



BEGINNER ENGLISH GRAMMAR

A Guide for Beginner English Grammar
Curriculum

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5-6 years

<i>Session name</i>		
Lesson name	Example text	Primary language learning challenge (Secondary language learning challenge)

<i>1. Making friends</i>		
Pronouns	I	Personal pronouns
How are you?	How are you? I am fine thanks.	Asking how people are. Verb to be 'is/am/are'
Greetings	How are you?	Greetings vocabulary
What is your name?	My name is Sandra.	Introducing yourself and others

<i>2. Counting 1-20</i>		
Counting 1-10	1 book	Counting 1 - 10 Plurals
Counting 11-20	11 books	Counting 11 - 20 Plurals
What comes before/after...?	What comes before 10? 9	Preposition 'before/after' Interrogative pronoun 'what'
Reading numbers 1-10	1	One – ten vocabulary
Reading numbers 11-20	11	Eleven – twenty vocabulary
How old are you?	How old are you?	Verb to be 'is/am/are' Asking for an age

3. Colours and the Classroom

Colours	blue	Colours vocabulary
Classroom Vocabulary 1	pen	Classroom vocabulary
Classroom Vocabulary 2	chair	Classroom vocabulary
Basic Punctuation	How old are you?	Basic punctuation
Is it...? Yes, it is./No, it isn't.	Is it blue? No, it isn't.	Short answer questions with 'yes/no' and verb 'be' Colours vocabulary
Rooms in a school 1	a classroom	Rooms in a school 1 Articles 'a/an'
Rooms in a school 2	some water fountains	Rooms in a school 2 Articles 'a/an'
Rooms in a school 3	Where is the main hall? It is over there.	Verb to be 'is/are' Question word 'where'

4. A/an and classroom vocabulary

Everyday Objects	umbrella	Everyday objects vocabulary
Vowel Sounds	a	Saying the vowel sounds
Articles - a/an	a floor	Articles 'a/an'
Classroom instructions - in the book	a cross	Classroom instructions you might find in your book
Classroom instructions 1	be quiet	Classroom instructions vocabulary
Classroom instructions 2	compare the pictures	Classroom instructions vocabulary

5. What's that in English?

This and that	What's that in English? I don't know.	Determiners 'this/that' Asking what things are in English
It's a/an	What's that in English? It's an umbrella.	Articles 'a/an' Asking what things are in English

6. His, her, your, my

Possessive adjectives	his	Possessive adjectives
Whose is this?	Whose is this? It's my bag.	Possessive adjectives Relative pronoun 'whose'
Article - the	It's my bag. The bag is here.	Article 'the' Relative pronoun 'whose'

7. Numbers 20-50

Reading numbers 20-29	20	Twenty – twenty-nine vocabulary
Reading numbers 30-39	30	Thirty - thirty-nine vocabulary
Reading numbers 40-50	40	Forty – fifty vocabulary
Calculations	add	Calculation vocabulary

8. Likes and dislikes

School Subjects	English	School subjects vocabulary
Levels of like and dislike	love	Like and dislike vocabulary
Do you like Maths?	Do you like Reading? No, I don't.	'Do you...?' School subjects vocabulary
Do you love Maths?	Do you like Reading? Yes, I love it.	Levels of likes 'Do you like...?'

9. Subject + verb + object

Verbs 1	walk	Basic verbs
Verbs 2	taste	Basic verbs
Pronoun + verb	She plays with bricks.	Third person singular Word order

10. My favourite animal

Animals 1	lion	Animal
Animals 2	cow	Animal
Plurals	lions	Plurals Animal vocabulary
My favourite animal	My favourite animal is a dog.	Favourite Animal vocabulary
Irregular Plurals	mouse = mice	Irregular plurals Animal vocabulary
Pets 1	This pet is a spider.	Animal vocabulary Determiner 'this'
Pets 2	This pet is a cat.	Animal vocabulary Determiner 'this'

11. This, that, these, those

This, that, these, those 1

What are those? Those are boats.

Determiners
'these/those/this/that'
Interrogative pronoun 'what'

This, that, these, those 2

What is that? That is a fish.

Determiners
'these/those/this/that'
Interrogative pronoun 'what'

12. Imperatives

Imperatives

Close the door.

Classroom instruction imperatives

13. Immediate family and have got/has got

Family 1

Mum

Immediate family members

Family 2

Aunt

Extended family members

How many brothers and sisters have you got?

I have got 1 brother and 1 sister.

