



Excellence in English Language Teaching  
for professionals





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# Why choose Severnvale Academy?

## Qualified, experienced & professional English language tuition

### We offer:

- Adult learning environment
- Minimum age of 20 years
- Average age of 37 years
- Small class sizes (6 maximum)\*
- Longstanding and dedicated teachers
- Individual attention and tailored approach
- International study environment guaranteed

*\*8 maximum in July and August*





## The Academy

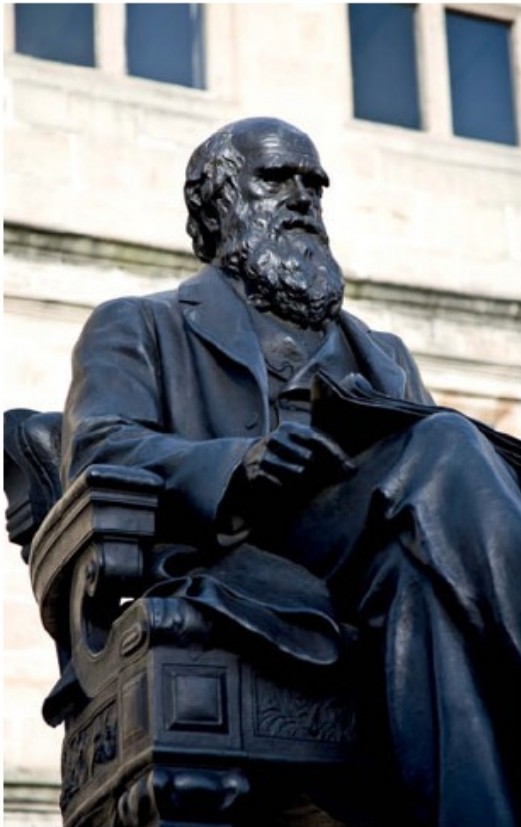
- Established over 35 years ago
- Emphasis on personal welfare and development
- Facilities include 9 comfortable classrooms, computer and listening centres, Wi-Fi, library, two student lounges for relaxation and social interaction, sun terrace and garden
- An organised, varied social programme at least twice a week
- Opportunity to practise speaking and language skills with teachers in a social environment
- The only accredited language school in Shrewsbury

## Courses

- Courses run Monday – Friday, 09.00 – 18.00
- All of our courses run continually, starting every Monday
- We are open all year round, including bank holidays, except for two weeks in December over Christmas
- Lessons are 45 minutes long, all timetables have a variety of teachers throughout the day
- Opportunity for tutorials with a tutor to discuss and track language progress
- A welcome information pack and study materials are included in the course price

## Location – Shrewsbury

- Shrewsbury is a unique town, situated in central England
- Within easy access to major international airports and with good transport links
- Cultural and historical sights
- Friendly, sociable town with good shopping and leisure facilities
- 100,000 inhabitants
- Green parkland with a river surrounding the town







# Course Information

## General English and Grammar

Carefully designed courses to encourage rapid progress

- Ideal for those studying for a short amount of time
- Well-balanced, varied timetable covering listening, reading, speaking, writing and functional skills
- Optional addition of extra intensive grammar classes and/or 1-to-1 classes
- Acceptance of all levels from Elementary to Proficient
- General English lessons are timetabled for every morning from 9.10am – 12.35pm.
- Intensive grammar lessons and 1-to-1 lessons (if selected) are timetabled in the afternoons after lunch.

Intensive General English – Which course is right for me?							
20 lessons General Language development		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Do I want to add Intensive grammar? (5 x group lessons per week)		✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	
Do I want to add 1-to-1 Classes?	Semi-Intensive (5 x 1-to-1s per week)	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	
	Highly-Intensive (10 x 1-to-1s per week)	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	
<b>Suggested Course</b>		<b>Gen 1</b> 25 lessons 18.75 hours	<b>Gen 2</b> 30 lessons 22.5 hours	<b>Gen 3</b> 30 lessons 22.5 hours	<b>Gen 4</b> 35 lessons 26.25 hours	<b>Gen 3+</b> 35 lessons 26.25 hours	<b>Gen 4+</b> 40 lessons 30 hours

## Business Communication English

Business English classes with a highly professional, commercial and technical focus

- Ideal for those in business wanting to improve their writing, communication, negotiation and presentation skills
- Experienced tutors who are able to teach on more unique/specific business areas
- Opportunity to practise networking skills and co-operation with other business colleagues
- Dedicated networking evening event with professional colleagues and staff
- **Business Communication Module 1:** 10 x lessons per week, average class size 3-4 (max 6 all year), acceptance of levels Lower Intermediate to Proficient
- **Business Communication Module 2:** 5 x lessons per week, average class size 2-3 (max 4 all year), acceptance of levels Intermediate to Proficient

**Business Communication Module 1:** Focus on essential business functions including: formal and informal writing; telephoning; reading business documents and numerical information; language of meetings; dealing with native English speakers; travel; business culture; diplomacy and entertaining.

