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## **ABOUT** SIGNPOST A2<sup>+</sup>-B1

Signpost A2<sup>+</sup>-B1 is a comprehensive general English coursebook for basic users of English. This coursebook combines the most recent approaches to help students use English accurately and fluently. Ten themed units, including activities which are designed to develop all four language skills, encourage the students to learn and use the language effectively.

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- vocabulary presentation and practice
- grammar rules and exercises with interactive tasks
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- speaking activities with realistic and stimulating dialogues about everyday situations
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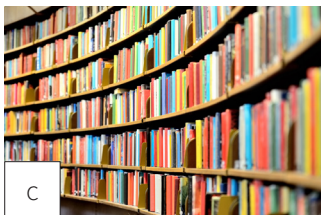
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**1 Match the words/phrases (1-10) with the pictures (a-j).**

- 1. locker
- 2. classroom
- 3. science lab
- 4. cafeteria
- 5. library

- 6. pitch
- 7. gym
- 8. teachers' room
- 9. school
- 10. music room



**2 Read the sentences below and find the related place in each one.**

1. I need to borrow a book about insects because I will write a paper about them. It is my term project.  
.....
2. I need to exercise because I am a little bit overweight. My doctor says I should do exercise regularly.  
.....
3. Today is a big day because we are going to do a chemistry experiment. It is impossible to do such an experiment in the classroom.  
.....
4. We wanted to organize a football match with the other class, and they gladly accepted our offer. We will all be there tomorrow for the game!  
.....
5. When the morning sessions finish at noon, we all feel really hungry. We need to eat something before the afternoon classes.  
.....
6. We are so excited because we are getting prepared for the "High School Music Contest", so we, as a team, are practising every day.  
.....



**3 Read the dialogue below and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in brackets in simple present tense.**

**Brandon:** Hi! How is it going?

**Kevin :** Great! Thanks. What about you?

**Brandon:** Well, I <sup>1</sup>..... **(be)** both excited and nervous because I'm transferring to your school! Can I ask you some questions about the school?

**Kevin :** Sure!

**Brandon:** <sup>2</sup>..... **(you / wear)** a uniform?

**Kevin :** No, the school <sup>3</sup>..... **(allow)** us to wear casual clothes.

**Brandon:** Oh, good! I <sup>4</sup>..... **(like)** wearing a uniform. <sup>5</sup>..... **(you / have)** a morning break?

**Kevin :** No, we don't, but there <sup>6</sup>..... **(be)** a lunch break after the third lesson. Most of the students <sup>7</sup>..... **(eat)** in the cafeteria at school. However, I <sup>8</sup>..... **(have)** lunch there because it is really expensive!

**Brandon:** I see! I <sup>9</sup>..... **(know)** that the medium of instruction is English at your school. <sup>10</sup>..... **(the teachers / help)** the students when they <sup>11</sup>..... **(understand)** something?

**Kevin :** Definitely! The teachers <sup>12</sup>..... **(do)** their best to help us understand and follow the lessons.

**Brandon:** Great! Thank you for your help, Kevin!

**Kevin :** Not a big deal!

**4 Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in the boxes. Use simple present tense.**

- do ring understand practise let  
design enjoy visit get be have

- Jenifer ..... watching horror films alone at home because she cannot sleep after the film.
- They always ..... their old house in the countryside because it is a reminder of their past.
- She ..... in the pool every day to improve her swimming skills.
- Whenever I ..... stressed out, I visit my grandfather because he ..... me. He knows how hard life can get.
- ..... you ..... exams every week?
- The manager usually ..... us leave early when we ask for it. He is a nice guy.
- I wake up as soon as my alarm .....
- Tony ..... beautiful images for the school magazine.
- There ..... many food options in the cafeteria at our school. They prepare toast and sandwiches only.
- I ..... my homework regularly, so I get high grades.

**5 Read the text below and answer the questions.**

I have a new job in a new company. I feel a lot better here because I don't work extremely long hours. We work only 6 hours a day, but the managers are very strict on timing. I come to the office just before 9 o'clock. They punish latecomers. However, the punishments are not fierce. The latecomers generally buy coffee or treats for the entire crew. They also allow us to have coffee breaks every one and a half hours. They don't force us to work at the weekend, but they pay extra money if we do. I generally don't work but relax at home or go out to see new places at weekends.

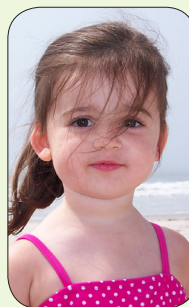
- Why does the writer feel a lot better about working in the new place?  
.....
- How long does he work?  
.....
- How do they punish the latecomers?  
.....
- How many coffee breaks do they have a day?  
.....
- Does he work at weekends?  
.....

