# **English Programmes** Twin in the UK









# Welcome to Twin

Twin Group is an award-winning provider of English and study programmes. Twin also offers a range of work experience courses and inbound group tours.

Since it was founded in 1993, Twin has gone on to become one of the most successful English language and academic education providers in the UK, offering students from the UK and abroad a range of options to suit their individual needs. Twin also provides vacation English language and group travel programmes and is a leader in providing work experience and internship placements.

Twin is regularly inspected by the British Council and recognised as an exam preparation centre for the European Social Fund, Department for Education and Skills and the Institute of Leadership











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As a market-leading provider of English and study programmes, Twin is able to offer a variety of different options to individuals and groups, paving the way for educational development.

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# **Effective** learning

Twin consistently monitors the views of its students to make sure the tuition they receive meets their expectations and learning goals. Combine this with our use of modern technology such as interactive projectors; all with prestigious accreditation from the British Council and it is easy to see why we are one of the leading English language providers in the UK.

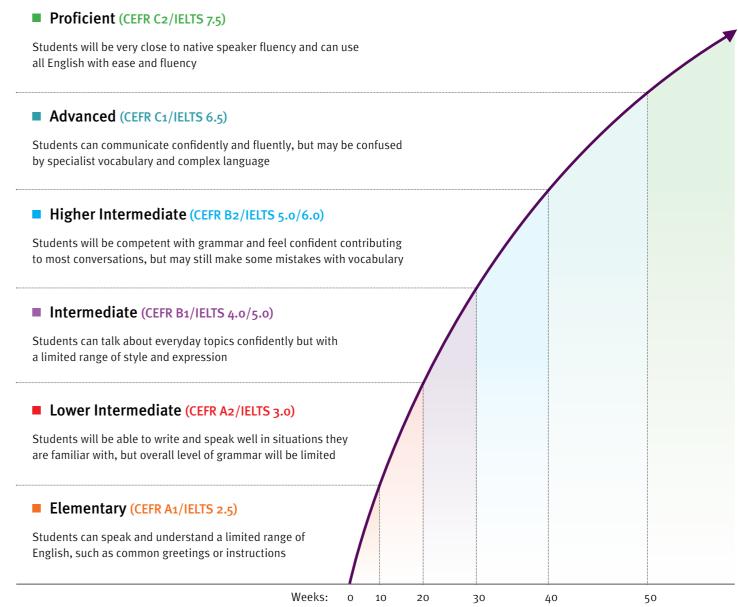
Our teachers all go through continuous professional development and training in how to make the most of the latest technology to effectively engage with and teach our students.

Twin is also at the forefront of the movement to integrate virtual learning services alongside traditional English language teaching methods. All students at Twin have access to online English virtual worlds in which they can interact with their classmates and teachers outside of class times in a relaxed and fun way.



# **English** progression chart

This chart shows the progress that students can make on a Twin English language programme. All students are given a test on their first day at Twin and then placed into a suitable class for their language ability. Students are then tested regularly to allow us to monitor their progress and improvement. On average, students take ten to twelve weeks to advance from one English level to the next.



# **Course** comparison guide

Our English and study programmes offer students the flexibility and clear progression they need in order to achieve their educational goals. Please refer to the indicated page for more information about any of our courses.

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"The best thing about Twin is the teachers, they are lovely, funny and very well prepared. Because of them I will try to keep improving my English even when I return to Italy."

