TEACHER'S NOTES 2021–2022



Let's Start!®

Language level and annual issues

LET'S START magazine is ideal for learning English in a fresh and playful manner! It is an ideal tool for all teachers who want to integrate the textbook and curricular programming with fun linguistic activities that are always focused on topics relevant to young people. LET'S START is not only aimed at teachers, but is also designed for students and extracurricular realities that aim to deepen and consolidate L2 English.

Within the **Common European Framework**, LET'S START magazine sits between the **A1 and A2 levels**.

This magazine has five issues per year, each corresponding to a teaching unit. Students can also use each issue independently, without the help of a teacher. At the end of the five issues, students will have completed a basic level English language course.

The structure of the magazine is ideal for:

- having practical lessons ready and structured in an organic set of 5 teaching units
- encouraging self-learning and self-assessment
- preparing for language certification
- stimulating students' interest and encouraging an interdisciplinary approach

Reports on pages 6 & 7

Issue #1: Unusual sports (vocabulary related to sport, verbs of movement)

Issue #2: Tales about clocks (asking and telling the time, expressions of time)

Issue #3: It's time to do ... whatever you like! (verbs and vocabulary related to free time) Issue #4: The art of transformation (vocabulary related to cities, places, and shops)
Issue #5: I love the countryside (vocabulary related to nature and the countryside)

Inside the magazine

Each issue of LET'S START is a complete and independent DIDACTIC UNIT, structured in:

- a double page spread of illustrated vocabulary on pages 4 and 5
- a report-style article on pages 6 and 7
- an article on culture and current affairs from the English-speaking world on pages 8 and 9, and 12 and 13
- review and self-assessment games (with answers) on page 14

In addition...

- a fun test on page 10 helps students memorise and reuse the vocabulary and structures learned
- Me and my hobby, on page 11, offers interesting insights from stories of young people and their unusual interests
- insights on famous people popular with today's youth: cinema, music, sport, art etc.
- each page has hints, games, tests and exercises for deepening and consolidating language
- free downloadable audio on elilanguagemagazines.
 com
- the teacher's notes are accompanied by a table with the basic grammar introduced during the year
- Extra grammatical exercises for each issue and in the last two pages, summary exercises for the memorisation and revision of vocabulary and structures covered in the five issues.

LET'S START · OVERVIEW 2021/2022

MONTH	VOCABULARY	BASIC GRAMMAR	COMMUNICATIVE FUNCTIONS
Issue #1 September/ October Illustrated vocabulary A world of sport Report Unusual sports	Sport: vocabulary related to sport and verbs related to movement	 Present Simple Possessive pronouns Prepositions of place The superlative form Indefinite pronouns Relative pronouns 	 Speaking about different types of sport Speaking about what we do and don't like to do Describing actions and movements Knowing how to describe what's good for our health
Issue #2 November/ December Illustrated vocabulary What time is it? Report Tales about clocks	The time: asking and telling the time and time expressions	 Cardinal numbers Review of the Present Simple Modal verbs There is/there are Adjectives of nationality Prepositions Using the gerund as a subject 	 Simple sayings Learning how to ask for and tell the time Describing places Giving advice
Issue #3 February Illustrated vocabulary My free time Report It's time to do whatever you like!	Hobbies: Verbs and vocabulary related to free time	 Causal prepositions Introduction to future forms Temporal phrases Time adverbs Subordinate coordinated clauses 	 Expressing your tastes and preferences Speaking about your passions Making observations Speaking about free time activities Expressing and describing our own and other people's abilities
Issue #4 March/April Illustrated vocabulary In the city Report The art of transformation	The city: Places, shops, landmarks	 Past Simple Adjectives Adverbs of time Review of prepositions of place Introduction of Present Perfect Simple Practice of the superlative form 	 Describing places Learning how to speak about our strengths relative to different conversation topics Talking about what you know how to do Expressing hopes and future intentions
Issue #5 May/June Illustrated vocabulary In the countryside Report I love the countryside	The countryside: Vocabulary related to nature	 Causal sentences Practice of modal verbs Interrogative forms 	 Making introductions Expressing proposals for ideas Speaking about our dreams for the future Knowing how to discuss environmental themes

Answers

Extra exercises for the 5 issues of Let's Start

Issue 1 - SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

- **1** 1E, 2F, 3J, 4I, 5G, 6B, 7C, 8H, 9D, 10A.
- 2 1 sailing/B, 2 football/A.
- **3** 1 If, nobody, 2 can, something, can't 3 more, greater, 4 don't, 5 cannot, learned;
- **5** A4, B1, C6, D2, E3, F5.

