

## Newsletter for English Teachers

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Dear English Teachers,

Welcome to the 5th issue of our newsletter for this school year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all English teachers a well-deserved spring break and Passover vacation and to extend my best wishes for the upcoming religious holidays: Passover, Easter, Ramadan and Nabi Shu-ab.

This month's newsletter includes updates, ideas, reports, and upcoming events for bridging post-Covid gaps. Enjoy and use the ideas in your teaching.

Dr. Tziona Levi, Chief Inspector of English

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>:







THE MACCABIAH CORNER



TEACHERS SHARE

Click <u>here</u> for practical ideas, resources and activities presented by experienced, energetic and motivated teachers: Yulia Michurin, Orlee Sharon and Aviva Hazor at the English & Sports online conference on February 20th, 2022.



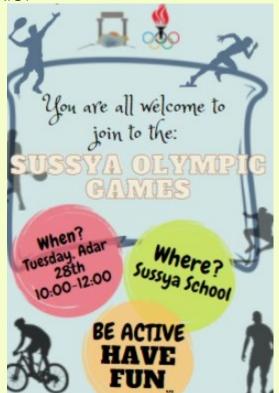
You're invited to share your ideas for combining English with Sport on this <u>form</u>. Your contributions will be published on the Maccabiah site.

## **ENGLISH & SPORTS DAYS**

TALI BAYIT V'GAN, MANCHI DISTRICT Coordinator: Miriam Eisenberg



SUSSYA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SOUTHERN DISTRICT







You can read about all the Bagrut updates <u>on</u> the portal under high school.

### General Updates:

Solidarity with Ukraine - Lesson Plans for JH & HS

## Dig Into Digital

Watch a recording of the opening webinar (access passcode: Digital1)

### Download the presentations:

- Dr. Tziona Levi Independent Learning
- Gail Singer Where to find everything
- Mdalale Azzam How to import a course

You have heard about "Dig into Digital: Israel Ministry of Education Moodle Templates", which fascinating national project aimed at pupils by The English Inspectorate and The Ministry of Education Technology Division.

How can the path of thousands of teachers in Israel's K-12 system towards an enjoyable use of Moodle be smoothed? How can teachers be given confidence in their Moodle abilities? How can their appetite for Moodle be whetted? How can colleagues be helped to help their pupils use Moodle? These are some of the challenges faced when introducing thousands of teachers to using Moodle effectively as part and parcel of their teaching strategies.

Learn about this and more on <u>this</u> <u>ElearningWorld.org. post</u>





Clips are an exciting way to teach and learn English:

- They are fun
- They have a message
- They are funny

This month we bring you ideas for videos on the subject of <u>Earth Day – what can we do</u> to help the environment?







New from the WhatsApp Project:

This month there are two online units:

The War in Ukraine

International Women's Day

All the texts are on the <u>Facebook page</u> of the project and you are welcome to leave comments and share ideas under the relevant texts.





English Teachers in Technical Centers and Miftanim are invited to click <a href="here">here</a> 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



Well done to the following teachers for answering correctly:

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Yulia Michurin	Almog
Leah Doryoseph	Ort Greenberg
Natalia Samoylov	Mitzpe Golan
Tally Ben Haim	Ort Rogozin
Pearl Peller	Atid Dvir
Gila Raz	Adam vAdama Hatzeva
Bracha Vaknin	Hamer Darca Netivot
Abigail Caspy	Shaked Ranana
Rachel Zaretsky	Ulpena Darchei Noam
Leah Edri	Ulpenat Halutza
Brachie Diskind	Tzviya, Haifa
Alina Litvinova	Ort Rogozin

The Question was -

She is a professor and she walks the walk. She has written a guide to get students to talk. One of these for your thoughts? Who is this Wonder woman in the portal courts? (The answer can be found in the High School Section) What is her name? The correct answer was Professor Penny Ur

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

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

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Who are these two characters? You will find them in the elementary section.
Click here to add your answer:

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#### DINGBATS



## https://bit.ly/dingbata

These Dingbats are updated 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 <a href="https://bit.ly/dingbata">https://bit.ly/dingbata</a>.



bit.ly/learnintune

Learn in Tune sends out bi-weekly broadcasts with loads of information about using songs, movement and digital tools to enhance your lessons. 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.

Well done to all the wonderful pupils and their teachers that sent in their fantastic oral production entries for the E-Talent



If you'd like your school to be represented at a local Readers' Theater festival in May / June '22, please submit this <u>form</u> by April 6th, 2022.



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Don't miss it! The <u>ETAL</u>Spring Conference: It's time for Another Booster.

