

# DIALOGUE



Learn a language quickly and well



- »» Top quality teaching
- »» A tailored programme
- »» Natural immersion
- »» A friendly atmosphere
- »» A cosy, comfortable stay

By 1991, Claudine and Jean-Luc Godard had achieved an international reputation in both education and language teaching.

This reputation was obtained thanks to their new ideas and techniques, effectiveness and dedication to Total Quality.

After 12 years of experience as teachers in Europe, and a further 8 in Africa, they founded Dialogue with a team of professional teachers. They created a method that guarantees results in the teaching of languages and communication. They ensure value for money by offering :

- A totally personalised programme of instruction;
- Individual lessons;
- Ideal facilities and equipment;
- Immediate and measurable progress;
- Appropriate follow up.

This is achieved in a setting that is warm, creative and relaxing, and where every moment is put to good use.

Dialogue has concentrated on achieving excellence in two areas :

- **Languages**
- **Professional communication**

Upon enrolment, a programme planned specifically in accordance with your personal needs will be prepared for you. Let us know what you wish to accomplish, and any difficulties you wish to overcome.

We will help you attain your objectives however unique or ambitious they may be.



# Top quality teaching

## A BALANCE BETWEEN MODERN AND TRADITIONAL METHODS

Dialogue is much more than just a lesson :

- it is ongoing continuous learning: you not only have a teacher but a partner, a coach, who, thanks to his or her experience, sees at once what you need and adapts your programme accordingly;
- there are no textbooks as in school: the lesson is for you and designed with your involvement; at the end of your course you take with you your own "tailor-made manual" ;
- whatever your objective, you will improve simultaneously your pronunciation, comprehension, grammar and vocabulary.

Although Dialogue is modern and in many respects unique, it incorporates the best aspects of traditional methods in language and communication teaching. Our experience of 20 years with previous teaching methods enabled us to recognise the need for a new approach such as the one developed at Dialogue.

## EXPERIENCED, SPECIALISED AND NATIVE TEACHERS

Every instructor working at Dialogue teaches in his or her own native language. Trained by Dialogue, they have an average of 8 years of experience in language instruction. All of them are university graduates and are specialised in several fields, including legal, diplomatic and business applications.

## SPECTACULAR PROGRESS

Learning a language in one of Dialogue's centres will save you time, whether you are completely new to the language or practically bilingual. Our approach quickly brings out your passive knowledge. Even if you are completely new to the language that you wish to learn, within two weeks you will be able to communicate in that new language.

Thanks to a constant ongoing "Dialogue" you will quickly learn to make yourself understood. With plenty of practice, the results are immediate and long lasting, using a unique approach that ensures you will not lose what you have gained.

Our method helps you to avoid constant translation and instead allows you to think in your new language. Your new language will become as natural and as pleasant for you as your mother tongue.

## A PROGRAMME TAILORED TO SUIT YOUR PERSONAL NEEDS

You may plan your own programme as well as your schedule if you so wish.

Each lesson is one-to-one (1 teacher + 1 student):

- you advance at your own pace and level;
- you save a considerable amount of time learning only the vocabulary suited to your needs;
- if you wish, you can bring along your own materials;
- these materials can be worked into your lessons.

From every point of view you progress faster than in a group.



## A TAILORED PROGRAMME

You decide for yourself:

- the day your programme begins ;
- the number of lessons each day ;
  - the number of days or weeks ;
  - each day's schedule ;
- the objectives you want to accomplish ;
- the materials and teaching aids relevant to your particular needs which you want included in your lessons. (You should bring all such materials with you).



## NATURAL IMMERSION

At Dialogue, you live with a family from morning until night.

This true immersion allows you to make remarkable progress.

A week at Dialogue means 70 hours of your new learning at the rate of 14 hours per day. And, of course, dreaming in your new language is not forbidden...