Issue 2 - NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

- 1 2 five o'clock, am, 3 five fifteen, quarter past five, am, 4 five thirty, half past five, am, 5 12 o'clock, midday, pm, 6 three o'clock, pm, 7 6 o'clock, pm, 8 9 o'clock, pm.
- 2 A In Germany, in the Black Forest, there is a 320 km long road, B The most accurate clock in the world is Big Ben. Big Ben is located in London, in the UK. C There are many steam clocks in the world. Most of them were built by a Canadian engineer named Raymond Saunders. D To get to the top of Big Ben, there are 334 steps. From up there, you can see all of London. E In the Black Forest, you can enter the craftsman's shops to see the watchmakers at work and you can buy the cuckoo clock you like best.
- **3** 1 there is, 2 there is, 3 there are, 4 there is, 5 there are, 6 there are, 7 there is

Issue 3 - FEBRUARY

- **1** 1 walking, 2 collecting, 3 singing, 4 going to the cinema, 5 travelling, 6 gardening, 7 playing, 8 playing, 9 cooking, 10 building models. COINS.
- **2** 1-A-Singer, 2-B-Actress, 3-E-Actors, 4-A-Singer, 5-F-Singer, 6-C-former-model.
- **3** 1A, 2A, 3B, 4B, 5A, 6A.
- 4 1 I'm travelling, 2 they're having, 3 you're doing, 4 we're singing, 5 you're playing, 6 she's playing

Issue 4 - MARCH/APRIL

- 1 1 cinema, 2 shopping centre, 3 station, 4 track, 5 suburbs, 6 bank, 7 restaurant, 8 museum, 9 library, 10 pizzeria, 11 park, 12 school, 13 theatre, 14 shop, 15 town hall, 16 hotel, 17 post office, 18 Rome.
- 2 1C petit beurre LU, 2A Roubaix, 3B picnic. Example: Le Lieu Unique was an old biscuit factory. Here they produced 'petit beurre LU' biscuits...
- **3** wash, trim, comb, bathe, shave, brush, trim nails, massage, clean teeth. Free choice.

Issue 5 - MAY/JUNE

2 1T, 2F, 3T, 4F, 5T, 6F, 7F, 8T

Additional grammar exercises

- 1 1 works, 2 train, 3 have fun, 4 reads, 5 take
- 2
- 1 I didn't like skiing because I was afraid of falling. I preferred to go for a run.
- 2 Lorenzo could not read as he was only 5 years old, but he could draw and paint very well.
- 3 I went to my grandmother's for lunch ever day; I liked to visit her and talk to her.
- 4 We had to go and see Giacomo. Did you want to come too?
- 5 Marta and Cristina often organised swap parties. They wanted to have fun with friends, they didn't want to throw things away, and at the same time, they wanted to renew their wardrobes.
- **3** 1 there is, 2 there are, 3 there are, 4 there is, 5 there are

- 4 1 in, 2 at, 3 In, 4 in, 5 in, at
- 5 1 Walking every day, 2 The chirping of birds, 3 Smoking, 4 Knitting, 5 Studying hard
- 6 am having/eating, are buying, am going, is starting, are studying
- 7 1 How much did you pay for the backpack? 2 Where did you put your cellphone? 3 When was Leopardi born? 4 How often do you train? 5 Where is Sara?
- 8 1 was born, 2 did, studied, 3 have, gone out, forgot,4 did, come back, came back 5 moved
- 9 best, the nicest, the most dangerous, the newest, the bitterest
- **10** 1D, 2A, 3E, 4B, 5C

