# International GCSE English as a Second Language 

## Specification

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#### Abstract

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## 1 About this specification

The Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language (ESL) is part of a suite of International GCSE qualifications offered by Pearson.

This qualification is not accredited or regulated by any UK regulatory body.

## Key features

## Structure

The Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language is a linear qualification. All units must be taken at the end of the course of study.

## Content

The content features a relevant, engaging and updated range of topics to ensure that it is accessible to all learners.

## Assessments

The assessment is $100 \%$ external and designed in a single tier covering the whole range of grades 9 to 1 where 9 is the highest grade.

Reading skills are assessed in Paper 1.
Listening skills are assessed in Paper 2.
Writing skills are assessed in Paper 3.
Speaking skills are assessed in Paper 4.
Assessment in the November and June examination series.

## Approach

This qualification builds a foundation for learners wishing to progress to further study, work and travel in English speaking environments.

Topics relate to the interests of learners using English as a second language for purposes of communication, for example, in study, work and leisure situations.

Contexts and settings will be those that learners are likely to encounter, for example, school, holiday and travel, and issues of global relevance.

Culturally sensitive and diverse reading and listening recordings will be used throughout the assessment and resource materials.

Assessment is designed to measure achievement against many of the benchmarks of Levels A2 - B2 of the Council of Europe's Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

## Specification updates

This specification is Issue 1 and is valid for first teaching from September 2023, with first assessment from May / June 2025 and first certification from August 2025. If there are any significant changes to the specification, we will inform centres in writing. Changes will also be posted on our website.

For more information, please visit qualifications.pearson.com.

## Using this specification

This specification gives teachers guidance and encourages effective delivery of the qualification. The following information will help you get the most out of the content and guidance.

## Compulsory content

All of the bullet points in the content must be taught. The word 'including' in content specifies the detail of what must be covered.

## Examples

We have included examples of what can be covered or what might support teaching and learning throughout. It is important to note that examples are for illustrative purposes only and centres can use other examples. We have included examples that are easily understood and recognised by international centres.

## Assessments

Our assessments use a range of material and are not limited to the examples given. Teachers should deliver the qualification using a good range of examples to support the assessment of the content.

## Depth and breadth of content

Teachers should use the full range of content and all the assessment objectives (page 13) provided in the sections below.

## Qualification aims

Learners will be able to:

- understand written and spoken English language in a range of practical, familiar and unfamiliar contexts, and for a variety of purposes
- communicate effectively in written and spoken English using a range of vocabulary, grammar, and sentence structures
- effectively use English language grammar, sentence structures, and vocabulary.

This qualification aims to provide learners with the opportunity to explore and develop an understanding of the cultures and diverse communities where English is used around the world.

## Why choose Pearson Edexcel qualifications?

## Pearson - the world's largest education company

Edexcel academic qualifications are from Pearson, the UK's largest awarding organisation. With over 3.4 million learners studying our academic and vocational qualifications worldwide, we offer internationally recognised qualifications to schools, colleges and employers globally.

Pearson is recognised as the world's largest education company, allowing us to drive innovation and provide comprehensive support for Pearson Edexcel learners in acquiring the knowledge and skills they need for progression in study, work and life.

## A heritage you can trust

The background to Pearson becoming the UK's largest awarding organisation began in 1836, when a royal charter gave the University of London its first powers to conduct exams and confer degrees on its learners. With over 150 years of international education experience, Edexcel qualifications have a firm academic foundation, built on the traditions and rigour associated with Britain's educational system.

## Results you can trust

Pearson's leading online marking technology has been shown to produce exceptionally reliable results, demonstrating that at every stage, Pearson Edexcel qualifications maintain the highest standards.

## Why choose Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language?

We have listened to feedback from all parts of the international school, UK independent school and language teaching community, including a large number of teachers. We have made changes that will engage international learners and give them an opportunity to extend their skills in language learning. These skills will support progression to further study, work or travel.

The content and assessment approach for this qualification has been designed to meet learner needs.

## Key features

Topics have been selected both to engage learners and to equip them to use their language proficiency in a range of real-life situations, from socialising and travelling to education and employment.

The specification includes core vocabulary list (including suggested vocabulary list to cover optional subtopics) and grammar list, which will provide teachers and learners with confidence that they are well prepared for the assessment.

Each of the four key language skills (reading, listening, writing, and speaking) are assessed separately and are equally weighted.

9-1 grades are mapped to CEFR levels, helping learners to achieve international recognition for their accomplishments.

## Clear and straightforward question papers

Our question papers are clear and accessible for all learners of all abilities and learning styles. Our mark schemes are straightforward so that the assessment requirements are clear.

## CEFR alignment

We have benchmarked our qualification to the Council of Europe's Common European Framework Reference for Languages (CEFR), providing you with a widely recognised measure of competence. We also used The Global Scale of English (GSE) to extend the CEFR mapping which gives us more granular scale for four skills (reading, listening, writing, and speaking). High achievement (grades 7-9) in this qualification is broadly equivalent to many descriptors of Levels B1 to B2 of the CEFR. Please see Appendix 5 CEFR mapping for further details.

## International topic choices

We have included a diverse range of international topic options. The brand-new optional subtopics will enable teachers and learners to select subtopics they find most engaging.

## Broad and deep development of learners' skills

The design of the revised International GCSE aims to extend learners' knowledge by broadening and deepening skills.

Learners broaden their ability to:

- read for both gist and detail
- listen to an argument or discussion, understand the overall message and identify attitudes and opinion
- write in response to a given situation
- deliver a topic talk, as well as participate in extended discussion.


## Progression

Learners can progress from this qualification to:

- Level 3 academic and vocational qualifications delivered in English
- Pearson Test of English (PTE Academic)

Evidence of achievement in this qualification may also be used as proof of English Language competence for the purpose of Higher Education admission (at institutional discretion).
Through our world-class qualification development process, we have consulted with further / higher education organisations and establishments or similar to validate the appropriateness of this qualification, including content, skills and assessment structure.

More information about international qualifications can be found on our website qualifications.pearson.com.

## Supporting you in planning and teaching this qualification

## Planning

- Our Getting Started Guide gives you an overview of the Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language to help you understand the changes to content and assessment, and what these changes mean for you and your learners.
- We will provide you with two schemes of work: one is designed as a linear curriculum and another one is designed as a spiral curriculum, and an editable course planner.
- Our mapping documents highlight key differences between the new and previous qualifications.


## Teaching and learning

Our print and digital learning and teaching resources promote any time, any place learning to improve learner motivation and encourage new ways of working.

## Preparing for examinations

We will also provide a range of resources to help you prepare learners for the assessments, including:

- specimen papers to use as lesson resources or for mock examinations
- examiner commentaries following each examination series
- Principal Examiner reports
- a variety of online resources accessible through Edexcel ONLINE


## ResultsPlus

ResultsPlus provides the most detailed analysis available of your learners' examination performance. It can help you to identify which topics and skills to focus on.

## examWizard

This is a free online resource designed to support learners and teachers with exam preparation and assessment.

## Training events

In addition to online training, we host a series of training events each year for teachers to deepen their understanding of our qualifications.

## Get help and support

Our subject advisor ensures that you receive help and guidance from us. You can sign up to receive updates at https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/forms/subject-advisor-updates-for-teachers-andtutors.html or contact us using the support portal https://support.pearson.com/uk/s/qualificationcontactus.

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## Qualification at a glance

## Qualification overview

The Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language consists of four externally assessed components.

It is a linear qualification and all papers must be taken at the end of the course of study.

## Assessment overview

| Paper 1: Reading | *Paper code 4ES2/01 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Externally assessed | 25\% of the total <br> Written examination: 1 hour <br> Availability: November and June series <br> 50 marks <br> First assessment: June 2025 |

## Assessment overview

Single tier of entry.
This paper assesses reading skills.
Passages will relate to topics detailed in this document. The paper will include a range of texts covering content taken from the compulsory subtopics in Topics 1-4 on page 35. Passages will cover a broad range of text types, including information, explanation, opinion, and narrative texts. The texts will include a range of professional writing styles.

* See Appendix 1 for a description of this code and all the other codes relevant to this qualification.

| Paper 2: Listening | *Paper code 4ES2/02 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Externally assessed | 25\% of the total |
| Written examination: 45 minutes | International GCSE |
| Availability: November and June series |  |
| 50 marks |  |
| First assessment: June 2025 |  |

## Assessment overview

Single tier of entry.
This paper assesses listening skills.
Recordings will relate to topics detailed in this document. The paper will include a range of recordings covering content taken from the compulsory subtopics in Topics 1-4 on page 35. Recordings will cover a broad range of extracts including information requests, explanations, opinions, monologues, dialogues and narration. The recordings will include a range of styles.

[^0]| Paper 3: Writing | *Paper code 4ES2/03 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Externally assessed | GCSE <br> Written examination: 1 hour 15 minutes <br> Availability: November and June series <br> 50 marks <br> First assessment: June 2025 |
| Assessment overview |  |
| Single tier of entry. |  |
| This paper assesses writing skills, including spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG). |  |
| Tasks will relate to all 5 Topics detailed in this document. The paper will include a range of the |  |
| compulsory subtopics from Topics 1-4 listed on page 35 and the learner's chosen optional subtopic |  |
| from Topic 5 as listed on page 35. |  |
| Learners will be required to write a range of text types including informative texts, explanatory text, |  |
| discussions of opinions written, and advantages and disadvantages. |  |
| There will be a written summary task. |  |
| Tasks will prompt learners to make use of a range of informal, formal and professional writing styles. |  |

* See Appendix 1 for a description of this code and all the other codes relevant to this qualification.

| Paper 4: Speaking | *Paper code 4ES2/04 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Externally assessed | 25\% of the total International |
| Oral examination: 22-23 minutes | GCSE |
| Availability: November and June series |  |
| 50 marks |  |
| First assessment: June 2025 |  |

## Assessment overview

Single tier of entry.
This paper assesses speaking skills including spontaneity, fluency and pronunciation.
Tasks will relate to all 5 Topics detailed in this document. The tasks will cover a range of the subtopics from Topics 1-4 listed on page 35 and the learner's chosen subtopic from Topic 5 as listed on page 35.
Learners will be required to relate factual information, to deliver a speech, to discuss opinions or advantages and disadvantages, and to ask questions.

There will be a pre-prepared topic talk task where learners will be required to speak in relation to their chosen subtopic for Topic 5 Global Issues on page 35.

Tasks will prompt learners to use a range of speaking styles.
The speaking exam between the learner and teacher / examiner will be recorded and delivered to Pearson via Learner Work Transfer (LWT) for marking.

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## 3 Assessment information

## Assessment objectives and weightings

|  |  | $\%$ in <br> International <br> GCSE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| AO1 | Reading - Understand and provide a response in English to a variety of <br> types of written English language | $25 \%$ |
| AO2 | Listening - Understand and provide a response in English to a variety <br> of types of spoken English language | $25 \%$ |
| AO3 | Writing - Communicate, respond to, and use written English language <br> while using a range of vocabulary and grammar structures | $25 \%$ |
| AO4 | Speaking - Communicate, interact and use spoken English language <br> using a range of vocabulary and grammar structures | $25 \%$ |

## Relationship of assessment objectives to papers

| Paper | Assessment objective |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | AO1 | AO2 | AO3 | AO4 |
| Paper 1 | $25 \%$ | - | - | - |
| Paper 2 | - | $25 \%$ | - | - |
| Paper 3 | - | - | $25 \%$ | - |
| Paper 4 | - | - | - | $25 \%$ |
| Total for International <br> GCSE | $25 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $25 \%$ |

All components will be available for assessment from June 2025.

## Assessment requirements

| Component / paper <br> number and unit title | Level | Assessment information | Number of raw marks <br> allocated in the <br> component / paper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Paper 1: <br> Reading | Single <br> Tier | A 1-hour exam. <br> The Reading paper contains <br> texts of varying lengths written <br> by experienced subject matter <br> experts. The texts increase in <br> challenge, complexity and <br> length through the paper. |  |
| Paper 2: <br> Listening | Learners are not permitted to <br> bring a dictionary with them <br> into the examination room. |  |  |
| Single | A 45-minute exam. <br> Tier | The Listening paper contains <br> recorded extracts of varying <br> lengths, written by <br> experienced subject matter <br> experts, increasing in <br> challenge, length and <br> complexity through the paper. <br> Learners are not permitted to | Total 50 marks. |
| Writing | Lotal <br> bring a dictionary with them <br> into the examination room. |  |  |
| Single | A 1 hour 15 minutes exam <br> The Writing paper contains <br> three tasks each with a <br> specified context and a target <br> reader. <br> Tor the second task there are <br> three options and the learner <br> is required to complete one <br> option only. <br> The third task is always a <br> summary task in which the <br> learner is asked to extract <br> information from a source text <br> and summarise the text as a <br> whole. | Total 50 marks. |  |
| Learners are not permitted to <br> bring a dictionary with them <br> into the examination room. |  |  |  |


| Component / paper <br> number and unit title | Level | Assessment information | Number of raw marks <br> allocated in the <br> component / paper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Paper 4: <br> Speaking | Single <br> Tier | A 22-23-minute recorded <br> examination. <br> The Speaking paper is divided <br> into three assessed tasks <br> detailed in a Question paper <br> supplied by Pearson Edexcel. <br> There is a warm-up activity at <br> the beginning of the exam. <br> Learners must be allowed 10 <br> minutes' preparation time <br> under supervised conditions <br> to prepare for the role play <br> and the picture task. They <br> must be allowed to make <br> notes during this preparation <br> time. They are allowed to bring <br> the notes into the exam room. <br> At the end of the exam, the <br> notes will be collected by the <br> teacher / examiner and must <br> be kept by the centre until the <br> end of the series in the year <br> the assessment is completed. <br> After this time, the notes <br> should be securely destroyed. | Total |

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## 4 Skills overview

## Paper 1: Reading

## Externally assessed

### 1.1 Content description

## Reading

Learners must be able to:

- read for different purposes
- understand a word, phrase, sentence or whole text in its context, e.g. read a passage on a familiar topic and respond to questions on it
- read and understand a range of information and publicity texts which could be in a formal or an informal context, e.g. adverts on bulletin boards, blog posts, recipes
- identify key information, draw comparisons and distinguish facts and ideas from a range of texts
- read and understand a range of short opinion pieces, identify the writer's viewpoints, which may be either stated explicitly or implied (through the writer's choice of vocabulary)
- read and understand a range of factual texts on a variety of familiar topics, identifying inferred meaning, opinions, ideas and facts
- understand a wide range of grammatical forms and structures, as defined in the Grammar list (pages 44-59)
- understand a wide range of relevant and appropriate vocabulary, as suggested in the Core Vocabulary List (pages 61-118).


### 1.2 Assessment information

## Reading

- First assessment: June 2025.
- The assessment is 1 hour.
- The exam questions are set in English, using the following question types: multiple choice, multiple response, gap-fill and short open response questions.
- The assessment is out of 50 marks.
- Each question is set in a context.
- Learners must answer all questions.

