

Learn the language. Live the life. Love the leisure.

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+ active **leisure**

Atlantic S.E.A.L. is a small, select English Language school and a certified teacher training centre.

We offer standard and flexible General English courses, as well as Business and Specialist programmes in our year-round adult centre. We also have summer programmes for juniors and teenagers.

South west Cork has been described as "*the most magical place in Ireland.*" It boasts a mix of mountains, moors, wild hills full of lakes, deep river valleys and dramatic cliffs overlooking the Atlantic.

Atlantic S.E.A.L. is based in a charming traditional Irish building at the edge of Schull village in beautiful southwest Cork. We have the best of both worlds—a peaceful location, an ideal learning environment, and both the Atlantic and the village just a minute's walk away.

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We believe expert tuition in small groups, combined with an exciting leisure programme that stimulates the mind and body, sets the tone for a successful and pleasurable learning experience. Our students build great confidence in using English. Thanks to the hands-on, relaxed approach of our teachers here in Schull, students' progress isn't limited to just the classroom setting; they give more effective presentations, deal better with clients and counterparts on the phone and by email, and feel more confident communicating in English at work and socially following their experience here. Even shy students will enjoy the experience of living with a host family, as often there will be other people of a similar age group in the household where they stay. Our teachers accompany students on leisure outings, so new language is reinforced even while out having fun.

Who are we?

Atlantic S.E.A.L. is owned and managed by partners Barbara Connelly and Peter McDonnell. Barbara has over fifteen years' experience teaching English communication skills to foreign students in Ireland, the UK, and abroad. She makes sure our teaching methods are always updated. Peter is a marine biologist and qualified diving instructor. He manages the active leisure side of Atlantic S.E.A.L., and often gives talks on marine ecology. Both Barbara and Peter are passionate about what they do. They are experienced and qualified professionals.

Who are our students?

Our students come from all over the world and from many backgrounds, but they have this in common: they want to learn the language, live the life, and love the leisure here in the scenic setting of an English-speaking country. Our students make great progress in their English language skills, particularly listening and speaking, even in a short time. Our courses are professionally designed and our teachers are qualified and experienced experts. Students appreciate a warm and friendly classroom atmosphere. They like the small class size of an average of just six students because it gives them plenty of opportunities to practise using English. A lot of our students are lovers of nature and the sea. In their free time, they enjoy a mix of leisure activities from our programmes. These include land or watersports, cultural or creative activities and excursions. They want to be surrounded by spectacular countryside and seascapes. They enjoy nature, the outdoors, and fresh air.

"If these are the kind of things you like," says Barbara, "you will find your ideal place here at Atlantic SEAL. You will be very welcome to our family!"



Live and Learn in Your Teacher's Home

This Programme is the ideal choice for students of English who want the 'full immersion' experience by living and learning with their teacher in his or her own home. Our teachers' homes are very comfortable and usually located in a place of scenic beauty in magical West Cork. You can have 'One to One' tuition or come with a friend, family member or colleague for our 'Two to One' experience. Micro-Groups of maximum 4 can also be catered for by special arrangement

Each day - Monday to Friday - you will enjoy 4 hours of tuition with your teacher, you will have a minimum of one evening of entertainment. and on two afternoons you will participate in leisure activities of interest to you. These can be cultural trips, creative activities (Irish music, dance, jewellery making, stone engraving, pottery, aromatherapy lessons), land sports (horse-riding, golf, tennis, hiking, cycling, walking), watersports (kayaking, sailing, scuba diving,) and you will also have a full day excursion at the weekends.

Atlantic SEAL's team of 'H.E.L.P.' Tutors are highly experienced and qualified teachers and so you can be sure that your lessons in General or Specialist English will be well planned, expertly and professionally conducted, and cover all the areas you need such as reading, writing and of course listening and speaking. You simply tell us in advance if you wish to do a General English course or if you would like to focus on a special area such as '**Business English**' or '**English for University/Law/Journalism etc**'. And don't forget to tell us what leisure activities you like so that we can make sure that the on-going leisure programme has something for you.

Don't forget that in addition to the formal lessons, you will at the same time enjoy real Irish lifestyle and hospitality by being treated as a 'member of the family' during your whole stay. You will also have plenty of relaxed opportunities to communicate and continue to receive linguistic support during your breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as during the leisure activities.

It is no surprise that students of English of whatever age find that their English has improved dramatically by the end of the course. As our motto at Atlantic SEAL is '**If you don't want to lose it, use it!**' - the Home English course certainly gives you plenty of opportunities to practise and be continuously learning in a warm, supportive and relaxed environment.

The following features are included in the fees:

- 20 Hours of English language tuition with your tutor in his/her own home
- Full Board Accommodation (Breakfast/Lunch/Evening Meal)
- Own Room
- Private Car Airport Transfers from Cork or Kerry Airport if needed.
- One evening of entertainment accompanied by your teacher
- Two afternoons of leisure activities of your choice (or we can plan for you)
- Full use of all the home facilities
- Free Bicycle for independent trips and help with planning your free time.
- Certificate of attendance & Full Progress Report from your tutor at the end of your stay.