Nam	e and surname:	Class:
1	Read the definitions and link them to the correct sport. 1 You can also do this at a riding school. 2 To play, you need a small racket. 3 You do this in the mountains. 4 It's a team game played in the pool. 5 It can be "cross-country" or "alpine". 6 You can also practice this sport at the lake! 7 In this sport, the Champions League is a very important competition. 8 Here, scoring points is called "making a basket". 9 In this discipline, the marathon is one of the oldest races. 10 In this sport there is a lifter, and a person who receives the ball and hits it to the other players.	A volleyball B sailing C football D cycle touring E horse riding F ping pong / table tennis G skiing H basketball I water polo J hiking Score: 10 points
2	 Sports and idioms. Complete the sentence and choose the co 1 "sail against the wind" refers to sg and means: A to have it easy. B sailing without the wind in your favour. It is also used when you have to circumstances. 2 "hanging up your boots" refers to fl and means: A abandon sport and, in general, to abandon any activity or profession. B be a lazy person. 	Your score is
3	 Sports and famous phrases. Read the sentences and complete 1 If / When you don't believe in yourself, nobody / someone will do it for your sentence. 2 I want to / can accept defeat; everyone fails at something / everything. Be (Michael Jordan) 3 The less / more difficult the victory, the more / less / greater the happine. 4 You don't / do have to study magic to be special. You are already special. 5 You cannot / must not win without first having taught / learned to lose. 	ou. (Kobe Bryant) ut I can / can't give up trying. ss in winning. (Pele) you are you. (Magic Johnson)
4	At the Tokyo 2020 Olympics (held on 23 July - 8 August 2021). Look at the pictures and link them with the correct sport. A basketball 3x3 or 3x3 (three on three) - B skateboarding - C surfing - D clin 1	
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Your score is _____

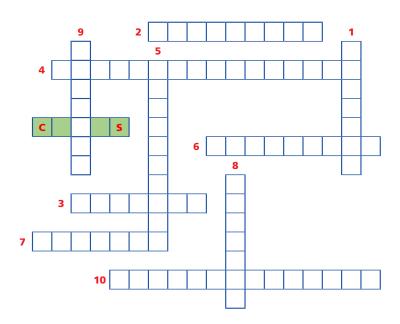
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The Hobby Crossword. Read the definitions and complete the crossword. Complete the green boxes to find out which are the most collected objects in the world!

- 1 1 You can do it in the park, in the centre, on
- 2 A popular hobby is stamp
- 3 You can do this in a shower, but it's even better if you have a microphone!
- 4 The same as 'visiting a movie theatre'
- 5 It can be "done" by plane, train, bus, ship ...
- 6 Plant a rose in the garden, is to do ...

the seafront ...

- 7 The verb used for cards, Monopoly and Trivial Pursuit ...
- 8 Using a musical instrument.
- 9 If you like preparing food, you like ...
- 10 Making small ships, planes, machines.





The most popular items for collectors are: C _ I _ S

Score: 11 points

Your score is _

2 Did you read the reports on pages 6 and 7 carefully? Connect the hobbies to the correct people and their professions.

- 1 create snow globes
- 2 go skydiving
- 3 create terracotta objects
- 4 solve the Rubik's cube
- **5** produce honey
- 6 collect insects

- A Justin Bieber
- **B** Nicole Kidman
- C Claudia Schiffer
- **D** Taylor Swift
- **E** Brad Pitt e Leonardo Di Caprio
- **F** Beyoncé

- singer
- singer
- actors
- actress
- singer
- former model

Score: 6 points

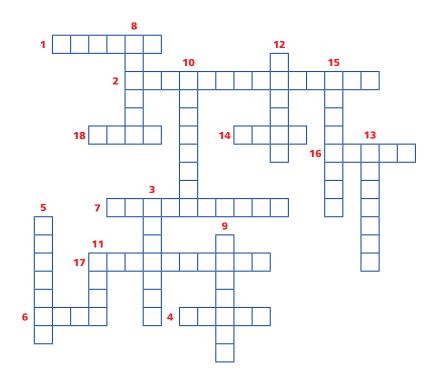
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Let's Start! N° 3 January/February – 2020-2021 Academic year. Photocopiable materials Name and surname: Class: Class: Have you ever played the air guitar? Read the article and choose the correct answer. 1 Heikki is: 4 The Air Guitar World Championship a Danish a does not exist **b** Finnish **b** exists 2 With 'air guitar', you play: 5 To play the air guitar you ... a an invisible guitar a don't need a musical instrument **b** a real guitar **b** need a musical instrument 6 The Air Guitar World Championship 3 The air guitar is a democratic instrument because: a is held annually in the city of Heikki a someone can play it **b** is held every two years in the United States **b** anyone can play it **Score: 6 points** Your score is ___ Write the Present Continuous of these verbs. 1 I travel 4 we sing 2 they have

