



the
Horner
School *of*
English



LEARNING ENGLISH IN IRELAND

Established 1993

Welcome

The Horner School of English



The Horner School of English is owned and managed by the Horner family - Janice, Trevor, David, Pat and Colin.

Located in the heart of Dublin city, our Georgian buildings are a short walk from St. Stephen's Green and Grafton Street with its many shops, pubs, cafes and restaurants.

Established in 1993, we continue to focus on quality tuition, service, facilities and accommodation. Our reputation has grown slowly but surely driven by high levels of satisfaction.

Excellent student support, central Dublin location, small class groups, fantastic nationality mix, quality buildings / facilities, professional native English teachers, wonderful host families, city residence and apartments are all key elements.

The Horner Team





What makes us special ?

1. Personalised student experience & professional support.
2. Central Dublin location.
St. Stephens Green (500 metres).
3. Horner family owned & managed for 25 years.
4. Small class groups, morning schedules & balanced nationality mix.
5. Qualified native English teachers.
6. Comfortable & modern facilities.
7. Historical buildings.
8. Host family, city apartments & residences.
9. Fantastic social itinerary.
10. Fully recognised by ACELS, a service of Quality and Qualifications Ireland, for English language teaching (ELT). MEI and Quality English member school.

Experience Dublin City



Parliament - 5 mins



Grand Canal - 4 mins



Grafton Street - 10 mins



Trinity College - 10 mins



Bus & Train - 5/10 mins





Support
The Horner School of English



FACILITIES:

Beautiful Georgian Buildings.

Interactive Whiteboards.

Self - Access Study Library.

Free Wi-Fi Internet.

Student Common Room.

Coffee Shop & Garden.

Activities & Exam Desk.



Learn General & Business English



FIRST DAY

On arrival students are given a written and oral placement test and placed in the class most appropriate for their level.

PROGRESS

Class groupings and teaching methods are planned to allow students to integrate easily and make progress quickly. At the Horner School of English you will learn to communicate with confidence.



Standard Course std

The Standard Course aims to improve competence in General English. This course provides systematic practice in the four main areas of language learning: reading, writing, speaking and listening.

The first session concentrates on stabilising and improving present knowledge of grammar and vocabulary. The second session is fluency based, improving the communication skills of each client.

Lessons: 20 General English lessons per week.

Timetable: 09.30 - 13.10, Monday to Friday.

Levels: Elementary (A1), Pre-intermediate (A2) Lower intermediate (B1) Upper intermediate (B2) & Advanced (C1).

Class Size: Small class groups, average 9 (Max 14).

Enrolment: Every Monday (all year round).



+ Fluency std+

These 6 extra afternoon lessons focus on improving speaking and listening skills. This course must be taken in conjunction with the Standard Course.

Timetable: 14.00 - 16.45, Monday & Wednesday.

Levels: Elementary (A1), Pre-intermediate (A2), Lower intermediate (B1), Upper Intermediate (B2) & Advanced (C1).

Class Size: Same as above.

Enrolment: Every Monday (all year round).

+ Business std+bus

These 6 extra afternoon lessons introduce the specialised language of Business English and prepare the student to communicate effectively in a business environment. This course must be taken in conjunction with the Standard Course.

Timetable: 14.00 - 16.45, Monday & Wednesday.

Levels: Strong intermediate (B1), Upper Intermediate (B2) & Advanced (C1).

Class Size: Same as above.

Enrolment: Every Monday (all year round).

WORK EXPERIENCE OPTION wxp

Arranged for 8 to 24 weeks. Min (B2) Level. All work is unpaid. Fantastic option for students looking to attain valuable work experience and improve English fluency in a working environment.

Learn

Exam Preparation



Lessons: 26 lessons per week

Timetable: 09.30 - 13.10, Monday to Friday.
14.00 - 16.45, 2 afternoons per week

Class Size: Small class groups, average 10 (Max 14)



IELTS Course (Starts Every Monday)

Our IELTS Examination Preparation Course is an intensive course with 26 lessons per week. This course is aimed at students with a strong B1 to B2+ level.