**1 Match the phrases (1-6) with the descriptions (a-f).**

- |                         |                          |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Nursery school       | <input type="checkbox"/> | a. This school usually includes the first four grades and often a kindergarten.                                       |
| 2. Boarding school      | <input type="checkbox"/> | b. This is a school for very young children, usually under five years old.  |
| 3. Elementary school    | <input type="checkbox"/> | c. This school usually includes grades 9–12 or 10–12.   |
| 4. Special needs school | <input type="checkbox"/> | d. In this school, students can live there during the school semester.  |
| 5. High school          | <input type="checkbox"/> | e. People teach their children at home instead of sending them to a school.   |
| 6. Homeschooling        | <input type="checkbox"/> | f. Some children cannot go to ordinary schools because they have learning or physical disabilities, so they go there. |

**2 Read the information about the students below and decide which school they should go to. Match (a-e) with (1-5).**

- a. Campbell Special Needs School  
 b. Little Bees Nursery School  
 c. Homeschooling  
 d. Penwood Elementary School  
 e. Think Global Boarding School



**Kelly Wingates**  
**4 years old**

My mum and dad are at work all day, so they want to send me to a school. I can learn new things and play with my friends there.

1



**Adam Nashville**  
**12 years old**  
**6<sup>th</sup> grade**

My dad wants a new job in London, and he wants to move there. I am very sad to leave all my friends back in Boston, but there is nothing I can do about this. I need a new school in London.

2



**Ashley Harker**  
**9 years old**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> grade**

Our new neighbourhood is very dangerous. That's why my parents don't want to send me to the local school. They don't approve of the education system, either. They say it is better this way.

3



**Abraham Rick Murphy**  
**7 years old**  
**1<sup>st</sup> grade**

I have some problems with reading. Sometimes I can't spell the words or imagine how they sound in my head although I have no problem learning new things. The doctor says I may be dyslexic.

4



**Johanna White**  
**15 years old - 9<sup>th</sup> grade**

My family lives in Dublin, Ireland. However, I am happy to live here in New York. I have a lot of friends from different countries. We all live together and learn together! Before we graduate, we experience six continents in three years as a part of the curriculum.

5

**3 Fill in the blanks with the words in the boxes.**

- tutor
- notification
- assessment
- peers
- curriculum
- pupils

1. A multiple choice test is a type of ..... where you choose the best answer from the list of choices.
2. All textbooks and teaching tools must be consistent with the .....
3. He is supposed to do the tasks with his ..... in the classroom.
4. Our daughter is very likely to get a high score in the upcoming test by the help of her private .....
5. Our country requires monthly ..... if you choose homeschooling for your children.
6. The school that we will attend this year is a very big one. There are more than 2,000 ..... there.

**4 The table shows Sally's daily activities on the following days. Write sentences by using the correct adverb of frequency.**

|                                  | Monday | Wednesday | Saturday | Sunday |
|----------------------------------|--------|-----------|----------|--------|
| attend after-school clubs        | 75%    | 50%       | 0%       | 0%     |
| walk her dog in the morning      | 50%    | 0%        | 100%     | 100%   |
| watch a film on Netflix          | 0%     | 75%       | 100%     | 50%    |
| play basketball with her friends | 5%     | 50%       | 100%     | 75%    |
| study chemistry                  | 90%    | 100%      | 0%       | 5%     |

1. attend after-school clubs / Wednesdays  
.....
2. watch a film on Netflix / Saturdays  
.....
3. play basketball with her friends / Sundays  
.....
4. walk her dog in the morning / Wednesdays  
.....
5. study chemistry / Saturdays  
.....
6. watch a film on Netflix / Sundays  
.....

**5 Read the sentences and write questions for the underlined parts in simple present tense.**

1. There are more than 10 school subjects <sup>a</sup> in the high school curriculum in Turkey. My favourite one is biology <sup>b</sup> among all.
  - a. ....
  - b. ....
2. Mark is a homeschooler. His parents and his two private tutors <sup>a</sup> teach him at home. They follow a special curriculum because he is dyslexic. He had difficulties in reading and spelling. His elder sister, Susan, <sup>b</sup> always helps him with reading. He usually <sup>c</sup> rides a bicycle alone in the park in the afternoons <sup>d</sup> because he doesn't have many friends <sup>e</sup>.
  - a. ....
  - b. ....
  - c. ....
  - d. ....
  - e. ....
3. My daughter <sup>a</sup> loves history <sup>b</sup> classes. She is 15 years old, and she has more than 200 <sup>c</sup> books and they are all about history <sup>d</sup>.
  - a. ....
  - b. ....
  - c. ....
  - d. ....
4. My brother, Daniel, <sup>a</sup> is bad at physics. He takes private lessons <sup>b</sup> to be successful in exams. He studies physics from 1 to 3 <sup>c</sup> with his tutor <sup>d</sup> at home <sup>e</sup> on Sundays.
  - a. ....
  - b. ....
  - c. ....
  - d. ....
  - e. ....



