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Riyadh

Student Handbook



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We’re so excited to have you with us. Whether you’re here for a short stay or a longer journey, you’re now part of a vibrant, supportive community across amazing cities like London, Riyadh, and Malta. Our team is here to help you learn, grow, and make unforgettable memories. If you need anything, just reach out—we’re always happy to help.

**Enjoy the journey, and
welcome to the EP family!**

About EP Riyadh

Riyadh, the vibrant capital of Saudi Arabia, is a dynamic metropolis that seamlessly blends tradition and modernity. Nestled in the heart of the Arabian Peninsula, this rapidly evolving city is known for its striking skyline, state-of-the-art infrastructure, and deep-rooted cultural heritage. As the political and economic hub of the Kingdom, Riyadh offers a unique fusion of contemporary innovation and historical richness—from gleaming skyscrapers to ancient mudbrick forts. The city boasts world-class dining, luxury shopping, and a growing arts and entertainment scene, all set against the backdrop of the expansive desert landscape. With its warm hospitality, ambitious vision for the future, and rich cultural fabric, Riyadh offers an experience that is both inspiring and authentically Arabian.



English Path

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.

EP Riyadh

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.

Offers

We offer a wide range of courses, including General English, Business English, IELTS preparation, 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.

Alternative things to do

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

5 Reasons to choose EP Riyadh

- 1 UK-accredited excellence
- 2 Prime Location
- 3 Excellent Transport Links
- 4 International Connectivity
- 5 Diverse Course Selection



Why choose to study in our EP 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 (RUH).
- Interesting & varied course offering
- Experienced Customer Experience & Academic Team

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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Close to your EP school

Our centrally located school is walking distance to:

	Food court with restaurants	On Site
	Bank/ATM	On Site
	Gym	3 minutes
	Metro station	17 minutes
	Grocery store	2 minutes
	Granada Mall	24 minutes
	Bus Station	2 minutes



Staff



Romina Borderas

Global Head of Young Learners



Meet the team

Languages spoken by staff: English, Arabic

Services & facilities

English Path and GBS Higher Education College, are part of Global Education Group. Together, our students share fantastic and modern university style facilities. At EP Riyadh we have the following facilities:

Buildings: 1
Floors: 1
Total number of classrooms: 8

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

Other services provided: : Social activity events and advice, airport transfer, accommodation service.

Levels of English offered: Elementary to Advanced.

Reception: The friendly Student Services staff can direct you to your EP classroom. A Student Services Officer and Director of Studies will always be present to answer any questions you may have.

Your **EP Riyadh** Welfare & Safeguarding Team

Do you have a question?

Point of Contact



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To speak to a member of staff please call:

 **+966112700522**

Call us 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

School holidays & **Riyadh** public holidays

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Eid al-Fitr: Celebrated at the end of Ramadan, lasting for 3-4 days.

Eid al-Adha: Celebrated about two months after Eid al-Fitr, lasting for 4-5 days.

Saudi National Day: Celebrated on September 23, marking the unification of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Founding Day: Celebrated on February 22.


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

When the school is closed on a Monday, new students start on Tuesday.

Please, note Islamic New Year, Eid AlFitr (Ramadan), Eid Al-Adha, Prophet Muhammad's Birthday, 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 Monday is a holiday, your first day of school will be a Tuesday.

 **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



Click here and take the placement test

Feature	Tuition Only	Day Camp	Full Experience
Accommodation	✗	✗	✓
Lunch Provided	✗	✓	✓
Airport Pickup	✗ Can be requested	✓	✓
Evening Activities	✗	✗	✓