3 you do

То	tal score:	29 points. Your sco	re is
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6	she plays		
5	you play		

In the city. Read the definitions and complete the crossword.





- 1 This is the place where you go to see a movie.
- 2 This is a place where you can find many different shops.
- 3 This is a place where you can catch a bus, train, subway ...
- 4 This is another word for 'path'.
- **5** This is the name for the residential areas of a city.
- 6 This a place where you can find an ATM.
- 7 This is where you can find the dish of the day!
- 8 This is the place where you can see ancient objects.
- **9** This is place where you go to read or study.
- 10 In this place, you can order an Italian favourite!

- 11 This place has lawns, trees, benches and bike paths ...
- 12 You'll find plenty of students here.
- 13 It has a stage, lights and seats.
- **14** This is a place that sells things.
- 15 This is the seat of many public offices in the
- 16 If it's comfortable, this place has many stars.
- 17 This is where you buy stamps and send parcels.
- 18 What's the capital city of Italy?

Score:	18	points

Your score is

- 2 Did you read the report *The art of transformation* carefully? Connect the elements together. With this information, create long or short sentences ... you choose!
 - 1 Le Lieu Unique
 - 2 la Piscine-Musée d'Art et d'Industrie
 - **3** Tempelhofer Park
- **A** a swimming pool
- **B** an airport
- **C** a biscuit factory
- picnic
- petit beurre LU
- Roubaix

Score: 9 points

Your score is _

Find the verbs associated with creative dog grooming. Now ask your partner to imagine that you are a creative dog groomer. Ask him what he likes to do / what he doesn't like to do. Then switch roles.















Score: 25 points

Your score is _

(your teacher will decide this time!)

Total score: 68 points. Your score is _____

Name and surname: Class: Class:

What's on a farm? Take a good look at the pictures, find the 19 elements, and write their names.



cat - farm - butterfly - apple - mouse - flower - tractor - chick goat - dog - sun - bird rabbit - farmer - turkey - hen - carrothorse - vegetable







































Score: 8 points

Your score is

I love the countryside. Reread the report on pages 6 and 7 and answer true [T] or false [F]

1 Urban farming means producing food at km 0, i.e., close to where you live.
2 FAO helps young people in the industry sector.
3 Today, more and more young people want to live and work in the countryside.
4 Bees are very important for the environment because they make honey.
5 Butterflies help pollinate flowers.
6 New York JFK Airport will open an organic food store in Terminal 5.
7 In many cities, there are vertical gardens.
8 When we buy things at km 0, we help the environment.

Score: 8 points
Your score is

Total score: 27 points. Your score is ___

5 May/June - 2021-2022 Academic year. Photocopiable materials

Let's Start!

ADDITIONAL GRAMMAR EXERCISES

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Pr	resent indicative. Conjugate the verbs in brackets in the Present Simple tense.
1	Samuel (work) very hard.
2	We (train) every day.
3	Kate and Ivan (have fun) playing hide and seek.
	Patricia (read) history books.
5	Guys, (take) another piece of pizza!
Uı	nderline the verbs, then transform these sentences into the Past Simple.
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	throw things away, and at the same time, they want to renew their wardrobes.
Th 1	nere is/there are. Complete with the correct form. This morning ice on the road.
2	If you want to listen to some music, many records in that box.
3	Millions of years ago, there were dinosaurs on Earth. Now none.
4	In the garden, a nest, and inside, three eggs.
	Over there, three windsurfing boards and a boat.
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4 Knitting is a cool hobby.

5 Studying hard helps you pass exams.

ADDITIONAL GRAMMAR EXERCISES

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