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English *Encounters*

Language Centre Canada

Immersion English Courses



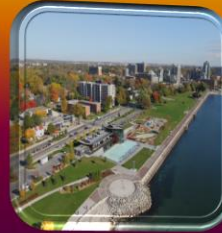
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Join us in a small, friendly language centre that provides an intimate atmosphere in which to improve your English skills. We are dedicated to providing the highest quality English courses where the emphasis is on communication. Individual attention is our first priority and at English Encounters we make sure you receive the attention you need in a comfortable and convenient location near Toronto, Niagara, and the United States border.



Safe, friendly,
beautiful...
Canada



A city with plenty
to offer

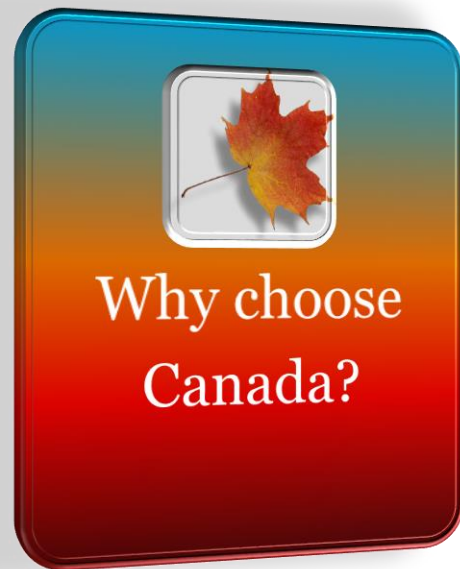


The language
centre focused on
your needs

The complete English immersion experience

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Safe, friendly, naturally beautiful...



Canada

✓ **Canadian English is Understood Everywhere**

The Canadian accent is mildest as compared to British, US, or Australian accents and is widely regarded as the easiest to learn and understand

✓ **Welcoming Multicultural Environment**

Canada is a country of immigrants and has a policy of encouraging multicultural diversity. In this vibrant setting, different perspectives are respected and learning together is encouraged. Almost all of the world's ethnic groups are represented in Canada. As a result, most ethnic foods and activities associated with specific cultures are available in Canada.

✓ **One of the Safest Countries in the World**

The Global Peace Index lists Canada as one of the ten safest countries on the planet! In particular, Canada enjoys very low rates of violent crime.

✓ **Beautiful Canadian Nature**

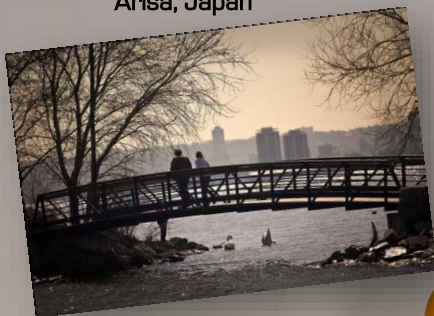
Visitors to Canada will discover one the most beautiful and diverse natural environments in the world. There are 42 national parks and national park reserves in Canada, and some have been recognized as UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

"I chose Canada to study English because it is a great, safe, and beautiful country"

Elisa, Switzerland

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"Burlington is a very beautiful place"
Arisa, Japan



"I like the town here very much! The people are very nice and friendly and they always help you if you have a problem" Julia, Germany



Burlington
the best place to
study English

A city with plenty to offer

✓ Everything is in Walking Distance!

Unlike most North American cities, you can walk everywhere in downtown Burlington. The beach, parks, restaurants, pubs, bars, shops, Wal-Mart, large shopping mall, plus the bus and train stations are all within 20 minutes walk of the school!

✓ Near Toronto *and* Niagara Falls!

Conveniently located less than 1 hour by train or car to all the attractions of Toronto, Niagara Falls, and the US border!

✓ Voted Best Mid-sized City in Canada!

*MoneySense Magazine voted Burlington one of the best cities in all of Canada and best city mid-sized city in all Canada **

✓ Safest region in Canada

The crime rate in this area is the lowest in all Canada! Moreover, if you do get sick or hurt, the hospital is less than 1 km from the school!

✓ Train, Bus, and Air Transportation

Burlington is just 30 minutes from Toronto Airport, the biggest in Canada. As well, there are convenient, direct trains and buses to Toronto and Niagara just steps from the school!

