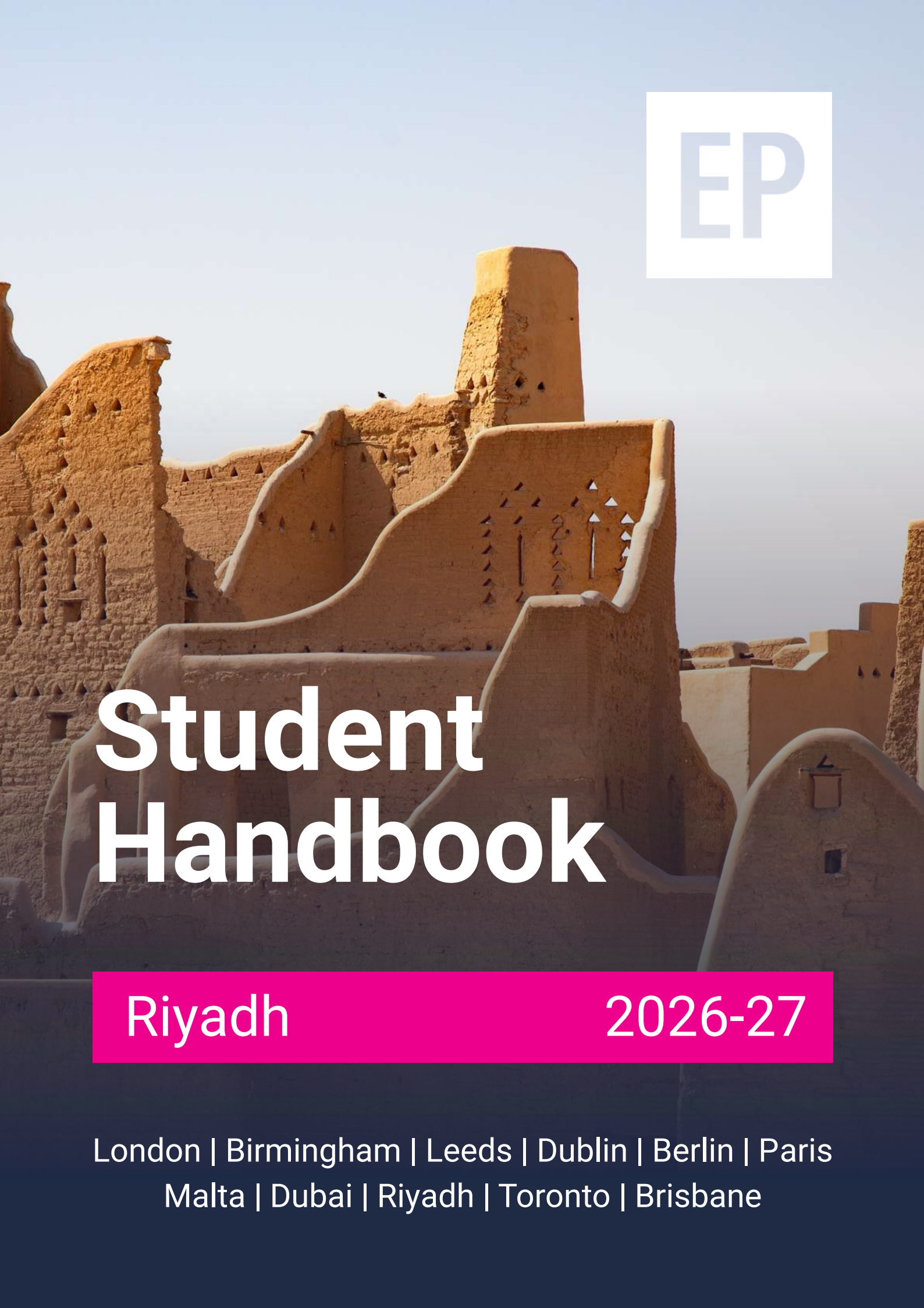


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**Welcome to
English Path.**

**This guide will help
you make the most of
your experience at
EP Riyadh.**

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About English Path Riyadh

English Path (EP) Riyadh is a leading English language training centre, established in June 2025, and part of a global network with campuses across 9 countries. Based in a modern learning environment, EP Riyadh offers General English, IELTS preparation, Business & Leadership, and Arabic programmes for students, professionals, universities, and corporate partners. With experienced teachers, CEFR-aligned programmes, technology-enhanced learning, and a strong focus on measurable outcomes, EP Riyadh supports learners in developing the language skills, confidence, and communication abilities needed for academic and professional success.



English Path is one of the fastest-growing language schools, offering high quality English courses tailored to learners of all ages, levels, and goals. With a reputation for excellence, we provide a welcoming and professional environment where students can achieve their language ambitions, socialise, and develop new skills for personal and professional success.