The Reading paper consists of six reading texts of increasing length and challenge. Some texts are divided into two or more paragraphs followed by questions on the text.

The Reading paper includes different types of text, e.g. factual texts, invitations, instructions and opinion pieces. Texts include both informal and professional writing styles.

The aim of the Reading paper is to assess learners' understanding of written English language and their ability to provide a response in written English. A maximum of two different question types, e.g. a multiple choice and a gap-fill, are used for each stimulus text (or for each paragraph, if the text is divided into paragraphs).

It is important for learners to consider all the information presented in the text, including any images, captions, pop-up boxes, headings and sub-headings.

Correct spelling will not be a requirement as long as the learner response is comprehensible.


## Paper 2: Listening

## Externally assessed

### 2.1 Content description

## Listening

Learners must be able to:

- listen to and understand spoken English language extracts and identify key information
- listen to and understand informational broadcasts such as extracts from podcasts which may involve more than one speaker, and identify key details, opinions, and information conveyed
- listen to and understand conversations which may be casual or in the form of interviews and identify key information the speakers are exchanging
- listen to and understand extracts from public presentations on general interest topics, identifying facts and viewpoints, e.g. comparing the advantages and disadvantages of an idea or process
- listen to and understand a wide range of grammatical forms and structures, as defined in the Grammar list (pages 44-59)
- listen to and understand a wide range of relevant and appropriate vocabulary, as suggested in the Core Vocabulary List (pages 61-118).


### 2.2 Assessment information

## Listening

- First assessment: June 2025.
- The assessment is 45 minutes.
- The exam questions are set in English, using the following question types: multiple choice, multiple response questions, gap-fill and short open response questions.
- The assessment is out of 50 marks.
- Each question is set in a context with a recorded stimulus.
- Learners must answer all questions.

The Listening paper consists of nine recordings of increasing length and challenge. Some recordings are divided into two or more audio clips followed by exam questions.

Learners hear each recording twice. They are given time to read the questions before each part of the recording begins, and are expected to respond to the questions as they listen.

Recorded texts may be in the form of monologues, dialogues and occasionally there may be three speakers involved. Where there are two or three speakers, the identity of each speaker is clearly signposted. Recordings may be both informal and formal conversation styles, points of view, explanations, discussions, or simple topical conversations.

Recordings and exam questions are contextualised. The recordings will relate to Topics 1-4 detailed in this document (page 35).

The aim of the Listening paper is to assess learners' understanding of spoken English language and provide an appropriate response in written English. A maximum of two different question types, e.g. a multiple choice and gap-fill questions are used per one recording playback (or if the recording is divided in two audio clips).

Correct spelling is not a requirement as long as the learner response is comprehensible.

The Listening paper consists of:
Recording 1 (transcript length 90-100 words)

- Stimulus type: a short recording e.g. radio adverts, announcements, a short conversation, etc.
- Question type: multiple choice questions.

Recording 2 (transcript length 100-120 words)

- Stimulus type: a short recording e.g. radio adverts, announcements, short conversations, voicemails, etc.
- Question type: multiple response questions.

Recording 3 (transcript length 130-140 words)

- Stimulus type: a short recording e.g. radio adverts, announcements, conversations, voicemails, etc.
- Question type: multiple choice questions.

Recording 4 (transcript length 130-150 words)

- Stimulus type: a short recording e.g. radio adverts, announcements, conversations, voicemails, etc.
- Question type: multiple response questions and short open-response questions.

Recording 5 (transcript length 160-180 words)

- Stimulus type: an average length recording e.g. radio interviews, podcasts, conversations, presentations, etc.
- Question type: multiple choice and short open-response questions.

Recording 6 (transcript length 180-190 words)

- Stimulus type: an average recording e.g. radio interviews, podcasts, conversations, debates, etc.
- Question type: gap-fill questions.

Recording 7 (transcript length 210-220 words)

- Stimulus type: a longer recording e.g. radio interviews, podcasts, conversations, presentations, etc.
- Question type: multiple choice questions.

Recording 8 (transcript length 220-230 words)

- Stimulus type: a long recording e.g. radio interviews, podcasts, conversations, presentations, etc.
- Question type: short open-response questions.

Recording 9 (transcript length 250-260 words)

- Stimulus type: a long recording e.g. radio interviews, podcasts, conversations, presentations, etc.
- Question type: short open-response questions.


## Paper 3: Writing

## Externally assessed

### 3.1 Content description

## Writing

Learners must be able to:

- convey information in writing on a range of topics, using context-specific vocabulary
- express their opinions on a topic and develop their responses
- write for a variety of purposes
- write in a variety of styles, formal and informal
- summarise longer passages of text without copying phrases word for word
- write fluently and coherently
- write using a wide range of grammatical forms and structures, as defined in the Grammar list (pages 44-59)
- write using a wide range of relevant and appropriate vocabulary, as suggested in the Core Vocabulary List (pages 61-118).


### 3.2 Assessment information

## Writing

- First assessment: June 2025.
- The assessment is 1 hour 15 minutes.
- The assessment is out of 50 marks.
- Each question is set in a context.
- The assessment consists of three tasks:
- Learners must answer questions 1, 2 and 3. In Question 2, they must answer either option (a) or option (b) or option (c).
- The paper includes extended-writing questions.
- The paper assesses spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and other English language writing skills as detailed below.

The Writing paper consists of three separate tasks that require learners to write in an appropriate register for different purposes.

The aim of the Writing paper is to assess learners' written language competence through a variety of tasks which, where possible, reflect real-life situations and are relevant to learners and their backgrounds.

Tasks in the Writing paper relate to topics detailed in this document. Whilst not every topic may be covered in writing paper year on year, each writing paper covers a range of the subtopics from Topics 1-4. Each writing paper includes a task which requires learners to use vocabulary relevant to their chosen subtopic for Topic 5.

Tasks in the Writing paper include a suggested word count. If a learner writes significantly less than the suggested word count, it is unlikely the learner will have covered the task specific content points adequately. Conversely, if a learner writes significantly more than the suggested word count for a particular task, it is likely that they will have spent too much time on that task, which could cause them to run out of time.

In the writing section learners can choose the order in which they attempt the three parts.

Learners should take note of any other instructions given regarding the purpose of the writing tasks and the intended audience.


## Paper 4: Speaking

## Externally assessed

### 4.1 Content description

## Speaking

Learners must be able to:

- convey information in speech on a range of topics, using context-specific vocabulary
- express their opinions about a topic and develop their ideas
- respond spontaneously to both predictable and unpredictable questions on a range of topics
- participate in extended discussions on a range of topics, from the familiar and everyday to more abstract themes
- speak fluently and coherently, using a range of grammatical structures and vocabulary without undue hesitation
- use a wide range of grammatical forms and structures, as defined in the Grammar list (pages 44-59)
- use a wide range of relevant and appropriate vocabulary, as suggested in the Core Vocabulary List (pages 61-118).


### 4.2 Assessment information

## Speaking

- First assessment: June 2025.
- The assessment is 22-23 minutes.
- The assessment consists of three tasks.
- The assessment is worth 50 marks.
- Each question is set in a context.
- Learners must complete all three tasks.
- The paper assesses spontaneity, fluency, and pronunciation and other English language speaking skills as detailed below.

Speaking examinations are recorded for all learners and must be sent to Pearson for external assessment.

Tasks relate to Topics 1-5 detailed in this document. Whilst not every topic may be covered in speaking paper year on year, each speaking paper covers a range of the subtopics from Topics 1-4. Each Speaking paper includes a task which requires learners to use vocabulary relevant to their chosen subtopic for Topic 5.

Learners are assessed individually.

The Speaking paper consists of:

## Preparation time

(10 minutes)
The teacher / examiner chooses role play and picture-based conversation cards for Task 1 and Task 3 and give these to the learner. These cards are chosen using a randomisation grid, which ensures that Task 1 and Task 3 focus on different parts of the prescribed Topics 1-4. The learner will have 10 minutes of supervised preparation time, during which they may not consult a dictionary, but they may make notes. These notes may be taken into the assessment and learners may look at them at any time.

## A non-assessed warm-up / settle-in conversation

(1 minute; 0 marks)
The teacher / examiner introduces themselves and asks a series of simple questions on a familiar topic to set the candidate at ease.

Task 1 Role play (1-2 minutes; 10 marks)
Learners and teacher / examiner engage in a role, using the prompt card for Task 1.

Learners interact with the teacher / examiner following five given prompts.

Learners are expected to say a few words or a short phrase / sentence in response to each prompt. One-word answers will not be sufficient to gain full marks. The - ! - indicates an unseen question and learners must respond to something they have not prepared, whereas, - ? - indicates learners must ask a question.

Task 2 - Topic talk (5 minutes; 20 marks)
Before the day of the assessment, learners should choose an area to research and, with appropriate guidance from a teacher, prepare a 2-minute topic talk on a subject of their choice. The teacher (or centre) must not choose the topic talk title or topic talk content, learners have to choose the topics by themselves. The subject must relate to one of the three subtopic options from Topic 5 - Global Issues. For example, if a learner had studied "The Media" with their teacher, the learner might choose to prepare a topic talk on the impact of social media on teenage mental health.

The teachers should adequately support the learners with preparation. The teacher (or centre) must not choose the title or specific content discussed during the topic talk. Learners must prepare topic talks independently. During the assessment, learners will deliver their 2-minute topic talk. The teacher / examiner will then lead a follow-up discussion of the topic by asking a series of questions about the topic.

Please refer to Getting Started Guide and sample learner responses resource for further guidance on preparing learners for this element of the assessment.

|  | Task 3-Picture-based conversation. (5 minutes; 20 marks) |
| :--- | :--- |
| The teacher / examiner will lead the learner into an extended |  |
| conversation using the prompt card for Task 3. A list of prompt |  |
| questions is available to teacher / examiners but this list is |  |
| neither prescriptive nor exhaustive. The conversation should |  |
| develop naturally to allow for spontaneous interaction. |  |
| End of assessment |  |

## 5 List of Topics

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## 5 List of Topics and Subtopics

| TOPICS | SUBTOPICS |
| :---: | :---: |
| Topic 1: Myself \& Others | - Hobbies \& leisure time <br> - Homes <br> - Family, friends \& relationships |
| Topic 2: Travel \& Tourism | - Transport \& accommodation <br> - Tourist activities <br> - Travel destinations \& reason for travelling |
| Topic 3: <br> Education | - School life <br> - Future education plans <br> - ICT (Information and communication technology) |
| Topic 4: <br> Employment | - Part-time \& voluntary work <br> - Future employment plans <br> - Job applications |
| Topic 5: Global Issues | Choose one from the following subtopics: <br> - The Environment <br> - Equality <br> - The Media |

## Learners need to know:

Topic 1 Myself and others, Topic 2 Travel \& Tourism, Topic 3 Education, and Topic 4 Employment are compulsory for all learners and may be assessed in any of the four papers.
Topic 5 Global Issues is compulsory for all learners, but they are given a free choice to choose one from three subtopics. This is intended to give teachers and learners autonomy to choose the subtopic that engages them the most. Topic 5 will be assessed only in the productive skills papers (Writing \& Speaking). Learners are not assessed on Topic 5 in the receptive skills papers (Reading \& Listening). Learners need to be able to discuss and apply their knowledge of their selected subtopic in Topic 5 in the context of Core Topics 1-4. For example, a learner who had studied The Environment for Topic 5 could apply their knowledge of this subtopic with the Homes subtopic to discuss sustainable living.

## 6 Administration and general information

## Entries and forbidden combinations

## Learner recruitment

Pearson's policy concerning recruitment to our qualifications is that:

- they must be available to anyone who is capable of reaching the required standard
- they must be free from barriers that restrict access and progression
- equal opportunities exist for all learners.


## Prior learning and other requirements

This international GCSE is intended for a two-year course of study. We recommend that learners have the ability to read and write in English at Level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) before beginning to study this qualification.

## Entries

Details of how to enter learners for the examinations for this qualification can be found in our International Information Manual. A copy is made available to all examinations officers and is available on our website.

Learners should be advised that if they take two qualifications in the same subject, colleges, universities and employers are very likely to take the view that they have achieved only one of the two GCSE / International GCSE qualifications. Learners or their advisers who have any doubts about subject combinations should check with the institution to which they wish to progress before embarking on their programmes.

## Access arrangements, reasonable adjustments, special consideration and malpractice

Equality and fairness are central to our work. Our equality policy requires all learners to have equal opportunity to access our qualifications and assessments, and our qualifications to be awarded in a way that is fair to every learner.

We are committed to making sure that:

- learners with a protected characteristic (as defined by the UK Equality Act 2010) are not, when they are undertaking one of our qualifications, disadvantaged in comparison to learners who do not share that characteristic
- all learners achieve the recognition they deserve for undertaking a qualification and that this achievement can be compared fairly to the achievement of their peers.


## Language of assessment

Assessment of this qualification will be available in English only. All learner work must be in English.

## Access arrangements

Access arrangements are agreed before an assessment. They allow learners with special educational needs, disabilities or temporary injuries to:

- access the assessment
- show what they know and can do without changing the demands of the assessment.

The intention behind an access arrangement is to meet the particular needs of an individual learner with a disability without affecting the integrity of the assessment. Access arrangements are the principal way in which awarding bodies comply with the duty under the Equality Act 2010 to make 'reasonable adjustments'.
Access arrangements should always be processed at the start of the course. Learners will then know what is available and have the access arrangement(s) in place for assessment.

## Reasonable adjustments

The Equality Act 2010 requires an awarding organisation to make reasonable adjustments where a learner with a disability will be at a substantial disadvantage in undertaking an assessment. The awarding organisation is required to take reasonable steps to overcome that disadvantage.

A reasonable adjustment for a particular learner may be unique to that individual and therefore might not be in the list of available access arrangements.

Whether an adjustment will be considered reasonable will depend on a number of factors, including:

- the needs of the learner with the disability
- the effectiveness of the adjustment
- the cost of the adjustment
- the likely impact of the adjustment on the learner with the disability and other learners.

An adjustment will not be approved if it involves unreasonable costs to the awarding organisation, timeframes or affects the security or integrity of the assessment. This is because the adjustment is not 'reasonable'.

## Special considerations

Special consideration is a post-examination adjustment to a learner's mark or grade to reflect temporary injury, illness or other indisposition at the time of the examination / assessment, which has had, or is reasonably likely to have had, a material effect on a learner's ability to take an assessment or demonstrate their level of attainment in an assessment.

## Further information

Please see our website for further information about how to apply for access arrangements and special considerations.

For further information about access arrangements, reasonable adjustments and special considerations please refer to the JCQ website: www.jcq.org.uk.

## Malpractice

## Candidate malpractice

Candidate malpractice refers to any act by a candidate that compromises or seeks to compromise the process of assessment or which undermines the integrity of the qualifications or the validity of results / certificates.

