



## Totnes School of English 40+ Courses- out of season

Do you like history and being outdoors? Then come and do our 40 plus programme where you visit some of Devon's fascinating castles and beautiful gardens with a teacher-guide. You can also develop your creative self by practising your English at the same time as participating in practical workshops in creative arts and going on accompanied visits to local galleries and workshops with your teacher. All this- and the chance to learn about and do different alternative therapies with your teacher on-hand to give you helpful vocabulary and useful feedback on your speaking and listening....

And best of all- none of this happens in the classroom! This is a course without coursebooks and held outside in gardens, castles, cafes, art rooms and natural health studios in and around Totnes- with other 40 plus students.



Totnes is one of Devon's gems: full of both colour and character, the town has a rich cultural, historical and archaeological heritage and offers plenty for the visitor to do: museums, the Norman Castle, historic Guildhall, churches and boat trips down the River Dart. Street musicians and entertainers, markets on Fridays and Saturdays and a High Street full of charming shops, restaurants, pubs and attractive cafes give the town a vibrant life of its own



Today Totnes is also a thriving centre for music, art, theatre and natural health, and its fascinating blend of traditional and alternative culture lends it a unique atmosphere. With a population of only 8 000, it is an ideal, safe place to visit and to learn English, in a warm, friendly community which welcomes foreign students.

Totnes School of English, established in 1980, is situated in heart of this unusual town, in the 200 year old Gate House building, a magnificent Tudor building spanning the High St.



## The course

Every morning offers a different English Plus activity and cultural experience with one of our teachers in and around Totnes. In the afternoons, evenings and on weekends, students can join in with the usual school social & cultural programme. We tailor the course to meet our student's needs and interests. Below is an example of a typical course outline.

**Sample timetable (subject to workshop availability and weather!)**

	Mornings 09.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	Evenings
<b>Monday</b>	Historic Totnes and Cream tea	<i>Lunch break</i>	Totnes tour with our social leader	<i>Free evening</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Visit to Berry Pomeroy Castle		Guided E-learning session with a teacher	Pub quiz at the 'King Bill' pub
<b>Wednesday</b>	Yoga and Reflexology with a trained practitioner		Table tennis & pool at school	Bingo night at school
<b>Thursday</b>	Visit to Castle Drogo or Collaton Fishacre		Thursday afternoon workshop in 'Being Polite in English'	Minibus trip to local village pub to listen to local musicians. Costs £6.
<b>Friday</b>	Visit to local galleries and pottery decorating		Sports at Totnes Pavilions	<i>Free evening</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	Full day excursion with social leader to Dartmoor National Park- unspoilt moorland . Costs £12.			
<b>Sunday</b>	Full day excursion to Land's End and St Ives (Cornwall) - home to a thriving artist colony and the innovative Tate Museum. Costs £18.			

### Week 2

	Mornings 09.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	Evenings
<b>Monday</b>	Shiatsu and Chi Kung with a trained practitioner	<i>Lunch break</i>	Trip to Dartington Cider Press	<i>Free evening</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Visit to Dartington Hall and Gardens		Guided E-learning session with a teacher	Totnes Ghost Walk
<b>Wednesday</b>	Practical craft session		Table tennis & pool at school	DVD evening and internet access at school
<b>Thursday</b>	Visit to Garden house, Buckland or Greenway Mansion-the home of Agatha Christie		Thursday afternoon workshop in 'Storytelling'	Trip to the coast, costs £6 or trip to the cinema, costs £11.50 including ticket
<b>Friday</b>	Visit Totnes market and a Local Restaurant for lunch		Sports at Totnes Pavilions	School party