Verb to have 'have/has'
'How many...?'

14. Extended family and Possessive 's'

Possessive s

This is Alf's daughter, Pat.

Possessive s
Family vocabulary

Who is this? This is my/her/his...

Who is this? This is his mother.

Possessive adjectives –
'my/her/his/your'
Interrogative pronoun 'who'

15. Description & has got/have got

Facial descriptions

blue eyes

Facial description vocabulary

Hair descriptions

blond hair

Hair description vocabulary
Spelling 'blond/blonde'

Have got/has got descriptions

He has got a beard.

Language structure 'has got/have got'
Description vocabulary

Have not got/has not got descriptions

He hasn't got brown eyes.

Language structure 'hasn't got/haven't got'
Description vocabulary

16. Sports & Do you like...?

Sports - Ball	baseball	Ball sport vocabulary
Sports - Other	badminton	Other sport vocabulary
Do you like...?	Do you like playing badminton? Yes, I do.	Short answer questions with 'yes/no' and verb 'do' Sports vocabulary

17. Can/can't for ability

Can/can't and sports	He can play basketball.	Verb 'can/can't' for ability Sport vocabulary
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18. Ordinal numbers

Ordinal numbers	First in the race.	Ordinal numbers
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19. Hobbies

Hobbies	cooking	Hobbies vocabulary
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20. Have you got...?

A, an and some 1	a banana	Determiners 'a/an/some' Food vocabulary
A, an and some 2	some chocolate	Determiners 'a/an/some' Food vocabulary
Have you got any food?	Have you got any food?	Language structure 'Have you got a/an/any...?' Food vocabulary

21. Classifiers

Classifiers 1	a glass of	Classifiers
Classifiers 2	a cup of	Classifiers
Classifiers 3	I have got a tin of tuna.	Classifiers Language structure 'I have got a...'
I have got a/an or some/I haven't got any	Do you have any cake? Yes, I have got a piece of cake.	Language structure 'I have got some/I haven't got any'

22. How much/many...?

Much or many 1

How many biscuits have you got?

Language structure 'How much/many...'
Food vocabulary

Much or many 2

How much chocolate have you got?

Language structure 'How much/many...'
Food vocabulary

23. Home and there is/there are

Rooms of the house

a balcony

House vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Bathroom

a bath

Bathroom vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Bedroom

a bed

Bedroom vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Kitchen

a blind

Kitchen vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Lounge

a bookcase

Lounge vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Office

a computer

Office vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

Outside

a dustbin

Outside vocabulary
Determiner 'a/an/some'

There is/there are

There are some cupboards in the kitchen.

Language structure 'There is a/are some'
Home vocabulary

There isn't/there aren't

There aren't any stairs in the kitchen.

Language structure 'There aren't any/isn't any'
Home vocabulary

24. Prepositions

Prepositions	There is a pen above the box.	Prepositions Language structure 'There is'
There is/there are	There are some chairs under the table.	Prepositions Language structure 'There is a/are some'

25. Can/can't for permission

Can for permission	Can I borrow your pen please? Yes, you can.	Can for permission Verb 'borrow'
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26. Do you/Does he...?

Do you...?	Do you eat meat? No, I don't.	Short answer questions with 'yes/no' and verb 'do' Food vocabulary
Does he...?	Does he listen to music? Yes, he does.	Language structure 'Does/Do...?' Hobbies vocabulary

27. Would you like...?

I would like	What would you like? I would like some ham, please.	Language structure 'What would you like...? I would like...' Food vocabulary
Yes, I would	Would you like some coffee? No, I wouldn't thank you.	Language structure 'Would you like...? No, I wouldn't./Yes, I would.' Food vocabulary

28. Feelings

Feelings 1	I'm angry.	Feelings vocabulary Language structure 'I'm'
Feelings 2	I'm cold.	Feelings vocabulary Language structure 'I'm'
Feeling & wants	He is bored. He wants to play.	Language structure 'He is... He wants...' Feelings vocabulary

29. Shops and places

Places 1	a bank	Places vocabulary
Places 2	a school	Places vocabulary
Where is...?	Where is your house? It is next to the red house.	Prepositions Language structure 'Where is...? It is...'
Features of a town	There are traffic lights.	Town features vocabulary Language structure 'There is/are'

30. Directions

Directions 1	go straight on	Directions vocabulary
Directions 2	Where is the library? Take a right and then a left. Go straight on and take the second road on your right. It is then on your left.	Directions vocabulary Places vocabulary
Where is/are the	Where are the sports courts?	Language structure 'Where is/are' Places vocabulary