Candidate malpractice in controlled assessments discovered before the candidate has signed the declaration of authentication form does not need to be reported to Pearson.

Candidate malpractice found in controlled assessments after the declaration of authenticity has been signed, and in examinations must be reported to Pearson on a JCQ Form M1 (available at www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/malpractice). The completed form should be emailed to candidatemalpractice@pearson.com. Please provide as much information and supporting documentation as possible. Note that the final decision regarding appropriate sanctions lies with Pearson.

Failure to report candidate malpractice constitutes staff or centre malpractice.

## Staff / centre malpractice

Staff and centre malpractice includes both deliberate malpractice and maladministration of our qualifications. As with candidate malpractice, staff and centre malpractice is any act that compromises or seeks to compromise the process of assessment or undermines the integrity of the qualifications or the validity of results / certificates.

All cases of suspected staff malpractice and maladministration must be reported immediately, before any investigation is undertaken by the centre, to Pearson on a JCQ Form M2(a) (available at www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/malpractice).

The form, supporting documentation and as much information as possible should be emailed to pqsmalpractice@pearson.com. Note that the final decision regarding appropriate sanctions lies with Pearson.

Failure to report malpractice itself constitutes malpractice.

More-detailed guidance on malpractice can be found in the latest version of the document JCQ Suspected Malpractice: Policies and Procedures, available at www.jcq.org.uk/examsoffice/malpractice.

## Awarding and reporting

The International GCSE qualification will be graded and certificated on a nine-grade scale from 9 to 1 using the total subject mark where 9 is the highest grade. The first certification opportunity for the Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in English as a Second Language will be in August 2025. Learners whose level of achievement is below the minimum judged by Pearson to be of sufficient standard to be recorded on a certificate will receive an unclassified U result.

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## Appendix 1: Codes

| Type of code | Use of code | Code |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Subject codes | The subject code is used by centres to <br> enter learners for a qualification. | GCSE - 4ES2 |
| Paper codes | These codes are provided for <br> information. Learners may need to be <br> entered for individual papers. | Paper 1: 4ES2/01 <br> Paper 2: 4ES2/02 <br> Paper 3: 4ES2/03 |

## Appendix 2: Grammar List

The following grammar list contains examples of grammatical knowledge expected at each CEFR level. For further examples of grammar used at different CEFR levels, please use GSE (Global Scale of English) Teacher Toolkit at https://www.english.com/gse/teachertoolkit/user/grammar

## CEFR level A1

## Articles and quantifiers

| A, An, The, and the 'no |
| :--- | :--- |
| article' article |$\quad A, A n$, The, and the 'no article' article

## Conjunctions

But

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e.g. She likes coffee, but I like tea.
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| Past tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Past simple (actions in the past) |  |
| The verb 'To Be' | e.g. I was, You were, She was, He was, It was, We were, You were, <br> They were |
| Negative form | e.g. They didn't understand. |


| Present tenses |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Correct formation of 'Be' with singular and plural nouns |  | e.g. The coffee is hot. The boys are Spanish. I'm Chinese. We're students. |
| Present simple (actions in the present) including: |  |  |
|  | habits and daily routines | e.g. I wake up at 6 every day. |
|  | The verb combination of 'Have Got', including positive, negative, question | e.g. She has got a car. I haven't got blue eyes. Have you got any questions? |
|  | The verb 'Have' | e.g. I have breakfast at 7 every day. He has dinner with his family. |
|  | The verb 'To Be' | e.g. I am, You are, He is, She is, It is, We are, You are, They are |
|  | The use of 'There' \& 'Be' combination | e.g. There is a leaf on the tree, There are leaves on the tree. |
|  | Basic construction of 'I want’, ‘I like' | e.g. I like this drink. I want a burger. |
| Imperative |  | e.g. Sit down! Catch this! |


| Modal verbs |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| For abilities: |  | can or can't |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| For permission: | e.g. I can't swim. I can play football. |  |  |
|  | needn't | e.g. Can I sit here? |  |
| For possibility: | e.g. Do I need to wear a badge? You needn't <br> wear glasses |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |


| Prepositions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Prepositions of place <br> at, in, on, under, into, <br> onto | e.g. I sit at the table. |
| Time expressions <br> o'clock | e.g. at three o'clock <br> at nine o'clock in the morning |


| Pronouns |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Personal pronouns <br> I, he, she, he, it, we you, they (including a <br> recognition of they as accurate when used for <br> third-person singular gender-neutral, as well <br> as third-person plural) | e.g. I saw him yesterday, and he said the <br> book was his. She will be arriving soon and <br> bringing her famous carrot cake. It <br> was her grandma's recipe! |
| Possessive pronouns <br> my, your, his, her, its, our, your, their | e.g. This is my book. Her job is difficult. |
| Possessive with ‘s | e.g. Paul's daughter, my sister's house |
| Object pronouns <br> me, you, him, her, it, us, you, them | e.g. Please pick me for this task. |


| Questions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Interrogative pronouns in the present <br> Where, Whose, When, Who, How long, Whose, <br> How, What time, Which, What | e.g. How is she? Where do you live? What <br> time is your show? Whose toy is this? |
| Forming questions with: | The verb ‘To Be' |
|  | Present simple tense |
|  | Past simple tense |
|  |  |

Note: Neo pronouns are not prescribed vocabulary items for this qualification. Learners will not, however, be penalised if they choose to use neo pronouns and apply them correctly in their answers.

## CEFR level A2

To achieve CEFR level A2, learners must demonstrate a grasp of the grammar listed under A1, in addition to the following features and constructions:

| Adjectives \& adverbs |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adjectives versus adverbs, word formation, word order | e.g. good versus well, quick versus quickly |  |
| Adverbs of frequency |  |  |
|  | always, never, seldom, sometimes, often, rarely, occasionally, etc. | e.g. Jane lives next door so we often see her. I usually drink tea in the morning. I never drink coffee. |
|  | Word order of adverbs of frequency | e.g. I never smoke. I am never late. |
| 'really / very / quite' with adverbs | e.g. He talks really fast. <br> She goes there quite often. <br> She can speak Chinese very well. |  |
| Irregular adjectives | e.g. less, good, bad, more |  |
| Comparative of adjectives with -er | e.g. taller |  |
| Superlative of adjectives with -est | e.g. the tallest |  |
| Comparative of adjectives with 'more' | e.g. more sustainable |  |
| Superlative of adjectives with 'the most' | e.g. the most sustainable |  |
| Adjectives with '-ed / -ing' | e.g. I'm bored, it's a very boring film, we're very excited, it was an exciting party. |  |

## Articles and quantifiers

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| Conjunctions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 'and' with verbs and <br> verb phrases | e.g. We eat and sleep in the hotel. |
| 'because' | e.g. I can't buy it because I haven't got any money. <br> Because she loves you, she forgives you. |
| Basic compound <br> sentence | e.g. I went out when it was windy. George forgot his wallet, so he <br> went back inside. |


| Future tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Future with 'Will': <br> sudden decision | e.g. I will help you with that. |
| 'Will' for asking for <br> help | e.g. Will you carry this box, please? |
| Present simple for <br> future | e.g. The plane leaves at 10. |
| Present continuous <br> for future plans | e.g. He is not going to the shops tomorrow. |
| Future with 'Going to': <br> making plans | e.g. I am going to see my friend tomorrow. |
| 'Will' for making <br> predictions | e.g. That will be really difficult. |
| 'Shall' for suggestions | e.g. Shall we go for a run? |


| Past tenses |  | e.g. I played football yesterday. I didn't work on Friday. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Regular verbs <br> sentence formation | e.g. I went to see a show two days ago. I didn't go on Tuesday. |  |  |
| Irregular verbs <br> sentence formation | e.g. I was swimming for a while. |  |  |
| Past continuous | e.g. eat - ate, get - got, drink - drank |  |  |
| Major irregular verbs |  |  |  |
| Present perfect including: |  |  |  |
|  | basic construction | e.g I've eaten at that restaurant many times. |  |
|  | ever and never | e.g. I have never smoked. Have you ever been <br> to another country? |  |
|  | already and yet | e.g. I haven't been to Italy yet. I have already <br> done that. |  |

## Present tenses

| Word order of <br> sentences with <br> adverbs | e.g. She eats quickly. He plays brilliantly. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Present continuous <br> (actions happening <br> now) | e.g. I am walking to work now. She is swimming in the pool. |
| Present continuous <br> for future | e.g. I am seeing my cousin tonight. |


| Gerund and infinitive |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Verbs followed by <br> infinitive or gerund <br> like, love, want, would <br> like, etc. | e.g. She loves having a friend like you. (gerund) <br> Kai would like to say sorry to you. (infinitive) |
| Stative verbs <br> like, know, belong, love, <br> hate, suppose, mean, <br> want, understand, <br> seem, prefer, etc. | e.g. Paul feels rotten today. He has a bad cold. |


| Modal verbs |  | could or couldn't |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| For ability: |  | e.g. I could play the flute when I was seven. I <br> couldn't sing as a child |  |  |  |
| For polite request: | May, might | e.g. May I sit here? |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | could and couldn't | e.g. Could you help me to find my glasses? <br> Couldn't you be quicker? |
|  |  |  |  | Can | e.g. Can you change my room, please? |
| For obligation: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | must and mustn't | e.g. I must study. You mustn't smoke here. |  |  |  |
| For giving advice: | Should / Shouldn't | e.g. You should rest more. You shouldn't <br> work so much. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For necessity: | need and needn't | e.g. You need to finish by 5 p.m. You needn't <br> hurry. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For deduction: | Must / can't | e.g. That must be the main entrance. It can't <br> be far now. |  |  |  |


| Prepositions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Prepositions of time <br> on, in, for, at, etc. | e.g. It's his birthday on Saturday. In the evenings, I like to relax. |
| Time expressions <br> 'past', 'to' | e.g. a quarter to / past three <br> half past six |
| Prepositions of place <br> in front of, behind, <br> against, next to | e.g. His car is in front of their car. The dog is sitting behind the door. |
| Prepositions of <br> movement <br> Get on / off, get into / <br> out, jump into | e.g. get on / off the bus, get into / out of bed, jump into the water |
| By | e.g. Meet me by the park. |


| Pronouns |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Possessive with ‘s with plural nouns | e.g. The students' books, the soldiers' guns |
| Demonstrative pronouns <br> that, those, this, these | e.g. These colours do not work well together. |
| Impersonal pronouns: something, anything | e.g. Is there anything I can do to help? |


| Questions |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Interrogative pronouns in the past <br> Where, Whose, When, Who, How long, Whose, <br> How, What time, Which, What | e.g. How was she? Where did you live? What <br> time was your show? Whose toy was this? <br> When did he arrive? |  |  |
| Yes / no questions in the past | e.g. Did you see him? Did they catch their <br> plane? |  |  |
| Forming questions with: <br> 'how much / how many' with <br> countable and uncountable <br> nouns    e.g. How many children do they have? How <br> much do you earn? <br>  'will' to ask about future    |  |  |  |

## CEFR level B1

To achieve CEFR level B1, learners must demonstrate a grasp of the grammar listed under A1 and A2 in addition to the following features and constructions:

| Adjectives \& adverbs |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Comparative and superlative of irregular <br> adjectives | e.g. little - less - the least |
| 'same as', 'the same' | e.g. Laura gets the same salary as me. <br> You're just the same as your mother. |
| 'as... as' | e.g. He isn't as old as he looks. It's not as <br> cold. |
| The use of 'than' | e.g. She is a better driver than me. |
| 'like', 'alike', ‘slightly' | e.g. You look like your mother, They look <br> alike. She is slightly taller than me. |
| 'too' and 'enough' | e.g. She speaks too fast. |
| Comparative adverbs with 'more' | e.g. She speaks more fluently than her <br> sister. |

## Articles and quantifiers

| Countable and <br> uncountable <br> quantifiers | e.g. several people, few customers, many years, some coffee |
| :--- | :--- |
| several, few, many |  |


| Conditionals |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Zero conditional | e.g. If you touch a fire, you get burned. If you heat ice, it melts |
| First conditional | e.g. If I have time, I will travel to Europe. |
| First conditional with <br> 'unless',' if only' | e.g. I will come unless you cancel. If only my mother knew. |
| Second conditional | e.g. If you had time, you would go running. |
| Third conditional | e.g. Jack would have won if he had played better. |


| Conjunctions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| where, when, whose, <br> why, whose, who, that | e.g. The baby was crying when we were leaving. Where you find a <br> lot of water, you will also find these beautiful insects. |
| 'either...or...' | e.g. We can either take the bus or get a taxi. |
| 'neither...nor...' | e.g. It's neither funny nor interesting. |


| Future tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 'Will' and 'going to' for <br> prediction | e.g. I'm sure you will pass the test. |
| The verb combination <br> of 'Going to' for plans | e.g. I am going to live in Spain. |
| Passive voice | e.g. The report will be finished tomorrow. |


| Past tenses |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Present perfect including: |  |  |
|  | just | e.g. I've just had lunch. |
|  | since and for | e.g. I have lived alone since 2007. She has studied for the exam for 3 years. |
|  | yet and still | e.g. They still haven't called. She hasn't done the report yet. |
| Past perfect | e.g. When I arrived, everybody had left. |  |
| Present perfect continuous | e.g. I have been learning how to ride a motorbike for two years. |  |
| The verb combination of 'Used to' | e.g. I used to have a dog. |  |
| The verb combination of 'was / were going to' | e.g. I was going to tell you, but I forgot. |  |
| Past continuous, including action interrupted by past simple | e.g. I was watching television (TV). She was working for three hours. I was playing basketball when the phone rang. She was cooking when we came. |  |
| Passive voice | e.g. The car was washed. The house hasn't been painted for years. |  |
| Reported speech | e.g. She said she loved the movie. She said she had been busy. |  |
| All main irregular verbs. | e.g. become - became, bring - brought, catch - caught |  |


| Present tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Present simple for future | e.g. The bank is open from 8 o'clock. The <br> comedy show starts at 7 p.m. |
| Passive voice | e.g. The dinner is served. She is being chased <br> by a wild dog. |
| Present continuous passive | e.g. My car is being repaired. It's being <br> discussed. |
| Reported speech | e.g. She said she has been working on this <br> project for months. |


| Gerunds and infinitives |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Forming nouns from <br> verbs using - ing | e.g. swim - swimming, talk - talking |
| 'to' with infinitive | e.g. agree to do it, promise to do it, offer to help |
| Forming verb phrases <br> with 'know how to' | e.g. I don't know how to change a wheel on a car. |
| Indefinite compound <br> pronouns with infinitive | e.g. Have you got anything to eat? I've got nothing to read. |


| Modal verbs |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| For obligation: |  |
| 'Have to' in present and past | e.g. I have to take my medication. I had to go to the dentist. |
| Needn't | e.g. You needn't wear a tie. |
| For possibility: |  |
| May / might / could | e.g. He could get better. They may accept the offer. |
| Could / should | e.g. She should be here soon. Letters could take days to arrive in those days. |
| For prohibition: |  |
| mustn't | e.g. You mustn't drive under influence. |
| may not | e.g. Passengers may not use this door. |
| For suggestion: |  |
| shall | e.g. Shall I walk you to work? Shall we sit down? |
| For deduction or speculation: |  |
| May and might | e.g. I might look for another job. |
| Could | e.g. It could be hard to spend the day by yourself. It could be easy. |
| 'can't' and 'must' for inferences | e.g. She can't be over 30 - she looks so young! |
| 'Can', 'can't', ‘couldn't have' in past | e.g. She can't have seen me. They couldn't have understood you. |
| 'must have' | e.g. He must have made a mistake. |
| 'Be able to' in past and present perfect and future | e.g. We haven't been able to travel for two years. He will be able to come to the party. |
| 'Need' in past | e.g. I needed to know who that person was. |
| 'Let's not...' | e.g. Let's not fight about this. |


| Prepositions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Prepositional phrases <br> in, for, from, to, at, to, about, with, from, of | e.g. He works in the city centre. She is <br> standing at the back of the queue. |
| Prepositions of time <br> Before, during, since, until | e.g. before 7 p.m., after breakfast, during <br> lunch |


| Pronouns |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Indefinite compound pronouns with 'every' | e.g. Everyone loves chocolate. <br> Everywhere I go, she's there. |
| Pronouns with prefix 'no' or 'any' | e.g. No one knows you. There is nothing to <br> do. Anything is OK by me. |
| Reflexive pronouns: myself, himself, herself, <br> etc. | e.g. You're going to have to drive yourself to <br> school today. |


| Questions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 'why don't we' and 'why not' with infinitive | e.g. Why not stay at my place? Why don't <br> we get a taxi? |
| Question tags | e.g. She isn't hungry, is she? They aren't <br> coming, are they? He isn't English, is he? |
| Negative question tags | e.g. It was foggy, wasn't it? You did it, didn't <br> you? |
| Wh- questions with propositional verbs | e.g. Who is she with? |
| Present perfect | e.g. Have you been to Australia? |

