENAGE HOMESTAY COURSES (14-16 years)**

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- **Maximum class size – 12**
- **All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)**
- **Supervision covered by CAE and Homestays**
- **20 full hours of lessons per week**
- **2 full-day and 3 half-day excursions**
- **Afternoon options and evening activities**
- **Elementary to advanced level**
- **Excellent mixture of nationalities**
- **Homestays all near school**

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### MORETON HALL

**CHILDREN’S RESIDENTIAL COURSE (9-13 years)**

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- **Maximum class size – 12**
- **All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)**
- **Secure rural environment with 24 hour supervision**
- **15 full hours of lessons per week**
- **Staff/student ratio 1:6**
- **Regular excursions**
- **Full programme of afternoon and evening activities**
- **Accommodation in shared dormitories (4-10 students)**

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### PRINCESS HELENA COLLEGE

**TEENAGE RESIDENTIAL COURSES (14-16 YEARS)**

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- **Secure rural environment with 24 hour supervision**
- **20 full hours of lessons per week**
- **Staff/student ratio 1:6**
- **Regular excursions**
- **Wide choice of afternoon and evening activities**
- **Accommodation in shared dormitories and single rooms (1-8 students)**

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### OLD BUCKENHAM HALL

**TEENAGE RESIDENTIAL COURSES (12-15 YEARS)**

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- **Maximum class size – 12**
- **All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)**
- **Secure rural environment with 24 hour supervision**
- **15 full hours of lessons per week**
- **Staff/student ratios of 1:6**
- **Private tennis courts, heated swimming pool, sports hall, pitches and golf course**
- **Accommodation in shared dormitories (2-8 students)**
Cambridge Academy of English established its distinct brand of programmes for individual Young Learners in 1991, and since then it has played host to nearly 7000 young people from some 65 countries.

We are delighted to present the four summer centres that we run for Young Learners each year. These four centres all have their own characters and characteristics, and each is tailored to a particular age-range. However, there are certain important features that are common to all of them:

- None of our centres takes large groups from one country
- There are never more than 12 per class
- Courses are quite intensive: 15-20 hours (full 60 min) of teaching – but teaching of a stimulating and dynamic kind that is likely to be quite different from anything our young clients will have experienced at home
- Young Learners at all our centres start their courses together. Youngsters will not arrive to find that they are newcomers amongst other students who all got to know each other the previous week
- There is always a choice of several sport and non-sport activities in the afternoons
- Excursions are to places that are both educational and great fun

Our aim is simple – to send our Young Learners back to their own countries speaking and understanding more English than when they arrived. And we believe this only happens if they are kept both busy and entertained in a friendly, English-speaking environment that is not too large and not dominated by one or two nationalities.

Another significant point is that the fees for all of our courses are fully-inclusive – there are no ‘voluntary extras’ or ‘add-ons’ that youngsters will be asked to pay for once they have arrived.

We invite you to have a closer look at the four centres that are listed on the page opposite and then described individually later in the brochure. We have tried to include as much detail as we can – but if you have further questions about any aspect of the course, please contact us or your local CAE representative.

Come and join us this summer! We look forward to meeting you.

John Barnett
Principal

Yvonne Chapman
Director of Young Learner Courses

A personal message

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40 years of quality English teaching
Every summer CAE runs special courses with homestays for young people aged 14-16 years but with a mature outlook. The programmes are colourful, varied, exciting, original. Read on ...!

What happens when I arrive at the airport?
On the Sunday before the course begins we will meet you and take you to your home stay. The inclusive airport transfers service is only available to/from Stansted and Luton airports, London Heathrow and London Gatwick, and only for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends. If, however, you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer.

What if I am delayed?
Don’t worry! We will wait at the airport until either you arrive or your parents (or agent) confirm that you are not coming.

Where is the CAE centre?
CAE is located in a safe residential area called Girton which is on the outskirts of Cambridge, the famous university city. The centre of Cambridge is about 15 minutes by bus from the school.

How big are the classes?
There will never be more than 11 other students in your class.

How much English must I already know?
We can teach any level from elementary to advanced (but not absolute beginners). On your first day we will test your spoken and written English and make sure that you are placed in the right class for your level.

Which countries will my classmates be from?
A wide variety. And remember – (i) at CAE we never take large groups of students from one country, and (ii) we limit the number of students speaking the same mother tongue. This means that you will have the maximum opportunity to practise your English with all your fellow students.

