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## Hello,

#### Thank you for considering one of my schools as a possible destination for your English language programme.

We run our schools with energy and commitment, because we believe in our products. We love to meet new people every week and learn about how they are experiencing our products.

Not many know this, but I am one of a handful of school owners that started as a language teacher. I am Cambridge DELTA qualified and I enjoy developing our academic programmes, together with our academic team. As a mother, I also take great care when planning our Junior programmes, so that we strike the right balance & ensure our young clients enjoy themselves, whilst allowing peace of mind to their parents.

So now, let me take you on a journey of the Maltese Islands and what our schools have to offer. I hope that by the end of it, we will convince you to hop on a plane and come and see us.

As my sales team and I always say, seeing is believing. Our schools are truly unique, and we are sure that a language course with BELS will be a memorable one for all the right reasons.



Enjoy.

In order to convince you to book with us, please allow me to outline what drives my team & I:

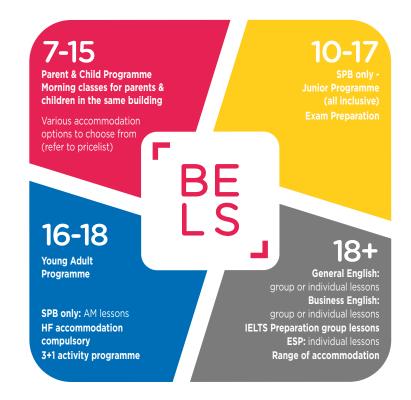
#### **Values**

- Teamwork
- Honesty
- Quality
- Transparency
- Flexibility
- Commitment
- Exceed expectations
- Provide good value for money

#### **Unique Selling Points**

- Owner run/Independent
- Medium sized company, 2 small schools -Malta & Gozo
- Multi-national team
- 24-hour turnaround of all communication
- Passionate about what we do
- Both locally & internationally accredited
- Conscious of our Corporate Social Responsibility

#### Whatever your AGE, we have a programme for you



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## Why Malta?





### **English**

is the **native language** of our islands.



#### **Great Food**

The islands history may be felt in its diverse & eclectic cuisine.



Islands rich in tradition & culture.



#### People

are warm & welcoming, always helpful & kind.



#### Sea

Plenty of rocky & sandy beaches

## Why BELS?

- ✓ We're small & personal. With us you're guaranteed individual attention.
- ✓ We offer flexible courses that are tailor-made to suit your needs & budget.
- ✓ We're located on Malta & Gozo.
- ✓ We handle accommodation, airport services & leisure activities - we are a one-stop shop.

Our schools are accredited and licensed by various prestigious institutions in the ESL industry.



















## **Our Classroom Approach**

Top quality tuition, interactive and engaging, using the language in a meaningful and contextualised way. This method facilitates retention of systems (grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation) and skills (reading, writing, listening and speaking) and helps students to transfer the lesson to real life experiences.

Communicative learning objectives and outcomes have been carefully integrated into the core syllabus.

Our teaching approach is studentcentred and lively, and we focus on learner creativity, collaboration and 21st century skills. Course books and interactive whiteboard software are being complemented by cutting edge online activities, quizzes, mobile applications and digital pronunciation resources.



#### **Our Academic Team**

Our dedicated team quarantees personalised attention to every client, while promising a holistic experience of the English language.

Our academic teams are also led by highly qualified and experienced academic managers whose qualifications include. Cambridge CELTA and DELTA. BA in English

and Linquistics, as well as MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

Our academic leaders share their passion for teaching English with the rest of the teaching staff and inspire continuous professional development and innovation in order to enhance academic quality. **BELS hand-picks** its trainers and ensures that they are highly qualified and experienced speakers of the English language.

## **CEFR** levels of language ability

	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION
NT USER	C2 (Proficiency)	Can understand with ease virtually everything heard or read. Can summarise information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation. Can express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning even in the most complex situations.
PROFICIENT USER	C1 (Advanced)	Can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts. and recognise implicit meaning. Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions. Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes. Can produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.
INDEPENDENT USER	B2 (Upper-Intermediate)	Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party. Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
	B1 (Intermediate)	Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. Can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions, and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.
BASIC USER	A2 (Pre-Intermediate)	Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance such as basic personal/family information, shopping, directions, etc. Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters. Can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.
	A1 (Beginner/Elementary)	Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions as well as very basic phrases. Can introduce him/ herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has. Can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.

## **General English**

Adult Group Courses in Gozo & Malta



## Standard Group

**General English Standard** (20 lessons/max. 12 students)

This programme focuses on giving the learner balanced practice in both systems and skills using general topics. The course concentrates on all the four skills: Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing with a special emphasis on fluency.

