

PET Practice Online

This is a PET exam preparation course. It corresponds to CEFR Level B2. There are 9 units to this course. Resources within each unit are grouped into Exam Preparation, Vocabulary Practice, Language Practice and Grammar Check.

UNIT 1

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People

Description

This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about people. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, present tenses, requests and offers and modals of permission.

Syllabus components Syllabus component description

Exam Preparation

Reading Part 5 selecting the correct words to complete a text about personal space. Writing Part 1 completing sentences so that they have the same meaning as a prompt sentence. Writing Part 2 sample essay writing an email to an English teacher. Listening Part 1 identifying key information in five short recordings and identifying the correct picture.

Vocabulary Practice

Practising phrasal verbs used to talk about relationships. Practising synonyms. Practising phrasal verbs with 'up'.

Practising negative adjective prefixes.

Language Practice

Practising making offers and requests. Practising the present simple and continuous. Practising the present simple, the present continuous and the present perfect. Practising the modal verbs 'can', 'could' and 'may'.

Grammar Check

Checking your knowledge of how to make requests using 'would'. Checking your knowledge of how to use 'can' and 'may'. Checking your knowledge of the use of the present simple and continuous. Checking your knowledge of when to use the present simple, the present continuous or the present perfect.

UNIT 2

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Family life

Description

This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about family life. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, past tenses and modals of ability.

Syllabus components Syllabus component description

Exam Preparation

Reading Part 2 matching the correct school holiday activities with the correct people. Reading Part 4 choosing the correct answer to five multiple-choice questions on a text about an unusual child. Writing Part 1 completing sentences so that they have the same meaning. Listening Part 4 understanding people's opinions and feelings as well as specific information by listening to a couple talking about inviting an exchange student to stay with them. Listening Part 4 understanding people's opinions by listening to a man and a woman talking about the woman's teenage children. Writing a holiday postcard to a parent. Writing a note to an older brother or sister explaining you have borrowed something.

Vocabulary Practice

Practising collocations with the verbs 'get', 'do' and 'make'. Practising phrasal verbs with 'go' and 'get'. Practising forming adjectives from nouns.

Language Practice

Practising the past simple and past continuous. Practising the past simple. Practising 'used to' for past habits and states. Practising modals of ability: 'can', 'could', 'be able to'.

Grammar Check

Checking your knowledge of affirmative, negative and interrogative forms. of 'can'. Checking your knowledge of talking about ability in the past. Checking your knowledge of how to use 'could' to talk about ability in the past.

UNIT 3

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Sport

Description

This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about sports. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, countable and uncountable nouns and passive voice.

Syllabus components Syllabus component description

Exam Preparation	Reading Part 1 understanding signs, notices, notes, and other short texts. Reading Part 1 understanding the language in notices or short messages by choosing the correct meaning for each notice or message. Reading Part 3 reading for specific information and deciding if statements about a text on the sport of BASE jumping are true or false. Reading Part 4 reading for detailed comprehension and understanding the writer's attitudes and opinions. Listening Part 2 understanding specific information and detailed meaning by listening to a radio programme about different activity courses. Writing Part 3 writing a thank you letter.
Vocabulary Practice	Practising collocations about football. Practising collocations with the verbs 'take', 'have' and 'break'. Practising phrasal verbs with 'take'.
Language Practice	Contrasting active and passive verbs. Practising countable and uncountable nouns.
Grammar Check	Checking your knowledge of uncountable nouns for activities and sports. Checking your knowledge of the difference between countable and uncountable nouns. Checking your knowledge of the present simple passive. Checking your knowledge of the past simple passive. Checking your knowledge of the use of 'by' + agent in passive sentences.

UNIT 4

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Hobbies and leisure	Description This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about hobbies and leisure. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, passive voice and adjectives followed by prepositions.
Syllabus components Syllabus component description	
Exam Preparation	Reading Part 2 matching the correct books with the correct people. Reading Part 2 understanding several texts and matching the meaning to specific information. Matching the correct holidays with five people. Reading Part 3 scanning for specific information and deciding if statements about a text on safari holidays are true or false. Reading Part 5 understanding vocabulary and grammar by choosing the correct words to complete a text about body art. Writing Part 1 completing sentences so that they have the same meaning as a prompt sentence. Writing Part 2 sample essay writing an email to an English friend. Listening Part 1 selecting the correct picture letter for each question. Listening Part 4 understanding detail and opinions by listening to two friends talking about holidays. Practising phrasal verbs used to talk about sports and hobbies. Practising words you need to talk about music. Practising words used to describe different kinds of paintings.
Vocabulary Practice	Practising the past simple passive. Practising prepositions following adjectives. Practising adjectives ending in '-ed' and '-ing' and the prepositions that follow them.
Language Practice	Practising the past simple passive. Practising prepositions following adjectives. Practising adjectives ending in '-ed' and '-ing' and the prepositions that follow them.
Grammar Check	Checking your knowledge of the use of the agent in passive sentences. Checking your knowledge about prepositions that follow adjectives. Checking your knowledge of adjectives followed by the prepositions 'in', 'of', 'to' and 'with'.

