

Sydney English Academy SEA

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Message from the Directors



With a combined career history of 28 years in the English Teaching Industry, we set out to create a school where students would receive optimum service in all areas: **excellence in education** and **customer service**; an educational environment combining both **professionalism** and **the personal touch**, and the **best holiday** experience of a lifetime.

In February 2001 we established the Sydney English Academy (SEA) and since then we have taught many thousands of students and have received nothing but the **best feedback** on the services we provide. SEA is independently owned by Mick Edwards and Samantha Milton.

The SEA is uniquely located in a **beautiful beachside** location and only 15 minutes from downtown Sydney.

We look forward to a mutually fulfilling professional relationship with you as our new representatives, and will always endeavour to streamline our services by incorporating any suggestions for improvement that you may have.

Michael Edwards (MEd, Dip Ed, BSc, RSA CELTA) Principal Administrator

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Location

The school is located 50 metres from beautiful Manly Beach

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The School

- **NEAS** Accredited
- **IALC** Member
- **CRICOS** Provider no: 02353C
- Modern air-conditioned premises
- In the centre of Manly's main **pedestrian precinct**
- **50 m from Manly Beach**
- **100m from Manly Wharf** (commute to Sydney CBD in 17 minutes)
- Safe, off-road location
- Surrounded by shops & cafes
- Quick & easy access to excellent **sporting & recreational facilities**
- See map for location of the SEA
- **Family Atmosphere**



Manly



- Beautiful **Sydney Harbour** on one side and **Manly beach** on the other
- A wonderfully friendly **village atmosphere** in which students soon feel at home
- A clean and safe environment
- **Exciting nightlife**
- Great **Work opportunities**: with one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state, many students quickly find work either while they are studying or after they finish their course
- Fantastic **homestay homes**, many with beach-side location
- A great range of independent accommodation
- Tertiary study facilities in the area at the TAFE business centre and University of Technology study centre at nearby Freshwater, and at Brookvale TAFE
- **Excellent public transport** system (ferry and bus)

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- visit www.manlytourism.com for more information and great photos

Sydney



- Australia's largest and best known city
- Great shopping
- Year round good climate
- Beautiful beaches
- World Heritage Listed Blue Mountains
- Multicultural Lifestyle

Why study at the SEA?

At the SEA we have purposefully set out to create a learning environment that differs from larger educational institutions in the following ways:

Point of Difference

Benefit to Student

- | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| ❖ Independently owned | ❖ Students feel part of a supportive family |
| ❖ Owner-Directors on site | ❖ Students receive immediate attention to their needs |
| ❖ Teachers with time for students | ❖ Students progress rapidly due to increased teacher input |
| ❖ Small classes (max 15, average 12) | ❖ Individual attention to needs & more speaking |
| ❖ 22 hours of face to face teaching + 2 hours of supervised study + 1 hour conversation club | ❖ Better progress |
| ❖ Fantastic nationality mix | ❖ Speaking English all the time |
| ❖ Free internet access and wireless | ❖ Keep in touch with family & friends |
| ❖ Emphasis on speaking & pronunciation | ❖ Students consistently develop communicative competence |
| ❖ Monthly tests & progress checks | ❖ Students receive regular 1:1 interview with class teacher |
| ❖ Teacher accompanied social activities | ❖ Students build up genuine friendships with teachers & peers |
| ❖ 'Extra Care' Help Desk | ❖ 'Nothing is too much trouble' is our motto |
| ❖ Large & welcoming student lounge | ❖ Students are naturally motivated to |

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communicate in English

❖ English plus Work program

School Facilities

- Fully **air-conditioned** premises
- **Free email & internet** access (wireless also available)
- **DVD, CD & video** facilities
- Independent Learning resources
- Large, sunny student lounge
- Fully equipped **student kitchen**



School Services

- **Airport Transfer**
- **Homestay** placement - Director of SEA organizes and visits all homestay families.
- Many types of accommodation. Hostel, self contained budget accommodation.
- Accommodation advice service.
- **Welfare counseling**
- Academic counseling
- **Travel advice service**
- **Social Program**

Teachers

- Teachers have specialist **TEFL** qualifications and a university degree
- Selected for their **professionalism** & genuine **love of teaching**
- Experienced, caring, creative, dedicated & enthusiastic

Course Materials

Students receive a course text book on their first day. During the course they receive other photocopied material necessary for daily lessons. All of this is covered by the Materials fee which is paid at the start of the course.

SEA Programs

1. General English Full-time

Students can attend this course on a student, tourist or working holiday visa.

8.45 am - 3 pm each day

Intensive General English Course

25 hours / week (includes 2 hours supervised study and 1 hour conversation club)

Our full time General English course focuses on spoken English, pronunciation, listening, reading and writing skills. Our aim is to develop your fluency, accuracy and confidence in these areas.



2. General English Part-time

Students can attend this course on a tourist or working holiday visa.

8.45 am - 12.10 pm each day

Our part time General English course focuses on spoken English, pronunciation, listening, reading and writing skills. Our aim is to develop your fluency, accuracy and confidence in these areas.

3. Cambridge FCE and CAE courses

Students can attend this course on a student, tourist or working holiday visa.

8.45 am - 3 pm each day

25 hours / week (includes 2 hours supervised study and 1 hour conversation club)

These intensive courses prepare students for the internationally recognised Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE and CAE) exam. With a maximum of 12 per class, our students receive a high level of personal tuition, and can focus on individual problem areas both during supervised study and during regular interviews with their teacher.



4. IELTS Preparation Course

Students can attend this course on a student, tourist or working holiday visa.

8.45am - 1.10pm (plus 2-3 pm Tuesday and Thursday). 22 hours / week

This intensive course introduces students to the internationally recognised IELTS examination. The course focuses on the four components of the examination, reading, writing, speaking and listening. Course duration is 2 to 12 weeks. The course consists of 20 hours General English plus 2 hours of IELTS. Students must be upper intermediate or above. Available to holders of Student, Tourist or Working Holiday visas.

5. English plus Surfing



Students can attend this course on a tourist or working holiday visa

Manly Beach is one of Australia's most famous surfing beaches! With the SEA being located only 50m from Manly Beach we are perfectly positioned to offer this fantastic course.

This exciting course combines English language classes at the SEA with Learn to Surf classes at the Manly Surf School (a fully accredited professional

surfing school) only 5 minutes walk from the school. Students can attend this course for 2, 3 or 4 weeks.

The course includes:

- **English classes each day from 8.45am to 12.10pm (3 hours of tuition per day)**
- **3 x 2 hour surfing lessons each week on Monday to Friday afternoons with the Manly Surf School**
- **Students are provided with wetsuit, rash vest and surfboard**
- **The social activity each week on Tuesday afternoon or evening - all students can take part in this social activity so it's a great way to make friends**
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6. English plus Diving (PADI License)



Students can study this course on a tourist or working holiday visa

With three Diving Schools located in Manly the SEA is perfectly positioned to offer this exciting course. The dive course is carried out over two weekends. The diving school is only a ten minute walk from the school. This is a two week course but can be combined with further full time or part time English classes at SEA.

