## English Language Syllabus

## for <br> Grade 10

## Introduction

In grade 10 the students have 4 periods of English a week. The syllabus contains 12 units and each unit is divided into 11 periods. There should also be two revision units (each of two periods each), one at the end of each semester. This makes a total of 136 periods. The aim of the revision units is twofold. The teacher has the opportunity to recycle language and assess students against the competencies.

At Secondary School students are studying other subjects through the medium of English. Like Grade 9, Grade 10 therefore focuses on all four language skills equally, developing students' subject survival skills as well as building confidence and learning strategies. Learning strategies from Grade 9 are built on and extended in Grade 10 both through skills practice and specific activities. In terms of language items grade 10 both revises structures and introduces new structures to equip students with the English they need to enter grade 11, go to college or enter the world of work.

Topics, texts, vocabulary and activities are directly linked to other school subjects and reflect the national focus on Science and Technology. For reading and listening there is increasing use of authentic materials.

Teachers are strongly advised to the look at the Grade 10 Minimum Learning Competencies for all of the four skills which also act as objectives.

Unit 1: Sport and Fitness (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 1 students will be able to describe different types of sporting activities

## Language focus

Grammar: relative clauses (who/whose), present perfect (still/yet/already), both/neither, one/the other, the former/the latter, going to/will, modal verbs, adverbs of frequency/time,
Vocabulary: sport, fitness
Social Expressions: making plans/suggestions


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - compare people using appropriate language | both/neither <br> E.g. both have won gold medals one/ the other <br> E.g. One is a runner; the other was a footballer. <br> the former/the latter E.g. Derartu Tulu is a runner. Pele was a footballer. The former is from Ethiopia; the latter is from South America. | Teacher gives example sentences using both/neither, one/the other and the former/the latter on the board. Students compare the two sports people (from the Listening section), using information from comprehension questions. |
| - use a range of structures to make plans and suggestions | Social expressions: making plans and suggestions <br> E.g. Why don't you...? <br> If I were you, I'd... <br> What/how about ...-ing? <br> Let's.... <br> Perhaps you could... <br> You could always... <br> Going to/will <br> E.g. I'm going to visit my friend this weekend. <br> It's hot in here. I'll open a window. <br> Pronunciation: going to / will (short forms) | Teacher writes phrases for making plans/suggestions on the board and models pronunciation. Students repeat. <br> Students write down 10 health/fitness problems and 10 ways of keeping fit/healthy. In pairs, one student chooses a problem and the other suggests a way of solving it. <br> E.g. Student A: Exercise is boring. <br> Student B: Let's go swimming together. We can have fun. <br> Teacher revises "going to" for future plans and "will" for spontaneous decisions by giving examples on board. Teacher models pronunciation of short forms of going to/will <br> E.g. I'm /gənӘ/ go shopping <br> /aIl/ open a window <br> Students repeat as whole class, in pairs and finally individually. <br> Students are given different scenarios/prompts and asked to make dialogues practising "going to/will" <br> E.g. shopping this afternoon <br> Student A: I'm going to go shopping this afternoon. <br> Student B: I'll come with you. <br> Students act out their dialogues in front of the class. |
| - read a newspaper article and identify the main arguments and give their own opinions | C. Reading <br> An extract from a newspaper about sport E.g. women's football match | Students read the text and teacher asks them to note the $5 / 6$ main ideas. Students discuss their selected points with a partner and give their own opinion. Students report back ideas to class. |
| - read a factual article and scan to obtain specific information | Text on an unfamiliar sport e.g. skiing/ mountaineering | Students read the passage and answer comprehension questions |

- identify and follow the seven stages of writing: think, brainstorm, plan, draft, check, rewrite, proof read
- write 2-3 paragraphs to describe and persuade

| Competency |
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| - $\begin{array}{l}\text { read a factual article and infer } \\ \text { meanings of new words using } \\ \text { contextual clues and/or } \\ \text { knowledge of word formation } \\ \text { - } \\ \text { write a short report based on } \\ \text { available data }\end{array}$ | available data

## Content/Language Item

## D. Writing

A data table listing countries which

## Learning Activities and Resources

Students infer the meaning of key/unfamiliar words in the passage by matching have participated in the African Cup of Nations and facts about them (E.g. the winners, the host country, year, etc.)

Relative clauses who/whose E.g. Derartu Tulu, whose nationality is Ethiopian, is a famous runner.
present perfect (with still/yet/already)
E.g. She still hasn't done her homework.

Descriptive and persuasive paragraphs
them with definitions from a list supplied.

In groups students analyse the data and write sentences.
E.g. Ethiopia participated four times in the African Cup of Nations and won the 19.... Cup.

Students write a short report, combining the sentences about each country into a paragraph and adding a brief introduction and conclusion. Students can be given writing outline:
paragraph 1: introduction
paragraph 2: country A
paragraph 3: country B
paragraph 4: country C etc
last paragraph: conclusion (country with most/fewest wins; predictions for future)
Students join two sentences together using relative pronouns E.g. Derartu Tulu is a famous runner. She is Ethiopian.

Students look at pictures and make sentences using present perfect + still. not/not...yet/already

Students follow the seven stages of writing and write paragraphs describing their favourite sports. They give reasons why young people should do exercise and try to persuade them

Teacher gives students a writing scaffold: i.e. topic sentences, paragraph headings and recommends/revises useful language patterns. Teacher also refers back to reading text as model.
Suggested paragraph topics:

1. introduction


## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Listening | Listen to descriptions and identify specific <br> information through answering questions | Students listen to a passage read by the teacher and answer <br> multiple choice questions. |
| Speaking | Compare people using appropriate language | Students are given photographs of two famous people and <br> they orally compare them. |

## Unit 2: Health - First Aid (11 periods)

Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 2 students will be able to give and respond to instructions on first aid.

## Language focus

Grammar: first conditional, modal verbs, past simple/past continuous, sequencing words, present perfect simple/continuous, imperatives/present simple, question forms (which/what/how), going to (for prediction), sense verbs, somebody/anything etc
Vocabulary: health, accidents and emergencies
Social expressions: remembering/reminiscing

| Competency |
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| Students will be able to: |
| - listen to instructions and |
| identify key content words by |
| filling in a table |

- listen to a story and follow the structure, logic and sequence through identifying discourse markers and tenses
- listen to a story and be able to retell what they have heard in some detail
- contribute to and develop conversations around the unit topic
- ask and respond accurately to a basic range of open, closed and

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## Learning Activities and Resources

Teacher gives first aid instructions. Students listen to the instructions and fill in a table.
E.g. cut hand - clean wound, cover with bandage

Students listen to a story about an accident. They put pictures of the story in the correct order.

Students retell the story using sequencing words.

Using the information from the first aid instructions table (see Listening section), students conduct a 3 way role-play between a sick/injured person, a first aid practitioner and a trainee first aid practitioner E.g. Student A: I've cut my hand

Student B: Relax. First, you clean the wound and then put a bandage on it. Student C: I see but what do you do if ....

