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BELS

We are a small school that values quality above quantity. Our school's top priority is customer satisfaction and we have earned a reputation for pleasing even the most demanding of clients.

BELS began in 1997 as a small, family-run school on the unique island of Gozo. The maximum capacity of the fully accredited English language school is 75 students. The Gozo language school fast became an internationally recognized centre that caters for adult persons from different parts of the world: Europe, Asia and South America. As a member of the award-winning IALC, International Association of Language Centers, the school is governed by a Code of Conduct which ensures standards and customer protection.



BELS offers personalized, flexible, tailor-made courses all year round. We cater for individuals and groups offering a complete package including: tuition, accommodation, board, airport transfers and leisure as well as tea/coffee & mid-day snacks on school days.

We look forward to your choosing BELS for your language course and to welcoming you at one of our centres.



Our Location – The Islands of Malta

Malta

With a history that dates back to the 6th century BC, the Islands of Malta have only recently earned their reputation as being one of the most popular English language learning destinations in Europe. The native English tongue, warm Mediterranean climate, year round sunshine and clear blue sea are just some of the things that lend themselves to choosing Malta as a holiday destination. The sunny islands of Malta, Gozo and Comino also boast a unique mixture of cultures inherited from the long and eventful history.

Malta is home to some of the oldest man-made stone structures in the world. It served as a strategic base and idyllic retreat to numerous peoples, from the Phoenicians to the British. The islands offer a vast variety of cultural and historical sites, bustling cities and picturesque villages, some of which are recognized as UNESCO World Heritage Centers.

Our Island – Gozo

Ghawdex (pronounced “audesch”) is the Maltese name for Gozo. It is approximately 14.5 km long and approximately 7.5 km wide, with a shore line of 43 km and a population of around 28,000 people.

In comparison with Malta, the beautiful island of Gozo is more socially conservative. Strict policies regarding building developments keep Gozo unspoilt, greener and more fertile. Unlike Malta, the Gozitan way of life is mainly based on agriculture and fishing. Life on Gozo is slower and more relaxed than that on Malta. Gozitans are renowned for their splendid sense of hospitality and a fairly laid-back attitude to life that appeals to most visitors.



Our Village - Kerċem

Our centre is ideally located in the Kerċem countryside, 5 minutes walk from the village centre and 25 minutes from the town centre of Victoria and the sea-side village of Xlendi. The village offers one of the most beautiful landscapes in the Island of Gozo, making it an artist's haven. The area is renowned as one of Gozo's ideal locations for country walks and cycling.





School



Courses

Business English 30

Students can also opt for a combination of General English group lessons in the morning followed by more specialised lessons in the afternoon. The focus of the afternoon lessons will be on generic Business English topics and skills depending on your wants and needs.

Exam English 30

This is a combination of General English group lessons in the morning followed by more specialised lessons in the afternoon. The afternoon lessons will focus on the acquisition of exam skills and techniques. The Exam Preparation course is designed for those students who need an internationally recognised qualification in order to gain entrance into an English speaking university or simply to add value to their CV when applying for a job.

Individual Programmes

- **General English** - Allows you to concentrate on any of the four skills using general topics. The lessons are organised according your needs in order to ensure maximum progress.
- **Business English Courses** - Concentrate on developing business communication skills and business related topics according to your specific needs and future objectives. E.g. Meetings, presentations, negotiations, sales, marketing, finance, etc.
- **English for Special Purposes Courses** Focus exclusively on specific areas of interest in English, such as English for Computer Technology, Engineering, Law, Medicine, etc.



Included in your course:

- Welcome pack including general information sheets
- Accommodation fees & taxes
- Course material & school folder
- Lessons (45 minutes) as booked
- Course certificate & student assessment report
- Use of library with self-access material
- Pool or beach club membership during summer months

Language school

The school offers a relaxed, friendly and pleasant atmosphere with 8 bright, air-conditioned classrooms that are operated all year round with a total capacity of 75 students. Our premises include services such as a common room, sun terrace, garden, a library with self-access material, internet workstations & Wi-Fi, together with a beverage & snack vending machines. Course material is included in the price; however, auxiliary learning materials may also be bought in the school.

Our classes accommodate one, two, six and twelve persons and facilities are fully accessible to persons with special needs. The average number of students in each class is four in low season and eight in high season.



Staff

All of our teachers hold specialist language training qualifications and have experience in teaching both adults and youths. Many of them are also trained to teach Business English. The school adopts a fully communicative approach to teaching. Language is always presented in context and practised using interactive everyday situations. Teachers are encouraged to design lessons which target their learners' needs, using supplementary material whenever appropriate. Teaching facilities include audio/visual equipment and a computer aided language laboratory.

Courses

We offer a choice of: General English, Business English & ESP courses - for individuals or groups - for both short and long periods.

General English Group Courses

We offer two group types, Standard (maximum 12 persons) or Mini (maximum 6 persons) groups. All group courses allow you to concentrate on all the four skills; reading, writing, listening & speaking with special emphasis on conversation, using general topics.