UNIT 5

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Entertainment and media	Description This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about entertainment and the media . It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET and reported questions.
Syllabus components Syllabus component description	
Exam Preparation	Reading Part 1 focusing on the language in signs or notices. Reading Part 2 reading for specific information and detailed comprehension and matching the people with the correct television programmes. Writing Part 2 sample essay writing an email to an English friend. Writing Part 3 sample essay showing a letter to a friend. Listening Part 3 listening for detail to a radio announcement. Listening Part 4 understanding people's opinions and feelings as well as specific information by listening to a boy and a girl talking about films.
Vocabulary Practice	Practising word formation. Practising the vocabulary used to talk about different types of news categories. Practising the vocabulary used to talk about different types of TV programme.

Language Practice	Practising reported speech and questions by choosing a verb and keying it in its correct form to complete a text about Picasso. Practising reported questions by reading the dialogue from a quiz show and rearranging words to complete sentences. Practising reported questions by rearranging words to form questions and completing the reported questions. Practising reported speech by reading an interview with a former spy and completing a newspaper report using the interview information.
Grammar Check	Checking your knowledge of the tense changes used in reported speech. Checking your knowledge of the use of reported speech. Checking your knowledge of 'yes/no' reported questions. Checking your knowledge of 'Wh-' reported questions.

UNIT 6

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Travel and holidays	Description This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about travelling. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, past tenses and present perfect.
Syllabus components Syllabus component description	
Exam Preparation	Reading Part 1 focusing on the language of signs or notices. Reading Part 3 scanning for specific information and deciding if statements about a text on a trip to Arundel Castle are true or false. Reading Part 3 reading a text about a museum looking for specific information. Reading Part 4 understanding details, attitudes and opinions, and the purpose of a text by choosing the correct answer to questions about an article on 'greasy spoons' (cheap, typical English cafés). Writing Part 1 exercise focuses on grammatical structures. Listening Part 3 listening for detail to a man talking about his holiday in Australia and completing some notes about the holiday. Listening Part 3 understanding and interpreting information by listening to a tour guide talking about the city of Cardiff and keying the missing information in a set of notes.
Vocabulary Practice	Practising words for journeys. Practising phrases with 'go' and 'get'.
Language Practice	Practising the past simple. Practising the present perfect simple. Practising the present perfect simple and continuous.
Grammar Check	Checking your knowledge of the use of the past simple and past continuous. Checking your knowledge of the present perfect. Checking your knowledge of how to use narrative tenses correctly.

UNIT 7

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Work	Description This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about work. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET and reported speech.
Syllabus components Syllabus component description	
Exam Preparation	Reading Part 1 focusing on the language in notices or short messages. Reading Part 4 reading for detailed comprehension and understanding the writer's attitudes and opinions by choosing the correct answer to multiple-choice questions on a text about a historical novelist. Writing Part 3 sample essay writing a letter to a friend. Listening Part 1 listening for detail to four short conversations and identifying the correct picture from the information you hear. Listening Part 2 listening for detail to a woman talking on the radio about her job. Listening Part 2 understanding specific information by listening to a professional cook talking on the radio about a career in cooking.
Vocabulary Practice	Practising words and phrases used to talk about skills and qualifications. Practising words and phrases used to talk about work. Practising words associated with jobs. Practising words and phrases used when talking about jobs. Practising noun suffixes with '-r', '-er' and '-ist'.
Language Practice	Practising reported statements. Practising reported speech. Practising reporting verbs.
Grammar Check	Checking your knowledge of reporting verbs. Checking your knowledge of how to use reporting verbs. Checking your knowledge of the verbs 'say' and 'tell'. Checking your knowledge of reported speech with past reporting verbs.

UNIT 8

Description

The natural world	This syllabus item provides practice of the kind of language we use to talk about the natural world. It provides practice of the different papers that make up the ESOL PET, articles and passive forms.
Syllabus components	Syllabus component description
Exam Preparation	Reading Part 5 focusing on vocabulary and grammar by choosing the correct words to complete a text about baby gorillas. Reading Part 5 focusing on vocabulary and grammar by choosing the correct words to complete a text about sharks.
Vocabulary Practice	Writing Part 3 sample essay writing a thank-you letter. Listening Part 2 understanding specific information by listening to a man being interviewed about learning to ride an elephant. Listening Part 2 listening for detail to amazing stories about animals.
Language Practice	Practising word formation. Practising words related to environmental problems. Practising ways to characterize animals. Practising words relating to environmental issues.
Grammar Check	Practising the use of the definite article 'the', and the zero article in a text about the world's highest mountains. Practising all forms of the passive. Practising the present simple passive with a text about recycling.
	Checking your knowledge of the definite article. Checking your knowledge of the zero article. Checking your knowledge of the present perfect passive form.