Optional: First Aid worker is invited to class to ask/answer questions in English. Students prepare questions in small groups beforehand, choosing different question words. Teacher checks question formation before students ask

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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| follow-on questions | you? | questions. |
| - talk about the future using a range of structures | Going to - for prediction E.g. He is going to fall. | Students look at pictures of actions that are about to happen and describe them using "going to". In pairs, one student mimes an action and the other says what is going to happen. <br> E.g. Student A: Aah aah aatch...... <br> Student B: He's going to sneeze! |
| - recount stories and experiences in the past using a range of structures | Revision of present perfect (contrasted with past simple) E.g. He's cut himself. How did it happen? | Teacher gives pictures of potentially dangerous situations. Students work in small groups and interpret pictures and discuss what advice and warning they can give. |
|  | Going to - for prediction E.g. He's going to burn himself. |  |
|  | Sense verbs | Teacher elicits sense verbs and mimes actions/emotions |
|  | E.g. It sounds/feels/looks/tastes/smel | E.g. The teacher looks sad/happy |
|  | + adjective | The food smells good/bad. |
|  | E.g. It smells good <br> + as if | Teacher writes patterns that come after these verbs on the board and explains grammar. |
|  | E.g. It looks as if it's broken. | Students read prompts and make sentences using sense verbs. |
|  | $+ \text { like }$ | E.g. chicken - delicious: "It tastes delicious" |
|  | E.g. It sounds like thunder. | In pairs, one student mimes and the other guesses by making phrases with "sense" verbs |
|  |  | E.g. He looks angry, he looks as if he's going to shout |
| - use a range of structures to remember and reminisce | Social expressions: remembering and reminiscing <br> E.g. It reminds me of. | Teacher writes expressions on board, checks grammar patterns and models pronunciation. Teacher gives students prompts and in small groups, students make as many phrases as they can using the prompt |
|  | I remember + ing | E.g. rain |
|  | It sounds like | The smell of wet grass reminds me of the rain. |
|  | When I was [a child] I used to | I remember watching the rain on the window. |
|  | When I was [a child] I used to... | It sounds like rain. |
|  |  | When I was a child, I used to love the rain. |
|  | C. Reading First aid vocabulary | Teacher pre-teaches vocabulary for first aid using pictures and mime. Students match pictures with words. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - predict the content of a story from pre-reading activities <br> - read a story and retell it in chronological order <br> - write instructions and support them with pictures | Story of an emergency/accident | Teacher gives list of content words from the reading passage. Students use these to predict the subject/content of the text. <br> Students retell the story. |
|  | D. Writing Instructions | Using the first aid instructions manual and gap-fill sentences (see Reading section) as a model, students write instructions on how to help a sick/injured person. Teacher gives scenario and prompts. Students support their instructions with simple pictures that indicate the sequence of actions. |
|  | Present perfect simple/continuous E.g. He's written 3 letters. He's been writing all day. | Teacher writes examples of present perfect simple and present perfect continuous on the board and explains/mimes difference. Students look at pictures and choose correct verb: <br> present perfect or present perfect continuous <br> E.g. "I've cut my hand" or "I've been cutting my hand" |
|  | Some/any/every/no body/one/where/thing | Students make sentences from a substitution table using Some/any/every/no - body/one/where /thing E.g. The surgeon prepares everything before the operation. Everybody should give blood. |
|  | E. Additional Learning Strategies Vocabulary recording - affixes | Students record affixes (prefixes and suffixes) used in the unit e.g. breathless. Students try to deduce meaning of certain affixes. E.g. -less can mean "without" Students add affixes to a root word and put in gaps to complete sentences. <br> E.g. -less (homeless, penniless) <br> He could not afford the rent for his house, so now he is homeless. |
|  | Revision of Grade 9 strategies <br> - English environment <br> - learner styles | Teacher reviews with students the ways of maximising the English environment and draws up a list of ideas <br> E.g. English club, watching English movies etc <br> Teacher asks students to complete sentences about themselves (with regard to learning) beginning "I like...." and "I don't like". In pairs, students compare answers and discuss what this means about their own learning styles. |
|  | - prioritising skills | Based on their sentences, students prioritise the skills and areas they need to focus on in Grade 10. They rank which skill is their strongest and why; and which skill they need to work on more and why. |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
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| Reading | Read a story and retell it in chronological order | Students are given different short stories to read. They retell <br> the story to the teacher. |
| Writing | Write instructions and support them with pictures | Students are given pictures of a machine/process and they <br> write instructions/sentences for each picture. |

Unit 3: Fiction (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 3 students will be able to read a variety of fiction texts and express their views

## Language focus

Grammar: past tenses (past simple/continuous/perfect), verb patterns (+infinitive with 'to', + object + infinitive with 'to' or + gerund), $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional, reported speech
Vocabulary: stories and story-telling (e.g. genres, people, adjectives)
Social expressions: telling a story

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will be able to: <br> - listen to descriptions and dialogues and identify gist <br> - predict the content of a story using a variety of contextual clues <br> - listen to a story and retell what they have heard in some detail <br> - recount stories in the past using a range of structures | A. Listening <br> Phrases/short dialogues for genre identification <br> Story <br> Past simple/continuous/perfect E.g. The man went into the room. The woman was screaming. They hadn't seen the body. <br> B. Speaking <br> Verb patterns <br> - verb followed by infinitive (with 'to') <br> E.g. decided to go <br> - verb followed by "gerund" E.g. like cooking <br> - verbs followed by object + infinitive <br> E.g. warn her to wait, teach you to speak | Teacher lists various fiction genres on the blackboard. E.g. poem, romance, detective story, adventure. Teacher reads out a phrase/short dialogue and students match by ticking genre <br> E.g. I will always love you.... - Romance <br> The teacher asks the students to listen to a story - after the first section of the story, students choose an appropriate sentence from a given list to complete the section. The exercise is continued with the following 2 sections of the story. <br> The students relate what they can remember of the story and retell it. <br> Teacher asks students to recall verb patterns in the story (from listening). Different categories are collected on the blackboard. Students choose some examples and create a story using these verb patterns. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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| - contribute to and develop conversations around the unit topic | $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional <br> E.g. If I were the stranger, I would try to talk with everyone. | Vocabulary extension: students are given a list of characters which they match to different genres <br> E.g. detective, body, stranger - murder mystery <br> Students add more examples of their own. <br> Students imagine they are characters in one of the stories and orally make sentences about what they would do <br> E.g. If I were the detective, I would listen as much as possible <br> Students read a short play script and act out the parts in small groups. They decide which genre it belongs to <br> e.g. comedy, thriller etc. Teacher gives groups of students different genres which they must keep secret from the class. They write a short play script/dialogue of their own and act it out. Other groups guess the genre and express their opinions, saying what they liked about the play. |
| - report what they have heard | Dialogue to reported speech E.g. Don't move! The detective told them not to move. | Groups exchange scripts and put a section of dialogue into reported speech. |
| - recount stories in the past using a range of structures | Social expressions: telling a story: <br> First of all ... <br> To begin with... <br> Then... <br> After that... <br> Finally... <br> To cut a long story short... <br> So in the end... <br> All in all /... | Teacher writes a list of story-telling phrases on the board. Students look at pictures from a story. In groups, students make up a story where each student introduces one step of the story using a suitable phrase from the list. Students could read their story to the class as if it were a radio drama. |
|  | Pronunciation (short forms: ‘d) <br> - $\quad 2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional <br> - Past perfect | Teacher writes examples of sentences on board and highlights contracted forms when speaking <br> E.g. He'd = he would / he had <br> Teacher models pronunciation of $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional and past perfect phrases. Students repeat and practise in pairs. |



| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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|  | Past perfect <br> E.g. The murderer had left the room before we arrived. <br> Past tenses - mixed <br> Revision of reported speech | Students put given verbs in a sentence into the correct form (+infinitive with 'to', + object + infinitive with 'to' or + gerund). Teacher checks answers. Students write on 3 separate papers (+infinitive with 'to', + object + infinitive with 'to' or + gerund). Teacher calls out verb and students hold up card with appropriate matching verb pattern e.g. decide $=+$ infinitive with 'to' <br> Teacher pulls examples of past perfect from listening and reading texts and puts on board. Teacher elicits form and use. Students complete gap-fill sentences with past perfect verbs. <br> Students read a cloze text and put the verbs given into the appropriate past tense (past simple/ continuous /perfect). <br> Teacher puts different examples of direct speech on the board and elicits the rules for reported speech and, with the help of students, completes transformations. E.g. Stop! - He told them to stop <br> Why are you here? - He asked them why they were here. <br> Do you speak Amharic? - He asked them if they spoke Amharic. <br> He loves cooking - He said he loved cooking. <br> Teacher underlines reporting verbs on board and students match with statements/orders/questions <br> E.g. say - statement <br> tell - command <br> ask - question etc <br> Teacher elicits more examples of reporting verbs <br> E.g. reply, order etc |
|  | Revision of $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional E.g. If I were rich, I would buy a car. | Students complete $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional sentence halves E.g. If I had a car.....(I would drive to school). (If I saw a crime)....I would go to the police. |
| - write 2-3 paragraphs to narrate | Narration | Students are given the first line of a story. They continue writing the story using their imagination. In groups, they read out their stories. |
|  | E. Additional Learning Strategies Focus on grammar, assessment and goal setting | With the help of the teacher, students list the types of ways they can learn grammar <br> E.g. rules from the teacher; working out rules themselves from writing/listening |