#### **General English Intensive** (30 lessons/max. 12 students)

In addition to the General English Standard group lessons, learners attend **afternoon fluency sessions**. This programme focuses on giving the learner practice in developing **speaking** fluency. The teacher prepares a **topic-based lesson** and sets various speaking tasks.

#### Mini Group

**General English Mini** (20-30 lessons/max, 6 students)

The **limited** number of **students** in **class** and the additional lessons provide the opportunity for more **individual attention** and focus on the English systems and skills as well as **increased teacher-student contact time.** This course offers specific advantages, such as **more tailored teacher guidance, instant feedback** and **attention**.



### Individual Programmes

Our individual programmes are devised according to the results of an individual needs assessment. whereby we summarise learners' prior learning experiences and challenges and provide them with detailed feedback on how to achieve their individual learning goals. Such learning goals may vary and would typically range from General English to English for Specific Purposes (business. exam preparation or preparation for academic study). Our dedicated team of teachers provide each and every learner with a unique tailormade set of academic resources and teaching tools which help learners to develop their potential and overcome challenges.

## **English for Business**

Adult Group Courses in Gozo & Malta







#### Mini Group Courses

This programme is designed for young adults and adults whose primary aim is to improve language proficiency in Business English or English for Work. The course concentrates on various professional domains. such as business negotiations. telephoning, emailing, meetings, managing conflict and other common scenarios typically encountered in everyday workrelated interactions. We provide learners with authentic learning material and case studies in order to facilitate the development of all the four skills: Speaking. Listening, Reading and Writing with a special emphasis on fluency.



## Individual Programmes

Business English Individual programmes are catered to learners with industry-specific learning objectives, especially when learners are on a very tight schedule. A tailored approach is utilised in order to maximise learning outcomes and successfully provide learners with the specific content and skills they require.

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## Long-Term Programmes

(20-30 lessons/Standard)

By following a long-term programme, learners are able to build their language skills in an **immersive content-rich environment experienced** in the classroom and throughout day-to-day tasks and leisure activities.

#### IELTS Exam Preparation Course

(10 afternoon lessons/Mini)

Our IELTS exam preparation course is designed for those students who wish to start an undergraduate or a postgraduate university programme or simply have an internationally recognised certificate of learning achievement. We equip learners with a wide range of practical skills to ensure each and every student achieves their study goals.



## Tailor made closed group courses

#### **ESP**

Our closed group courses offer learners the benefits of an **individual tailor-made programme** at highly competitive prices. We specialise in putting together academic syllabi which focus on a wide range of industries, such as **Aviation**, **Tourism**, **Medicine**, **Law**, **HR**, **Education** and **Training**.



## Assessment & Progress of Learning

We conduct a **pre-arrival online level test** to ensure correct student placement. **Progress** is monitored through a weekly test.

Such assessment scenarios are set in a student-friendly classroom atmosphere as part of our regular classroom routines. This ensures that students are able to showcase their best achievements through day-to-day language practice and production, while providing the academic team with the opportunity to set and prioritise the learning objectives for the following sequence of lessons.

## Summative assessment and student counselling

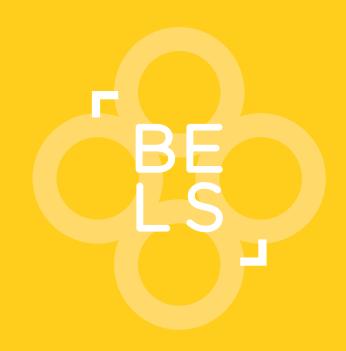
When students are ready to move up to the next CEFR level, they are required to sit for the change of level test. Our academic management team guides each student throughout

the process by discussing individual learning goals during a face-to-face meeting. The aim of such meetings is to evaluate individual learning progress achieved since the initial course commencement stage and guide students further. This process is an extremely valuable experience used to help students to identify their strengths and weaknesses as well as to set learning objectives in order to develop their language systems and skills





Gozo... with a slower paced life, cleaner air & greener open spaces, it is ideal for those adults looking for quality tuition in a pristine location.



**GOZO FOR ADULTS** 

## Why Gozo?

- ✓ Gozo means "joy" and a visit to Malta's relaxed sister island should bring exactly that.
- ✓ An unspoilt distinctive character, green landscapes & a laid back attitude allows for the perfect break from your busy lifestyle.
- ✓ Friendly & hospitable people... the Gozitans love to spend time meeting people from different cultures.
- ✓ Blue seas, red sandy beaches & wonderful walks off the beaten track characterise leisure on this island!
- ✓ Great diving experiences for beginners & seasoned divers alike!