Our Riyadh campus is located in the vibrant Ash Shuhada district, just a short distance from Granada Mall, making it a convenient and accessible location for everyone. Whether you're a local student, a working professional, or part of a corporate team seeking to enhance language skills, English Path Riyadh is ideally situated to meet your needs.



We offer a wide range of courses, including General English, Business English, IELTS preparation, General Arabic programmes for international students, and customised corporate training programmes. Our highly qualified and experienced instructors and flexible schedules ensure an enriching learning experience designed to fit your lifestyle and objectives.



Join us at English Path Riyadh and take the first step toward achieving your English language goals in a world-class setting.



حول إنجلش باث الرياض

يُعد إنجلش باث الرياض مركزًا رائدًا لتدريب اللغة الإنجليزية، تأسس في يونيو 2025، وينتمي إلى شبكة تعليمية عالمية تضم فروعًا في 9 دول. ويقدم المركز، من خلال بيئة تعليمية حديثة، برامج متنوعة تشمل اللغة الإنجليزية العامة، والتحضير لاختبار IELTS، وبرامج الأعمال والقيادة، واللغة العربية للطلاب والمهنيين والجامعات والشركاء من قطاع الشركات. وبالاعتماد على مدربين ذوي خبرة، وبرامج متوافقة مع الإطار الأوروبي المرجعي المشترك للغات (CEFR)، وتقنيات تعليمية حديثة، يركز إنجلش باث الرياض على تحقيق نتائج ملموسة وتمكين المتعلمين من تطوير مهاراتهم اللغوية وثقتهم وقدراتهم على التواصل لتحقيق النجاح الأكاديمي والمهني.



تُعد إنجلش باث واحدة من أسرع مدارس اللغات نموًا، حيث تقدم دورات عالية الجودة في اللغة الإنجليزية مصممة لتلبية احتياجات المتعلمين من مختلف الأعمار والمستويات والأهداف. وبفضل سمعتها المتميزة، توفر بيئة ترحيبية واحترافية تمكن الطلاب من تحقيق طموحاتهم في تعلم اللغة، والتفاعل الاجتماعي، وتطوير مهارات جديدة لتحقيق النجاح على الصعيدين الشخصي والمهني.



يقع حرم إنجلش باث الرياض في حي الشهداء الحيوي، على بُعد مسافة قصيرة من غرناطة مول، مما يجعله موقعًا مناسبًا وسهل الوصول للجميع. سواء كنت طالبًا محليًا، أو موظفًا، أو ضمن فريق عمل في إحدى الشركات وتسعى إلى تطوير مهارتك اللغوية، فإن إنجلش باث الرياض يقع في موقع مثالي لتلبية احتياجاتك.



نقدم مجموعة واسعة من الدورات، بما في ذلك اللغة الإنجليزية العامة، واللغة الإنجليزية للأعمال، والتحضير لاختبار IELTS، وبرامج اللغة العربية العامة للطلاب الدوليين، وبرامج التدريب المؤسسي المخصصة. ويضمن مدربونا المؤهلون تأهيلًا عاليًا وذوو الخبرة، إلى جانب جداولنا الدراسية المرنة، تجربة تعليمية متميزة مصممة لتناسب مع نمط حياتك وأهدافك.



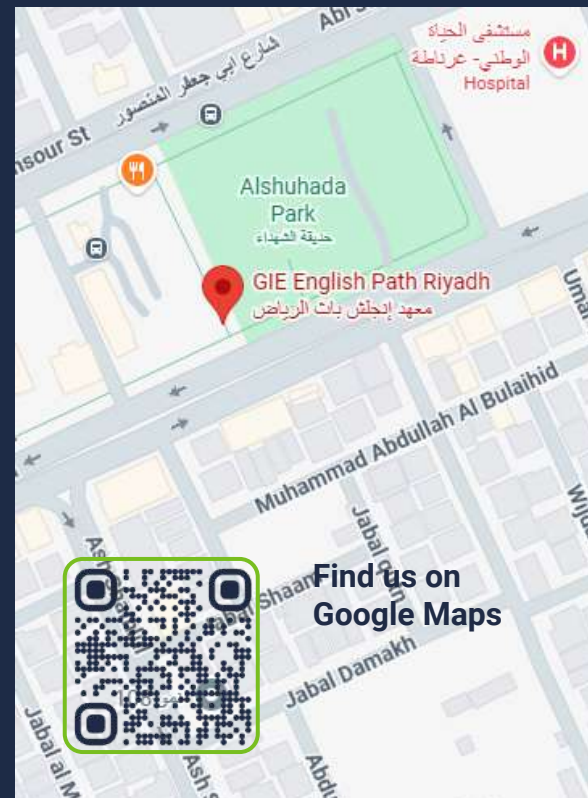
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Why choose to study in our Riyadh school?

