

Newsletter for English Teachers

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Dear English Teachers,

Welcome to the 6th and final issue of our newsletter for this school year.

Some of you may have heard that change is in the air at the Ministry of Education. This change is known as Geffen. The Geffen Reform means that school principals will receive a sum of money for purchasing educational resources and programs for their schools.

This is an opportunity for you - English teachers - to speak up and remind your principals of programs that will promote specific English language skills and content for your students. The time to do this is right now! Please feel free to consult with your <u>English district inspector</u> or English school counselor.

For your convenience, please scroll down on this newsletter to see the list of available English programs. You can pool the programs with other schools in your area OR within your school.

Wishes for a restful summer, renewed energy for our greatest mission to teach English to promote social mobility.

Dr. Tziona Levi, Chief Inspector of English



Visit the English presentations at the Biennale on Tuesday 31st May and Wednesday 1st June. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Pre-registration for the Biennale is mandatory.** Click <u>here</u> for more details and to register.



Hundreds of Elementary and JH teachers attended STEP UP - online webinars by the National English Inspectorate - at the end of April. They were provided with an abundance of activities and ideas, ensuring that not a minute of precious teaching time would be lost in the final two months of the school year. Click <a href="https://example.com/here-for-webinar-recordings">here-for-webinar-recordings</a> and materials.





The winning clip from each city / town will be published on the official Maccabiah website and viewed all around the world!

later than June 1st 2022. Click here to download a parents' authority

form for participants.

Click <u>here</u> for a submissions form and <u>here</u> for the parental authority slip.

Please submit your students' entries soon. Final date for submissions is June 1st, 2022.



Well done to the following teachers for answering correctly:

Natalia Samoylov	Mitzpe Golan
Galit Ben-Artzi	Ironi Tet HS
Hagit Atlas	Nir
Tally Ben Haim	Ort Rogozin
Shir Nixon Bar-Lev	Sdot Eshkol

The Question was -

You will need a few moments if you please As they fly through the sky with the greatest of ease.

They are here to solve problems with their expertise and joy

They are of course: English Girl and English Boy.



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

It may be extensive and three they will need This idea is suggesting a book to read Students - do not see this as a time of waste Us teachers are asking you just for a

What is the name of the activity?
This will be your correct answer.
The rhyming word in the poem is a clue.
You can find it in Junior High.
Click here to add your answer



English Teachers in Technical Centers and Miftanim are invited to click <u>here</u> to check out what we, at the department for at-risk students in the MOE (Shachar department), have to offer you.

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

### 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 <a href="mailto:learnntune@gmail.com">learnntune@gmail.com</a>.

Here are the previous dingbats with answers.



#### E-Talent and Learn in Tune

Well done to the chosen winners of E-Talent 2022. The more children, teachers and principals I meet, the more I am convinced that we are on the right track. Music is good for the soul and singing encourages oral production. I met children that sing and talk beautifully in English, because they invest time in their oral work, with singing and performing for E-Talent. And no, they are not all native speakers. Well done to all the teachers, parents and pupils for their amazing work. We have been in Machoz Jerusalem, Machoz Tel Aviv and Mercaz and the North. We still have schools to visit and show our appreciation to the wonderful work that has been done.

Please look at the winners of E-Talent 2022.

A slide show of the elated pupils and proud staff.

Learn in Tune sends out bi-weekly broadcasts with loads of information about using songs, movement and digital tools to enhance your I ssons. You can access these broadcasts via the WhatsApp group.

You can join the Email list by sending me an email to <u>learnntune@gmail.com</u> and I will add you to the mailing list.

- Click here to access our site.
- Click here to access past broadcasts.



<u>Visit the Site for Diplomacy and International</u> <u>Communication in English!</u>

## Storytelling Summit Days for Diplomacy 10th Graders.

In late May and early June, 700 tenth grade Diplomacy students will take part in Storytelling Summits. In-person full-day summits with multiple workshops facilitated by talented Diplomacy teachers will be held in Haifa, Netanya, Jerusalem, and Eilat. Schools that are unable to bring their students to full-day summits will hold virtual meet-ups with one or two other schools for an abbreviated summit. Students will benefit from special workshops how to tell their stories using social media, given by the pros at the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs. These summits are a fantastic way to finish out the school year in Diplomacy. Application/Registration is now open for Diplomacy Teacher Training 2022-23



The school year is coming to an end as well as the PLCs all over the country.

The communities went through an interesting and productive process and some of them finished their 4th or 5th year. English Teachers took part in small or large communities where dilemmas and case studies were analyzed giving the participants solutions and tools to put into practice at school.

We invite you to join us - PLCs are the best platform for English Teachers who are willing to share, learn and succeed!

### A Dream Come True!



Special education schools and classes prepared this amazing clip for Jerualem day! Click here to watch.

"This is a dream come true!" say Rivka Feiner and Shani Nagar, two regional English and Special Education counselors for the Jerusalem and Manchi districts! The students, the English teachers and music teachers from many special education schools and classes prepared posters, art work, songs, and presentations all about Jerusalem, in honor of Jerusalem Day, Sunday May 29th 2022!