✓ Most Local People are Native English Speaking

Unlike other cities (Toronto, Vancouver, etc.), Burlington has no large ethnic communities, so students need to use English!

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The language centre focused on *your* needs



Why should you
choose English
Encounters?

- ✓ **Our ESL Program is Certified for Quality**
 - *Fully accredited by Languages Canada*
- ✓ **Small Groups = More Student Attention**
 - *We have as few as 2 students in some cases and our average group size is 5 (and maximum 9)*
- ✓ **Daily Homework Handouts Included**
 - *Extra homework provided so you can review and practice*
- ✓ **Certified, Friendly Canadian ESL Teachers**
 - *All teachers are experienced, knowledgeable and patient!*
- ✓ **Over 20 Years Experience**
 - *In operation since 1996 (prior to 2010 as the Bronte Language Centre)*
- ✓ **Friendly, Intimate Learning Environment**
 - *Unlike larger academies, everyone knows you!*
- ✓ **Free Coffee, Tea, and Use of our Kitchen!**
 - *Have lunch at school if you wish – stay and study all day!*
- ✓ **Free Wireless Internet and Computer Use**
- ✓ **Certificate and Progress Report**
 - *For every student on completion of their course!*

*"I wanted to improve my English
and I think English Encounters
is the perfect place to do it"*
Emma, Hungary

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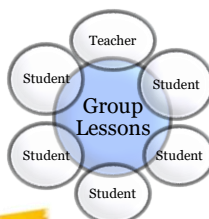
*"It's a great school with lots of
great teachers! I enjoyed my time
here and I'd love to come back!"*
Alicia, Germany

OUR PROGRAM AND COURSES

"You learn and at the same time have fun. I think it's a wonderful program and I would recommend it to anyone!" Camila, Peru

We offer a variety of course combinations and we can also customize a program for you. All courses include classroom materials, use of course books, and a certificate and progress report when you finish your program.

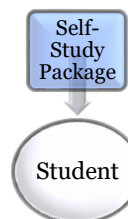
Courses consist of:



and/or



plus



CORRELATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND TESTS

Level 0

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

Level 4

Level 5

	TOEFL® (Paper)	TOEFL® IBT	TOEIC®	Cambridge Exams		CEFR
				IELTS	Exam Level	
American Headway Starter (True Beginner)	0-343	0-18	10-250	0-1.5		A1 Breakthrough
American Headway 1 (False Beginner)	347-393	19-29	250-350	2-2.5		A2 Waystage
American Headway 2 (Pre-intermediate)	397-435	30-40	350-450	3-3.5	KET (Key English Test)	B1 Threshold
American Headway 3 (Intermediate)	437-473	41-57	450-550	4-4.5	PET (Preliminary English Test)	B2 Vantage
American Headway 4 (High-intermediate)	513-547	58-74	550-650	5-5.5	FCE (First Certificate in English)	
American Headway 5 (Advanced)	550-587	75-90	650-750	6-7	CAE (Certificate in Advanced English)	C1 Effective Operational Proficiency

Our certified ESL program has been carefully designed to build your English skills efficiently according to international standards. The American Headway series, the basis of all our courses, includes regular testing and preparation for international tests (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS) and standards like the Common European Framework (CEFR). As you advance through our curriculum, you can always compare your progress to the corresponding level of any of these internationally-recognized ESL standards.

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GENERAL ENGLISH COURSE

We really believe in the advantage of studying in small groups. Unlike many institutions which advertise “small” groups, our groups really *are* small! We have as few as 3 students in some cases and our average group size is 6 (and maximum 9). In a small group, students get more attention and our teachers can be more responsive to their needs. As a student, you have more opportunity to talk and interact with the teacher and your classmates.

