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English A2/1

Student's Book: "English File" Pre-intermediate: Units 1, 2, 3, 4

SprachCommsy: This is our class website where you will find all materials, links and homework assignments: <http://www.sprachcommsy.uni-hamburg.de>

The programme for **Level A2/1** includes the following:

Language functions and topic areas:

- Where are you from?
- appearance and personality
- practical English: hotel problems; restaurant problems
- clothes, prepositions of place
- prepositions of time
- holidays
- making plans
- at the airport
- expressions of paraphrasing: like, for example
- housework (to make or to do?)
- shopping

Language structures:

- word order in questions
- present simple and present continuous
- past simple: regular and irregular verbs
- past continuous
- time connectors; verb phrases
- be going to (plans and predictions)
- present continuous for future arrangements
- relative clauses
- present perfect: just, already, yet
- present perfect vs. past simple
- something, anything, nothing

The course evaluation includes an oral assessment of each student during the course, and a written test is given to assess:

- Grammatical competence
- Reading comprehension
- Listening comprehension
- Writing competence

The certificate is awarded to participants who achieve a minimum of 60% on the written test, who demonstrate a good level of fluency and who attend and take part fully in the activities and assignments.

3 ETCS points: Participants will have daily homework assignments from the coursebook or workbook and will have to do 3 extra writing assignments in order to get 3 credit points.

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English A2/2

Student's Book: "English File" Pre-intermediate: Units 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

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The programme for **Level A2/2** includes the following:

Language functions and topic areas:

- time expressions
- describing a town or a city
- describing a person, a photo, a place where you live
- health and the body
- writing an informal email
- at the pharmacy
- confusing verbs
- adverbs of manner and modifiers

Language structures:

- comparative adjectives and superlatives, as...as
- quantifiers, too, not enough
- will, won't (predictions, decisions, offers, promises)
- infinitive and gerund
- review of verb forms: present, past and future
- modal verbs: have to/don't have to/must/mustn't/should/might
- possessive pronouns
- first and second conditional (if-clauses)
- present perfect vs. past simple

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English A2/3

Student's book: "English File" Pre-intermediate: Units 9, 10, 11, 12

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The programme for **Level A2/3** includes the following:

Language functions and topic areas:

- animals
- phobias and words related to fear
- biographies
- inventions and discoveries. Verbs: *invent* and *discover*
- school subjects
- word building: noun formation
- sports and expressing movement
- phrasal verbs
- similarities
- verb phrases
- *say* or *tell*?

Language structures:

- second conditional: *if* + past, *would* + infinitive
- present perfect with *since* and *for*
- present perfect or past simple?
- passive
- *used to*
- *might*
- expressing movement
- word order of phrasal verbs
- *so*, *neither* + auxiliaries
- past perfect
- reported speech
- questions with auxiliaries

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- Grammatical competence
- Reading comprehension
- Listening comprehension
- Writing competence (accuracy and clarity)

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- written test: 70 points
- active participation: 30 points

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English B1/1

The programme for **Level B1/1** includes the following:

Language functions and topic areas:

- Making suggestions
- Giving opinions
- Agreeing/disagreeing
- Describing personality
- Travel
- Work
- Interviewing

Language structures:

- Review of auxiliary verbs
- Review of present simple and present continuous
- Question forms
- Action and state verbs
- Past simple vs. present perfect
- Present perfect simple vs. present perfect continuous
- Future forms: going to/will/present continuous
- Phrasal verbs
- Prefixes

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- Reading comprehension
- Listening comprehension
- Writing competence

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English B1/2

The programme for **Level B1/2** includes the following:

Language functions and topic areas:

- Advertising
- Business
- Making offers
- Describing qualities
- Design
- Education and studying
- Emphasising differences and similarities
- Presentations

Language structures:

- Zero, first, second and third conditionals
- Future – ‘will’, ‘going to’ and ‘present continuous’
- Relative clauses: defining and non-defining
- Phrasal verbs
- Comparisons

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- Reading comprehension
- Listening comprehension
- Writing competence

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English B1/3

The programme for **Level B1/3** includes a review of some of the following language structures, functions and topics, depending on the students' needs: **units 8 (Business), 10 (Trends), 11 (Arts and Media)**

Language functions and topic areas:

- Business terms and roles
- Collocations
- Discussing options and making decisions
- Trends
- Comparing and contrasting
- Fashion
- Describing books and films; media genre
- Words connected with the arts

Language structures:

- Past continuous
- Past perfect
- Verb patterns
- Expressions of quantity
- Reported speech, commands and questions
- Phrasal verbs

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