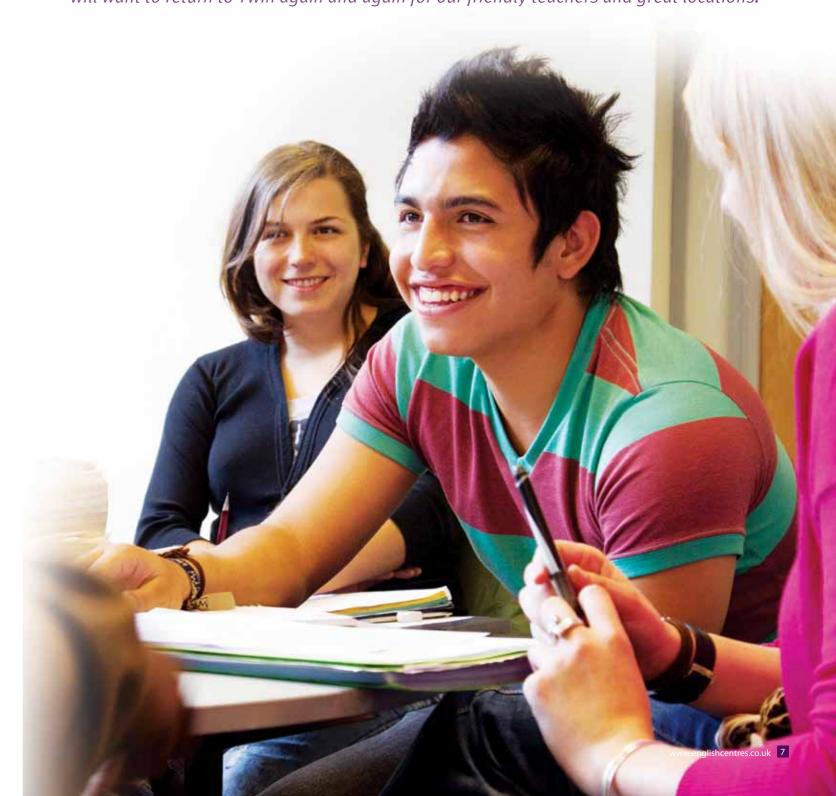
Giorgio Sottocarai Italy

Course	English Level	Age	Hours / Week	Course Duration	Info	London	Eastbourne	Leeds
Standard English	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	15	1 - 52 weeks	Page 8	•	-	
ntensive English	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	23	1 - 52 weeks	Page 8			
One-to-one English	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	Upon request	1 - 52 weeks	Page 8			
Standard English with ELTS	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	15 group hours + 8 IELTS hours	1 - 52 weeks	Page 9			
Combo 5	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	15 group hours + 5 one-to-one hours	1 - 52 weeks	Page 9	-	-	
Combo 10	Elementary to Advanced IELTS 2.5 to 6.5 or equivalent	16+	15 group hours + 10 one-to-one hours	1 - 52 weeks	Page 9			
Pre-Sessional English	Depending on length of course: 3 terms - Intermediate/ IELTS 4.0+ 2 terms - Upper Intermediate/ IELTS 5.0+ 1 term - Upper Intermediate/ IELTS 5.5+	18+	19	10, 20, 30 weeks	Page 13			
University Coundation Programme	IELTS 4.5 or equivalent	17+	15 hours' tuition + 15 hours' self- study	30 weeks – standard entry 40 weeks – extended entry 20 weeks – exceptional entry	Page 14	•		
Professional Development for Overseas English Language Feachers	Non-native teachers of English IELTS 5.0+	N/A	20 hours min	Standard: 1 week Standard + Classroom practice: 2 weeks Intensive programme: 2 - 6 weeks	Page 16			

### Twin

# **English** courses

Whether a complete beginner or an advanced English speaker, we have a course for any international student wishing to improve their English language skills. From our flexible General English programme to our personalised combo and one-to-one courses, students will want to return to Twin again and again for our friendly teachers and great locations.



# **General** English courses

Twin's General English programme is designed to be flexible to allow students to improve their English skills quickly over a number of hours per week that suits their needs.

This popular course runs throughout the year at all levels from beginner to advanced and focuses on:

- Speaking and listening skills
- Pronunciation
- Reading and writing
- Vocabulary
- Grammar

Our aim is to increase students' confidence in the day-to-day use of English within an enjoyable multinational environment.

Twin's General English courses include:

- students are in the right class and improve quickly.
- Regular testing and support Continuous monitoring by the teacher along with progress tests and monthly tutorial help both the student and teacher measure achievement and highlight areas requiring extra attention.
- A certificate of achievement upon completion of the course, detailing the entry and exit level of the student
- Interactive projectors to make the learning experience dynamic and easily-absorbed
- Virtual learning environments for practising English outside of the classroom and interacting with other learners

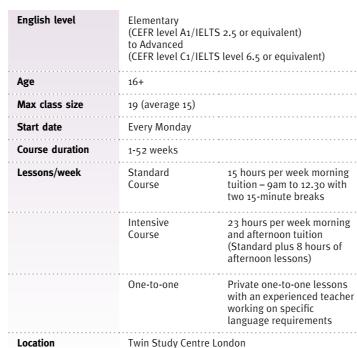


"I have improved my English so much in my time with Twin. I like the opportunities teachers give us to discuss different subjects as it helps me learn to pronounce new words."