What are the classes like?
They will probably be quite different to anything you may have experienced before! You will spend a lot of time speaking and listening (though you’ll get the chance to do reading and writing as well). We know that people learn language most easily when they use it for something interesting to them, so we help you to choose the activities which you most enjoy. We’ll give you lots of opportunities to develop your study skills and to use your English in real situations. You will find that you can’t help learning quickly!

What about the end of the course?
We will take you to the airport and help you check in. Then we will wait at the airport until we know your plane has taken off.

A roof over my head?
All teenage course students studying at CAE are accommodated with local homestay providers whom we choose especially for their needs. You will be asked to share a bedroom – but always with someone speaking another mother tongue. You will be able to have a bath or shower every day, and your home stay will provide you with a laundry service once a week.

The homestay?
Because our homestays come from the same residential area as our school we know them very well – in almost all cases we are the only school they work with. When you apply you should give us as much information about yourself as you can – perhaps you don’t eat meat, or you are allergic to cats, or you like music? We will try to choose the host which we think most suits you. All our ‘T-course’ homestays specialise in accommodating young people.

Something to eat?
You can try real English food at your homestay, who will give you breakfast and dinner every day, and lunch during the weekend (if you are on a weekend excursion they will give you a packed lunch). During the week you can get lunch in the school cafeteria. Don’t worry about money for meals; they’re all included in your course fee.
But how will I get to school?
Your homestay will be within easy reach of the school and no more than a 5-minute direct bus journey from the bus stop nearest to your homestay.

What happens if I am ill?
Your homestay will know exactly what to do. If it’s a minor problem you can see the local doctor, who is used to foreign patients. If it is more serious, we refer you immediately to the local hospital, and if necessary we will fly you home (and the cancellation of your course is covered by insurance included in your course fee).

Other emergencies?
When you arrive we will give you an emergency 24-hour school telephone number which you can use at any time of day or night. There is also an emergency number for your family back home to use if they want to contact you.

Money! Money! Money!
Only bring your pocket money. Everything else – airport transfers, your meals, excursions, sports, admissions – is included in the fee. (If you like, we can keep your pocket money safe until you need it.)

Time for sport! Mad about tennis ...?
Or football, volleyball, badminton, basketball, table tennis, baseball? There are lots of opportunities for different sports.

Is your name Picasso?
Even if it’s not, you can still have great fun glass painting, designing T-shirts or making jewellery in the CAE Art Room.

Those CAE evenings ...
Barbecues, music nights, ice-skating, cinema, bowling, big-screen DVDs, karaoke and much more ... all organised by our full-time social activities team.

Excursions and study visits
On each three-week course there are three half-day excursions to interesting places near the school, and two full-day excursions including one to London. The London excursion will give you the opportunity to see the famous sights, visit museums and galleries and, of course, have some time to buy a souvenir and presents for family and friends.

So here’s a typical week ...

Here is a Sample timetable for this course
Residential Courses: Children 9 -13

What is Moreton Hall?
Moreton Hall is a private boarding school which in summer becomes the centre for CAE’s junior residential course. It is in Bury St Edmunds, which is a small, friendly town 35 minutes east of Cambridge by car.

Where will I live?
Moreton Hall is a residential summer school which means that you will sleep in dormitories with between 3 and 9 other children.

Where will the other children be from?
You will meet children from all over the world – all learning English like you. In the past, children have come from many different countries including Turkey, France, Cambodia, Italy, Spain and Russia.

What are lessons like?
Your lessons will probably be quite different to the English lessons you have in your country. Your class group will work on a course project. You will develop your vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation as you write newspapers, produce a tourist guide or make a film. You will learn the English you need by doing the things you like to do. You will prepare a CAE portfolio as a record of what you have learnt and all the unusual and exciting activities you’ve tried.

Sports and activities?
Moreton Hall has opportunities for some great sports. A private heated swimming pool. Two ‘all-weather’ tennis courts and a large sports hall for playing basketball, volleyball, badminton and other indoor sports. There are hectares of fields for football, baseball, cricket and rugby.

... then there are the other activities
- art, dance, juggling, T-shirt painting, face-painting, craft work, acting, and music ...

... and then in the evening
- cinema trips, ten-pin bowling, theme parties, treasure hunts, quiz nights, karaoke, and DVD’s!

