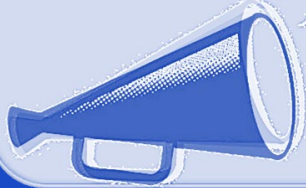




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Newsletter for English Teachers

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STAY UP TO DATE



Dear English Teachers,

Welcome to the Spring issue of our newsletter. Recently, I analyzed the Bagrut tests results. It's obviously very impressive and exciting to see how hard work pays off. Students and English teachers alike can be proud that their efforts bear the fruits of success. The results show that most students are striving forward.

Yet, these results raise an important question pertaining to the compatibility of the Bagrut 5-point level, specifically the G-level, corresponding with the B2 CEFR, and whether it prepares students for the academic demands of the psychometric admission test in English. This is a topic that warrants further discussion and exploration in the near future.

My best wishes for the upcoming religious holidays: Passover, Easter, Ramadan, and Nabi Shu-ab. Enjoy a well-deserved spring break.

Dr. Tziona Levi
Chief Inspector of English
Director of Languages Department



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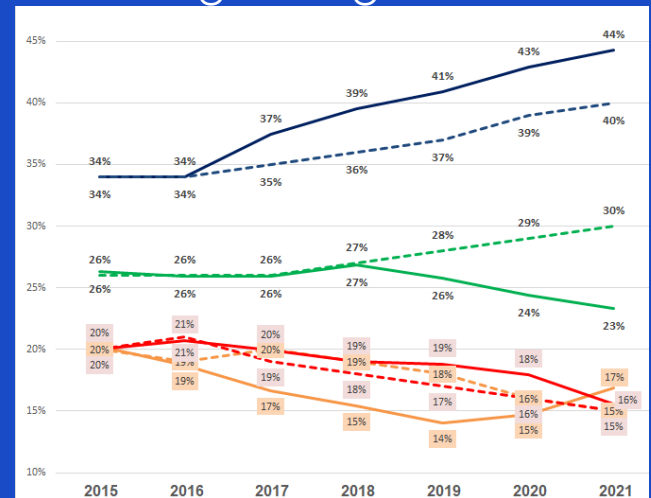


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Distribution of students taking the English Bagrut exams:



Scroll down to see the national winners of the Be Safe! 6th Grade Writing Competition.



Visit the Dig into Digital page on the portal.

[Join the Dig into Digital whatsapp community to receive updates.](#)



bit.ly/learnintune

E-Talent

This year we received over 850 submissions and the bar has been raised. We are overwhelmed by the time and effort that went into this competition and the judges are now reviewing the many submissions to find the E-Talent winners. It is obvious to us that the pupils enjoyed themselves on so many levels and all this whilst performing in English. For information about this competition and regular updates from "Learn in Tune" please join our WhatsApp group or write to learnntune@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/FocZFKGysYy9wG9h1816UE>



DINGBATS

<https://bit.ly/dingbata>

The Dingbats are updated for each bulletin. Have a look at the new ones and test your pupils as well. The dingbats are fun to use in class.

Feel free to share your examples with us at learnntune@gmail.com.

[Here are the previous dingbats with answers.](#)



USING MOVIE CLIPS

Clips are a wonderful trigger for teaching and learning.

This time:

A collection of video clip to raise awareness to a healthy lifestyle and promote English



Healthy Lifestyle

A Collection of Video Clips to promote the topic in the classroom



Dear Teachers,

We are almost finishing our PLCs and many teachers enjoyed an interesting and enriching program this year. Teachers analyzed and worked on important matters, became the researchers of their own classes and created Aligned Literature Units at all levels. Teachers also discussed and shared materials for the COBE and the meetings were held in a friendly and supportive atmosphere.

We are already thinking about our program for next year and you are all invited to join a PLC in your area!!!



Mondly is a language learning app available for all 4th-7th graders nationwide. The students can use any device. Once they immerse themselves in the game they get to learn new vocabulary, whilst speaking and reading in the variety of activities.

This month, for the first time, we are combining with SKILLZ - The online gaming platform of the Ministry of Education. Many students are competing against each other with Mondly to score points for their schools. There is a score board that is being observed by many schools, pupils, teachers and parents as the diligent pupils test their English language skills. The contest can be played on a phone or a computer, at home or at school. The comments from the field are very heart warming and we are happy with this pilot and hope to continue this wonderful, healthy competition to encourage our pupils to engage with even more English.

<https://pub.skillz-edu.org/portal/playground/> Look here for more details



Teaching English in a Technical Center or Miftnan? You are invited to click [here](#) to check out what we, at the department for at-risk students in the MOE (Shachar Dept), have to offer you.

Need help? We are here to support you! Contact Lucy Fried- lucyfr@education.gov.il



STAY UP TO DATE HAS
MOVED TO THE PORTAL

Well done to the following teachers for answering correctly:

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Maha Abdo | Salesian Sisters School of Nazareth |
| Naomi Feinmesser | Tzvia Katif |
| Natalia Samoylov | Mitzpe Golan |
| Natalie Davis | Yachad High School |
| Tamar Silverman | Branco Weiss Bet Shemesh |

The Question was -
"Communicating with English
in the United Nations halls
High school pupils speak their minds
Solving problems, big and small"
What is the riddle referring to? The
answer is of course the MUN. Model
United Nations.
Find more info here - bit.ly/3JcraAt

And now for this week's question:
Give it a try!

*I'm a condition that's quite a fight,
Affecting many with all my might,
My name is tricky to memorize,
But I'm known for high sugar levels
that's no surprise.
What am I?*

Thanks to Chat GPT

What is the riddle referring to?