- EP is a UK establishment and follows British English standards.
- 7 minute drive from Granada square and Mall.
- Minutes from metro station and plenty of parking available
- 20 minute drive to King Khalid International Airport (KKIA).
- Interesting & varied course offering
- Experienced Customer Experience & Academic Team
- Opportunity to learn Arabic in an immersive Riyadh environment with native-speaking instructors

English Path delivers English language training on behalf of the Global Institute of Entrepreneurship (GIE), the licensed training provider overseeing all course delivery and compliance.



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Services & Facilities

Buildings: 1
Floors: 1
Total number of classrooms: 5

School facilities: Reception area with seating, self study area, Wi-Fi (Free), Elevator, Street parking, modern & spacious classrooms with smart TVs, AC/Heating.

Other services provided: Social activity programme

Levels of English offered: English and Arabic.

Reception: The friendly student services staff can direct you to the EP offices and classrooms. A Student Services Officer and a Director of Studies will always be present to answer any questions you may have.

Meet the team →



School holidays & Riyadh public holidays

The school will be closed during the holidays. Please make sure to book your course accordingly. Public Holidays are subject to change according to government announcements.

School holiday & KSA public holidays:

Public holidays will be:

2026

2027:

22 Feb, 11 Mach, 23 Sept, Eid Al-Fitr break between 9th to 11 march and for one week, Eid Al-Ad'ha break between 15 to 18 of May and for one week.

Eid A-Ifitr – WC 7/3/2027 – 11/3/2027
Eid Al-ad'ha – WC 16/5/207 – 20/5/2027

Please, note Islamic New Year, Eid AlFitr (Ramadan), Eid Al-Adha, dates are determined by the Islamic lunar calendar and are likely to shift each year. We recommend doublechecking the exact dates closer to those times to ensure accurate planning for your course.

Course days that fall on a public holiday are not reimbursed.

The above dates are observed as holidays in the year. If you arrive on a week where the Sunday/Monday is a holiday, your first day of school will be a Tuesday.



Close to your school

Our centrally located school is walking distance to:

🍴 Restaurant	1 minute
🏧 Bank/ ATM	3 minutes
🏋️ Shuhada Sports Zone	2 minutes
🚆 Metro Station	17 minutes
🚌 Bus Station	2 minutes
🛍 Granada Mall	24 minutes
🌳 Alshuhada Park	1 minute
🛒 Supermarket	3 minutes

Need help? Not satisfied? Have a problem?

At EP we believe that communication and an open-door policy is key to efficiently resolving any issue you might have. If you need help, are not satisfied with one of our services or you need advice, please talk to our staff at school. They will be able to help and assist quickly with any concerns you might have.



First day at school

- Your first day at EP will include:
- Individual inductions
- On campus level placement by an experienced academic team
- This includes a placement test, induction presentations about the school and academic programmes and the distribution of class timetables.
- A tour of the school.



Electives list sample

English Path offers a variety of elective courses that allow students to explore their interests and develop their skills. These courses are taught by experienced and qualified teachers, and they are a great way to supplement your general English studies. Electives depending on your level of English, the EP campus and current availability:

- Speaking
 - Listening
 - Reading
 - Writing
 - Pronunciation
 - Idioms and Phrasal verbs
- Grammar
 - Vocabulary
 - Everyday English
 - Debate and Public Speaking
 - Business English
 - English for Hospitality
- Digital Marketing
 - Personal Branding
 - Academic Skills
 - Employability Skills



Extracurricular activities

- Monthly course tutorials
- Monthly skills test
- Weekly unit test
- Masterclass Programme
- Conversation clubs
- Study Clinics
- Arabic conversation clubs
- Cultural immersion activities in Arabic
- Local interaction sessions to practice spoken Arabic



Important Information

Beginner classes operate on a rolling-enrolment basis, so you may join a class that has already started. It's normal to need 1–2 weeks to settle in and become familiar with the class and previously covered language. Our courses also follow a book cycle, with new coursebooks introduced at set points throughout the year. During the transition period between books, students may use photocopied materials until the new coursebook begins.



Teaching methodology

At English Path we build every course around five things:

- Real-world outcomes and future-ready skills: English for real life, not just the textbook.
- Adaptive teaching: teachers respond to what you and your class need.
- Iterative learning: you produce, get feedback, and refine, every week.
- Purposeful use of technology: digital coursebooks and presentation materials support your learning.
- Study clinics: free one-to-one support, help booking Cambridge and IELTS exams, and regular masterclasses.

All EP teachers are trained in this approach from day one, for a consistent experience across every EP location.