What about excursions?
Regular excursions and study visits are a very important part of your week. You will visit London and Cambridge as well as the local town of Bury St Edmunds. It is when you are out and about that you get a chance to put your new English skills into practice! Good luck!

What about the food?
All your meals will be in the school along with your friends and teachers. If you go out on a full-day excursion, we give you a packed lunch.

What will my teachers be like?
They will all be energetic, qualified and experienced in looking after children of your age. They will not only teach you English, but also sports and other activities.

How much money will I need?
You only need to bring enough money for sweets, souvenirs and presents. Everything else has already been paid for. We will keep your money safe until you need it.

Maximum class size – 12
All costs included in the price
(inc. airport transfers & insurance)
24-hour supervision
15 full hours of lessons per week
Staff/student ratio 1:6
Regular excursions
Full programme of afternoon and evening activities
Secure location
Accommodation in shared dormitories (4-10 students)
Information especially for parents
No doubt you will have a lot of questions about Moreton Hall too – particularly about the safety and welfare of your children.

Here are some of the most common questions we receive:

What happens at the airport?
All children are met at the airport by CAE representatives carrying boards to identify themselves. They will wait at the airport until either they have met your child, or they receive confirmation from you or your agent that your child will not be arriving. Children are then taken direct to Moreton Hall. At the end of the course, children are taken back to the airport, and CAE staff do not leave the airport until the plane has departed. The inclusive airport transfers service is only available to/from Stansted and Luton airports, London Heathrow and London Gatwick, and only for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends.

If, however, you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer.

How safe is the centre?
The school itself is set in spacious grounds in the small town of Bury St. Edmunds. Children are supervised 24 hours a day (our staff are on site throughout the night) and they are not allowed out of the school grounds unaccompanied. School excursions are also closely supervised.

How large are the English classes?
Classes never contain more than 12 children. Children learn most outside of the classroom and our staff/student ratio of 1:6 ensures individual attention at all times of the day.

What is the nationality mix?
We do not allow more than a certain number of children of the same mother-tongue. Above all, we do not accept large groups of children from one country. Your child will be in classes with children from other countries, share dormitories with children from other countries and enjoy activities with children from other countries. We encourage them to use English at all times.

What happens in the case of illness?
We have staff with first aid training available at all times to deal with emergencies. All but the most minor problems are referred to the local doctor. In more serious cases arrangements are made to fly the child home (and your included insurance policy covers loss of fees).

What if my child is homesick?
This is quite normal for the first day or so, especially if your child has never been away from home before. Our staff are very experienced in dealing with this problem. A full and varied schedule almost always means that homesickness is quickly forgotten.

And laundry?
Children’s clothes and towels are cleaned regularly.

Moreton Hall

Moreton Hall - A Typical Day

**Morning**
7.30 “Good morning! It’s time to wake up.”
8.00 Breakfast
8.30 Meeting and morning assembly
9.00 English lessons: new language/grammar game
10.00 Break “Time for a snack.”
10.15 English lessons: listening and speaking
11.15 Break
11.30 English lessons: London visit preparation - reading and writing
12.30 Lunch “That looks delicious.”

**Afternoon**
13.30 Afternoon assembly
13.45 Choose any activity swimming/tennis/juggling/singing
15.15 Break “Tea and cakes.”
15.45 Activity classes: your weekly choice of magazine, arts and crafts, British sports, photography
17.15 Break
18.00 Homework/Portfolios

**Evening**
18.30 Evening meal followed by free time
19.30 Treasure hunt and pirate party
21.00 Boys and Girls House meetings
21.30 Bedtime “Goodnight”

(Exact timings are subject to change)
Residential Courses: Teenagers 14 -16

Princess Helena College
Would you like to have lots of fun learning English this summer? Would you like to spend your time studying with teenagers of your age from all over the world – making new friends, doing sports and activities, and doing all these things in English? If you would, then Princess Helena College is the right place for you!

Princess Helena College is a private boarding school, which in summer becomes the centre for CAE’s teenage residential course. The school is a beautiful and safe building, and is surrounded by its own large picturesque park and gardens. There are great learning and sports facilities, including a library, computer rooms, swimming pool and sports hall ... and this fine building has been recently modernised and refurbished to provide accommodation of a high standard.

