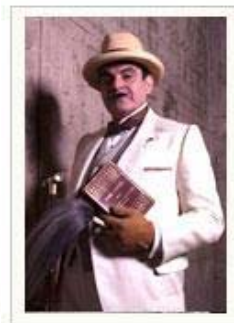


Totnes School of English 50+ Agatha Christie 2008: Course Overview

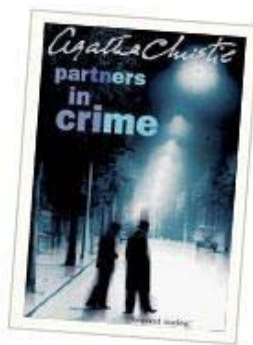
Agatha Christie is one of the most famous women writers in England, the undisputed 'Queen of Crime' so we are running a special one week English plus Agatha Christie course at the Totnes School of English to coincide with the Agatha Christie Festival in Torbay.



Miss Jane Marple



Hercule Poirot



Tommy and Tuppence

We are arranging an exciting package of English lessons and in-house workshops on Agatha Christie in our beautiful Gate House building in Totnes, combined with theatre trips and river boat excursions to Torquay and Greenway Mansion, with our wonderful Literary Devon teacher Heather Simpson, for one action-packed week only!

The package

Our exciting package offers you the chance to practise your English with people of similar interests and ages in an active and stimulating way, both in the classroom in Totnes and out 'on the road' in Torbay with your teacher. The package includes

1. **English lessons*in the Gate House, Totnes (pictured below)** in which you can practise your English in a controlled environment, with plenty of correction, vocabulary development and speaking and listening practice.



2. **Workshops about Agatha Christie, also in the Gate House**, in which you can learn more about Agatha Christie's life and writing and discuss some of her books
3. **Afternoon and evening excursions** with your teacher to walk around some of the places where Agatha Christie lived and worked, to watch some Agatha Christie productions and to experience the timeless beauty of the Devon coast and countryside.

Our programme includes:

- ❖ Walk along the **Agatha Christie Mile** in Torquay to see if you can spot some of the places and sights that appear in her books



- ❖ Theatre performance of **an Agatha Christie classic*** at the Princess Theatre, Torquay
- ❖ Outdoor performance of **an Agatha Christie classic*** complete with picnic at Oldway Mansion, Paignton



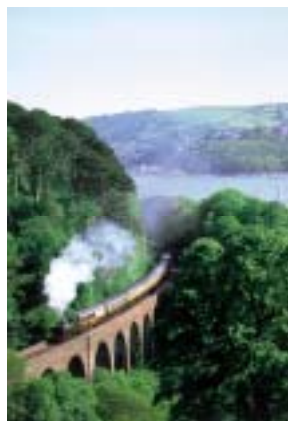
- ❖ **Sea and river cruise** along the beautiful Torbay from Torquay via Dartmouth to Greenway gardens, where Agatha Christie's home is situated

4. **School social and cultural programme** in which you can experience the best of the English way of life and add a cultural context to your English learning. This includes two evening activities per week and a full day Saturday trip to Dartmoor or the South Devon coast
5. **Informal conversation practice with a Tandem partner in the afternoons/evenings.** We arrange for you to meet a local person learning your language or interested in your country and you meet them outside school for informal cross-cultural discussions.

****information about Agatha Christie films and plays not known at this time***

Timetable

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Workshop on Agatha Christie's life and times	DVD Evening to see The ABC Murders and to meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Sleuthing on the Agatha Christie Mile in Torquay	Pub quiz at the 'King Bill' pub
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Workshop on The ABC Murders	Princess Theatre in Torquay to see the performance of an Agatha Christie classic
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		English lessons	Outdoor performance of an Agatha Christie classic with picnic at Oldway Mansion, Paignton
Friday	English lessons		Boat Trip from Torquay to Greenway Gardens		Walk around Greenway Gardens, home to Agatha Christie	Return Boat Trip from Greenway Gardens to Torquay
Saturday	Full day Round Robin excursion with social leader by boat from Totnes to Dartmouth, steam train from Kingswear to Paignton and back by bus to Totnes					
Sunday	Return home					



*Please note that the social activities and workshop programme may vary according to weather and availability of artists.