Take a look at our graduation ceremony



@englishpathschools



School material

Books:Cambridge Empower, National Geographic Outcomes, Oxford Beehive, Mastering Arabic level 1 and 2 and more!

Additional material used: Audio, Digital Presentation Material, Authentic Materials.



Students

Average Number of students per class: 15
Minimum age of students: 16
on adult programmes and 8 on Kid's programmes

Average age of students: TBD
End of course certificate:

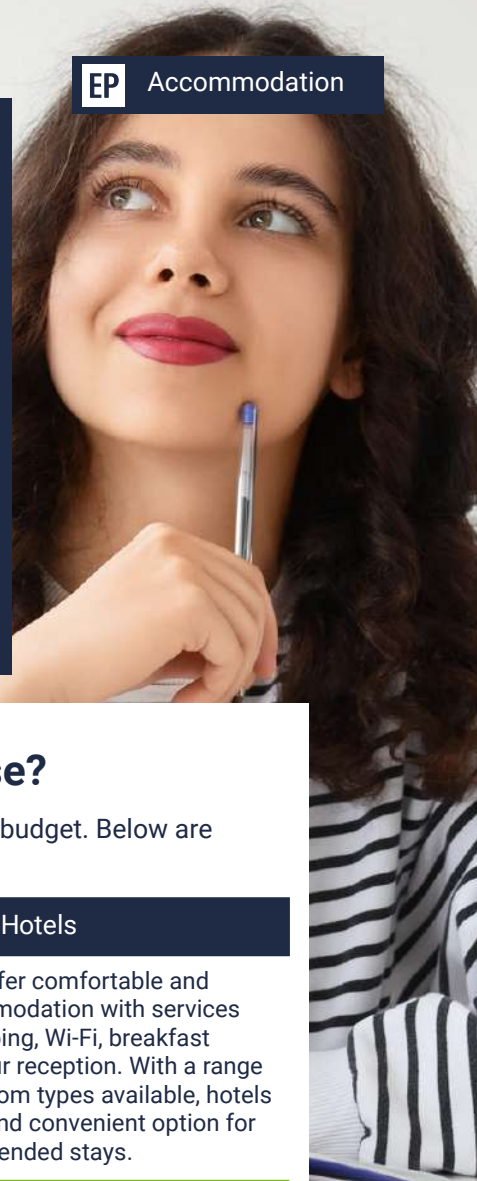
End of course certificate: you will receive a course certificate at the end of your course.



Accommodation

Accommodation is a vital part of your experience in a new country. Your new home is an important part of your study experience. Each school has specially chosen options to help make the most out of your stay. Serviced apartments and student residences offer different accommodation experiences, but always try to meet the highest standards.

Please make sure you check with your representative, as all accommodation options are based on availability and processed once the invoice has been fully paid.



Which accommodation option should I choose?

The choice of accommodation depends on your preferences, needs, and budget. Below are some important factors you need to consider.

	Serviced Apartments	Hotels
👍	Enjoy a comfortable and convenient stay in Riyadh with fully furnished service apartments offering essential facilities such as a kitchen, towels, Wi-Fi and housekeeping. Ideal for both short- and long-term stays, providing a comfortable home-away-from-home experience at a budget-friendly price.	Hotels in Riyadh offer comfortable and convenient accommodation with services such as housekeeping, Wi-Fi, breakfast options and 24-hour reception. With a range of locations and room types available, hotels provide a flexible and convenient option for both short- and extended stays.
👎	Serviced Apartment rules apply.	Serviced Apartment rules apply.

Booking student accommodation in 3 simple steps

- ### Step 1

You can indicate your preferred type of accommodation (Serviced Apartments) on the application form during your application for a course. Our Student Services team will record the preferred choice of accommodation.
- ### Step 2

EP will be able to secure the accommodation option once the invoice has been paid. Our team will send you the accommodation confirmation with further details on the selected option.
- ### Step 3

You will need to confirm your arrival and send your flight details to our team, as soon as the flight is booked and no later than one week before the flight date. Our team will be able to book and confirm your accommodation and/or transfers and provide more details within the confirmation document.

Please note that service apartment check-in and check-out times may vary by property. In Riyadh, standard check-in is typically around 10:00 AM, while check-out is generally required by 3:00 PM. Students arriving outside these times may need to arrange temporary accommodation or additional services, subject to availability and the accommodation provider's policies. We work with carefully selected and trusted service apartment providers in Riyadh to offer safe, comfortable, and convenient accommodation.

- Quality and standards: Service apartments are selected based on location, facilities, cleanliness, safety, and suitability for international students.
- Facilities: Depending on the property, service apartments may include furnished rooms, private bathrooms, kitchen facilities, Wi-Fi, laundry facilities, and other essential amenities.
- Check-in and check-out: Students should plan their arrival and departure around the accommodation provider's stated check-in and check-out times. Early check-in or late check-out may be available at an additional cost and is subject to availability.