**Business Communication Module 2:** Focus on presentations, meetings and negotiations, telephone and video conferencing. Additional work on specific departmental activities including: Sales; Marketing; Recruitment; Human Resources; Public Relations; Research and Development; Finance; Engineering and Pharmaceutical industries.

All group courses include General Language development lessons which are timetabled for every morning from 9.10am – 12.35pm

The **Business Communication English** modules are timetabled for every afternoon from 13.30 – 16.15.

## Executive English Courses

- Programmes can be tailored to individual needs, through the inclusion of 5x 1-to-1 classes per week
- Ideal for those wanting to study a combination of General English, Grammar, and Business Communication English
- Optional addition of extra intensive grammar classes
- Acceptance of levels of Lower Intermediate to Proficient

### Business & Executive English – Which course is right for me?

20 lessons General Language development	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Am I interested in Business Module 1?	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Am I interested in Business Module 2?	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Do I want to add 5x 1-to-1 Classes?	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Do I want to add 5 x Intensive Grammar Classes?	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
<b>Suggested Courses</b>	<b>Bus 1</b> 32 lessons 24 hours	<b>Bus 2</b> 37 lessons 27.75 hours	<b>Bus 3</b> 37 lessons 27.75 hours	<b>Exec 1</b> 32 lessons 24 hours	<b>Exec 2</b> 37 lessons 27.75 hours	<b>Exec 3</b> 42 lessons 31.5 hours	<b>Exec 4</b> 42 lessons 31.5 hours

### Looking for something more intensive?

- In addition to the Business and Executive courses above, our most intensive and personalised Executive Course is the **Exec Combo** course which incorporates 20 x 1-to-1 classes and Business Communication modules 1 and 2 (37 lessons/27.75 hours per week).
- Please contact us and we will carry out a bespoke needs analysis to ensure the course is aligned to your individual requirements.

## Legal English

- Ideal for those interested in law, wanting to improve their legal writing, drafting communication, negotiation and presentation skills
- **Legal Communication Module 1** is designed for those studying for a career in law.
  - 5x 1-to-1 lessons per week provide focus on basic legal concepts, institutions and general legal areas such as contract, tort, company formation and operation (**Legal Entry course**)
- **Legal Communication Module 2** is designed for those working in legal practice.
  - 10x 1-to-1 lessons per week provide specific focus on a wide range of practice areas including, Contract, Corporate and Commercial, Banking, Litigation, Property, Competition, IP, Employment (**Legal Exec Course**)
- Both Legal Modules 1 and 2 focus on use of legal language and vocabulary, drafting techniques, negotiation and advocacy skills, correspondence and legal documents, telephone and video conference call and legal meeting skills
- **A tailored programme** can be built on student needs analysis and will incorporate elements of Legal Communication Modules 1 and 2 (**Legal Combo Course**)
- Our Legal English courses also incorporate Business Communication Module 1 for the development of general business communication skills required in an international environment (see page 10)
- Acceptance of levels of Lower Intermediate to Proficient

### Legal English – Which course is right for me?

20 lessons General Language development	✓	✓	✗
20 lessons individual (1-to-1) tuition	✗	✗	✓
Am I interested in Business Module 1?	✓	✓	✓
Am I interested in Business Module 2?	✗	✗	✓
Am I interested in Legal Communication Module 1 (1-to-1)?	✓	✗	✗
Am I interested in Legal Communication Module 2 (1-to-1)?	✗	✓	✗
Do I want to add 5 x Intensive Grammar Classes?	✓	✗	✗
<b>Suggested Courses</b>	<b>Legal Entry</b> 42 lessons 31.5 hours	<b>Legal Exec</b> 42 lessons 31.5 hours	<b>Legal Combo</b> 37 lessons 27.75 hours

## Exam Courses

- Ideal for those wanting to study for an exam, to be taken in the UK or in own country
- We are a CAMBRIDGE ESOL Exam Centre, holding exams in March, June and December
- We are a Linguaskill Business and General Exam Centre
- We help book other exam courses in the UK, all exam fees are in addition to the course
- Acceptance of the closest appropriate level necessary for each exam

We offer exam course preparation for the following:

- CAMBRIDGE ESOL – FCE (First Certificate of English), CAE (Cambridge Advanced English), CPE (Cambridge Proficiency in English)
- IELTS (International English Language Testing System)
- TOLES (Test of Legal English Skills)
- TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)
- PTE (Pearson Test of English)
- BEC (Business English Certificate) – Preliminary, Vantage, Higher
- TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication)





# Other Components

## Guided Study

A centre fully-equipped for self-study lessons, where a tutor is always present to help and guide students.

