English Grade 4

Introduction

In grade 4 the students have 5 periods of English a week. The syllabus contains 12 units and each unit is divided up into 13 periods. There should also be two revision units (each of seven periods each), one at the end of each semester. The aim of the revision units is twofold. The teacher has the opportunity to recycle language and assess students against the competencies.

The focus of grade 4 is still on speaking and listening but there is more work on reading and writing to prepare students for the second cycle of primary. Students are now reading short paragraphs and writing short sentences in a paragraph. Topics extend even further to include arts and literature and the past. As usual language content follows the topics and structures leant now include present continuous as well as comparatives. As with grade 3 more language means the activities are longer and more varied whilst remaining active, personalized and enjoyable. There are many games, stories and songs. The main goal is to extend the range of language available to the students so they can begin to communicate on more topics and at a level appropriate to the second cycle of primary.

Teachers are strongly advised to the look at the Grade 4 Minimum Learning Competencies for all of the four skills which also act as objectives.

Unit 1: My School (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to describe their school.

Vocabulary: School buildings, parts of rooms e.g. window, door, toilet block, classroom, room, sports field, clinic etc., simple adjectives e.g. big, small, beautiful.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
 Students will be able to: use social expressions correctly (exchange greetings and introduce oneself) listen to descriptions of places and match them with pictures. ask and answer questions about everyday scenes 	 A. Listening and Speaking Good morning/hello I'm/My name is, My father's name is, My father's name is, I'm from This/that (school building) has it is big/small etc. There is/are yes/no questions e.g. Does it have a? How many How many classrooms does it have? Qualifiers: 'Some', 'any', 'much', 'many', 'all', much, both e.g. There aren't any labs 	 Students greet and introduce themselves to the teacher and to each other Students listen to descriptions of schools/school buildings (A., B., C. etc.) and match to pictures. Teacher draws the school on the board and students make sentences and ask questions about it. Teacher describes the school using the picture but makes mistakes – students identify the mistakes e.g. It doesn't have four classrooms, it has five classrooms (word stress on five)
	 It has some large rooms It has many chairs All the rooms have tables and chairs prepositions of place Where is the sports field? In front of/opposite this/that /at the back of/ next to 	 Teacher uses the picture of the school to teach prepositions of place e.g. the sports field is opposite the classroom block, etc. Students ask each other questions about where buildings in the school are. Students draw pictures of their houses and tell their partner where rooms or furniture is.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
	Pronunciation: Wh-questions (falling intonation); yes/no questions (rising intonation)	• Teacher models falling/rising intonation and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills
 read words, phrases and sentences read a short paragraph to find information needed to answer questions 	 <i>B. Reading</i> words, phrases, sentences related to school Simple description of a school 	 Students read and point to buildings in pictures Students read the simple description of the school and answer the questions (e.g. how many classrooms are there, does it have a sports field etc.)
 write the correct spelling complete sentences by adding words and phrases 	 <i>C. Writing</i> Spelling of 5 words Apostrophes for contractions e.g. It's next to Simple letter to a friend 	 Students learn spelling through jumbled words etc. / tests etc Teacher draws students' attention to the apostrophe Students fill in gaps in a simple letter to a friend e.g. Dear Almaz, I want to tell you about the I study in. It's next to a small shop. My school four buildings. It has a sports etc.

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Speaking and listening

Students talk about their school, the buildings and where they are in relation to each other.

Unit 2: How Tall Are You? (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to talk about their height and weight.

Vocabulary: height and weight words (kilos, metres, centimetres, measure, half, tall, short, heavy, light etc.), adjectives e.g. young, old

