





<p>INTRODUCTION</p>	<p>GEFFEN PROGRAM</p>
<p>Welcome to the 2022-2023 bulletin of the English inspectorate. Many of the sections included have links for further information. I hope you find this bulletin informative. Wishing you all a productive and healthy school year, Dr. Tziona Levi, Chief Inspector for English as EFL</p>	<p>Introduction and general explanation: As you have probably heard, this coming school year the GEFEN program will provide more autonomy to all schools. Make sure English is included in your school's chosen resources – talk to your principal. Read more in Hebrew. See the English Geffen options.</p>
<p>ENGLISH PORTAL & STAY UP TO DATE</p>	<p>FACEBOOK ENGLISH TEACHING COMMUNITY</p>
<p>The English Inspectorate site is where English teachers can find all the official documents and most updated information. It is important that all English teachers at all levels are familiar with the site and the information available. We recommend visiting the site regularly.</p>	<p>Our Facebook group - English Teaching Community in Israel - has over 12700 members from all over the world who are sharing ideas, asking questions, and getting answers! If you have a Facebook account and haven't yet joined, please do so!</p>
<p>SPREAD THE WORD</p>	<p>WHATSAPP GROUPS</p>
<p>Spread the Word is the English inspectorate's newsletter that provides continuous updates during the school year. See past issues and join a WhatsApp group to receive new issues.</p>	<p>The English Inspectorate has WhatsApp broadcast groups for sending "on the spot" updates to all teachers subscribed. These groups are for announcements only. You are welcome to join.</p>
<p>NATIONAL COUNSELORS 2022 - 2023</p>	<p>INSPECTORS' CONTACT INFORMATION 2022-2023</p>
<p>See the list of your national counsellors, their areas of responsibility and contact info.</p>	<p>Find the English Inspector responsible for your area. Find the contact info for your regional English inspector.</p>




CURRICULUM


CURRICULUM 2020	LITERATURE
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The unique and significant CEFR aligned curriculum for teaching EFL in Israel is now available in its final version including updated can-do's, lexical and grammar bands. The English curriculum serves as a powerful means to promote English proficiency among learners of all ages and groups. The document provides a detailed description of its various components and principles guiding teaching practice. 


Literature in A1 and A2 levels in the curriculum 2020 document is referred to as "creative texts". These texts should be used in the elementary and junior high classroom as a vehicle to language acquisition. The term "creative texts" relates to a wide range of imaginative works, their use of language and other effects, possibilities of responses and interpretations. Follow the link for more info and ideas. 

ASSESSMENT FOR LEARNING	TEXTBOOKS
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Visit the assessment for learning page on the portal. Learn about assessment characteristics that enhance learning and find all the updated assessments news. 

All teachers use a wide variety of materials and approaches in their classrooms. Textbooks serve as an anchor for both the teacher and the pupils. Read more about the approval process for textbooks published in Israel. 

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT TOOLS 2022 – 2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Follow the link to the RAMA site for a detailed explanation of all the internal assessment tools for elementary and Junior High schools. 

- These tools can assist you to:
- ✓ enhance teaching
 - ✓ get to know your students' abilities
 - ✓ plan teaching accordingly.



DIGITAL

THE DIG INTO DIGITAL COURSES ARE FREE UNDER THE GEFFEN PROGRAM.


DIG INTO DIGITAL GRADES 5-6	DIG INTO DIGITAL GRADES 6 - 12
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 Independent Learning courses for grades 5 and 6 on Moodle. 

Geffen number: 20130
Geffen name: Dig into Digital
Resource required: Free


 The Let's Talk Moodle site to use with your students. 

Geffen number: 20130
Geffen name: Dig into Digital
Resource required: Free

DIG INTO DIGITAL FOR HIGH SCHOOL 


TEACHING UNITS


Online independent learning courses for Bagrut preparation – Modules A, B, C, D, E, F, G, COBE & Ladders

Geffen number: 20130 

Geffen name: Dig into Digital
Resource required: Free

Rich teaching units aligned to the specifications of Curriculum 2020 and offer a broad and diverse range of suggested synchronous, asynchronous, online and offline tasks.


Teaching units for elementary school 

Teaching units for junior high school 

MONDLY 

WHATSUP PROJECT 

Mondly is a language learning app for elementary - junior high pupils who play their way to learning English. During Corona, many young, eager learners immersed themselves in this wonderful app and teachers were happy to see the progress of their pupils and their content faces. Mondly is still relevant to enhance your pupils' vocabulary and practice spelling at any time.

Geffen number:20142 

Geffen name:Mondly
Resource required:1/4 day of hadracha

The WhatsUp Project encourages 7th-12th grade students to read a variety of texts via WhatsApp. The texts are accompanied by online tasks and vocabulary practice.

You receive the materials directly to your phone by subscribing to a WhatsApp group and can easily send them on to your students.

Geffen number: 20181
Geffen name: WhatsUp Project 

Resource required: Free



ENGLISH FROM HOME WEBSITE

A plethora of ideas and programs for teachers to create and execute successful lessons. The site is divided into different grade levels and is suitable for all the teachers of Israel.