Princess Helena College is in a great location, in the middle of some wonderful English countryside less than an hour by road from Cambridge and London, which means it is in easy reach of the main London airports.

Getting you there safely . . .
You will be met at the airport by CAE representatives carrying boards to identify themselves. You will then be taken direct to Princess Helena College. At the end of the course, you will be taken back to the airport, and CAE staff do not leave the airport until the plane has departed. The inclusive airport transfers service is only available to/from Stansted and Luton airports, London Heathrow and London Gatwick, and only for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends. If, however, you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer.

Your summer course
We run two 2-week courses but you can come for all 4 weeks if you want to. The classes are probably very different from your English classes at home. There will never be more than 11 other students in your class and on this course you can be sure you will meet lots of people from other countries. So far, students from more than 75 different countries have studied at CAE! All this means you will have the maximum opportunity to practise your English with all your classmates ... and we can teach any level from elementary to advanced (but not absolute beginners).

Your classes
In your classes you will spend a lot of time speaking and listening – though you’ll get the chance to do reading and writing as well. We know that people learn language best when they are doing interesting things, so our team of qualified and energetic teachers will help you to choose the activities which you enjoy most. The action does not stop from the moment you get up to the moment you go to bed, so you’ll have lots of opportunities to use your English in real situations – you’ll be amazed how quickly you will learn to communicate better in English. Who knows, you may even start dreaming in English! You will take home your own CAE portfolio - a wonderful record of lessons, activities, trips and new friendships made. We hope you will show it off to family and friends and be proud of your English achievements.

- Maximum class size – 12
- All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)
- 24-hour supervision
- 20 full hours of lessons per week
- Regular excursions
- Wide choice of afternoon and evening activities
- Self-contained and secure location
- Accommodation in shared dormitories and single rooms (1-8 students)
Activities, sports and excursions
Princess Helena College offers you some great activities and sport. There’s a private swimming pool, ‘all-weather’ tennis courts and a large sports hall for playing basketball, volleyball, badminton and other indoor sports. Add to that over 50 hectares of fields for football, baseball and many other outdoor activities. Favourite afternoon activities include art, craft, drama, model-making and music.

What about the evenings? We’ve got some great things for you to do then, too. Films, theme parties, discos, games, quiz nights and talent competitions – don’t worry, our full-time social activities team will keep you entertained and you probably won’t even notice that you’re doing all these things in English!

On every course there are excursions on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Your excursions may be to London, where you’ll be able to see the famous sights and do some shopping. There are also excursions to attractions near the school, such as the city of Cambridge or Stratford upon Avon.

Your accommodation
Princess Helena College is a residential summer school, which means that you’ll sleep in dormitories with up to 7 other teenagers. All your meals will be in the school along with your friends and teachers, unless you go out on a full-day excursion, when we will give you a packed lunch. There are great places in the school where you can spend your free time – ideal for doing homework, socialising or just relaxing with a good book.

Welfare
On every CAE course you will find a friendly, hard-working and, above all, safe environment.

- Teenagers are supervised 24 hours a day and they are not allowed out of the school grounds unaccompanied.
- Homesickness at the start of the course is quite normal but our staff are very experienced in dealing with this problem. A full and varied schedule should mean that homesickness is soon forgotten!
- School excursions are always closely supervised.
- We have staff with First Aid training available at all times to deal with emergencies. All but the most minor problems are referred to the local doctor.
- In more serious cases, arrangements are made to fly the teenager home (and your included insurance policy covers loss of fees).

What is included?
Only bring your pocket money, pens and pencils! Everything else – airport transfers, your accommodation, your course, your meals, excursions, sports, admissions – is included in the fee.

How do I enrol?
Just fill in the CAE Young Learner Enrolment Form and send it to the Cambridge Academy of English. After we’ve confirmed your booking, we’ll send you all the information you need and we’ll start getting things ready for you at Princess Helena College. You’ll never forget your time there - or your new friends from all over the world.
Residential Courses: Teenagers 12-15

Old Buckenham Hall

Old Buckenham Hall – we usually just call it ‘OBH’ – is the newest addition to our list of centres, designed for young people aged 12-15. OBH is a private English boarding school in the lovely English county of Suffolk, not far from Cambridge and within easy reach of the main airports. (It is also only about 20 minutes from another of our centres, Moreton Hall, described on pages 6-7 of this brochure.)

