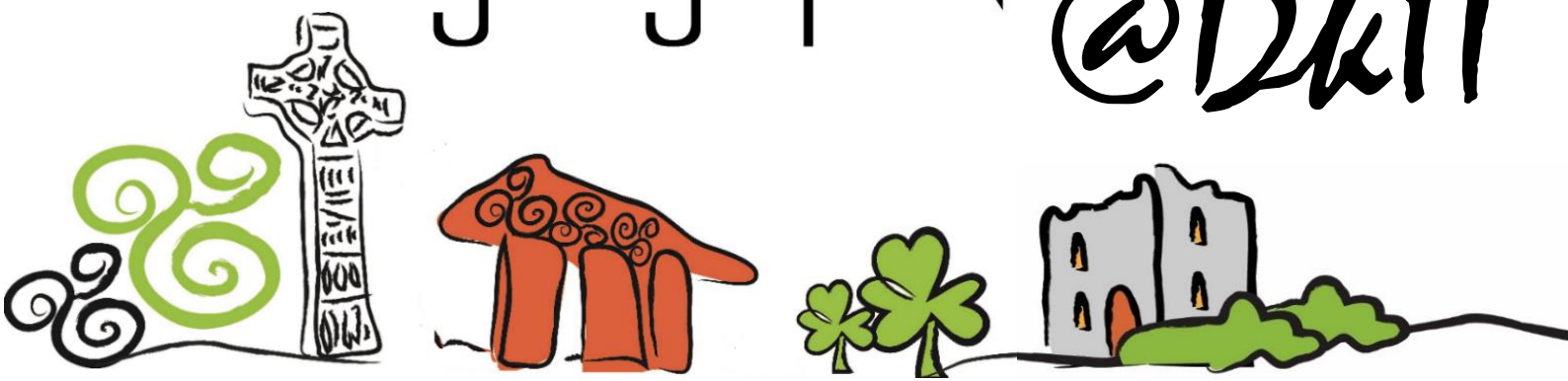




Ireland 2024



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Why do teens love our teen total immersion programmes? You can

- spend time with Irish, French, German, Italian and Spanish teenagers on a university campus
- practise English all day long thanks to a fantastic programme of classes, fun activities and educational excursions
- enjoy a dynamic learning environment: classes specially designed to meet the interests of our students, workshops, debates, presentations, quizzes, preparation for Cambridge exams and so much more!



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junior total immersion 12-16 years old	price (price with discount)	senior total immersion 16-19 years old	price (price with discount)
1 week	€875 (€800)	1 week	€975 (€900)
2 weeks	€1650 (€1500)	2 weeks	€1925 (€1775)
3 weeks	€2475 (€2250)	3 weeks	€2850 (€2625)

junior total immersion: full board with host family. **senior total immersion:** full board with host family + 2 nights x 4* glamping in Galway. Host families are carefully selected with teenagers of similar ages and interests. Own room in a very comfortable house in the Dundalk area. One student per family unless two friends/brothers/sisters ask to share. Flights not included. Contact us for flight information: info@thelanguageplace.ie +353 87 2297473 / +353 87 2297476

junior total immersion: programme week 1

monday week 1



pick-up at Dublin airport and transfer to Dundalk



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
sky-climbing and challenge
course in Carlingford

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

tuesday week 1



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
GAA sports with Irish teens

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

wednesday week 1



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
horse-riding in the
mountains

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

thursday week 1



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
karting tournament

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

friday week 1



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
selfie scavenger hunt

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

saturday week 1



day in Belfast 9.30 – 19.00

with a competition in Ulster Folk Park or Titanic Experience, free time in Victoria Square and bowling

junior total immersion: programme week 2

monday week 2



horse riding in
Ravensdale



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
laser combat in the forest

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

tuesday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
auditions and cinema

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

wednesday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
canoeing on the river Boyne

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

thursday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
movie-making for the
2024 Oscars' Gala

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

friday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
gymkhana treasure hunt

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

saturday week 2



day in Emerald Park 9:30 – 19:00
Ireland's best theme park

junior total immersion: programme week 3

monday week 3



Best Actor
Oscars' Gala 2023



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
movie-making for the 2024
Oscars' Gala

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

tuesday week 3



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
adventure sports and team
activities in Carlingford