Club 50+

Our Club 50 course is as much about travel and experiencing Gozo as it is about learning English. We offer an exciting combination of English language and cultural activities, exclusively designed for the over 50's age group. This tailor made programme is designed to be flexible and to respond to the needs of each group focusing on particular group interests.

Long Term Course

This course targets those students who are taking the time to seriously focus on their English language skills. With a minimum booking of 8 weeks, you will follow 20 lessons per week. Lessons are structured according to your needs and offer constant monitoring, supervision and feedback in order to give you that extra advantage in your chosen education or career.





Transfer & Accommodation

Home Stay

Staying with a family is the best way to find out about family life in Gozo. Learn about the history of Gozo, its traditions, culture and food from the people that live there. Students who opt for standard home stay will be hosted by a Gozitan family, which may be a typical 'family' of husband, wife and children, or a couple. Superior home stay type of accommodation is the same as standard home stay, except that you will have exclusive use of bedrooms of a higher standard. This is suitable for students who are prepared to pay extra to have private comforts. Rooms may have private bathrooms and also air-conditioning, at an extra cost. We also have families who are used to welcoming the more mature business executive or professional.



Leisure & Entertainment

Leisure

There is no fixed leisure programme for adult learners; nonetheless, BELS organises weekly cultural and entertainment activities, some of which are attended by school teachers.

For the more adventurous, boat rides through the caves & lagoons, round-the-island boat excursions and fishing trips can also be organised. The hire of motor boats, jet skis, canoes and paddleboats are available on the more popular beaches. Those students who wish to explore some of the Mediterranean's best dive sites, scuba diving off coral reefs and wrecks is another option.

Gozo is full of historical sites, forts and amazing panoramas, as well as one of the best-preserved prehistoric temples, Ggantija (Neolithic temples older than the Pyramids). Visits to these historical and archaeological sites, museums and other places of interest are available on a daily basis.

The green landscape and spectacular coastline of Gozo make the island an ideal location for scenic walking, trekking or simply strolling through the narrow streets of local villages. The rental of bicycles, scooters, cars and jeeps is available through the school booking desk.



The highlights of the summer evenings are the traditional bars, restaurants & discos in superb locations together with village festas and festivals that are held at weekends. The island also offers a wide and varied calendar of cultural activities. Lyric operas, drama, art & photography exhibitions as well as cinema & poetry evenings are all popular activities available throughout the year.



Residence

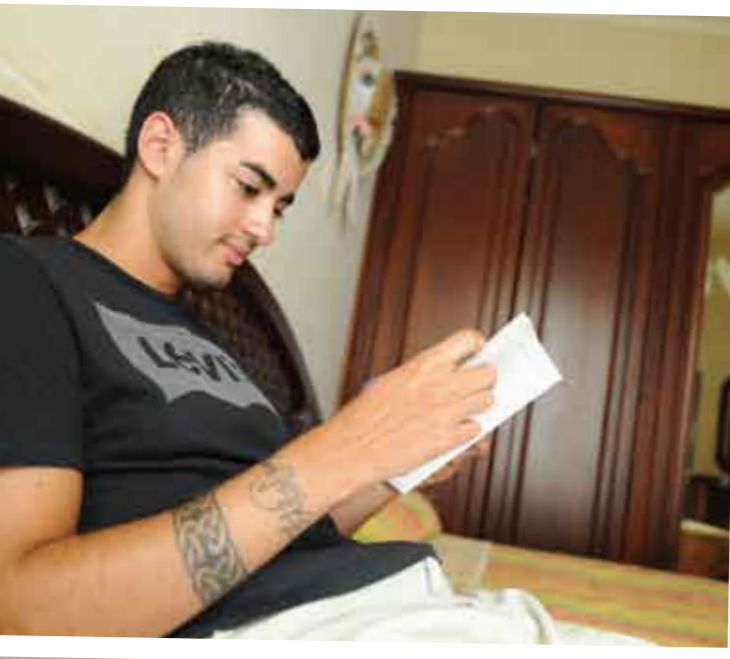
Enjoy the full student experience by living in shared accommodation, either at the sea-side or in the country-side. The residences consist of spacious, bright and well furnished private bedrooms and sharing facilities include a sitting/dining area with a TV and telephone, a well-equipped kitchen & a garden or balcony. The rooms on offer are available for double, twin or single use. For added comfort, all bedrooms are supplied with a fan in summer and a heater in winter. Bathroom facilities are shared with other students.

Private Apartment

All units are two bed-roomed and enjoy wonderful country or sea views from good sized balconies. The country-side units are located about a 5 minute walk from the school and the sea-side ones are only 45 minutes away, on foot. Every unit includes a bedroom, sitting/dining room facilities and a well-equipped kitchen.

Hotels

It is also possible to plan a stay in the comfort of a hotel room. A choice of 3 to 5 star hotels is available upon request.



Transfer

The school offers the service of booking your arrival and departure transfers from the Malta International Airport to your accommodation on Gozo and vice versa – this may be done by bus or private taxi or else the totally hassle free – straight through taxi transfer.

Accommodation

Our accommodation provides an ideal study environment and the opportunity to enhance your English learning experience through meeting, living and socializing with locals and people from all over the world in Gozo.