NATIONAL BROADCASTS

550 English lessons for students at all levels, from 3rd-12th grades, from the basics of literacy instruction right through to Bagrut preparation. Can be adapted for classroom teaching with additional interactive tasks.



The Makpetzah is an online tutoring initiative for students in 5th – 12th grade



INTERDISCIPLINARY OPPORTUNITIES

GEO ENGLISH



Aligned with the MOE overarching theme of Flexible Pedagogy, the program sets a practical format to be implemented in the classroom. An interdisciplinary in-service course will be offered to teachers introducing basic geography topics, lesson planning workshops and pedagogical support to course participants. [More info.](#)



CARING FOR THE FUTURE

Read all about “Project Drawdown”, the world’s leading resource for climate solutions. 100 teachers are participating in a 30-hour course offering tools and ideas on the topic of sustainability. Watch the portal for information on another course opening in October.



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



Financial Management in English is an interdisciplinary program to learn and teach financial management in English for JH and HS students (9th grade and up).



Geffen number: 20125 Geffen name: Financial Management

Resource required: Hours (from השכלה כללית) OR integrated into English Learning + course for teachers



ARROW TO THE FUTURE

The main goal of these materials is to strengthen the involvement and connection of Junior- High students to school and to improve scholastic achievements by connecting the material studied to the students' future and to various desirable careers. English teachers integrate content on the future career world into the regular curriculum.



MUN

Model United Nations (MUN) is a diplomacy activity where students work together to solve global issues. Students practice English as they role-play as delegates of countries working together to produce written resolutions that detail how they will solve the problem being discussed.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

IN-SERVICE COURSES
FOR ENGLISH TEACHERS

Many courses are offered for teachers, both face to face and online via your local psga, Matak, Lnet and more. For example. Kaveret, micro accreditation, Building Blocks and more.

Visit the Professional Development page for more details of courses for the upcoming school year.



PLC



Professional Learning Communities, PLC, are the place where teachers take an active role in research and practice. PLCs enhance professional development as well as improved English teaching practices in Israel. PLCs differ from traditional in-service courses as they offer teachers opportunities to learn one from another, share ideas and analyze dilemmas in the classroom. Contact your regional inspector to find out which PLC is suitable for you.


KAVERET FOR HIGH SCHOOLS – READ ALL ABOUT IT



IN THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR THE MATZPEN SYSTEM FOR TRACKING IN-SERVICE COURSES WILL OPEN – READ ALL ABOUT IT





 <p>SPLASH Summer School Professional Learning</p>	<p>ETAI</p>
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The English Inspectorate’s Summer School is an annual two-day learning event for English inspectors, counselors, college instructors and textbook publishers. This year’s event was attended by over 200 educators. The conference dealt with policy that centered around the conceptual framework: The 4D EFL Education.



ETAI was founded in 1979 as a grass-roots non-profit teachers’ association run on a voluntary basis, by teachers for teachers. Its aim is to provide professional support, advice, teaching ideas and background knowledge to teachers of English in Israel. To learn more, visit the ETAI site.



ELEMENTARY AND JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

<p>LEARN IN TUNE</p> 	<p>E-TALENT</p> 
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Experiencing English through music is a great way to learn. It’s fun and the students’ language fluency grows as they hear the music, sing the songs, move to the beat and engage with new vocabulary. The program is for both elementary and junior high pupils

Geffen number:20143
Geffen name: Learn in Tune
Resource required:1/4 day of hadracha



The Talent Show is for elementary and junior high pupils to show off their English speaking / singing / chanting / poetry reading talents. The emphasis is on oral English and the pupil/pupils must film their performance in English. Open to all pupils from all over Israel.

Geffen number:20137
Geffen name: E-Talent
Resource required:1/4 day of hadracha





READING FOR PLEASURE

Encourage pupils to read extensively both in the classroom and out.

Geffen number: 20153
Geffen name: Reading for Pleasure
Resource required: ¼ day hadracha



CREATIVE WRITING

A program to encourage creative writing in elementary schools. Topics of writing programs over the past two years have been: The Corona Times and Dream It!

Geffen number:20149
Geffen name: Creative Writing
Resource required: ¼ day hadracha



5 MINUTES OF ENGLISH 

Five Minutes of English is a program developed for pupils in elementary schools in grades 1-4. It consists of 25 five-minute clips which focus on auditory and oral skills in an entertaining and experiential manner.




THE ABLE KIT

The ABLE KIT was designed to assess and diagnose basic reading skills and build intervention programs based on the results of mapping student’s specific skills. The screening test should be administered to all fifth graders during the first two months of the school year or by the end of the 4th grade.



BUILDING BLOCKS 

A program for enhancing literacy acquisition and developing reading intervention programs. 

Geffen number: 20094
Geffen name: Building Blocks
Resource required: ¼ day hadracha


Do you want to give your Junior High students a great reason to read aloud?
READERS' THEATER


Pupils read books and plays and act them out, thereby improving spoken and written reception and production as well as vocabulary enrichment.