Package Details

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The course fees include:

- ❖ 20 lessons (15 clock hours) English tuition in the mornings and one afternoon*
- ❖ Maximum group size of 12 students
- ❖ Minimum group size 6 students*
- ❖ Intermediate level of English and above
- ❖ Afternoon and evening excursions as above
- ❖ Full school social programme including Saturday Round Robin trip
- ❖ Tandem partner

Course Fees	£558
Course Dates	15/09/08 – 20/09/08
Course Length	1 week (Sunday to Sunday)

**We aim to offer the English tuition in our Standard English groups at the right level for you in the mornings and some afternoons.*

***We can also arrange half board Standard Plus accommodation with a host family (at extra cost) or Bed and Breakfast accommodation- ask us for details!*

****We can arrange return transfers from all major airports in the UK at extra cost- please ask us for details.*

Totnes School of English 50+ Creative Art 2008: Course Overview

Come to innovative Totnes, home to many local artists and craftsmen, to develop your creative self! Practise your English at the same time as participating in practical afternoon workshops in creative arts and going on accompanied visits to local galleries and workshops with your teacher.



Totnes is one of Devon's gems: full of both colour and character, the town has a rich cultural, historical and archaeological heritage and offers plenty for the visitor to do: museums, the Norman Castle, historic Guildhall, churches and boat trips down the River Dart. Street musicians and entertainers, markets on Fridays and Saturdays and a High Street full of charming shops, restaurants, pubs and attractive cafes give the town a vibrant life of its own.

Today Totnes is also a thriving centre for music, art, theatre and natural health, and its fascinating blend of traditional and alternative culture lends it a unique atmosphere.

With a population of only 8 000, it is an ideal, safe place to visit and to learn English, in a warm, friendly community which welcomes foreign students.

Totnes School of English, established in 1980, is situated in heart of this unusual town, in the 200 year old Gate House building, a magnificent Tudor building spanning the High St.



The course

Our 50+ English plus Creative Art Course offers you the chance to practise your English with similar-aged people in an interesting and stimulating way, in a small town where everything is within walking distance, and where you can make meaningful connections with local English people through our welcoming host families and friendly Tandem partners.

The course has **four** parts:

1. **English lessons* in the mornings (20 lessons/ 15 clock hours per week)** in which you can practise your English in a controlled environment, with plenty of correction, vocabulary development and speaking and listening practice. We go as fast or slow as you need! **Minimum age: 50 years+**
2. **Creative Art in the afternoons-** Each week you will participate in two practical sessions, one language session and one accompanied visit with complementary language input (approximately 6 hours per week in total) with your teacher. **Minimum age: 50 years+**
3. **Full social and cultural programme** in which you can experience the best of the English way of life and add a cultural context to your English learning. This includes a full weekly programme of activities plus a full day Saturday trip to unspoilt Dartmoor or the South Devon coast.
4. **Informal conversation practice with a Tandem partner in the afternoons/evenings.** We arrange for you to meet a local person learning your language or interested in your country and you meet them outside school for informal cross-cultural discussions.



Henry Moore Sculptures in the gardens of nearby Dartington Hall

Draft timetable (subject to workshop availability and weather!)

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Language session with your teacher- talking about form, colour and line	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Photography workshop Led by local artist	Pub quiz at the 'King Bill' pub
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Accompanied visit to local studio to meet the artist and discuss her work	Folk music at the Bay Horse Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Walk to Dartington Hall to see the gardens and sculptures	Singing evening with Susan
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Water Colour workshop Led by local artist	<i>Free evening and chance to meet your Tandem partner</i>
Saturday	Full day excursion with social leader to Dartmoor National Park- unspoilt moorland with spectacular rocky tors and an atmosphere redolent with ancient history and civilisation					
Sunday	Full day excursion to Land's End and St Ives (Cornwall) - home to a thriving artist colony and the innovative Tate Museum					

Week 2

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Language session with your teacher- talking about likes and dislikes, different tools and their names	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Candle-making workshop Led by local artist	<i>Free evening</i>
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Visit to local craft market/shop with teacher.	Tandem Evening at the Kingsbridge Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Origami workshop and discussion	<i>Free evening</i>
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Jewellery workshop Led by local craftsman	School party in a teacher's home



Course Details

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The course fees include:

- ❖ 20 lessons (15 clock hours) English tuition in the mornings in a closed group of 50+ students*
- ❖ Maximum group size of 12 students
- ❖ Minimum group size 6 students*
- ❖ Elementary level of English and above
- ❖ Four afternoon Creative Art sessions and activities
- ❖ Full social programme including walks and entrances to local attractions, interesting workshops, school party, full day Saturday trip to Dartmoor and full day Sunday trip to Land's End and St Ives in Cornwall
- ❖ Tandem partner

Course Fees	£695
Course Dates	Winter 04/02/08 – 15/02/08 Autumn 03/11/08 – 14/11/08
Course Length	2 weeks (Saturday to Saturday)