Marta Urtasun Biurrun

### ►► FAST FACTS

Language placement assessment comprising grammar, oral
and writing – Carried out on day one, this assessment ensures
students are in the right class and improve quickly



or Twin Study Centre Eastbourne

## **Combination** courses

*Our Combination courses connect the* General English course in the morning with a tailor-made one-to-one or IELTS afternoon programme to meet the specific needs and requirements of the student.

Students can study either 5 (Combo 5) or 10 (Combo 10) lessons of one-to-one or 8 lessons of IELTS preparation each week in the

The VIP style of our combination courses enables students to focus on areas of weakness and therefore see rapid improvement in fluency and confidence. Students love the personal attention they receive in our combination courses from tutors with years of professional experience.

FAST FACTS	Combo Course	Combo Courses				
English level	to Advanced	(CEFR level A1/IELTS 2.5 or equivalent)				
Age	16+					
Max class size	19 (average 15)					
Start date	Every Monday					
Course duration	1-52 weeks					
Lessons/week	Combo 5	15 General English hours + 5 one-to-one hours per week				
	Combo 10	General English hours + 10 one-to-one hours per week				
	Standard English with IELTS	15 General English hours + 8 group IELTS hours per week				
Location	Twin Study Centre I or Twin Study Centr					



# Group programmes

Twin has extensive experience of running tailor-made programmes for international groups. We understand that groups of young people are often looking for more than just academic tuition when they come to the UK, so Twin offers students the chance to combine their language course with education about British culture.

Students can learn about the things that make Britain unique, like English football clubs, the Royal Family and the country's rich history. All students are offered sightseeing tours of iconic British landmarks like Buckingham Palace, the Houses of Parliament and famous shopping areas like Carnaby Street and Oxford Street.

Group courses at Twin emphasise learning in an active and engaging way, with a focus on speaking and interaction between students. International students find they improve their English pronunciation by speaking to students from other nations. The mix of nationalities in Twin group courses is a deliberate choice by the school to create an environment reflecting London's multicultural population.



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"Twin is a market leader in offering

on showing students British culture

group English courses because we focus



Please see our School Group Travel brochure or visit www.twingrouptravel.co.uk for more information.



"As well as excursions in London, Twin can also organise day trips to other famous parts of England such as Oxford and Cambridge."











# **English plus** work experience



As a market leading, award winning, work experience provider, we successfully place European students in internships and hospitality employment programmes in London and the UK. Whether students are looking for a placement in a Scottish hotel or an unpaid internship in London, Twin can match them with the perfect work experience.

European students learning English with Twin in London or Eastbourne can choose to add a work experience element to their stay in the UK and enhance their professional and life skills in an international environment while improving their day-to-day and business English.

All Twin work experience programmes provide a means of improving existing English language skills in a professional environment, enhancing employment opportunities within an increasingly competitive employment market and increasing awareness of international business and practical work experience.



Please see our Work Experience brochure or visit www.workuk.co.uk for more information.



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### **Examinations**

Studying for an internationally recognised English language qualification can strengthen your career prospects either for employment or entry to university. Twin offers preparation for IELTS and Cambridge ESOL examinations within our English language programme provision.

IELTS – International English Language Testing System is the most recognised entrance requirement of British, Australian, New Zealand and Canadian universities. It is also a recognised UK Border Agency (UKBA) Secure English Language Test (SELT).

Cambridge ESOL examinations are recognised around the world. Cambridge ESOL examinations cover a variety of levels in different fields. Twin offers: FCE (First Certificate in English); CAE (Certificate in Advanced English); CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English). The Cambridge ESOL Tests are also recognised by the UKBA for visa purposes.

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"For me, it is very important to have a good IELTS score. It will help me with my studies and to get a good job within an English-speaking country. I was nervous about taking the test at first but Twin's teachers have given me the language skills and confidence I need to get a great score."

Jingchan Dai



This programme meets the English language needs of students who have been unconditionally accepted on to Leeds Trinity University College degree programmes but have to improve their level of English before starting a degree programme.

