



Language use in A1 and A2

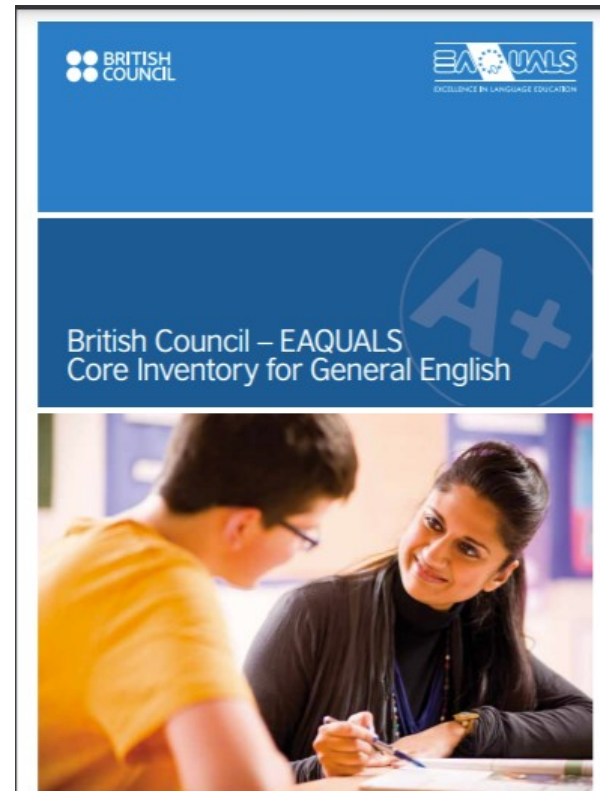
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Useful sources



- [for young learners aged 7-10 years](#)
- [for young learners aged 11-15 years](#)





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Numbers		
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Describing people		
Describing things		
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Offers		
Arrangements/ -ing to meet people		
Obligation and necessity		
Describing places		
Describing past experiences & storytelling		

Functions/notions



Understanding and Using Numbers

We have three cats and one dog.

My father is 45 years old.

There are 500 people in our village.

Understanding and Using Prices

How much does the room cost? 45 Euros per night.

The train ticket to York is 7 pounds 50 (pence).

I spend about 50 dollars a day.

Telling the time

What's the time? A quarter to seven.

Do you have the time please?

Can you tell me the time, please? It's 9.45. (nine forty-five)

The train leaves at three o'clock.

Discourse markers



Connecting words (and, but, because)

She lives in Switzerland and she goes skiing a lot.

I don't like dogs but I like cats.

I go to bed early because school starts at 7am.

Verb forms



To be (including questions and negatives)

We are from South America.

No I'm not tired.

France is a wonderful country.

I am a psychology student.

Are you French? No I'm not.

Have got (British)

Have you got any money?

I've got all of his tracks.

We've got lots of time.

58 Imperatives (+/-)

- Sit down, please.
- Go away!
- Don't talk to the driver.
- Don't spend too much money.

59 Questions

60 Questions

- Is she from Egypt?
- Do you like dancing?
- What is your name?
- Why are we waiting?
- What time is it?
- How much does it cost?
- When did you arrive?

63 Present

64 Present simple

- She eats fruit every day.
- We go to the beach on Sundays.
- They live near Edinburgh.

65 Present continuous

- Ibrahim is studying medicine at Bristol University.
- John's working in France now.
- It's raining again.

66 Past

67 Past simple

- After the meal we went to a club.
- She fell and broke her leg.
- I lived in Paris for 6 months.

68 Past simple (to be)

- It was very good.
- I moved to Madrid when I was 15.
- We were happy there.

73 Future

74 Going to

- We are going to make a pizza this evening.
- They're going to visit London tomorrow.
- Are you going to study this weekend?

85 I'd like

- I'd like a cup of coffee.
- I'd like to go home.

86 Verb + -ing like/hate/love

- I love swimming.
- I don't like waiting for buses.
- I hate being late.
- I like sitting in the sun and doing nothing.

103 Modals

104 Can/can't (ability)

- I can't swim.
- He can speak Spanish, French and Italian.
- She can play chess.

105 Can/could (functional)

- Can/could I use your phone?
- Can/could I have a return?
- Can I help?

121 Nouns

- How much/many and very common countable and uncountable
- How much money do you have?
- How many sisters do you have?
- Do you like cheese?
- I bought an apple and some bread.
- Mira has very short hair.

123 There is/there are

- There's a bank near the station.
- There are a lot of seats at the front.
- Is there a supermarket near here?

124 Pronouns

125 Simple personal

- I bought a dictionary.
- They live in Newcastle.
- Sorry, I dropped it.

126 Possessives

127 Possessive adjectives

- This is my seat.
- Is this your pen?
- That's our house.

128 Possessive 's

- It's Mary's turn to buy coffee.
- The girl's hair was bright red.
- This is the students' room.

129 Possessive pronouns

- This is my laptop.
- That is her coat.
- No. It's mine.
- Is that their car?

130 Prepositions and prepositional phrases

131 Prepositions, common

- He is sitting at the table.
- We went to Sardinia last year.
- He comes from Scotland

132 Prepositional phrases (time and movement)

- The holidays begin in July.
- They like to play football in the evening.
- On Tuesdays she goes to college.

133a Prepositions of place

- Our shop is on the High Street.
- They live in Reading.

133a Prepositions of time, including in/on/at

- I'll see you in December.

- It starts at 6 o'clock.
- They lived there for ten years.
- My sister is coming on Tuesday.

134 Articles

135 Definite, indefinite

- She has a dog, but I don't have a pet.
- I'd like an apple juice, please.
- Your jacket is on the chair.
- I live by the sea.

140 Determiners

141 Basic (e.g. any, some, a lot of)

- I need a lot of sleep.
- Do you have any cheese?
- I'd like some vegetables, please.

144 Adjectives

145 Common

- She is wearing a red skirt.
- That's a beautiful phone.

146 Demonstrative

- This pizza is really good.
- What did that man say?
- Those oranges look very nice.
- These people want to talk to us.

149 Comparative, superlative

- She's taller than Michelle.
- I am better at writing.
- Tom is the oldest in the class.

151 Adverbs

152 Adverbs of frequency

- We always go shopping on Saturdays.
- We sometimes meet Susan here.
- I never go to the gym after work.

Listening A1



- Can follow speech that is very slow and carefully articulated, with long pauses for him/her to assimilate meaning.

Self-assessment scales



- I can understand a simple description of a room (e.g. my classroom, my bedroom).
- I can understand a very simple description of an object (e.g. its size, colour and location).
- I can follow a short story if I listen to it and look at it several times.
- I can understand when people speak slowly, clearly, and with pauses, so I have time to figure out the meaning of what is said.
- I can understand simple and short songs and rhymes, e.g. songs and rhymes I got to know at school.



19 Describing places

- Edinburgh is the capital city of Scotland. It has lots of old buildings. It is famous for its castle and its architecture. Every year in summer it holds an international arts festival which brings performers and visitors from around the world.

A2



20 Describing past experiences and storytelling

- Last year I went to Spain for a walking holiday. Sometimes I stayed in local mountain hostels and sometimes I slept in my tent. One evening I was far from any village, so I camped at the edge of a forest beside a small river. I ate some food and watched the sun go down. I heard a small noise at the edge of the forest. I turned and saw two pairs of eyes. Wolves!

A2



46 Discourse markers

48 Linkers: sequential – past time

- First we went to Naples. We stayed there 5 days and visited Heracleum and then Pompeii. After that we went to Progidia, but I didn't like it. Finally we stayed a week in Capri.