We aim to offer the English tuition as a closed group for 50 years and over. However, if **your level of English is much higher or lower than the group, then we will put you in our Standard English groups at the right level in the mornings. **Afternoon excursions are for 50+ only.***

***We can also arrange half board Standard Plus accommodation with a host family (at extra cost) or Bed and Breakfast accommodation- ask us for details!*

****We can arrange return transfers from all major airports in the UK at extra cost- please ask us for details.*

Totnes School of English 50+ Gardens and Castles 2008: Course Overview

Do you like history and being outdoors? Then come and do our English plus Gardens and Castles programme where you visit some of Devon's fascinating castles and beautiful gardens with a teacher-guide.



Totnes is one of Devon's gems: full of both colour and character, the town has a rich cultural, historical and archaeological heritage and offers plenty for the visitor to do: museums, the Norman Castle, historic Guildhall, churches and boat trips down the River Dart. Street musicians and entertainers, markets on Fridays and Saturdays and a High Street full of charming shops, restaurants, pubs and attractive cafes give the town a vibrant life of its own

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The course

Our 50+ Gardens and Castles Course offers you the chance to practise your English with similar-aged people in an interesting and stimulating way, in a small town where everything is within walking distance, and where you can make meaningful connections with local English people through our welcoming host families and friendly Tandem partners.

The course has **four** parts:

1. **English lessons* in the mornings (20 lessons/ 15 clock hours per week)** in which you can practise your English in a controlled environment, with plenty of correction, vocabulary development and speaking and listening practice. We go as fast or slow as you need! **Minimum age: 50 years+**
2. **Castles and Gardens- two excursions per week in the afternoons with your teacher** in which you can use the language you have learnt in the mornings and build your confidence and fluency through using your English in real-life situations. Each trip has a different language focus, with new vocabulary, expressions and grammar points for you to learn whilst finding out about English country gardens and history. **Minimum age: 50 years+**
3. **Full social and cultural programme** in which you can experience the best of the English way of life and add a cultural context to your English learning. This includes a full weekly programme of activities plus a full day Saturday trip to unspoilt Dartmoor, and Full day excursion to Tintagel and Boscastle, the birthplace of King Arthur (Cornwall)
4. **Informal conversation practice with a Tandem partner in the afternoons/evenings.** We arrange for you to meet a local person learning your language or interested in your country and you meet them outside school for informal cross-cultural discussions.

Our storyteller in action!



Timetable- draft*

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Visit to Compton Castle a fortified manor house in Marldon, Paignton. With teacher guide.	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Tour of Totnes ending with Devon cream tea	Pub quiz at the 'King Bill' pub
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Visit to Coleton Fishacre Garden- with breathtaking views of the South Devon coastline. With teacher guide.	Folk music at the Bay Horse Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Story-telling workshop	Singing evening with Susan
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Guided walk to Dartington Gardens	<i>Free evening and chance to meet your Tandem partner</i>
Saturday	Full day excursion with social leader to Dartmoor National Park- unspoilt moorland with spectacular rocky tors and an atmosphere redolent with ancient history and civilisation					
Sunday	Full day excursion to Tintagel and Boscastle, the birthplace of King Arthur (Cornwall)					

Week 2

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Visit to Castle Drogo - the 'last castle to be built in England', above the Teign Gorge. With teacher guide.	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Introduction to the game of bowls at local bowls club	<i>Free evening</i>
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Visit to Garden House-Buckland Monachorum , set on the edge of Dartmoor. With teacher guide.	Tandem Evening at the Kingsbridge Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Drama workshop	<i>Free evening</i>
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Guided walk to Sharpham Vineyard for organic wine-tasting	School party in a teacher's home
Saturday	Return home					
<i>*Please note that the social activities and workshop programme may vary according to weather and availability of artists.</i>						



Totnes School of English 50+ Gardens and Castles: Course Details

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The course fees include:

- ❖ 20 lessons (15 clock hours) English tuition in the mornings in a closed group of 50+ students*
- ❖ Maximum group size of 12 students
- ❖ Minimum group size 6 students*
- ❖ Elementary level of English and above
- ❖ Two afternoon excursions to the Gardens and Castles of Devon with a teacher-guide
- ❖ Full social programme including walks and entrances to local attractions, interesting workshops, school party, full day Saturday trip to Dartmoor and full day Sunday trip to Tintagel and Boscastle in Cornwall
- ❖ Tandem partner

Course Fees	£695
Course Dates	Easter 18/03/08 – 28/03/08 Autumn 22/09/08 – 03/10/08
Course Length	2 weeks (Saturday to Saturday)