Course Content

Group lessons (20/week)

“it is easier for students to gain confidence in using the language when they don’t have to speak in front of a large group”. Moreover, everyone “gets to know each other well and becomes very comfortable expressing their ideas in English.” **Randy, ESL Teacher**

- based on *American Headway* textbook series
- 6 levels – Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, High Intermediate, Semi-Advanced, Advanced
- each level correlates to TOEFL, TOEIC, and IELTS score ranges
- 8-10 weeks per level
- regular testing (eg. biweekly) and opportunity for promotion
- includes use of coursebook, workbook, access to audio download centre, and online skills program (optional)
- supplemental materials include frequent handouts for grammar, vocabulary, Canadian culture, and idioms
- all skills including speaking, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, role play and more
- course available all year and begins any Monday if space is available



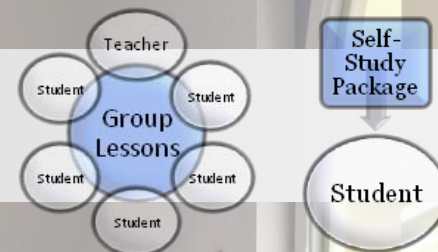
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GENERAL ENGLISH COURSE *PLUS*

NEW General English Course PLUS combines our popular General English Course (as described above) with four focused skills sessions weekly! English Skills Practice Lessons give students the opportunity to learn and practice each language skill in a focused class. Each of these daily lessons will focus on one skill (listening, speaking, reading, or writing) and are designed to help students improve their English skills faster.

Group lessons (20/week) *PLUS* Language Skills sessions (4/week)

- As described above *PLUS* a daily (Mon-Thu) class to learn and practice a specific language skill



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“As the groups are small, every student gets individual attention and my English has improved a lot”
Bozena, Germany

Private lessons are deal for students who are not available for morning group classes or who have specific requirements in terms of course content, scheduling, or class location. Being an intensive one-to-one class, students can focus on their specific needs such as business English, test preparation (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, or CELPIP), pronunciation, or general English. The private teacher conducts a needs assessment in the first class and customizes lessons and assignments according to the student's needs and objectives. Choose a Private English Course from English Encounters and, with the guidance of your ESL teacher, build a program that works for you!

Course Content

Private lessons

- curriculum for private lessons is customized according to student needs
- teacher assesses student needs and interests and designs a curriculum which responds to them
- common needs include remedial grammar or vocabulary, conversation skills, pronunciation, test preparation (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, CELPIP, FCE), and business English
- supplemental materials include frequent handouts for grammar, vocabulary, Canadian culture, business English, and idioms
- all skills including conversation, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, discussion

"This is a very serious school where the teachers are very good!"

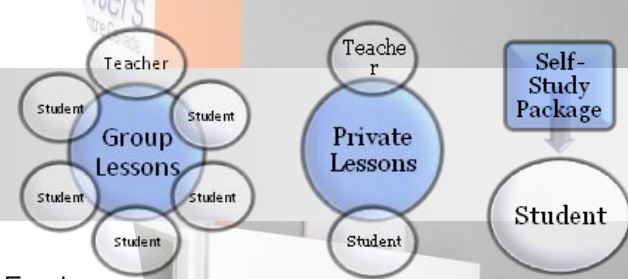
Martina, Italy



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INTENSIVE ENGLISH COURSE



An increasingly popular program is our Intensive English Course. Combining 20 group lessons weekly with 5 private lessons, students get the best of both learning formats. In group lessons, typically held in the morning, students benefit from group interaction which particularly helps build conversation skills in addition to all the other skills (reading, listening, speaking, writing, and grammar). After lunch, students take an intensive one-to-one lesson. Being a private class, students can focus on their specific needs such as Business English, Test Preparation (eg. TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS), pronunciation, or Academic English. The private teacher conducts a needs assessment in the first class and customizes lessons and assignments according to the student's needs and objectives. Choose this course to maximize your learning potential!

Course Content

Group lessons (20/week)

- Based on *American Headway* textbook series
- 6 levels – Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, High Intermediate, Semi-Advanced, Advanced
- 8-10 weeks per level
- regular testing (eg. biweekly) and opportunity for promotion
- includes use of coursebook, workbook, and online practice materials (optional)
- supplemental materials include frequent handouts for grammar, vocabulary, Canadian culture, business English, and idioms
- all skills including conversation, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, discussion, debate, role play
- course available all year and begins any Monday if space is available

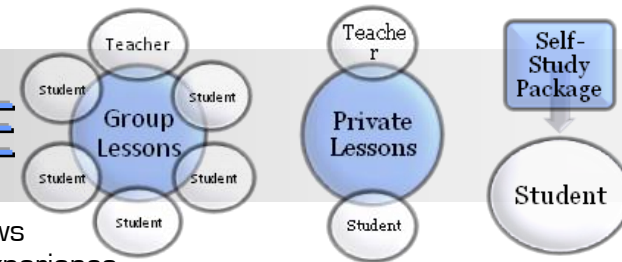
Private lessons (5/week)

- curriculum for private lessons is customized according to student needs
- teacher assesses student needs and interests and designs a curriculum which responds to them
- common needs include remedial grammar or vocabulary, conversation skills, pronunciation, test preparation (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, CELPIP, FCE), and business English

"This school is really, really good! The teachers are excellent and the classes as well! I had a great time." Francesca, Italy



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Designed for busy professionals with limited time, this course allows you to accelerate your English language training and immersion experience.

