

DAY 3: TASK 4

30 DAYS
TO BETTER ENGLISH

CULTURAL TIP

In our first task Jess mentioned day trips from London and there are so many great places to visit. I've collected together 5 of my personal favourites that I always recommend to visitors coming to London.

Brighton

A trip to the British seaside is a must for any visitor and Brighton is one of my favourite places especially in the summer time. Often described as 'London by the sea', it's famous for its pier and long pebble beach. A train from London takes just over an hour, so why not pop down for the day, get some fish and chips and maybe even an ice cream, and go enjoy the classic British seaside experience.

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Oxford / Cambridge

The two most famous universities in the UK are both well-worth visiting and only a stone's throw away from London. Which one you choose to visit is completely up to you, but they are both charming in their own ways. The main reason people visit these two places is to explore the university college buildings dotted around the centre. The architecture dates back hundreds of years and you are allowed to enter some colleges to get a closer look. Another highlight is being punted down the river by one of the students. Punting is somewhat similar to the famous gondolas of Venice. You can punt yourself down the river but make sure you don't fall in like so many hapless tourists.

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Whitstable

Less well-known than some of the other places on this list, Whitstable is definitely worth a visit. It's a charming seaside town in Kent just an hour or so on the train from St Pancras station. It's famous for its oysters and even has an oyster festival every year making it the perfect place for seafood lovers. Add in a collection of cute shops and lovely pubs and you've got yourself a wonderful place to spend the day.

Windsor

Less than 30 miles west of London, Windsor is one of Britain's most regale towns. Its most famous attraction is Windsor castle, an official residence of The King. The castle is also the largest and oldest occupied castle in the world. Set by the banks of the river Thames, Windsor makes for a very serene and classically British day out.

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Bicester

There is only one reason anyone ever goes to Bicester...shopping! There is a designer outlet shopping centre on the outskirts of Bicester called Bicester village that draws people from near and far, all searching for a bargain. If you know your Burberry from your Barbour and your Diesel from your Dior, this is the place for you.

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