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

wednesday week 3



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
football or trampolining

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

thursday week 3



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
raft building on the beach

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

friday week 3



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes
and presentations

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
2024 Oscars' Gala

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

saturday week 3



day in Dublin 9.30 – 19.00

tour of Phoenix Park on bikes, St Stephen's Green and
free time for shopping on Grafton Street

senior total immersion: programme week 1

	monday week 1	tuesday week 1	wednesday week 1
 pick-up at Dublin airport and transfer to Dundalk	 morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 laser combat in the forest evening 18:00+ free time with host family	 morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 GAA sports with Irish teens evening 18:00+ free time with host family	 morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 karting tournament evening 18:00+ free time with host family
thursday week 1	friday week 1	saturday week 1	
 morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 Emerald Park evening 18:00+ free time with host family	 morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 cooking lesson in the restaurant Ghan House evening 18:00+ dinner in Ghan House	 day in Belfast 9.30 – 19.00 with a competition in Titanic Experience, free time in Victoria Square and bowling in the evening	

senior total immersion: programme week 2

monday week 2



weekend in Galway
and the island of Inis Mór



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
sky-climbing and challenge
course in Carlingford

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

tuesday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
auditions and cinema

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

wednesday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
canoeing on the river Boyne

evening 18:00+
free time with host family

thursday week 2



morning 9:30 – 13:00
classes, workshops,
projects, debates, quizzes

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
raft-building on the beach

evening: 18:00+
free time with host family

viernes, sábado y domingo 2ª semana



morning 9:30 – 13:00
transfer to Galway by
private bus

afternoon 13:30 – 17:30
sightseeing in Galway

evening 18:00+ transfer to
Inis Mór for two nights'
glamping and activities



friday 9:30 – sunday 19:30
weekend in Galway and the island of Inis Mór

senior total immersion: programme week 3

monday week 3		tuesday week 3	wednesday week 3
			
bicycle tour of Phoenix Park in Dublin			
morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes		morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes	morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes
afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 movie-making for the Oscars Gala		afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 horse-riding or bike-riding on the coast	afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 Butler's chocolate factory
evening 18:00+ free time with host family		evening 18:00+ free time with host family	evening: free time with host family
thursday week 3		friday week 3	
			
morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes	morning 9:30 – 13:00 classes, workshops, projects, debates, quizzes	day in Dublin 9:30 – 19:00 day of sightseeing and shopping in Dublin. In the evening a visit to Croke Park national football stadium for a football match OR Riverdance at the Gaiety theatre	
afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 Let's Go Hydro	afternoon 13:30 – 17:30 Oscars Gala		
evening 18:00+ free time with host family	evening 18:00+ 2024 Oscars' Afterparty		



THE OSCARS 2023



teen total immersion: frequently asked questions

Here is a selection of some of the questions we are frequently asked by students and parents on our **Junior** and **Senior Total Immersion** courses. If you don't find the answer to your question here, please contact us at info@thelanguageplace.ie and we will be happy to answer any questions you have.

Where should I fly to?

Students on the **Junior** and **Senior Total Immersion** course should fly into Dublin from where they will be taken to **The Language Place** by private bus. Most students on the **Junior Total Immersion** and **Senior Total Immersion** courses travel together and arrive and leave on Sundays. For flight information please contact us: info@thelanguageplace.ie

Who should I fly with?

Students on the **Total Immersion** programmes can fly to Dublin with Aer Lingus (www.aerlingus.com) the national airline of Ireland, the national airline of their own country, e.g. Iberia, Air France, Alitalia, Lufthansa, or with Ryanair (www.ryanair.com). Students over 12 can fly without a monitor on Aer Lingus flights but need to fly with a monitor on Ryanair flights. Students over 16 can fly without a monitor on Ryanair flights.

How long does it take to get from Dublin to Dundalk?

The journey from Dublin to Dundalk takes approximately one hour (70km)

Who will meet me at the airport?

Students will be met at the airport by a representative of **The Language Place** and taken directly to Dundalk by private bus to meet their host families. They will also return to the airport by private bus.

Where will I stay?

Students on the **Total Immersion** courses stay with a host family with teenagers of the same age. It is the best way to be totally immersed in English and really experience Irish culture.

How is my host family chosen?

Our host families are carefully chosen after a long interview process. We visit the families at their homes and collect information about the family members' ages, occupations, language skills, interests and hobbies, pets etc. The information the student gives us on his/her student application form helps us match the student with a host family that is best for them. In general, host families will have teenagers of the same age or children a little older or younger. All host families live in very comfortable houses in Dundalk or in surrounding areas. Two friends or siblings can share the same host family if they want.