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|  |  | models; using a grammar book; reading and recognising grammar patterns etc. Students use smiley faces to evaluate each and highlight the ones they use themselves. <br> They decide to focus on one strategy they haven't used before/regularly and practise in the following lessons. <br> Students discuss with the teacher whether it is okay to make grammatical errors. If yes, when is it okay and what kinds of errors are okay? <br> Students discuss with teacher ways of collating grammar rules and record some examples as a model: <br> E.g. past continuous: recording form of verb (was/were + -ing), spelling rules (for -ing), example sentences, pictures, contrasting with another verb form (e.g. past simple). <br> Teacher pulls examples of past perfect and verb patterns from listening and reading texts to highlight forms, context and use of these grammatical items. Students use Reading 2 to locate a grammar item of their choice and record examples/rules using previous model <br> Students record their marks for grammar exercises (E.g. cloze, sentence completion) in this Unit and set themselves a grammar goal for the next Unit (E.g. get higher marks; record examples of a challenging grammar item etc) |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
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| Speaking and Listening | Report what they have heard | Teacher says some statements/commands/questions and <br> students transform them into reported speech |
| Writing | Write a short informal letter | Teacher assesses in-class writing |

Unit 4: Moral Education and Personal Responsibility (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 4 students will be able to show awareness of moral issues and personal responsibility

## Language focus

Grammar: modal verbs (mixed), gerunds, cause/effect, verb patterns, adverbs of manner, direct/indirect objects
Vocabulary: morals and ethics, adjectives for describing character/personality
Social expressions: apologising, agreeing/disagreeing (so do I/neither do I)

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will be able to: <br> - listen to a description and identify main ideas | A. Listening <br> A descriptive text involving a young person experiencing a conflict about the right course of action <br> Modal verbs (should, ought to, might, could, must, may, have to, will) | Teacher reads a passage. Students are asked to note down the main difficulties and in their groups decide what the character should do to resolve them E.g. She should talk to her teacher <br> The teacher asks a representative from each group to come to the front of the classroom and give their group's opinion. Other students are encouraged to ask questions after each person speaks. |
| - use a range of structures to express agreement/disagreement | B. Speaking Agreeing/disagreeing: so do I/ neither do I | Teacher writes statements on the board and builds up a list of phrases for expressing same/different feelings using so/neither <br> E.g. I am from Ethiopia - So am I I'm not! <br> I like injera - So do I / I don't! <br> I'm not happy - Neither am I / I am! <br> I don't like coffee - Neither do I/ I do! |
|  | Pronunciation: word stress for emphasis | Teacher explains rules and students copy examples. Teacher models word stress and students repeat. <br> E.g. Speaker 1: I'm from Tigray. <br> Speaker 2: I'm not! <br> Students practise in pairs: one student makes a statement and the other agrees or disagrees. |
|  | Gerunds <br> E.g. Caring for others is right | Introduction to Right and Wrong <br> Students are asked to write down 3 things which are examples of 'wrong' behaviour and 3 examples of 'right' behaviour' <br> E.g. Stealing is wrong |



## Competency

- use previous knowledge to pronounce new words and structures
- read a story and relate what they have read to their own experience
- read labels and warnings and scan to obtain specific information
- read a story and skim to get the general idea
- write warnings and support them with pictures
- reply to an informal letter

Content/Language Item

## C. Reading

Short story related to a central character who is facing a difficult situation.

Verb patterns
E.g. decide to go

Labels/warnings

Narrative text
Adverbs of manner
E.g. suddenly, quickly, violently
etc

## D. Writing <br> Warnings

## Informal letter

Problems - selection of letters taken from the problem page of a magazine for young people.

## Learning Activities and Resources

- A hearing impaired 18 -year-old.

Students are asked to work in groups to make the decision. Ideas and reasons are shared in whole class discussion.
(see reading section - labels and warnings)
Students read the story independently and answer questions for understanding.
They also try to think of occasions in their own lives when they have been uncertain about what to do.

The teacher asks students to look at verb patterns, copy examples and group them according to their pattern. Students can add these to their lists from the previous unit.
Teacher gives the class examples of labels and warnings that will be familiar to them. These can be distributed, displayed, in the text book, or written on the board. Students answer comprehension questions.

Students look for imperatives and verb patterns in the short texts and attempt to pronounce new words using previous knowledge.

Students read a short narrative text about a person in trouble. Students then read a list of adverbs and decide where to put these adverbs in the story to add colour/drama. Teacher gives feedback on position of adverbs. Students read the passage aloud in a dramatic fashion.

In pairs students think about what warnings they would give to people of their own age to help them avoid danger or difficulty. They write these using the reading examples as models and illustrate with pictures. The teacher displays these in the classroom.
Teacher reminds students of the characteristics of an informal letter including openings/closings.

Students are asked to choose one problem and write a letter in response giving advice.

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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|  | Adjectives of character Adverbs of manner E.g. You should behave sensibly. You should listen carefully. You should act responsibly <br> Verbs with two objects (direct/indirect objects) E.g. Give me the book <br> E. Additional Learning Strategies Dictionary skills - looking up words and choosing correct meaning | When they have completed the first draft of their letter, they exchange it with a partner and check each other's for accuracy paying particular attention to punctuation and capitalisation. <br> Students revise vocabulary for adjectives of character. They change a list of adjectives into adverbs, being careful of spelling changes. Students match these adverbs to sentences of advice and place in the appropriate position. <br> Teacher reviews object pronouns with students. Teacher writes on board a list of verbs that can take two objects <br> E.g. lend, tell, give etc <br> Using a substitution table, students make sentences using direct/indirect objects E.g. Tell me the truth; give it to me <br> Students are given a picture of a human body to label <br> E.g. chest, head, mouth, foot, cheek, nail, palm, neck, calf, hand <br> Students then match these words with another meaning, using dictionaries to check answers <br> E.g. a large strong box with a lid - chest <br> the most important person - head <br> the place where a river goes into the sea - mouth <br> a measure of length - foot <br> Students test their friends by choosing other words that have more than one meaning and giving examples <br> E.g. This word means baby cow and is also part of your leg - calf |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
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| Reading | Read labels and warnings and scan to obtain <br> specific information | Students read a selection of different labels/warnings and <br> answer multiple choice questions |
| Writing | Reply to an informal letter | Teacher assesses in-class writing activity |

Unit 5: Advertising (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 5 students will be able to demonstrate comprehension of advertisements and advertising and produce their own examples

## Language focus

Grammar: who (as subject/object of questions), extreme adjectives, adverbs of degree, comparatives/superlatives (more/less), so/such, someone/somewhere/something, who/that
Vocabulary: advertising and publicity, products (including adjectives for describing products)
Social expressions: illustrating a point

