



Summer Junior **Online**

## Junior English Courses - Online for 2020

Summer 2020

Ages: 12-17 years

Location: **Online** - Live, interactive, video stream with DLTC teachers

Dates: **July 6th – July 31st 2020** - choose from 1, 2, 3, or 4 weeks



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## Introduction

Usually in the spring each year, we are busy preparing our summer junior English courses for teenagers which we have been operating every year in Dun Laoghaire and in Clare in Ireland since 2002. Because of the unusual and sad circumstances in the world this year 2020, **the DLTC English Language School (Dublin, Ireland)** is offering an **alternative 'online' summer Junior English course to foreign teenagers who want to learn English in Ireland.**

We are a **family-run business** and understand what families are going through this year. So, we would like to offer students and parents an economical yet high-quality alternative to our usual summer course.

- Parents will get a reasonably-priced product and the knowledge that their children are safe and learning;
- Students will get to advance their English; 'meet' other teenagers from around Europe; and learn more about Ireland with our highly-qualified and experienced teachers;
- Our teachers and staff will get financial support to help them through this difficult year and they will get to do what they do best – provide English courses to your children!

Our online package will include:

- Online English Course (Monday-Friday – total of 9 hours per week)
- Secured virtual classrooms with 'live' and interactive streamed classes with DLTC teachers;
- English classes appropriate to your level of English;
- Small Classes of up to 8 students per class;
- focus on developing students' fluency and speaking ability;
- provides them with a range of fun and interesting class activities based around the topics of Ireland and of youth interest;
- pre-course online level test;
- post-course report and recommendations for further study;

Feel free to contact us on [info@dltc.ie](mailto:info@dltc.ie) with any questions you have and we hope to hear from you soon!

*Best wishes,*

*Bob Golden*

*Managing Director*



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## About our Online Summer English courses from Dublin

### Who is our course for?

The programme is aimed at students from around the world between the ages of 12-17 years who wish to **learn or improve their English** and **find out more about Ireland**.

### When is the course available?

The course is available for between 1-4 weeks between Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July in 2020.

### Where does our course take place?

**Online from Ireland in Secured Virtual Classrooms with 'live' teachers.** The classes will be taught by DLTC teachers who are based in Dun Laoghaire (Dublin), Ireland. The classes use live streaming virtual classrooms.

**We are aware and very conscious** of reports of security problems with some online courses and for that reason, we have put all of the correct security facilities in place for our classes:

- students are placed in individual waiting rooms until the class is ready to start
- the teacher verifies the identity of each student and admits them one-by-one
- classrooms are username and password protected
- materials are sent by email by teacher before class starts so nothing is shared in the classroom
- nobody except for the teacher has access to the room control features by default

## What do we provide?

Our online summer English course for teenagers includes all of the following:

- English Classes Online  
(Monday-Friday – total coursework of 9 hours per week)
- Course Certificate & Detailed Report with suggestions for further learning
- Course materials
- Assessment Tests

## A very personal and responsive service

In order to ensure that students and parents are as happy and relaxed as possible, we provide:

- direct contact number (for parents)
- feedback form for students each week to check satisfaction with class
- private weekly feedback sessions available with teacher in which students can ask questions, raise problems and receive feedback
- personalized online level test before arrival
- individual online speaking assessment with teacher before being assigned to class
- personalised reports and suggestions for further study at the end of courses



*Caroline, our director of Studies, head teacher, and Cambridge Trained Agent.*

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## About the Online Classes

We provide:

- **9 hours of course per week:**
  - 7.5 contact hours of General English per week (Monday-Friday)
  - 1.5 hours project work each week which is completed offline by students and corrected offline by teachers.
- Experienced, native-speaking English teachers (qualified to Irish Department of Education standards)
- Various levels of English classes from Elementary (A2) to Advanced (C2) – classes are 45 minutes each between 09:00-10:40 or 11:00-12:40 each weekday Monday-Friday - the set of times for any student will be according to the student's level of English.
- Online assessment test before arrival and personal online oral assessment in advance of course
- Special focus on getting students 'speaking' and using the language successfully by focusing on topics relevant to the student
- Students will get to work in pairs or small groups in 'break-out' rooms which are controlled by the teacher. This will allow them to work with their peers, to use their English and to get to know other students from all around Europe – a great way to make new friends!
- Average class sizes of **6 students per class (Maximum 8)**
- Use of all course materials and modern, interactive, online classroom technology
- A short piece of homework or 'offline' work most days (a course project) – which is corrected with notes by teacher outside of class time and presented by students at the end of the week.
- Weekly assessment via project work with 1-1 feedback sessions if needed.
- End-of-course Certificate, suggestions for further study, progress report and Statement of Results



### **Important: We focus on 'speaking'**

At DLTC English Language School, our belief is that you haven't really learned a language until you can speak it. Many students arrive at our school with some ability to answer English grammar questions in books but with little experience in using that knowledge and actually speaking the language. Therefore, while our classes also cover grammar, writing, listening and reading, our main focus is getting students to speak the language successfully. We do this by focusing on relevant, real-world topics that are of interest to the student and that are matched to their level. Our aim is that at the end of the course each student will depart with better fluency, an increased vocabulary and a greater confidence in their use of English.