Monday April 11, 2022. Plenary Speaker: Prof. Penny Ur, OBE.



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Thank you for encouraging your pupils to participate in this exciting annual competition. Our aim was to encourage spoken fluency, to build confidence and to create a relaxed atmosphere where pupils could enjoy and express themselves in English. Together, we boosted your students' confidence by giving them the opportunity to show off their skills! In our eyes... each one of them is a winner You can find the list of winners here and in the

coming weeks we will be posting their videos

קורסי קצר ולעניין (מיקרו קרדיטציה) לעטי קח קרדישציה באנגלית יוצאים לדרך The courses offer essential skills and recommended teaching methods adapted to the class for distance and hybrid learning. Learning is done independently at a convenient time and Registration is open until 28.04.22. How to use reader's theater to mprove oral fluency How to prepare students for a Personal interview How to use electronic dictionaries How to say what you mean How to give positive feedback to oral class presentation How to use rubrics to improve student's writing skills How to use Google quiz to enhance vocabulary learning and assessing How to Break the Speaking Barrie How to improve your pupils' vocabulary retrieval Meeting the course requirements provides you with a 10-hour accreditation with a grade. To earn full credit, you must complete 30 hours (three micro- courses) by the end of the next school year Full credit also includes an application phase and requires a small fee. For more details on the learning process click here 50 

Congratulations to the National Winners of the Dream It! Writing Competition for 6th Graders at Chemed schools! There will be an online award ceremony for the winning pupils, their teachers, principals, inspectors and even parents on March 21st 2022. Click here to see all the dreamy entries on the Dream It! website. Every pupil who entered the competition or took part in a school-run Dream It! writing project, is truly a winner in our eyes! We hope all your wonderful dreams come true!





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

Debating Matters to Us - Yes it does! Six regional debate tournaments of the Debating Matters to Us national high school English language debate tournament took place during the month of February. Debating Matters to Us is open to 10th-12th grade students throughout Israel and is hosted by Diplomacy schools. Students debated topics such as Physician-Assisted Suicide, Cultural Appropriation, Gender Quotas, and Medical Data Sharing. Noam Laviv, a debater from De Shalit High School in Rehovot, said, "It was a very unique experience, both preparing for the debate and participating in it. I feel like I've learned a lot from it and have made new friends from other schools." Congratulations to the winning schools, which will attend the tournament finals in Eilat on May 19, hosted by Begin High School. Please visit the Debating Matters to Us website for more information about our tournament, and you are invited to join us next year.



Debaters from De Shalit High School



The team from Amal Space and Aviation

# SHOWCASE

Meet Taliah Nathanson, an English teacher at Ort Shapira, Kfar Saba. Learn all about Narrative 4, a program to enrich your life and enhance your teaching! Please click here to read the article.





Would you like to showcase your work?Your staff? A special teacher? An English event in your school? Complete this <u>short form</u> and we will contact you. Spread the word about something important to YOU!

# Zoom In Zoom Out Teachers' Online Conference

Approximately 870 participants, among them teachers, inspectors and counselors for English teaching in the Israeli education system, came to take part in a first-class innovation event: Zoom In Zoom Out '22. Click here to access the presentations and recordings.

We are happy and proud to say that some of the solutions to challenges that were presented were technology-based.

The event itself was energetic, celebratory, and innovative, which resulted in an electric atmosphere. Participants could choose to participate in the event as an avatar in Eureka World, a virtual reality platform or as a zoom viewer. Through the Eureka World platform many dozens of participants joined the event, and the experience was most powerful. For a short moment there was a sense of a frontal event inside all the virtualities.

The event provided entertainment with guest speaker, DJ Rafi, who danced and revealed to us a little about his world, as well as a playful, interactive quiz that tested the knowledge of the participants in the English field in the education system. Additionally, the national E-Talent winners were announced by national counselor Howie Gordon, creator and implementor of the Learn In Tune national program.

In conclusion, Zoom In Zoom Out was innovative, entertaining, enjoyable, special, and most importantly - leaves a taste for more! Many thanks to Chief Inspector for English, Dr. Tziona Levy and her conference planning committee members: Howie Gordon, Nicole Broder, Gail Singer, Simone Duval, Sassie Yona, Daphna Cohen and Miriam Ben who worked side by side with Start, the Division for Innovation and Technology at the Ministry of Education, led by Mr. Eytan Kleinman and his project manager, Tsofit Refaeli Katz. Special thanks also to Jerusalem Keflu Zohar Kaplan @Experis Solutions for a successful collaboration.