Airport to Gozo accommodation



90 minutes

Malta to Gozo ferry trip



25 minutes

**Bus Stop** 



from school.





25 minutes walk from school

Beach



30 minutes walk from school

**Ggantija Temples** 



25 minutes

Dwejra Bay filming location

12 minutes







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#### Age Mix

### 18-29 years 40% 50 years 28% 40-49 years

#### **School Facilities**











Library & Bookshop

Wheelchair Access

Wi-Fi











Garden















#### Superior Residence



The superior residence consists of 3 comfortably furnished apartments, with 4 bedrooms each. The residence is a **20-minute walk** away from the school, right in the **heart** of **Victoria.** Private bedrooms with private bathroom available.

#### Homestay



Living with a host family offers students the opportunity to **practise English outside** of the **classroom** in a welcoming family environment.

## Seaside & Country View



If you would like to stay by the seaside while you study English in Gozo, this is the place for you. Sea view apartments are in Xlendi, a **seaside village** in the southwest of Gozo. 2 minutes away from the sea & a **45-minute** walk to the school

## Private Self-Catering Apartments



The country view self-catering apartments are in a silent street in Kercem. The apartments have a sizable terrace with wonderful country views. 5-minute walk to school, a 3-minute walk to the village centre of Kercem and a 25 minute walk to the capital Victoria.

#### Hotels



3, 4, 5 \* hotels are available on request.



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Scuba Diving















Horse Riding in the Countryside

























Kayaking & Snorkelling Tour

Malta... in the quieter part of the busy island, in a town with a vibrant nightlife. The school's a stone's throw away from

the seaside.



MALTA FOR ADULTS

## Why Malta?

- ✓ A wide variety of cultural & historical sites, bustling cities & quaint villages to visit.
- ✓ An effervescent calendar of cultural events to attend. such as the Malta Arts Festival, the Valletta Baroque Festival. the Opera Festival, the Choir Festival and the International Jazz Festival held in July.
- ✓ Our school is on the main island, however not in the busy central part. Thus allowing clients the relaxing aura of being based by the sea, yet close enough to visit Sliema, St. Julian's, Mdina and Valletta.

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#### Malta International Airport



30 minutes by ca

#### **Bus Stop**

2 minutes walk from school

#### Valletta



40 minutes bus ride from school

#### Buġibba Water Park



10 minutes walk from school

#### Mellieħa Bay



15 minute bus ride from school

#### Gozo & Comino ferry



20 minutes drive from school

#### St. Julians



30 minutes bus rid from school



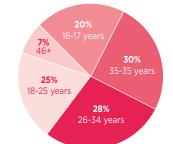








#### Age Mix



#### **School Facilities**











Interactive Whiteboards

Air-Conditioning

Library

Bookshop









Wheelchair Access

Vending Machines













#### Superior Residence



The BELS residence consists of 9 neighbouring, 3 bedroomed apartments, each comfortably furnished. The apartments are within a **20-minute walk** away from the school and are located just around the corner from the central bus route. Private bedrooms with private bathroom available.

#### Comfort Residence ♠ ⅓ ▮ □ ■

Our self-catering comfort apartments are ideal for students on a budget. The accommodation is located within walking distance to the BELS Malta adult centre.

#### Homestay



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#### Hotels



3, 4, 5 \* hotels are available on request.









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#### Leisure

Our Malta leisure programme includes activities for the afternoons, evenings, as well as, weekends to complete your study-trip.



Blue Grotto Tour

Scuba Diving

Horse Riding in the Countryside







Valletta Capital City Tour



Wine





Mdina Silent City Tour





Blue Lagoon Cruise

3 Cities &

The Best of Gozo &

Gozo Tour & Ggantija Temples







### Young Adult Programme





#### Includes:

- Homestay accommodation sharing rooms on HB Basis
- ✓ Morning lessons, international classes (20 or 30 lessons) with maximum 12 students
- English online placement test
- ✓ Course book
- Certificate of attendance upon departure
- Activity programme: 3 afternoon or evening activities + 1 full day in the weekend
- Return airport transfers

#### Sample Programme

#### Monday BELS Social Activity Choice from Meeting @ BELS School - 19:00

In this activity you will be meeting with a member of staff and head together to a local café. Here you will have the are invited for this

## Wednesday

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You will be given

activity with all the information required

a ticket for this

on the ticket.