20 morning lessons provide the main work to improve language proficiency. The morning classes also include academic skills and tasks related to the IELTS Examination. 6 afternoon lessons focus on intensive training for the IELTS Academic Examination. Your lesson plan will centre on a range of exam techniques such as practice tests, analysing past papers, identifying strategies and tips for the successful completion of the exam.

Cambridge B2 First - FCE (See Price List For Start Dates)

Our Cambridge B2 First (FCE) Preparation Course is an intensive course with 26 lessons per week. This course is aimed at students with a strong B1 to B2+ level.

20 morning lessons provide the main work to improve language proficiency. The morning lessons also include academic skills and tasks such as speaking, reading and listening lessons related to the FCE Examination. 6 afternoon lessons focus on intensive training for the FCE Examination. You will learn how the exam is structured and what the examiners require for each section of the test. Your teacher will introduce test paper samples and practice papers.

Cambridge C1 Advanced - CAE (See Price List For Start Dates)

Our Cambridge C1 Advanced (CAE) Preparation Course is an intensive course with 26 lessons per week. This course is aimed at students with a strong B2 to C1 level.

20 morning lessons provide the main work to improve language proficiency. The morning lessons also include academic skills and tasks related to the CAE Examination. 6 afternoon lessons focus on intensive training for the CAE Examination. You will learn how the exam is structured and what the examiners require for each section of the test. Your teacher will introduce test paper samples and practice papers.

TOEFL Course (See Price List For Start Dates)

Our TOEFL Examination Preparation Course is an intensive course with 26 lessons per week. This course is aimed at students with a strong B1 to B2+ level.

20 morning lessons provide the main work to improve language proficiency. The morning classes also include academic skills and tasks related to the TOEFL examination. 6 afternoon lessons focus on strategies for success in the TOEFL Exam with an emphasis on analysis and correction. You will learn how the exam is structured and what the examiners require for each section of the test. Your teacher will introduce test paper samples and practice papers.

Learn
Specialist / One To One



Semi Intensive sic

This course combines the Standard Course - 20 lessons, with your choice of 2, 5 or 10 individual lessons per week.

The private lessons are taken over one, two or three afternoons and are tailored to suit your specific requirements.

Lessons: 20 General + 2, 5 or 10 private lessons per week.

Timetable: 09.30 - 13.10, Monday to Friday.
14.00 - 15.40, Friday (2 private).
14.00 - 16.05, Tuesday, Thursday (5 private).
14.00 - 16.45, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (10 private).

Levels: Elementary (A1), Pre-intermediate (A2) Lower intermediate (B1), Upper Intermediate (B2) & Advanced (C1).

Class Size: Small class groups, average 9 (Max 14).

Enrolment: Every Monday (all year round).



One 2 One o2o

The One 2 One is designed to meet the requirements of today's Business and Professional client.

An excellent choice for those who wish to specialise in a particular area of English and for those who wish to make rapid progress in a short period of time. Prior to arrival, clients are encouraged to complete a detailed Needs Analysis Questionnaire and forward any materials which will assist in the course design.

To date we have designed English programmes for a wide variety of professions including legal, medical, airline, digital media and many more.

Personal attention is assured throughout your stay. We offer a choice of 20, 25, 30 or 40 individual lessons per week. Tuition is taken Monday to Friday and courses are available throughout the year.

Lessons: 20, 25, 30 or 40 private lessons per week.

Timetable: Starts from 09.00, Monday to Friday.

