

Level 1 - Beginner - Getting familiar with English

Books on Level 1 have the aim to familiarize young children with the basics of English language and some of its characteristic cultural elements. They were selected based on their topics to engage learners, on their linguistic content to transmit basic vocabulary and grammar chunks, on their length and their usefulness as supplementary materials.

One, Two, Buckle My Shoe

One of the first poems to learn is this counting rhyme which teaches numbers from 1 to 10 combining the sequence with everyday activities in the kindergarten.

Focus of the games

- practising counting by packing the dog's lunch
- listening with word form and numbers
- colouring numbers

Idea: Ask your learners to clap, stomp or come up with their own movements to the beat of the rhyme. Ask them to videotape themselves during the activity, this way they can show you their unique movement combinations.



Shark Song

One of the cutest songs to teach the names of family members and some chunks and useful vocabulary related to the sea.

Focus of the games

- labelling the body parts of a shark
- ordering the events of the story
- multiple-choice quiz with listening to introductions

Idea: Ask your learners to print the colouring sheet attached to this document. They can colour the sharks and tape a bamboo stick on the back so that they can have their own handmade puppets.

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Native speakers and young learners of English are both familiar with the unforgettable lullaby, "Twinkle twinkle little star". Besides its soothing melody it teaches about the night sky and stars.

Focus of the games

- matching things and shapes
- listening: finding a shape of the correct colour
- tracing the lines of shapes to develop fine motor skills

Idea: Ask your learners to play "I spy with my little eye..." with their parents, brothers or sisters. They can also print the worksheet attached, so that they can play memory games too.



Magic Flowers

A nice and simple poem to teach colours and to draw attention to the beauty of our colourful surroundings.

Focus of the games

- grouping fruits based on their colours
- improving pattern recognition
- colouring pages with instructions

Idea: Ask your learners to draw a beautiful meadow full of magic flowers. The learners can take a photo of it and send it to you.

Wiggling Veggies

This poem was specifically designed for young learners to teach the names of the vegetables and to promote healthy diet while teaching some useful chunks.

Focus of the games

- picture book-like presentation of vegetables
- practicing the rhyme and ordering vegetables
- counting vegetables

Idea: Encourage your learners to design a chart of healthy and unhealthy food and drinks which they consume regularly.