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Students will be able to:	 A. Listening and Speaking heightweight 51 centimetres tall35 kilo. 	• Teacher pre-teaches vocabulary about height/weight and revises numbers 1-99
• listen to a short passage and fill in a table	 How tall are you/what is your height? I am tall. My height is 	• Students listen to two short dialogues and fill in the ages, heights and weights of the children
• ask for and give personal details	 Wy height is How heavy are you//What is your weight? I am kilo. 	 Students measure themselves with a stick (height) Teacher asks students questions about their height (and weight). Students ask each other in pairs
	 My weight is kilo. Saba's weight is How old are you? I am 	 Students take notes and say their own height and weight. Students in groups interview each other, measure each other and find out age, weight and height. They make a table.
• make simple comparisons between different people	 comparison and conjunctions: 'and', 'but' I am taller than Akalu but I am shorter than Almaz. 	 Students use the table to compare their height and weight in relation to one of their friends. E.g. I am shorter than Abebe. Saba is taller than Abebe.
	• object pronouns e.g. me, you, him, her, us, them	 Students practice object pronouns: Abebe is taller than me etc. Students make longer sentences by using 'but' I am shorter than Chaltu but taller than Tesfaw
• use classroom language expressions		 Teacher revises and adds to classroom language expressions. Students write classroom expressions in speech bubbles and put them on the walls.
	Pronunciation: Can in questions /kƏn/ Can I? Can you repeat that	• Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
	What does XXX mean? Can you say that again, please? Pronunciation: Comparatives – er than /Ə/ /ðƏn/	• Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs
	Pronunciation: Silent consonants E.g. height, weight, light, half	 Teacher draws students' attention to silent consonants in words. Students read list of words and underline words with silent consonants. They cross out silent consonants. E.g. light Teacher checks answers, reads words and students repeat.
• read a short story and put pictures in order.	 <i>B. Reading</i> Short story about a person or animal getting very tall and very heavy 	• Students read the story and put the pictures in order. They read the story a second time and on a 2 column table, list words connected with height and weight.
 write the correct spelling complete sentences by adding words and phrases write short sentences about personal details 	<i>C. Writing</i>5 words to spellSentences	 Students learn spelling through jumbled words/game/test Students fill in sentences with the correct object pronoun e.g. Tesfaw is nice. I like (him). Students write sentences about their height and weight Students measure the heights of their friends and inform them in writing of their height on a slip of paper.

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Speaking and Listening

Students line up in rows and make comparisons about their heights e.g. Frehiwot is taller than me .

Unit 3: It Was Hot Yesterday (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to talk about the past using was/were and describe the weather.

Vocabulary: weather words (hot, cold, sunny, cloudy, rainy), today, yesterday, last, next, year, words associated with weather e.g. cap, hat, coat, umbrella,

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Students will be able to:ask and answer questions about everyday scenes	 A. Listening and Speaking What is the weather like today? It's hot/cloudy etc. 	 Students look at weather pictures and match with vocabulary (for today/yesterday) Teacher asks questions about the weather prompting answers with pictures. Students do the same in pairs.
	 In January it is hot Past simple 	Teacher revises days of the week, dates, months and the calendar and yesterday/today.Students talk about the weather in months of the year.
	• What was the weather like yesterday?	• Teacher asks questions about the weather yesterday, on Monday etc. Students answer. Students do the same in pairs.
	 It was cold/sunny etc It's cloudy today. / It was sunny yesterday. 	• Students make a chart for a week giving pictures of weather for each day; students describe orally and in writing
• listen and respond to questions about short stories and tales		• Teacher tells a traditional story about the weather. The students respond to questions as the story goes along
	Pronunciation: was /wƏz/ v	• Teacher draws students' attention to 2 pronunciations of "was".
	/woz/	 Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs
• use phonic clues to read	B. Reading	• Students read weather words aloud helped by phonic clues
new words	Weather wordsSentences	• Students match weather words and sentences e.g. Sun and 'it's hot'. Wind and 'its windy' etc.
• read a short paragraph to find information to fill in a simple table	• Weather report on the week	• Students fill in the table drawing suns, clouds or rain next to the appropriate day

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Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
 complete sentences by filling in the missing words from a list write capital letters for months 	<i>C. Writing</i>Sentences about the weather	 Students write in the correct weather word according to other clues in the sentence e.g. umbrella Students write sentences about the weather in different months of the year – remembering the capital for months.

Listening: Teacher reads a short dialogue and students have to guess the weather **Writing:** Students look at pictures of the weather and write a few words e.g. It is hot.