33. Time 1

Time vocabulary	clock	Time vocabulary
O'clock	What's the time? It's 5 o'clock.	Language structure 'It's __o'clock.' Language structure 'What's the time?'
What's the time? It's half past...	What's the time? It's half past 5.	Language structure 'It's half past...' Language structure 'What's the time?'
What's the time? It's quarter past...	What's the time? It's quarter past 5.	Language structure 'It's quarter past...' Language structure 'What's the time?'
What's the time? It's quarter to...	What's the time? It's quarter to 2.	Language structure 'It's quarter to...' Language structure 'What's the time?'
Quarter past, quarter to, o'clock and half past	What's the time? It's 3 o'clock.	Language structure 'quarter past/quarter to/o'clock/half past' What's the time?

34. Daily routine		
Daily routine	She wakes.	Daily routine vocabulary
Time of the day and year - in a time	in the morning	Time 'in' Time indicators
Time of the day and year - at a time	at night	Time 'at' Time indicators
Prepositions at or in	He reads at 2 o'clock.	Time 'at/in' Time indicators
35. Days of the week		
Days of the week	on Monday	Days of the week vocabulary Preposition 'on'
36. Adverbs of frequency		
Adverbs of frequency	He never plays sport.	Adverbs of frequency Sports vocabulary
Adverbs of frequency, daily routine and in, on, at	He usually reads in the afternoons.	Adverbs of frequency Prepositions 'on/in/at'
37. Time 2		
Time 5 past	5 past 2	Time '5 past'
Time 10 past	10 past 5	Time '10 past'
Time 20 past	20 past 2	Time '20 past'
Time 25 past	25 past 2	Time '25 past'
Time 5 to	5 to 1	Time '5 to'
Time 10 to	10 to 2	Time '10 to'
Time 20 to	20 to 10	Time '20 to'
Time 25 to	25 to 1	Time '25 to'
38. How often do you...?		
Time markers	once	Time markers
How often do you...?	How often does he take the bus? He takes the bus once a week.	Time markers Language structure 'How often do you...?'

39. Time revision

Daily routine and time	He brushes his teeth at 5 to 7.	Time Daily routine vocabulary
Adverbs of frequency, daily routine and time	When does he usually read? He usually reads at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.	Time Language structure 'When does he usually ...?'

40. Body 1

Body 1	an ankle	Body parts vocabulary
Body 2	a head	Body parts vocabulary
Body 3	a mouth	Body parts vocabulary

41. Feelings 2

How are you feeling?	How are you feeling? I am feeling angry.	Feelings vocabulary Language structure 'How are you feeling?'
Do you feel...?	Do you feel happy? No, I don't.	'No, I don't./Yes, I do.' Language structure 'Do you feel...?'

42. Illness

Illness - a to f	a bite	Illnesses vocabulary
Illness - g to z	some sunburn	Illnesses vocabulary
I have	I have a cold.	Illnesses vocabulary
Hurts	My elbow hurts.	Illnesses vocabulary Language structure 'I have a/an...'

43. Cures

Cures	put a plaster on it	Cures vocabulary
What's the matter?	What's the matter? My knee hurts. Put a plaster on it.	Cures vocabulary Language structure 'What's the matter?'

44. Transport

Transport	a bicycle	Transport vocabulary
I go by	I go by bicycle.	Preposition 'by' Transport vocabulary

45. Jobs

Jobs	a doctor	Jobs vocabulary
I am a...	I am a singer.	Jobs vocabulary Language structure 'I am a/an'

46. How do you get to work?

He is a...	What does he do? He is a farmer.	Language structure 'He is/are...' Language structure 'What does he do?'
How do you get to work?	How does he get to work? He gets to work by tractor.	Third person singular 'get/gets' Preposition 'by'

47. What is he doing?

Present continuous +ing	We are talking.	Present continuous Verb to be 'is/am/are'
What is he doing?	What is he doing? He is kicking the ball.	Present continuous 'What is she doing?'

48. Why are you going?

Because	He is not cleaning the dishes because he is late.	Conjunction 'because'
Why are you late?	Why are you late? My train was delayed.	Interrogative adverb 'why' Verb to be 'was/were'

49. Shape

Shape names	a circle	Shape vocabulary
Adjectives to describe patterns	checked	Adjectives to describe patterns
What shape is it?	What shape is it? It's circular.	How objects are shaped Interrogative pronoun 'what'
What does it look like?	It's striped.	