The objective of the programme is to help students attain IELTS 6.0 as a minimum level of English language skill and assist those with higher levels to attain the advanced English language requirements needed for degree courses.

►► FAST FACTS	Pre-Sessional English
English level	Depending on length of course: 3 terms - CEFR level B1/Intermediate/IELTS 4.0+ 2 terms - CEFR level B1/B2/Upper Intermediate/ IELTS 5.0+ 1 term - CEFR level B2/Upper Intermediate/ IELTS 5.5+
Entry requirements	18+ years: Advanced level qualifications for undergraduate entry 21+ years: A good undergraduate award for postgraduate entry
Max class size	15
Start date	January, April or June depending on IELTS level
Course duration	1,2 or 3 terms depending on IELTS level
Lessons/week	19 hours of tuition per week
Course assessment	By continuous assessment and examination Externally assessed IELTS examination
Location	Twin International Study Centre – Leeds Trinity
Location	University College



### **University** Foundation Programme

98% of students pass Twin's University Foundation Programme at the first attempt.

Studied at Twin ISC London, Leeds Trinity University College or ESE Malta, the University Foundation Programme is specifically designed to help international students enter university and gain the necessary skills to complete a degree programme.

The structure of the UFP is modular and divided into three terms, which allows students to pursue the programme at any one of the centres mentioned above or divide their time on the course between the UK and Malta. Although the standard course is based around three terms of 10 weeks, 2, 4 or 5 term programmes can be arranged if the student has special requirements.

Successful completion of the UFP guarantees progression onto a Leeds Trinity University College or Middlesex University degree programme. Alternatively, students may make applications to a Twin ISC UFPendorsing university:

- Aston University
- University of Bedfordshire
- University of Bolton
- University of Brighton
- University of Chichester
- Cardiff University
- University of Durham
- University of Greenwich
- Goldsmiths, London University

- University of Hertfordshire
- London School of Economics (LSE)
- Loughborough University
- Swansea Metropolitan

### Typical degree subject progression:

- Business/Economics
- Computing/
- Engineering
- Humanities/Social Science
- Hospitality Management
- Information Systems

- University of Reading
- University of Wales Institute,
- University of York



International Relations

Marketing

Media Studies

Politics

Psychology

Film & Television

Food, Nutrition & Health





►► FAST FACTS	University Foundation Programme		
English level	CEFR level B1/IELTS level 4.5		
Entry requirements	International Study Centre London / Malta: Age 16.5+ Leeds Trinity UC: Age 17+Year 12- High School Certificate		
Start date	January, April, June or October (depending on centre)		
Course duration	3 terms (30 weeks), 2 terms (20 weeks) intensive course available in exceptional circumstances		
Lessons/week	15 hours' tuition + 15 hours' self study		
Course assessment	By examination and continuous assessment		
Location	Twin International Study Centres London, Leeds Trinity University College and ESE Malta		
Qualification achieved	Twin Group University Foundation Programme at Pass, Merit or Distinction		

Examples of students who have progressed to university from Twin

Name and nationality	University	Degree
Norashikin from Malaysia	Sheffield	Engineering
Heazar from Malaysia	Birmingham	Engineering
Nicholas from Barbados	Greenwich	Business Studies
Salbiah from the UAE	Southampton	Chemical Engineering
Nikolai from Russia	UMIST	Engineering
Hasri from Malaysia	Birmingham	Chemical Engineering
Affendy from Malaysia	UMIST	Engineering
Babatunde from Nigeria	Nottingham	Architecture
Gurpreet from India	Aston	Optometry
Rose from Malaysia	Warwick	Engineering
Farid from Singapore	Sheffield	Engineering
Melik from Turkey	UMIST	Engineering
Faizal from Malaysia	UMIST	Engineering
Szahir from Indonesia	Warwick	Electrical Engineering
Syahzad from Malaysia	Warwick	Electrical Engineering
Nelda from Malaysia	Southampton	Computer Engineering
Nik from Malaysia	UMIST	Mechanical Engineering
Rupa from Sri Lanka	Manchester	Law
Sergio from Columbia	Kingston	Forensic Science (F)
lda from Malaysia	Nottingham	Business Economics
Leai Goh from China	Middlesex	Law
Abedalmohimen from Syria	Essex	Computer Studies
Alexandra from Kazakhstan	Central St Martin's College of Art & Design	Architecture
Xu from China	East Anglia	Finance and Economics
Zhu from China	Leeds Trinity UC	Business with Marketing

## **Professional Development** for Teachers

The Twin Certificate in Methodology and Language Development is a modular course aimed at non-native teachers of English. It is suitable for primary, secondary, vocational/ technical secondary and university level teachers. This programme has been approved by the European Commission – Education & Training – Lifelong learning programme.

