

English Dexway Academy - Level B1 - Course I

The course content remains functional and focused entirely on improving learner independence in all areas. In this course the learner is introduced to the contrasting uses of the tenses covered so far such as Present Continuous for future plans with Going to for intentions. As with the other levels on the course, there is frequent pronunciation practice and the learner has exposure to long and short sounds, correct regular past tense endings as well as general vocabulary and sentence level practice. The use of a variety of exercises encompasses different learner styles as well as guaranteeing thorough coverage of the topics covered.

UNIT 1

Buying the perfect camper

Aims: to acquire and expand both structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises such as word/sentence-picture association, listening comprehension with short, realistic dialogues and student-led listening practice with the vocabulary items on the theme of travel.

Vehicles

Aims: to introduce and practice the grammar included in this lesson, as well as to expand both structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions include a review of present simple, present continuous and past simple. The vocabulary topic is travel, means of transport and everyday activities. Activities include: association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures, student-led listening and completing the gaps.

The car doesn't work

Aims: to review and consolidate the grammar, structures and vocabulary covered through a series of interactive exercises. The structures and functions review includes: present simple, present continuous, past simple, a review of basic telephone conversations and personal information. The vocabulary section looks at: time expressions for the past and present, travel vocabulary, means of transport and everyday activities. There is listening practice to fill in the gaps, pronunciation of the 'ch' and 'sh' sounds, listening comprehension with an exercise to select the correct option, make sentences and choosing synonymous sentences.

Test exercises

In the last lesson of this unit, students find a variety of exercises carefully chosen to consolidate and evaluate the language skills acquired in previous lessons.

UNIT 2

On holidays

Aims: to learn, practice, acquire and expand both structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises such as word/sentence-picture association, listening comprehension with short, realistic dialogues and student-led listening practice with the vocabulary items. The vocabulary focus is on talking about the weather and travel e.g. to pack a suitcase.

We're off

Aims: to learn and practice grammar and useful sentences through a series of interactive exercises. The learner is presented with all forms of the present perfect for recent past actions, possessive pronouns, question words – ‘whose?’ Vocabulary topics are: talking about the weather and temperatures, travel vocabulary: to pack a suitcase etc. Activities in this lesson include: listening and writing to fill in the gaps, pronunciation practice with listening and repeating the long and short ‘i’ sounds, the association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures and fill in the gaps with the right word or option.

Living under extreme conditions

Aims: to review, practice and consolidate grammatical structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions covered are: present perfect for recent past actions, possessive pronouns, interrogative pronoun: ‘Whose?’ Vocabulary reviewed includes: talking about the weather and temperatures, travel vocabulary: to pack a suitcase etc. The revision activities include student-led click and answer exercises, gap-fills, true or false reading comprehension, choose the synonymous sentence and real life dialogue practice with a film dubbing exercise.

Test exercises

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UNIT 3

Let's go to the Isle of Wight

Aims: to acquire, learn and expand both structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises such as word/sentence-picture association, listening comprehension with short, realistic dialogues and student-led listening practice with the vocabulary items. The vocabulary input focuses on talking about the weather.

How long has she lived in London?

Aims: to acquire and practice both the grammar and structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions covered are the present perfect with 'for' and 'since', present continuous, present simple, past simple, 'going to' + infinitive, adverbs, agreements and prepositions of movement. Vocabulary focus is on expressing feelings and emotions, travel plans, the difference between "gone" and "been" and public places. Activities: the association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures, fill in the gaps with correct word or option and student-led listening.

International human rights

Aims: to review and consolidate the grammar, structures and vocabulary covered in the lessons through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions: present perfect with 'for' and 'since', present continuous, present simple, past simple, 'going to' + infinitive, adverbs, expressing similarities, agreements and prepositions of movement. The vocabulary review is on: expressing feelings and emotions, travel plans, the difference between "been" and "gone" and also a focus on public places. Activities: pronunciation practice with listen and repeat, listen and choose the correct sound, true or false listening comprehension, fill in the gaps by choosing the correct word or option, click on the vocabulary, listen and complete the sentences, listening comprehension to choose the correct option and real life dialogue practice with a film dubbing exercise.

Test exercises

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UNIT 4

Having a breakdown

Aims: to acquire and learn new structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises such as word/sentence-picture association, listening comprehension with short, realistic dialogues and student-led listening practice with the vocabulary items. Presentation of new vocabulary: fabrics and textiles.

Fabrics

Aims: to acquire and practice the target grammar and some more structures through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions: present perfect with 'yet' and 'already', Have you ever..? to ask about past experiences and quantifiers: too much, too many, not enough. The vocabulary input is on clothes: cloth, materials etc,

as well as farewells. Activities include the association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures; filling in the gaps with the corresponding word or option, listen and repeat, gap-fill-choose the correct word.