Example Week for Full Experience Students

	7:30 - 8:30	09:00 - 13:00			13:30	14:00 - 17:40	19:00	20:00 - 21:30	22:00
Sun 30.06.24	Arrival Day						Dinner	On-Campus Activities I Departures I Arrivals	Good Night
Mon	Breakfast	Visit to the Thyssen-Bornemisza National Museum.			Lunch	Classes		Hawaiian Mixer	
Tue		Walk through the Manzanares Linear Park.	Bike route through the Madrid Río.	Bike route through the Madrid Río.				Afternoon of sports and games in the Retiro Park.	
Wed		EP Sports, EP Workshop, EP Academy						Karaoke Night	
Thu		Tour of the Royal Palace.						Board game and karaoke night.	
Fri		Excursion to Faunia Nature Park.	Madrid Amusement Park.					Graduation & Sunset at the beach	
Sat		09:00 - 15:00						19:00	
		Shopping and exploration day at the Mercado de San Miguel.			Excursion to the Botanical Garden.	Excursion to the Botanical Garden.	Dinner	Pool Games	

Here's a detailed breakdown

Tuition only - Timetable



Arrival - Monday

08:30 Welcome, school tour and induction



Afternoon Classes

15:00 - 16:00 Lesson 1
16:00 - 16:20 Break
16:20 - 17:20 Lesson 2
17:20 - 17:40 Break
17:40 - 18:40 Lesson 3



Evening

18:30 Student pick-up (by parents/guardians)

Day camp - Timetable



Arrival

Welcome, check-in, residence tour and induction



Monday Morning

08:30 Leisure time and meet the team



Afternoon

13:30 Lunch
15:00 Lessons start



Evening

18:00 Student pick-up (by parents/guardians)

Full experience - Timetable



Arrival

Welcome, check-in, induction



Morning

07:30 Breakfast
09:00 Leisure time



Afternoon

13:30 Lunch
15:00 Lessons start



Evening

18:45 Dinner and evening activities



Bed time

22:00 Bed time

About your course

Teaching methodology

At English Path we use the communicative approach which means:

- A focus on speaking
- Interactive lessons
- Noticing students' gaps and reacting to them
- Going beyond the textbook
- English for real life outside the classroom
- Understanding each student's individual needs

All EP teachers are trained in this approach from their first day, so students have the same experience in all levels at all EP locations. Take a look at our graduation ceremony



School material

Books: : Cambridge Empower, National Geographic Outcomes, Oxford Beehive and more!

Additional material used: Audio, digital presentation material, authentic materials.

Students

Average Number of students per class: 15
Minimum age of students: 8

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

Extracurricular activities

- Placement test to ensure accurate placing in levels
- Varied and interesting course material
- Continuous progress monitoring
- Project with final presentation

Library and Study area

There is a bright Library/ Study-Centre available for students which is a great opportunity to help you get more out of your studies. There are open areas where you can work with your classmates and access the internet.

Why not borrowing a book and watch yourself improve as you're able to move up through the understanding of content!

How to

improve your language skills during or outside of your course

At English Path, learning English is fun! Let's have a look at the following tips to make sure you get the most out of your experience.

Study skills

Study Skills refer to the ability to frame and improve our learning. For example, 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 a much better chance of remembering the language and using it correctly in the future.

We would like to share with you some ways to keep learning and improving your English skills. If you practice these Study Skills, they will help you to continue your English language learning wherever you are.

Listening, Reading and Writing

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

What to write?

Getting the new language you've learnt down 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/your teacher
- write a diary/journal entry each day
- write your shopping list in English

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, the back of food packets!

- Why don't you find an interesting article online?
- Choose a book you've read in your own language and get reading!
- Find an e-book and read on your daily commute to work or studies. This site has lots of free ones: gutenberg.org

How to practice 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).

Quizlet



Download the **Quizlet** app – create your own set of flashcards, practice and test yourself!

Cut out lots of strips of paper or use index cards. Use the Language Bank you have made and write a word on one side of each strip, with the translation or definition on the other side. Now you can place your cards on a table and test yourself by placing either all the English sides, or all the translations/definitions, face down and test your memory.