Students need to have an intermediate level of English for this course.

Students are required to undergo a medical examination by a local doctor before starting the course. The cost is approximately \$80. This is not included in the cost of the course.

This course is ideal for students who are looking forward to travelling and diving in Australia after they finish their course.

The course includes:

- **English classes each day from 8.45am to 3.00pm (5 hours of tuition per day)**
- **Three days of dive instruction over two weekends**
- **The social activity each week on Tuesday afternoon or evening - all students can take part in this social activity so it's a great way to make friends**

7. Study Tour

Because we are located 50m from beautiful Manly Beach and 100m from spectacular Sydney Harbour we are able to offer some amazing Study Tour Programmes which combine morning study of either 3 or 4 hours with teacher accompanied activities in the afternoon.

These courses are specifically designed to suit the special interests and needs of the group. Classroom activities concentrate on speaking and communicative activities with the aim of helping students to achieve maximum communicative competence in a limited time.

Selection of Afternoon Activities

- Learn to Surf
- Beach Volleyball
- Harbour Cruise
- Soccer
- Bushwalk
- Beach Barbeque at Shelly Beach
- Bowling



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- Sydney Aquarium

Selection of Weekend Activities

- Blue Mountains Trip
- Port Stephens and Whale Watching Tour
- Weekend Surf Trip at the Royal National Park
- Hunter Valley Wine Tasting Tour



8. Private Tuition

1:1 lessons can be arranged on application. These lessons are personally tailored to focus on the student's specific language needs (for example Speaking and Pronunciation), or professional or personal areas of interest (for example Tourism, or Business). Students can combine private tuition with any of our other courses.

Full-time Study Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45-10.45 am	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11.10-1.10pm	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
1.10 – 2.00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2.00-3.00 pm	Class (Elective)	Supervised Study Social Activity	Conversation Class	Class (Elective) Social Activity	Supervised Study

NB. Full-time students have access to our facilities beyond supervised study and until closing at 5pm

Elective classes are specific for each level and require a minimum number of students.

Supervised Study

From 2 - 3 pm students, with the guidance of one of our teachers, may focus on:

- Speaking Practice
- Writing Development
- Pronunciation
- Reading Development
- Vocabulary
- Examination practice for exams such as FCE, CAE, TOEIC, IELTS
- Grammar Practice (DVDs available)
- Computer Assisted Language Learning
- Job Search Skills

Electives

- Australian Studies
- Grammar
- Pronunciation
- Film Studies
- Business English
- Social English

Pathway to TAFE NSW, ICMS, APC,

SEA students have direct entry to TAFE NSW, RAFFLES COLLEGE, SYDNEY FILM SCHOOL, ICMS, APC and many more, from Sydney English Academy. See attached document (page 28) to get more information.

Activities

Weekday Social Activity (Every Tuesday and Friday)

Activities take place on Tuesdays and Fridays during the afternoon after supervised study, or in the evenings, and are posted weekly on our 'What's on' notice board. Sample program attached.

Weekday Activities

Students join teachers for two social activities each week, such as:

- Beach barbecues
- International Picnics
- Bush walking
- Kayaking
- Pub night
- Rock climbing (indoor)
- Beach Volley-ball
- Tennis
- Sandcastle building competitions
- Ten-pin bowling
- Karaoke
- Pool competitions



Weekend Activities

We have a close relationship with a weekend tour provider who works with many other language schools in Sydney. Trips are offered each weekend at the most competitive rates in Sydney. Through this arrangement we can offer students weekend social activities such as:



- Blue Mountains Trip
- Port Stephens and Whale Watching Tour
- Weekend Surf Trip at the Royal National Park
- Hunter Valley Wine Tasting Tour
- Weekend South Coast Surf Trip (two nights)

Travel Advice

Our staff can help students with alternative travel suggestions for weekends or for when their studies finish. Manly has several travel centres which specialise in travel in Australia. We have guest speakers from these centres who can offer students the most competitive prices available and give advice for travelling on completion of their English course.

First Day at School

Students may join classes on any Monday, excepting public holidays and during the Christmas break.

Procedure:

- Arrive at school 9am met by a SEA staff member (10am for Cambridge Students)
- Sit a placement test and a short oral interview to assess level of English
- 11.10am(depends on student number)- student placed into appropriate class for their level of English
- At 2 pm new students receive a Student Orientation Pack (see page29-39), Maps and Transport Information. A full school induction will follow.
- Students will meet one of the teachers and receive a full induction to the school
- Then an orientation walk around Manly returning to school at 3pm

Graduation Day



Graduation consists of:

- Certificate of Completion
- Student Evaluation of Course & Services
- *Graduation Ceremony & Speeches by teachers

*This takes place in our lounge area every Friday. We make this a memorable occasion for students by providing a cake and many photo opportunities

Part Time Students

Students doing the Part Time English course or English and Surfing must finish their class each day at 12:10pm. If they decide to change to full time they may do this by paying the balance of the full time course.

Please note that supervised study is only available to student doing the Full Time English course or the Cambridge First Certificate Course.

Students on Student Visas

Please inform your students that:

- They must inform school of their address and contact details on their first day of school. If they change details they must inform the school immediately. This is a condition of their visa.
- These students must attain an attendance of at least 80%
- If students are more than 15minutes late to class then they will be marked as absent for that hour

Homestay Accommodation



Homestay families are carefully selected by one of our Directors based on the following requirements:

- The house must be located not more than 35 minutes journey by public transport the school (priority will be given to those families nearest the school)
- The student's room must include a comfortable bed, desk and lamp suitable for study, storage for clothes and personal belongings and access to bathing and laundry facilities
- If homestay families house more than

one non-English speaking student, the SEA will house students only with share mates of a different native tongue

- We assess the suitability of homestay families in terms of general warmth and friendliness, cultural awareness and sensitivity, time available to spend with the student and cleanliness of the home
- Through student feedback forms (completed by all students at the end of their course) Homestay Providers are continuously monitored
- Many of our homestay families are located in beautiful beachside suburbs with additional facilities such as swimming-pool, sporting facilities & internet access

Other Accommodation

We can organise backpacker (dormitory and single room) and also guest house and serviced room accommodation. The prices and availability of these vary depending on the season and the length of the booking.

SEA Student Residence: We have two excellent options. Please contact us for more details about single, twin and dormitory rooms

Sydney Beachhouse (Collaroy Beach YHA) <http://www.yha.com.au/hostels/nsw/sydney-surrounds/collaroy/>

Manly Bunkhouse <http://www.bunkhouse.com.au/>

For students who do not want homestay for their entire stay, we recommend that they stay with a family for their first 4 weeks. This gives the student time to adjust to life in Australia while viewing the residential accommodation options.

