



ENGLISH LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE AND ACTION

ELEA 2026

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Welcome to Peartree English Language Experience and Action (ELEA), an immersive English as a foreign language (EFL) residential programme, awarded Centre of Excellence status 2025-2026 and located at UWC Atlantic College.

Peartree ELEA 2026 is a summer residential experience created by Peartree Languages, one of Cardiff's longest-established English language training (ELT) providers, in partnership with Atlantic Experience. We combine 20 years of industry experience in teaching high-quality, accredited English language courses with the spectacular location, facilities, pastoral care and diverse leisure opportunities offered by UWC Atlantic College, home to St Donat's Castle.

ELEA 2026 will be our 5th ELEA course and we will use our experience to take you on an inspirational language-learning journey where you will build lifelong memories and join our growing ELEA alumni community. Alongside a network of students from all over the world, you will enjoy challenging lessons and workshops, take part in action activities, make new international friends and have a fantastic time - and we will help you to do all of this using only the English language.

We offer a full daily schedule combining language sessions, physical activities and full-day excursions, developing valuable skills for both your studies in your home country and your future. At ELEA, you will have the chance to improve your confidence in English and your personal competencies while having the summer experience of a lifetime!

We look forward to welcoming you to ELEA 2026.



Ms. Nicky Partridge
Founder and Course Director
Peartree ELEA
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PROGRAMME OUTLINE



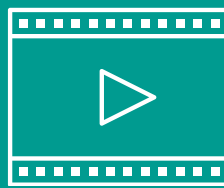
30-hours of English language classes and workshops



Optional early morning activities on campus-based days



8 half-day campus-based action activities



Evening activities including a farewell Gala Dinner



3 full-day off-campus excursions



Exploring nature on the Vale Heritage Coast



Learn about UWC, including a talk from the Admissions Team



Full-board accommodation in dormitory houses at UWC Atlantic

My daughter had a wonderful time. She made new friends from all around, and she improved her English skills. Thank you very much for taking great care of the many aspects needed to make this experience unique.

ELEA Parent, Barcelona



ELEA IN DETAIL



THE LOCATION

Peartree ELEA takes place at UWC Atlantic College, Vale of Glamorgan, UK. This spectacular, 122-acre site is home to its own 12th-century St Donat's Castle, woodland, farm, valley and seafront with enclosed bay. You will enjoy meals in a magical dining hall, listen to stories and myths about the castle and be in constant contact with nature in this safe, beautiful residential setting.

I think our teacher was very good because we spoke about a lot of topics and future plans and also about the SDGs and the UWC values, also important things for us to know nowadays for example about fake news or mindfulness.

Maria, Germany



● UWC Atlantic College, St Donat's Castle,
South Wales, UK, CF61 1WF

THE ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

You will live in houses containing dormitories where up to four students share a room. Houses are allocated by gender, and rooms within the houses are assigned according to age and a deliberate nationality mix. Each house has a common room with plenty of space to relax and a kitchen stocked with daily supplies such as fresh fruit, bread, spreads, biscuits and cereals.

All houses are located within the grounds of the College, with wonderful views of the sea and woodland and are an easy walk to all facilities (dining hall, lessons, activities, pick-up points).

There will be three full meals per day – breakfast, lunch and dinner. Meals will be enjoyed in the spectacular castle dining hall, giving students the feeling of being in a real-life Harry Potter movie! On excursion days a packed-lunch will be provided.

THE LESSONS

You will join English language group classes, divided by level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for language competence (B1, B2 etc). Participants must be able to demonstrate a minimum level of B1 (pre-intermediate) and maximum level of C1 (advanced), including speaking skills, to be eligible to join the course.