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will be able to: <br> - listen to advertisements and identify gist | A. Listening Advertisements | Students listen to advertisements and match to products. <br> Students listen to a description of a product and make an advertising slogan for the product. |
| - listen to a lecture and identify key content words | A talk on advertising | Students listen to an advertising executive talking about what makes a successful advert. Students take notes of the key points. |
| - describe objects using appropriate language | B. Speaking <br> Who (as subject/object of questions) <br> E.g. Who will buy this product? <br> Who does this product appeal to? | Teacher brings some products into the classroom and asks students about them: <br> E.g. Insect spray: What is this? - stuff that kill insects <br> Who will buy this product?/ Who does this product appeal to? Someone who has an insect problem <br> Why? It is very effective. It is quite cheap. |
| - ask and respond accurately to a basic range of questions | Who as subject and object of questions <br> E.g. Who does Mary love? - John Who loves Mary? - Tony | Teacher draws a square on the board with different names at each corner. Teacher explains that each person loves another <br> E.g. Mary loves John. John loves Sandra. Sandra loves Tony. Tony loves Mary. <br> Teacher asks students questions about the people. Students practise asking/answering questions about the people. <br> Students make their own examples and practise in pairs. |
| - ask for opinions, express their own opinion and support it |  | Students discuss any TV/radio adverts they have seen/heard and say what they think about them. (If possible students should be given the opportunity to listen to/watch a TV /radio advert). |
| - describe objects using appropriate language | Extreme adjectives/adverbs of degree | Students discuss what makes a good product. They rank answers and reach consensus. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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|  | E.g. This washing powder is absolutely fantastic. <br> Comparatives/superlatives E.g. It leaves your clothes whiter than white. <br> Imperatives <br> E.g. Buy this product today! <br> So/such <br> E.g. This is such a great product! <br> It is so useful | Students are given different products to advertise in small groups. Students use language of listening texts as a model. They prepare a short TV/radio advert for the product and present. |
|  | Pronunciation: weak forms comparatives/superlatives | Teacher writes examples of phrases with comparatives/superlatives on board and models pronunciation of short forms: <br> - er E.g. bigger / bIgƏ / <br> than / ðӘn / <br> the + superlative E.g. the / ӘӘ / best <br> Students repeat and practise in pairs. |
|  | Someone/somewhere/something <br> Thing/stuff <br> Relative pronouns: who/that <br> E.g. A dentist is someone who checks your teeth. <br> A wardrobe is somewhere that you store clothes. <br> A fly swat is a thing that you use for killing insects. | Teacher introduces the words "someone/somewhere/something" and the spoken lexical items "thing/stuff" and explains that "thing" is for countable nouns and "stuff" for uncountable nouns. Teacher writes a list of nouns on the board and students divide into person/place/countable object/uncountable object. |
|  | The stuff that you put on your toothbrush is called toothpaste. | Students match some example words with their definitions using the language patterns: <br> someone who <br> a thing that <br> stuff that <br> somewhere that <br> Students then define nouns of their choice using these language patterns. They test partners by reading a definition and asking for the name of the object/person/place being described. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - read advertisements and express their view <br> - read factual articles and skim to get the general idea <br> - -read factual articles and scan to obtain specific information | Social expressions: Illustrating a point: <br> E.g. For example, ... <br> For instance, ... <br> To give you an idea.. <br> For one thing.. <br> Take the way he/she.. <br> C. Reading <br> Examples of authentic adverts from magazines/newspapers/TV etc <br> A text from a marketing company explaining the process involved in advertising a product and the advantages to the consumer. <br> A text about the disadvantages of advertisements. <br> D. Writing <br> Vocabulary groups <br> Extreme adjectives <br> E.g. marvellous, dreadful | Teacher writes a list of phrases on the board and elicits positive/negative adjectives for describing products <br> E.g. expensive, efficient, time-consuming, fast etc <br> Students complete descriptions of products by introducing extra information using phrases given. <br> E.g. The CD player is really expensive. To give you an idea, it costs more than a month's salary. <br> Students read authentic adverts and discuss any common features <br> E.g. Use of colour/illustration/vocabulary. <br> They compare and contrast different adverts for a similar product and make judgements on which is most effective. <br> Jigsaw reading: students are divided into two groups. One group reads the text from the marketing company and the other reads the text about disadvantages. Both groups answer gist questions and more detailed questions. <br> Using the adverts from the reading section, the teacher extracts examples of vocabulary for advertisements: <br> - positive extreme adjectives <br> - superlatives/comparatives, <br> - imperatives <br> - adverbs of degree <br> Students are encouraged to record vocabulary in these groups. <br> Students are given a list of adjectives (including extreme) which they group as positive or negative. Students check with dictionary/teacher: <br> E.g. positive - good, excellent, marvellous, tasty, delicious negative - bad, dreadful, terrible, awful, foul <br> Students grade adjectives from weak to strong <br> E.g. good - tasty - delicious |



## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Speaking | Describe objects using appropriate language | Students describe products that the teacher gives them. |
| Reading | Read factual articles and skim to get the <br> general idea | Students read texts within a short time limit and answer <br> questions for gist |

## Unit 6: Drugs (11 periods)

Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 6 students will be able to discuss the issue of drugs and drug abuse

## Language focus

Grammar: zero conditional, modal verbs, cause/effect, past simple active/passive
Vocabulary: drugs and addiction, language of graphs
Social expressions: identifying/thinking about problems

| Competency | Content/Language Item |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Students will be able to: <br> - predict the content of a story <br> using a variety of contextual <br> clues | A. Listening <br> Short story about someone whose <br> life was destroyed by drugs, but <br> then through counselling, treatment <br> and self-will, rebuilt themselves | St |

- listen to a story and identify main ideas through taking notes
- ask for opinions, express their own opinion and support it (including illustrating a point)
- contribute to and develop conversations around the unit topic
- research and give a short presentation on a chosen topic

Short story about someone whose then through counselling, treatment and self-will, rebuilt themselves

## B. Speaking

Zero conditional/modal verbs E.g. If you drink alcohol, you may get a headache.

Cause/effect
E.g. leads to, results in, ends up, means

Modal verbs (should/ought to/must)
E.g. He should stop smoking. She must see a counsellor.

## Learning Activities and Resources

Students look at a picture or vocabulary connected with the story and predict content.

Students listen to the story and note main points.

Teacher writes the word "drugs" on the board and asks students what they associate with the word. Teacher puts elicited words in mind map.

Students are organised into groups. Different groups discuss and brainstorm:
a) the various drugs that are in circulation and what they know about them and their effects.
b) the consequences of taking drugs
c) the reasons why people take drugs

Groups are reformed in order to share information from the three topics. Students return to their original groups and report back.
Students work in pairs and role play a conversation between friends who are worried about the drug-taking habits of a classmate. They try to decide whether they should ignore the behaviour/talk to them and give advice/ report to a teacher/parent.

Teacher writes on the board a suitable structure for a talk and elicits useful language in note form.