Residential accommodation is also available. We have an accommodation notice board where locals and students advertise apartments.

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Assistance for Students Seeking Rental Accommodation

Students seeking share accommodation, or single flats are aided in the following ways:

- Relevant information regarding the rental system in NSW such as payment of a bond, average length of leases, contact numbers for NSW Consumer Affairs etc. is available on request.
- Students are advised on how shared households in Australia usually operate in regards to such things as the payment of bills and the purchasing of food.
- Students can be helped with searches of the local paper for shared accommodation and rental properties.
- Phone calls regarding the inspection of rental accommodation can be made for students whose level of English requires it

Airport Pick-up Service

Students will be met by a SEA representative at the arrival gate who will display a welcome sign from the Sydney English Academy. The student will be taken to their homestay or alternative accommodation.

Emergency contact numbers are:

Airport Pickup number: 0419 483 711

99766988 (business hours)

0423 522 936 (emergency after hours)

MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

Please see attached Airport Pickup Information (page 16). If a student is not found (no show) the driver will inform the homestay and the school. The full cost of the transfer will apply.

Mark Whitehair trading as Student Airport Services is an accredited bus and tour operator.

SEA DATES and FEES 2015

Sydney English Academy

General English Course start dates: Preferred start dates but may start on any Monday.
(Best to avoid starting on week 4 of a term)

December 29 (Monday) 2014

January 27 (Tuesday)

February 23

March 23

April 20

May 18

June 15

July 13

August 10

September 7

October 6 (Tuesday)

November 2

November 30

(Please note: December is a short term due to the Christmas break)

CAMBRIDGE COURSE

FCE

January – 10 week Course

Course Start Date: January 5 2015, Course End Date: 13 March, Exam Date: 13 March

March – 12 week Course

Course Start Date: March 16, Course End Date: 5 June, Exam Date: 9 June

September – 12 week Course

Course Start Date: September 7, Course End Date: November 27, Exam Date: 1 December

CAE

January – 10 week Course

Course Start Date: January 5, 2014, Course End Date: 13 March, Exam Date: 14 March

March – 12 week Course

Course Start Date: March 16, Course End Date: 5 June, Exam Date: 10 June

September – 12 week Course

Course Start Date: September 7, Course End Date: 27 November, Exam Date: 2 December

IELTS START DATES

See GE start dates

Public Holidays:

January 1 New Year's Day, January 26 Australia Day

April 3 to April 6 Easter, April 25 ANZAC Day

June 8 Queen's Birthday, August 3 Teacher's Holiday

October 5 Labour Day

School closes December 21 for Christmas Holiday. School reopens Tuesday 29 December 2015.

FEES

General English Full Time

1 lesson = 60 minutes

25 hours pw (includes 2 hours supervised and 1 hour conversation club)

General English Full Time

1 - 4 weeks \$360 pw

5 - 12 weeks \$355 pw

13 - 23 weeks \$350 pw

24+ weeks 330 pw

36+ weeks \$320 pw

General English Part time

GE \$310 pw (15 hours pw)

IELTS 4 week course (22 hours per week)

General English plus 2 afternoon IELTS electives. Course consists of 20 hours GE plus 2 hours afternoon IELTS electives per week. Compulsory IELTS material fee \$ 120 applies plus GE material fee.

English Plus

English plus Surfing \$ 515 (part time English plus 3 x 2 hour surf lessons)

English Plus Diving \$1390 (does not include cost of medical check)

Private tuition \$135 per hour

FCE and CAE Cambridge courses

10 week course \$ **4100** (includes material fee and exam fee and postage of certificate to home address)

12 week course \$ **4820** (includes material fee and exam fee and postage of certificate to home address)

All other fees/costs

Enrolment fee \$200

Homestay Accommodation placement fee \$220

Hostel Accommodation placement fee \$100

Accommodation changing fee \$100

Airport transfer \$140

OSHC (Overseas Student Health Cover)

3 months \$129.00

6 months \$258.00

9 months \$387.00

12 months \$516.00

(\$43 per month)

Material fee (includes course book)

1 - 6 weeks \$80

7 - 12 weeks \$120

13 - 20 weeks \$180

21 - 30 weeks \$240

31 weeks + \$ 280

Cambridge Material Fees

Cambridge Course books (2 books) and materials fee \$170 (course book and exam practice book) Cambridge Course Exams fee \$330 (includes postage of original test certificate to home address)

IELTS Exam Fee and Material Fee

Exam fee is paid directly to exam centre. Exam takes place in Sydney city centre. IELTS material fee consists of General English Material Fee plus IELTS course book and material fee \$120.

Accommodation prices

Homestay Single room (18+ years) \$270 pw, \$42 per extra night

Homestay Twin/Double Share \$230 pw, \$35 per extra night

Homestay (under 18)

Single room \$290 pw \$42 per extra night

Twin room \$255 pw, \$37 per extra night

Christmas Week Surcharge \$50 per week per person (from 19/12/2015 to 26/12/2015)

Guardianship Service

Guardianship placement service fee \$200

Guardianship weekly fee \$45 pw, (\$6 per day)

Parents of students under 18 must nominate a guardian living in Sydney who will be responsible for the welfare of the student or request SEA's guardianship service.

Other Accommodation**Hostel / Backpacker Accommodation**

Minimum age 18

Dormitory

Collaroy YHA (Sydney Beachouse) www.sydneybeachouse.com.au

Dormitory (4-share) with ensuite \$210 pw (off-peak) to \$330 pw (peak period: 15/12/2015 – 18/01/2016)

Students will share with either SEA STUDENTS or other INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Single Rooms

Collaroy YHA

Single rooms \$520 pw (off peak) to \$890 pw (peak season 15/12/2015 to 18/01/2016)

Student will share with either SEA STUDENTS or other INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Twin Share Collaroy YHA

Twin Share from \$277 pw (off-peak) to \$490 pw (peak season 15/12/2015 to 18/01/2016).

Student will share with either SEA STUDENTS or other INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS.

Manly Boardriders www.boardriders.com.au (opposite school)

Dormitory (4 – 6 share) no ensuite from \$165 pw to \$350 pw (peak Christmas period)

Prices are seasonal and a price can be given on application.

Students share with other international travellers

Self contained Budget Accommodation.

Prices are seasonal and a price can be given on application.

Airport Pickup Information

Our driver will meet the student at the **Meeting Point** at the **international** arrivals area carrying a Sydney English Academy sign with the student's name.

If you have been waiting for 30 minutes or longer at the Meeting Point and our representative has not met you, please telephone the emergency airport pickup number.