Malissa Hotel

Located in Granada, Riyadh, Malissa Hotel offers comfortable and modern accommodation, making it a convenient option for students and visitors studying at English Path Riyadh. The hotel provides easy access to the Granada area, major transport links, shopping facilities and nearby attractions, with an onsite team available to support guests throughout their stay.

Features and Facilities:

- Single occupancy
- Private bathrooms
- Spacious, fully equipped and furnished rooms.
- Laundry facility on site (services not included in price)
- Wi-Fi
- Cable TV and utilities included

 **Address:** 13241 Abi Jafar Al Mansour St, Ghiratah, Riyadh 13241

 **Travel time to EP Riyadh:** 3 minutes

About Malissa Hotel

Accommodation types: Hotel

Bedrooms: The bedroom contains the following: bed, pillow, bedding, chair, desk, window, closet.

Bed size: Single and double beds available.

Bathroom: Private.

Kitchen: N/A

Facilities: Games room, social spaces, lounge areas, study rooms, laundry facilities, swimming pool and gym

Reception/ security desk: 24/7 onsite team, both reception and security staff.

Extra costs: Cost of the washing machine SAR 3 - Cost of the dryer SAR 5 (Prices might vary).

Neighbourhood: The hotel is conveniently located in Granada, Riyadh, with easy access to nearby shopping, dining and entertainment facilities. Guests can also reach Granada Mall, Granada Business Park and other local amenities within a short drive, making it a practical location for students studying at English Path Riyadh.

Visitors/guests: Students are allowed to have visitors.



Noise: Residents are required to respect all other residents and maintain a level of noise that does not disturb others. Quiet hours are 11 pm - 7am.

Smoking: All facilities and residents' rooms are non-smoking.

Cleaning service: Regular housekeeping is provided by Malissa Hotel to maintain the cleanliness of the accommodation and common areas. Guests are expected to keep their rooms tidy and maintain general cleanliness during their stay. Additional cleaning services may be available upon request and may incur an additional charge.

Beddings/towels: Bed linen and bedding are provided by Malissa Hotel. Towels are also provided as part of the hotel accommodation. Additional towels may be available upon request, subject to hotel availability and any applicable charges.

Minimum stay: 1 week minimum stay.

Check-in/check-out: Saturday or Sunday check in from 3pm / check out 3pm.

Accommodation location: Located in Granada, Riyadh, Malissa Hotel offers convenient access to major roads and public transport connections, making it easy for students to travel to English Path Riyadh and other key areas of the city.).



Ray Kady - Serviced Apartment

Located in Granada, Riyadh, Ray Kady Serviced Apartments offers a comfortable and convenient accommodation option for students and visitors. The serviced apartments provide modern, well-equipped spaces designed to support both study and relaxation, with practical facilities and a welcoming environment for a comfortable stay.

- Single en-suite and Private Studios
- Private bathroom in every room
- Fully furnished apartments
- Laundry facility on site (services not included in price)
- Kitchen facilities included
- Wi-Fi included
- Utilities included

Address: 7465 Ash Shamlul, 3889, Ghirnatah, Riyadh 13241

Travel time to EP Riyadh: 2 minutes

About the residence

Accommodation types: Serviced Apartment

Bedrooms: The bedroom contains the following: bed, pillow, bedding, window, wardrobe and shower.

Bed size: Small double bed.

Bathroom: Private (en-suite in all rooms).

Kitchen: includes a small kitchenette area. The uni-kitchen contains the following: fridge, freezer, stove, and microwave. Kitchen packs can be provided subject to availability (cutlery, plates, and cooking equipment).

Facilities: social spaces, lounge areas, laundry facilities.

Reception/ security desk: 24/7 onsite team, both reception and security staff.

Minimum weeks requests: 1 week minimum stay.

Neighbourhood: The accommodation is located in Granada, Riyadh, a modern and well-connected area with a range of shops, supermarkets, cafés, restaurants and other essential amenities nearby. The area is also close to Granada Mall and Granada Business Park, providing convenient options for shopping, dining and leisure.

Visitors/guests: Yes, students are allowed as visitors.

Noise: Residents are required to respect other residents and maintain noise levels that do not disturb others. Quiet hours are from 11 pm to 7am.

Smoking: No smoking allowed anywhere in the residence.

Cleaning service: Light cleaning service is provided once a week. Guests are responsible for keeping their apartment clean and tidy between cleaning visits. Each apartment has its own private facilities, with no shared kitchen areas. A washing machine can be provided, subject to availability. Additional cleaning services may be available upon request at an extra cost.

Beddings/towels: Towels are not provided by the Serviced apartment

Check-in/check-out: From 3pm / check out 3pm.