The course is built around core modules, with the flexibility to include specific input sessions based on the requirements of the teachers. However, all courses will include sessions on EFL Methodology, Developing Language Awareness, Pronunciation and Language Input.



- To increase participants' confidence in all aspects of their English, with particular emphasis on speaking, pronunciation and lexis
- To raise awareness and skills in the context of communicative language teaching
- To expand knowledge of classroom techniques, ideas and practical activities
- To share ideas and develop activities for use in class
- To deepen knowledge of British society and culture through project work, discussion and cultural visits

Upon completion of the course, our aftercare service includes:

- Two pieces of written work submitted by email following the programme leading toward a graded Twin Certificate of Achievement (pass or distinction)
- Email access to teachers and free advice service for 6 months following the course

►► FAST FACTS	Professional Development for Teachers
Entry requirements	Each candidate is required to complete a short biography and motivational letter outlining expectations, objectives and desired learning outcomes. A full Curriculum Vitae and evidence of English Level.
Start date	Various (please contact centre)
Course duration	Standard programme: 1 week, Standard programme including classroom practice and field visits: 2 weeks, Intensive programme: 2-6 weeks
Course assessment and award	Award: Twin Certificate in Methodology and Language Development.
Location	Twin International Study Centre Eastbourne



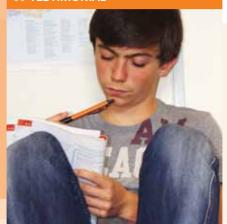


"I have lived with a host family during my time at Twin and they always made me feel very welcome. The family helped me to improve my English.

When I learn new vocabulary from the teachers at Twin I practise using the words in conversations with my host family."

Violante Pedercini

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"I have studied several levels of English courses at Twin. My favourite is the IELTS course because it has given me the chance to discuss lots of different topics in English. My next step is to complete my University Foundation Course with Twin so I can study for a degree in the UK."

Bernard de Taillandier France





"I have learned a lot about grammar and vocabulary at Twin. The thing I like the most about the courses is that we are encouraged to talk to other students. My English has improved quickly because of this technique.

The social events that Twin organises are a lot of fun; all the students at Twin enjoy spending time with each other and practising their English outside the classroom."

Remi Villeneuve



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"I have really improved my English thanks to the teachers at Twin, they are funny and laid back but very well prepared. My comprehension needed a lot of work when I arrived but I got a lot of support from the teachers to improve. When I go back to Thailand I will try to keep up with my English studies."

Kesorn Kaewruangrit **Thailand** 

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# **London** centre





London is one of the most vibrant and interesting cities in the world, so Twin is proud to have our main premises in Lewisham, a lively area in the southeast of the city (zone 2). For students who want to make the most of what London has to offer, our Lewisham centre is an ideal base to start from:

- 10 minutes from London Bridge, 25 minutes from the fashionable areas of Oxford Street and Covent Garden and 5 minutes from the historic sites of Greenwich
- Situated in Zone 2 of London, saving on the travel costs associated with areas further from the city centre
- Surrounded by a shopping centre, traditional London market, restaurants, cafes and leisure facilities
- Connected to other parts of London and the rest of the UK via trains, buses and the DLR which are within easy walking distance of Twin
- High quality tuition and accommodation options to suit students' individual needs
- Comprehensive IT suite with free internet access

- Lively social programme for students to practise speaking English and share common interests while making new friends, including:
  - Guided cultural tours & museum visits
  - Coach tours to UK cities, such as Cambridge and Oxford
  - Pub & club nights
  - Twin football matches
  - Picnics in the park
  - West End theatre and cultural trips
  - Theme parties
  - Music events













## **Eastbourne** centre





for the teaching of English

Eastbourne is a tourist seaside town ideally situated near Brighton in the southeast of England. This Twin centre is ideal for students looking to balance an attractive English and academic learning environment with an active social programme in beautiful relaxing surroundings.