50. Past tense - was/were

Time indicators	today	Time indicators
Was, were	On Tuesday he was eating a hamburger.	Verb to be 'was/were' Time indicators

51. Past tense - there was/were

Home 2	a burglar	Home vocabulary
There was/were	There was a burglar.	Past tense language structure with to be 'There was/were' Home vocabulary

52. Past tense - ed

Verbs 1	to like	Basic verbs
Past tense verbs 1 - regular verbs	In 2012 she tied her wedding dress.	Past tense verbs '-ed'
Verbs 2	to argue	Basic verbs
Past tense verbs 2 - regular verbs	At 2 o'clock we talked.	Past tense verbs '-ed'
Verbs 3	to ask	Basic verbs
Past tense verbs 3 - regular verbs	He asked the teacher on Monday.	Past tense verbs '-ed'

53. Past tense - ed and irregular

Verbs 4	to break	Basic verbs
Past tense verbs 4 - irregular verbs	I lit a match yesterday evening.	Past tense irregular verbs
Verbs 5	to read	Basic verbs
Past tense verbs 5 - irregular verbs	He taught yesterday.	Past tense irregular verbs

54. Past tense - did

Past tense - did not	He did not close the door.	Past tense 'did not'
Past tense - did and didn't	He played football yesterday.	Past tense 'did/didn't' Time markers

55. Past tense - did 2

Did you...? 1	Did you play football yesterday? Yes, I did.	Past tense 'Did you...? Yes, I did/No, I didn't.'
Did you...? 2	Did he close the door? No, he didn't.	Past tense 'Did you...? Yes, I did/No, I didn't.'

56. Months

Month names	January	Months vocabulary
The numbers of the months	January is month 1	Numbers of the months Months vocabulary

57. Past tense - had

Had - have 1	Last week she had an ice cream.	Past tense 'have/had' Time markers
Had - have 2	Last week she had an ice cream. This week she has a hamburger.	Past tense 'have/had' Time markers

58. Adverbs

Verbs	to cut	Basic verbs
Adverbs	to cut dangerously	Adverbs

59. Must

Must	You must walk on the path.	Model verb 'must'
Must not	You must not use your phone.	Model verb 'must not'
Must - must not	You must cross on a zebra crossing.	Model verb 'must, mustn't'

60. Because... so

Because	He bought her a present because they had a fight.	Conjunction 'because' Past tense verbs
Because, so	He bought her a present because they had a fight, so they made friends again.	Conjunctions 'because', 'so' Past tense verbs

61. Have to

Have to	You have to recycle your rubbish.	Language structure 'have to' Imperatives
Have to - don't have to	You don't have to wake up late.	Language structure 'don't have to/have to' Imperatives

62. Weather

Weather	It's cloudy.	Weather vocabulary Contraction 'It's'
What's the weather like?	What's the weather like? It's cloudy.	Weather vocabulary Language structure 'What's the weather like?'

63. Weather - going to

Time markers - future	tomorrow	Future time markers
Going to	The day after tomorrow, it's going to be cloudy with sunny spells.	Going to Future time markers
Countries 1	America	Countries vocabulary
Countries 2	India	Countries vocabulary
What's the weather going to be like?	What's the weather going to be like? In China it's going to be hot.	Language structure 'going to' Countries vocabulary

64. What's going to happen?

What's going to happen? 1	He is going to get wet.	Language structure 'going to'
What's going to happen? 2	He is going to fall asleep.	Language structure 'going to'

65. What will happen?

Will	My mum will go shopping next week.	Modal verb 'will'
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66. Perhaps

Perhaps	Perhaps I will go travelling.	Adverb 'perhaps' Modal verb 'will/'ll/won't'
Will/Going to	He is going to help her.	Modal verbs 'will/going to'

67. Comparatives and superlatives

Comparatives, superlatives 1	big ball, bigger ball, biggest ball	Comparatives/superlatives '-er/-est'
Comparatives, superlatives 2	big ball	Comparatives/superlatives '-er/-est'
Comparatives, superlatives 3	sad child	Comparatives/superlatives '-er/-est'

68. Comparatives and superlatives

Comparatives, superlatives 4	beautiful lady, more beautiful lady, most beautiful lady	Comparatives/superlatives 'more/most'
Comparatives, superlatives 5	beautiful lady	Comparatives/superlatives 'more/most'
Comparatives, superlatives 6	good runner	Irregular comparatives/superlatives