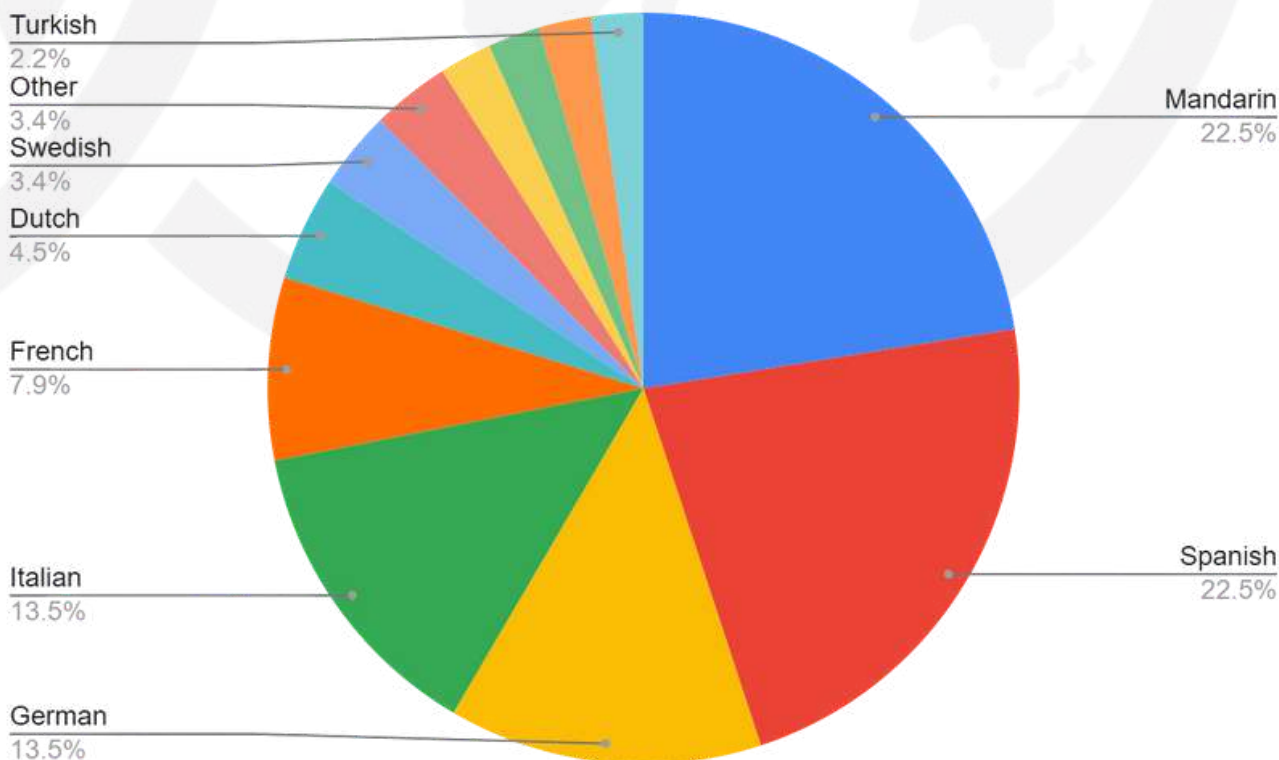
The ELEA 2026 programme places a strong emphasis on developing communicative English language skills, confidence and fluency in a collaborative, fun and inclusive classroom environment, aligned with British Council standards for the teaching of English. The lessons and workshops focus on five key 21st Century skills: collaboration, leadership, digital literacy, global citizenship and critical thinking. Each skill is linked to a contemporary global issue, while also helping students make connections with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the UWC Mission and Values. By working on authentic communication, teamwork, and reflection, students gain the language, skills and self-belief to apply their knowledge in a final team task bringing together all elements of the course.

THE ACTIVITIES

There will be a range of activities over the two-week experience, including archery, climbing, pool kayaking and bushcraft. You will enjoy visits to local areas of natural beauty including hiking along the Glamorgan Heritage Coast on which the campus sits. Leisure activities on campus include sports, team games and a tournament challenge.



2025 PARTICIPANT FIRST LANGUAGES



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

At ELEA our aim is to help you improve your English-language level as you develop important communication skills for your future. Through the wide range of adventures we have planned, you can develop team-building, leadership, and listening skills, along with resilience in an international environment. In the summer months, the UWC Atlantic campus comes alive with a range of groups, young people and other external events that contribute to a global landscape of learning and exploration. Many of your leisure moments will be spent with participants from around the world, giving you the unique opportunity to speak English and make international friends.

THE EXCURSIONS

On various days throughout the programme, we will travel away from the campus for full-day excursions to visit new places in the U.K. This includes:

- An excursion to the historical city of Bath in England to visit a popular cultural attraction
- A visit to the capital city of Wales, Cardiff, to explore Welsh culture and enjoy a shopping opportunity

in safe pedestrianised malls and historical arcades, including the oldest record shop in the world!

- A full-day cultural or historical excursion in South Wales linked to themes explored as part of the curriculum.

