



SBC

COURSE OVERVIEW

General English

13-16yrs



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Ages: 13-16

Duration: 2 weeks

English Level: All Levels

At a Glance

Unlocking the Power of Language

Our two-week General English course is perfect for students who want to strengthen their command of the English language. Whether you are preparing for further studies or simply wish to improve your communication skills, this course provides a well-rounded approach to learning English in an engaging and supportive setting.

The programme is focused on practical language use. You'll participate in a variety of activities designed to improve your speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills. From interactive lessons to real-life scenarios, you will gain the ability to communicate more effectively and naturally in English, whether it's for academic purposes, travel, or daily conversations.

Cultural immersion is a key aspect of this course. You will explore different aspects of English-speaking cultures through films, literature, and excursions, allowing you to connect language learning with cultural understanding. This approach

not only makes learning enjoyable but also deepens your appreciation of the nuances of the language.

personalised feedback and small group work ensure that you receive the attention needed to address your specific language challenges. You will also have the opportunity to set personal goals and track your progress, ensuring that you leave the course with a clear sense of achievement and improvement.

By the end of the programme, you will have gained greater confidence and proficiency in English, ready to use your language skills in any context. Join us at SBC this summer, and take a significant step toward mastering English while enjoying a rich cultural experience.



Sample Timetable

WEEK ONE TIMETABLE

8:45-9:00	Morning Assembly				
9:00-10:30	Language Lesson Discuss trending global news and pick articles for deeper exploration	Language Lesson Analyse persuasive techniques used in opinion pieces	Language Lesson Role-play: Mock press conference on a current event	Language Lesson Debate a current news topic with prepared arguments	Language Lesson Group project: Create a short SBC news broadcast covering the week's top summer camp stories
11.00-12.30	Time to Shine Lesson Learn about the digital divide and how you can help	Time to Shine Lesson Develop ideas for your innovative edutech product	Time to Shine Lesson Write presentations with your team	Time to Shine Lesson Public speaking workshop and rehearsal time	Time to Shine Ceremony Showcase what you've learnt!

WEEK TWO TIMETABLE

8:45-9:00	Morning Assembly				
9:00-10:30	Language Lesson Debate the pros and cons of space exploration	Language Lesson Explore descriptive language for extraterrestrial landscapes	Language Lesson Role-play: A day in the life of an astronaut	Language Lesson Analyse famous speeches about space	Language Lesson Group project: Design a hypothetical space mission and present it
11.00-12.30	Time to Shine Lesson What is biomimicry in tech?	Time to Shine Lesson Invent something taking inspiration from the natural world	Time to Shine Lesson Write presentations with your team	Time to Shine Lesson Advanced public speaking workshop and rehearsal time	Time to Shine Ceremony Showcase what you've learnt!





Course Objectives

A comprehensive language programme tailored for students aged 13-16 who want to improve their English proficiency in a supportive and engaging environment. We understand that mastering English is key to unlocking future opportunities, whether for academic success or personal growth. Our course is designed to help you build confidence in speaking, listening, reading, and writing, while also immersing you in the cultural aspects of the language. Whether you're looking to strengthen your English for school or everyday communication, this programme provides the tools you need to succeed.

Module 1

Enhancing Communication Skills

Improve your English communication skills through interactive conversations, role-playing, and listening exercises, focusing on clear expression, better understanding of spoken English, and increased confidence in discussions and presentations.

Module 2

Presentation Skills

Master presentation skills by learning to organise ideas, use visual aids, and engage your audience, with practical exercises to refine your public speaking and deliver clear, confident presentations in English.

Module 3

Exploring English Culture

Explore the cultural aspects of the English language by learning about British traditions, everyday customs, and the nuances of formal and informal language, helping you communicate confidently in diverse settings.



Time to Shine

For your Time to Shine project, you will create and deliver an insightful presentation on a topic that both interests you and showcases your English language skills. This project is designed to refine your ability to articulate ideas clearly and confidently in English, with a focus on effective communication and presentation techniques. Whether you choose to explore a cultural phenomenon, discuss a current event, or analyse a favourite book or film, your project will culminate in a well-structured presentation that highlights your fluency and ability to engage an audience.

Previous projects include:

The Impact of Social Media on Modern Communication

A project where a student presented an analysis of how social media platforms have changed the way we interact, using clear arguments and polished language skills to inform and engage the audience.

This project is your chance to shine by using English to deliver a thoughtful, well-organized presentation that demonstrates your mastery of the language and your ability to connect with an audience on an intellectual level.



Our Approach to Your Learning

The General English course is centered on creating an immersive and supportive environment where you can grow your language skills. We use a mix of engaging activities, multimedia resources, and real-life scenarios to help you practice and improve your English in a way that feels natural and enjoyable. Our teachers are here to guide you every step of the way, offering personalised feedback to help you reach your language goals. Whether you're practicing your speaking skills in a group activity or writing an essay on a topic you love, our goal is to make learning English both effective and fun.



Academic Content

15 hours of subject-specific academic content per week with a subject tutor, delivered through interactive and hands-on lessons.



English Level

The programme is open to participants of all English levels.

Secure your place

A booking can be made online on our website summerboardingcourses.com

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