Will I be the only speaker of my language in the house?

The student will be the only speaker of your language in the house unless they ask to share a family with a brother, sister or friend.

Will I have my own room?

Yes. Our students always have their own room. If two friends want to share the same family, they generally share a room but two single rooms in the same house could be possible so ask us! If a student chooses to share a family with a student of another nationality, the students will have their own room.

Will I have my own bathroom?

Some students will have their own bathroom, but most students will share a bathroom with the teenagers in their host family.

What are the mealtimes in Ireland?

Irish people usually have breakfast between 7.00 and 10.00. They have lunch between 12.00 and 14.00 and they have dinner between 18.00 and 19.30. Breakfast and dinner are the main meals of the day. It is important to know that lunch is much lighter than in Europe.

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What meals will I have with my host family?

The student will have breakfast each morning and dinner each evening with the host family. Every day the student will have an organised activity or excursion and the host family will provide a packed lunch to take. A packed lunch is usually a sandwich, salad, yoghurt, cheese and some fruit. The family will buy all the food the student will need for breakfast, lunch and dinner. They will also provide snacks for the student between meals. If the student eats outside the family home, then he/she buys this food or drink themselves.

What happens if I don't like the food my host family cooks for me?

It's good to remember Ireland is a different country, with different ways of preparing food and typical dishes in Ireland will be different from dishes in the student's home country - this is part of the adventure of really experiencing another culture. Before the student comes to Ireland, he/she will fill in a very detailed likes and dislikes section on his/her **application form**. The student can tell the host family what he/she likes, what he/she doesn't eat, etc. The families are very flexible. Students can eat as little or as much as they like. The host family will not expect the student to like absolutely everything. If the student does not like something the host family prepares, the best thing is to tell the family and they will prepare something else for him/her.

I forgot to mention in my application form that I don't like milk. How will my host family know?

If the student forgets to put something on his/her **application form** about likes and dislikes, he/she can tell the host family when he/she arrives in Ireland.

What food and drink do I have to buy for myself?

The host family will buy everything the student needs for breakfast, lunch and dinner. They will also offer *snacks* between meals. If a student decides to have lunch or dinner outside the house, this food is not the responsibility of the host family and the student must pay for it themselves.

I am allergic to dairy products/cats... How will my host family know?

There is a section on the student **application form** that asks about allergies and medications. We will make sure the student's host family knows about any dietary restrictions or allergies before he/she arrives.

How will I get from my host family's house to school every day?

The host family will take the student to school by car every morning at 9.00 and pick up the student at 17.30 every evening.

Will my host family wash my clothes?

Yes, the host family will wash the student's clothes with the family laundry.

Can I meet up with my friends in the evenings?

Students on the **Teen Total Immersion** programme must return home every day at the time agreed between the host family and the directors of **The Language Place**, usually not later than 18.00. From 18.00 the student is with the host family and his/her teenage host(s). This time is often spent with friends of the Irish teenage hosts, and it is an important part of the day for the student. It is the time when he or she can practise English with his/her teenage host. The host family and **The Language Place** must know where the student is at all times. For this reason, students are not allowed to meet up with other friends from the programme in the evenings or at weekends without being accompanied by their Irish teenage hosts or representatives of The Language Place. Students are not permitted to participate in any activity which is not organised by his/her host family or **The Language Place**.

Can I smoke or vape in my host family house?

No. Smoking and vaping are not permitted in the host family house or garden. Smoking and vaping are not permitted in at any time during the total immersion programmes.

Will my host family have wifi?

Yes, all host families have an internet connection with wi-fi.

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Should I bring my host family a present?

The host families do not expect a present but if the student would like to bring a present but is not sure what to bring, something cultural from his/her own country is always a good choice.

I am worried that my host family won't understand me and I won't understand them.

It is essential that students have sufficient knowledge of English to communicate with their host family, the other students on the course and the Irish teenagers they are going to meet. Therefore, we recommend that students on the **Junior Total Immersion** programme have a minimum level of A2.2 (Cambridge KET) on the European Framework of Reference for Languages. Students on the **Senior Total Immersion** programme must have at least level B1.2 level (Cambridge PET).

Can I stay extra nights with my host family?

If a student wants to stay extra nights with his/her host family, please let us know in advance so that we can make the arrangement with the host family. Extra nights cost €40 per night.