Unit 4: Let's Keep Fit (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to give simple advice. **Vocabulary**: parts of the body (e.g. back, trunk, body, blood), movement verbs.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
<i>Students will be able to:</i>ask and answer questions	 A. Listening and Speaking What is this/that? This is my chin/cheek/ neck/lip. What is he/she touching? He is touching his/her chin/lip. 	• Teacher introduces new vocabulary and students ask and answer questions about it.
• sing a song	Hokey Cokey	• Students are taught Hokey Cokey. All sing together with actions, or if class is large, two groups could take it in turns with different body parts.
 listen to instructions and react accordingly give simple descriptions 		 Students shout part of the body the teacher touches/indicates. Students do the same in pairs One student spells part of the body and the others touch it. In pairs one student describes the part of the body either by location or function and the other student guesses which part. In pairs students describe their bodies from top to bottom.
• give and respond to advice	Should/shouldn't	 Teacher introduces should/shouldn't through giving advice on how to look after yourself e.g. A: I am not feeling well B: You should go to the doctor A: Ok, thanks Students practise the dialogue and then use pictures and cues to produce other dialogues with 'should'.
	Movement verbs Positive and negative imperatives: touch and don't touch	 Teacher teaches movement verbs. Teacher introduces a game where he/she quickly gives instructions for students to follow E.g. touch your head, raise your arm, bend your leg. However, sometimes he/she says 'don't touch your head' and in this case students don't. Anyone who does is out of the game. Student play in groups. Teacher gives 'keep fit' instructions using imperatives and 'should' and students respond physically. E.g. bend your knees, you should raise your arms

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Competency		
	 Pronunciation: Contractions e.g. I'm / you're/he's/she's/we're/they're touching Pronunciation: should / shouldn't 	 Teacher isolates two words and then models contraction; students repeat E.g. I / am touching → I'm touching Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs
 read new and recycled body parts predict what a passage will be about from the title read short paragraphs to find information needed to fill in a table 	 <i>B. Reading</i> Words related to parts of the body on slips of paper Phrases Doctor's advice leaflet on how to keep fit and healthy 	 Students read body parts on slips of paper in groups and arrange them to make a person e.g. head would be at the top and then eye, chin, etc. and then foot and toes at the bottom Pictures of people exercising: students match with phrases e.g. raise arm Students read the title of the leaflet and in pairs guess what the text will be about. They read the text to see if they were right. Students read text again, match advice to pictures and put advice into 2 columns (should/shouldn't)
 write body parts write the correct spelling take dictation of words and phrases complete sentences by adding words and phrases. 	 <i>C. Writing</i> Body parts Spelling of 5 body parts a keep fit poster with pictures 	 Students draw a body and use the slips of paper to copy the words and label it. mix two words together e.g. cnheicnk and students have to make 'chin' and 'neck' Teacher dictates words and phrases. Students write them down and then in groups use these words and phrases to make longer sentences for a keep fit poster.

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Speaking and Listening

Students give each other positive and negative commands e.g. write your name, stand up, don't sit down etc.

Unit 5: My House (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to describe houses.

Vocabulary: rooms of house, parts of house e.g. chimney, ceiling, objects in rooms in houses.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
 Students will be able to: listen to a short description and answer questions 	<i>A. Listening and Speaking</i> There is/are	 Students listen to a short description of a house and answer the questions. Teacher uses the listening text to teach rooms and parts of house. Students match to pictures
• give descriptions of places	Has/have present simple	• Students draw their own houses and describe them to a friend.
• ask and answer questions about everyday subject	 what do you do in the kitchen? Prepositions of time/place: at, in the, next to, opposite etc. Where do you cook? Where do you wash? Where do you sleep? Negative sentences with contracted forms. No, it isn't It doesn't have a television It doesn't have a bath Recycle comparatives Use 'but' 	 Students ask each other questions about their houses e.g. What do you do in the kitchen? Where is the bathroom? Do you have a bathroom? Is it big? Students draw pictures of an imaginary house; describe it to a friend who draws it. Students compare pictures. Students look at 2 similar houses and spot the difference: e.g. this kitchen is bigger than that kitchen, this house has a bathroom but that house doesn't.
	 whose (object) is that? it's mine/my mother's/hers/ his 	 Teacher teaches objects for the house – students match to rooms. Students draw objects into the pictures of their houses. Teacher teaches 'whose (object) is that?'. Students use their house pictures to ask and answer questions using 'whose'. Students practise 'whose' by asking questions about objects in the room and using a substitution table Desktop/ Files Returned by Experts August 2008 / English Grade 4 Comp 1 CV2 Page 91