Make two cards with the English word and its translation on different cards. Put all these cards on a table and play a game of Snap! Here's how:

- Place all of the cards face down.
- Take one card and place it face up.
- Take another card and place it face up.
- If the two cards are the English word and its translation - you have Snap! Place the two cards at the side of the table and continue until you have matched all the cards.
- Try timing yourself and completing the game as quickly as possible.

Other useful websites for Learning and Practice

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

Exam Practice

- flo-joe.com
- cambridge.org
- ieltsspeaking.co.uk
- ieltsliz.com

Grammar, Pronunciation and Vocabulary

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

Extra tip: 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 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, have an online advanced learners' dictionary at www.dictionary.cambridge.org, which is easy to use and provides examples of word use.

What you can expect from EP

At EP, we care about you. Your safeguarding and wellbeing are very important to us. We strive to ensure your stay is surrounded by a safe and stable environment so you can focus on enjoying your experience, learning, and growing.

Following norms and rules helps create a respectful and supportive atmosphere where everyone can thrive and get along.

At English Path (EP), our mission is to provide high-quality, motivating English courses that help students:

Learn

We aim to help you improve your English skills to achieve your personal goals. That's why we employ excellent, experienced, and dynamic teachers who maintain high teaching standards.

Excel

We want all students to do their best. Our creative and challenging classes are designed to bring out your full potential. At the end of your course, you will receive a certificate showing your achieved level.

Grow

Language learning is a great way to build confidence and grow as a person. Experiencing other cultures helps broaden your horizons. Our lessons and activities are designed to support your personal development and help you flourish during your EP experience.

As part of your journey with EP, you will also receive:

- A friendly and efficient service from the Young Learners (YL) Team to support you with any queries, problems, or questions.
- An initial placement test by the Academic Team to ensure you are placed at the right level.
- A modern, clean, safe, and well-lit environment to study in.
- An engaging activity programme with free and paid options, linked to your study programme to enhance your learning.
- Advice on further studies, such as exam classes, further or higher education.

What we expect from you

We cordially invite you to:

- Behave well at all times and everywhere you are.
- Respect all school rules and policies (available on our website).
- Follow local etiquette and cultural norms.
- Be punctual and attend all classes—100% attendance is required for all Young Learner programmes.
- Speak English at all times—practice makes perfect!
- Get to know and interact with your classmates. It's a great opportunity to make friends.
- Attend the school's induction presentation and read the student handbook—both contain important information to help you make the most of your stay.
- Keep Student Services informed of any changes in your personal circumstances—we care about your safety and wellbeing.
- Tell an EP staff member if you are not feeling well—we need to keep the school updated about any absences.
- Refrain from eating or drinking (except water) in the classroom.
- Do not use your phone during class unless your teacher asks you to do so.

Respect and Responsibility

- Cyber or in-person bullying or harassment will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
- At EP, we follow the British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and respect for other people's values and beliefs.
- Smoking is not allowed inside the school buildings. It is also banned in all public indoor spaces in Riyadh.
- Riyadh has strict laws against illegal drugs. Penalties can be very serious—do not use or possess illegal substances during your stay.
- If you are under 21, it is illegal to buy, attempt to buy, or consume alcohol, or for anyone else to buy it for you.

Students may be asked to leave their course early if they do not follow the Code of Conduct or EP's Disciplinary Policy.

A Final Note

We are happy to welcome you to EP Riyadh. Let us begin our journey together filled with new discoveries and experiences.

It's your attitude that helps us do great things in different ways. You inspire us to keep improving, and it's your enthusiasm that drives us to do our best.

Let's encounter new possibilities, embrace learning, and create memories for life.

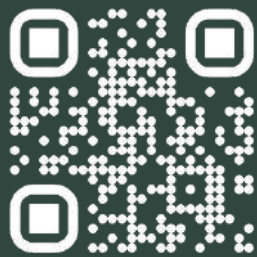
Let's enjoy the ride together!

#memoriesforlife



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