

# General English Ministay Programmes

Course Information



**OXFORD SPIRES**  
INTERNATIONAL

## Programme duration

1-6 weeks

## Hours of tuition

Up to 30 hours, upon request

## Minimum level

Elementary (A1)

## Maximum level

Advanced (C1)

## Maximum class size

15 (unless otherwise agreed)

## Minimum age

8

## Maximum age

17

## Accommodation

Homestay

Residential (subject to availability)

– single and twin rooms,  
ensuite and shared facilities

## Availability

Ministay programmes are available to groups of 5 or more students only, between September and May.

## Course Overview

Our popular ministay programmes are tailored to suit the needs and requirements of your group. Ministay programmes generally include up to 15 hours of General English tuition, alongside a vibrant and varied social programme.

Previous ministay social programmes have included visits to Blenheim Palace, local museums, Oxford University colleges and the Warner Brothers Studios, in addition to excursions to London, Cambridge, Bath and more. It is also possible to add a theme to your ministay programme, such as Harry Potter, University and English Literature.



## Who is this course suitable for?

Our ministay programmes are suitable for school groups of any English ability who wish to experience the UK and further their language learning. Because they are tailor-made to suit each group's specific requirements, they also adapt to a wide range of budgets.

Our university themed programmes are particularly suitable for older students interested in or considering studying in the UK in the future, whilst our General English programmes are especially motivating for school groups who are looking to encourage their students in their language studies.

## Sample Timetable

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
<b>Morning</b>	<b>Arrival &amp; Meet Host Family</b>	Breakfast with Host Family						<b>Day Trip to London</b> Walking Tour (Big Ben, Houses of Parliament, Trafalgar Square, Buckingham Palace, Leicester Square) Free time to explore Covent Garden	Departure
		Travel to School							
<b>08:30-12:30</b>		Induction & Placement Testing	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson		
<b>12:30-13:30</b>		Break							
		English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson		
<b>13:30-15:00</b>		Lunch							
<b>15:00-17:30</b>		Walking Tour of Oxford Views from Carfax Tower	Bowling	Visit Pitt Rivers Museum	Visit Christ Church College	Visit Ashmolean Museum			
<b>17:30-18:00</b>		Travel Home							
<b>Evening</b>	Dinner with Host Family								



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## Accommodation Options



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### Homestay Accommodation

- ➔ Rates based on twin and triple occupancy
- ➔ Friendly, welcoming hosts
- ➔ Available in Oxford and Cheltenham
- ➔ Homes in areas with good public transport links
- ➔ Regularly inspected by our local organisers and held to British Council standards



### Residential Accommodation

- ➔ Single, twin and larger rooms available
- ➔ Ensuite and shared facilities
- ➔ Sociable common rooms
- ➔ Laundry facilities available
- ➔ Bed linens provided and changed weekly (towels not provided)
- ➔ Full board
- ➔ Free wifi on campus

### What is included in the programme fees?

- Our full academic programme, including a placement test on arrival (where applicable), daily English tuition (as requested) by qualified EFL teachers, a certificate of attendance, and all pedagogic material;
- Homestay or residential accommodation and all meals;
- A full social programme according to specific group requirements. Excursions and paid entrances available upon request;
- Dedicated Oxford Spires staff member from booking to departure, and 24/7 support;
- Airport transfers;
- All transport as necessary to the programme (private or public transport, as preferred).

### What is not included in the programme fees?

- Flights, travel insurance, pocket money, Spires Plus options, and entrances on excursion days are not included in the course fees.

### Price

All prices available upon request.

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