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
• use social expressions correctly	Can I ? (permission) Can I have? (request)	 Students match pictures to speech bubbles asking for requests or permission. Students make up dialogues using can for permission and requests and act them out in front of groups or the class.
	Pronunciation: Connected speech E.g. There_is What do_you / dju:/	 Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs
 read a short paragraph to find information needed read short paragraphs and retell the main details 	 <i>B. Reading</i> Description of house Adverts for houses (for sale/rent) 	 Students find and underline new words in description Students read description of the house and circle the rooms and objects it has Students read 3 or 4 adverts for houses and decide which one they like best
write the correct spellingwrite sentences with correct punctuation	 <i>C. Writing</i> 5 words about houses Full stops and question marks in dialogues 	 Students learn spelling and teacher gives short test on 20 spellings learnt so far Teacher uses request dialogues (from speaking and listening) to demonstrate full stops and questions marks. Students write the dialogues they made up with correct punctuation.
• write short sentences about their ideal house.	• Sentences	• Students write sentences describing the house they liked best under their pictures

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Speaking and Listening

Students draw their ideal houses and describe them to their partners. **Writing:** Students write about their ideal house.

Unit 6: What Time is it ? (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to describe their daily activities. **Vocabulary**: start, end, adverbs of frequency, parts of day (morning, afternoon, evening).

Competency	Content/Language Item	Learning Activities And Resources
Students will be able to:	A. Listening and Speaking	
 ask for and give times ask and answer questions about everyday/weekly activities 	 Recycle times (from digital clock) and introduce new language. What time is it? It is 2 o'clock/quarter past/half past/quarter to etc. Present simple Student A: When does the first period start? Student B: It starts at 3 o'clock/4.30 /(half past 4). 	 Students say the time indicated by the teacher in the digital clock. Students listen to teacher and fill in digital clocks Teacher introduces new language with picture clock Students ask/answer questions about different clock times (information gap) Students ask and answer questions about school times
• listen to short descriptions of activities and match to pictures		 Students listen to the description of someone's day and match the activities to times. Students use the times and the activities to ask questions about the person's day e.g. 'What time does she/he get up?'' etc. Students ask and answer questions about their everyday activities
	 Adverbs of frequency I often go to bed at I usually get up at I sometimes play football on Tuesday In the morning/afternoon/ evening 	 Students order adverbs of frequency on a line from always to never. Students describe their daily/weekly activities using adverbs of frequency
• use social expressions correctly (for clarification)	I don't understand What does that mean? Can you repeat that please?/sorry? Pronunciation: connected speech E.g. Does_he / dƏzI/	 Teacher encourages students to use these expressions in the course of class activities Students write expressions in speech bubbles and put them on the walls in the classroom Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own questions in pairs
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Competency	Content/Language Item	Learning Activities And Resources
• read and arrange short sentences about everyday activities in a logical order	 <i>B. Reading</i> Short text about what two students do in the morning, afternoon and evening 	Students extract information to arrange students' activities in a chronological order E.g. morning afternoon evening Wada
 spell 5 words correctly write a paragraph of up to 5 short sentences on everyday activities 	 <i>C. Writing</i> 5 activity verbs Paragraph about daily routines 	 Students spell activity words for 1st and 3rd person Students write a paragraph about their daily routines with clocks as prompts

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Speaking and Listening

In pairs one student says a time and the other student says what they do at that time

Writing: Students write down times from picture clocks.

Unit 7: What Would You Like to Eat? (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to talk about their preferences for food and drink.