Dry cleaner

Aims: to review and consolidate both grammatical structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises. Structures covered include: present perfect with 'yet' and 'already', 'Have you ever..?' to enquire about past experiences, quantifiers: 'too much', 'too many', 'not enough' and imperatives. Vocabulary focuses on some useful common expressions and ways to describe clothing. The activities provide vocabulary practice with the association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures, listening practice with fill in the gaps and comprehension questions and a pronunciation exercise to choose the correct sound. There is practice in writing sentences and filling in the gaps with the correct word or option, reading comprehension to choose synonymous sentences and the film dubbing exercise to give more, contextual practice.

Test exercises

In the last lesson of this unit, students find a variety of exercises carefully chosen to consolidate and evaluate the language skills acquired in previous lessons.

UNIT 5

See you at home

Aims: to acquire and learn both structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises such as word/sentence-picture association, listening comprehension with short, realistic dialogues and student-led listening practice with the vocabulary items. Vocabulary input is focused on: shapes, materials and more useful expressions.

What is it made of?

Aims: to learn and practice grammar as well as some more expressions. Structures and functions look a little more at some narrative tenses: present perfect vs. past simple and the use of time markers, present perfect with recent actions – 'just', as well as practice with: 'something', 'anything' and 'nothing'. The vocabulary continues the previous themes of: shapes, materials and common expressions. Activities in this lesson are: association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures, choosing the correct word or option, listen and repeat, fill in the gaps and match the questions and answers.

I don't remember the word in English

Aims: to revise and consolidate structures and vocabulary as well as grammar through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions reviewed include: describing objects when you don't know the name, present perfect vs. past simple: use of time markers, present perfect for recent actions using 'just' and 'something', 'anything', and 'nothing'. The vocabulary review gives more practice when talking about: shapes and materials. There is revision of the common expressions such as: 'to look like', 'to make a decision' and 'to be made of'. Activities include: listening practice with a gap-fill exercise, pronunciation practice with repetition and identifying sounds, association of sentences and words with corresponding pictures, complete the sentences, choose the best word or option, listening comprehension: choosing synonymous sentences, and contextual practice with the real life dialogue - dub the film and choosing synonymous sentences.

Test exercises

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UNIT 6

She's left me!

Aims: to review and consolidate grammatical structures and vocabulary through a series of interactive exercises. The extended use of error detection exercises helps students to become aware of the typical errors made at this stage. Structures and functions seen in this lesson include: present perfect, past simple, 'going to' + infinitive, 'something', 'anything' and 'nothing'. Vocabulary topics focus on shapes and materials with the addition of a review of common expressions. Activities in this lesson are the exercises based around the real life dialogue: listen and choose the best option, dub the film as well as focused reading and grammatical work with the error detection exercise.

Going to England

Aims: to review and consolidate structures and vocabulary as well as grammar through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions reviewed are: present perfect, past simple, 'going to' + infinitive, present continuous, 'something', 'anything' and 'nothing'. Vocabulary revision exercises focus on: clothes, materials and common expressions. There is a multiple choice listening comprehension as well as writing practice with gapped sentences and a letter to complete.

Glastonbury

Aims: to review and consolidate structures, vocabulary and grammar through a series of interactive exercises. Structures and functions include: present perfect, past simple, 'going to' + infinitive, present continuous, 'something', 'anything' and 'nothing'. There is more vocabulary revision on the themes of: clothes, materials and the common expressions from past units. Activities are based on true or false reading comprehension, gap-fills and choosing the correct option.

Entertainment industry - Additional vocabulary

Revision of knowledge and vocabulary which has been acquired so far.

Test exercises

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UNIT 7

Clothes shopping - Typical situation

A practical immersion in the language, where by the student will live through a real life situation, similar to one they would confront in the language in which they are learning. In this lesson the student will be introduced to new vocabulary, then once the exercise has been completed, they will then have an opportunity to do some practice with this same new vocabulary.

Weather - Dialogue

The student will listen to a series of questions which they can answer freely. In this lesson new vocabulary will be introduced. Once the lesson has finished, the student will then be able to have some practice with this same new vocabulary.

Outdoor atmosphere - Additional vocabulary

This lesson provides students with additional materials to expand their knowledge of vocabulary to talk and describe different weather conditions. Vocabulary is presented in context and there are follow-up exercises that provide extended practice.

Frozen fun - Reading comprehension

In this lesson students read and listen to a written passage of text about winter sports and then answer a series of questions. These questions follow a sequential order and elicit students' skills on active reading. Readers are asked to peruse the passage for the general meaning, particular details and logical inferences. The suggested activities comprise multiple-choice and true/false questions as well as an exercise on finding the statement that best summarises the text as a whole. By practicing active

and effective reading students acquire strong cognitive skills such as attention, auditory analysis, sound blending, sound segmenting, memory, processing speed and visualisation.

Test exercises

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UNIT 8

End-of-module test.

Test summary exercises

In this last lesson of the course and as a way to revise, the student will come across a variety of exercises which will help consolidate and evaluate any knowledge which has been acquired throughout the duration of the course.