## CEFR level B2

To achieve CEFR level B2, learners must demonstrate a grasp of the grammar listed under A1, A2 and B1 in addition to the following features and constructions:

| Adjectives \& adverbs |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Adverbial intensifiers | e.g. She is exceptionally gifted at playing <br> violin. |
| Comparatives and superlatives (all forms) | e.g. the most old-fashioned furniture, the <br> least overpopulated region, behave less <br> impatiently |
| Concessive adverbials | e.g. I don't earn much - however, I have <br> plenty of free time. <br> We'll get there more quickly by train. On the <br> other hand, the bus is much cheaper. |


| Conditionals |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 'wish' and 'if only' | e.g. I wish it wasn't true. If only I'd worked harder. |
| Mixed conditional | e.g. If I had worked harder at school, I would have a better job now. <br> She might accept the job if we gave her a better offer. |


| Conjunctions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Complex conjunctions | e.g. on condition that, as long as, providing / provided that |


| Future tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Future continuous | e.g. Will you be going on holiday this summer? |
| The verb combination <br> of 'Will get used to' | e.g. I will get used to living in a city eventually |
| Reported speech | e.g. He said he would come for sure. |
| Future perfect | e.g. Next year we will have been married for ten years. |
| Future perfect <br> continuous | e.g. You will have been waiting for more than two hours when the <br> plane finally arrives. |
| Future perfect passive | e.g. The job will have been completed by next month. The package <br> will have been delivered before you get home. |


| Past tenses |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Past simple vs past <br> continuous use in the <br> same sentence | e.g. It was raining and it was cold when we arrived. Sofia was <br> packing all the books she had. |
| The verb combination <br> of 'Was used to', 'got <br> used to' in all forms | e.g. She was used to talking to her family on the phone. |
| Past perfect <br> continuous | e.g. I had been playing basketball. |
| Had something done | e.g. I had my hair cut. |
| Passive voice of all <br> past tenses | e.g. The office was cleaned every day. It was expected that students <br> will graduate in three years. |
| All irregular verbs |  |


| Present tenses |  |
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| Present continuous with always | e.g. She is always talking so fast. |
| Passive voice of all present tenses | e.g. The soup is being made now. The sweater <br> is made of wool. |
| Is used to, get used to in all present tenses | e.g. I am used to spending my summers with <br> my grandparents. You can get used to living <br> in a village. |
| To have something done | e.g. I have had my hair cut. |


| Gerund and infinitive |  |
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| Correct use of 'thinking of' with a gerund | e.g. We were thinking of selling the house. <br> Were you thinking of driving there? |
| Verbs followed by gerund such as need, <br> decide, make me, hate, suggest, remember, <br> think about, prefer, try, etc. | e.g. I suggest buying a new camera. |
| Verbs followed by infinitives such as think <br> about, make me, hope, advise, manage, <br> mind, forbid, allowed, etc. | e.g. I hope to see you soon. Sam managed to <br> finish the job on time. I forbid you to speak to <br> him. |
| Verbs followed by bare infinitives such <br> as I'd rather, had better, etc. | e.g. You had better hurry or you'll be late. |
| Verbs followed by to + gerund such as help, <br> look forward, etc. | e.g. I look forward to seeing you again. |


| Modal verbs |  | Ought to |
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| For advice or suggestion: |  | e.g. We ought to leave now. You ought to <br> listen carefully. |
|  | e.g. He can't have finished already - that test <br> was very difficult. |  |
| The use of 'can't have' with a verb for <br> inference | e.g. You have got to concentrate on this task. |  |
| The verb combination of 'Have got to' | e.g. She must have been asleep when I <br> walked in. |  |
| The verb combination of 'Must have done' |  |  |
| The verb combination of 'Need / Needn't <br> have done' | e.g. You needn't have got up so early. |  |
| The verb combination of 'Should have <br> done' | e.g. They should have arrived a long time <br> ago. |  |
| Passive voice | e.g. It could be done. The train might be <br> delayed. |  |

## Pronouns

Relative pronouns used for relative clauses and omitting them
which, who, whose, whom, that, where, when, etc.
e.g. He's the friend (who) I told you about.

## Appendix 3: Core Vocabulary List

The following vocabulary list contains examples of vocabulary knowledge expected at each CEFR level and topic. For further examples of vocabulary used at different CEFR levels, please use GSE (Global Scale of English) Teacher Toolkit at https://www.english.com/gse/teacher-toolkit/user/vocabulary

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| Myself \& Others |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| address | <A1 | animal | <A1 | baby | <A1 | bed | <A1 |
| boy | <A1 | brother | <A1 | building | <A1 | cat (pet) | <A1 |
| chair | <A1 | child | <A1 | daughter | <A1 | dog (pet) | <A1 |
| door | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | family | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | father (dad) | <A1 | film | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ |
| floor | <A1 | flower | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | friend | <A1 | game | <A1 |
| garden | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | girl | $<A 1$ | hair | <A1 | home | <A1 |
| house | $<A 1$ | husband | $<A 1$ | man | $<A 1$ | mother (mum) | $<A 1$ |
| mouse (pet) | $<A 1$ | parent | <A1 | people | $<A 1$ | plant | <A1 |
| play (theatre show) | <A1 | radio | <A1 | room | <A1 | sister | <A1 |
| son | <A1 | table | <A1 | team | <A1 | toilet | <A1 |
| wall | <A1 | wife | <A1 | window | <A1 | woman | <A1 |
| age | A1 | bath | A1 | bedroom | A1 | birthday | A1 |
| cup | A1 | desk | A1 | exercise | A1 | football | A1 |


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| glass | A1 | group | A1 | kitchen | A1 | knife | A1 |
| news | A1 | pet | A1 | playing cards | A1 | stairs | A1 |
| television | A1 | area | A2 | bathroom | A2 | community | A2 |
| first name | A2 | flat (apartment) | A2 | life | A2 | living room | A2 |
| lounge | A2 | party | A2 | present (gift) | A2 | swimming pool | A2 |
| wedding | A2 | aunt | A2+ | behaviour | A2+ | character | A2+ |
| competition | A2+ | cousin | A2+ | cupboard | A2+ | fridge (refrigerator) | A2+ |
| furniture | A2+ | grandfather | A2+ | grandmother | A2+ | grandparent | A2+ |
| hobby | A2+ | magazine | A2+ | neighbour | A2+ | part | A2+ |
| place | A2+ | rabbit (pet) | A2+ | relative | A2+ | ring (wedding / engagement) | A2+ |
| roof | A2+ | shower | A2+ | situation | A2+ | stove / cooker | A2+ |
| surname | A2+ | toy | A2+ | uncle | A2+ | basketball | B1 |
| cartoon | B1 | celebration | B1 | classmate | B1 | club (society e.g. youth club) | B1 |
| comedy (genre) | B1 | curtain | B1 | dining room | B1 | fan (of) | B1 |
| Fathers' Day | B1 | gas | B1 | kitchen sink | B1 | lamp | B1 |
| level | B1 | match (game) | B1 | Mothers' Day | B1 | nationality | B1 |


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| nephew | B1 | oven | B1 | piano | B1 | pillow | B1 |
| pitch (sports field) | B1 | rent | B1 | settee (sofa) | B1 | voice | B1 |
| washbasin (bathroom sink) | B1 | washing machine | B1 | basement | B1+ | beard | B1+ |
| blanket | B1+ | bride | B1+ | carpet | B1+ | ceiling | B1+ |
| childhood | B1+ | detective (genre) | B1+ | disability | B1+ | engagement | B1+ |
| fashion | B1+ | fault | B1+ | freezer | B1+ | hallway | B1+ |
| influence | B1+ | kettle | B1+ | lawn | B1+ | listener | B1+ |
| microwave | B1+ | neighbourhood | B1+ | niece | B1+ | occasion | B1+ |
| only child | B1+ | partner | B1+ | personality | B1+ | station (radio or TV) | B1+ |
| studio flat | B1+ | study | B1+ | tap | B1+ | teenager | B1+ |
| tradition | B1+ | twin | B1+ | adventure (genre) | B2 | armchair | B2 |
| characteristic | B2 | chess | B2 | coffee maker | B2 | comic book | B2 |
| crime (genre) | B2 | day off | B2 | dishwasher | B2 | doll | B2 |
| driveway | B2 | drums | B2 | excursion | B2 | friendship | B2 |
| groom | B2 | grown-up | B2 | horror (genre) | B2 | loft (attic) | B2 |