Vocabulary: food and drink, restaurant words e.g. waiter/waitress/customer

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Students will be able to:	<i>A. Listening and Speaking</i> Numbers 100 to 1000	 Teacher introduces numbers 100 to 1000. In groups students put cards containing numbers into numerical order and say numbers as they go along. Teacher recycles food and drink vocabulary. Students divide vocabulary into fruit, vegetables, other food and drink. Teacher teaches new vocabulary with pictures Students say the food and drink words the teacher indicates and label the pictures.
• students ask and answer questions about what they like and dislike	 Like/don't like/prefer X to Y too and either e.g. I like tomatoes too, I don't like bread either 	 Students ask and answer questions about the food they like Students compare preferences with 'too' and 'either'. One student says 'I like tomatoes'/'I don't like tomatoes, the other agrees or disagrees using 'too'/'either'. Students talk about the food they eat/don't eat on certain days In groups students conduct different class surveys – one for fruit, one for vegetable, one for drink. Groups present their results. (Results will also be used later in written report.)
 students listen to a dialogue and answer questions 	Restaurant dialogue Like/would like Some/any	 Students look at a picture of a restaurant. They describe the picture. Students listen to a dialogue between a waiter/waitress and customer and circle the food that the customer ordered. (If inappropriate it could be a dialogue between a host and guest in someone's house).
• use appropriate social expressions (recycled)	Excuse mePlease can I?	 Students practise the dialogue especially 'I'd like/We'd like' and social expressions. Students practise and perform a role-play as a waiter/waitress and customer
	Specify quantity e.g. two cokes, three cakes Pronunciation: Contractions e.g. would like / 'd like	• Teacher isolates two words and then models contraction; students repeat
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Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
• read words and phrases	<i>B. Reading</i>words for food and drink	 Students circle words for food and drink vertically and horizontally in a big box of letters e.g. gecarrotmapr Hgbtomatojuch olgpsjfishku
	• menu (if appropriate)	• If appropriate students read the food and drink on a menu and decide what they would like to eat
• predict what a passage will be about from the illustration	 short passage about food in Ethiopia 	 Students look at the illustration and guess what the reading passage will be about. They write four words they think they will find there. Students read the passage to see if they are right. Students answer questions on the passage
• read a short passage to find information needed to answer questions		
• write the correct spelling of 5 words	C. Writing	• Students practise spelling of 5 words and test each other If appropriate students write a menu using food in their region
• write a paragraph of 5 short sentences.	 5 food words Menu (if appropriate) survey report	• Students write and read their survey report to the class. e.g. Twenty students/boys/girls prefer/like papaya/pineapple. Thirty-two students do not like cabbage.
• complete sentences by adding words and phrases.	• restaurant dialogue	• Students fill in the gaps in the dialogue and add the punctuation
• write sentences using full stops and questions marks		

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Speaking, listening, reading and writing

Students interview one person about their likes and dislikes for food. They write down the answers. Then they tell another student about these likes and dislikes.

Unit 8: Where is The Market (*13 Periods*)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to give and respond to directions. **Vocabulary**: buildings and places in the village, town, city etc. e.g. market,

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources		
Students will be able to:give descriptions of places	 A. Listening and Speaking Place names Recycle next to, opposite, behind, in front of Recycle at the, near to 	 Students match pictures with place names Students ask each other questions about their village/town e.g.' Is there a clinic in? ' 'Yes, its opposite the market' Students look at a picture of a busy street and put themselves in it. They describe where they are and what they can see. Other students have to identify their location 		
 listen to simple scenes and repeat the main details 		• Students listen to simple scenes in 4 locations and guess the location		
• ask for and give simple directions.	 What is this? This is a market Is there a clinic in? Directions Where is, please? Go to Go straight Come out of Turn left/right. Excuse me There is/are 	 The teacher draws a map of the town on the blackboard with the students' help. Teacher asks students to give information about their town/village The teacher asks the students to identify the buildings and describe where other buildings are. Teacher teaches directions and students follow and mark the route on their maps. Teacher gives directions to a secret place; the students follow and locate the place. Students practise giving directions using the map on the blackboard. Students draw maps of their nearest village, town or part of the city and mark on various places. Students practise giving directions to each other. 		
 read sentences and match to pictures read a letter giving directions and label a map 	 <i>B. Reading</i> Sentences locating places e.g. the market is opposite the clinic Short letter from a friend locating his house in a town. 	 Students match sentences to pictures Students read the text and label buildings on map 		

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources	
write the correct spellingcomplete sentences by	 <i>C. Writing</i> 5 words for places in a town 	 Students practise spelling of 5 words. Teacher gives spelling test for grade so far. Students complete short sentences with direction words 	
 adding words and phrases write short sentences giving directions write sentences with correct punctuation 	 directions short messages of their own using commas. 	 Students write short message giving directions to their house from the school with a map. Teacher teaches use of commas. Students put commas into their messages. 	