We aim to offer the English tuition as a closed group for 50 years and over. However, if **your level of English is much higher or lower than the group, then we will put you in our Standard English groups at the right level in the mornings. **Afternoon excursions are for 50+ only.***

***We can also arrange half board Standard Plus accommodation with a host family (at extra cost) or Bed and Breakfast accommodation- ask us for details!*

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Totnes School of English 50+ Natural Health 2008: Course Overview

Get to know about the important things in life! The Natural Health programme aims to help you develop and practise your English while you participate in practical workshops in natural health. All classes are led by qualified practitioners and you will be encouraged to use your English while you enjoy learning more about complementary approaches to good health and well-being.



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The course

Our 50+ English and Natural Health Course offers you the chance to practise your English with similar-aged people in an interesting and stimulating way, in a small town where everything is within walking distance, and where you can make meaningful connections with local English people through our welcoming host families and friendly Tandem partners.

The course has **four** parts:

1. **English lessons* in the mornings (20 lessons/ 15 clock hours per week)** in which you can practise your English in a controlled environment, with plenty of correction, vocabulary development and speaking and listening practice. We go as fast or slow as you need! **Minimum age: 50 years**
2. **Natural Health workshops in the afternoons:** 4 afternoons (4 x 1.5 hours) per week: 3 workshops in different natural health therapies led by qualified practitioners plus one language focus session per week with your teacher. Your teacher will also help you with the introductory notes of each session. For each session you will receive a worksheet with an overview of the complementary therapy, key vocabulary and expressions and follow-up exercises. **Minimum age: 50 years**
3. **Full social and cultural programme** in which you can experience the best of the English way of life and add a cultural context to your English learning. This includes a full weekly programme of activities plus a full day Saturday trip to the beautiful South Devon coast.
4. **Informal conversation practice with a Tandem partner in the afternoons/evenings.** We arrange for you to meet a local person learning your language or interested in your country and you meet them outside school for informal cross-cultural discussions.

Shiatsu workshop with Sue



Totnes School of English 50+ English plus Natural Health:

Week 1

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Tour of Totnes to include visit to Natural Health centre ending with Devon cream tea	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Aromatherapy workshop	Pub quiz at the 'King Bill' pub
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Reflexology workshop	Folk music at the Bay Horse Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Chi Kung and T'ai Chi workshop	Singing evening with Susan
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Yoga workshop Language Focus session with teacher	<i>Free evening and chance to meet your Tandem partner</i>
Saturday	Full day excursion with social leader to Start Bay on the beautiful unspoilt South Devon coast-					
Sunday	Full day excursion to Stonehenge and Salisbury- visit these magical rocks and the beautiful cathedral at Salisbury					

Week 2

	09.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 11.00	11.00 – 12.30	12.30 – 13.30	afternoons	evenings
Monday	English lessons	<i>Coffee break</i>	English lessons	<i>Lunch break</i>	Bach Flowers workshop	DVD Evening and welcome to new students. Meet your Tandem partner!
Tuesday	English lessons		English lessons		Colour Therapy workshop.	<i>Free evening</i>
Wednesday	English lessons		English lessons		Shiatsu workshop	Tandem Evening at the Kingsbridge Inn
Thursday	English lessons		English lessons		Language Focus session and course round-up	<i>Free evening</i>
Friday	English lessons		English lessons		Drama workshop Guided walk to Sharpham Vineyard for organic wine-tasting	School party in a teacher's home
Saturday	Return home					



Totnes School of English 50+ English plus Natural Health: Course Details

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The course fees include:

- ❖ 20 lessons (15 clock hours) English tuition in the mornings in a closed group of 50+ students*
- ❖ Maximum group size of 12 students
- ❖ Minimum group size 6 students*
- ❖ Intermediate level of English and above
- ❖ Four afternoons: 3 workshops in different natural health therapies plus 1 language focus session with your teacher
- ❖ Full social programme including walks and entrances to local attractions, interesting workshops, school party, full day Saturday trip to South Devon coast and full day Sunday trip to Stonehenge and Salisbury
- ❖ Tandem partner

Course Fees	£695
Course Dates	Winter 15/01/08 – 25/01/08 Autumn 20/10/08 – 31/10/08
Course Length	2 weeks (Saturday to Saturday)

We aim to offer the English tuition as a closed group for 50 years and over. However, if **your level of English is much higher or lower than the group, then we will put you in our Standard English groups at the right level in the mornings. **Afternoon excursions are for 50+ only.***

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