

The British Council. Who we are and what we offer.

T Hello, my name's Tom.

B And I'm Bridget.

T And we work for the British Council here in Rome.

B Everyone knows about the British Council here in Italy ...

T Yes, we have language schools in Milan, Naples and Rome.

B That's true, but the British Council is so much more than that.

T What do you mean?

B Well, it's also an international cultural organisation operating in over 100 countries worldwide.

T So that means we must work with thousands of people.

B That's right ... 300,000 students took part in British Council courses last year.

T Oh ... that's a lot of English classes.

B But that's not all, outside the classroom we also reach 100 million students through our digital English teaching and our mobile apps.

T Not to mention the fact that we organise around 500 cultural events, including exhibitions and performances.

B So that's all around the world. What about here in Rome?

T Here in Rome you can find us in Via San Sebastianello.

B Next to Piazza Di Spagna.

T Yes, the teaching centre offers General and Business English courses for adults. And we teach teenagers and children at all levels and ages too.

B And there are Exam courses available for all our students, such as Cambridge and IELTS.

T We should also mention the multimedia learning technology in every classroom.

B And the fact that we offer regular and intensive courses throughout the year.

T Then of course, there are all of the free activities for our students.

B You are talking about the conversation club, workshops ...

T And short individual feedback sessions with a British Council teacher for when you miss a lesson.

B ... we have forgotten to include all the discounts our students get on tickets for UK cultural events.

T So, you're right, the British Council is so much more than a language school.

B Yes. And in this series our aim is to explain more about what else the British Council has to offer.