Heritage Malta **Temples Tour** On this day you have Take a step into various options to our colourful and choose from the ancient past while Malta Heritage visiting a megalithic temple followed by a tour of the Three Kindly choose the iourney through time. We will be visiting the Tarxien desk by Tuesday. through the city of Cospicua, walk required on how to around Vittoriosa get there. and Senglea Promenade.

#### Friday Cinema Night

Start your weekend with a blockbuster film. For this activity you will be given a choice of films and from the school, All

#### Saturday Hop on / Hop off Gozo On this day you will

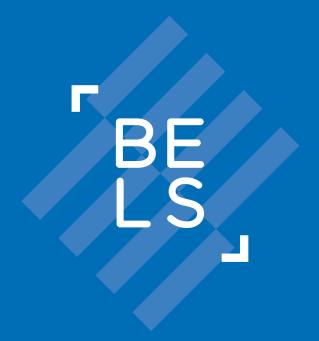
be able to visit the sister Island, Gozo with the opportunity stops around the 15minutes walk away island in less than 3 hours by bus, Audio films are screened in commentary in 16 different languages is available on all buses. You will be given a ticket for this activity with all the information required on the ticket. The return ferry ticket is included.





Juniors...
an adventure
filled programme
for 10 to 16 year
olds, yet SAFE &
fully supervised.

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MALTA FOR JUNIORS

## Junior Camp

Our junior camp is based in St. Paul's Bay, a picturesque town situated in the north-eastern part of Malta and is within walking distance of Buġibba.

Another popular seaside town that boasts an attractive mixture of historical buildings, quaint shops, fashionable boutiques, restaurants, clubs and cafés. It is the ideal hangout spot to meet with friends and enjoy an ice-cream and, of course, practise your English informally.





Targeted at fun-loving, adventure seeking 10-16 year olds





Learning through drama, music & communicative activities



Activity programme that includes sports, adventure & much more





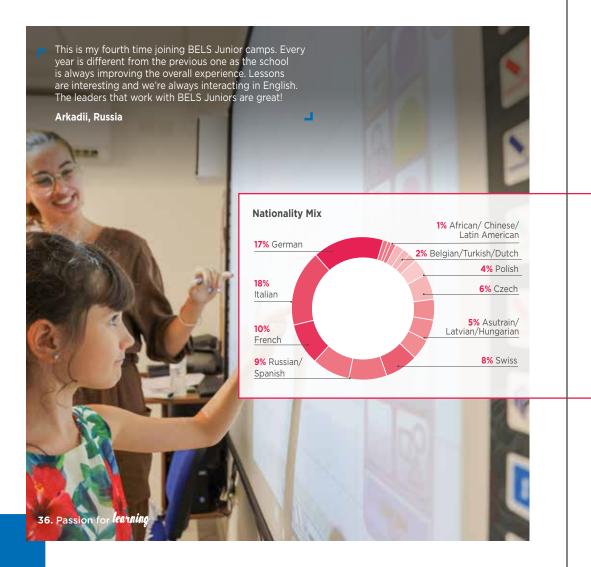
24-hour supervision



NO smoking or alcohol



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Age Mix



#### **School Facilities**





Air-Conditioning

Lounge Area







Bookshop









Vending Machines

Wheelchair





Wi-Fi



## Classroom Approach

Our Junior camps are created especially for adventure-seeking 10 to 16 year-old students. We make sure that all our lessons are practical. relevant and engaging for teens in an interactive classroom environment with young, energetic teachers.

In our teen camps you can expect:

- ✓ A dynamic approach to keep learners motivated & interested at all times.
- ✓ Task-based learning. Communicative Approach & Blended Learning.

- ✓ Learning through music, drama and communicative activities.
- Engaging age-appropriate topics catered to teenagers.
- ✓ Team-building group activities before & after lessons to help learners to practise English outside the classroom environment.
- ✓ A special focus on CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) where global topics will be integrated into the lesson. The learners will find ways to solve problems like climate change.

plastic and pollution and discuss matters such as health and safety.

#### **Intensive Programme**

In addition to the General English Junior lessons, learners can attend afternoon fluency classes. These classes will focus on functional language, cultural awareness and building fluency all while focusing on suitable topics for this age group. They will improve their speaking skills through a dynamic and interactive approach.

#### Week 1

Unit	Topic		Vocabulary	Video	Pronunciation	Project			
1 pg. 8-23	Who am I?	Question tags, Special uses of 'It'	Adjectives to describe personality Suffix -ous, Using context	What Makes Up an Identity?	Intonation in question tags	Plan and conduct a survey about personality traits			
2 pg. 24-39	Misunderstood Animals	Past modals, Infinitives with and without 'to'	Prefixes -mis and -un, Using a thesauraus	Face-to-Face with a Leopard Seal		Plan and produce an animal quiz show for TV			
Interactive Whiteboard									
Express yourself pg. 40-41	ass								
Resources	Course book, videos, flashcards, charts, Internet								

#### Junior exam preparation

Our exam preparation course will help students develop exam-taking skills. Lessons will focus on equipping students with a range of academic skills by developing their receptive and productive skills in English.

exams back at home.