The CAE team takes over at OBH in the summer as a residential summer camp for kids from other countries. This means that as with Moreton Hall and Princess Helena College (pages 8-9) we have sole use of beautiful buildings with big classrooms, a library, IT centre and, of course, comfortable accommodation, and lots of wonderful sports facilities and grounds as well.

Getting you there safely . . .

CAE representatives will meet you and take you to Old Buckenham Hall. We will be wearing brightly coloured CAE identification and carrying CAE welcome boards. At the end of the course, you will be taken back to the airport, and CAE staff do not leave the airport until the plane has departed. The inclusive airport transfers service is only available to/from Stansted and Luton airports, London Heathrow and London Gatwick, and only for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends. If, however, you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer.

Your summer course

We run 2-week courses at OBH, but you can come for all 4 weeks if you want to. You might find that the classes are very different from your English classes at home. There will never be more than 11 other students in your class and on this course you can be sure you will meet lots of people from other countries. So far, students from more than 75 different countries have studied at CAE! All this means you will have the maximum opportunity to practise your English with all your classmates . . . and we can teach any level from elementary to advanced (but not absolute beginners).

Your classes

In your classes you will spend a lot of time speaking and listening – though you’ll get the chance to do reading and writing as well. We know that people learn language best when they are doing interesting things, so our team of qualified and energetic teachers will help you to choose the activities which you enjoy most. The action does not stop from the moment you get up to the moment you go to bed, so you’ll have lots of opportunities to use your English in real situations – you’ll be amazed how quickly you will learn to communicate better in English. Who knows, you may even start dreaming in English! You will complete your own CAE portfolio - a wonderful record of lessons, activities, trips and new friendships made. We hope you will show it off to family and friends and be proud of your English achievements.

Your Accommodation

OBH is a residential summer school, which means that you’ll sleep in dormitories of up to 7 other teenagers. All your meals will be in the school along with your friends and teachers, unless you go out on a full day excursion when we will give you a packed lunch.
Old Buckenham Hall

Activities at OBH

Old Buckenham Hall offers you some great activities and sport. In fact, if you prefer to learn English by doing things rather than just studying, then we think OBH is your centre ... It is a special feature of our summer programme at OBH that you will get an opportunity both to specialise in one sport or activity, and to try out lots of others.

- Your afternoon is divided into two halves. In the first half you can try something you have never done before – perhaps film-making or golf – while in the second you can move on to your favourite activity for the whole week – such as baseball or model making. It would be impossible to list all the things you’ll be able to do at OBH, because we are always having new ideas! – but you will always find football, tennis, baseball, volleyball, swimming, basketball, badminton, as well as art, crafts, drama and dance.

- In the evening we have films, theme parties, discos, quiz nights and talent competitions – you’ll be kept so busy that you won’t even notice that you’re doing all these things in English and enjoying it too.

- On every course there are excursions on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Your closely supervised excursions may be to London, where you’ll be able to see the famous sights and do some shopping.

What is included?

Only bring your pocket money, pens and pencils! Everything else – airport transfers, your accommodation, your course, your meals, excursions, sports, admissions – is included in the fee.

How do I enrol?

Just fill in the Young Learner Enrolment Form and send it to CAE. We will confirm your booking and send you all the information you need. We’ll start getting things ready for you at Old Buckenham Hall. You’ll never forget your time there - or the new friends you make from all over the world.

Old Buckenham Hall

A Typical Day

Morning
7.30 Get up "Good morning! Enjoy your day!"
8.00 Breakfast
8.45 Morning assembly
9.00 English classes: language and vocabulary
10.00 Break
10.15 English classes: develop your skills: reading and writing
11.15 Break
11.30 English classes: excursion work: prepare to visit London!
12.30 Lunch and free time

Afternoon
13.30 Afternoon meeting
13.45 Activities: your weekly choice of sport and creative arts
15.15 Afternoon tea
15.45 Activities: more time for your favourite sport or for making a film or magazine
17.15 Free time
18.00 Homework/Portfolios

Evening
18.30 Dinner
19.30 Mini olympics: your chance to go for gold!
21.30 House meeting and time to relax, read and write home
22.00 Bedtime “Goodnight! Sleep well.”

(Exact timings are subject to change)
CAE has been licensed by the UK Border Agency to enrol international students under Tier 4 of the Points Based System and has been awarded HTS status.