Below is an illustration of the three programmes most commonly selected by participants:

| Intensive stay                                                      | Very intensive stay                                                 | Super intensive stay                                             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 08.30 a.m.: Breakfast                                               | 08.30 a.m.: Breakfast                                               | 08.30 a.m.: Breakfast                                            |
| 09.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                       | 09.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                       | 09.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                    |
| 10.30 a.m.: Break                                                   | 10.30 a.m.: Break                                                   | 10.30 a.m.: Break                                                |
| 11.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                       | 11.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                       | 11.00 a.m.: 2 private lessons                                    |
| 12.30 a.m.: Lunch                                                   | 12.30 a.m.: Lunch                                                   | 12.30 a.m.: Lunch                                                |
| 02.00 p.m.: Free time<br>(individual study, sightseeing, sport,...) | 02.00 p.m.: 2 private lessons<br>03.30 p.m.: Break                  | 02.00 p.m.: 2 private lessons<br>03.30 p.m.: Break               |
|                                                                     | 04.00 p.m.: Free time<br>(individual study, sightseeing, sport,...) | 04.00 p.m.: 2 private lessons                                    |
|                                                                     |                                                                     | 05.30 p.m.: Free time (individual study, sightseeing, sport,...) |
| 08.00 p.m.: Dinner                                                  | 08.00 p.m.: Dinner                                                  | 08.00 p.m.: Dinner                                               |
| 09.30 p.m.: TV news and evening<br>in your new language             | 09.30 p.m.: TV news and evening<br>in your new language             | 09.30 p.m.: TV news and evening<br>in your new language          |
| 10.30 p.m.: Bed and... dreams<br>in your new language...            | 10.30 p.m.: Bed and... dreams<br>in your new language...            | 10.30 p.m.: Bed and... dreams<br>in your new language...         |



## **A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE**

You live in an environment where people are speaking the language you wish to learn. This is the ideal way of getting to know the culture and to approach the different levels of the language. During the excellent meals, breaks, and in the evening you will discover the Dialogue spirit: conviviality, fruitful exchanges, interest and understanding from those who surround you. You will leave Dialogue richer, not only for having improved your language skills, but also for having spoken with people from all parts of the globe.

## **A COSY, COMFORTABLE STAY**

Dialogue offers all the advantages of a hotel without any of the inconveniences. Your room is comfortable and has a private bathroom (washbasin, shower and toilet), telephone, video recorder and television. To go over your lessons there is a tape recorder and a walkman.

# **Special courses and in-company language training**



- »»Negotiating
- »»Selling and purchasing
  - »»Legal vocabulary
  - »»Diplomatic vocabulary
  - »»Business vocabulary
  - »»Financial vocabulary
  - »»Insurance vocabulary
  - »»Office vocabulary
- »»Catering and tourist vocabulary
- »»Giving a speech

Length and details upon request.



# Choosing your stay

## 1. WHAT LENGTH OF STAY?

### ONE WEEK

If you seek merely to brush up the language, this is the ideal length of stay. You could also opt for several stays of one week.

Dialogue programmes enable you to do it this way since we guarantee you will not forget what you have learnt.

### TWO WEEKS

If you studied the language at school or if you can speak a little this is the appropriate course for you. It will give you confidence and enable you to communicate in the language.

### THREE WEEKS

If you are not a beginner a 3 week stay will enable you to achieve ambitious goals. At the end of the period you will be able to negotiate effectively in the language.

### FOUR WEEKS

If you are an absolute beginner we suggest that you start with a stay of 3 or 4 weeks, but 2 or 3 weeks may suffice for an English speaker.

### TOTAL FLEXIBILITY

It is equally possible to spread your training over several weekends or some days over a period of weeks. Do not hesitate to consult us. Together we can make the best decision for you, one which enables you to meet your own goals.

## 2. WHAT PROGRAMME SHOULD I CHOOSE?

### THE VERY INTENSIVE STAY (6 PRIVATE LESSONS A DAY)

If you wish to set aside some time for private study and to make as much progress as possible, you should opt for the very intensive stay. This is the one chosen by those who study a language for professional reasons.

### THE SUPER INTENSIVE STAY (8 PRIVATE LESSONS A DAY)

You should choose the super intensive course if you do not have much time to devote to learning (one week) or if you prefer to review lessons in the company of one of your teachers.