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - agree, disagree and express simple counter arguments <br> - describe graphs using appropriate language | Language of graphs E.g. Increase, decrease, remain constant | Students individually prepare a short talk suitable for a school's anti-drug club or a broadcast by a school's media club on the dangers of drug taking. <br> In groups students read their talks to each other. <br> Optional - selected students present their talks at the next club meeting, or have the opportunity to broadcast. <br> Groups are given one of the following debate topics: <br> a) Chat is of no benefit to society <br> b) All drug addicts should be sent to jail <br> c) Alcohol should not be sold to people under 30 years of age <br> d) Cigarettes should be banned in Ethiopia <br> Students prepare arguments for and against the topic they have been given. They prepare speeches for a debate, and present these to 3 groups so that everybody has the opportunity to listen to a debate on each of the topics. |
|  |  | Speaking information gap: in pairs, one student describes information on a graph (about drugs) and the other draws. Students then swap roles. |
| - use a range of structures to identify problems | Social expressions: <br> Identifying/thinking about <br> problems: <br> The trouble is... <br> The problem is... <br> The awful/worst/terrible thing is... <br> Don't forget that... <br> In a case like this, ... <br> In a situation like this, ... <br> In this sort of situation, ... | Teacher writes expressions on board and models examples. <br> Students are divided into teams and given a list of problem topics <br> E.g. Smoking, drugs, unemployment, alcohol, learning English, forgetting to do your homework <br> Team A chooses a topic and Team B has to say a related sentence using one of the expressions within a specified time limit (e.g. 15 seconds). <br> E.g. Smoking - the trouble is you need will-power to stop. <br> If Team B makes a suitable sentence in the time given, they score a point. Teams swap roles and the team with the most points at the end is the winner. |
|  | C. Reading | Teacher writes the word "consequences" on the board and elicits vocabulary/ideas connected with drug taking E.g. death, serious illness, addiction etc |
| - read a factual article and make notes of the main points | Advice booklet written for young people on the consequences of drug abuse. | Students copy vocabulary from board, read text in pairs and tick items if they are mentioned in text. Teacher helps students with any information they find confusing. <br> Students take notes of main points. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - read a factual article and scan to obtain specific information | A passage on drugs in an international context. | Students read text and record information in a chart or table: <br> E.g. Type of drug <br> Where grown <br> How trafficked <br> Impact on society |
| - read and interpret statistical data | Graphs | Students look at examples of graphs and match to key vocabulary E.g. increase/decrease rise dramatically remain constant etc |
|  | D. Writing <br> Graph language <br> Past simple active/passive E.g. 2000 cars were exported in 1999. <br> More schools were built in 2005 than in 2004. <br> In 2005, Saudi Arabia exported more oil than Libya. | Students read graphs and complete gap-fill sentences with appropriate graph vocabulary and choosing active/passive verbs |
| - write a short report based on available data | A report | Students are given data (in the form of a graph/graphs) relating to drugs in Ethiopia. Using the data they prepare a report for their school newspaper/magazine, or for display in the anti-drug club room. |
|  | Cause/effect E.g. leads to, results in, ends up, means | Students match sentence halves incorporating cause/effect language <br> E.g. Consuming too many calories results in - obesity <br> Cutting down the rainforests leads to - higher global temperatures and loss of animal species |
|  | Zero conditional/modal verbs | Using a substitution table, students write sentences using an if-clause and a modal verb <br> E.g. If you drink alcohol, you may get a headache. |
|  | Past simple passive | Students transform active sentences into the passive <br> E.g. The government built 100 schools - 100 schools were built by the government <br> Students record a list of irregular past participles and add more that they know E.g. Built, sent, won |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - identify and follow the seven stages of writing <br> - write 2-3 paragraphs to describe and persuade | Descriptive and persuasive paragraphs <br> E. Additional Learning Strategies Dictionary work <br> - understanding definitions | Students follow the seven stages of writing and write paragraphs describing the drugs situation in Ethiopia and the dangers of taking drugs, persuading others not to get involved. <br> Teacher gives students a writing scaffold: i.e. topic sentences, paragraph headings and recommends/revises useful language patterns. Teacher also refers back to reading text as model. <br> Suggested paragraph topics: <br> 1. introduction <br> 2. drugs situation in Ethiopia <br> 3. why young people should not take drugs <br> Students look at examples of definitions from a dictionary and match to words. E.g. syringe - is a type of medical instrument used for extracting blood <br> Students then read a list of words connected to the unit topic and write/say definitions for each word using the following patterns: <br> ..is a type of.. <br> ..is a/the place where.. <br> ..is used for.. <br> ..means not.. <br> ..is part of.. <br> ..is a large/small.. <br> ..lives in/is found in.. <br> ..means the same as.. <br> ..means connected with.. <br> When you..., you.... |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Speaking | Describe graphs using appropriate language | Students interpret and describe information presented in a graph |
| Listening/Writing | Listen to a story and identify main ideas | Teacher reads a short story about a young person involved in <br> drugs. Students take notes and write up the story in their own <br> words. |

Unit 7: Natural Disasters (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 7 students will be able to talk about natural disasters

## Language focus

Grammar: would, so/such, mixed tenses (active/passive), somebody/everything etc, prepositions of time
Vocabulary: disasters (natural and man-made)
Social expressions: showing uncertainty

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Students will be able to: <br> - <br> predict the content of a news <br> broadcast using a variety of <br> contextual clues | A. Listening <br> A listening text - news broadcast <br> relating to disaster e.g. earthquake, <br> floods etc | Students look at pictures/read key words/first line of broadcast and predict what <br> listen to a news broadcast and <br> identify specific information <br> predictions. |
| recount stories and experiences <br> in the past using a range of be about. Students listen to whole broadcast and check their <br> structures | B. Speaking <br> Mixed past tenses <br> E.g. The ground opened up and <br> swallowed the houses. | Students listen to the text and answer comprehension questions. |
|  | I would... <br> E.g. I would take a picture of a <br> child. | In groups, students look at pictures of different kinds of disasters and create an <br> oral story about the event, using past tenses. |
| shat photographs they would take for a newspaper/magazine e.g. a child stranded |  |  |
| in the middle of the lava. Teacher models use of "would". |  |  |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - use a range of structures to |  |  |
| show uncertainty |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}destroyed the small island. <br>

Social expressions: showing <br>
uncertainty: <br>
I'm afraid I don't know. <br>
I'm sorry I don't know. <br>
I'll have to think about it. <br>
I'm really not sure. <br>
I haven't a clue. <br>
I've forgotten. <br>
It's no good, I can't remember.\end{array} \quad $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { General knowledge quiz: Teacher divides the class into teams. Teams prepare } \\
\text { general knowledge questions to ask each other. In each team, students take it in } \\
\text { turns to ask the questions and keep the score. Each team scores 2 points for a } \\
\text { correct answer and one point if a team member uses one of the phrases, admitting } \\
\text { they don't know the answer. }\end{array}
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| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - make notes from a printed source <br> - put notes into sentences and order sentences into logical paragraphs | Summary: bullet points | E.g. I would be grateful if you could - please can you..? <br> Students write a formal letter to the Red Cross explaining the urgent need for funding and resources in the aftermath of a disaster in their local area. <br> Teacher provides some data on the board about a natural disaster. Students, with teacher's help, interpret the data orally. Teacher takes notes on the board in bullet points and students copy. Teacher guides students in turning notes into sentences by demonstrating with example on board. |
|  | News report | Students look at different data on E.g. casualties caused by a disaster and summarise the main information in bullet points themselves. <br> Students use the information to write a report for the BBC or newspaper. They turn the notes into sentences and put the sentences into a paragraph using appropriate discourse markers. |
|  | Some/any/every - body/one/where /thing <br> E.g. Everyone panicked. <br> The lava flowed everywhere. <br> Someone saw <br> Mixed tenses (active/passive) <br> E.g. Bodies were pulled from the building. <br> Police surrounded the area. | Students complete a cloze passage about a disaster using "Some/any/every body/one/where /thing" and putting verbs given into appropriate tense and choosing either active/passive. |
| - identify and follow the seven stages of writing | Essay | Students follow the seven stages of writing and write a guided essay entitled: "The world is a more dangerous place than 50 years ago". |
| - write a guided or supported essay in 5 paragraphs including an introduction and conclusion |  | Teacher gives students a writing scaffold: i.e. topic sentences, paragraph headings and recommends/revises useful language patterns. Teacher also refers back to reading text for useful ideas/ vocabulary. <br> Suggested paragraph topics: <br> 1. introduction <br> 2. description of natural disasters occurring now <br> 3. description of man-made disasters occurring now <br> 4. counter-arguments to the essay title <br> 5. conclusion |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | E. Additional Learning Strategies <br> - active/passive knowledge <br> - lexical chunks <br> - collocations/word partners | Students are given a list of lexical items. In pairs, they divide them into two columns: words they actively need to know and words they may need to know passively. Students discuss how they make the division. With the teacher, they draw up a list of factors needed to actively "know" a word: <br> E.g. meaning (single/multiple), spelling, collocations, register (formal/informal), part of speech, mother tongue translation, pronunciation etc <br> Students read the sample formal letters and copy chunks of language that would be useful in writing any formal letter. With teacher's help, they decide how much of a chunk should be copied and how to transform it to different contexts <br> E.g. I would be grateful if you could.... <br> Students match words from a list with their natural collocations/word partners. Words should be related to unit topic <br> E.g. natural/man-made disaster <br> survive a disaster <br> a disaster occurs/takes place <br> Students should record the items in a vocabulary network and add other words that they know collocate <br> Students set a vocabulary target for the next unit (E.g. make a vocabulary network for the unit topic; do some extensive reading and record new words; find collocations for words they have already recorded this grade or for new words in the next unit etc.) |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Reading | Read a newspaper article and relate what <br> they have read to their own experience | Students read a text about a disaster and say how it relates to <br> something they have heard/seen/read about. |
| Writing | Write a short formal letter | Teacher assesses in-class activity. |