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| novel | B2 | picnic | B2 | poster | B2 | public holiday | B2 |
| quality (a trait) | B2 | radiator | B2 | role model | B2 | romance (genre) | B2 |
| rug | B2 | series | B2 | soap opera | B2 | sports centre | B2 |
| storey (floor) | B2 | suburb | B2 | theme park | B2 | video game | B2 |
| violin (instrument) | B2 | waterpark | B2 | allotment (gardening) | B2+ | athletics | B2+ |
| bowling alley | B2+ | bunk bed | B2+ | carnival | B2+ | chest of drawers | B2+ |
| circus | B2+ | compliment | B2+ | detached house | B2+ | DIY (do it yourself) | B2+ |
| documentary (genre) | B2+ | dustbin | B2+ | flute (instrument) | B2+ | frying pan | B2+ |
| game show | B2+ | goldfish (pet) | B2+ | half-brother | B2+ | half-sibling | B2+ |
| half-sister | B2+ | inspiration | B2+ | patio | B2+ | racket (sports equipment) | B2+ |
| reality television | B2+ | recorder (instrument) | B2+ | remote control | B2+ | sibling | B2+ |
| spare time | B2+ | stereo system | B2+ | tortoise | B2+ | trumpet (instrument) | B2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| aeroplane (plane) | <A1 | airport | <A1 | arm | <A1 | bank | <A1 |
| body | <A1 | car | <A1 | city | <A1 | clothes | <A1 |
| country | <A1 | cow | <A1 | door (of vehicle) | <A1 | egg | <A1 |
| eye | <A1 | fire | <A1 | fish | <A1 | food | <A1 |
| foot | <A1 | hand | <A1 | head | <A1 | health | <A1 |
| horse | <A1 | leg | <A1 | money | <A1 | mountain | <A1 |
| person | <A1 | price | <A1 | river | <A1 | road | <A1 |
| sea | <A1 | shop | <A1 | station (e.g. bus or railway) | <A1 | taxi | <A1 |
| ticket | <A1 | town | <A1 | train | <A1 | tree | <A1 |
| water | <A1 | bicycle | A1 | boat (ship) | A1 | bread | A1 |
| bus | A1 | car park | A1 | coffee | A1 | dinner | A1 |
| duck | A1 | entrance | A1 | exit | A1 | farm | A1 |
| heart | A1 | hill | A1 | information | A1 | lake | A1 |
| library | A1 | lift (elevator) | A1 | lunch | A1 | map | A1 |
| market | A1 | market (part of a city) | A1 | meat | A1 | milk | A1 |
| nose | A1 | park | A1 | passport | A1 | pig | A1 |
| post office | A1 | potato | A1 | problem | A1 | sandwich | A1 |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| sheep | A1 | street | A1 | sugar | A1 | supermarket | A1 |
| tea | A1 | welcome | A1 | school holiday | A1+ | vegetable | A2 |
| accident | A2 | apple | A2 | appointment | A2 | banana | A2 |
| beach | A2 | bill (cheque - at a restaurant / cafe) | A2 | bite | A2 | blood | A2 |
| cake | A2 | centre | A2 | centre (of town, downtown) | A2 | cheese | A2 |
| chicken | A2 | corner | A2 | driver | A2 | form (to fill in) | A2 |
| guest | A2 | holiday home | A2 | hospital | A2 | leader (of a trip) | A2 |
| medicine | A2 | museum | A2 | oil | A2 | orange (food) | A2 |
| pilot | A2 | postcard | A2 | rice | A2 | salt | A2 |
| service | A2 | size | A2 | stamp (postage) | A2 | tomato | A2 |
| tongue | A2 | tooth | A2 | vegetable | A2 | village | A2 |
| wheel | A2 | zoo | A2 | accommodation | A2+ | ambulance | A2+ |
| arrival | A2+ | beef | A2+ | bridge | A2+ | butter | A2+ |
| camp (holiday accommodation) | A2+ | coach | A2+ | coin | A2+ | cost | A2+ |
| credit card | A2+ | customs | A2+ | double bed | A2+ | emergency exit | A2+ |
| engine | A2+ | flu | A2+ | games room | A2+ | gift shop | A2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| guide (for tourists) | A2+ | hot chocolate | A2+ | ice cream | A2+ | ID (identification) | A2+ |
| illness | A2+ | journey (trip) | A2+ | juice | A2+ | knee | A2+ |
| lemon | A2+ | meal | A2+ | onion | A2+ | petrol | A2+ |
| pill (tablet medicine) | A2+ | platform | A2+ | police officer | A2+ | product | A2+ |
| reception | A2+ | return ticket | A2+ | sale | A2+ | sand | A2+ |
| shower block | A2+ | soup | A2+ | speed | A2+ | tent | A2+ |
| theatre | A2+ | tin can | A2+ | tissue | A2+ | traffic | A2+ |
| visitor | A2+ | bean | B1 | bookshop | B1 | carrot | B1 |
| chest | B1 | choice | B1 | connection | B1 | countryside | B1 |
| cream | B1 | customer | B1 | delay | B1 | department | B1 |
| department store | B1 | fee (i.e. cost to enter an attraction) | B1 | festival | B1 | grass | B1 |
| haircut | B1 | insurance | B1 | lamb | B1 | luggage | B1 |
| motorbike | B1 | pasta | B1 | pepper | B1 | pharmacy | B1 |
| pitch (for a tent) | B1 | pizza | B1 | police station | B1 | prescription | B1 |
| purse | B1 | recipe | B1 | salad | B1 | school trip | B1 |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| security (at an airport) | B1 | shopping centre (mall) | B1 | snack | B1 | stadium | B1 |
| stomach | B1 | sunshine | B1 | throat | B1 | toast | B1 |
| tour | B1 | tourist information office | B1 | tourist tax | B1 | tower | B1 |
| attraction (for tourists) | B1+ | balcony | B1+ | bargain | B1+ | border | B1+ |
| bread roll | B1+ | brochure | B1+ | burger | B1+ | bus stop | B1+ |
| castle | B1+ | cereal | B1+ | consumer | B1+ | dessert | B1+ |
| diesel | B1+ | dish (food) | B1+ | exchange | B1+ | fast food | B1+ |
| ferry | B1+ | flour | B1+ | gallery | B1+ | grape | B1+ |
| harbour / port | B1+ | hen | B1+ | jam | B1+ | landscape | B1+ |
| line (public transport) | B1+ | Iorry | B1+ | main road | B1+ | mushroom | B1+ |
| one-way system | B1+ | one-way ticket | B1+ | palace | B1+ | pea | B1+ |
| pear | B1+ | public transport | B1+ | pudding | B1+ | purchase | B1+ |
| rate | B1+ | region | B1+ | safety | B1+ | souvenir | B1+ |
| starter | B1+ | steak | B1+ | strawberry | B1+ | sunglasses | B1+ |
| supper | B1+ | thief | B1+ | tyre | B1+ | view (of...) | B1+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| wallet | B1+ | yoghurt | B1+ | allowance (e.g. <br> baggage <br> allowance) | B2 | asthma | B2 |
| baggage | B2 | bakery | B2 | boot (of a car) | B2 | breakdown | B2 |
| butcher's shop | B2 | cabbage | B2 | campsite | B2 | cherry | B2 |
| crisp (potato chip) | B2 | crossroads | B2 | cucumber | B2 | debit card | B2 |
| departure | B2 | district | B2 | excursion | B2 | flavour | B2 |
| foreign exchange | B2 | fountain | B2 | helmet | B2 | lettuce | B2 |
| main course | B2 | mosquito | B2 | motorway | B2 | newsagent | B2 |
| orchestra | B2 | pass (travel pass e.g. boarding pass) | B2 | peach | B2 | pedestrian | B2 |
| pie | B2 | pineapple | B2 | plaster (bandage) | B2 | priority | B2 |
| roundabout | B2 | salmon | B2 | seafood | B2 | shopkeeper | B2 |
| sleeping bag | B2 | special (dish of the day) | B2 | sting | B2 | torch (flashlight) | B2 |
| town hall | B2 | traffic lights | B2 | tuna | B2 | turkey | B2 |
| twin room | B2 | underground | B2 | administrative / business district | B2+ | air conditioning | B2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| apricot | B2+ | boutique | B2+ | call centre | B2+ | carrier bag | B2+ |
| cauliflower | B2+ | cockerel | B2+ | cola (drink) | B2+ | corner shop | B2+ |
| diarrhoea | B2+ | dressing (salad) | B2+ | driving licence | B2+ | emergency services | B2+ |
| espresso | B2+ | full board | B2+ | half board | B2+ | host family | B2+ |
| inn | B2+ | ketchup | B2+ | lemonade | B2+ | omelette | B2+ |
| pancake | B2+ | pastry | B2+ | pedestrian area | B2+ | place of interest | B2+ |
| plum | B2+ | raspberry | B2+ | room service | B2+ | rush hour | B2+ |
| service station | B2+ | shrimp (prawn) | B2+ | soda (pop) | B2+ | soft drink | B2+ |
| specialty (of the restaurant) | B2+ | sunscreen <br> (suncream / <br> sunblock) | B2+ | swimsuit | B2+ | ticket inspector | B2+ |
| traffic jam | B2+ | tram | B2+ | travel agency | B2+ | vinegar | B2+ |
| waste of money | B2+ | youth hostel | B2+ |  |  |  |  |


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| answer | <A1 | book | <A1 | computer | <A1 | language | <A1 |
| mobile phone | <A1 | mouse (computer) | <A1 | picture | <A1 | question | <A1 |
| school | <A1 | sport | <A1 | student | <A1 | teacher | <A1 |
| word | <A1 | classroom | A1 | course | A1 | dictionary | A1 |
| dress | A1 | ebook | A1 | email | A1 | field | A1 |
| future | A1 | idea | A1 | internet | A1 | lesson | A1 |
| music | A1 | paper | A1 | pen | A1 | plan | A1 |
| school day | A1 | shirt | A1 | shoe | A1 | test | A1 |
| trousers | A1 | exam paper | A1+ | music room | A1+ | school bag | A1+ |
| school library | A1+ | art | A2 | drawing | A2 | education | A2 |
| example | A2 | history | A2 | leader | A2 | mistake | A2 |
| paint | A2 | pencil | A2 | pupil | A2 | result | A2 |
| science | A2 | screen | A2 | skirt | A2 | society | A2 |
| sock | A2 | start of term | A2 | subject | A2 | term | A2 |
| university | A2 | website | A2 | activity | A2+ | break (recess) | A2+ |
| exercise book | A2+ | geography | A2+ | grade | A2+ | homework | A2+ |
| interest | A2+ | jacket | A2+ | mark | A2+ | printer | A2+ |


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| report | A2+ | sentence | A2+ | shorts | A2+ | timetable | A2+ |
| uniform | A2+ | video | A2+ | advantage | B1 | advice | B1 |
| application | B1 | campus | B1 | club (society for shared activity or interest) | B1 | dance | B1 |
| dream | B1 | DVD player | B1 | file | B1 | hall (for assembly) | B1 |
| instructions | B1 | keyboard | B1 | laboratory | B1 | laptop | B1 |
| qualification | B1 | reason | B1 | rubber | B1 | ruler | B1 |
| student accommodation | B1 | studies | B1 | tablet | B1 | tennis | B1 |
| textbook | B1 | tie | B1 | trainer | B1 | action | B1+ |
| advisor (careers) | B1+ | blog | B1+ | broadband | B1+ | careers advice | B1+ |
| coach (i.e. sporting coach) | B1+ | college | B1+ | communication | B1+ | database | B1+ |
| design | B1+ | development | B1+ | disadvantage | B1+ | download | B1+ |
| effect | B1+ | equipment | B1+ | facilities | B1+ | folder | B1+ |
| headteacher (principal) | B1+ | infants' school (elementary school) | B1+ | information technology | B1+ | lecturer | B1+ |


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| literature | B1+ | maths | B1+ | oral (spoken language) | B1+ | passion | B1+ |
| period (lesson) | B1+ | physics | B1+ | playground | B1+ | primary school | B1+ |
| professor | B1+ | pronunciation | B1+ | recording | B1+ | religious studies | B1+ |
| school council | B1+ | secondary school | B1+ | social network | B1+ | software | B1+ |
| strength | B1+ | suggestion | B1+ | summary | B1+ | system | B1+ |
| text message | B1+ | virus | B1+ | application (software) | B2 | biology | B2 |
| blouse | B2 | browser | B2 | chemistry | B2 | choir | B2 |
| citizenship | B2 | connection | B2 | court (for sports e.g. tennis) | B2 | cursor | B2 |
| desktop | B2 | diploma | B2 | dissertation | B2 | drama | B2 |
| essay | B2 | grade (school year) | B2 | homepage | B2 | module | B2 |
| monitor (screen) | B2 | pause | B2 | potential | B2 | psychology | B2 |
| sculpture | B2 | tights (pair of) | B2 | undergraduate | B2 | weakness | B2 |
| accessible technology | B2+ | admission interview | B2+ | app | B2+ | apprentice | B2+ |


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| apprenticeship | B2+ | aspiration | B2+ | award ceremony | B2+ | canteen <br> (cafeteria / <br> lunchroom) | B2+ |
| chalkboard | B2+ | changing room | B2+ | computer science | B2+ | device | B2+ |
| dormitory | B2+ | graduation | B2+ | gymnasium | B2+ | hacker | B2+ |
| hard drive | B2+ | headphones | B2+ | language assistant | B2+ | master's degree | B2+ |
| mentor | B2+ | motivation | B2+ | password | B2+ | PE kit | B2+ |
| physical education (PE) | B2+ | podcast | B2+ | projector | B2+ | prompt | B2+ |
| sociology | B2+ | sweater | B2+ | undergraduate degree | B2+ | voicemail | B2+ |
| whiteboard | B2+ | Wi-Fi | B2+ | word processor | B2+ | Chinese (language) | N/A |
| French (language) | N/A | German (language) | N/A | Italian (language) | N/A | Spanish (language) | N/A |


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| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| doctor | <A1 | farmer | <A1 | job | <A1 | office | <A1 |
| work | <A1 | business | A1 | nurse | A1 | pay | A1 |
| programme | A1 | soldier | A1 | holiday job | A1+ | actor / actress | A2 |
| artist | A2 | career | A2 | company | A2 | form | A2 |
| manager | A2 | meeting | A2 | organisation | A2 | pilot | A2 |
| position | A2 | scientist | A2 | skill | A2 | stress | A2 |
| tax | A2 | boss | A2+ | contract | A2+ | engineer | A2+ |
| factory | A2+ | interview | A2+ | journalist | A2+ | police officer | A2+ |
| politician | A2+ | project | A2+ | staff | A2+ | vet | A2+ |
| writer | A2+ | application | B1 | businessperson | B1 | charity | B1 |
| chef | B1 | competition | B1 | customer | B1 | dentist | B1 |
| duty | B1 | mechanic | B1 | musician | B1 | office hour | B1 |
| photographer | B1 | progress | B1 | secretary | B1 | server (waiter) | B1 |
| sportsperson | B1 | taxi driver | B1 | team | B1 | training | B1 |
| unemployment | B1 | waiter | B1 | work-experience | B1 | advertisement (advert) | B1+ |
| architect | B1+ | background | B1+ | benefit | B1+ | butcher | B1+ |
| candidate | B1+ | challenge | B1+ | cleaner | B1+ | employee | B1+ |


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| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| employer | B1+ | experience | B1+ | feedback | B1+ | IT expert | B1+ |
| judge | B1+ | lawyer | B1+ | leadership | B1+ | model (fashion) | B1+ |
| offer (job) | B1+ | opportunity | B1+ | pharmacist | B1+ | position (job role) | B1+ |
| profession | B1+ | promotion | B1+ | receptionist | B1+ | reference (recommendatio n) | B1+ |
| responsibility | B1+ | salary | B1+ | shop assistant | B1+ | strength | B1+ |
| translator | B1+ | tutor | B1+ | vacancy | B1+ | volunteer | B1+ |
| wage | B1+ | accountant | B2 | achievement | B2 | applicant | B2 |
| baker | B2 | banker | B2 | builder | B2 | cashier | B2 |
| challenge | B2 | colleague | B2 | commitment | B2 | counselling | B2 |
| designer | B2 | diploma | B2 | economist | B2 | effort | B2 |
| electrician | B2 | employment | B2 | firefighter | B2 | flight attendant (cabin crew) | B2 |
| hairdresser | B2 | homemaker | B2 | income tax | B2 | influencer | B2 |
| interviewer | B2 | mental health | B2 | office worker | B2 | personnel | B2 |
| plumber | B2 | presenter | B2 | pressure | B2 | psychologist | B2 |
| recruit | B2 | response | B2 | schedule (rota) | B2 | teamwork | B2 |


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| technician | B2 | temporary job | B2 | trainee | B2 | weakness | B2 |
| accomplishment | B2+ | barber | B2+ | business class | B2+ | carpenter | B2+ |
| co-worker | B2+ | dedication | B2+ | employment history | B2+ | expertise | B2+ |
| film maker | B2+ | goodwill | B2+ | job coach | B2+ | job security | B2+ |
| parental leave (maternity or paternity leave) | B2+ | non-profit | B2+ | notice period | B2+ | optician | B2+ |
| postal worker | B2+ | redundancy | B2+ | resignation | B2+ | salesperson | B2+ |
| tailor | B2+ | till (cash desk) | B2+ | trial shift | B2+ | till (cash desk) | B2+ |


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| Myself \& Others |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| to be | <A1 | to clean | <A1 | to close (shut) | <A1 | to do (something) | <A1 |
| to enjoy | <A1 | to enjoy oneself | <A1 | to feel | <A1 | to give | <A1 |
| to go out | <A1 | to have | <A1 | to know | <A1 | to like | <A1 |
| to live (at a place) | <A1 | to love | <A1 | to open | <A1 | to play | <A1 |
| to play (an instrument) | <A1 | to play (sports) | <A1 | to read | <A1 | to relax | <A1 |
| to repeat | <A1 | to run | <A1 | to shop (to do the shopping) | <A1 | to talk | <A1 |
| to bring | A1 | to cook | A1 | to cut | A1 | to dance | A1 |
| to get up | A1 | to have afternoon tea | A1 | to have breakfast | A1 | to have dinner | A1 |
| to have lunch | A1 | to lose | A1 | to make the bed | A1 | to meet | A1 |
| to put | A1 | to put on (clothes) | A1 | to show | A1 | to sing | A1 |
| to sleep | A1 | to swim | A1 | to tell (a story) | A1 | to throw | A1 |
| to try | A1 | to walk | A1 | to wash | A1 | to watch | A1 |
| to win | A1 | to brush (hair or teeth) | A2 | to carry | A2 | to change | A2 |


