


Teaching English in nursery and primary schools

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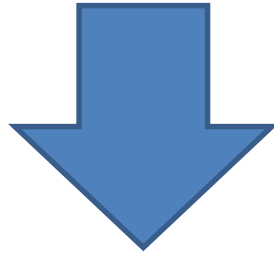
-  Supporting young learners' development at the first and successive educational stages with respect to the lowered starting age of compulsory schooling

Poland will become **one of the 3** European countries with the foreign language education in preschool.

So far the compulsory foreign language education from the age of 3 has been introduced **in Spain and Belgium.**

Foreign languages – changes

On May 30, 2014 Minister Joanna Kluzik – Rostkowska signed a regulation on the changes in the teaching programme basis.



Changes in the preschool core curriculum.

Link to the regulation:

http://www.men.gov.pl/images/do_pobrania/podstawa_programowa_rozp_do_podpisu.pdf

(access date 01.09.2014)

Why changes?

To introduce obligatory, free of charge foreign language education for all the children attending preschool.

The new field in the core curriculum:



„Preparing children to use a modern foreign language ”.

Introduced as compulsory:

From September 1, 2015 – for 5 year-old children

From September 1, 2017 – for all the children attending preschool

Appendix 1

The core curriculum for preschool education

(PODSTAWA PROGRAMOWA WYCHOWANIA PRZEDSZKOLNEGO DLA PRZEDSZKOLI ORAZ INNYCH FORM WYCHOWANIA PRZEDSZKOLNEGO)

The aim of preschool education is:

- To prepare children to use a modern foreign language by stimulating their linguistic and cultural awareness, as well as building the positive motivation to learn foreign languages at the successive educational stages
- In the case of children with disabilities – developing the awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity

http://www.men.gov.pl/images/do_pobrania/zalacznik_nr_1_pp_wychowania_przedszkolnego_do_podpisu.pdf (access date 01.09.2014)

Remember

Little children have very limited vocabularies in any language.

Focus not on language production, but language comprehension.

Don't pressure the children to speak...they will when they are ready.

The requirements for professional qualifications of preschool and early school education teachers

Who can teach English:

- Graduates of Foreign Language Teachers' Colleges (NKJO)
- English philologists with pedagogical qualifications
- Preschool and early school teachers on condition that:
 - they have a foreign language certificate at least at the basic level (**B2**),
 - and
 - they have completed post-graduate studies or a qualification course in early foreign language teaching

Appendix to the Regulation of the Minister of National Education of 12 March 2009

<http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20090500400> (access date 01.09.2014)

Certificates of basic knowledge of the English language

- a) **First Certificate in English (FCE)** – grade A or B,
- b) **International English Language Testing System (IELTS)** – with the score of 5,0–6,0 points,
- c) **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) – Educational Testing Service (ETS):**
- d) **City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate** in ESOL International (reading, writing and listening) Communicator (B2)
- e) **Pearson Test of English General** Level 3 – grade: pass, merit or distinction,
- f) **Pearson Test of English Academic** – with the score of 59–75 points,
- g) **Education Development International** level 5;

Conference about the latest changes in the FCE & CAE exams

RODN 'WOM' in Częstochowa in cooperation with **British Council** is honoured to invite you to **FCE & CAE Conference for teachers.**

- About the changes since 2015 in the popular Cambridge English: First i Advanced exams.
- Held by a representative of British Council at the premises of RODN 'WOM' in Częstochowa, Aleja Jana Pawła II 126/130 on **March 16, 2015 from 2:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**
- Each participant will receive a certificate of attendance and training materials.
- Fill in the [registration card](#) up till March 12, 2015.

We cordially invite English teachers and all interested teachers.

Music as a teaching trick

- Children learn vocabulary, grammar and the rhythm of the language by singing.
- Music sets a mood.
- Music can signal a transition from one activity to another

<http://supersimplelearning.com/> (access date 01.09.2014)

My song

„Sometimes I feel like screaming”
by Deep Purple

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6sg0wWdo2HU> (access date 01.09.2014)

Kids love to sing!

Songs are:

memorable

children remember songs long after they finish the lg lesson.

flexible

every child can participate in a way that's comfortable for them – just listen/ listen and gesture/sing along –perfect in mixed-level groups

easy to combine with other activities

**used as a primary or supplementary activity,
or just played in the background**

Kids love to sing!

Songs are:

educational

they

introduce, practice and revise words and grammar

provide repeated exposure to the language

improve pronunciation of single words
and fluency in whole sentences

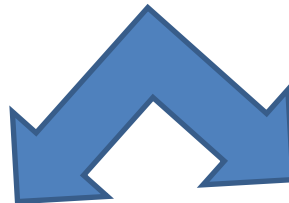
without kids even realising it!!!!