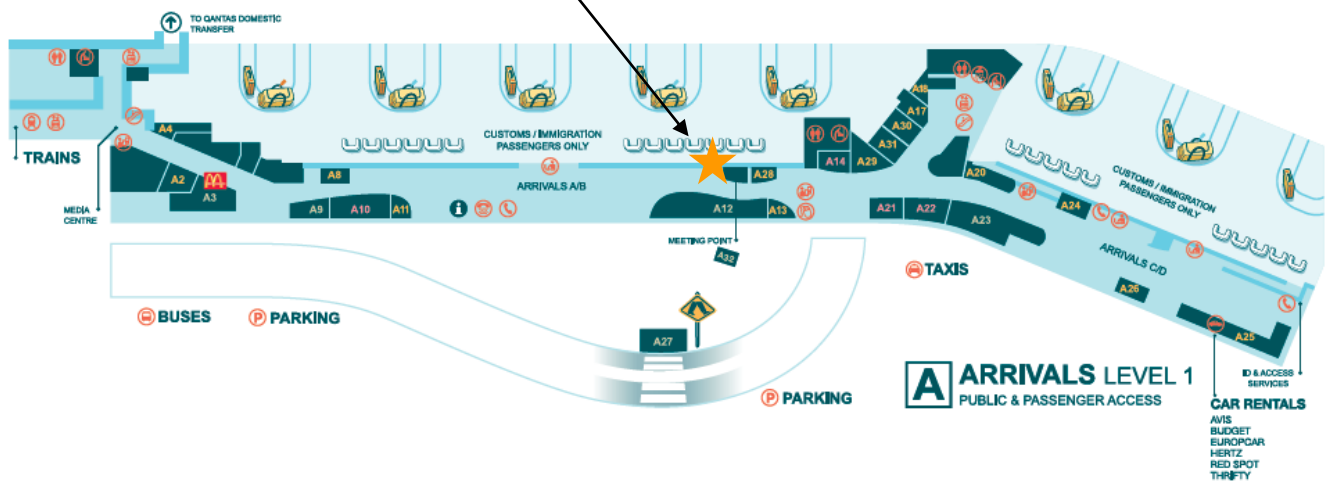
The emergency airport pickup number is 0419 483 711

Students arriving at the **domestic** terminal should wait there at the **INFORMATION DESK** arrivals area.

Our driver will make the necessary steps to find the student at the airport and to wait until all passengers have come through to the arrivals area.

If a student is not found (no show) the driver will inform the homestay and the school. The full cost of the transfer will apply.

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General English Placement Test

Name: _____ Date: / /

**Spend 20 minutes on this part of the test. Write ONE Word
in each space (contracted words such as 'don't' are acceptable):**

Steven is (1) _____ farmer. (2) _____ wife's name is Jenny. They (3) _____
three children. Their children's names (4) _____ John, Paul (5) _____ Sally. Paul
and Sally still (6) _____ at home, but John (7) _____. John (8) _____
studying science (9) _____ university.

Paul is seventeen. He has a girlfriend (10) _____ Sarah. Paul (11) _____ out all the
time with his girlfriend. His mum and dad (12) _____ very worried (13) _____ him.
Sally, (14) _____ is fifteen, is (15) _____ youngest child. After (16) _____
school, she is (17) _____ to study science in order to (18) _____ (19) _____
engineer.

(20) _____ isn't a lot of work in the country these days. Farmers (21) _____ make as
much money as they used (22) _____. Steven thinks it (23) _____ be better
(24) _____ sell the farm and buy another house (25) _____ Sydney.
(26) _____ Jenny doesn't want to move (27) _____ she's (28) _____ three
horses and she doesn't want to sell (29) _____. In her free-time she (30) _____
horseriding.

Yesterday (31) _____, while they (32) _____ all _____ around the table,
Jenny said "I (33) _____ (ride) horses (34) _____ I was five
years old and I'm not going to give (35) _____ now!" Steven replied "If I
(36) _____ (know) you were going to be so (37) _____, I
(38) _____ (marry) someone (39) _____!"

She (40) _____ just _____ (serve) dinner (41) _____ Steven walked out. She
was (42) _____ angry that she (43) _____ his meal at the wall.

The children (44) _____ never _____ their (45) _____ arguing before. Paul
(46) _____ to his sister and said "Well, (47) _____ Dad doesn't want to run the
farm, maybe we should take it (48) _____".

"Now that's an idea, (49) _____ (50) _____?" said Sally.



Placement Test
First Certificate in English (FCE)

You have 1 hour to complete this test
Please do not use a dictionary

Name: _____

Date: _____



FCE Placement Test

Name: < > Date: / /

Spend 20 minutes on this part of the test. Write ONE Word in each space

(contracted words such as 'don't' are acceptable):

Steven is (1)_____ farmer. (2)_____ wife's name is Jenny. They (3)_____ three children. Their children's names (4)_____ John, Paul (5)_____ Sally. Paul and Sally still (6)_____ at home, but John (7)_____. John (8)_____ studying science (9)_____ university.

Paul is seventeen. He has a girlfriend (10)_____ Sarah. Paul (11)_____ out all the time with his girlfriend. His mum and dad (12)_____ very worried (13)_____ him. Sally, (14)_____ is fifteen, is (15)_____ child. After (16)_____ school, she is (17)_____ to study science in order to (18)_____

(19)_____ engineer. (20)_____ isn't a lot of work in the country these days.

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"Now that's an idea, (49)_____ (50)_____ ?" said Sally.



FCE Placement Test

Name: < > Date: / /

Spend 20 minutes on this part of the test.

For questions 1 – 15 read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space.

Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

WRITING A STORY

Where do you start if you want (0) to write a successful story? Clearly, what you need first of (1) _____ is an idea which you can develop into a strong plot. But (2) _____ do ideas like this come from? The (3) _____ is 'anywhere and everywhere'. They may come from something that has (4) _____ to you or to (5) _____ else, from a newspaper, an interesting picture, or even a song. It's a good idea to keep a notebook nearby (6) _____ that you can write down the details of any odd incidents (7) _____ catch you imagination. Make a note of ideas (8) _____ titles too, and any special phrases or descriptions that you think of. A small tape recorder can (9) _____ useful for this purpose. Some writers even keep (10) _____ by their bed in (11) _____ they wake up with the 'idea of the century'.

Another method of developing the story is to make use (12) _____ the characters themselves. Why not (13) _____ putting three people you know well into a situation such as a wedding, where feelings may be very strong, and see (14) _____ happens. But don't make the final characters too much like your Aunt Jane or Uncle Jim or you may find (15) _____ in real trouble.



FIRST CERTIFICATE PLACEMENT TEST
Writing - 30 minutes

Name: _____

Date: / /

Write an essay of between 120-180 words on ONE of the following:

1. Write a speech for tourists from your country explaining the differences between Australia and your country.
2. Your cousin has written to you asking you to recommend an English school. Write your reply.
3. As I walked home from work the other night I heard footsteps behind me ... (continue the story)
4. What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in shared accommodation?