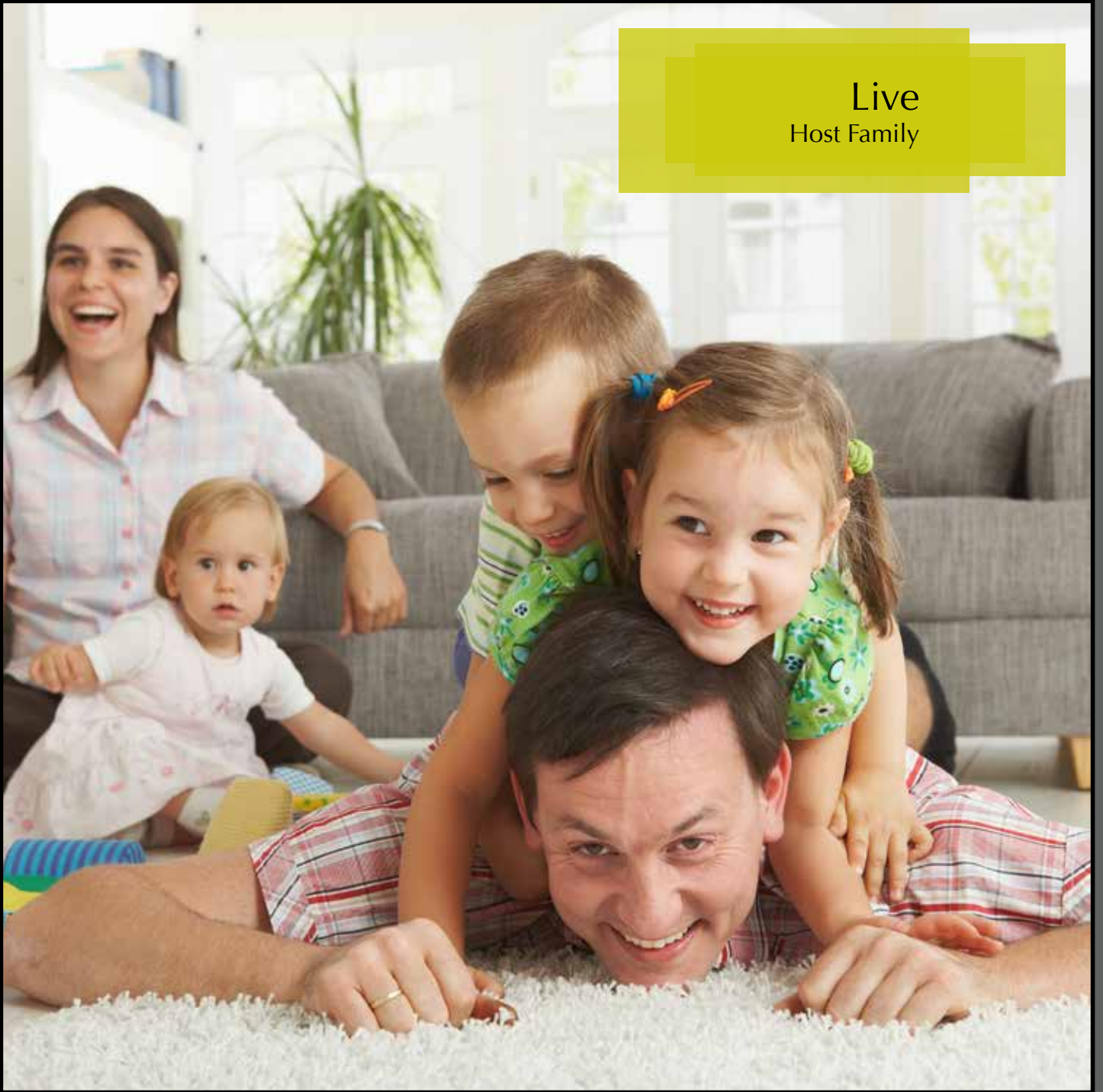
Levels: All levels.

Class Size: Just One.

Enrolment: Every Monday (all year round).

If you are interested in booking a private teacher with a friend / colleague (compatible English level) then please contact us for an excellent quote.

Live
Host Family



Key Information.....

Host families in Ireland have an excellent reputation for being warm and welcoming. Students taking this option will be made to feel part of the family.

FULL IMMERSION

Host family provides the best opportunity to speak English and experience the Irish way of life. We never place two students of the same mother tongue together, unless requested.