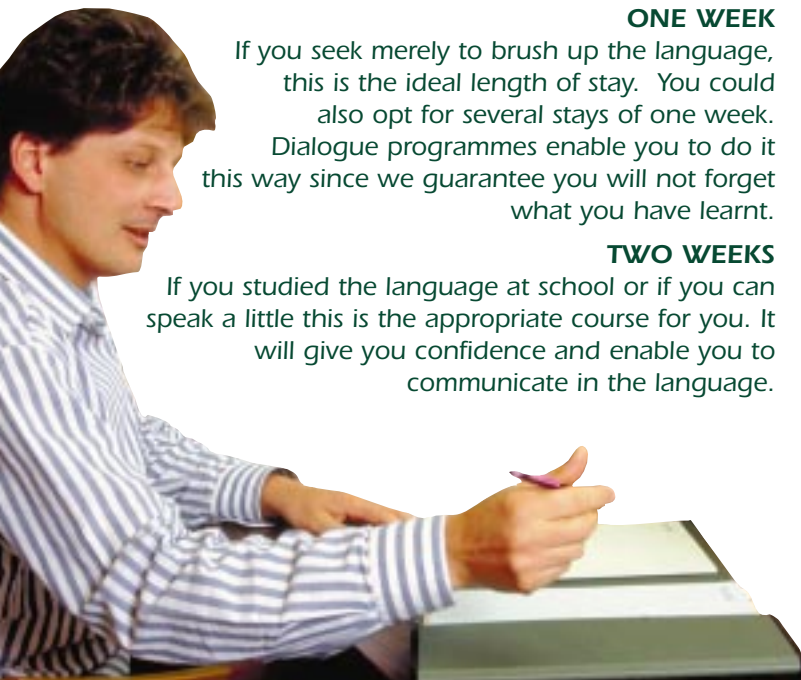
You choose the programme which is most appropriate for you. You can decide on your own or after talking with us. Because instruction is one-to-one, all DialogueE programs are intensive:

“Intensive” at least 4 private lessons a day  
“Very intensive” at least 6 private lessons a day  
“Super intensive” at least 8 private lessons a day.

Each private lesson lasts 45 minutes.

### THE INTENSIVE STAY (4 PRIVATE LESSONS A DAY)

If you wish to keep some free time for private study or if you wish to make the most of your holiday while learning, the intensive stay is the appropriate one for you. It will enable you to make substantial progress, but will leave the afternoons free for golf, sightseeing, a health cure, etc.





### 3. WHAT IS THE BEST TYPE OF LESSON TO CHOOSE?

This decision can be made when you arrive, in accordance with your objectives and needs; it can be modified at any time. If you have no particular wishes, Dialogue offers four types of totally personalised lessons:

#### FREE EXPRESSION LESSONS

- to improve and perfect your expression and communication skills;
- to eliminate errors that you make spontaneously;
- to improve your delivery, your manner;
- to enable you to express your feelings and opinions.

#### AUDIO VISUAL LESSONS

- to improve your listening skills;
- to give you an automatic command of essential features of grammar appropriate to your level;
- to enlarge your general vocabulary;
- to learn, to understand and be able to repeat or summarise what you have heard.

#### SPECIALISED VOCABULARY LESSONS

- to extend your professional or specific vocabulary;
- to make it easier to undertake jobs for which you need competence in the language;
- to simulate professional situations;
- if desired, we can arrange exchanges with various associates, such as businessman, lawyers, doctors, with whom you can converse about your special interests; afterwards, we will review the conversation with you so that you obtain the maximum benefit from these exchanges.

#### LESSONS TO IMPROVE COMPREHENSION AND PRONUNCIATION

- to hear distinctly sounds that do not exist in your native language
- to hear every word in a sentence
- to improve your ability to remember the details of what you hear
- to improve your pronunciation

Do not forget to bring any professional materials you would like to include in your programme. At the end of your stay you will leave with your personal audio cassette on which you will find the essence of what you have learnt during your stay. You may also purchase additional material (personalised exercise books, cassettes or diskettes) to enable you to continue your progress.

**Everyone is unique  
and so is their way of  
learning.**

**The ideal training  
has  
a personal  
touch**

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corresponding to  
your personality,  
your individual needs,  
your specific expectations.  
As Socrates put it, progress is  
quickest and most spectacular  
when there is  
a direct dialogue  
between teacher and learner.  
Indeed, it is by this method that :

- your gifts, aptitudes, and  
unconscious passive  
knowledge are best  
brought out
- self-confidence is established  
in the first lessons
- no time is wasted on things  
that do not interest you
- pleasure and motivation are  
always part of your  
learning environment.