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Placement Test
Cambridge Advanced English (CAE)

You have 1 hour to complete this test
Please do not use a dictionary

Name: _____

Date: _____



CAE Placement Test

Name: < > Date: / /

Spend 20 minutes on this part of the test. Write ONE Word in each space (contracted words such as 'don't' are acceptable):

Steven is (1) _____ farmer. (2) _____ wife's name is Jenny. They (3) _____ three children. Their children's names (4) _____ John, Paul (5) _____ Sally. Paul and Sally still (6) _____ at home, but John (7) _____. John (8) _____ studying science (9) _____ university.

Paul is seventeen. He has a girlfriend (10) _____ Sarah. Paul (11) _____ out all the time with his girlfriend. His mum and dad (12) _____ very worried (13) _____ him.

Sally, (14) _____ is fifteen, is (15) _____ child. After (16) _____ school, she is (17) _____ to study science in order to (18) _____ (19) _____ engineer.

(20) _____ isn't a lot of work in the country these days. Farmers (21) _____ make as much money as they used (22) _____. Steven thinks it (23) _____ be better (24) _____ sell the farm and buy another house (25) _____ Sydney.

(26) _____ Jenny doesn't want to move (27) _____ she's (28) _____ three horses and she doesn't want to sell (29) _____. In her free-time she (30) _____ horseriding.

Yesterday (31) _____, while they (32) _____ all _____ around the table, Jenny said "I (33) _____ (ride) horses (34) _____ I was five years old and I'm not going to give (35) _____ now!" Steven replied "If I (36) _____ (know) you were going to be so (37) _____, I (38) _____ (marry) someone (39) _____!"

She (40) _____ just _____ (serve) dinner (41) _____ Steven walked out. She was (42) _____ angry that she (43) _____ his meal at the wall.

The children (44) _____ never _____ their (45) _____ arguing before. Paul (46) _____ to his sister and said "Well, (47) _____ Dad doesn't want to run the farm, maybe we should take it (48) _____".

"Now that's an idea, (49) _____ (50) _____?" said Sally.

CAE Placement Test

Name: <

> Date: / /

You have 30 minutes to complete this part of the test. For questions 47-53, use the words in the box on the right to form **one** word which fits in the same numbered space in the text. The exercise begins with an example (0)

IS THIS THE END FOR RECORD-BREAKING?

According to researchers, we have reached the limits for some sports. No matter how hard we train or whatever the (0) improvements in the design of our running shoes, they say we're just not going to get any better. A mathematical (47) _____ was carried out to show that most of our track and field records are in fact being broken by chance. The researchers looked at the best annual performances in 22 events in German athletics (48) _____ over the last 20 years. Only four events showed any kind of (49) _____ increase over that time and the record-breaking times fitted the (50) _____ distribution you would expect if the overall level of performance had stayed the same. The researchers concluded that the (51) _____ of record breakers is not (52) _____. Record breakers are just (53) _____ rare.

Example:

0 IMPROVE

0 *improvement*

47 ANALYSE

48 CHAMPION

49 SYSTEM

50 STATISTIC

51 EXIST

52 MIRACLE

53 EXCEPT

For questions 16-30, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. **Use only one word in each space.** The exercise begins with an example (0).

On the other hand?

We left-handed people lack collective pride. We (0) just try to get by, in our clumsy way. We make (16) _____ demands and we avoid a fuss. I used to say whenever someone watched me sign my name and remarked that he or she was also left-handed; 'You and me and Leonardo da Vinci!' That was a weak joke, (17) _____ it contained my often unconscious desire to belong to *Left Pride*, a social movement that (18) _____ far doesn't exist but I hope may one day come. There are many false stories about the left-handed (19) _____ circulation: for example, a few decades ago someone wrote that Picasso was left-handed, and others kept repeating it, but the proof is all (20) _____ the contrary. The great genius Einstein (21) _____ often still claimed as one of ours, also (22) _____ proof. And sadly there is also no truth (23) _____ the myth that the left-handed tend to be smarter and more creative.

(24) _____ the amount of research that has been carried out, researchers in the field still find it hard to decide precisely what we mean (25) _____ left-handed. Apparently, a third of those (26) _____ write with their left hand throw a ball with their right. (27) _____, those using their right hand for writing rarely throw with their left. A difficult skill that becomes crucial at a most impressionable age, writing defines (28) _____ you will call yourself. I have never used scissors, baseball bat, hockey stick or computer mouse with anything but my right; (29) _____ so, I think I'm left-handed as (30) _____ everyone else.



CAE Placement Test

Name: <

> Date: / /

Writing - 30 minutes

Write an essay of between 120-180 words on ONE of the following:

1. Write a speech for tourists from your country explaining the differences between Australia and your country.
2. Your cousin has written to you asking you to recommend an English school. Write your reply.
3. As I walked home from work the other night I heard footsteps behind me ... (continue the story)
4. What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in shared accommodation?

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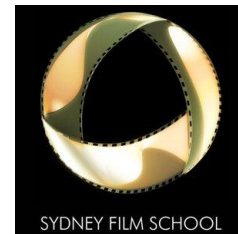
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Pathways List - Sydney English Academy



ICMS - International of College of Management Sydney
TAFE NSW – Technical and Further Education Commission of NSW
RAFFLES – Raffles College of Design and Commerce
AIT – Academy of Information Technology
LLOYDS – Lloyds International College
Evolution Hospitality Institute
SIBN – Sydney International Business Network College
APC – Australian Pacific College
SYDNEY FILM SCHOOL

Belong...Enjoy...Succeed...



Information and Orientation for New Students

Contact Details

The Directors: Mick Edwards & Sam Milton
Address: La Gallerie, Suite 19. Level 1, 74 - 78 The Corso, Manly 2095
Telephone: 9976 6988
Fax: 9976 6977
Email: info@sea-english.com
Website: www.sea-english.com

What happens on the first day?

Please arrive at the school at 9am for General English and IELTS students, and 10am for Cambridge students.

You will do a written placement test followed by an oral interview with one of the teachers. Please bring pen and notebook. A dictionary is recommended. You will then be given information about the school and Manly, followed by a walk around Manly town centre. At 11.10am you will be placed in the class which best suits your level of English.

