

# Welcome!

The Globe English Centre is a very special place. I have enjoyed running this school in the beautiful city of Exeter since 1978. My son Anton now follows in the family tradition.

Capital city of the county of Devon, Exeter is 2 hours from London and 20 minutes from the sea. The region is the top British tourist destination, thanks to its rich mixture of culture, beauty and charm. Surrounded by spectacular countryside and some of the best beaches in Britain, Exeter combines the excitement of a large city with the friendliness of a close community.

One of Britain's safest cities, Exeter is the ideal location to improve your English and your career prospects as well as learn about different cultures, meet new friends and have a wonderful time. We look forward to meeting you and hope to make your stay an unforgettable experience.



**Catherine Borgen**  
Director

## **The Globe English Centre offers:**

- Small, intensive classes
- An excellent choice of courses and social activities
- Expert teaching
- A friendly, relaxed atmosphere
- Personalised tuition
- A pleasant and safe environment in the city centre



*The Globe Reception*



*The Directors, Catherine and Anton, in the School Garden*

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# Why choose Exeter?

*Exeter is a historic city with a wonderful cathedral. With a population of 125,000, it is relatively small but offers something for everyone. You will soon feel at home in this well-loved city.*

*Here are some more excellent reasons to come to Exeter:*



- The sunniest and warmest climate in Britain
- Devon has been voted the “Best County in Britain”
- Regularly voted Top British City for Quality of Life: low crime and pollution levels; excellent cultural, recreational, welfare and commercial facilities
- Safe and friendly community where people have time to talk and still practise traditional hospitality
- The sea and beaches are within 20 minutes of the city centre
- Easy access - only 2 hours by train from London; Exeter has its own airport and direct links to Bristol and London airports
- Important centre of education with one of the best British universities and further education colleges
- Several shopping centres providing an exciting shopping experience
- The Quayside, many parks and colourful gardens add to the charm and relaxed atmosphere
- Sports centres and golf courses are within the city
- Theatres, arts centres, galleries, concert halls and cinemas for culture enthusiasts
- A vibrant city with a large student population and a buzzing nightlife with music, night clubs, cafés and restaurants



# Why choose the Globe?

## Personal

- The Globe is a family run school. Catherine Borgen started the Globe in 1978 and still runs the school with her son Anton
- Maximum of 70 students in the school
- Small groups - maximum 6 students per class
- Personalised tuition to meet specific needs of each individual
- The Globe is a friendly school and Exeter is our only centre. Our staff are always on hand to offer you all the help and personal attention you need. The Directors are available on site if required



Reception



Globe Garden

## Practical

- Wide choice of courses starting every Monday
- Study for one week to one year
- Free regular tutorials to aid effective learning
- Prepare for entrance examinations
- Interactive teaching methods for emphasis on communicative English in life and at work
- Made-to-measure courses to suit specific needs
- Opportunities to meet British colleagues, visit or work in establishments and businesses
- The Globe is in the city centre, within 10 minutes' walk of the main stations, shops and sports centres
- Useful free services:
  - Examination guidance and enrolment
  - Orientation for further studies
  - Services for families with children
  - Information and reservation service

## Professional

- Run by a dynamic and experienced team
- Accredited by the British Council
- Regular and rigorous inspections ensure the high quality of all services and provide an independent guarantee
- Member of English UK
- Member of IALC - International Association of Language Centres
- Recommended by many companies and educational establishments
- Member of Education UK - part of Education UK Government initiative



Students' Kitchen



Accredited by the



for the teaching  
of English in the UK



# School Facilities

*Conveniently situated in the city centre within a 10-minute walk from the main shops and sports centres, the Globe's beautifully modernised 19th century buildings offer excellent facilities. We are surrounded by trees and gardens with lovely views over the Exe Valley.*

## Administration

Our caring and efficient team is always happy to help you, for example, hire a car, confirm your flight, send a fax or make a doctor's appointment.

## Classrooms

Each classroom is comfortably equipped and has a whiteboard, a television and a DVD and CD player which are integrated into the teaching programme.

## Self-study

We have a resources room and a computer room, open 08.30-17.00, where you can borrow books, DVDs, practise your pronunciation and use the latest materials to improve your English. All students are offered a free self access orientation in week 1. Free monthly workshops give you further opportunities to develop your skills.

## Information Technology

There is free Wi-Fi throughout the school, a computer in every classroom, a computer room and a private study room with computer and web cam that students can book for personal use. IT is integrated into all lessons.

## Terraces and garden

The school has 2 south facing terraces and a large garden with views over the valley where students can relax with friends and teachers or enjoy a barbecue party. This is a non-smoking school. However, provision is made for smokers in the garden.



Self Study



Students' Lounge

## Recreation rooms and kitchen

The Student Lounge has comfortable seating, a music centre and a television. Students are offered free tea and coffee during the breaks and are welcome to make use of our kitchen facilities for their own lunches and dinner parties.

## Apartments

The Globe has 10 apartments on the school campus and has access to a number of studios and family apartments in the city.