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| to die | A2 | to exercise | A2 | to hate | A2 | to help | A2 |
| to introduce | A2 | to invite | A2 | to join | A2 | to jump | A2 |
| to kill | A2 | to laugh | A2 | to lie | A2 | to look after | A2 |
| to marry | A2 | to move | A2 | to paint | A2 | to pull | A2 |
| to push | A2 | to put away | A2 | to smile | A2 | to climb | A2+ |
| to cry | A2+ | to drop | A2+ | to follow | A2+ | to get dressed | A2+ |
| to go downstairs | A2+ | to go home | A2+ | to go upstairs | A2+ | to happen | A2+ |
| to have fun | A2+ | to have to | A2+ | to hide | A2+ | to kiss | A2+ |
| to lead | A2+ | to let (to allow) | A2+ | to prefer | A2+ | to ride (a horse) | A2+ |
| to share | A2+ | to shower | A2+ | to switch off | A2+ | to switch on | A2+ |
| to wait | A2+ | to wake up | A2+ | to be quiet | B1 | to be sorry | B1 |
| to celebrate | B1 | to collect (groceries, laundry, etc.) | B1 | to compete | B1 | to dive | B1 |
| to empty | B1 | to enter (a competition) | B1 | to grow up | B1 | to include | B1 |
| to pour | B1 | to tell off (to scold) | B1 | to train (fitness) | B1 | to waste | B1 |
| to appear | B1+ | to attend | B1+ | to avoid | B1+ | to bake | B1+ |


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| to be supposed to | B1+ | to behave | B1+ | to belong to / be a part of | B1+ | to browse (online / social media) | B1+ |
| to deserve | B1+ | to do the housework | B1+ | to involve | B1+ | to jog | B1+ |
| to remain | B1+ | to seem | B1+ | to shave | B1+ | to surf | B1+ |
| to take out (the bin) | B1+ | to take place | B1+ | to tidy up | B1+ | to admire | B2 |
| to be born | B2 | to chop | B2 | to cycle | B2 | to disappoint | B2 |
| to do the laundry | B2 | to do the washing up | B2 | to entertain | B2 | to fish | B2 |
| to garden (to do the gardening) | B2 | to hug | B2 | to iron (to do the ironing) | B2 | to lay (the table) | B2 |
| to photograph | B2 | to regret | B2 | to sail | B2 | to slice | B2 |
| to touch | B2 | to upset | B2 | to walk (the dog) | B2 | to become angry | B2+ |
| to blog | B2+ | to bowl (to go bowling) | B2+ | to grill | B2+ | to hike | B2+ |
| to imitate | B2+ | to make someone's acquaintance | B2+ | to play chess | B2+ | to vacuum | B2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| to arrive | <A1 | to ask | <A1 | to board (a flight) | <A1 | to come | <A1 |
| to drive | <A1 | to fly | <A1 | to go | <A1 | to see | <A1 |
| to stop | <A1 | to visit | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | to walk | <A1 | to want | <A1 |
| to buy | <A1 | to drink | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | to eat | <A1 | to get | <A1 |
| to go shopping | <A1 | to hit | <A1 | to take | <A1 | to fill (a vehicle with fuel) | A1 |
| to park | A1 | to plan | A1 | to send | A1 | to stay | A1 |
| to take off | A1 | to travel | A1 | to turn | A1 | to welcome | A1 |
| to call (telephone) | A1 | to forget | A1 | to lose | A1 | to sell | A1 |
| to smoke | A1 | to spend | A1 | to be well (to not be ill) | A1 | to book | A2 |
| to book | A2 | to check | A2 | to cross | A2 | to thank | A2 |
| to fall | A2 | to be sick | A2 | to feel sick | A2 | to find | A2 |
| to save | A2 | to serve | A2 | to borrow | A2+ | to camp | A2+ |
| to catch (public transport) | A2+ | to cost | A2+ | to enter | A2+ | to land | A2+ |
| to pack | A2+ | to recover | A2+ | to rent (hire) | A2+ | to reserve | A2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| to return | A2+ | to smell | A2+ | to accept | B1 | to cough | B1 |
| to destroy | B1 | to expect | B1 | to get out | B1 | to have a cold | B1 |
| to have a headache | B1 | to have a meal | B1 | to have a temperature | B1 | to last | B1 |
| to lend | B1 | to lose weight | B1 | to order | B1 | to put on weight | B1 |
| to receive | B1 | to repair | B1 | to ski | B1 | to tour | B1 |
| to wish | B1 | to afford | B1+ | to attend | B1+ | to breathe | B1+ |
| to escape | B1+ | to exchange | B1+ | to fill in (a form) | B1+ | to get on (public transport) | B1+ |
| to hurry up | B1+ | to knock | B1+ | to miss (e.g. a train) | B1+ | to provide | B1+ |
| to rest | B1+ | to shock | B1+ | to slow down | B1+ | to suffer | B1+ |
| to taste | B1+ | to accompany | B2 | to dial (a telephone number) | B2 | to fetch | B2 |
| to fish (to go fishing) | B2 | to get off (public transport) | B2 | to greet | B2 | to have a backache | B2 |
| to have a sore throat | B2 | to have a stiff neck | B2 | to leave behind | B2 | to sting | B2 |
| to vomit | B2 | to backpack | B2+ | to feel unwell | B2+ | to have a stomachache | B2+ |


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| Travel \& Tourism |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| to overlook (a view) | B2+ | to overtake | B2+ | to shiver | B2+ | to sunbathe | B2+ |
| to tan | B2+ | to turn around | B2+ | to unpack | B2+ | to upgrade | B2+ |


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| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| to answer (a question) | <A1 | to ask (a question) | <A1 | to draw | <A1 | to finish | <A1 |
| to hear | <A1 | to know | <A1 | to learn | <A1 | to leave | <A1 |
| to listen | <A1 | to mean | <A1 | to say | <A1 | to sit down | <A1 |
| to speak | <A1 | to start | <A1 | to think | <A1 | to understand | <A1 |
| to write | <A1 | to begin | A1 | to build | A1 | to count | A1 |
| to dance | A1 | to remember | A1 | to study | A1 | to tell | A1 |
| to use | A1 | to add | A2 | to believe | A2 | to continue | A2 |
| to copy | A2 | to decide | A2 | to describe | A2 | to email | A2 |
| to hope | A2 | to practice | A2 | to question | A2 | to worry | A2 |
| to agree | A2+ | to click | A2+ | to develop | A2+ | to explain | A2+ |
| to fail (an exam) | A2+ | to interest | A2+ | to manage | A2+ | to need | A2+ |
| to offer | A2+ | to reply | A2+ | to succeed | A2+ | to allow | B1 |
| to chat (online) | B1 | to connect | B1 | to define | B1 | to delete | B1 |
| to experiment | B1 | to improve | B1 | to pass (a course or exam) | B1 | to print | B1 |
| to produce | B1 | to register | B1 | to suggest | B1 | to type | B1 |
| to achieve | B1+ | to advise | B1+ | to argue | B1+ | to back up | B1+ |


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| to browse (the internet) | B1+ | to comment | B1+ | to concentrate | B1+ | to consider | B1+ |
| to correct | B1+ | to debate | B1+ | to design | B1+ | to download | B1+ |
| to focus | B1+ | to hold | B1+ | to identify | B1+ | to interpret | B1+ |
| to login | B1+ | to look for | B1+ | to organise | B1+ | to participate | B1+ |
| to record | B1+ | to research | B1+ | to revise | B1+ | to select | B1+ |
| to want to (do something) | B1+ | to analyse | B2 | to appreciate | B2 | to assume | B2 |
| to be bored | B2 | to be necessary | B2 | to be proud | B2 | to conclude | B2 |
| to contribute | B2 | to coordinate | B2 | to cope | B2 | to desire | B2 |
| to draw (interested in) | B2 | to evaluate | B2 | to function | B2 | to illustrate | B2 |
| to intend | B2 | to mention | B2 | to paste | B2 | to raise (money <br> - fundraise) | B2 |
| to require | B2 | to summarise | B2 | to text | B2 | to acquire | B2+ |
| to be able to | B2+ | to collaborate | B2+ | to conduct (an experiment) | B2+ | to distract | B2+ |
| to drop (a subject) | B2+ | to excuse | B2+ | to format | B2+ | to prompt | B2+ |


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| to recall | B2+ | to retake (a test) | B2+ | to silence (a device) | B2+ | to upload | B2+ |


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| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| to work | <A1 | to write (a letter of application) | <A1 | to keep | A1 | to pay (salary) | A1 |
| to choose | A2 | to complete (a task) | A2 | to answer (the phone) | A2+ | to apply | A2+ |
| to apply | A2+ | to become | A2+ | to employ | A2+ | to manage | A2+ |
| to produce | B1 | to reach | B1 | to advertise | B1+ | to create | B1+ |
| to dream | B1+ | to earn | B1+ | to give back | B1+ | to perform (in a role) | B1+ |
| to promote | B1+ | to quit | B1+ | to respond | B1+ | to advance | B2 |
| to file | B2 | to fire | B2 | to go on a course (to train for work) | B2 | to motivate | B2 |
| to resign | B2 | to retire | B2 | to volunteer | B2 | to balance | B2+ |
| to fulfil | B2+ | to have the ability to | B2+ | to inspire | B2+ | to telephone | B2+ |


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| bad | <A1 | big | <A1 | cheap | <A1 | cold | <A1 |
| dead | <A1 | difficult | <A1 | easy | <A1 | expensive | <A1 |
| far | $<A 1$ | fine | <A1 | free | <A1 | good | <A1 |
| happy | <A1 | high | <A1 | hot | <A1 | how much / how many (adv) | <A1 |
| little | <A1 | long | <A1 | very (adv) | <A1 | good | <A1 |
| young | <A1 | far | <A1 | better | A1 | clean | A1 |
| different | A1 | early (adv) | A1 | full | A1 | great | A1 |
| healthy | A1 | ill | A1 | interesting | A1 | late | A1 |
| more | A1 | new | A1 | next | A1 | nice | A1 |
| normal | A1 | old | A1 | other | A1 | small | A1 |
| sometimes (adv) | A1 | strong | A1 | tired | A1 | usually (adv) | A1 |
| fast | A1 | slow | A1 | angry | A2 | beautiful | A2 |
| correct (right) | A2 | dangerous | A2 | dirty | A2 | fat | A2 |
| funny | A2 | immediately (adv) | A2 | important | A2 | kind | A2 |
| large | A2 | nearly (adv) | A2 | often (adv) | A2 | beautiful | A2 |
| possible | A2 | public | A2 | sad | A2 | same | A2 |
| short | A2 | single (not in a relationship) | A2 | sure | A2 | tall | A2 |


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| thin | A2 | useful | A2 | sorry | A2 | well (adv) | A2 |
| online | A2 | for a long time | A2 | safe to drink | A2 | everywhere | A2 |
| soft | A2 | hard | A2 | able | A2+ | abroad (adv) | A2+ |
| already (adv) | A2+ | badly (adv) | A2+ | boring | A2+ | clear | A2+ |
| comfortable | A2+ | exciting | A2+ | famous | A2+ | favourite | A2+ |
| fresh | A2+ | friendly | A2+ | heavy | A2+ | helpful | A2+ |
| honest | A2+ | independent | A2+ | local | A2+ | lost | A2+ |
| married | A2+ | necessary | A2+ | perhaps (adv) | A2+ | pretty | A2+ |
| quickly | A2+ | real | A2+ | silly | A2+ | worse | A2+ |
| FALSE | A2+ | TRUE | A2+ | ago (adv) | A2+ | successful | A2+ |
| lucky | A2+ | thick | A2+ | alone | B1 | available | B1 |
| broken | B1 | crazy | B1 | divorced | B1 | final | B1 |
| handsome | B1 | illegal | B1 | main | B1 | modern | B1 |
| noisy | B1 | obvious | B1 | polite | B1 | political | B1 |
| positive (good / acceptable) | B1 | rarely (adv) | B1 | rather (adv) | B1 | recently (adv) | B1 |
| round trip | B1 | rude | B1 | serious | B1 | silent | B1 |
| still (adv) | B1 | stupid | B1 | thirsty | B1 | tidy | B1 |
| together (adv) | B1 | traditional | B1 | honest | B1 | ugly | B1 |


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| locked | B1 | instead (adv) | B1 | disabled | B1 | popular | B1 |
| sunny | B1 | smooth | B1 | annual | B1+ | appropriate | B1+ |
| approximately (adv) | B1+ | awful | B1+ | brief | B1+ | coastal | B1+ |
| decent | B1+ | complex | B1+ | content | B1+ | currently (adv) | B1+ |
| digital | B1+ | disgusting | B1+ | economic | B1+ | elderly | B1+ |
| especially (adv) | B1+ | exhausted | B1+ | general | B1+ | glad | B1+ |
| grateful | B1+ | historic | B1+ | hungry | B1+ | in a hurry | B1+ |
| in advance | B1+ | in the open air | B1+ | industrial | B1+ | initial | B1+ |
| injured | B1+ | keen | B1+ | lazy | B1+ | legal | B1+ |
| low | B1+ | major (importance) | B1+ | no good | B1+ | on foot (adv) | B1+ |
| one-way | B1+ | peaceful | B1+ | pleasant | B1+ | pleased | B1+ |
| previous | B1+ | confident | B1+ | significant | B1+ | similar | B1+ |
| social | B1+ | specific | B1+ | strange | B1+ | cute | B1+ |
| sweet | B1+ | technical | B1+ | typical | B1+ | unemployed | B1+ |
| useless | B1+ | valid | B1+ | valuable | B1+ | weak | B1+ |
| wireless | B1+ | in writing | B1+ | voluntary | B1+ | part-time | B1+ |
| full-time | B1+ | incorrect | B1+ | worldwide (global) | B1+ | particular | B1+ |


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| rainy | B1+ | windy | B1+ | enormous | B1+ | scary |  |
| however (adv) | B1+ | amusing | B2 | bald |  |  |  |
| brave | B2 | not working |  |  |  |  |  |


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| secure | B2 | redundant | B2 | unpopular | B2 | spicy | B2 |
| scared | B2 | potential | B2 | accessible | B2+ | adequate | B2+ |
| arrogant | B2+ | as a family (adv) | B2+ | badly paid | B2+ | bland | B2+ |
| charming | B2+ | chic | B2+ | considerable | B2+ | constant | B2+ |
| curly | B2+ | customerfocused | B2+ | cutting-edge | B2+ | dedicated | B2+ |
| dreadful | B2+ | delighted | B2+ | dishonest | B2+ | distinct | B2+ |
| dynamic | B2+ | economy class | B2+ | evident | B2+ | evidently (adv) | B2+ |
| focused | B2+ | former | B2+ | gripping | B2+ | hard working | B2+ |
| harsh | B2+ | interactive | B2+ | latter | B2+ | lightweight | B2+ |
| magnificent | B2+ | managerial | B2+ | marvellous | B2+ | mature (age / attitude) | B2+ |
| mature (food) | B2+ | meaningful | B2+ | messy | B2+ | minor | B2+ |
| modest | B2+ | near | B2+ | optional | B2+ | paid | B2+ |
| passionate | B2+ | perfect | B2+ | present day | B2+ | primary (most important) | B2+ |
| prior | B2+ | reduced | B2+ | relevant | B2+ | respected | B2+ |
| respectful | B2+ | salty (food) | B2+ | satisfied | B2+ | self-service | B2+ |
| sensational | B2+ | sick | B2+ | strict | B2+ | subsequent | B2+ |
| subtitled | B2+ | sufficient | B2+ | supportive | B2+ | tasty | B2+ |


| ADJECTIVES \& ADVERBS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| thorough | B2+ | tough <br> (personality <br> trait) | B2+ | vegan | B2+ | very |  |
| well paid | B2+ | wheelchair <br> accessible | B2+ |  |  |  |  |