In group lessons, typically held in the morning, students benefit from group interaction which helps build conversation skills in addition to all the other skills (reading, listening, speaking, writing, and grammar). After lunch, students take two intensive one-to-one lessons. Students can choose the set curriculum of business English and/or, being a private class, students can focus on their specific needs such as test preparation (e.g. TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS), pronunciation, or academic English. The private teacher conducts a needs assessment and customizes lessons and assignments according to the student's needs and objectives. Choose this course to maximize your learning and "accelerate" your acquisition of English language skills!

Course Content

Group lessons (20/week)

- based on *American Headway* textbook series
- 6 levels – Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, High Intermediate, Semi-Advanced, Advanced
- each level correlates to TOEFL, TOEIC, and IELTS score ranges
- regular testing (eg. biweekly) and opportunity for promotion
- includes use of coursebook, workbook, access to audio download centre, and online skills program (optional)
- supplemental materials include handouts for grammar, vocabulary, culture, business English, and idioms
- all skills including conversation, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, discussion, debate, role play

Private lessons (10/week)

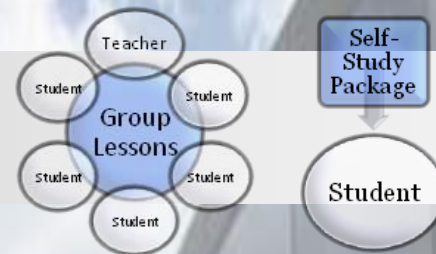
- based on *Market Leader* textbook series (Business English) OR curriculum for private lessons can be customized according to student needs
- teacher assesses student needs and interests and designs a curriculum which responds to them
- common needs include remedial grammar or vocabulary, conversation skills, pronunciation, test preparation (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, CELPIP, FCE), and business English



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BUSINESS ENGLISH COURSE



Designed for professionals, the Business English Course gives you the language skills you need to succeed in the world of business where English has become the *lingua franca*. In your group lessons,, which are typically held in the morning, students focus on improving their English communication in a business setting. Skills include reading, speed-reading, listening, telephoning, making presentations, conducting and attending meetings, email writing and other business correspondence.

Course Content

Group lessons (20/week)

- based on *American Headway* textbook series
- 6 levels – Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, High Intermediate, Semi-Advanced, Advanced
- each level correlates to TOEFL, TOEIC, and IELTS score ranges
- regular testing (eg. biweekly) and opportunity for promotion
- includes use of coursebook, workbook, access to audio download centre, and online skills program (optional)
- supplemental materials include handouts for grammar, vocabulary, culture, business English, and idioms
- all skills including conversation, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, discussion, debate

Private lessons (5/week)

- based on *Market Leader* textbook series (Business English)
- business vocabulary and idioms, presentation skills, business writing, telephoning, note-taking, and more and can be customized to suit individual needs

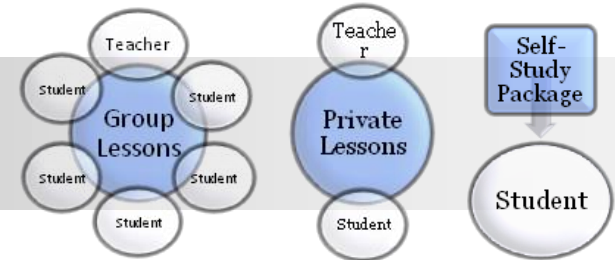
"The teachers have been helpful in my development and use a very fun and interactive way of teaching. I learned business English and improved in my speaking skills."
Fabio, Brazil



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TEST PREPARATION COURSE



"I really like this school because this school has ideal size of class and the teachers have a lot of passion for students."