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Speaking and listening

Take students outside/into the local area to practise asking for and giving directions. If it is not practical to go outside, use the classroom and school.

Unit 9: What's Your Uncle's Job? (13Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to talk about their families and their roles and responsibilities in the house. **Vocabulary**: Extended vocabulary for family and jobs, activities in the house e.g. fetch the water etc.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
 <i>Students will be able to:</i> ask and answer what they want to do and don't want to do 	A. Listening and Speaking Jobs What do you want to be? I want to be a Why do you want to be a ? Because? Do you want to be a ? Yes/no I don't want to be	 Students match job words to pictures and teacher teaches new words. Students talk about what they want to be and why
• listen to a description of a model family tree		 Teacher recycles and extends family words Students listen and write the names of people on a family tree
• ask and answer about where people live and what they do	 'Wh' questions Who is? What does he/she do? He/she farms/teaches. He/she is a/an Where does he/she work? He/she works in What is his/her job? Where does she live? He/she is a	 Students draw a picture of their own family tree, including names, relationships to themselves. Students talk about their families in pairs Students ask and answer questions about family members in pairs. E.g. S1: What does she do? S2: She is a doctor. S1: Where does she work? S2: She works in hospital. etc
• ask and answer questions about what they regularly do and what they are doing now.	Present simple e.g. I clean the rooms/fetch water etc Present continuous e.g. I am cleaning the rooms/fetching water.	 Students talk about activities that they do regularly in the house and the roles and responsibilities of their family members. Students could 'act out' various activities and the class guess what they are doing. Student uses present continuous to inform the class of the correct answer. Students look at a chart giving information about normal routines (present simple) and what people are doing now (present continuous) and make sentences in pairs

Competency	Content/Language item		Lea	rning activities and Reson	urces
	 Pronunciation: Present simple 3rd person singular ending e.g. he goes /z/ [/s/ /z/ /Iz/] 	• Students listen to verbs and group according to pronunciation of –s; put verbs into colum			ation of –s; put verbs into columns
		/s/	/z/	/Iz/	
		cooks	goes	finishes	
		makes	does	washes	
		• Students pra	ctise saying words i	in groups	
 read words read short dialogue (interview) to find information needed to answer questions 	 <i>Reading</i> job words job adverts (if appropriate) Interview between two people. 	• Students ur		advertisements (e.g. driver ut interview (job, family e	
 write the correct spelling write short sentences about personal details write a paragraph of 5 short sentences 	 <i>C. Writing</i> 5 job words. sentences paragraph 	Students withStudents drTeacher explored	rite sentences about aw round their hand plains what a parage		der the family tree v do at home in each finger

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Students choose one family member and talk about him/her (job, where he/she lives, age etc.)

Unit 10: Look Out! A Lion's Coming (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to describe animals.

Vocabulary: Wild animal vocabulary e.g. elephant, lion, giraffe, hippo, crocodile, hyena, monkey, zebra, camel, adjectives: e.g. long neck, what animals eat, where animals live etc.

Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources		
A. Listening and Speaking	The teacher says the name of an animal and students point to it in a picture.Students mime animals and others guess		
 Present simple to describe an animal It lives It eats It has legs etc? 	• Each student is given the picture of an animal. In turns they describe the animal.		
 Yes/no questions (present simple) Does it eat grass? Does it live in water? Is it? Negatives – 	• The teacher takes a picture of an animal. Students play a guessing game. They have eight questions to guess the animal. When they have guessed another student takes a picture and the game continues		
no, it doesn't It hasn't any			
comparatives (-er) (double consonant spelling rule) e.g. Bigger/fatter	 In groups students have 3-4 pictures. They make sentences comparing the animals. When they have finished they swap pictures with another group. The teacher divides the class into groups depending on which animal they like best. Each group talks together about why they like their animal and why it is better than the other animals. They present their reasons to the class (with a poster – see writing) The teacher tells a traditional tale involving wild animals. The teacher asks the students questions as he/she goes along. 		
 Pronunciation: revision of yes/no questions (rising intonation) Present simple 3rd person singular ending e.g. he goes /z/ [/s//z//Iz/ 	 Teacher models rising intonation and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills. Students listen to verbs and group according to pronunciation of -s; put verbs into columns 		
	 A. Listening and Speaking Present simple to describe an animal It lives It eats It has legs etc? Yes/no questions (present simple) Does it eat grass? Does it live in water? Is it? Negatives – no, it doesn't It hasn't any comparatives (-er) (double consonant spelling rule) e.g. Bigger/fatter Pronunciation: revision of yes/no questions (rising intonation) Present simple 3rd person singular ending e.g. he 		