[Click here to add your answer](#)



The Hi-Tech for Junior High program has been launched as a pilot project in seven schools, including Yuval-Rama Shai JH, Ort Carmit JH, Ort Sajour JH, Shibli JH, Al-Resala Nahaf JH, AlZahra-Nasreth JH, and Ort Kseifa Abu Rabe'a JH-Negev. This program is designed to equip students with essential high-tech tools that are crucial for their education and future lives.

The primary current focus for this pilot project is to integrate English and Science lessons in the 8th and 9th grades in the selected schools. To facilitate this, the program has made available science material from teachers, counselors, and inspectors, which can be easily accessed by the science teachers.

The Hi-Tech program empowers students to learn and use technology to enhance their education, thus enabling them to become more competitive in the job market. With its predictable success in the pilot schools, the Hi-Tech for Junior High program has the potential to be rolled out to other schools across the country, benefiting more students.

Contact us:

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|  | Email | mailto:hi.tech4jh22@gmail.com |
|  | Whatsapp group | https://chat.whatsapp.com/JVPR0iESV1XKpy2zVFvFyw |
|  | Coffee break | join our coffee break on Sunday or Wednesday using a zoom link upon request |



New online interactive units from the WhatsUp project:

David Ben Gurion

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZExmyxh0yGf6EhahLX-Q74FMcxq9r2LqnkPQt-3Lxfl6iGg/viewform>

Internet Safety Week

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Earthquakes

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Family Day

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Would you like to showcase:

- ✓ Your work?
- ✓ Your staff?
- ✓ A special teacher?
- ✓ An English event?

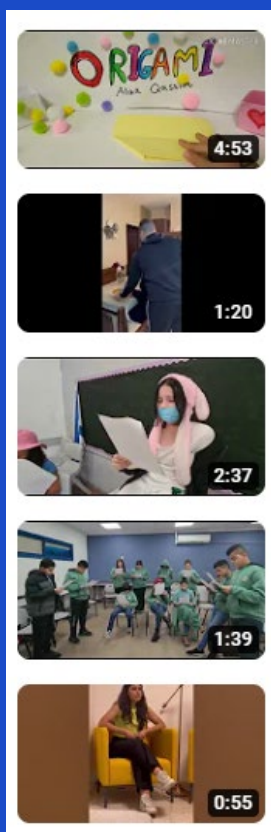
Complete this [short form](#) and we will contact you. Spread the word about something important to YOU!



Do your students need a BOOST? Do you need to encourage them to Speak Up? Are they working on skills to COPE with oral proficiency? If you've answered "yes" to any of these questions, Let's Talk! The Let's Talk site is on the portal under "Speaking" and is open to everyone. With a scaffolded syllabus, a variety of activities, the Let's Talk website and complementary Dig into Digital materials are rich resources for teachers to foster speaking in a safe and enjoyable environment.

[See for yourself!](#)

You can reach out to us via
letstalkteachers@gmail.com



ChatGPT \$AI

Teachers share how they use
chat GPT:

Teachers can develop stories, exercises etc., that include certain vocabulary and/or grammar.

For example: Create a mystery short story using the first 50 words of Module E, Band A followed by comprehension and vocabulary questions.

NOTE: Teachers shouldn't use this without checking to make sure it all looks OK.
From Louise

I've just asked ChatGPT to use vocabulary words I want my students to review to write open-ended prompts that can be used for written practice, but also for one-on-one conversation practice I have them do on the speed-dating model (I specified I wanted questions that invited sharing personal experiences or reflections on self). It gave me several options for each word and all I had to do was pick the most interesting for my kids.

From Sara

Do you have an idea how to
use ChatGPT?

[Click here](#) to share with us.

We will publish your ideas in our next issues.



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Zoom In Zoom Out
Online Teachers' Conference
May 30th, 2023
At 17:00

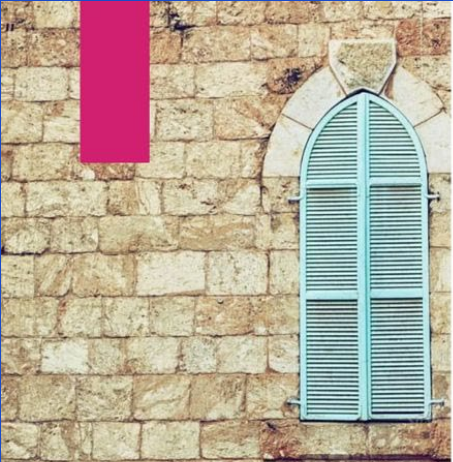

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Generative AI**



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SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL BY MARCH 17.



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Yeshurun School

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Yehonatan Itskovitz, Eitan Boaz, &
Yiftach Armon, Elad Turjeman &
Ori Shenkar
Moreshet School

Center

Ahmad Rayan
Omar Ben Al-Khattab School

Aric Zarko
Tachkemoni School, Bat Yam



Sama Saed & Kareen Sawaed
Alfawar School

Layan Salameh, Aram
Abdalhaq, Malak KHerdeen
Sabeel School



Leran Harb, Adam
Asakly+Mkseem & Abu-Shkara
Maghar School



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Tchia Zisman
Ahavat Yisrael Girls School

Yazan Toutah & Osaid Khweas
Atur Boys School



Manchi

Itay Amar
Mamad Harovah School





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Torat Moshe School

Shai Belous
Keshet School



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Dorot School

Simcha Feld
Naava Kanal
Massuat Neriya School

Ayala Rooz
Chorev Girls School

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Salomon, Tair Willner
Yaavetz School

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Hemetz and Amalia Glenwill
Morasha School

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Mamad Harova

Avigail Ordan
Dror School