Study Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45-10:45	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
10:45-11:10	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break
11:10-1:10	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
1:10-2:00	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break
2:00-3.00	Elective Class	Supervised study	Conversation Club	Elective Class	Supervised study
3:00-4:30 (4:00 Friday)	Full use of school facilities	Social Activity	Full use of school facilities	Full use of school facilities	Social Activity

Safety & Security

- Please be calm and careful when you are in or around the school
- Never leave your bag or other valuable things in the school when you go outside
- At the beach – always swim between the red and yellow flags, and never go surfing or swimming alone
- Please tell your Homestay family or share mates where you plan to go when you go out; and what time you plan to come home
- If you need to contact Manly Police, the Police Station is at:
3, Belgrave Street, Manly (2 minutes walk from Manly Wharf) Tel:99779499
- In case of an **EMERGENCY telephone: 000 (Police, Ambulance, Fire Station)**

Fire

If you smell smoke or see in the building:

- Immediately tell your teacher, classmates and students in the other classes by shouting the word 'Fire'.
- Leave the classroom quickly and calmly. Do not waste time trying to find bags and books.
- Leave the school by the front door (green Exit sign)
Exit the building by the front entrance or back fire stairs (near the toilets)
- Follow your teacher to the meeting point in Rialto Square
- Your teacher will check the names of all the students in your class. Please stay with your
teacher until he/she tells you it is safe to go back to the school

Rules

- No smoking in the school
- Please wash up your cup or glass and wipe the tables
- Please put all your rubbish in the correct bins
- Please be quiet when you are inside or around the school
- If you are on a student visa and change your address or telephone number you must inform reception immediately

Problems

- If you have a problem with your Homestay, please talk to the homestay coordinator.
- If you have a health/medical/personal problem please talk to reception immediately.
- If you think your class is too difficult or too easy for you, please talk to your teacher.
- If you have another problem with your class, please talk to the Director of Studies.
- If you have a problem about money or your visa, please talk to reception.
- If you are under 18 and you have a problem, speak to the Senior Teacher, Cathy Martin
or the Welfare Officer Samantha Milton.

If you are not happy with something at the school (Grievance Policy)

If you have a problem during your time at the school, follow the steps below.

(At any relevant meeting students can be accompanied and assisted by a support person).

Step 1

Speak to your class teacher.

If he/she can not help you, then go to Step 2.

Step 2

Speak to Senior Teacher, Cathy Martin.

If she can not help you, then go to Step 3.

Step 3

Speak to the Director of Studies, Sam Milton.

If she can not help you, then go to Step 4.

Step 4

Speak to the Principal, Mick Edwards.

If he can not help you, then go to Step 5.

Step 5

Ask the Principal to organise an outside mediator to help you and the school find a solution to the problem.

If you wish, you may nominate another person to act for you to express your grievance.

Step 6

If a solution can still not be found contact the Department of Fair Trading or Overseas Student Ombudsman. Each party may be accompanied and assisted by a support person at any relevant meetings

Department of Fair Trading

Tel: 133 220 City Centre Level 21, 227 Elizabeth St

DEEWR

Helpline: 6240 5069 esosmailbox@deewr.gov.au

www.deewr.gov.au Click "International" - "For Students", scroll down then click "ESOS" -consumer protection sight and responsibilities.

If you need translation, contact the Ethnic Affairs Commission of NSW

(Translation Services) Tel; 1300 651 500

Overseas Student OMBUDSMAN

Tel: 1300362 072 Fax: 02 6276 0123 Email: ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au

Web: www.oso.gov.au Postal address: GPO box 442, Canberra ACT 2601

(If you need an interpreter, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 131 450. This ombudsman will pay for the interpreter.)

Homestay

If you want to have a really great time with your Homestay Family:

- Join in with everyday activities as much as possible - helping to do the dishes, watching TV, and chatting at meal times are all great ways to improve your English
- Be interested and open minded about Australian culture - don't complain about things that are different
- Never stay in the shower for more than 10 minutes - Australia is a big country with little water
- If you need something, or you don't understand something - ask your Homestay Family
- Your Homestay Family may worry about you if you stay out late - always tell them you are going, what time you'll be home, and if you will be late for dinner where you are.
- Please ask your family if it's OK to use the phone - you must pay for all calls

Attendance

- If you really want your English to improve, try to come to school on time everyday
- If you are sick, get a note from your doctor and give it to your teacher when you return.
- If you don't give your teacher a sick note you will be marked 'Absent'
- If you are more than 10 minutes late for your morning class, you may not be able join the class, and you will be marked "Absent" for that hour. If you are more than 5 minutes late after your coffee break you may not be able to join the class. You will be able to join the class for the second hour.
- If you are studying on a student visa you must maintain an attendance record of at least 80%

Homework

- Please try to do all the homework your teacher gives you
- If you don't do your homework you will waste your time and your classmate's time
- If you cannot understand your homework, please ask a teacher for help

Recycling

- Please put rubbish in the correct bins in the kitchen area.
- Please put clean paper in the paper recycling box.
- Please put cans and bottles in the bottle recycling bin marked cans & bottles.

Social activities

- Social activities are a great way to practise your English and make new friends
- Many Social Activities are free, but sometimes there is a cost - the cost of Social Activities is **not** included in your school fees
- Sometimes you will need to bring your own food and drink - if you don't know what to bring, ask Mick or Sam

- If you have any suggestions for Social Programme Activities, please tell Mick or Sam
- There are also weekend trips available to places such as The Blue Mountains, Port Stephens, Royal National Park and the Hunter Valley. These trips take students from many different schools in Sydney. Weekend Trips are advertised above the SEA notice board and can be booked at SEA. Ask at reception for more details.

Receiving your letters and parcels

SEA welcomes you to use our address to receive your letters or parcels if you don't have a fixed address at the moment.

But please note, the conditions below will be applied;

1. Notification that you have a parcel will be in the "Students Letter Box".
2. It is your responsibility to check the "Student Letter Box" occasionally.
3. OSHC cards will be delivered to this box. Student visa holders, please do not forget to check the box to pick it up. If you didn't receive your card 10days after your course start date, please ask Reception to check.
4. We'll keep your letters and parcels a maximum of 30 days after we receive them.
5. We won't keep letters and parcels for students who've already graduated from SEA.

Transport Information

Call 131500 or visit <http://www.131500.com.au/> to get information service for public transport in and around Sydney area.

You can buy weekly ticket at news agency, or visit <https://ticketing.cityrail.info/> to buy term tickets. Weekly tickets are cheaper than single tickets, term tickets are cheaper than weekly ones.

A - Z of ACTIVITIES and SERVICES IN MANLY

☺ These activities are free or discounted to SEA students ☺

Aquarium

There is an aquarium where you can see sharks, as well as lots of other marine animals in Manly near the ferry wharf (Oceanworld, West Esplanade Reserve, Manly www.oceanworld.myfun.com.au www.sydneyaquarium.myfun.com.au).

At Sydney Aquarium in Darling Harbour, you can also see our famous Australian platypus!

☺ For both aquariums you may get a discount with your student card.

Art

☺ Manly Art Gallery and Museum is next to the Oceanworld. Here you can see art work, sculpture and photography exhibitions as well as a history of beach culture. Sometimes there are exhibitions about surfing as well as the history of beach culture☺

The Art Gallery of NSW in the Domain Park behind the Botanical Gardens in the city is free.

Asian Groceries

We recommend A & S Asian Grocery at Shop 1/18, Whistler Street, Manly (just near the Manly Council Car Park). You can check their products at their website: asiangrocery.net-shop.com

Bar-B-Q's

☺ There are free Bar-B-Q's at Shelley Beach. Just take your food, push the button and cook! In the summer you should get there early as it gets very busy. This area is an alcohol free zone.