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources			
		-	/z/ goes does se saying words in g atch the animals to t		
 read words and sentences read short paragraph and retell the main details 	 <i>B. Reading</i> animals and sentences about them reading passage about national parks 			airs they retell the main deta	ails.
 spell words correctly take dictation of short sentences write a paragraph of 5 short sentences 	 <i>C. Writing</i> 5 animal words dictated sentences about animals paragraph 	• Students tal		nces. They compare their an	

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Speaking and listening

Students describe the daily routine of an animal.

Unit 11: What's This Made of (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to give information about possessions and tools.

Vocabulary: Tools (e.g. hammer), what things are made of (e.g. wood, cotton, metal, paper), verbs associated with tools e.g. cut, hit.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Students will be able to:	A. Listening and Speaking	
 listen to short descriptions of objects and match to pictures/words 	 Present simple Have/has Do you have? Yes, I do/no, I don't 	 Students listen to a description of a tool and draw it/write the word Students listen to a description of a person/their possessions/tools and match with picture.
	What do you have in your bag? Verb "to be" • plurals	• Teacher brings in different materials (e.g. cotton, wood, metal, paper) and tools in bag; students feel (without seeing) and give name
	(regular/irregular)made of	• Students ask and answer questions about what they have in their schoolbag
 listen to instructions and react accordingly 	 used for a / an / the possessive ('s) or 	 Teacher revises object pronouns pointing and giving instructions such as 'touch her', 'tell her your name' etc. Teacher introduces 'give to' and instructs students to give particular tools and objects to various people
	 Object pronouns Give the paper to him Give it to her/him/me Take this wood and give it to them 	• Students look at a picture of people using different tools and say what they can see.
	• Tell her/him to give it to us/them/you	 Teacher teaches 'or' with examples Students ask each other questions about who uses the tools/materials
• ask and answer questions	(Picks up wood) Who uses it? (Re tools) Who uses them? The carpenter uses it	 Students match tools or possessions with different materials (that these items are usually made of). Students describe different kinds of tools, say what they are made of and what they are used
• explain what objects are made of	The builder uses them <u>or</u> the	for and complete a chart.
 ask and answer questions about personal possessions 	plumber	• Students look at pictures of people with many possessions/tools; then they look at isolated items from these pictures and say and ask questions about who the item belongs to, using possessive 's (e.g. it's Girum's cap)
• tell quantity of things	Tell quantity of things –	• Possessions game: teacher puts objects onto a tray; students memorise; teacher removes

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	 he/she has two pens they have two shoes 	 objects; students recall as many as they can E.g. the teacher has a pen, a pencil, a stone Students repeat in groups using their own possessions. Further practice: students ask/answer questions about friends' possessions e.g. Whose pen is it? It's Beletu's Students make oral chain sentences about objects: I have a pen; I have a pen and a pencil; I have a pen, a pencil and a book etc Students make sentences about possessions using the first letter of their name: e.g. Jemal has a hammer; Kebede has a goat. (extension: it's Jemal's hammer; it's Kebed's goat)
	Pronunciation: Possessive 's / s/ / z/ E.g. Tom's /z/ book Mike's /s/ book	• Teacher models and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills
• read a short paragraph to find information to fill in tables	 <i>B. Reading</i> A short paragraph describing people and their possessions 	• Students complete a chart saying what the people have/don't have
 write short sentences about objects complete sentences by adding words and phrases 	<i>C. Writing</i>WordsSentences	 Students label different materials Students label pictures/photos of different tools. Students write sentences describing tools and illustrate with a picture: name, made of, used for e.g. A hammer is made of wood and metal. It is used for making tables etc. Students read their descriptions without saying the name – other students guess object. Students complete sentences with correct object pronoun e.g. Hamid is speaking too much. Tell to stop.