## PREPOSITIONS

| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
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| at | <A1 | because | <A1 | for | <A1 | in | <A1 |
| near | <A1 | off | <A1 | on | <A1 | about | A1 |
| after | A1 | before | A1 | behind | A1 | below | A1 |
| between | A1 | by | A1 | down | A1 | during | A1 |
| from | A1 | into | A1 | over | A1 | through | A1 |
| under / underneath | A1 | up | A1 | with | A1 | above | A2 |
| across | A2 | against | A2 | until | A2 | outside | A2+ |
| past (beyond) | A2+ | without | A2+ | towards | B1 | beneath | B1+ |
| except | B1+ | out | B1+ | since | B1+ | according to | B2 |
| amongst | B2 | in front of | B2 | to | B2+ |  |  |

## PRONOUNS, ARTICLES \& DETERMINER

| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
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| a | <A1 | an | <A1 | he / him / his | <A1 | I/ me / my | <A1 |
| it / its | <A1 | more | <A1 | she / her / hers | <A1 | the | <A1 |
| them / theirs | <A1 | these | <A1 | they / their / theirs | <A1 | this | <A1 |
| we / us / ours | <A1 | what | <A1 | you / your | <A1 | all | A1 |
| another | A1 | any | A1 | every | A1 | many | A1 |
| most | A1 | much | A1 | no | A1 | some | A1 |
| that | A1 | those | A1 | which | A1 | both | A2 |
| each | A2 | enough | A2 | few | A2 | half | A2 |
| same | A2 | several | A2 | who | A2 | less | A2+ |
| little | A2+ | whose | A2+ | either | B1 | neither | B1 |
| own | B1 | such | B1 | whatever | B1+ | whom | B2 |


| QUESTIONS \& INTERROGATIVES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| how are you? | <A1 | how much / how <br> many? | <A1 | how? | <A1 | what? |  |
| when? | <A1 | where? | <A1 | which? | <A1 | <A1 | who? |
| whose? | <A1 | why? | <A1 | how do you spell <br> that? | A2 | <A1 | how can I...? |
| what for? | A2+ | where can I find? | A2+ | for what reason? | B2 | to what extent? | B2+ |

## CONJUNCTIONS

| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
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| because | <A1 | how | <A1 | what | <A1 | where | <A1 |
| when | <A1 | after | A1 | also | A1 | and | A1 |
| but | A1 | or | A1 | that | A1 | then | A1 |
| which | A1 | if | A2 | once | A2 | too | A2 |
| until | A2 | who | A2 | although | A2+ | as | B1 |
| however | B1 | so (therefore) | B1 | unless | B1 | while | B1 |
| besides | B1+ | despite | B1+ | since | B1+ | therefore | B1+ |
| though | B1+ | whatever | B1+ | yet | B1+ | alternatively | B2 |
| furthermore | B2 | moreover | B2 | nevertheless | B2 | similarly | B2 |
| whenever | B2 | whoever | B2 | consequently | B2+ | hence | B2+ |
| otherwise | B2+ | thus | B2+ |  |  |  |  |

## GENERAL EXPRESSIONS AND PHRASES

| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| My name is | <A1 | OK | <A1 | a few | A1 | a good idea | A1 |
| agree with | A1 | all day | A1 | anything else? | A1 | around the world | A1 |
| at the moment | A1 | at the same time | A1 | at the weekend | A1 | best friend | A1 |
| for example | A1 | hard work | A1 | here is | A1 | I'm sorry | A1 |
| in my opinion | A1 | in the future | A1 | it is important to do... | A1 | last time | A1 |
| next time | A1 | no problem | A1 | of course | A1 | see you | A1 |
| Thank you | A1 | there is | A1 | you're welcome | A1 | to be right | A1+ |
| to be wrong | A1+ | a bit | A2 | a couple of | A2 | a long time ago | A2 |
| a long way | A2 | all kinds of | A2 | all over | A2 | as a result | A2 |
| as soon as... | A2 | at the time | A2 | believe in... | A2 | carry on | A2 |
| connected to | A2 | depend on | A2 | each one | A2 | everyone else | A2 |
| feel good | A2 | find it difficult to... | A2 | for that reason | A2 | good luck | A2 |
| happy birthday | A2 | have a look | A2 | have got to | A2 | I don't care | A2 |
| 1 guess | A2 | I think so | A2 | in some cases | A2 | it depends | A2 |
| make a mistake | A2 | make sense | A2 | no way | A2 | Oh dear | A2 |
| pay attention | A2 | per hour | A2 | reasons why | A2 | see you later | A2 |

## GENERAL EXPRESSIONS AND PHRASES

| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
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| to be allowed to... | A2 | why not...? | A2 | alright | A2+ | have a good journey | A2+ |
| have a nice day | A2+ | have a nice stay | A2+ | a great deal of... | B1 | a kind of... | B1 |
| a variety of... | B1 | an alternative to... | B1 | and so on | B1 | as soon as possible | B1 |
| best wishes | B1 | caused by | B1 | choose to do... | B1 | come up with... | B1 |
| compared to | B1 | even though | B1 | exactly the same | B1 | fail to do... | B1 |
| for instance | B1 | get on with... | B1 | go ahead | B1 | have something in common | B1 |
| I don't mind | B1 | If I were you | B1 | I'm fed up | B1 | in addition | B1 |
| in order to... | B1 | in other words | B1 | in particular | B1 | in recent years | B1 |
| in response to... | B1 | in this case | B1 | look forward to | B1 | make a difference | B1 |
| manage to... | B1 | never mind | B1 | not even if... | B1 | not only | B1 |
| on a regular basis | B1 | on my own | B1 | on the other hand | B1 | ought to | B1 |
| over time | B1 | point of view | B1 | rather than | B1 | suffer from... | B1 |
| tell the truth | B1 | well known | B1 | worried about | B1 | don't mention it | B1+ |
| happy new year | B1+ | it's a shame | B1+ | kind regards | B1+ | Please hold (the line) | B1+ |
| a bit of a... | B2 | a means of... | B2 | account for... | B2 | accused of... | B2 |


| GENERAL EXPRESSIONS AND PHRASES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| act as... | B2 | appeal to... | B2 | as a whole | B2 | as far as I'm concerned | B2 |
| as long as... | B2 | as though... | B2 | at once | B2 | at some point | B2 |
| at the end of the day | B2 | at this stage | B2 | both sides | B2 | by now | B2 |
| confidence in | B2 | cope with... | B2 | decline in... | B2 | dependent on... | B2 |
| despite the fact that... | B2 | enjoy your meal | B2 | ever since | B2 | get over | B2 |
| get rid of | B2 | go on to do... | B2 | I have to say... | B2 | I would say... | B2 |
| in advance | B2 | in an attempt to... | B2 | in spite of | B2 | in the first place | B2 |
| loads of | B2 | more or less | B2 | on the one hand | B2 | once again | B2 |
| one another | B2 | other than | B2 | pretty much | B2 | ranging from... | B2 |
| relevant to... | B2 | something like... | B2 | take advantage of... | B2 | take into account | B2 |
| to be about to | B2 | to be in the process (of doing) | B2 | whether or not | B2 | with pleasure | B2 |
| would rather | B2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| HIGH FREQUENCY ITEMS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Numbers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| first | <A1 | last | <A1 | second | <A1 | million | A2+ |
| billion | B2 | dozen | B2+ | a thousand | N/a | eight | N/a |
| eighteen | N/a | eighty | N/a | eleven | N/a | fifteen | N/a |
| fifty | N/a | five | N/a | forty | N/a | four | N/a |
| fourteen | N/a | nine | N/a | nineteen | N/a | ninety | N/a |
| one | N/a | one hundred | N/a | seven | N/a | seventeen | N/a |
| seventy | N/a | six | N/a | sixteen | N/a | sixty | N/a |
| ten | N/a | thirteen | N/a | thirty | N/a | three | N/a |
| twelve | N/a | twenty | N/a | twenty-one | N/a | two | N/a |


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| Quantities \& Measures |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| little | <A1 | number | <A1 | a lot | A1 | bottle of | A1 |
| quarter | A1 | some | A1 | enough | A2 | half | A2 |
| metre | A2 | several | A2 | distance | A2+ | kilometre | A2+ |
| percent | A2+ | tin of | A2+ | packet | B1 | piece | B1 |
| whole | B1 | centimetre | B1+ | gram | B1+ | majority | B1+ |
| maximum | B1+ | minimum | B1+ | pot of | B1+ | quantity | B1+ |
| third | B1+ | kilogram | B2 | minority | B2+ | roughly | B2+ |


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| Time \& Expressions of Time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| always | <A1 | day | <A1 | end | <A1 | evening | <A1 |
| hour | <A1 | minute | <A1 | morning | <A1 | night | <A1 |
| o'clock | <A1 | start | <A1 | tomorrow | <A1 | tomorrow | <A1 |
| yesterday | <A1 | afternoon | A1 | half (hour) | A1 | quarter (hour) | A1 |
| today | A1 | every day | A2 | soon | A2 | the day before yesterday | A2 |
| century | B1 | midnight | B1 | moment | B1 | eventually | B1+ |
| fortnight | B1+ | from time to time | B1+ | midday | B1+ | occasionally | B1+ |
| period (length of time) | B1+ | shortly | B1+ | lunchtime | B2 | now | B2+ |


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| Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| Monday | <A1 | Tuesday | <A1 | Wednesday | <A1 | Thursday | <A1 |
| Friday | <A1 | Saturday | <A1 | Sunday | <A1 | week | <A1 |
| weekend | A1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Months \& Seasons |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| January | <A1 | February | <A1 | March | <A1 | April | <A1 |
| May | $<A 1$ | June | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | July | $<A 1$ | August | <A1 |
| September | $<\mathrm{A} 1$ | October | <A1 | November | $<A 1$ | December | <A1 |
| month | <A1 | year | <A1 | date | <A1 | summer | A1 |
| spring | A1 | autumn | A1 | winter | A1 | season | A2 |


| HIGH FREQUENCY ITEMS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Countries, Continents \& Nationalities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| Asia | N/a | Africa | N/a | Austria | N/a | Bangladesh | N/a |
| Belgium | N/a | Canada | N/a | China | N/a | Denmark | N/a |
| Egypt | N/a | England | N/a | Europe | N/a | France | N/a |
| Germany | N/a | Great Britain | N/a | Greece | N/a | India | N/a |
| Ireland | N/a | Italy | N/a | Japan | N/a | Netherlands | N/a |
| North America | N/a | Pakistan | N/a | Portugal | N/a | Qatar | N/a |
| Russia | N/a | Scotland | N/a | South <br> America/Latin <br> America | N/a | Spain | N/a |
| Sweden | N/a | Switzerland | N/a | United Kingdom | N/a | United States | N/a |
| Wales | N/a | world | <A1 | African | N/a | American | N/a |
| Asian | N/a | Austrian | N/a | Bangladeshi | N/a | Belgian | N/a |
| Canadian | N/a | Chinese | N/a | Danish | N/a | Dutch | N/a |
| English | N/a | European | N/a | French | N/a | Greek | N/a |
| Indian | N/a | Irish | N/a | Italian | N/a | Japanese | N/a |
| Portuguese | N/a | Scottish | N/a | Spanish | N/a | Swedish | N/a |
| Swiss | N/a | Welsh | N/a |  |  |  |  |


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| Social Conventions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| goodbye | <A1 | hello | <A1 | help | <A1 | hi | <A1 |
| how are you? | <A1 | good evening | A2 | good morning | A2 | good night | A2 |
| how are you doing? | A2 | nice to meet you | A2 | good afternoon | B1 | what's up? | B1+ |


| HIGH FREQUENCY ITEMS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Colours |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| black | <A1 | green | <A1 | white | <A1 | blue | A1 |
| brown | A1 | red | A1 | yellow | A1 | dark | A2 |
| orange (colour) | A2 | pink | A2 | grey | A2+ | light | A2+ |
| purple | B1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Abbreviations / Acronyms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| Ms. | <A1 | Miss | <A1 | Dr | <A1 | Mr. | <A1 |
| Mrs. | <A1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| everyone / everybody | <A1 | no | <A1 | someone | <A1 | yes | <A1 |
| something | A1 | could | A2 | must | A2 | shall | A2 |
| should | A2 | would | A2 | may | B1 | thing | B1 |
| type | B1 | will | B1 | might | B1+ |  |  |

## Appendix 4: Optional Subtopics Vocabulary List

| NOUNS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Environment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| food | <A1 | river | <A1 | fish | <A1 | animal | <A1 |
| plant / plants | <A1 | power | A1 | farm | A1 | business | A1 |
| environment | A2 | forest | A2 | energy | A2 | wind | A2 |
| ocean | A2 | wind power | A2 | seed | A2 | government | A2 |
| electricity | A2+ | storm | A2+ | farming | A2+ | temperature | A2+ |
| nature | A2+ | plastic | A2+ | vehicle | A2+ | gasoline | A2+ |
| ice | A2+ | fire | A2+ | chemicals | B1 | crops | B1 |
| solution | B1 | wildlife | B1 | oil | B1 | gas | B1 |
| hunger | B1+ | climate change | B1+ | responsibility | B1+ | system | B1+ |
| climate refugee | B1+ | disaster | B1+ | risk | B1+ | solar | B1+ |
| transport | B1+ | public transport | B1+ | policy | B1+ | institution | B1+ |
| solar power | B1+ | climate action | B1+ | weather pattern | B2 | balance | B2 |
| investment | B2 | global warming | B2 | nutrition | B2 | famine | B2 |
| power plant | B2 | coal | B2 | consequence | B2 | resource | B2 |
| lifestyle | B2 | hurricane | B2 | poverty | B2 | company | B2 |
| carbon | B2 | atmosphere | B2 | connection (link) | B2 | flood | B2+ |
| greenhouse gas | B2+ | fossil fuel | B2+ | drought | B2+ | emission | B2+ |


