

Welcome to face2face!

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face2face is a general English course for adults and young adults who want to learn to communicate quickly and effectively in today's world.

face2face is based on the communicative approach and combines the best in current methodology with special new features designed to make learning and teaching easier.

The **face2face** syllabus integrates the learning of new language with skills development and places equal emphasis on vocabulary and grammar.

face2face uses a guided discovery approach to learning, first allowing students to check what they know, then helping them to work out the rules for themselves through carefully structured examples and concept questions.

All new language is included in the interactive *Language Summaries* in the back of the **face2face** Student's Books and is regularly recycled and reviewed.

There is a strong focus on listening and speaking throughout **face2face**.

Innovative *Help with Listening* sections help students to understand natural spoken English in context and there are numerous opportunities for communicative, personalised speaking practice in **face2face**. The *Real World* lessons in each unit focus on the functional and situational language students need for day-to-day life.

The **face2face** Starter Student's Book provides approximately 60 hours of core teaching material, which can be extended to 90 hours with the photocopiable resources and extra ideas in this Teacher's Book. Each self-contained double-page lesson is easily teachable off the page with minimal preparation.

The vocabulary selection in **face2face** has been informed by the *Cambridge International Corpus* and the *Cambridge Learner Corpus*.

face2face is fully compatible with the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages* (CEF) and gives students regular opportunities to evaluate their progress. **face2face** Starter covers level A1 (see p13).

face2face Starter Components

Student's Book with free CD-ROM/Audio CD

The Student's Book provides 40 double-page lessons in 10 thematically linked units, each with 4 lessons of 2 pages. Each lesson takes approximately 90 minutes.

The free CD-ROM/Audio CD is an invaluable resource for students, with over 200 exercises in all language areas, plus video, recording and playback capability, a fully searchable *Grammar Reference* section and *Word List*, all the sounds in English, customisable *My Activities* and *My Test* sections, and *Progress* sections where students evaluate their own progress. The free Starter CD-ROM/Audio CD also contains all the new language drills from the Student's Book, so students can practise their pronunciation at home. Help students to get the most out of the CD-ROM/Audio CD by giving them the photocopiable instructions on p10–p12.

Class Audio CDs

The three Class Audio CDs contain all the listening material for the Student's Book, including conversations, drills and the listening sections of the *Progress Tests* for units 5 and 10.

Workhook

The Workbook provides further practice of all language presented in the Student's Book. It also includes a 20-page *Reading and Writing Portfolio* based on the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages*, which can be used either for extra work in class or for homework.

Teacher's Book

This Teacher's Book includes *Teaching Tips*, *Teaching Notes* and photocopiable materials: 29 *Class Activities* (p100–p146), 10 *Vocabulary Plus* worksheets (p147–p160) and 10 *Progress Tests* (p161–p175).

Website

Visit the **face2face** website www.cambridge.org/elt/face2face for downloadable word lists, placement tests, sample materials and full details of how **face2face** covers the language areas specified by the CEF.



The face2face Approach

Listening

A typical listening practice activity checks students' understanding of gist and then asks questions about specific details. The innovative *Help with Listening* sections in **face2face** Starter take students a step further by focusing on the underlying reasons why listening to English can be so problematic. Activities in these sections:

- introduce the concept of stress on words and phrases
- focus on sentence stress and its relationship to the important information in a text
- explain why words are often linked together in natural spoken English
- help students to identify and understand contractions
- introduce some common weak forms
- show students how these features of connected speech combine to give spoken English its natural rhythm.

For Teaching Tips on Listening, see p18.

Speaking

All the lessons in **face2face** Starter and the *Class Activities* photocopiables provide students with numerous speaking opportunities. Many of these activities focus on accuracy, while fluency activities help students to gain confidence, take risks and try out what they have learned. For fluency activities to be truly 'fluent', however, students often need time to formulate their ideas before they speak. This preparation stage is incorporated into the *Get ready* ... *Get it right!* activities at the end of each A and B lesson. For *Teaching Tips* on Speaking, see p19.

Reading and Writing

In the **face2face** Starter Student's Book, reading texts from a variety of genres are used both to present new language and to provide reading practice. There are also a number of writing activities which consolidate the language input of the lesson.

For classes that require more practice of reading and writing skills, there is the 20-page *Reading and Writing Portfolio* in the **face2face** Starter Workbook. This section contains 10 double-page stand-alone lessons, one for each unit of the Student's Book, which are designed for students to do in class or at home. The topics and content of these lessons are based closely on the CEF reading and writing competences for level A1. At the end of this section there is a list of 'can do' statements that allows students to track their progress.