## Parking

Parking is available on site for students who bring their own vehicle. Please inform us on booking if parking is required.

## For families

The Globe Junior School, next door to our Adult School, is open all year for academic and holiday courses for children and young people aged 6-18. Crèches and nursery schools for babies and young children are within 200 metres of the school.

# Social Programme and Sports

*Leisure is an important part of learning. Enjoy our Social Programme and practise your English in a variety of activities. See more of Britain, its people, culture and countryside. Take the opportunity to make new friends, try lots of sports and have fun. This is a chance to get to know your teachers and the other students better.*

## Varied activities

- Visit the Courts, a brewery, a pre-historic monument, a Roman bath house
- Learn to make a traditional Devon cream tea or delicious crumble
- Follow in the steps of Agatha Christie and Charles Dickens
- Go mackerel fishing, pony trekking
- Fly up in a balloon
- See a vintage car rally or witness an 18th century battle
- Enjoy activities in school such as, cooking, quizzes, parties, competitions
- Go out for theatre, cinema, concert and pub nights



## Excursions and social evenings

Exeter is ideally situated for exploring this beautiful region. You can spend the afternoon at the seaside or walk in the mysterious Dartmoor National Park, ride a steam train along the charming Dart valley or visit other cities like Plymouth, Bristol, Bath and London. Meet your friends and teachers at our evening parties and barbecues after a wonderful day out!

## Sports

Exeter has many excellent leisure and fitness centres, parks and playing fields, which offer tennis, golf, football, cycling, bowling, swimming, horse riding, dry slope skiing, squash, climbing and more. The River Exe also provides a variety of water sports: canoeing, sailing and wind surfing.

If there are any sports you are interested in trying during your stay, please tell us in advance and we will make arrangements for you.

### Social programme facts

***Our social organiser helps you make the most of your stay.***

Weekly programme of events includes;

- A Friday afternoon excursion
- Excursions most weekends
- Activities after school and in the evenings
- A weekly pub night

**All events and trips are charged at cost price**



# Methodology and Teachers

**Adult programmes have a maximum of 6 students per class. Personalised tuition and an interactive, creative syllabus ensure that, even on a short course, students' individual needs are met and good progress is made.**

## Teachers

All our teachers are native speakers and trained in teaching English as a Foreign Language. Dynamic and approachable, they are expert in motivating students and identifying their needs. They generate interest in lessons with the latest teaching techniques. Regular staff training guarantees a high standard in all our programmes.

## The first day

- On arrival at 9.00 you will have a grammar test and an interview to assess your level and select the correct class for you.
- Testing is followed by a tour of the School facilities and Self-Study Centre and a presentation of the Social Programme.
- After a short break, classes will begin at 11.00 (except on bank holidays).

The Course Director meets all students in their first week to see if they are satisfied with their class level, accommodation and programme in general.

You are always welcome to approach any staff for help at any time.



## Progress testing

All students receive a written assessment of their progress at the end of their course.

Long stay students take a progress test on the first Monday of every month during class hours, followed by a tutorial with their class teacher to assess their English and to advise them on areas for further study.

## Learning and homework

Homework is set daily and we recommend you take advantage of our Self-study Centre to consolidate the work done in the classroom and further improve your language skills.

To make as much progress as possible, we advise you to practise English both in and out of class, with other students, your host family and British people.

## Examinations

We offer advice on the best internationally recognised English examinations for your professional life or entrance to a British university. We can help you with your application and the interview process so that you are as well prepared as possible.

## Certificates

At the end of your course you receive a Globe English Centre Certificate of Attendance and a written report on your progress, including an assessment of your abilities and advice on further study.



Study Centre

## Levels

We have courses at all levels, but on the very rare occasions when we have only one student at a particular level, we guarantee to provide a minimum of 75% in One-to-One lessons.

# Accommodation

*Host families play a very important part in the success of our students' stay. By sharing their lives and interests with their foreign guests, they provide students with the best opportunity to learn about British culture and to progress in English.*

## Homestay accommodation

- We visit our families and carefully select them for the comfort of their homes, their kindness and the quality of their welcome. Many of our families are personally known to our staff. Please write your accommodation requirements clearly on your enrolment form.
- Most families are within 30 minutes/2.8kms of the Globe. We will give you a free bus pass if you are further than 2.8km. All families are on a bus route..
- Students of the same mother tongue are not placed with the same family unless they request to stay with a friend.
- Students have their own room with a writing table and are offered breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal. Cooked lunches can be heated up at school.
- Families will offer to do some light laundry on a weekly basis.
- Host family Plus guarantees a higher standard of accommodation and welcome.
- Private bathrooms must be requested if required.
- Our families follow the English UK Code of Practice in accordance with the British Council and British Authorities' recommendations.
- If a student has any difficulties or problems with their host family, we will do our best to improve the situation and will change the host family, if necessary.

## Hotels

Exeter and the surrounding countryside offer a wide range of hotels which we are happy to recommend. There is a good selection within 5 minutes' walk from school.