Beaches

☺ Manly Beach has overtaken Bondi Beach as the most popular beach in Sydney! Join locals for a day on the beach but don't forget your sunscreen!

BE CAREFUL - always swim between the red and yellow flags.

Bicycles

You can hire bicycles from several places in Manly. Manly Cycles is at 17 Sydney Road, Manly, Tel: 9977 1189. <http://www.manlycycles.com.au/>

Bushwalking

Bushwalking is a very popular pastime in Australia and a good way to experience 'the real Australia'. However you should never go bushwalking alone. Ask reception about organised bushwalks.

Cafes

Manly has lots of great cafes. One of the most popular ones for students is Candy's on Belgrave Street, where you can play board games with your friends.

Chinatown

☺ If you want to experience Asian culture or try authentic Asian food; Chinatown is the best place to go. Catch the ferry to the city then catch any bus going along George Street in the city and get off at Haymarket. There is a great fruit and vegetable market here every Fri, Sat and Sun called Paddy's Market.

Comedy at Manly

The Boatshed is a pub/club which has comedy on certain nights (usually Monday nights, but check the local paper, the Manly Daily, to find out when the next comedy night is).

Cricket

You can watch live cricket at Manly Oval (summer only) on Belgrave Street.

Diving

There are several dive schools in Manly; The closest to the school is the Dive Centre at 10 Belgrave Street, Manly (near the police station). You can prepare for your PADI ticket here.

Doctor

The Family Medical Centre, corner of Belgrave and Raglan Streets, Manly. To make an appointment Tel: 99 77 8733. There are also several other doctors surgeries in Manly, ask at reception.

Emergency

If you are in danger, see an accident or fire, telephone '000' for police, fire station and ambulance.

If you have a very serious or personal problem that the police cannot help you with, you may contact the school emergency number 0423 522 936.

Ferries

Ferries go to Circular Quay (city centre) every 30 minutes from the wharf at the end of the Corso. We suggest that you get a timetable from the wharf as the times change depending on the season. You can get a single or return ticket or a 'Ferry Ten' which will give you 10 trips. The jetcat is much quicker - only 15 minutes, but also more expensive.

It is lovely to sit outside on the ferry on a summer's evening. Ferries to Manly leave from quay number 3 and jetcats from quay number 2 at Circular Quay. Enjoy the trip!

www.sydneyferries.info

Festivals

☺ There are several annual festivals in the Manly area:

The 'Food and Wine Festival' takes place on the Manly beachfront in June each year - try some of Australia's famous wines, international food and live music. The Jazz Festival is on in October with lots of free and ticketed events. The Manly Arts Festival in spring is a great opportunity to experience or get involved in the art scene.

Football

Football in Australia means rugby union -or Rugby league great games to watch. Manly Oval on Belgrave Street often hosts big matches (winter only). Check the Manly Daily to find out when the next match is.

Golf

You can play a round of golf at the Warringah Golf Club - the public days are Thursday and Friday. You usually don't need to book - just go to the Pro Shop on the corner of Kentwell and Condamine Streets, Manly (10 minutes by bus from Manly centre). Most golf courses in Australia are public so you don't have to be a member to play. www.warringahgolfclub.com.au

Gyms

There are several gyms in Manly which you can become a member of or pay per visit. There is a gym on Belgrave Street just past Manly Oval. Go to www.gymlink.com.au to find details of your nearest gym.

Harbour Bridge

☺ You can walk across the Harbour Bridge for free (from North Sydney to the Rocks), or you can pay more than \$200 and walk over the top of the Harbour Bridge and have a fantastic view of the harbour! <http://www.bridgeclimb.com/>

Historic Tours

Quarantine Station, North Head, Manly - a tour around the old buildings where quarantined people used to stay until they got well. Learn about the illnesses of the past and some of the ghosts that haunt this area! You must book in advance - To get there, catch bus number 135 from Manly Wharf. www.manlyquarantine.com

Jogging

☺ Many local people love jogging along the beach in the morning or evening. Or you can join a local jogging club - contact the local gyms to find out more about jogging clubs.

Kayaking

Kayaks can be hired next to Manly Wharf (3minute walk from the school). There are many beautiful beaches and coves to discover. <http://www.manlykayaks.com.au/>

Library

☺ There is a very good library at the Marketplace, Manly. You will be shown the library on your first day orientation. This library has many books and audio materials for studying English. You can join the library and borrow books for free by showing your SEA student card and confirming that you are living in the local area. The library also has daily newspapers, video players, and computers which you must reserve to use.

Live Music

The Fishos Club on Pittwater Road (very close to the SEA, or catch bus number 155 from the ferry wharf) is well known for having popular new or alternative bands. The crowd is young. Check the local paper - the Manly Daily to find out which bands are coming up. The Steyne Hotel, The Boatshed on the Corso and The Manly Pacific Hotel also have live music.

Markets

☺ There is an arts and crafts market every Saturday and Sunday at the beach end of the Corso. Also, on the third Saturday of every month there is a second-hand market in the school Grounds of Manly Primary School, Darley Street, Manly. There is also a market at Narabeen Lakes Primary School (catch bus number 155 or 156 from Manly Wharf) on the 1st Saturday of each month. If you want to buy souvenirs, Paddy's Market in Chinatown is very cheap.

Entrance to all these markets is free. Paddington and Glebe markets are two great city markets.

Movies

In Sydney you can see a movie for half price at most cinemas on Tuesday evenings. Some cinemas however are half price on Monday evenings, not Tuesday evenings, so please check before you go.

Movies in Manly

There are two cinemas in the Manly area; the Manly Academy Twin opposite the ferry wharf, Tel: 9977 0644, and Hoyts at Warringah Mall, Brookvale (catch bus number 155, 156 or 139 from the ferry wharf) Tel: 9938 4051. Details of which movies are showing can be found in the Manly Daily newspaper.

Music

☺ You can listen to music for free around Circular Quay at the weekends; there are many buskers who play music and you give them money if you want to. There is also often music at Darling Harbour. Every Friday in the Sydney Morning Herald newspaper there is music guide for what music is playing in Sydney.

Newspapers

☺ The local newspaper - the Manly Daily is delivered free to houses in the area. It is very useful for finding out what's on, what's happening locally etc.

The Sydney Morning Herald (SMH) is the most popular newspaper for the Sydney area (it also includes world news). On Monday the SMH includes a TV and radio guide. On Friday it has a section called 'Metro' which is the best guide for what's going on in Sydney - including music, clubs, theatre, films etc. Both newspapers are available to read at the SEA daily.

Nightclubs

On Friday and Saturday nights the Steyne Hotel, the Manly Pacific Parkroyal Hotel, the Wharf Hotel the Shark Bar and The Shore Club are popular venues for young people. The Boatshed on the Corso is popular with backpackers on Saturday nights.