You Jin, South Korea

If you are planning to study at an English language university or college, immigrate to Canada, or just want worldwide recognition of your English skills, you should prepare for a standardized test such as the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), IELTS (International English Language Testing System), or TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication). These tests are the most well-known and universally accepted English language proficiency tests in the world. Our Test Preparation Course has been specifically designed to upgrade your English skills in all areas plus provide you with the skills and practice you need to do well on the test. The course includes ten group lessons of general English plus ten private Test Preparation lessons each week. While the group lessons build all language skills, the private lessons focus on each skill area (listening, speaking, reading, writing). The latter involves skills and strategies for academic vocabulary building, academic reading, essay writing, independent and integrated speaking tasks, note-taking and more and are customized to the student's individual needs. As in all of our courses at English Encounters you also receive a weekly self-study package, which includes additional test-preparation exercises for all skills. All these, plus regular Practice Tests ensure students will have what it takes to get a great score!

Course Content

Group lessons (20/week)

- based on *American Headway* textbook series
- 6 levels – Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, High Intermediate, Semi-Advanced, Advanced
- each level correlates to TOEFL, TOEIC, and IELTS score ranges
- Spotlight on Testing supplementary lessons for each unit build skills for all standardized tests
- regular testing (eg. biweekly) and opportunity for promotion
- includes use of coursebook, workbook, access to audio download centre, and online skills program (optional)
- supplemental materials include handouts for grammar, vocabulary, culture, business English, and idioms
- all skills including speaking, grammar, listening, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, debate, role play

Private lessons (5/week)

- focus on giving you the skills to get a great score on TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, or CELPIP and can be customized according to student needs

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EXCURSIONS

Excursions or class trips add to your English immersion experience by helping you learn beyond the language to understand the culture, history, and customs of an English speaking country. All our excursions are very reasonably priced (eg. a Niagara Falls day trip costs only \$25), include comfortable transportation from the school to the place of interest and back again, and are accompanied by a certified ESL teacher. The presence of a teacher ensures that you will not only see but learn about the place you are visiting, and that the group continues to practice their English. The most popular class excursions are Niagara Falls, Outlet Mall Shopping Trip, Crawford Lake Indian Village and Nature Park, Eaton Centre and Underground Shopping in Toronto, and St. Jacob's Mennonite Country and Farmers' Market. However, many others are available and trips to special events or places can also be arranged.



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"If you want to have a great experience in Canada, English Encounters is the right place!"

Elisa, Switzerland



ACCOMMODATION

Sleep

Immersed
in English

Eat

"My homestay was also very nice because my homestay mother is very friendly and we always talked a lot. I think it was also good to practice English because she always taught me some expressions and was glad to explain words that I didn't know. For me, it was so comfortable and I felt like at home".
You Jin, South Korea

Where to stay in Burlington?

Host Family

For the ultimate English immersion experience, stay with one of our carefully chosen Canadian host families. They are friendly, offer comfortable rooms and tasty food in nearby homes, and can help you practice English and show you the Canadian way of life!

Hotel

The closest hotel, The Waterfront, is only 100m from the school and features spectacular views of Lake Ontario and amenities including an indoor pool, gym, and lively pub.



Host Family

Hotel

Bed and Breakfast

Furnished Apartments

Bed and Breakfast

Our B&Bs offer friendly local charm in cozy historical homes located within walking distance.

Furnished Apartment

For more space and a private kitchen, a furnished apartment is ideal. You have the choice of fully equipped penthouse suites or luxury flats in cozy homes, all only a short walk from school.

"Burlington is the perfect city to live in and learn English!"
Mariana, Brazil

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ABOUT Us

"The difference in this school is the friendly vibe between students and teachers"
Cassia, Brazil

Bronte Language Centre

Sprachenzentrum
Wöhler *Weltweit mehr erreichen*

Founded in 1996 as the Bronte Language Centre by Lesley Bogue, in 2009 the school was acquired by the Sprachenzentrum Wöhler e.K. Germany. It was renamed English Encounters in 2010 and relocated to downtown Burlington. Now, English Encounters is officially accredited by Languages Canada and is a Designated Learning Institution (DLI)