Vocabulary

face2face Starter recognises the importance of vocabulary in successful communication. There is lexical input in every lesson, which is consolidated for student reference in the *Language Summaries* in the back of the Student's Book. The areas of vocabulary include:

- lexical fields (a teacher, a doctor, an actor, a manager, etc.)
- collocations (go on holiday, go to the beach, take photos, etc.)
- sentence stems (Would you like ... ?, Can I have ... ?, etc.)
- fixed and semi-fixed phrases (See you soon., Not for me, thanks., etc.)

In addition, each unit in **face2face** Starter includes at least one *Help with Vocabulary* section. These sections are designed to guide students towards a better understanding of the lexical systems of English.

For longer courses and/or more able students, this Teacher's Book also contains one *Vocabulary Plus* worksheet for each unit. These stand-alone worksheets introduce and practise new vocabulary that is **not** included in the Student's Book.

For Teaching Tips on Vocabulary, see p19.

Grammar

Grammar is a central strand in the **face2face** Starter syllabus and new grammar structures are always introduced in context in a listening or a reading text.

We believe students are more likely to understand and remember new language if they have actively tried to work out the rules for themselves. Therefore in the *Help with Grammar* sections students are often asked to focus on the meaning and form of the structure for themselves before checking with the teacher or in the appropriate *Language Summary*. All new grammar forms are practised in regular recorded pronunciation drills and communicative speaking activities, and then consolidated through written practice.

For Teaching Tips on Grammar, see p19.

Functional and Situational Language

face2face Starter places great emphasis on the functional and situational language students need to communicate effectively in an English-speaking environment. Each unit has a double-page *Real World* lesson that introduces and practises this language. Typical functions and situations include:

- functions: greetings, saying goodbye, making suggestions
- situations: in a café, in a shop, in a restaurant, at a station.

Pronunciation

Pronunciation is integrated throughout **face2face** Starter. Drills for all new vocabulary, grammar structures and *Real World* language are included on the Class Audio CDs and indicated in the Student's Book and Teacher's Book by the icon P. These drills are also included on the CD-ROM/Audio CD, allowing students to practise their pronunciation at home.

In **face2face** Starter there is also a *Help with Sounds* section at the end of each unit. These sections present and practise sounds that are often problematic for students. These drills are also included on the CD-ROM/Audio CD.

For Teaching Tips on Pronunciation, see p20.

Reviewing and Recycling

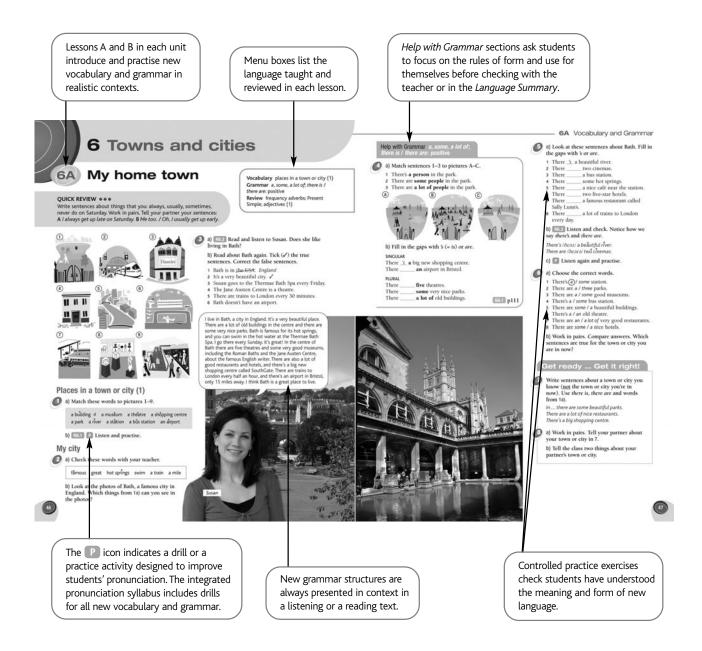
We believe that regular reviewing and recycling of language are essential and previously taught language is recycled in every lesson. Opportunities for review are also provided in the *Quick Review* sections at the beginning of every lesson, the *Review* sections at the end of each unit, and the 10 photocopiable *Progress Tests* in this Teacher's Book.

For Teaching Tips on Reviewing and Recycling, see p20.





