

Language exercises 1A – autumn 2014

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Required material: New English File Pre-intermediate

Recommended material: English Grammar in Use - Elementary (Murphy), English Vocabulary in Use – Elementary or Pre-intermediate

Requirements:

- 80 % attendance
- 3 essays (each should be passed minimally at 70 %)
- a game for pre-school children – a class activity prepared by pairs (Each pair is required to prepare a game which they will demonstrate in the class for their classmates.)
- homework
- mid-term test (11th November?)
- written and oral exam at the end of the term

16/09: introduction, requirements, word order in questions, present simple, family

23/09: present continuous, body, prepositions, defining relative clauses

30/09: deadline Essay 1; past simple, holidays, past continuous, prepositions

7/10: no class (teaching practice)

14/10: Game (1st pair); question words, music, verb phrases

21/10: Game (2nd pair); going to, present continuous, will, opposite verbs

28/10: no class (national holiday)

4/11: deadline Essay 2; Game (3rd pair); promises, offers, review of tenses, verbs with prepositions

11/11: mid-term test; present perfect, clothes, yet, just, already

18/11: Game (4th pair); comparatives, time expressions, superlatives, adjectives

25/11: Game (5th pair); verbs with infinitives, verbs and -ing

2/12: deadline Essay 3; Game (6th pair); have to, must, languages, sports

9/12: written test

Topics for Essays:

- 1st Essay: Describe yourself (Who I am, what I like, what I do in my free time, etc.)
- 2nd Essay: How I learn English (how I learn vocabulary and grammar in English, how I learn to speak, write, read and listen in English, what is useful for me, what I want to achieve)

- 3rd Essay: How are preschools different from my childhood (how I felt and what I remember from being in a preschool and how it is different now from a point of view of a teacher trainee; what I want to achieve as a teacher)
- each essay should be approximately one page long
- these criteria are assessed: grammar, range of vocabulary, spelling, structure, task
- upload your essays to IS in "Odevzdávárny"