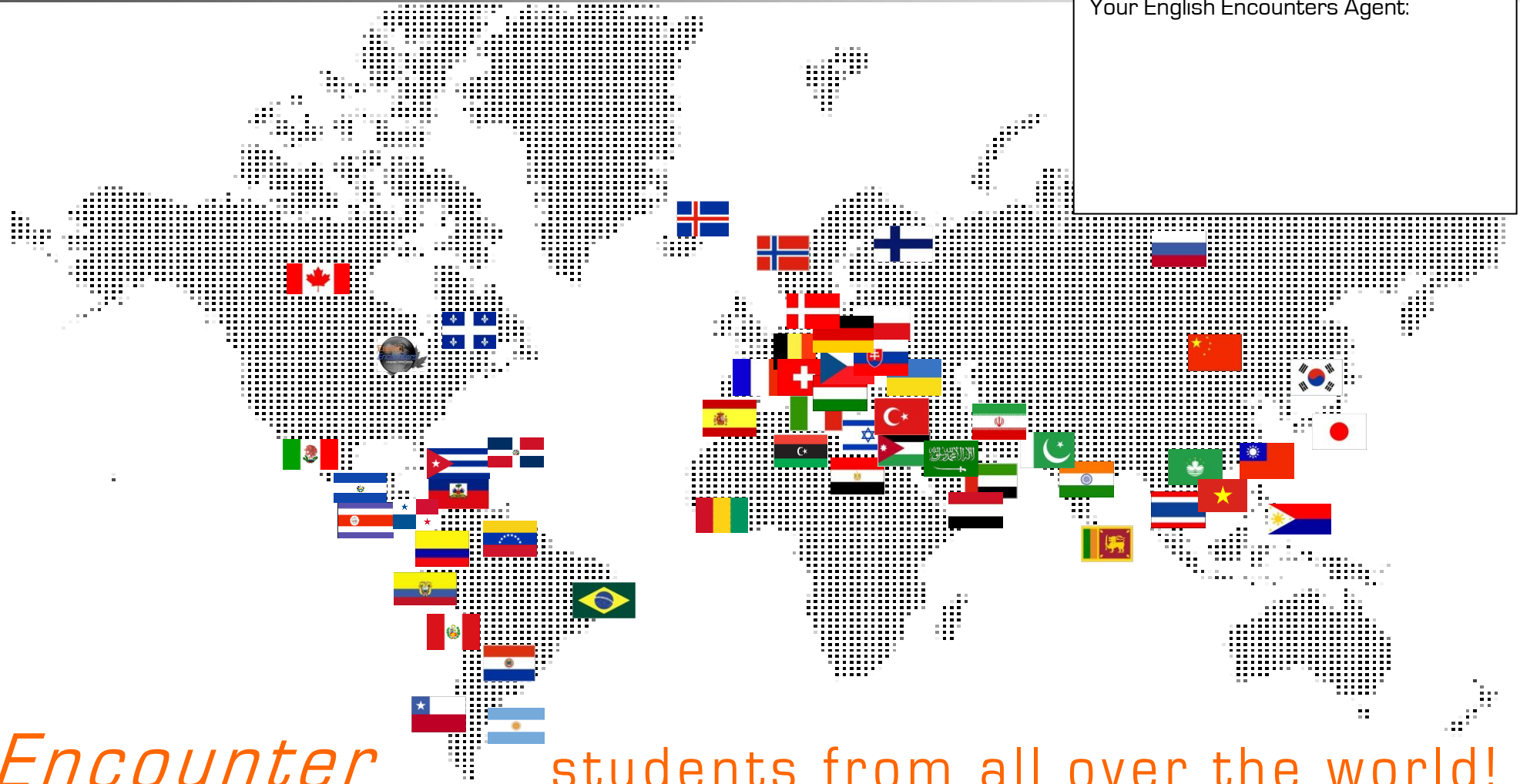


All of our teachers are certified, qualified, and fluent ESL professionals with lots of experience. They are chosen for their personalities as well as their qualifications. We believe that friendly, enthusiastic and patient teachers are essential and they want your stay to be happy and educationally rewarding.

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Teaching English to the World Since 1996

Your English Encounters Agent:



Encounter students from all over the world!

Our students come from every continent on the planet, so there are always a variety of cultures present in each classroom. The map shows nationalities who have studied with us so far. You will not only meet Canadians, but make friends with people from many places and many cultures.

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