- Large, elegant building with a huge garden exclusively for the use
- A 5 minute walk from Eastbourne railway station
- Frequent train services to central London, Heathrow & Gatwick Airports and the Channel Tunnel for Eurostar services
- Within easy walking distance of beaches, parks, leisure centres and a beautiful marina
- Comprehensive IT suite with free internet access and self-study facilities
- Wide range of high quality English courses and homestay accommodation options to suit students' individual needs
- Unique and lively social programme with a full range of activities and excursions for students to fully enjoy the local area and famous cities within the UK. No other Eastbourne centre offers a full social programme like Twin's

- Recreation area with a wide range of hot and cold drinks as well as light snacks; the perfect place for students to relax during breaks and lunchtimes
- British Council accredited and a member of EnglishUK

Students studying in Eastbourne can enjoy:

- Garden BBQs every Friday during the summer
- Eastbourne sightseeing tours
- London theatre evenings & sightseeing tours
- Twin football matches
- Access to major sporting events
- Coach tours to all major UK and European cities
- Pub and club and film nights













### Accommodation

Students who enjoy their time outside of the classroom are able to work more effectively in the classroom, Twin therefore puts a big emphasis on placing students in safe and comfortable accommodation where they can interact with fellow students or homestay families.

Twin's Student Services department provides excellent quality homestay and residential accommodation at an affordable price for thousands of international students every year.

### **Homestay (London and Eastbourne)**

Homestay accommodation is an important part of a student's integration into the British way of life. Living with a homestay provider means that students immerse themselves in British culture, accelerate their English language learning and also enhance their learning experience.

Most students choose half-board (breakfast and an evening meal) but it is also possible to request full-board or self-catering accommodation. Twin only works with friendly, culturally embracing families who have a track record of providing a safe environment for international students. All of the homestay accommodation provided by Twin is within easy reach of the study centres.

The Twin Guardianship Service is available for younger students who are in full-time education in the UK.

### Residence (London only)

Some students prefer the greater independence a residential facility offers. Twin's residential centres offer budget, mid-range and premium accommodation in North and South East London within easy travelling distance of the centre.

- Students are guaranteed single rooms within their residence
- Shared kitchen
- En-suite toilet and bathroom facilities available
- Self-catering for long and medium-term lets



"We believe the support and welfare services we offer to students are better than they will find with other colleges. Coming to a foreign country to study can be a daunting prospect, so at Twin we do whatever we can to make the experience easier for our students."

Keith Broomer Director of Admissions

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### **Support** and welfare

The quality of care and experience Twin offers to students sets us apart from other colleges. Twin's Student Services department is dedicated to ensuring that every student has a safe and enjoyable stay in the UK. Every year we organise and monitor English and study programmes for thousands of students and every year, thousands of students have an enjoyable stay with us in the UK.

Twin understands that safe and comfortable accommodation is a key concern for students coming to study with us, whether students opt for our residential or homestay accommodation options, we make sure that they always have a great place to call home.

### Twin's Student Services team offers the following services:

- Accommodation advice and sourcing
- Meet and greet service upon arrival, followed by an induction programme
- Student identity, discount and travel cards
- Help and advice with opening a UK bank account
- Mobile phone purchase and internet access advice
- Ongoing support and mentoring throughout the programme
- Counselling and advice on practical issues such as healthcare or travel
- Active social programme
- 24-hour emergency support



### programme Social activities are a key part of the experience Twin offers to its students. When our students spend time with each other outside of the classroom they learn faster by

As a tour operator, Twin organises sightseeing tours, visits to theatres and cinemas, sports events, trips to museums, pubs and nightclubs and many other exciting activities. Students have the opportunity to discuss events that have just happened on Twin's Facebook and Twitter profiles, as well as find information on what's coming up next.

Social

Our social media profiles on Facebook, Twitter, Flickr, YouTube and Blogspot are a place for our students to share their experiences while they are studying at Twin and keep in touch after they leave, even if they end up on opposite sides of the planet. Students who are thinking of choosing to learn with Twin can use these profiles to get a taste of the experience they could have with us.



practising their English skills on each other, and just as importantly, they have a lot of fun!