SINGLE ROOM / PART BOARD / INTERNET ACCESS

Students are hosted on a single room basis during the period January to June & October to December. In summer, single room is available at a supplementary fee. Accommodation is arranged on a part board basis i.e. breakfast and evening meal, with all meals provided at the weekends. Internet access provided.

PRIVATE BATHROOM / BATHROOM SHARING

Private bathroom is a possibility, subject to availability and additional charge. A limited number of families can provide this facility. Clients should book well in advance if requesting a private bathroom. The majority of families offer bathroom sharing.

TOWELS / LAUNDRY & LINEN

A fresh set of towels and bed linen is provided once per week. The family will also include the students basic laundry items, such as jeans, t-shirts and underwear once per week.

FAQ.....

HOW DO YOU SELECT YOUR HOST FAMILIES?

All Horner school families have been visited by a member of the Horner family. Host family details are constantly reviewed & updated.

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED?

Families live in the suburbs of Dublin. Average travelling distance is 40 minutes by bus or train from the school. Students are placed close to excellent train or bus link.

HOW DO YOU MONITOR FAMILY ACCOMMODATION?

We have regular contact & feedback with our existing students. We also use a first week student questionnaire to make sure that all new students have settled well and are happy.

WILL I HAVE MY INDEPENDENCE WITH THIS OPTION?

Yes of course... All students have a key to their host family and can come and go as they wish.

CAN I REQUEST SPECIFIC CRITERIA?

Yes of course... You may prefer a more mature family without young children, vegetarian meals, smoker / non smoker, pets / no pets....etc. The more information you can give us the better.

WHAT TIME DO FAMILIES HAVE THEIR EVENING MEAL?

Host families typically have their main meal at 6 or 6.30 pm. If you wish to skip the main meal then we simply ask you to send a quick text message to your host mother. You can always reheat your food in the microwave later.



Live
Residences & Apartments

FAQ.....

WHERE ARE THE RESIDENCES / APARTMENTS LOCATED?

Some are no more than 2 minutes walk from the school. Most are 15 / 20 minutes walk from the school. In each case detailed information is available.

ARE THESE ACCOMMODATIONS MANAGED BY HORNER SCHOOL?

Some are managed by the Horner School and we allocate rooms and provide required service / maintenance. Some are owned and run by a third party company. All are well managed.

IS A CLEANING SERVICE INCLUDED?

The level of service provided will vary depending on the residence / apartment booked. In each case detailed information is available.

ARE MEALS PROVIDED?

We offer one residence option that provides breakfast and dinner included in the price. All other apartment / residences are self-catering.

DO THEY OFFER INTERNET ACCESS?

In the majority of these options internet access is provided. In each case detailed information is available.

HOW DO I GET MY KEYS?

Some accommodations have 24hr reception. For some, an arrival transfer is compulsory in order to pass on keys and introduce you to your accommodation.

Key Information.....

WALKING DISTANCE

For many students it is important to be accommodated walking distance from the Horner School of English and Dublin city centre.

ALL YEAR AVAILABILITY

We offer a wide choice of residences / apartments all year round.

SINGLE ROOM / TWIN ROOM / LARGER APARTMENTS

All scenarios, for example single room with private bathroom, twin room sharing and family apartments can be arranged, subject to availability.