**1 Match the words/phrases (1-9) with their definitions (a-i).**

|                   |                          |  |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 1. count noses    | <input type="checkbox"/> | a. someone who likes reading   |
| 2. learn by heart | <input type="checkbox"/> | b. write down  |
| 3. attend         | <input type="checkbox"/> | c. go somewhere regularly  |
| 4. teacher's pet  | <input type="checkbox"/> | d. memorise  |
| 5. jot down       | <input type="checkbox"/> | e. count the number of people in a group to make sure that everyone is present |
| 6. hard-working   | <input type="checkbox"/> | f. teacher's favourite student   |
| 7. bookworm       | <input type="checkbox"/> | g. working with a lot of effort  |
| 8. cut class      | <input type="checkbox"/> | h. leave school without permission   |
| 9. eager beaver   | <input type="checkbox"/> | i. someone who works harder than they should                                   |

**2 Fill in the blanks with the words/phrases in Exercise 1.**

- John is the only person who raises his hands in Mr Clark's classes. He is a(n) .....
- When I was a high school student, I would ..... and go to the cinema with my friends.
- This country needs honest and ..... people to improve.
- "Everyone, take your seats on the bus so that I can ..... before we leave the museum."
- This school has basic rules, but you don't have to ..... them ..... We want you to have an understanding of them.
- Mr Parker is the students' favourite teacher. Everyone ..... his class. No one misses it.
- Let me take a pen so that I can ..... your phone number.
- I can't believe that Amy finishes two books a week! She is a .....
- It is very easy to understand why Ian is the ..... He does his homework when no one does, and he raises his hand when no one listens to the teacher.

**3 Fill in the table with the phrases in the box.**

I think                      I believe                      In my opinion,  
 In my view,                      What do you think about ...?  
 It seems to me that                      For me,                      If you ask me,

**How to Ask for Opinion**

**How to Give Opinion**

**4 Fill in the blanks with the correct expressions in the table above. You can give more than one answer.**

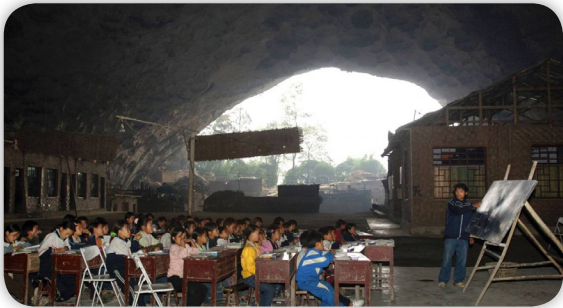
- A: ..... after school clubs?  
 B: ....., they are a good option for working parents. Students can stay at a safe place when there is no one at home.
- A: ..... wearing a school uniform is necessary. .... it?  
 B: I think it limits students, so I don't like it.
- A: ....., school trips are the best part of school life. .... it?  
 B: ..... all students like and look forward to them.
- A: ..... the facilities in our school?  
 B: ..... they are not enough for all the students. For example, I can't find a seat at the cafeteria in the lunch break.
- A: ..... number of students in a class is important for education. .... it?  
 B: I agree with you. Students can't learn well in a crowded class.

**5** Read the texts below and match them with the titles in the box.

- a. A Cave School
- b. A Boarding School
- c. A Floating School



1. ....  
Our school is not close to our house, but it doesn't matter because we live at the school during the school year. Although I miss my family from time to time, I still like studying here.



2. ....  
Our community is extremely poor, and we don't have a proper school building. That's why people who want to educate their kids use this rocky overhang as a school.



3. ....  
We don't have a normal school building. Instead, our school is on the water. Some people say it can be dangerous to study there due to heavy rain and huge waves, but we love our school.

**6** Read the texts in Exercise 5 again and answer the questions below.

1. Why do students miss their families in the boarding school?  
.....
2. Why do families educate their kids in a cave school?  
.....
3. Why can a floating school be dangerous?  
.....

