



Games for Grammar Practice

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KEY: B = BEGINNER; E = ELEMENTARY; P = PRE-INTERMEDIATE; I = INTERMEDIATE; U = UPPER-INTERMEDIATE; A = ADVANCED

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UNIT 1 Present						
1.1 Balloon tours	Present simple of <i>be</i>	Information pool	Countries	B	10–15	8
1.2 A day at home	Present continuous	Board game	Activities done at home	E	10–20	10
1.3 Looking for a flatmate	Present simple	Interview	Habits and routines	E	20	12
1.4 Lend a hand	Present simple 3rd person singular	Problem solving	Age, occupations and hobbies	P	20	14
1.5 Time and again	Adverbials of frequency	Betting game	Activities and events	E–P	20–30	16
UNIT 2 Past						
2.1 Gotcha!	Simple past	Questions and answers	Activities and events	E	10	20
2.2 Everyday hazards	Simple past/past continuous	Story telling	Funny accidents	I	20	22
2.3 Sweet memories	<i>Used to</i>	Board game	Growing-up memories	I–U	20–30	24
UNIT 3 Present perfect and past perfect						
3.1 Around town	Present perfect simple	Board game	Recent experiences or events	I–U	20	26
3.2 Snooping around	Present perfect simple	Truth or dare	Life experiences	I–A	20–30	30
3.3 Before or after?	Past perfect simple	Card game	Causes and consequences	I–U	15–20	35
UNIT 4 Future						
4.1 What on earth...?	<i>Going to</i>	Board game	Intended actions	P–I	20	38
4.2 Make it snappy	<i>Will</i>	Card game	Unplanned decisions	P–I	10	40
UNIT 5 Mixed tenses						
5.1 Easy rider	Mixed tenses	Board game	Travelling	P	15–20	43

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UNIT 6 Conditional and wish constructions						
6.1 Nothing’s perfect!	First conditional	Simulation	Jobs	I	20	47
6.2 Watch your step!	Second conditional	Snakes and ladders	Unusual behaviour	I	20	50
6.3 Pick my good deed	Third conditional	Board game	Justifying actions	U–A	15–20	52
6.4 The wish race	Wish constructions	Grid game	Regrets and complaints	I–U	15–20	55
UNIT 7 Reported speech						
7.1 Who’s got my message?	Reported speech	Card game	Telephone messages	I	15–20	57
UNIT 8 Modals						
8.1 Crazy cans	Can for ability	Crazy eights	Abilities	E	10–15	60
8.2 Let’s go together	Like v. would like	Find someone who	Invitations	E	10–20	62
8.3 Spinning ideas	Modals (simple)	Scattergories	Constraints and possibilities	P	15–20	66
8.4 Tough luck!	Modals (perfect)	Debate	Speculations	A	–	68
UNIT 9 Passive and causative						
9.1 Something in common	Simple present and past passive	Trivia pursuit	World knowledge	E–I	15–20	71
9.2 Grown-ups!	Passive + infinitive	Discussion	Growing-up experiences	I–A	20	73
9.3 Round the clock	Causative with have	Role-play	Errands and services	I–U	20	75
UNIT 10 Questions and auxiliaries						
10.1 Making friends	Wh-questions with present simple	Find someone who	Personal information	B–E	10–20	78
10.2 What’s my answer?	Yes/no questions with present simple	Betting game	Open	B–E	15–20	80
10.3 All about us	Wh-questions with mixed tenses	Personal trivia	Open/personal	Any	20–30	82
10.4 Unique me	Auxiliaries too, either, so, neither	Sharing	Open/personal	E–I	10–15	84

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UNIT 11 Articles						
11.1 Come one, come all	<i>a/an</i> v. <i>some</i>	Board game	Food	B–E	15–20	87
UNIT 12 There and it						
12.1 Pack ‘n’ go	<i>There be</i> in present simple	Information pool	Hotels	E	10–15	90
12.2 Rain or shine	<i>It</i> as subject	Tic-tac-toe	Weather conditions	I	10–15	92
UNIT 13 Verb forms						
13.1 Verb trap	<i>To</i> v. <i>-ing</i>	Grid game	Open	I	15–20	94
UNIT 14 Prepositions						
14.1 The preposition contest	Prepositions of place and time	Tic-tac-toe	Open	B	15	96
14.2 You and I	Adjective + preposition	Sharing	Personality and feelings	I	15–30	98
14.3 Preposition checkers	Verb + preposition	Chinese checkers	Open	U	20	100
UNIT 15 Comparisons						
15.1 How do they compare?	Comparative forms of adjectives	Dominoes	Open	I	20	104
15.2 Three of a kind	Comparative forms of quantifiers	Rummy	Common nouns	P	10–15	106
UNIT 16 Possessives						
16.1 Family album	Subject pronouns and possessive adjectives	Maze	Family	B	15	109
16.2 What a mess!	Genitive <i>-s</i>	Information pool	Personal belongings	E	10	112