### **Facebook**

www.facebook.com/twinenglishcentres



### Twitter

www.twitter.com/twingroup



www.flickr.com/photos/twin\_group



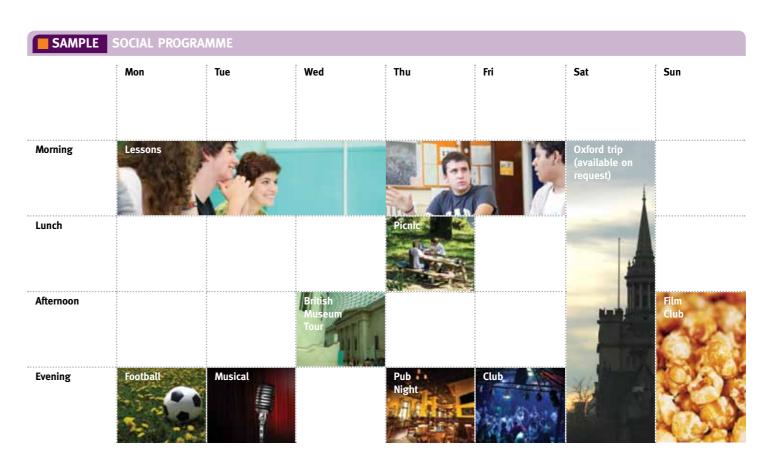
### YouTube

www.youtube.com/user/twingroupuk



### Blogspot

www.englishcourses-with-twin.blogspot.com



### Meet the Team

Our staff are here to answer any questions that students may have and guide them throughout their English or study programme at Twin.



"As the Principal of Twin, I operate an open-door policy and am always available to assist students with their educational concerns. It is incredibly rewarding to see our students achieve their English and study goals thanks to the dynamic atmosphere created by the teachers at Twin."

Tony Gulvin Principal, London



"Student care is a very strong focus of our English Centre in Eastbourne and we do everything we can to ensure our students are happy, safe and enjoying their time in the UK. There is nothing more rewarding than seeing our students become more confident in their use of English during their time with us."

**Tracey Cook** Director of Studies, Eastbourne





"Working at Twin is a fantastic experience thanks to the students we welcome from all over the world. As we offer such a wide range of courses, we attract students from varying backgrounds with different dreams and goals for their futures. I love being part of the team that points them in the right direction!"

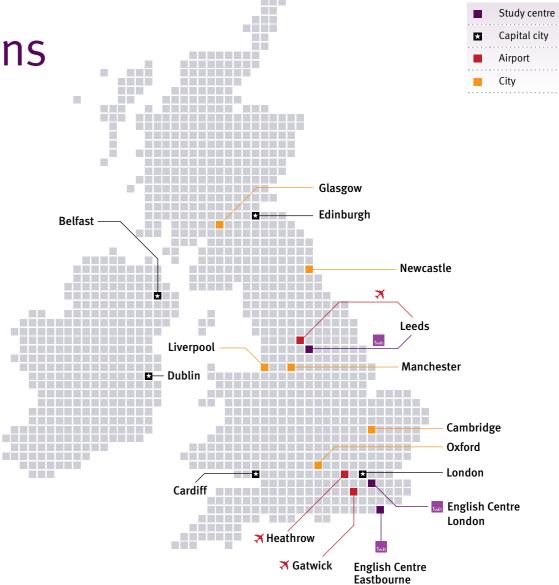
Sarah Morse **Director of Studies, London** 



"Everyone here at Twin in Eastbourne looks forward to welcoming both new and returning students to our English Centre. As Twin's smaller centre, we get to know our students very well and through first-rate teaching and pastoral care we help them make the most of the opportunity to reach their educational goals."

**Chris Savins** Principal, Eastbourne

## Our locations



For more information about our English programmes, student support or accommodation call +44 (0)20 8297 1132 or visit www.englishcentres.co.uk



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# **English**Programmes

Twin Study Centres is part of the Twin Group umbrella of companies. Twin Group is a marketleading organisation offering education, training, travel and work experience for tens of thousands of international students every year.

Twin Study Centres is proud to offer a tailor-made service to individuals and groups on a wide range of English courses, paving the way for educational development.

Twin Group's other products include Work Experience, Summer Centres, School Group Travel and Academic Programmes.



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