Students taking this course will be able to fine-tune their English skills and develop their fluency and accuracy. We have looked at a variety of exams from different countries to incorporate tasks and activities which will suit their needs and ensure that they are well prepared to take their

#### Parent & Child Programme

#### **Young Learner Programme**

Malta, with its beautiful sunny weather, is the ideal destination for a holiday full of seaside fun and rich cultural history. BELS extends the language experience to parents who wish to join their **children** and **improve** the quality of their English whilst enjoying a family holiday.

Parents have the option to book one of our adult programmes whilst the children (aged between 7 to 15) will attend the BELS Young Learners programme. Both courses take place in the morning at our Malta school located in the family friendly town of St. Paul's Bay, a seaside resort.

Parents & children can stay together in one of the special family rooms at our **Junior residence.** They can also opt to enjoy the warm hospitality of one of our **English speaking host families** or live more independently in carefully chosen apartments.

The older children, (10-16 years old) may enrol in our international Junior Camps Programme, which includes morning activities, a hot lunch + afternoon lessons and evening activities; thus, giving parents some free time.









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Both options will ensure an all round positive experience while you study English in Malta.

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Set in a safe area, our BELS Juniors residence/ hotel is located a few minutes away from the rocky beach and within walking distance of the main square in Bugibba. Accommodation is triple rooms. Some quadruple rooms may be used in the summer. All rooms are air-conditioned and include a ceiling fan, a balcony, an en-suite bathroom with shower, hairdryer, a television with basic reception service, a safety deposit box (at a nominal fee), and wi-fi.

All BELS students can make use of the hotel's outdoor & indoor pools. BELS Staff will be living at the hotel to provide our students with round the clock customer care support and supervision. Accommodation is on full board, with buffet style meals (breakfast + lunch + dinner). In summer we provide a hot lunch. Water is included with the meals.

#### Homestay **₹** ™O1

Living with a host family offers students the opportunity to practise English outside the classroom in a safe, family environment. Apart from studying English in Malta, students staying in a host family experience the Maltese lifestyle, food and traditions.









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#### **Juniors Leisure**



Marsaxlokk & Blue Grotto Tour











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Film Evening



Malta Ghost Tour















Adventure & Orienteering

The Best of Gozo & Comino Cruise

Blue Lagoon Cruise

Gozo Tour & Ggantija Temples







#### Summer Sample Programme Morning Evening Afternoon Rocky Beach Experience Sunday Valletta tour & Malta 5D Show Welcome Talk & Orientation Walk buffet Monday Splash & Fun Waterpark BBQ dinner by the sea & Night Swim Lessons Tuesday St. Julian's tour, Shopping & Swim 14:30hrs - 16:00hrs Free Evening **BELS Juniors residence** Scavenger games & Break International Student Party Wednesday team building games 16:00hrs - 16:15hrs Beach by Night Thursday Free Morning Lessons Comino Island & Caves 16:15hrs - 17:45hrs Friday Sports Evening & Farewell Night visit by Power boat In-house activities Chill out by the pool Malta Photo Hunt Saturday

Autumn /Easter Sample Programme											
		Morning		Afternoon		Evening					
Saturday	Breakfast	Welcome to BELS	BELS Juniors residence full buffet lunch	Introduce you to the Residence facilities or your respective host families		Welcome Evening & Orientation Walk					
Sunday		Country walk & Sandy Beach Experience		Country walk & Sandy Beach Experience		Tour of surroundings & nearby amenities					
Monday		Lessons 09:15hrs – 10:45hrs Break 10:45hrs – 11:15hrs Lessons 11:15hrs – 12:45hrs		Malta National Aquarium	nent	Mdina Ghost Hunt					
Tuesday				Visit to Malta Bird Sanctuary	Refreshment	Karaoke					
Wednesday				Sliema walk & Tigne Shopping Centre	Dinner & Re	Free Evening					
Thursday				Free Afternoon	ij	Cinema Night					
Friday				St. Julian's tour – including BayStreet Shopping Complex & visit to sandy beach		Sports Night					
Saturday		Power-boat trip to Comino – Blue Lagoon and Surrounding Caves		Blue Lagoon and Surrounding Caves		St. Paul's Bay Harbour Walk					

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