



# Lexical Lab Summer School

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## English Boost

All our **Lexical Lab** summer courses take place at London Metropolitan University, Holloway Road campus. It's a two-minute walk from Holloway Road tube station, which is on the Piccadilly Line. From here, you can get to Holborn in central London in eight minutes. The venue is also a ten-minute walk from Highbury and Islington station, which is on the Victoria line and has a range of overground services. We suggest you check <https://citymapper.com/london> for journey times and routes.

### Total hours: 22.25 a week

16.25 classroom hours per week.

6 hours of cultural tours with teacher (a minimum of three visits)

### Course dates

3<sup>rd</sup> August – 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020

### Course Fees

£700

### Registration fee

A **£80** registration fee covers admin, materials, entrance to timetabled visits, but *not* transport.

### Discounts

Returning students receive a 10% discount.

Students paying before February 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 receive a 10% discount

Groups receive a discount of 5% (2 people), 10% (3-5 people), 15% (6+).

Only one discount will apply. Discounts apply to course and registration fee, but not to accommodation.

### Accommodation

We can offer you a basic single room in a student residence two minutes from Wood Green underground station (Zone 3) and a ten-minute tube journey to our training venue. You will have an individual bedroom, but share a bathroom and kitchen. You usually share these with other participants on the course. The cost is: **£190 / week** plus a **£40 booking fee**.

Peak travel to our venue £1.70.

Oyster card / Contactless payment for zones 1-3 costs is a maximum £40.00 / week.

If this accommodation does not suit your needs, you can try [London Homestays](#) or [Londonist](#), both of which are British Council accredited. In the past, we have found they had very limited availability for one and two-week stays and generally offered student residences. Otherwise, you may try websites such as [Homestay.com](#), [AirBnB](#) and [Student.com](#). Prices will vary from £180-£450/week including fees.

### Course Outline

Do you feel your English has gone a bit rusty? Feel you don't have enough confidence in your speaking? Well, **English Boost** is here for you. Our course includes 16.5 classroom hours a week and in addition, it includes a range of tours and activities to keep you highly engaged and talking. You will also get better at different types of talk including chat, storytelling and short presentations.

Classes usually run at two distinct levels, and are aimed at students between B1 and C1+ levels. We will ask you to do a published online test before you arrive, but the groups may still be of a slightly mixed level. In all cases, a lot of the teaching and learning comes from doing conversations and tasks where we teach the language you are trying to say. When we start from material, we use a variety of sources which we select based on the pre-course questionnaire we send you. This means that you are sure to meet a wide range of vocabulary and grammar and discuss all kinds of topics with our blend of intelligent conversation and humour.



## Content

We will provide a questionnaire for participants before they arrive to express preferences or make requests which we will try to incorporate into the course, if possible and where there is agreement between participants. This means specific content will vary from course to course. Some topics you might talk about:

Home	Art and museums	Feelings
Places and sights	Your society	Family
Holidays and Travel	Politics and economy	Relationships
Food and restaurants	Things in the news	London and UK
Nights out	Crime and Law	Health
Free time and hobbies	Work and my job	Sport
Film and TV	Business	Education and learning
Books and Stories	Typical chat	Dealing with problems

## Outcomes

By the end of the course, you will have:

- learnt lots of useful language for conversation
- gained confidence in speaking and listening
- be better able to deal with everyday situations in English
- got to know London

## Sample Timetable

This is obviously open to change.

Day	Morning (9 - 1.00)	Afternoon	Evening Social
Mon	Getting to know you Work / home	British Library, Kings Cross & Camden	
Tues	Food and Restaurants	Free	Dinner
Weds	Art and museums	The V&A, Royal Albert Hall & Hyde Park	
Thurs	Society	Royal Courts and Fleet St.	
Fri	Nights out / pub culture		Pub night
Sat	Houses of Parliament		
Sun	Free		
Mon	Film and TV	free	Cinema
Tues	Education	Stoke Newington	
Weds	Health	Wellcome Gallery + Fish and Chip lunch	
Thurs	Travel	Free	Theatre
Fri	Revision and Q&A	Kenwood and Hampstead Heath	

## Certification

All participants can receive a **Lexical Lab** attendance certificate with title of course and number of hours.

### Check it's the course for you:

- I am a teacher or student with a B1 to C1 level of English and I want a conversation-based language course.
- I especially want to gain confidence in speaking and listening.
- I want classes based on intelligent conversation and humour with some integrated visits and activities.

### If it's not for you:

- I need a class at a lower level – try our **Basic English** course.
- I want to learn more about British Culture and cultural language – try **Advanced Culture and Language**.
- We are a group who want a tailored course - contact **Andrew Walkley**



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