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| Environment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| sea levels | B2+ | polar ice | B2+ | biodiversity | B2+ | ecosystem | B2+ |
| pollutant | B2+ | air conditioner | B2+ | appliances | B2+ | rainfall | B2+ |
| livestock | B2+ | fertilizer | B2+ | migration | B2+ | fast fashion | B2+ |


| NOUNS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Media |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| business | A1 | government | A1 | group | A1 | information | A1 |
| internet | A1 | news | A1 | newspaper | A1 | photo | A1 |
| problem | A1 | television | A1 | community | A2 | company | A2 |
| fact | A2 | freedom | A2 | message | A2 | power (authority / control) | A2 |
| stress | A2 | website | A2 | journalist | A2+ | magazine | A2+ |
| opinion | A2+ | report | A2+ | video | A2+ | writer | A2+ |
| article | B1 | expert | B1 | access | B1+ | anxiety | B1+ |
| attention | B1+ | communication | B1+ | content | B1+ | influence | B1+ |
| influencer | B1+ | internet access | B1+ | post (on e.g. a social media site) | B1+ | research | B1+ |
| risk | B1+ | safety | B1+ | source (of information) | B1+ | the press | B1+ |
| update | B1+ | user | B1+ | body image | B2 | connection | B2 |
| impact | B2 | journalism | B2 | justice | B2 | literacy | B2 |
| marketing | B2 | mental health | B2 | online safety | B2 | perspective (e.g. multiple perspectives) | B2 |


| NOUNS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Media |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| privacy | B2 | researcher | B2 | trend | B2 | voice (expressing an opinion / judgement e.g. to have a voice) | B2 |
| app | B2+ | awareness | B2+ | bias | B2+ | censorship | B2+ |
| content creator | B2+ | corporation | B2+ | coverage (news) | B2+ | fake news | B2+ |
| freedom of speech | B2+ | freedom of the press / press freedom | B2+ | manipulation (e.g. of the media) | B2+ | media | B2+ |
| platform (online / social media) | B2+ | propaganda | B2+ | subscription | B2+ | tabloid | B2+ |
| well-being | B2+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Equality |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| age | A1 | rule | A1 | culture | A2 | freedom | A2 |
| law | A2 | religion | A2 | right (as in human right) | A2 | equal pay | A2+ |
| experience | A2+ | gender | A2+ | joke | A2+ | opinion | A2+ |
| equality | B1 | (an) individual | B1+ | abuse | B1+ | access | B1+ |
| attitude | B1+ | background | B1+ | belief | B1+ | difference | B1+ |
| difficulty | B1+ | equal access | B1+ | need | B1+ | opportunity | B1+ |
| policy | B1+ | promotion | B1+ | respect | B1+ | treatment | B1+ |
| victim | B1+ | violence | B1+ | acceptance | B2 | appearance | B2 |
| chance (opportunity) | B2 | discrimination | B2 | equal opportunity | B2 | exploitation | B2 |
| fairness | B2 | isolation | B2 | justice | B2 | kindness | B2 |
| lifestyle | B2 | barrier (to success / progression) | B2+ | bias | B2+ | bully | B2+ |
| circumstance | B2+ | default | B2+ | dignity | B2+ | diversity | B2+ |
| equity | B2+ | ethics | B2+ | harassment | B2+ | ignorance | B2+ |
| inclusion | B2+ | inequality | B2+ | injustice | B2+ | insult | B2+ |
| oppression | B2+ | prejudice | B2+ | representation | B2+ | social justice | B2+ |
| stereotype | B2+ | tolerance | B2+ | unfairness | B2+ |  |  |


| VERBS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Environment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| to clean up | <A1 | to feed (livestock) | A1 | to keep (livestock) | A1 | to burn | A2 |
| to grow (food) | A2 | to plant (food) | A2 | to protect | A2 | to cut (to reduce) | B1 |
| to destroy | B1 | to farm | B1 | to rise | B1 | to achieve | B1+ |
| to consume | B1+ | to encourage | B1+ | to freeze | B1+ | to influence | B1+ |
| to melt | B1+ | to recycle | B1+ | to reduce | B1+ | to adapt | B2 |
| to breed (livestock) | B2 | to demand | B2 | to dump | B2 | to exploit | B2 |
| to fish | B2 | to forecast | B2 | to harvest | B2 | to invest | B2 |
| to preserve | B2 | to collaborate | B2+ | to cut down (trees) | B2+ | to disrupt | B2+ |
| to emit | B2+ | to fell (a tree) | B2+ | to flood | B2+ | to migrate | B2+ |
| to pollute | B2+ | to relocate | B2+ | to reuse | B2+ | to shift | B2+ |
| to extract (natural resources) | B2+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| VERBS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Media |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| to sell | A1 | to spend | A1 | to use | A1 | to believe | A2 |
| to check | A2 | to follow | A2+ | to share | A2+ | to support | A2+ |
| to compare | B1 | to connect | B1 | to include | B1 | to report | B1 |
| to access | B1+ | to benefit | B1+ | to confirm | B1+ | to control | B1+ |
| to influence | B1+ | to organise | B1+ | to protest | B1+ | to represent | B1+ |
| to respond | B1+ | to trust | B1+ | to update | B1+ | to communicate | B2 |
| to research | B2 | to spread | B2 | to target | B2 | to bully | B2+ |
| to censor | B2+ | to hack | B2+ | to impact | B2+ | to intimidate | B2+ |
| to manipulate | B2+ | to mislead | B2+ | to network | B2+ | to omit | B2+ |
| to profit | B2+ | to restrict | B2+ |  |  |  |  |


| VERBS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Equality |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| to need | A2+ | to allow | B1 | to expect | B1 | to include | B1 |
| to respect | B1 | to target | B1 | to access | B1+ | to belong | B1+ |
| to encourage | B1+ | to ignore | B1+ | to judge | B1+ | to participate | B1+ |
| to prevent | B1+ | to promote | B1+ | to speak up | B1+ | to treat | B1+ |
| to abuse | B2 | to assume | B2 | to be equal | B2 | to discourage | B2 |
| to discriminate | B2 | to exclude | B2 | to exploit | B2 | to get along | B2 |
| to limit | B2 | to offend | B2 | to support | B2 | to threaten | B2 |
| to value | B2 | to assume | B2+ | to bully | B2+ | to champion | B2+ |
| to empower | B2+ | to humiliate | B2+ | to insult | B2+ | to intimidate | B2+ |
| to oppress | B2+ | to perceive | B2+ |  |  |  |  |


| ADJECTIVES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Environment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| cold | <A1 | poor | A1 | warm | A2 | dry (weather) | A2+ |
| wet (weather) | A2+ | cool (weather) | B1 | green (environmentally friendly) | B1 | natural | B1 |
| nuclear (energy) | B1 | sunny (weather) | B1 | rainy | B1 | single-use | B1 |
| cloudy | B1+ | coastal | B1+ | environmental | B1+ | frequent | B1+ |
| frozen | B1+ | solar | B1+ | worldwide | B1+ | developed | B2 |
| ecological | B2 | efficient | B2 | efficient | B2 | overcrowded | B2 |
| poisonous | B2 | renewable | B2 | severe | B2 | sustainable | B2 |
| toxic | B2 | vegetarian | B2 | wasteful | B2 | wealthy | B2 |
| catastrophic | B2+ | disposable | B2+ | extinct | B2+ | plant-based (food <br> / diet) | B2+ |
| radioactive | B2+ | recycled | B2+ | unnatural | B2+ | vegan | B2+ |
| vulnerable | B2+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Media |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| healthy | A1 | private | A1 | immediately | A2 | important | A2 |
| online | A2 | public | A2 | quick | A2 | global | A2+ |
| independent | A2+ | free | B1 | Ionely | B1 | negative | B1 |
| political | B1 | popular | B1 | positive | B1 | traditional (media) | B1 |
| anxious | B1+ | digital | B1+ | lazy | B1+ | multiple | B1+ |
| objective | B1+ | professional | B1+ | straight away | B1+ | addictive | B2 |
| critical (of something) | B2 | depressed | B2 | diverse | B2 | inclusive | B2 |
| reliable | B2 | unhealthy | B2 | informed | B2+ | just (right / fair) | B2+ |
| mainstream | B2+ | offline | B2+ | subjective | B2+ | transparent (open / honest) | B2+ |
| unreliable | B2+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| ADJECTIVES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Equality |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level | Vocabulary | CEFR Level |
| better | A1 | different | A1 | different | A1 | normal | A1 |
| right | A1 | wrong | A1 | fair | A2 | free | A2 |
| kind | A2 | together | A2 | equal | A2+ | worse | A2+ |
| confident | B1 | cultural | B1 | same | B1 | balanced | B1+ |
| harmful | B1+ | limited | B1+ | moral | B1+ | specific | B1+ |
| unfair | B1+ | diverse | B2 | exclusive | B2 | inclusive | B2 |
| superior | B2 | abusive | B2+ | accessible | B2+ | authentic | B2+ |
| biased | B2+ | conscious | B2+ | disrespectful | B2+ | encouraging | B2+ |
| ethical | B2+ | favourable | B2+ | humiliating | B2+ | inappropriate | B2+ |
| inferior | B2+ | just (justice) | B2+ | lesser | B2+ | offensive | B2+ |
| oppressed | B2+ | regardless | B2+ | respectful | B2+ | subordinate | B2+ |
| unconscious | B2+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Appendix 5: CEFR mapping

Achievement in this qualification is benchmarked against the Council of Europe's Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). The framework has been developed as a design tool. Please refer to the Council of Europe website for more information.

This examination series are mapped to a range of abilities; from level A2 (basic user), working towards B1 (modest user) and exiting at B2 (competent user) of the CEFR.

At level A2 of the CEFR, students are expected to understand the main points of short and simple written texts and spoken English on frequently used expressions encountered in school, or family life; write sentences and short paragraphs related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g., very basic personal and family information, shopping, hobbies, employment); and communicate in simple and routine tasks or describe ideas and opinions in simple terms.

At level B1 of the CEFR, students are expected to understand the main points of straightforward written texts and spoken English on familiar matters regularly encountered in school, leisure, or volunteering; write simple texts on topics that are familiar or of personal interest; and deal with most situations likely to arise while studying or travelling in an area where English is spoken.

At level B2 of the CEFR, students are expected to understand the main ideas of complex text and spoken English about both concrete and abstract topics; interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes interaction possible without strain; 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.

There is more granular differentiation between A2 and A2+, B1 and B1+ and B2 and B2+ and we used this to make sure our grades are awarded as close to learner ability as possible.

|  | Reading |  | Listening |  | Writing |  | Speaking |  |
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| GCSE <br> grade | CEFR level | GSE | CEFR level | GSE | CEFR level | GSE | CEFR level | GSE |
| 9 | B2 + | 67-76 | B2 | 59-67 | B2 + | 67-76 | B2 + | 67-76 |
| 8 | B2 | 59-67 | B1+ | 51-59 | B2 | 59-67 | B2 | 59-67 |
| 7 | B1+ | 51-59 | B1 | 43-51 | B1+ | 51-59 | B1+ | 51-59 |
| 6 | B1 | 43-51 | A2+ | 36-43 | B1 | 43-51 | B1 | 43-51 |
| 5 | A2+ | 36-43 | A2 | 30-36 | A2+ | 36-43 | A2+ | 36-43 |
| 4 | A2 | 30-36 | A1+ | 27-30 | A2 | 30-36 | A2 | 30-36 |
| 3 | A1 | 22-30 | A1 | 22-26 | A1 | 22-30 | A1 | 22-30 |
| 2 | <A1 | 10-22 | <A1 | 10-22 | <A1 | 10-22 | <A1 | 10-22 |
| 1 | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified | Unclassified |

## Appendix 6: Transferable skills

## The need for transferable skills

In recent years, higher education institutions and employers have consistently flagged the need for learners to develop a range of transferable skills to enable them to respond with confidence to the demands of undergraduate study and the world of work.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) defines skills, or competencies, as the bundle of knowledge, attributes and capacities that can be learned and that enable individuals to successfully and consistently perform an activity or task and can be built upon and extended through learning. ${ }^{[1]}$

To support the design of our qualifications, the Pearson Research Team selected and evaluated seven global 21st-century skills frameworks. Following on from this process, we identified the National Research Council's (NRC) framework ${ }^{[2]}$ as the most evidence-based and robust skills framework, and have used this as a basis for our adapted skills framework.

The framework includes cognitive, intrapersonal skills and interpersonal skills.
The NRC framework is included alongside literacy and numeracy skills.


The skills have been interpreted for this specification to ensure they are appropriate for the subject. All of the skills listed are evident or accessible in the teaching, learning and / or assessment of the qualification. Some skills are directly assessed. Pearson materials will support you in identifying these skills and developing these skills in learners.

The table overleaf sets out the framework and gives an indication of the skills that can be found in English as a Second Language and indicates the interpretation of the skill in this area. A full subject interpretation of each skill, with mapping to show opportunities for learner development is given on the subject pages of our website: qualifications.pearson.com

[^2]|  | Cognitive processes and strategies <br> Creativity | - Critical thinking <br> - Problem solving <br> - Analysis <br> - Reasoning / argumentation <br> - Interpretation <br> - Decision making <br> - Adaptive learning <br> - Executive function <br> - Creativity | Interpretation for ESL: <br> Decoding a new written/spoken extract and identifying and understanding explicit or implicit meaning and authorial aims. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Intellectual openness | - Innovation <br> - Adaptability <br> - Personal and social responsibility <br> - Continuous learning <br> - Intellectual interest and curiosity |  |
|  | Work ethic / conscientiousness | - Initiative <br> - Self-direction <br> - Responsibility <br> - Perseverance <br> - Productivity <br> - Self-regulation (metacognition, forethought, reflection) <br> - Ethics <br> - Integrity | Productivity for ESL: <br> Writing continuously and fluently and to a high standard. |
|  | Positive core self-evaluation | - Self-monitoring / selfevaluation / selfreinforcement |  |
|  | Teamwork and collaboration | - Communication <br> - Collaboration <br> - Teamwork <br> - Cooperation <br> - Empathy / perspective taking <br> - Negotiation | Communication for ESL: <br> Undertaking a speaking task involving dialogue or undertaking a writing task, or when the student responds to prompts from another. |
|  | Leadership | - Responsibility <br> - Assertive communication <br> - Self-presentation |  |

## Appendix 7: Glossary

| Term | Definition |
| :--- | :--- |
| Assessment <br> objectives | The requirements that learners need to meet to succeed in the <br> qualification. Each assessment objective has a unique focus, which is then <br> targeted in examinations or coursework / non-examined assessment. <br> Assessment objectives may be assessed individually or in combination. |
| External <br> assessment | An examination that is held at the same time and place in a <br> global region. |
| Learner Work <br> Transfer (LWT) | An electronic file transfer system for submitted all assessment recordings. |
| Linear | Linear qualifications have all assessments at the end of a course of study. It <br> is not possible to take one assessment earlier in the course of study. |
| Modular | Qualifications that are modular contain units of assessment. These units <br> can be taken during the course of study. The final qualification grade is <br> worked out from the combined unit results. |
| Raw marks | Raw marks are the actual marks that learners achieve when taking an <br> assessment. When calculating an overall grade, raw marks often need to be <br> converted so that it is possible to see the proportionate achievement of a <br> learner across all units of study. |

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[^0]:    * See Appendix 1 for a description of this code and all the other codes relevant to this qualification.

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    ${ }^{2}$ Koenig J A, National Research Council - Assessing 21st Century Skills: Summary of a Workshop (National Academies Press, 2011)