Unit 8: Education (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 8 students will be able to discuss issues related to education

## Language focus

Grammar: $2^{\text {nd }}$ conditional, too (much/many)/enough, mixed tenses, question + preposition, I wish + past simple, articles (including zero article) Vocabulary: education
Social expressions: adding information

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - use a range of structures to add |  |  |
| information |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}Social expressions: adding <br>

information <br>
To start with, ... <br>
And another thing, ... <br>
What's more, ... <br>
Just a small point, ... <br>
Perhaps I should mention.... <br>
Oh, I almost forgot...\end{array} \quad $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { In pairs, one student looks at a picture of a classroom and describes it using the } \\
\text { list of expressions. The other student draws the description. (Or students have 2 } \\
\text { similar pictures of a classroom. One student describes the picture using the list of } \\
\text { expressions and the other student circles the differences - spot the difference). } \\
\text { The activity can then be repeated with a different picture - i.e. a school - so that } \\
\text { both students get practice in describing and adding information }\end{array}
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| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - read a factual article and make notes of the main points <br> - read a factual article and infer meanings of new words using contextual clues and/or knowledge of word formation |  | I have $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ pupils in my class. |
|  | Text: A History of Modern Education in Ethiopia | Students read the text and make notes of the main points. |
|  |  | Students read the passage and infer meaning of unfamiliar vocabulary, matching content words to a selection of possible definitions. |
|  | Articles (a/an/the/no article) | Students read a short passage about a school day with examples of articles (a/an/the) and the zero article. |
|  |  | E.g. he goes to school / he arrives at school/ he stays at school until lunchtime/ in the classroom there are 70 students / In the corridor, he meets a teacher. The teacher's name is... etc |
|  |  | Students copy/highlight examples of articles/zero articles and analyse their usage. Students are given a list of rules which they match to the examples. <br> Students read a second similar text and correct article usage by adding/deleting/changing articles. |
| - in small groups, write and present a report of between 350 to 400 words including suggestions/recommendations | D. Writing <br> Vocabulary network | Students brainstorm vocabulary on education (including phrasal verbs E.g. catch up, drop out). |
|  | Report with proposals/recommendations | Students are given various key education issues related to gender and health education. They brainstorm the issues in groups, write and present a set of proposals/ recommendations. |
| - write a short formal letter | Formal letter | In groups, students brainstorm different points they would like to make to the Minister of Education. The group writes a formal letter asking for more resources for their school giving reasons why he should agree to their request. |
|  | Mixed tenses Too/enough | Students read a cloze passage about education and fill the gaps changing given verbs into the appropriate tense. <br> Students transform sentences using too/enough so that they have the same meaning <br> E.g. The classroom is too small for all the students. <br> The classroom is not big enough for all the students. |
|  | Wishes (+ noun / past simple) E.g. I wish the language of | Students use written prompts to make wishes. E.g. can/speak Chinese: I wish I could speak Chinese. |

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| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | instruction was/were Amharic | my village/a cinema: I wish my village had a cinema. |
|  | E. Additional Learning Strategies <br> Recording vocabulary | Students record education vocabulary (see Writing section) as they like, <br> extending the brainstormed words with collocations, phrases, antonyms etc. <br> Students store the vocabulary network using one of the methods recommended in <br> the previous unit. |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Speaking | Research and give a short presentation on a <br> chosen topic | Teacher assesses in-class activity. |
| Reading | Read a text and make notes of the main points | Students read a text about education in another African <br> country and make notes of the main points |
| Writing | In small groups, write and present a report of <br> between 350 to 400 words including <br> suggestions/recommendations | Teacher assesses in-class activity. |

Unit 9: Seas and Rivers (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 9 students will be able to give information about issues related to seas and rivers

## Language focus

Grammar: question forms, verb patterns, the/zero article, parts of speech,
Vocabulary: names of seas/oceans/rivers/continents, vocabulary connected to seas and rivers (e.g. jobs, marine life)
Social expressions: guessing

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Students will be able to: } \\ \text { - listen to a story and identify key } \\ \text { content words }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { A. Listening } \\ \text { Listening 1: A story about the sea }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Students listen to a story about the sea (pirates/lost at sea/fishing } \\ \text { expedition/shipwrecked etc). They take notes based around key words adding } \\ \text { detail. }\end{array}$ |
| - listen to a story and retell what |  |  |
| they have heard in some detail |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{ll}Using the notes, they retell the story. <br>

- listen to a lecture and identify <br>
detailed information\end{array} \quad $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { Listening 2: A lecture about a } \\
\text { marine/water issue }\end{array}
$$ \quad $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { Students listen to a lecture about a marine/water issue (E.g. Rift Valley lakes, } \\
\text { overfishing, pollution, employment and the impact on the seas) and answer } \\
\text { questions in detail }\end{array}
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| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { use a range of structures to } \\ \text { guess }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Social Expressions: guessing: } \\ \text { I'd say... } \\ \text { Could it be ... }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Teacher goes over expressions used to guess things and students practise } \\ \text { pronunciation. }\end{array}$ |
| Perhaps it's... |  |  |
| I think it's... |  |  |
| It looks like... |  |  |
| It's difficult to say, but I'd guess... |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}Students look at unclear/fuzzy pictures or pictures taken from a strange angle or <br>

optical illusions. They take it in turns to guess what they are/what they can see. <br>
Students can also ask challenging questions and guess the answers e.g. what do <br>
you think the population of Kenya is?\end{array}\right\}\)


## Learning Activities and Resources

E.g. the - Amazon, Nile, Indian Ocean, Mediterranean
$\emptyset$ - Africa, Europe, Asia, Lake Tana
Extension: Teacher writes other geographical proper nouns on board and students group according to article usage. They deduce rules.
E.g. the Suez Canal, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, the Himalayas, the Middle East, the north of Ethiopia
Ø - China, Mount Kilimanjaro, North Africa, northern Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, Arat Kilo, Togo Street
Students complete gap-fill exercises using "the" and zero article.
Students take root words and transform using affixes and changing the part of speech. Students write new words in columns according to their part of speech. Students then put the words in sentences.
E.g. pollute/pollution/polluted
environment/environmental/environmentalist
employ/employment/employee/employer/unemployed/ unemployment With the help of a dictionary/the teacher, students mark word stress and practise saying the words individually and in sentences.

Students look at pictures connected with the sea and label (e.g. whale, dolphin, octopus, ship, wave, lighthouse etc)
Students listen to sentences about the sea and take dictation.
Students write up stories of individuals connected to the sea (see Speaking) using first person.

Teacher checks whether students have met their vocabulary goal from unit 7 .
Students and teacher brainstorm ways of improving listening skills
E.g. Listen for content words; try and predict content before listening; extensive listening; awareness of body language/facial expressions; listen for gist before details (if listening is going to be repeated) etc.
In groups, students choose one of these strategies (not extensive listening) - a different strategy for each group - prior to doing Listening 2 (see Listening section). After completion of listening

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | task(comprehension questions), students discuss in their groups the <br> advantages/disadvantages of the strategy employed and compare with other <br> groups. Students record their listening scores for this unit so that they can compare <br> with scores in future units. <br> $\quad$Students set themselves a listening goal for the next unit (E.g. improve listening <br> scores; use a new listening strategy; do some extensive listening outside class etc.) |

Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Speaking | Ask and respond accurately to a basic range of <br> open, closed and follow-on questions | Teacher interviews students and they respond accordingly. |
| Reading/writing | Read a story and be able to express their view | Students read a text related to the topic unit and express their <br> view in writing 2-3 paragraphs. |

## Unit 10: Energy (11 periods)

Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 10 students will be able to give information about different types of energy and produce/present a report

## Language focus

Grammar: relative clauses, comparatives/superlatives, enough/too, passives, instead of + gerund, modal verbs, zero/ $1^{\text {st }}$ conditional, prepositions (with verbs/adjectives)
Vocabulary: Energy, environment, science and technology
Social expressions: thinking ahead