SAFER SCHOOL 24-HOUR CARE

ELEA is committed to providing the highest standards of pastoral care, including 24-hour supervision. Staff are carefully background checked and selected for their suitability to care for children and young people.

EARLY MORNING ACTIVITIES

On campus-based school days, we offer optional activities from 7am including early morning swimming, gym and sports.

EVENING ACTIVITIES AND FREE TIME

Evening activities provide the chance to speak English while relaxing and having fun. This includes a Gala Dinner, international show, cinema evening (full-sized screen), giant quiz, disco and more, all within the grounds of the College. During free time, students can explore designated areas of the College campus with new friends and use the communal and sporting facilities available to them on site.

LEARN ABOUT APPLYING TO UWC

Join a workshop hosted by the UWC Atlantic Admissions team to learn about studying at a UWC college. Discover the different application routes, the International Baccalaureate, the new Systems Transformation Pathway, and what it means to be part of the UWC movement.



INSURANCE



As part of ELEA, international students living outside of the UK will benefit from GuardMe insurance as part of the course fee:

The policy provides cover for participants including: extensive medical coverage up to £10,000,000 that includes treatments at any clinics or hospitals - public or private - for any unexpected medical condition.

Digital Doctor: students will be able to schedule an online appointment with a doctor who will also be able to send prescriptions online. This will avoid any long wait for a GP appointment in person.



LEARN MORE ABOUT ELEA

Join one of our ELEA webinars designed for parents, guardians, and participants to discover more about the ELEA programme. These sessions will cover key details from excursion information to safeguarding practices. Meet the ELEA team, ask your questions, and find out if ELEA is the right fit for you!



Wednesday 19th November
18:00-19:00 GMT

» REGISTER



Wednesday 14th January
18:00-19:00 GMT

» REGISTER



Wednesday 11th March
18:00-19:00 GMT

» REGISTER

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would recommend
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APPLYING TO ELEA

APPLICATION CRITERIA

ELEA will be held at UWC Atlantic, Wales, UK CF61 1WF for 12-17-year-olds from Saturday 18th July - Saturday 1st August 2026 and participants must commit to the full programme. The lessons and activities are divided into two age groups: Youngers (YOs) ages 12-14 and Olders (Os) ages 15-17. There is an option for students who are aged 14 on January 1st 2026 to request to join the Olders group. These requests will be considered individually and are not guaranteed.

ELEA is joined by a minimum of 60 participants from around the world.

Participants must have a minimum proven language level of B1 and a maximum level of C1 according to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR), including speaking skills. This course is not suitable for participants at beginner or elementary level, first-language English speakers, students who have attended English-bilingual school or have C2 (near-first language competency) level fluency. Participants must complete an assessment test as part of their application and an online interview may be required.

FEES

£2,600 GBP per person, including all programme fees, boarding, catering and Guard Me insurance. The fee is also inclusive of optional transfer to/from Heathrow Airport, within the time window specified in the Course Pack. The fee does not include flights or assistance within the airport such as unaccompanied minor services with airlines, participant spending money, visa fees or travel costs outside of the transfers.

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

- Early bird: Apply before 31st January: £2,500 per person
- Repeater discount: £50 per person (can be used with early bird offer but no other discounts)
- Sibling discount: £75 per person (can be used with early bird offer but no other discounts)

OTHER FEES

Additional charges that you may incur include:

- If you plan to use the unaccompanied minor airline service with your airline, an additional fee of £150 will apply to ELEA
- If you have unexpected changes to travel plans including flight or meeting delays outside of the specified travel window, a fee of £200 GBP per person plus additional costs (i.e. transport) will apply.

HOW TO APPLY

If you're interested in joining ELEA, please complete the application form and assessment found on our website here: www.uwcatlanticexperience.com/elea.

Once both the application and assessment forms have been submitted, these will be reviewed and we will notify you if you have successfully secured a place on the ELEA programme within 5 working days. If your application is approved, an invoice will be sent due for payment within 14 days. If you require a payment plan or to extend the payment deadline, please discuss this with us. Unfortunately, at this time we do not offer scholarships for ELEA. Please only apply if you can cover the full costs of the ELEA programme.

The closing date for applications is 31st May 2026; however, we recommend booking as soon as possible as there is high demand for the ELEA programme. Before you apply please ensure that you have read further information found in the course pack and terms and conditions documents on the website.

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