## Private and shared apartments

The Globe has access to a number of self-catering apartments in the city centre, as well as 10 apartments on the school campus. Some are shared apartments where each student has their own room and some are suitable for families. All apartments are fully equipped. Heating, electricity, linen, TV and free WiFi are included.



# Also...in our Junior School

## Courses for young people all year round

*If you are a parent or a teacher, you will be interested to know that the Globe English Centre runs courses all year round for young people aged 6 to 18. Our Junior school is next to our Adult centre, which is extremely convenient for families wishing to study and have a holiday at the same time, or teachers wanting to bring some of their students whilst following our teachers' courses.*

### Explorers Course 7-10 year olds (6 on request)

All year round for groups and individuals.

### Vacation courses 11-14 and 15-18 year olds

All year round for groups and individuals.

### English Plus

For young students hoping to follow the British educational system and enter schools and universities in Britain.

## FOR CLOSED GROUPS

### Explorers

A creative, interactive course for 7-10 (6 on request).

### Discovery

A creative, communicative course for 11-18 year olds.

### Exam Courses

Preparation for Cambridge exams or Trinity GESEs (Graded English speaking tests).

### Curriculum Courses

Designed to complement curriculum topics such as Literature, History or Geography. May include visits to local schools.

### Future Career Courses

A vocational course for students preparing for professional life.

Syllabus includes language and visits relating to their field of work such as business, hairdressing, marketing or engineering.

### Work Experience Programmes

Work Trials and Internships for students who want to broaden their experience and strengthen their language skills outside the classroom.



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please contact us now**

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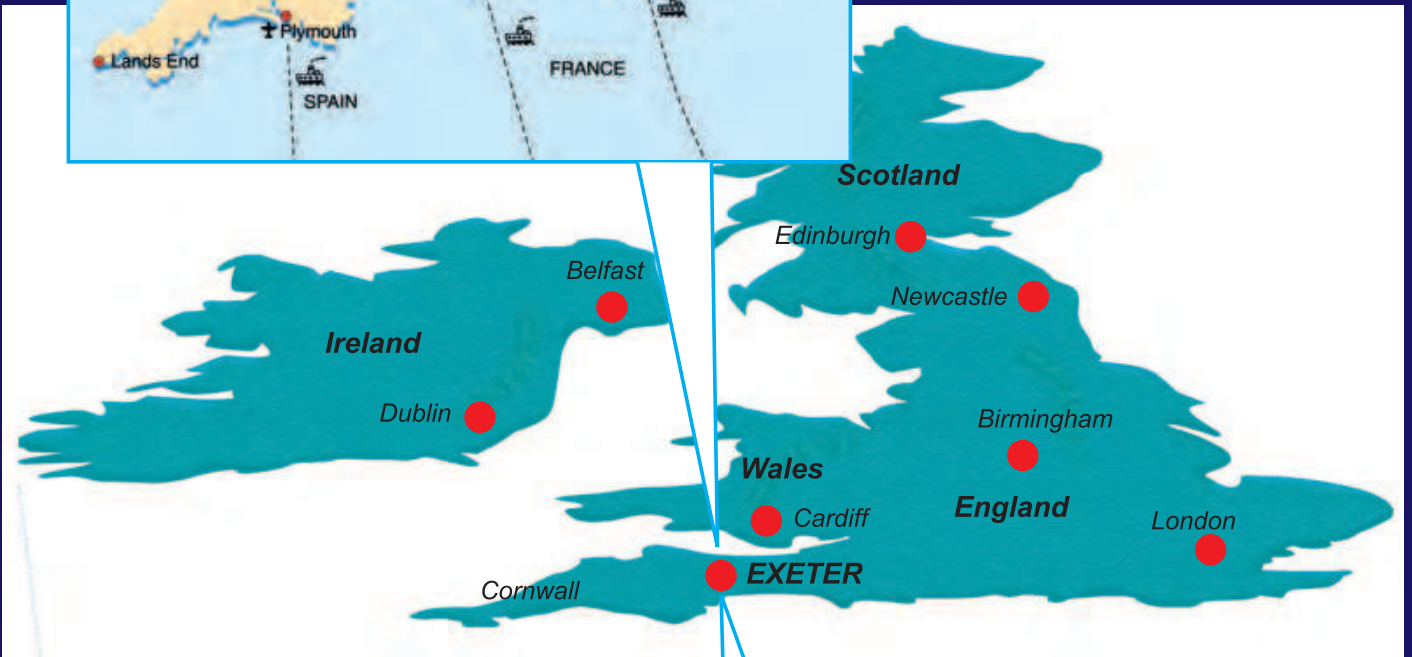
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- We will tell you the best way to travel to Exeter
- We can make all your reservations
- The Globe offers meeting services in most international ferry ports and airports
- We will always welcome you to Exeter at the coach or train station or at the airport
- Exeter is only 2 hours by train and 3 hours by motorway from London
- All main public transport routes are direct to Exeter
- Exeter is an ideal centre for exploring South West England