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will be able to: <br> - listen to a lecture and identify specific information | A. Listening <br> A lecture about different forms of energy <br> Relative clauses <br> E.g. Solar power is a form of energy which comes from the sun. <br> Comparatives/superlatives <br> E.g. Nuclear power is more dangerous than wind energy. Enough/too <br> E.g. There is enough wind in Ethiopia to power villages. <br> Nuclear power stations are too expensive to build. <br> B. Speaking <br> Relative clauses <br> E.g. Solar power is a form of energy which comes from the sun. <br> Present simple passive <br> E.g. A stove is heated by kerosene <br> A bus is powered by diesel <br> Instead of + gerund <br> E.g. Instead of getting energy from electricity, a house could get power from solar panels. | Students listen to the lecture and complete charts with information about energy form: where found; costs; raw materials; advantages/disadvantages etc. <br> Students use chart to compare/contrast different forms of energy. Students make sentences. <br> Students brainstorm and describe different kinds of energy. <br> Students list the machines/objects they use or come across in their daily lives that require power and state where the power comes from E.g. stove - kerosene; bus- diesel; light - electricity <br> Teacher writes the pattern "instead of + -ing" on the board and gives examples of use and models pronunciation. Students then discuss alternative means of powering these things, using language pattern. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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| - ask for opinions, express their own opinion and support it (including through illustrating a point) | Modal verbs for possibility E.g. Ethiopia could invest in wind power technology. <br> Solar power might be cheaper than oil. <br> Nuclear power may not be the answer to Ethiopia's energy problems. | Students discuss what kind of energy Ethiopia should invest in: E.g. wind, hydro-, nuclear, fossil fuels etc. using information from reading texts. |
| - use a range of structures to think ahead | Social expressions: thinking ahead (using zero or $1^{\text {st }}$ conditional): <br> If... <br> If I ever... <br> When... <br> Whenever ... <br> As soon as... <br> Unless... | Students form groups. In their groups, students, using prompts given, connect two ideas together with one of the thinking ahead linking words. Student A starts E.g. If I study hard, I'll do well at school. <br> Student B continues by connecting the second idea with another E.g. Unless I do well at school, my father will be angry. <br> The oral chain continues. If a student cannot think of a sentence, they must drop out of the game. When all prompts have been used, students can think of their own. The game continues until one student is left or time is up. |
| - explain how to operate a piece of equipment |  | Students look at a picture of a kerosene lamp (or the real object) and explain how to operate it to their partner. |
| - read a description and identify specific information | C. Reading <br> A descriptive text about one form of energy | Students read a text about one form of energy and how it is produced e.g. solar power <br> They label a diagram. |
| - read factual articles and scan to obtain specific information <br> - read factual articles and infer meanings of new words using contextual clues and/or | Jigsaw reading: different kinds of energy | Jigsaw reading: in groups, students read texts about different kinds of energy and answer questions. They share information (asking and answering questions) with other groups. <br> Students answer questions about vocabulary. <br> E.g. find a word that means... <br> They fill gaps in sentences/paragraph with new words. |
|  | Relative clauses E.g. Solar panels which are placed on the roofs of houses are made up of photo-voltaic cells. | Students read two connected sentences and join with appropriate relative pronoun |



| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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|  |  | Students do similar exercises with make/do/have etc. Students can make their <br> own exercises and test their partner using dictionaries to check accuracy. |
| Students should be encouraged to record example sentences for these words in <br> their vocabulary books/pages. |  |  |

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Speaking | Ask for opinions, express their own opinion and <br> support it | Teacher assesses in-class activity. |
| Reading | Read a description and identify specific <br> information | Students read a text related to the unit topic and label a <br> diagram. |

Unit 11: Applications For Jobs/College (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 11 students will be able to answer interview questions and write a letter of application

## Language focus

Grammar: present perfect simple/continuous (contrasted with past simple), for/since/ago, would, comparatives/superlatives, adjectives + preposition/infinitive, adjectives with -ed/-ing, discourse markers
Vocabulary: Jobs and employment, adjectives of personality
Social expressions: clarifying and correcting oneself, restating

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Students will be able to: } \\ \text { - listen to instructions and } \\ \text { identify detailed information }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { A. Listening } \\ \text { Instructions on how to fill in a form }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { The teacher gives guidance on the completion of an application form and } \\ \text { instructs students on each question. Students complete the application form as } \\ \text { each instruction is given. }\end{array}$ |
| - listen to a lecture and |  |  |
| identify main ideas |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}E.g. Using capital letters, write your name. <br>

Listening text: How to act and behave <br>
in an interview <br>
(ask and) respond accurately <br>
to a basic range of open, <br>
closed and follow-on listen to advice on how to behave in an interview. They tick/cross <br>
questions (including in an <br>
interview)\end{array} \quad $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { Typical interview questions } \\
\text { E.g. What subjects do you study? } \\
\text { Why do you think this job/course is } \\
\text { right for you? }\end{array}
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\begin{array}{l}\text { Students listen to a variety of interview-type questions and give answers about } \\
\text { themselves. Teacher asks one question, students listen and then in groups take } \\
\text { turns to give their answer. Students check each other's answers. Teacher then } \\
\text { asks next question etc. }\end{array}
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| Competency |
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| - ask and respond accurately to |
| a basic range of open, closed |
| and follow-on questions | clarify and correct oneself

- use a range of structures to restate
- read advertisements and be able to make notes of the specific points
- read letters and express their view and give reasons


## Content/Language Item

Job interviews

Social expressions: Clarifying and correcting oneself:
What I mean is...
What I meant was...
Let me put it another way.
Let me rephrase what I just said.
The fact of the matter is...
Do you really mean that?
I'm afraid that just isn't true.
Social expressions: restating:
In other words,
So what you're saying is...
If I understand you correctly,
So you mean that...

## C. Reading

A selection of job adverts

Three letters of application for the same job (one good, one mixed, one poor).

## Learning Activities and Resources

Students role-play a job interview, after deciding on the job (from the reading activity). Three students act as interviewers and three as the candidates and two as observers.
The interviewers prepare questions.
The candidates re-read their notes (from listening text) e.g. speak clearly, be polite, look at the interviewer.
The observers plan what they will look for in the interview using their notes (guidance for candidates from the listening text)
At the end of the interviews, the observers give positive comments and point out any general areas to develop.
E.g. The questions were answered well, but everyone needs to speak more loudly

Teacher introduces the structure and highlight pronunciation.
Students are given a list of extreme statements
E.g. I don't make grammar mistakes.

Students are lazy.
In pairs, students moderate these statements using a correcting/clarifying phrase.
E.g. Student A: I don't make grammar mistakes.

Student B: Do you really mean that?
Student A: Well, what I mean is I only make small errors in writing and always correct them immediately afterwards.

Teacher introduces target language
Students work in pairs and conduct an interview. One student is a journalist and the other the interviewee (students can choose who they are). Using interview questions and re-stating phrases from the list, they make conversations.

Students read the job adverts and note skills and attributes required in each. Students list adjectives of personality mentioned.
E.g. Punctual, motivated

Students complete gap-fill sentences using these adjectives.
Students read the letters of application and discuss with partner the strengths and weaknesses of each and decide who they would ask for interview.