Do I have to do all the activities and excursions?

The activities and excursions are great fun and usually students want to take part in all of them. However, if a student does not want to do a particular activity or excursion, please let us know.

What am I going to do during my English workshops?

All our workshops and English-learning activities are specially designed to cover the needs of our students. The students spend three hours per day working on their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. But we know that our students also want to enjoy themselves during these workshops and for this reason the students do quizzes, games, theatre, record movies, participate in debates, do projects, carry out street interviews, etc.

Do the courses include preparation for the Cambridge exams?

The **Junior Total Immersion** course includes preparation for Cambridge B1 PET and Cambridge B2 First. The **Senior Total Immersion** course includes preparation for Cambridge B2 First and Cambridge C1 Advanced.

Do I have to go to all the English workshops?

Yes, students must go to all English workshops unless he or she is sick. Generally, our students enjoy them so much, they don't want to miss any!

I am 16, can I go to an Irish pub?

Students on the total immersion programmes who are under 18 years old cannot enter pubs or drink alcohol during their stay.

What is the weather like in Ireland in July/August? What clothes should I bring with me?

The weather in Ireland is very changeable in summer. August is the start of autumn in Ireland, so we have sunny days but also cloudy days, and because we are so near the Atlantic Ocean we have rain regularly. The best thing to do is be prepared for all types of weather. When the student is packing, he/she should include some warm clothes, a jacket and a raincoat (and maybe a small umbrella) as well as summer t-shirts and light clothes.

Do I need travel insurance/personal accident insurance?

The Language Place insurance covers the student while he/she is in **The Language Place** building, on excursions with **The Language Place** and during most activities with **The Language Place**. Unfortunately, this policy does not cover our students during some activities which are classified as high risk, e.g. karting and our insurance policy does not cover the student when he/she is doing activities with the host family. For this reason, we ask that all our students purchase a good travel insurance policy in their own country to have adequate accident insurance cover at all times in Ireland, and insurance against loss or theft of belongings. **The Language Place** cannot accept responsibility for theft or loss of belongings

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What happens if I get sick?

If a student gets sick and needs medical attention, we will arrange for him/her to visit a doctor. If the student is from the EU, and has an **EHIC card** or an **E111 form**, the EU Regulation 1408/71 says that holders of the **European Health Insurance Card, E111 or equivalent** during a temporary stay in Ireland can have access to doctors and services in a public hospital free of charge. But if the student doesn't have this card, he/she will have to pay for medical treatment here, so it is important to make sure the student has one before he/she comes. The cost of medicine is higher in Ireland than in other countries. It usually costs €50 to visit a GP and €100 to go to accident and emergency. If the student has an illness for which he/she has to take regular medication, it is essential to make sure the student brings enough medication with him/her for the duration of his/her stay here. If for any reason the student cannot take medicines such as paracetamol, ibuprofen or antibiotics, please tell us in advance. If the student gets really sick and has to return home without completing his/her course, **The Language Place** will give a credit note for a course at a later date as per the terms and conditions of the programme.

How much money do I need to bring?

The **Junior Total Immersion** course is an all-inclusive course. The student does not need to buy very much while he/she is here so he/she should not bring much money with him/her. On the **Senior Total Immersion** course students will need to buy some meals in Galway.

My parents would like to come to Ireland too. Can they do a course?

We have other programme for adults. For more information about our **Adult Total Immersion** programme, or to request a brochure, please contact us: info@thelanguageplace.ie

I'm interested. How do I reserve a place?

You download, complete and send us your application form. You pay a €300 deposit by bank transfer or by card (via a Square link on our website) to reserve your place and the balance 28 days before the course begins.



checklist: don't forget!



- ☐ passport / identity card
- ☐ plane ticket / boarding card
- ☐ travel insurance and medical card
- ☐ footwear for water sports
- ☐ swimsuit
- ☐ 3-pin adaptor
- ☐ mobile phone and charger
- ☐ backpack and jacket

Thank you for choosing The Language Place for your total immersion course this summer. We design our courses with you in mind so that you can learn as much English as possible during your stay. Our classes are stimulating, dynamic and very interactive. We have also designed a great activities and excursions programme for you, so that you can practise your English all the time with us, our Irish teenage hosts and the other students on the total immersion programme. We are really looking forward to meeting you. See you very soon in Ireland!

A big hug from all the team