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Assessment Speaking and listening

Students talk about the possessions their family has, what they are made of and what they are used for.

Unit 12: Where Were You Yesterday (13 Periods)

Unit Outcomes: Students will be able to give information about the past using was/were. **Vocabulary**: Last week/month/year places e.g. at school, at home, at the shops, at the clinic etc.

Competency	Content/Language item	Learning activities and Resources
Students will be able to:	A. Listening and Speaking	• Students talk about what they do in each month
• listen to instructions and respond accordingly	Recycle dates (ordinal numbers 1-30 and months)	 Teacher reads out dates and students circle them on a calendar and then read them back. Students do the same activity in pairs
• ask for and give personal details	 was/were (positive and question forms only) Where were you born? I was born in Jimma Which month were you born in? I was born in [month] 	 Teacher asks students questions and then students ask each other in pairs. Students conduct class survey to find out which month most students were born in.
	 Which month was he/she born in? He/she was born in Was she born in? Yes, she was/No, she wasn't 	• Students use the results of the survey to ask 'wh' and yes/no questions about their classmates
• listen to a dialogue and match to pictures	 Where were you? (last night/week/month/year; in the morning/afternoon/evening) were you at home/school 	• Teacher reads a dialogue where one person is asking where the other person was. The students match the times with a picture of a location (e.g. school = afternoon, home = morning, clinic = lunchtime etc.)
 ask and answer simple questions using was/were 	Adverbial phrases (place)somewhere near theoutside in the	 Students ask each other questions about where they were in the past. Students play a game in groups. One person thinks of a place they were yesterday. Others guess "Were you at school?", "Were you at home?"
questions using was were	Pronunciation: Was / were /wƏz/ /woz/ /w 3 :/ /wƏ/	• Teacher models phrases and students repeat: whole class drill, then drill smaller groups of students, finally individual drills Students practise with own phrases in pairs
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• read sentences about pictures and put them in the correct sequence	<i>B. Reading</i> sentences about people/animals with times e.g. Yesterday at 6.00 the dog was in the kitchen	• Students match the sentence with the picture and then put the pictures in order				
 write words correctly (with initial capital letter) write short sentences about personal details complete sentences by adding words 	<i>C. Writing</i>Place namesSentences	 Students write words with capital letters Students write sentences E.g. Girma was born in Jimma in [month]. Students use pictures to complete sentences about the person in the listening activity. 				
	• Identity cards	• Students fill in identity card forms with their names, age, place of birth, height, weight and nationality				

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Students interview each other and fill in identity cards for each other.

Grade 4 Vocabulary

Verbs start finish eat pray smile think wait	end get dressed look after race show throw match	arrive go to bed lift sew stop understand plough	catch grind paint shine study visit touch	Measurement kilo measure half heavy high weight	tall height	Tools hammer cotton nail saw sickle hoe spade axe needle	Materials metal plastic paper wood leather	Buildings and village city bank mosque hotel office crossing Turn left/right	places town market post office hospital hut garage straight ahead
Parts of the h garden gate chimney ceiling	iouse	Parts of the bo back trunk body blood	ody chin neck bone	Places city country field	Weather rainy cloudy cold Summer Winter	School building library sports field fence classroom	gs	Time hour minute second last (week/year	Family uncle aunt grandparents
Adjectives afraid dirty late	beautiful early soft	difficult easy straight	dark hard wide	Jobs butcher shepherd goatherd carpenter	builder plumber	Habitats etc. ground lake leaf moon	mountain cave desert	Food bean chilli lime	Restaurant words waiter waitress customer
Wild animals hippopotamus hyena zebra fox giraffe		crocodile monkey camel lion grasshopper		Words linked National Park spots stripes scales	to animals	Other nouns feather kid middle traffic light wheel	science street syringe piece umbrella	holiday lesson part ring	story subject top road
Social expres Can you say the What does I don't unders	nat again mean?	Can I have Excuse me							