
INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Course Overview **2023**





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For Ages: 11-15

Course Length: 2 Weeks

English Level: B1+

Starting Dates: 10th July, 17th July
2023

Location: Canford School, Dorset

Course Objectives: Improve English
Language Skills; Develop IR Knowledge

Introduction to International Relations is a communicative and interactive course which introduces students to major concepts of world politics.

Designed especially for 11 to 15-year-old young learners by our experienced course writers, this course challenges students to consider key global issues from a variety of perspectives through: interactive tasks, debates and role-plays.

Students also benefit from a multinational environment, enabling them to build on their fluency and confidence in using English.



SAMPLE TIMETABLE

WEEK ONE

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|-------------|--|--|--|--|---|
| 8.45-9.00 | Morning Assembly | | | | |
| 9.00-10.30 | IR Knowledge <i>An Introduction to Fields of IR</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Conflict Resolution</i> | IR Knowledge <i>The History of the United Nations</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Case Study: International Diplomacy</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Building Diplomatic Bridges</i> |
| 11.00-12.30 | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Presentation Preparation: Public Speaking Skills</i> | Week One <i>Time to Shine Ceremony</i> |

WEEK TWO

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|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 8.45-9.00 | Morning Assembly | | | | |
| 9.00-10.30 | IR Knowledge <i>The History of NATO</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Case Study: The End of Wars</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Case Study: Brokering Peace</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Leadership in International Relations</i> | IR Knowledge <i>Model United Nations</i> |
| 11.00-12.30 | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy</i> | Time to Shine Preparation Project: <i>Presentation Preparation: Public Speaking Skills</i> | Week Two <i>Time to Shine Ceremony</i> |

Time to Shine

Junior United Nations: Negotiation and the Art of Diplomacy

Time to Shine Description

SBC Canford's Introduction to International Relations students will look at key global issues, such as climate change, globalisation or Human Rights case studies, and develop their debating, research and critical thinking skills. They will also be introduced to different forms of governance and learn about the role of the United Nations, before taking part in a Model UN simulation where students will take on the roles of different countries and develop their presentation skills.

What you'll learn

- An overview of the major themes of International Relations, including the role of the United Nations and NATO
- An analysis of the political and environmental challenges presented by an increasingly globalised and interconnected world.
- Develop key skills in presentation, negotiation and diplomacy.
- Take part in our exciting *Junior United Nations* Time to Shine project, in which you will represent a party engaged in conflict resolution discussions.
- Through fun and engaging lesson activities, develop and apply your 21st century skills, such as critical thinking, communication skills,