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - put notes into sentences and order sentences into logical paragraphs | Present perfect simple/continuous E.g. I have been studying English for 11 years. <br> Jobs vocabulary <br> Discourse markers <br> E.g. <br> Although/however/but/despite/since/as <br> Present perfect simple/continuous (with for/since) contrasted with past simple (for/ago) <br> E.g. I've been playing football for 5 years. <br> I lived in Jimma for 3 years, but then my parents moved to Dire Dawa. I visited my grandmother 1 month ago. | Students turn notes from records of achievement into written sentences using for/since and make paragraphs on some of the areas. <br> Students and teacher revise vocabulary connected with jobs. Teacher writes vocabulary network on board and students copy. Vocabulary is extended with collocations and linked lexical items E.g. secretary (minutes, type, arrange etc) <br> Students choose from a list of discourse markers and complete a cloze passage. <br> Students complete gap-fill sentences with for/since/ago and correct form of verb given. |
| - identify and follow the seven stages of writing <br> - write a guided or supported essay in 5 paragraphs including an introduction and conclusion | Essay <br> E. Additional Learning Strategies Focus on Speaking and Writing | Students follow the seven stages of writing and write a guided essay entitled: "Who you know is more important than what you know". <br> Teacher asks groups to identify topic sentences, paragraph headings and useful language patterns as well as useful ideas/vocabulary from the reading text. The teacher collates all the different ideas from the groups on the board. The class selects the best and students use this scaffold to support them in their task. <br> Teacher checks whether students have met their listening goal from unit 9 . <br> Students are divided into two groups: one group brainstorms ways of improving speaking and the other ways of improving writing. Students then form pairs and share information. Students highlight the strategies (with smiley faces) they personally use/find useful. |


| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Students look back over their vocabulary and social expression lists and choose a <br> topic to discuss in pairs. With their lists at hand, students should take it in turns to <br> build mini-conversations. Teacher can put sample turn-taking prompts on the <br> board for students to use: <br> E.g. Student A: tell your partner a problem (E.g. There are not enough girls in <br> high school) <br> Student B: give your view (E.g. Yes I agree with you) <br> Student A: Give a reason (E.g. One reason for this is because girls don't pass the <br> primary school exam) <br> Student B: Give the most important point from your opinion (E.g. In my opinion <br> it is because girls are needed at home) <br> Student A: give your most important point (E.g. I think it is because many girls <br> are told to marry early) <br> Student B: give a solution (E.g. I think boys should help in the home) <br> Student A; agree or disagree (E.g. I don't.) |
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|  |  | In pairs, students choose one writing activity completed during the unit (draft 1) <br> and peer-correct, looking at spelling, punctuation, grammar, content, layout etc. <br> Students make suggested corrections and submit their final draft. Students are <br> encouraged to use a personal marking scheme (e.g. T=tense error; sp= spelling <br> error) |
|  | Students set themselves a writing and a speaking goal for the last unit and decide <br> on the strategies they are going to use. |  |
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## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Writing | Put notes into sentences and order sentences into <br> logical paragraphs | Students read a list of notes made by a job interviewer <br> describing a candidate. They turn the notes into sentences and <br> descriptive paragraphs using suitable discourse markers. |
| Listening | Listen to interview questions and respond accurately | Teacher asks some typical interview questions and students <br> answer accordingly. |

Unit 12: Births, Weddings and Funerals (11 periods)
Learning Outcomes: By the end of Unit 12 students will be able to give information about births, weddings and funerals in Ethiopia and elsewhere

## Language focus

Grammar: present perfect, past simple, passive, even,
Vocabulary: relationships, birth/wedding/funeral, revision of "get"
Social expressions: Generalising and making exceptions

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students will be able to: <br> - listen to a dialogue and identify specific information | A. Listening <br> A conversation between two grandmothers talking about important events in their life and the ceremonies associated with them: their marriage, the birth of their children, the death of friends/members of their family. | Students listen to the conversation and complete a table with information for each grandmother. <br> E.g. Year/married number of children etc |
| - describe pictures and people using appropriate language | B. Speak | Students look at pictures from around the world of ceremonies and special events. They describe and guess what is happening and then write "thought bubbles" to describe what the people in the pictures are thinking/saying. |
| - use a range of structures to generalise | Social expressions: generalising: <br> As a rule, ... <br> In general, ... <br> Generally speaking, ... <br> Most of the time, ... <br> From time to time, ... <br> By and large, ... <br> In my experience, ... <br> In most cases, ... | Teacher introduces and practises the target language. In pairs, students draw up a list of (humorous) irritating habits they have and use these to explain why they are not suitable for married life or for sharing accommodation. Students should use generalising words when describing their irritating habits. <br> E.g. Most of the time, I sing very loudly in the bath. <br> As a rule, I don't go to bed till 3 or 4 in the morning. <br> From time to time I talk in my sleep. <br> Students can then discuss what the secret of a good marriage is, which habits they find annoying in other people and which of their own habits they would try to stop if they got married. |
| - use a range of structures to make exceptions | Social expressions: making exceptions: <br> There are exceptions, of course, One exception is... <br> But don't forget... <br> Let's not forget... <br> But what about... | Students work in small groups and think of as many generalisations for a list of topics. They also think of exceptions. One person should write them down; another person can read them out to the class. <br> E.g. Old people: In general, old people are very conservative. There are exceptions, of course. My grandmother started learning English when she was 80. Possible topics: teenagers, teachers, students, men, women, cars, actors, politicians, wild animals, money, foreigners to my country etc |

## Competency

- ask and respond accurately to a basic range of open, closed and follow on questions
- agree, disagree and express simple counter arguments
- read descriptions and skim to get the general idea
- read and make notes of specific points
- read descriptions and infer meanings of new words using contextual clues and/or knowledge of word formation


## Content/Language Item

Present perfect
E.g. Have you ever attended a wedding ceremony?
Yes, I have.
Past simple
E.g. Did you take part in a dance?

No, I didn't
What did people eat and drink?
People ate tibs and drank fruit juice.

## Passive

E.g. Money is given to the married couple.
Chocolates are distributed.
Women used to be paid a dowry but this is not so common now.

## C. Reading

Descriptions about ceremonies
from around the world:
E.g. A western wedding

A Chinese funeral
An Indian birth

## Learning Activities and Resources

The teacher introduces the topic - births, weddings and funerals - and asks which students have witnessed any of these ceremonies. Students are divided into groups according to ceremonies they have information about.
Each group is assigned one of the three topics.

In their groups students ask and answer questions and complete a chart:
E.g. clothes worn

Gifts given
songs, plays or dances performed
food and refreshment eaten
regional/cultural differences
religious differences.
The groups reform to share information about the three topics.
Students read a list of phrases that are related to relationships
E.g. go on a date, fall in love, marry, go on honeymoon, have children, get divorced etc
Students order them in the sequence they see as appropriate, deleting some phrases if they do not occur in their culture and adding others. Students discuss their order. They can then re-order them, as they imagine, for a different culture (e.g. the UK) and discuss the cultural differences.

Student are given 1 minutes to skim three texts and match each to a ceremony

Jigsaw reading: Students read one of the texts in a group and complete sentences to show they have understood the main points of the texts.

Students infer the meanings of unfamiliar words using contextual clues.

| Competency | Content/Language Item | Learning Activities and Resources |
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| $\begin{array}{l}\text { - read poems and predict the } \\ \text { content of the texts from pre- } \\ \text { reading activities }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { A selection of poems relating to } \\ \text { birth, marriage or death. }\end{array}$ | Students share information with other groups by asking/answering questions. |
| read poems and express their |  |  |
| view and give reasons |  |  |\(\left.\quad \begin{array}{l}Students do some pre-reading activities (e.g. looking at pictures related to the <br>

texts, predicting information etc). They read the poems and answer questions. <br>
They complete gap-fill sentences with vocabulary from the poems. <br>
With a partner, they explain which one they like best and why.\end{array}\right\}\)

## Assessment:

| Skill | Minimum Learning Competency | Task |
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| Writing | Write 2-3 paragraphs to describe | Students write paragraphs describing the life of their <br> grandmothers or grandfathers. |
| Listening | Listen to a dialogue and be able to identify <br> specific information through filling in a table | Students listen to two people describing a ceremony in their <br> country and fill in a table with information. |


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    ## A. Listening

    First aid instructions
    First conditional / modal verbs
    E.g. If you cut your hand, you should clean the wound and cover it with a bandage.

    A story about an accident
    Past simple/past continuous
    Sequencing words:
    first, next, then, finally, after, before, while
    E.g. While the boy was standing on the chair, a cat rushed past and knocked the chair over.

    ## B. Speaking

    Present perfect
    E.g. I've cut my hand.

    Imperatives/present simple for instructions
    E.g. Don't waste time. Rush the person to the hospital as soon as possible.
    First, you put the person in a sitting position.

    Question formation
    (which/what/how)
    E.g. What do you do if a snake bites