Geffen number: 20146
Geffen name: Readers’ Theater
Resource required:1/4 day hadracha




CHEMED 

Chemed teachers enjoy their own Coffee Time sessions monthly where they share ideas that work.


This year, hundreds of 6th grade students entered the Dream It! Writing Competition and over 200 Chemed schools held English Days that focused on the theme of Dreams and The Maccabiah. 


SPEAKUP 


Speak UP is an innovative program designed to promote the speaking of English at the Elementary and Pre-foundation levels. It is simple and fun to implement. English teachers nationwide are now using *WhatsApp* to send spoken texts to parents and students, based upon curriculum relevant topics, everyday situations, and relevant expressions. 

DEBATE CLUBS

Debate enables students to practice English in an active and effective manner while developing expressive language skills.

To sign up for an in-school Debate club please contact your regional inspector.
GEFFEN number 20112 

LET'S TALK 

Promoting Oral Proficiency A1/A2 CEFR in 7th grade – 1 additional weekly hour of English using the Let's Talk website and digital course focusing only on speaking. 





Geffen number: 20097
Geffen name: Let's Talk
Resource required: ¼ day of counseling




HIGH SCHOOL

MIKUD	BAGRUT UPDATES
<p>There will be no Covid mikud this coming school year.</p> <p>The literature program returns to the previous requirements. The text types are according to the table of specification. In Module C there will still be a choice of topics.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to modules A and B – the text types that were in external Module B will now be in Module A and visa versa. • In the PISA 2025 international test, speaking will be included.
MODULE E VOCABULARY	LITERATURE
<p>The 16481 E module will be replaced in the summer testing period of 2023 with the 16471 E module (for 11th grade students), which includes the following: 70% Reading comprehension (includes glossary of words that DO NOT appear in either Band I, Band II, Band III Core I) 30% vocabulary exercise (matching words and definitions).</p> <p>The use of dictionaries / e-dictionaries is NOT allowed in this exam. (For LD students, see special instructions regarding this module). Access examples of the revised Module E Exams.</p> <p>As of summer 2024, the 16481 test will be abolished and the listening component will move to the COBE. E vocab, 16481 OPEN ONLY TO 12TH GRADERS 2023 - 16471 ONLY AS OF 2024</p>	<p>The Steering Committee is currently aligning the High school literature program with the curriculum 2020 document. A document will be published in August with clear guidelines for teachers about the revised program and suggested ways to adapt current materials. Teachers can continue to use the list of approved pieces to build their program for the coming year. In addition, updated model units will be shared with teachers, a draft rubric for assessing the post reading tasks and sample summative assessment questions.</p>



<p>BOOST FOR 3 POINTERS - SPEAKING</p>	<p>COBE</p>
<p>In summer 2024, 3 pointers will also begin to be tested orally via the computer. Additional information regarding teacher conferences and examples will be announced in the coming weeks. The content of the exam will include a listening section, a very structured interview on preprepared topics and very simple description of pictures. For the coming year, 3-point teachers will be invited to join the pilot to try the test out under convenient conditions.</p> <p>We highly recommend that 3-point teachers join one of the 30-hour courses about BOOST.</p>	<p>For students in the 11th grade taking the new E (16471) next year (2024), the COBE will include a listening component in the clip - semel sheelon 16586 (5 points COBE) and 16486 (4 points COBE).</p> <p>As of summer 2024, the 16481 test will be abolished and the listening component will move to the COBE.</p> <p>As of the 2022-2023 school year – a special COBE version will be offered for the Haredi sector.</p>
<p>AT PROMISE STUDENTS </p>	<p>KEEP TALKING </p>
<p>Teaching English in Mabar, Etgar, Technical Centers and Miftanim classes creates endless challenges for teachers and students as well. We, at the department for at-risk students in the MOE, aim at offering formal and informal support for our teachers. We believe that as teachers juggle a multitude of different tasks and demands, it is important that they are given practical support so that they can support their students.</p> <p></p>	<p>The aim of the ‘Keep Talking’ speaking program for High School students is to raise the level of oral proficiency in English among Israeli students, not only in preparation for the oral component of the bagrut exam, but more importantly to equip them with life skills that will help them connect with, participate in, and contribute to the expanding global community.</p> <p>The call for applications for Keep Talking will be announced soon.</p> <p></p>



A program to increase the number of pupils taking the 3, 4 & 5 point Bagrut exams. 

Geffen number: 20108

Geffen name: Ladders

Resource required: ¼ day of hadracha




ESRA Chat Away is part of ESRA's English Tutoring Program (ETP) and offers online enrichment for students from 7th to 12th grades who have little opportunity to improve their English-speaking skills. One-on-one meetings take place on Zoom, with cameras, after school hours.

Geffen number:20106

Geffen name: Chat Away

Resource required: None 



One2One is a joint venture between the Government of Israel and Enter: The Jewish Peoplehood Alliance
We invite you to a unique cross-border project that will take place in the coming school year (2022-23). 



Diplomacy and International Communication now has an official curriculum including a band 4 lexical list. Visit the Diplomacy site to read all about this track and the curriculum. 