Accommodation location: Located in Granada with good transport connections to central Riyadh via nearby Metro



Voila - Serviced Apartments

Located in Granada, Riyadh, Viola Serviced Apartments offers comfortable and convenient accommodation for students and visitors. The serviced apartments provide modern, well-equipped spaces designed to support both study and relaxation, with practical facilities and a welcoming environment for a comfortable stay.

- Single rooms or livingroom + bedrooms
- All rooms include a double bed and a wardrobe.
- Fully furnished.
- Laundry facility on site (services not included in price)
- Kitchen facilities included.
- Wi-Fi accessible for all residents
- Towels provided

Address: Ash Shamlul, 3889, Ghirnatah,

Travel time to EP Riyadh: 2 minutes

About the residence

Accommodation types: Serviced Apartment

Bedrooms: The bedroom contains the following: bed, pillow, bedding, window, wardrobe and shower.

Kitchen: includes a small kitchenette area. The uni-kitchen contains the following: fridge, freezer, stove, and microwave. Kitchen packs can be provided subject to availability (cutlery, plates, and cooking equipment).

Facilities: social spaces, lounge areas, laundry facilities.

Reception/ security desk: 24/7 onsite team, both reception and security staff.

Minimum weeks requests: 1 week minimum stay.

Neighbourhood: The accommodation is located in Granada, Riyadh, a modern and well-connected area with a range of shops, supermarkets, cafés, restaurants and other essential amenities nearby. The area is also close to Granada Mall and Granada Business Park, providing convenient options for shopping, dining and leisure.



Smoking: No smoking inside except in common terrace or outside.

Beddings/towels: Towels are not provided by the Serviced apartment

Minimum stay: 1 week minimum stay.

Check-in/check-out: Check-in from 12pm / Check-out 4pm.

Accommodation location: Located in Granada with good transport connections to central Riyadh via nearby Metro

Social Programme

Riyadh, a vibrant city in Saudi Arabia, offers many opportunities to practice and improve English. At English Path, students in Riyadh can join various activities to enhance their English skills. From cultural events to interactive workshops and sports activities, our program helps students immerse themselves in English while enjoying everything Riyadh has to offer.

Example timetable

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Fri	Sat
Speaking Club	Board Games	Football/ sports	Quiz	Day off	Kids' Classes

Example of social activities

- Cultural events
- English workshops and conversation clubs
- Sports activities
- City tours
- Movie nights and game nights
- Volunteering opportunities
- Collaborative projects and presentations
- Themed parties

Student code of conduct

- You must attend all classes. If you do not attend your classes your representative will be informed. If you do not then improve your attendance you will be sent home. 85% attendance is needed to be able to receive a certificate of completion.
- Be on time for all your lessons.
- Always inform English Path if you are going to be absent from school for any reason.
- Be respectful, polite and open to different cultures.

Recommendations

✓ Checklist & other useful information

Here are a few important items that you should bring with you:

- Passport
- Acceptance letter
- Accommodation letter
- Proof of health/medical insurance
- A bit of cash and credit/debit cards/Apple or Google Pay
- Weather-appropriate clothing, especially lightweight and breathable clothes for Riyadh's hot weather
- Adaptor for electrical appliances
- Prescription medication and medical records Emergency information
- Toiletries
- Notebook and pen
- Backpack for classes, social programmes,
- Reusable water bottle

✈ Before you leave your country

Here are some important things you need to know to make your arrival as smooth as possible. Use our checklist to ensure you don't forget anything and are prepared for the exciting times ahead.

💰 Pocket money

Recommended weekly budget: SAR 600. This should cover expenses, laundry, local travel and activities. You will need additional money if you want to take trips outside Riyadh. Bring some Saudi Riyals with you in cash and a debit or credit card. You will need to check with your financial institution to make sure you will be able to withdraw money from a Saudi ATM. Do not carry large amounts of cash. It is not wise to carry around large amounts of money.

👕 Clothing

Most students dress casually for classes, but you should bring modest, comfortable clothes for going out and sportswear for sports and outdoor activities. Riyadh has a hot, dry climate, which may be different from your own. Summer temperatures can reach 40–45°C, while winter temperatures are generally around 10–25°C during the day and may become cooler at night. Bring lightweight, breathable clothing for summer and a light jacket or warm layers for winter.

🔌 Electrical current

Standard voltage in Saudi Arabia is 230 volts; remember to bring a suitable adaptor with you or buy one when you arrive.

🔔 School notifications

We encourage you to follow the school's Instagram account before you arrive and the WhatsApp school chat during your stay. This will give you an idea of what is happening at the school and help you connect with staff and students. This is also where we will post notifications of any unexpected school closures or changes to the school schedule. It is important that you check our Instagram account for any updates while you are attending the school, especially if there is severe weather in the area (e.g. heavy rain, flooding, or dust storms). If the school cannot open or school opening will be delayed, we will post a message as soon as possible to advise you, along with information on how to get further updates and any alternative scheduling (if applicable).