BOOKING / SECURITY DEPOSIT

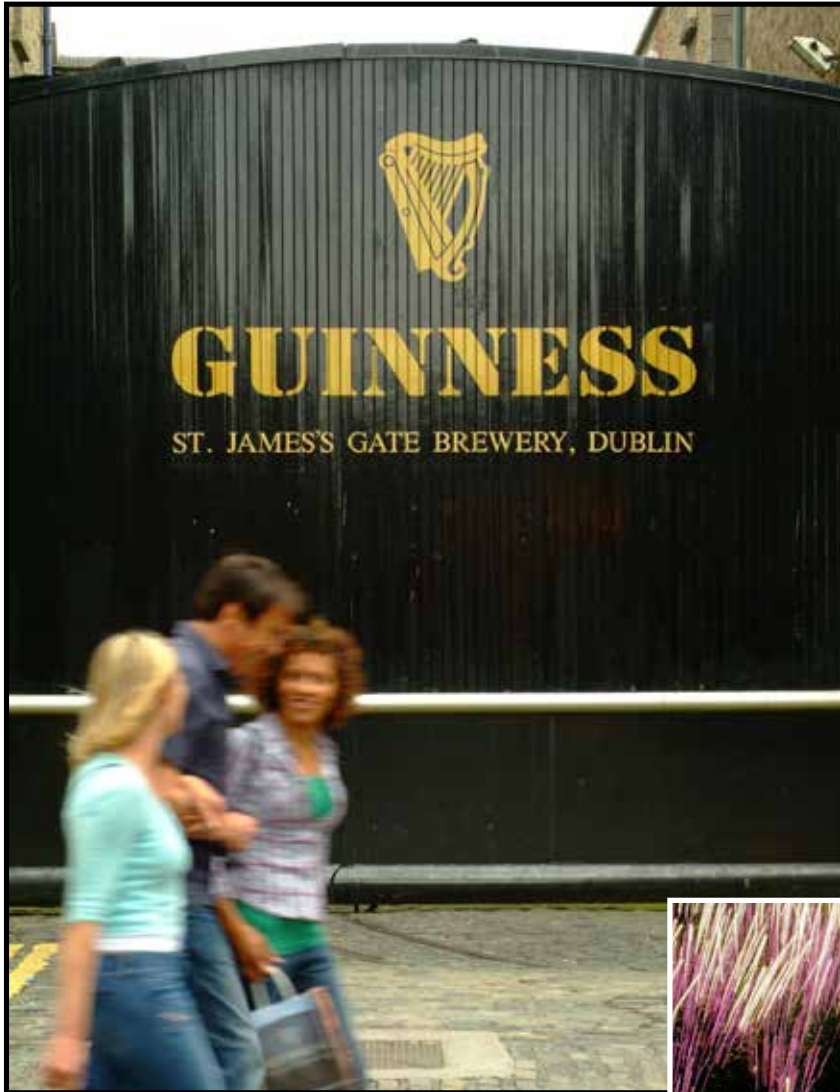
In most cases a refundable security deposit of approximately €250 is required on arrival. It is always a good idea to book as early as possible in order to avoid disappointment.



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Social Activity Programme





TOURS & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Social activities are a vital ingredient of your learning experience.

DAY & EVENING ACTIVITIES

At least two activities are organised every week throughout the year. These include Music Nights, Pub Quiz, Guinness Storehouse and more. Our regular free English tutorials are increasingly popular. Topics include English Pronunciation, English Grammar, English used in job interview, Preparing your English CV & Cultural topics.

FULL DAY TOURS

One weekend excursion is organised each month during the months January to June & October to December. In the summer months of July, August & September we organise a weekend excursion every weekend. Tours arranged include Belfast, Glendalough, Kilkenny City & Castle and more.

Extra activities such as Music lessons, Irish Dancing, Horse Riding, Golf, Tennis, Sailing, Kitesurfing and more can be booked on request.



Info

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Arrangements can be made to meet students at Dublin airport. A charge is made for this service. Alternatively students may take a taxi from Dublin airport to their accommodation.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

A Certificate of Attendance is presented to each student prior to his or her departure.

CENTRES

The Horner School of English uses additional premises for tuition during peak periods.

INSURANCE

All students should obtain insurance in their own country before departure.

TRAVELLING IN DUBLIN

The fastest and most economical way to travel around Dublin is to purchase a student commuter ticket. This gives unlimited travel on Dublin city buses and suburban trains.

VISAS

Students from EU countries do not require visas to enter Ireland. Students from non-EU countries may need a student visa. If you are in doubt then please contact your nearest Irish Embassy or ourselves here at the Horner School of English. Non-EU students may require medical insurance which can be arranged through the school on request.

