

## Young Octorial programme Edinburgh (13-17 years)

A head start for motivated teenagers. Early language skills give students confidence and an international outlook which helps them to shape their future career choices.

Our programme channels the energy and creativity of young people into the real life achievements of academic results and personal growth. Students graduate from their summer programmes inspired for further study with new language skills, international friendships, wider horizons and lasting memories. Our courses for young learners focus on developing students' confidence using English by developing the real-world skills necessary for life in an increasingly globalised world.

We offer courses with a maximum of 8 students in each class. This allows the teachers to give each student more attention and allows the students to engage more fully with the language and make faster progress. Our lessons are fast-paced and encourage the students to engage with authentic English language materials. Challenging and creative homework encourages the development of autonomous learning skills, and takes learning out of the classroom and into everyday life.

Our demanding academic programme starts with Spoken Performance Workshop, which features presentations, drama and debates. This challenges the students by focusing on pronunciation, intonation, voice projection and the ability to perform under pressure.

Our syllabus also includes a project component in which the students work in small teams to produce and present a project to their fellow students and others. Team Project fosters an ability to interact with others and involves problem solving and helps to incorporate new language in a meaningful context.

### Young Octorial programme includes:

- 15 hours of tuition per week
- Very small class sizes of maximum 8 students
- Fully supervised leisure programme
- Weekend excursions
- Full board accommodation
- Local bus pass
- Arrival and departure airport transfers



### Sample timetable – Young Octorial programme (13-17 years)

08.45 - 09.00	Student assembly and activity briefing
09.00 - 10.00	Language Surgery
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 11.15	Spoken Performance Workshop
11.15 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 12.30	Team Project
12.30 - 13.30	Hot lunch at school
13.30 - 16.00	Afternoon activities: Edinburgh Castle, Dynamic Earth, Camera Obscura, and sport
16.00 - 18.30	Afternoon snack and early evening activities (Tue & Thu)
18.30 - 19.30	Dinner at residence or homestay
19.30 - 22.00	Evening activities (Mon-Thu residence only, Fri all students)
22.00	All students bedtime/homestay curfew

All timetables are samples and may be subject to change.

All lessons are of 60 minutes' duration.



For motivated teenagers (13-17 years)

### Leisure and excursions

Students take part in a wide range of sports and cultural activities where they put the English they have learnt in the classroom into practice. Typical activities include:

- Outdoor sports, e.g. football, rounders and volleyball
- Scottish activities such as ceilidh dancing and Scottish parties
- Edinburgh city sight trips, e.g. Edinburgh Castle, Dynamic Earth and Camera Obscura
- Museum and gallery trips
- Local walks to destinations such as Arthur's Seat and the Botanic Gardens
- Ensemble of activities such as It's a Knockout, Fashion Shows and many other fun events!

There is a full-day excursion every Saturday.

For example:

- Glasgow and the Kelvingrove Museum
- Loch Lomond – take a boat cruise along one of our most famous lochs
- Stirling and the Wallace Monument – visit the real Braveheart country

### Accommodation

Young learners can choose to stay in residential accommodation or with a trusted local host family. Both options are provided on a full-board basis and offer a taste of Scottish hospitality.

In residence, Edinburgh School of English staff stay on site so students receive 24-hour supervision.



## Young Octorial programme Edinburgh (7-12 years)

Exposure to another language and culture broadens a child's world-view and gives a new perspective on the world. Success and attainment in early language learning boosts confidence, leading to higher motivation in other areas of study.

Our programme provides the incentive for children to develop practical and creative skills alongside increased language competence. Classes with a maximum of 8 students allow each child to receive full attention, as well as to fully engage with the language in order to progress quickly.

Project work, drama activities and games build students' language skills and confidence in a safe and fun environment. Content is introduced through stories and songs, which connect deeply with young children. This creates the best conditions for developing language knowledge and making the maximum possible progress

Alongside academic achievement, students develop their interpersonal and intercultural skills, and become more independent, leaving with wider horizons, international friendships and lasting memories.

### Leisure and excursions

Our academic programme and activity programme are designed to complement each other. Students learn about Scottish culture and history then work together on projects in class to find out more. This fires young imaginations before they visit castles, palaces, battlefields, and other historic sites on their activity programme. This ensures learners get the most possible out of their activities and develop real-life language skills. Our Saturday excursions include visits to places such as Stirling, Loch Lomond, and Glasgow.

In the afternoon, students enjoy a full programme of sports, cultural and recreational activities which are designed specifically with our younger students in mind. Afternoon activities include swimming, field sports, arts & crafts, scavenger hunts and much more.

### Accommodation

Our programme for 7 to 12-year-olds is a day programme, and does not include accommodation.



### Young Octorial programme includes:

- 15 hours of tuition per week
- Very small class sizes of maximum 8 students
- Lunch at school and on excursions
- Fully supervised leisure programme
- A full-day excursion every Saturday

### Sample timetable –

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09.00 - 10.00	Language Surgery
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 11.15	Spoken Performance Workshop
11.15 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 12.30	Team Project
12.30 - 13.30	Hot lunch at school
13.30 - 17.00	Afternoon activities: swimming, football, tennis, rounders, volleyball, badminton, basketball, scavenger hunts, Scottish dancing, Edinburgh Castle

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