When you arrive in Riyadh

Arriving at the airport in a foreign country can be overwhelming. To better prepare yourself, make sure that you have read the information below about your arrival and how to get to your accommodation. If you get lost or confused upon arrival, don't be afraid to ask the airport staff for help as they will be happy to give assistance.

Independent transfers

Students should arrive at King Khalid International Airport (RUH) in Riyadh. We request that you book your flights according to your course start date. You should arrive on the Friday or Saturday prior to your course start date. If you have booked a transfer service, a driver will meet you at the airport and drive you to your accommodation. Please ensure you arrange and pay the transfer fee in advance.



Living costs

(Sample prices for items in this city)

Bottle of water:	SAR 2–3
Coffee:	SAR 15–25
Can of Coke:	SAR 3–4
Meal out for two:	SAR 100–180
Takeaway pizza:	SAR 30–60
Sandwich:	SAR 15–30
Local bus ticket:	SAR 4
Riyadh Metro ticket: (single journey, depending on ticket type)	SAR 4–20
Taxi / ride-hailing:	SAR 15–40
Cinema ticket:	SAR 50–70



Transfer service emergency number:

+ 966550509750



Local Customs

The core Saudi values include respect, hospitality, family, community, faith, and consideration for others. Everyone should be treated with dignity and respect.

Saudi people are generally welcoming and hospitable, often showing kindness and consideration towards others.

People in Saudi Arabia may sometimes talk to strangers in public areas. This can be a good way to practice Arabic and learn about local culture, but caution should be taken. You should not give out your address and telephone number or accept inappropriate invitations.

“Please” and “thank you” are very important words! Always use them when asking someone to do something for you, or when they help you or give you information.

Saudi Arabia is a culturally diverse country where people from different backgrounds and nationalities live and work together. Students should respect local customs, traditions, and different cultures.

Tipping is not compulsory in Saudi Arabia, but it is appreciated for good service in restaurants, cafés, hotels, and other places. A small tip may be given depending on the quality of service.

Everyone is expected to follow Saudi laws and regulations, which are in place to protect the community.

Students should be aware of their legal rights and responsibilities and respect local laws and customs during their stay.



Health and safety

Medical insurance: We recommend that students have valid medical insurance while studying in Saudi Arabia. Please make sure your insurance covers medical treatment during your stay.

If you need to see a doctor, you can visit a nearby clinic or hospital. You can ask the Student Services team for information about nearby medical facilities and healthcare providers.

If you get sick: If you get sick while in Saudi Arabia, you should visit a doctor. You can ask the Student Services team where the nearest clinic or hospital is. If you have a minor illness, you can ask staff at a local pharmacy for advice. Remember to bring any relevant insurance or medical documentation with you.

Protecting your belongings: We strongly recommend you take out insurance for your personal belongings, especially cameras, music players, mobile phones and laptops. Personal items are not covered by English Path accommodation insurance.

Prescription medication: Remember to bring enough of your prescribed medication with you. International customs agents may ask you questions about your medication upon your arrival, so be sure to pack it carefully. Bring any important medical records, prescriptions and contact information for your healthcare providers at home.

Staying safe at school: If you or another student has an accident or needs urgent medical attention, please come to reception where the First Aider is located.

Fire safety: If you discover a fire, press the fire alarm button on the nearest alarm. Leave the building immediately using the stairs. Do not use the lift or stop to collect your belongings. Follow the instructions of EP staff and exit the building safely. Proceed to the designated assembly point in front of the building in Al Shuhada District and remain there until you are instructed that it is safe to return.

Personal safety and looking after valuables: Riyadh is generally a safe city, but as with any large city, you should always remain alert. Some tips are: Be alert when walking alone, especially at night. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Do not leave your belongings unattended. Keep your passport and important documents in a safe place and carry a photocopy or digital copy when needed.



Emergency services

Call 997 for medical emergencies, 998 for fire emergencies, or 999 for the police.



Medical costs

Please note that emergency medical treatment may not always be free in Saudi Arabia. Medical fees may apply depending on your insurance coverage, residency status, and the healthcare provider. We strongly recommend having valid medical insurance throughout your stay.



Laws

Smoking is banned in many public places in Saudi Arabia, including public buildings, restaurants, cafés, shopping centres, and other enclosed public areas. Always check designated smoking areas and follow the rules of the venue.

