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Beginning Level English Lesson 2

School

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Vocabulary

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1. Translate the words. (Google Translation - <http://translate.google.com/>)
- or -
Look up the English definition. (Longman Dictionary - <http://www.ldoceonline.com/>)
2. To practice with the vocabulary, cover one side with a paper and try to remember the translation or definition. Later slide the paper to see if you remembered it correctly.

English	Translation or Definition
pencil	
pen	
marker	
eraser	
board	
paper	
book	
notebook	
ruler	
trash can (garbage can, waste basket)	
scissors	
stapler	
pencil sharpener	
tape	
desk	
table	
chair	
computer	
clock	
teacher	
student	
math (mathematics)	
science	
geography	
physical education (PE)	
English	
history	
art	

Mr. (Mister)	
Mrs. (Misses)	
Miss	
Ms.	
great	
schedule	
first	
last	
morning	
afternoon	
evening	
night	
lunch	
Really?	
Me too.	
bell	
late	



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Grammar

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a/an

The words "a" and "an" are articles to indicate one thing. We use "a" when the word starts with a consonant.

a book a man a game

We use "an" when the word starts with a vowel.

an apple an orange an eraser

Exceptions

There are words that start with a consonant but the first SOUND is a vowel sound.

an hour (We don't pronounce the "h" in this word.)

There are also words that start with a vowel but the first SOUND is a consonant sound.

a university (We pronounce this word as if it started with the letter "y," a consonant sound.)



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Plurals

Usually we add an S to a word to make it plural.

book - books

If a word ends with an S, CH, SH, or X, we add "es." With some (but not all) words that end with O, we also add "es" to form the plural.

class - classes

If a word ends with a consonant and then the Y, we change the Y to an I and then add ES. (If the word ends with a vowel and then Y, it doesn't change.)

city - cities

key - keys

Some (but not all) words that end with F or FE, change to VES in the plural.

leaf - leaves

wife - wives

Irregulars - There are some words that change in the plural. They are irregular.

man - men

woman - women

child - children

tooth - teeth

foot - feet



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Time

What time is it?

- 1:00 - It's one o'clock.
- 3:05 - It's three oh five.
- 2:10 - It's two ten.
- 6:30 - It's six thirty.
- 8:45 - It's eight forty five.

More ways to write the time:

quarter = 15 minutes (a quarter of an hour)

to = the minutes until the next hour

after = the minutes after the previous hour

half = 30 minutes

- 1:15 - It's a quarter after one. (It's one fifteen.)
- 2:30 - It's half past two. (It's two thirty.)
- 3:45 - It's a quarter to four. (It's three forty five.)
- 4:20 - It's twenty after four. (It's four twenty.)
- 5:40 - It's twenty to six. (It's five forty.)

12:00 PM - It's noon. (twelve o'clock in the afternoon)

12:00 AM - It's midnight. (twelve o'clock at night)



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Dialog

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A - How's your new schedule?

B - Great!

A - What's your first class in the morning?

B - I have math with Mr. Anderson at 8:00.

A - What time do you have lunch?

B - At 12:00 noon.

A - Really? Me too. Do you have history class in the morning or the afternoon?

B - In the afternoon, at 2:15.

A - Oh. What about science?

B - I have science at 9:00.

A - What's your last class?

B - Art.

A - Me too! Great!

B - Oh no. That's the bell. We're late!