**7** Fill in the blanks with the words in the boxes.

- space
- head teacher
- inspiring
- creative
- double-decker bus

1. His story is a very ..... one: He was an ordinary salesperson before he became such a successful businessman.
2. Linda has to report Jack to the ..... because he always quarrels with his friends at break times.
3. We used to believe there was another driver on the upper storey of a(n) .....
4. It is important to have a(n) ..... mind if you want to write fiction.
5. There isn't enough ..... for our second car in the garage.





**A** Fill in the blanks with the words given. (8x2=16 pts)

library • canteen • pupils • optional • music room • computer lab • semesters • gym

1. Mike's favourite place in the school is the ..... because he really likes playing the piano.
2. How many ..... do the schools have in your country?
3. We have a big garden in our school, but on rainy days, we play games in the .....
4. They are in the ..... and are doing research for their history homework.
5. The ..... in Turkey have a three-month holiday in summer.
6. Linda and her friends are lucky because they can eat healthy snacks in their school .....
7. You have to return the books to the ..... in two weeks.
8. English is compulsory for all the students, but music is .....

**B** Look at the table. Write questions and short answers about Tim, Mark and Bella. (3 points each-2 for the question, 1 for the answer =18 pts)

|                 | Tim | Mark | Bella |
|-----------------|-----|------|-------|
| play basketball | +   | +    | -     |
| surf the Net    | -   | -    | -     |
| cook            | -   | -    | +     |
| speak French    | +   | +    | -     |
| get up early    | +   | -    | +     |

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mark / play basketball?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> <li>2. Tim / surf the Net?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> <li>3. Tim and Bella / get up early?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Mark and Bella / surf the Net?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> <li>5. Bella / cook?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> <li>6. Tim and Mark / speak French?<br/>.....<br/>.....</li> </ol> |
|--|--|

C

Read the text.



My name is Jack. I live in Edinburgh with my family. I am a high school student. I wake up at 7 am and have a shower. Then, my brother and I have breakfast. I usually have a piece of toast and orange juice for breakfast, and he has cereal. My lessons begin at 8:30 am and finish at 4:30 pm. In the morning, we have compulsory subjects such as maths, English, literature and science. I usually have lunch at the school canteen with my classmates. After lunch break, there are optional subjects such as art, music and PE. My favourite one is music because I love playing the violin, and I am really good at it.

When I come back home, I have a rest for an hour until we have dinner. While resting, I listen to classical music. After dinner, I do my homework and revise for my exams. If I finish my studies early, we play a game or watch a movie with my brother. At weekends, I study with my classmates for the projects or spend time with my family members. Every night, I read a book before I go to bed at 11 pm.

a. Answer the questions. (4x3=12 pts)

1. Where does Jack live? .....
2. What does he usually have for breakfast? .....
3. When do his lessons finish? .....
4. Who does he play a game with? .....

b. Circle the correct option. (4x2=8 pts)

1. Jack's brother has **toast** / cereal for breakfast.
2. Jack's lessons begin **8:30 am** / 4:30 pm.
3. Art is a(n) **optional** / compulsory subject.
4. Jack's favourite subject is **PE** / music.

c. Write True (T) or False (F) according to the text. (6x2=12 pts)

1. Jack lives in Edinburgh with his friends.
2. He knows how to play a musical instrument.
3. Maths, English, literature and science are optional subjects.
4. After lunch, he has compulsory subjects.
5. Before dinner, he listens to classical music.
6. Every night, he watches a movie before he goes to bed.





**D** Put the words in the correct order to make questions. (6x2=12 pts)

1. do / does / Sundays / what / on / Hannah  
.....
2. eat / cake / why / you / do / a lot of  
.....
3. have a shower / do / when / you  
.....
4. your father / have / does / sisters / how many / brothers / or  
.....
5. live / do / Lisa's / where / parents  
.....
6. subjects / do / school / like / what / you  
.....

**E** Match the questions in Exercise D with the answers below. (6x1=6 pts)

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| a. Before breakfast. <input type="checkbox"/>       | b. Biology and English. <input type="checkbox"/> | c. He has two sisters. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Because it's delicious. <input type="checkbox"/> | e. She plays tennis. <input type="checkbox"/>    | f. In Paris. <input type="checkbox"/>           |

**F** Complete the sentences with the school subjects. (8x2=16 pts)

|     |       |            |         |           |
|-----|-------|------------|---------|-----------|
| art | PE    | science    | English | geography |
|     | maths | literature | music   |           |

1. You solve problems in .....
2. You use maps in .....
3. You prepare a project about a writer in .....
4. You learn some grammar rules in .....
5. You play an instrument in .....
6. You use colourful crayons in .....
7. You wear your tracksuit in .....
8. You do an experiment in .....