Enjoy the clip! Enjoy the teachers! Enjoy the children- that is what it is all about!!!!







Yael Rosen One2One Program Director

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One2One, an educational exchange run in partnership by the Ministry of Education, ENTER: The Jewish Peoplehood Alliance and RootOne, brought together over 2,500 Israeli and North American students for a series of weekly meetings. The teens are matched for video encounters in English, exploring values and "big ideas" while engaging in cross cultural dialogue. Here are some glimpses into one of the largest global dialogue and exchange initiatives, incorporated into the English studies program.

Click here for more information



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Exciting ETAI news!
We are BACK to Face to Face!
Don't miss the first F2F National
Summer Conference in two
years.

When: July 6-7

Where: Tel Aviv Pisgah

## Navigating the New Normal

Visit the <u>ETAI site</u> for more information.
We need you!
Submit a presentation proposal.

# SHOWGASE



Placing first in an international competition for producing a <u>meaningful clip</u> in English is quite an achievement for a group of nine seventh grade EFL students! <u>Read on</u> for the story of the incredible journey of Yonat Gross and her students....

### **English GEFFEN Programs**

English offers an array of 22 programs within the GEFFEN program. See details below. Please note that you can pool resources with other schools in your area or by requesting more than one program for your school.

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### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Name of program	Program number	Short description / link	Required resources	Contact person
Reading for Pleasure	20153	Encourage extensive reading amongst your pupils.	1/4 day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Building Blocks	20094	A program for enhancing literacy acquisition and developing reading intervention programs.	¼ day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Dig into Digital	20130	Digital Moodle courses for independent learning in grades 5 & 6.	FREE	Madalele Azam Gail Singer
Speak UP	20135	Spoken English via clip production – songs, skits and shows.	1/4 day of hadracha	<u>Howie</u> <u>Gordon</u>
E-Talent	20137	Pupils use spoken English to sing and act.	1/4 day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Mondly	20142	An application to learn vocabulary	¼ day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Learn in Tune	20143	Using songs to teach and learn English in a fun way.	¼ day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Vocabulary Enrichment Program	20144	A program for enriching and expanding pupils' vocabulary.	¼ day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Readers Theater	20146	Pupils read books and plays and act them out.	1/4 day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Creative Writing	20149	A program to encourage creative writing in elementary schools.	1/4 day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Mondly	20142	An application to learn vocabulary	1/4 day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Learn in Tune	20143	Using songs to teach and learn English in a fun way.	1/4 day of hadracha	Howie Gordon

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GEFFEN PROGRAMS

Name of program	Program number	Short description / link	Required resources	Contact person
Building Blocks	20094	A program for enhancing literacy acquisition and developing reading intervention programs.	1/4 day of hadracha	Nicole Broder
Let's Talk	20097	Spoken English program – 1 additional hour of English using the designed program.	¼ day of hadracha	Rachelle Borenstein
Chat Away	20106	Volunteers and teacher aides assist pupils to strengthen their spoken English.	FREE	Nicole Broder
E-Talent	20137	Pupils use spoken English to sing and act.	1/4 day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Mondly	20142	An application to learn vocabulary	¼ day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Learn in Tune	20143	Using songs to teach and learn English in a fun way.	¼ day of hadracha	Howie Gordon
Geo- English	20113	Interdisciplinary co-teaching program connecting English and Geography	Few hours	<u>Dr. Tamar</u> <u>Shmerler</u>
WhatsUp Project	20181	The WhatsUp Project encourages 7th-12th grade students to read a variety of texts via WhatsApp.	FREE	<u>Sigalit Arditi</u>
Special Ed	20100	A program to support teachers of English teaching special education pupils.	1/4 day of hadracha	Aharona Gvaryahu
Debate	20112	A program to advance speaking skills via debate.	Few hours	Daphna Cohen
Dig into Digital	20130	Digital Moodle courses for independent learning in grades 7 – 9.	FREE	Madalele Azam Gail Singer



Do you want to receive direct updates about what is happening in the English teaching world in English? Join our WhatsApp group - <u>click here.</u>

### HIGH SCHOOL GEFFEN PROGRAMS

Name of program	Program number	Short description / link	Required resources	Contact person
Special Ed	20100	A program to support teachers of English teaching special education pupils	¼ day of hadracha	Aharona Gvaryahu
One on One	20107	An online program for teens to meet Jewish teens around the world.	FREE	Shoshi Harris
Keep Talking	20115	A program to practice spoken English for 3, 4 & 5 point pupils.	Few hours	Ellyn Marciano
Financial Management	20125	An interdisciplinary program to learn financial management in English (Teachers participate in training sessions).	Few hours	Shoshi Harris
Ladders	20108	A program to increase the number of pupils taking the 3,4 & 5 point Bagrut exam.	¼ day of hadracha	Sigalit Arditi
Dig into Digital	20130	Digital Moodle courses for independent learning for 3, 4 & 5 point Bagrut.	FREE	Gail Singer  Madalele  Azam
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Visit the Dig into Digital page on the portal,
Watch the introductory clip
for English Teachers.