- Ideal for those wanting to take responsibility for own learning and practise skills of studying alone with supervision where necessary
- Listening, reading, pronunciation and IT facilities
- Acceptance of all levels from Elementary to Proficient

Guided study classes are timetabled in the afternoons.

## One to One classes

Classes on a 1-to-1 basis to help identify personal areas for development.

- Dedicated lessons where focus is on individual learning needs and goals
- Ideal for those wanting tailored, intensive attention to help rapid improvement
- Acceptance of all levels from Elementary to Proficient

One to One classes are usually timetabled in the afternoons.





# General Information

## Accommodation & Leisure

The homestay experience

- Staying with and welcomed into an English family
- Opportunity to socialise and practise English outside of the classroom
- Experience English culture and customs
- Includes breakfast and evening meal during the week and full board at weekends
- Only one nationality per host family
- Study area or desk provided
- Laundry included
- A range of accommodation to suit different needs and budgets
- Homestay: A homestay with a family, couple or single person
- Deluxe: Double bed and shared bathroom, or single bed and private bathroom
- Executive: Double bed and private bathroom. If your Executive Homestay is beyond a reasonable walking distance from the school we will arrange a free, daily taxi transfer to and from the Academy
- We can also arrange a guesthouse or hotel accommodation.

## Social activities

- At least two social evenings a week, examples include: dinner at local restaurants, pub evenings, quiz and music evenings, sporting events, cinema and theatre trips (these are sometimes at an additional cost)
- We help arrange independent/small group visits to local places of interest and transport arrangements examples include: trips to the mountains of Snowdonia, the beautiful Welsh coast and sites of local interest such as Stratford-upon-Avon and the market town of Ludlow (these are sometimes at an additional cost)
- Join in with host family occasions



## Welfare

- We are here to help you and are available on a 24 hour emergency contact number. From arranging doctor/ dentist appointments, to UK mobile phonecards, travel advice, hire cars and providing local knowledge.





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Liverpool ● Manchester

Chester

SHREWSBURY

Birmingham ✈ EAST MIDLANDS

✈ BIRMINGHAM

WALES

ENGLAND ✈ LUTON STANSTED ✈

Cardiff

HEATHROW ✈

London

✈ Bristol

✈ GATWICK

# Location

Shrewsbury is easily accessible from major airports and provides the perfect central location for visiting many of the UK's most popular destinations.

Airport	Code	Travel time
BIRMINGHAM	[BHX]	50 mins
MANCHESTER	[MAN]	70 mins
LIVERPOOL	[LPL]	70 mins
NOTTINGHAM EAST MIDLANDS	[EMA]	90 mins
LONDON LUTON	[LTN]	2 hours
LONDON HEATHROW	[LHR]	2.5 hours
LONDON STANSTED	[STN]	3.25 hours
LONDON GATWICK	[LGW]	3.25 hours

\* these journeys times are ONLY a guide and will vary according to time/date of travel

- Nearest Airports to Shrewsbury and Liverpool
- Taxi transfers from airports to your accommodation are available at an additional cost.
- Public transport transfers to Shrewsbury are met by your host at your arrival point



Choosing the right place to study is probably as important as choosing the right language school. Shrewsbury is a perfect location...

“A great school with professional teachers!!!!!!”

**Christian Kupka**

“I did a CPE preparation course here and got 215/230 points, what else can I say... The teachers are very friendly and helpful and help create a great learning atmosphere which is benefitted by the small classes. The administrative team also does a great job in providing housing and solving everyday problems. I'm glad I spent a month in Shrewsbury!”

**Meinrad Müller**

“I really really enjoyed my 3 weeks at Severnvale Academy... Thank you all for your kindness, your advice... When I arrived, I was ashamed to speak English and now it's different. I didn't reach my aim to dream in English but I am proud of myself. I improved my English. If I had more time, I would have stayed a few more weeks. I met some people from different countries and it's very interesting to discover their culture, sometimes it wasn't easy to understand them with their accent. I'm sure to keep in touch with some of them including my host family. She is a lovely person and we had a great time together.”

**Alexandra Geoffroy**

“My experience in Severnvale is one of the best memories. Thank you, all the teachers, my groupmates and my host families!”

**Natasha Sazonova**

“The best experience of my life! Excellent school and good teachers in a lovely atmosphere! A full immersion in the British culture and a perfect school to improve your English level... I recommend Severnvale Academy to everybody.”

**Cristianna Dicorato**

“To be honest – it wasn't my idea to spend my holidays in an English school, and even not in January. But in the end I must confess that these three weeks had been one of the best in my life! The teachers are outstanding and the admin staff are first class! It's a really great place to learn and speak the language.”

**Chris Fischer**

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