The Opera House

☺ It is worth going to the Sydney Opera house to look around - you can buy a cocktail and drink it outside overlooking the harbour just for the experience, although it is quite expensive!

Opera

☺ Telephone the Sydney Opera House Booking Office on 9250 7777 at 9 am to get cheap tickets for the same evening's performance.

Parasailing

10 minutes flying in the sky! Operates from Manly Wharf. Ask at reception for more details.

Police

The police station is located on Belgrave Street very close to the ferry wharf and the Town Hall. If you lose something or have something stolen go to the police station to make a report straight away. Police in Australia are very helpful.

Post Office

Manly Post Office is located in Central Avenue and is open from 8.30am to 5pm Mon to Friday.

Pool

There are pool tables at the Shark Bar, above the New Brighton Hotel, and at the back of the Steyne Hotel (behind the courtyard) on the Corso. There is also a pool club upstairs at the end of the Corso opposite the ferry wharf.

Roller-blading

Manly Blades - Shop 2, 49 North Steyne. <http://www.skaterhq.com.au/>

Shopping

For the biggest range of shops head to Warringah Mall - catch bus number 155, 156 or 139. At the Mall you will find clothes shops, gift shops, cafes, music shops etc all under one roof.

Second-hand Shopping

For really cheap second-hand clothes try St Vincent de Paul on Pittwater Road, and for cheap clothes and furniture St Vincent de Paul at Brookvale (catch bus number 155 or 156 to Warringah Mall - cross the road and walk up a bit). Dee Why also had good charity shops such as Lifeline, the Smith Family and St Vincent de Paul.

For great souvenirs and cheap clothing, fruit and vegetables try Paddy's Markets at the Haymarket in Chinatown. Catch a ferry to Circular Quay, then any bus that goes down George Street.

Sickness

If you are seriously ill, tell your homestay family or teacher or contact a doctor. Dr Rowed at Raglan Street Family Medical Centre, corner of Belgrave and Raglan Streets, Manly, can be contacted on Tel: 99 77 8733. For emergencies or out of hours you can go to the casual department of Manly Hospital.

Swimming

There is a heated swimming-pool 'the Manly Swimming Centre', at Balgowlah Road, Manly.

☺ There are also beautiful sea-pools at Queenscliff, Freshwater, Fairlight and near Shelley Beach where you can join local people and swim for free (great in the afternoon and early evening).

Surfing

☺ The Manly area has some of the best surf beaches in Sydney. Queenscliff, North Steyne and South Steyne are popular and close - just walk north along Manly Beach. Further north there are Curl Curl (Bus number 139 from the ferry wharf), Collaroy and Dee Why beaches. You must surf outside the flags (between the flags is for swimmers only).

Surfboard Hire and Surf Lessons

Learn to surf at the Manly Surf School (MSS) at the North Steyne Surf Club (2 minutes walk from the SEA). Ask Mick for details.

Surf Gear

There are several surf shops in and around Manly where you can buy boards, accessories and surf clothes. Check at reception for more details.

Taxis

There is a taxi rank very close to the ferry wharf at the beginning of Belgrave Street.

Tennis

There are tennis courts very close to the SEA at the corner of Belgrave and Raglan Streets. Telephone the Manly Tennis Centre on 9977 3159 for details about booking a court. Tennis racquets can also be hired.

Theatre

There is a small theatre in French's Forest (about a 15 minute drive from Manly) - it's called the Glen Street Theatre. Check the Manly Daily newspaper to find out what plays are on this week.

<http://www.glenstreet.com.au/>

Transport

If you use the bus or ferry regularly you should buy a Travel 10 or Weekly Pass - these give you discounted travel. You can also buy a combined ferry and bus ticket which is very good if you are planning to visit the city centre a lot during your stay.

The last jet-cat at night from the city returning to Manly leaves Circular Quay at 11.55pm (except for Sunday night when the last jet-cat is at 10.55pm). If you miss the last jet-cat you can catch the night bus from Carrington Street, Wynyard, behind Wynyard train station.

<http://www.131500.com.au/>

Travel

If you plan to travel around Australia, go to Budget Oz Travel at 16 Sydney Rd Manly, or Student Flights at 23 Belgrave St Manly.

Volleyball

☺ Keep fit and have great fun for free! Get a group of friends together (borrow a ball from the SEA) and use the volleyball nets on Manly Beach just near North Steyne Surf Club.

Walks

☺ Join local Manly people for an early morning or evening walk beside the beach.

One of the most popular walks is from Manly heading South to Shelley Beach.

You can continue this walk all the way to Spit Junction - it's a long walk - it takes between 2 and 3 hours, but there are great views and lots of wildlife to see on the way. Catch bus number 143 or 144 from the Spit Bridge to return to Manly.

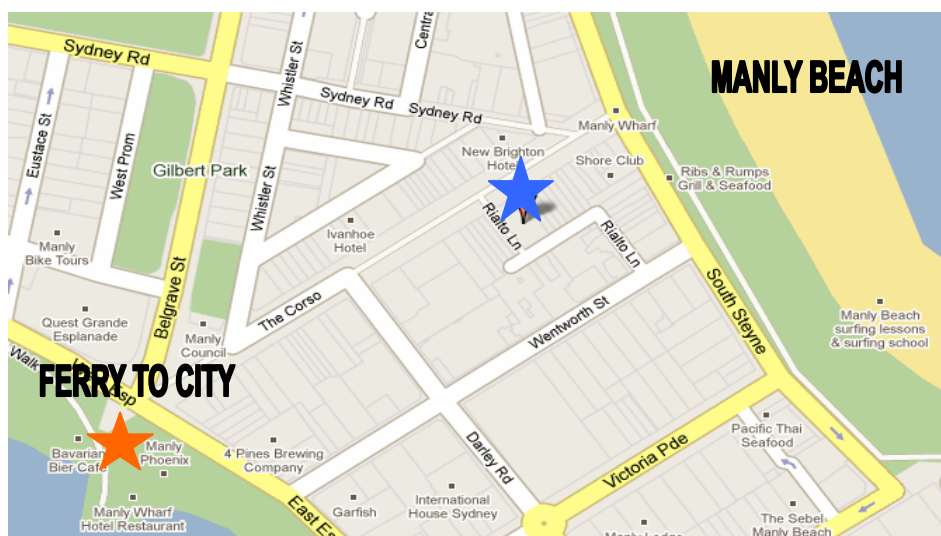
Water

☺ You never need to buy bottled water while in Manly! There are fountains along the Corso with filtered water available.

Zoo

Taronga Zoo has all the usual animals plus our fabulous Australian animals. To get to the zoo you need to take a ferry to Circular Quay and then another ferry to the zoo.

<http://www.taronga.org.au/>



Above Hungry Jacks and
New Zealand Ice Cream

**LA GALLERIE,
Suite 19, Level1,
74-78 The Corso,
Manly**