Alcohol is prohibited in the country and should not be bought, sold, or consumed. For drivers, you must drive on the right-hand side, observe all speed limits and road signs, give way to emergency vehicles, obey all directions given by police, stop at red traffic lights, and always wear a seatbelt. Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is illegal and carries serious penalties. Always follow Saudi traffic laws and regulations. You may be asked to show valid identification when entering certain venues or when required by authorities. Keep your passport or valid ID in a safe place. Buying, selling, possessing, or using illegal drugs is prohibited in Saudi Arabia and can carry severe penalties.



Student code of conduct

You are expected to attend all classes. If you do not, your representative will be informed. An attendance of 85% is needed to be able to receive a certificate of completion. If you struggle with attendance, we will reach out to help, but continued absences may affect your enrollment and visa status.

Be on time for all your lessons and please let us know if you are running late.

Always tell English Path if you are going to be absent from school for any reason and tell your host family if you are going away overnight.

If you commit a criminal offence or have to be severely disciplined you will be sent home.

Serious misconduct or illegal behavior will not be tolerated and will result in expulsion from the school and reporting to immigration authorities.

Be respectful, polite and open to different cultures.



Open bank account

Main banks in Saudi Arabia: Al Rajhi Bank, SNB (Saudi National Bank), Riyad Bank, Bank Albilad and Alinma Bank. To open a bank account, the following documents may be needed:

- Passport or Saudi ID
- Valid residency permit (Iqama), if applicable
- Proof of address or accommodation
- Other documents requested by the bank



Places of worship

Muslim

There are many mosques throughout Riyadh. Students can visit a nearby mosque for prayer.

Study tips



Study skills

Study skills are an example of how we can organise and improve learning. Think about the following: what do we do when we learn a new word? Do we make notes? How? It's very important that we are organised in the way we learn, so that we have much better chance of remembering the language and can use it correctly in the future. We would like to teach you some ways to keep learning and improving your English skills. If you practice these skills, it might help you to continue your journey into the English language learning process wherever you are.

Using a dictionary

Dictionaries are a useful resource for researching different meanings, collocations, examples of use and standard pronunciation. Use a mono-lingual dictionary and focus on understanding the meaning rather than the translation of individual words. Translating individual words can often lead to misunderstandings. A great big paper mono-lingual dictionary is best but Cambridge, for example, has an advanced learners' dictionary at www.dictionary.cambridge.org, which is easy to use and provides examples of word use.

Learning vocabulary

When you record vocabulary, you should also include longer phrases like phrasal verbs (e.g. get away with), multi-word expressions (e.g. How's it going?), idioms (e.g. raining cats and dogs), and collocations (e.g. take a chance). Please see the language bank, irregular verbs and phonemic chart in appendix 1 and 2.

Tracking your progress

As well as placement, weekly and monthly testing, there will be a group study skills session every four weeks where your teacher will give feedback to the class and tips about how to improve in the areas you need help with.

Useful links:

- bbclearningenglish.com
- englishclub.com
- lyricstraining.com
- ted.com
- voscreen.com



Learning resources

Listening - What to listen to?

Try to listen to as many different types of spoken English as possible, to improve your listening. You can find lots on the internet:

- Music and songs
- TV shows, the news and films
- Speeches and interviews
- Audiobooks

Writing - What to write?

Getting the new language you've learnt on paper can really help to consolidate your learning. Think about the language you've learnt that week and try the following:

- Write an email to a friend/teacher
- Write a diary/journal
- Write a shopping list

Reading - What to read?

There's so much you can read to practice your skills; it doesn't have to be a book. You can read signs, newspapers, or even the back of food packets!

- Find an interesting article online
- Choose a book you've read in your own language and get reading!

Find an e-book and read it on [your daily commute](http://yourdailycommute.com). This site has lots of free ones: gutenberg.org

Library and study area

We have a bright and welcoming Library and Study Centre available for students, which provides a fantastic opportunity to help you get more out of your studies. There are open study areas for group work and quiet areas for focused self-study. There are also a range of books and computers available for you to use and a Library Assistant will be available to help you find anything you need.



Riyadh airport transport

Arriving at the airport in a foreign country can be overwhelming. To better prepare yourself, make sure that you have read the information below about your arrival and how to get to your accommodation. If you get lost or confused upon arrival, don't be afraid to ask the airport staff for help as they will be happy to give assistance.

Riyadh Airport

Mode	Line or Number	Cost	Duration
Taxi / Uber / Careem	Direct to Granada	SAR 80–140	20–30 minutes
Metro	Line 4 (Yellow) → Line 6 (Purple)	SAR 4–10	45–50 minutes

If you choose to book an airport transfer, please, your flight details should be sent to us 4 weeks in advance to reassure we will be able to provide you an airport transfer.

A driver will meet you after you come through the customs area and drive you to your accommodation.

*Students under 18 years old must book homestay breakfast and lunch & return airport transfers.





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