Kids love to sing!

Songs are:

engaging

grab children's attention



involve children in learning
through dance and gesture

fun



create a great atmosphere
for learning

How to use music in teaching

Play music in the background from the beginning of the class

For example:

Knock Knock - Children Songs & Nursery Rhymes In English With Lyrics

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S4yw-zxE_u4 (access date 01.09.2014)

Knock Knock Hello

<http://supersimplelearning.com/songs/original-series/one/knock-knock-hello/> (access date 01.09.2014)

Muffin Songs - Hello

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqx2phxn_cM&list=PL58A9431F4003B576 (access date 01.09.2014)

Let's listen to **How Are You** : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NyhT6YkMn1E>

Play music to signal transitions

**Play music to introduce new language
e.g.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b0NHrFNZWh0> (access date 01.09.2014)

Play music to review language

Clean up songs

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1b4gSs0KhIU> (access date 01.09.2014)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lte1uo5hLVw> (access date 01.09.2014)

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How to introduce new songs to children

- Playing a new song **in the background** several times helps children pick up the melody, rhythm and lyrics naturally.
- **Input** comes before output!
- Most active songs don't need much pre-teaching.
- Some songs require **pre-teaching**: new vocabulary can be introduced with drawings, flashcards, real objects, or even storybooks.

Repetition is good!

Learn English Kids by British Council

Free resources



The screenshot shows the 'LearnEnglish Kids' website interface. At the top, there are navigation links for 'Help', 'Log in', and 'Sign up for a free account', along with a language dropdown set to 'English'. The main header includes the 'BRITISH COUNCIL' logo and the 'LearnEnglish Kids' title. Below this is a menu with icons for 'home', 'kids games', 'listen & watch', 'read & write', 'make', 'Speak & Spell', 'grammar', and 'little kids'. A 'parents' button is also visible. The main content area is titled 'Home > listen & watch' and features a 'Listen & watch' section with an MP3 player icon and a search bar. Below this are four featured content cards: 'My Favourite Day - Chinese New Year', 'The story of quinine', 'The Goldilocks song', and 'Bru: Watch learn teeth.' To the right, there are sections for 'Navigation' (listing 'House rules for kids' and 'House rules for parents and teachers') and 'Topics' (listing various subjects like 'Animals', 'Clothes', 'Environment', etc.).

Let's have a look at **Jack and the beanstalk** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rKB1_wBueFM

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Learn English Kids

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One morning, Jack's mother told Jack to take their cow to market and sell her.
On the way, Jack met a man. He gave Jack some magic beans for the cow.

00:20
03:24

HD

Story developed by Cambridge English Online

 [Print the story. \(Login to access\)](#)

 [Print an activity for the story. \(Login to access\)](#)

 [Print the answers. \(Login to access\)](#)



Home > Teaching resources > Teaching kids



Teaching kids

This part of the site is for teachers working with children. It offers a range of activities and lesson ideas which are based around online materials from the British Council's LearnEnglish Kids website. Most of the materials can be used either online or can be downloaded and used in the classroom.

Lesson plans

Kids articles



Teeth

In this lesson, students will listen to a song about taking care of teeth and complete some comprehension activities. Then they will think about different good and bad ways of looking after teeth, and produce either a poster or a questionnaire related to their ideas. Finally, they will look at the different types of teeth we have and their function.



Your comments

Why not be the first person to add a comment in this section of the site and see it posted here.

A - Z of Content

- Kids and arts and crafts
- Kids and homework
- Kids and learning
- Kids and listening
- Kids and poetry
- Kids and songs
- Kids and speaking
- Kids and stories
- Kids and the LearnEnglish Kids website
- Kids and vocabulary
- Kids and writing
- Magic Pencil

Where else to look for free resources

<http://supersimplelearning.com>

(access date 01.09.2014)

(Be careful! Check what is free, e.g. the songs on CDs are NOT for free, but you can find them free on YouTube)

Where else to look for songs

52 Minutes Super Kids Songs Collection by Dream English Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CKnusqFhNI4>

and other [Dream English Kids](#) materials:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6LKuH7RPkvRmzS9-8URtqA>

(Be careful: downloadable CD versions are not for free!)

Songs for kids <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tlORtqkZoFk>

How to end a class

Goodbye songs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sGT9hjGcA10>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9tCSI_2ykgs

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xcws7UWWDEs>

Comedy for ELT - Teaching Young Learners

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F-WwjTxvo_U

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Thank you for watching me



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