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## Typical Online Class Schedule

Please note all times are Central European Summer Time (so, for example, 9am on the course is 8am in Ireland)

Levels 1 & 2	09:00-09:45	09:55-10:40	10:40-11:10
Levels 3 & 4	11:00-11:45	11:55-12:40	12:40-13:10
Monday	Introductions, Team building activities, Introduction to Speaking topics of the week	Language building incl. vocabulary, grammar	
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Language building incl. vocabulary, grammar	Focus on speaking topics of the week: <b>food, music, local festivals, environment, tourism, economy</b>	Offline project work to be completed and submitted offline by students; and corrected by teacher offline
Friday	Week review	Speaking presentations from students.	

## Online Course Platform and Setup

Our summer English courses this year will take place 'live' online from Ireland with one of our teachers via Zoom the popular online webinar and conferencing platform.

The platform has the following features:

- Video & audio presence of all students and the teacher in the class
- Interactive Whiteboard controlled by the teacher that can be shared for input from students
- Chat feature among students and teacher which is controlled by teacher
- Breakout rooms - so teacher can divide students into pairs and smaller groups for different kinds of activities
- It's free to students! With no registration required!

Please note that we are aware of the security concerns relating to Zoom that have appeared in the media. We can reassure you that we are following the recommended procedures to ensure that our classes are private and secure. Please see section below on Student Safety

## What do I need?

- Any desktop/laptop computer; or IOS or Android device (i.e. smartphone); or tablet
- Any web browser (Chrome, Safari, Edge, etc)
- Headset or mic and speakers
- Broadband internet or wireless (3G/4G) connection
- Link to meeting with username and password (supplied by teacher in advance)

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- parental consent - for under-18s
- no class materials are required as they are supplied in advance of class by teacher by email

### How do I connect?

- Install 'Zoom Cloud Meetings' on your phone, tablet or pc to access meeting:
- over 18s: Login using google or facebook accounts is easiest
- under 18s: parents should login for their children.
- Access the meeting through the link provided by the teacher via email notification – there is also Meeting ID and password provided. You will be put in the waiting room and, once your teacher verifies you, you will be admitted to the class.
- Before class starts teacher will email students with necessary materials for the class.

**INSTALLATION NOTES:** On your first time using Zoom, you may have to click OK a few times to accept Zoom T&Cs, to test your setup and to install some assisting software - we can arrange a pre-meeting before your first class to make sure that you are setup correctly and that you wont waste any of your time in your first class

### Student Security

There has been some discussion in the media recently about security issues related to Zoom classes. DLTC has updated and continues to update its Zoom class administration according to the latest security advice. Zoom also continues to update its security features. Accordingly:

- classroom links are only sent to members of the class
- usernames and passwords are set on classrooms
- 'attendees' are admitted only to a private waiting room at first until the teacher verifies their identity and admits them to the classroom
- file shares within chat and screen shares option are disabled by default - and the teacher sends all materials by email in advance of class start
- DLTC continues to monitor security update announcements from Zoom



## Prices - Individuals

(please contact us for group prices)

PROGRAMME	CODE	1 week (9 hours)	2 weeks (18 hours)	4 weeks (36 hours)
<i>Online English Course for Teenagers</i>	SJ-Online	€88	€165	€315
<i>Registration fee</i>		Free	Free	Free

## How to book

- Send us an email to [info@dltc.ie](mailto:info@dltc.ie) and we will send you a booking form by email.
- We will also arrange your online level test and a speaking assessment.
- Once you are happy with your assessment and the times of classes offered, complete the booking form and send it back to us to [info@dltc.ie](mailto:info@dltc.ie).
- We will confirm within 48 hours and send you an invoice with bank details.
- Full course fee should be paid by bank transfer within 5 working days to reserve place.
- 2 week before, we will send you details for connecting to your class.

## Other Courses Available in 2020

Contact us for details of our other courses:

- Part-time online English courses for Cambridge First Certificate and Advanced exam preparation: available September – June

## Contact Us

Call us or email us with questions, to arrange a visit or to book:

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The DLTC is an English language school based in Dublin, Ireland, and has been providing English language courses to foreign students since 2002. We specialise in providing courses with cultural, sporting, sightseeing and activity programmes to foreign teenagers and adolescents – coming to our courses either as individuals or as groups.

The DLTC English Language School is motivated by a very practical sense of learning. We believe that you haven't really 'learned' a language until you can speak it successfully. For that reason the main focus of all our courses is to get students to 'speak' English. Many students arrive on our courses knowing how to answer grammar questions but are not able to talk about themselves or their ideas. For that reason we spend as much class time as possible getting students to talk and getting students to talk about topics that are relevant and interesting to them. We believe that if a topic is not interesting or relevant, students won't want to talk; and if they don't want to talk, then they'll never learn to speak the language.

During the summer, the DLTC English Language School offers our Summer Junior English & Activity programmes. This is a hugely popular programme and we have been operating it since 2003. On this programme, we welcome private individual students - who travel on their own or with friends - as well as larger groups of teenagers from language schools, secondary schools, and other youth organisations in any country.

During the spring and autumn, DLTC English Language School welcomes groups from secondary schools around Europe and the World who want to spend a study week in Ireland. We provide an English language course to suit the needs of the group; accommodation and meals with an Irish host family; transfer service to and from Dublin airport; and an activity programme specifically designed according to the wishes and budget of the group so that they can enjoy the famous sights and entertainment activities that Dublin and Ireland has to offer.