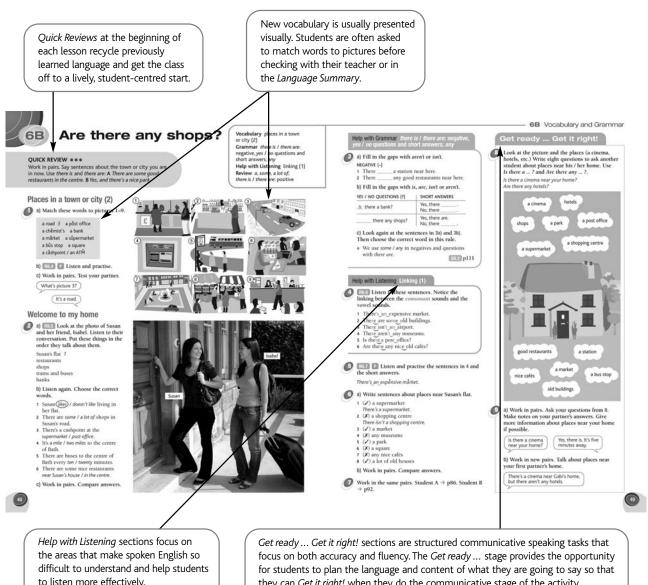
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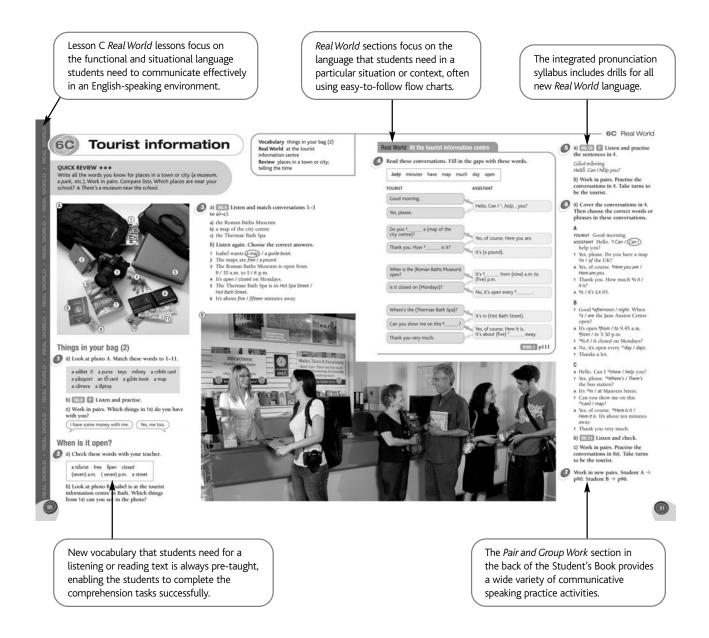
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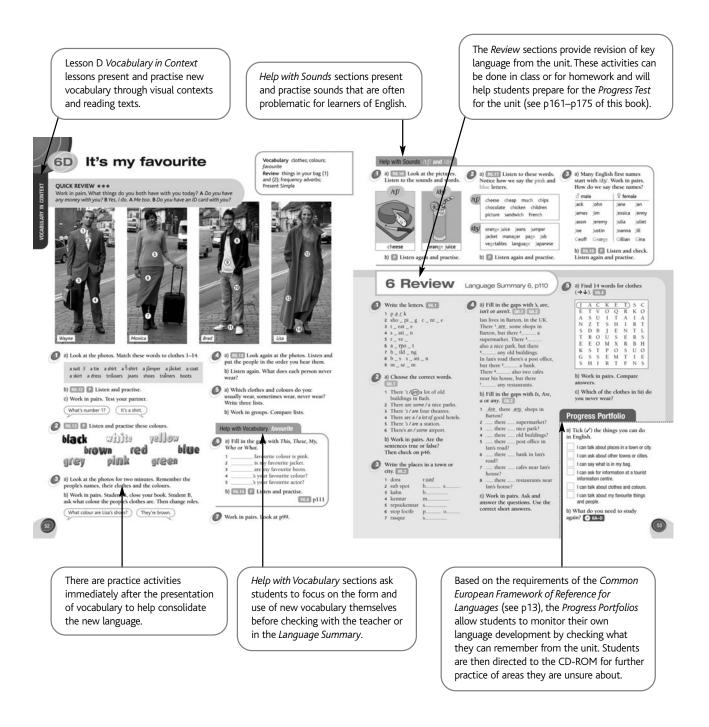
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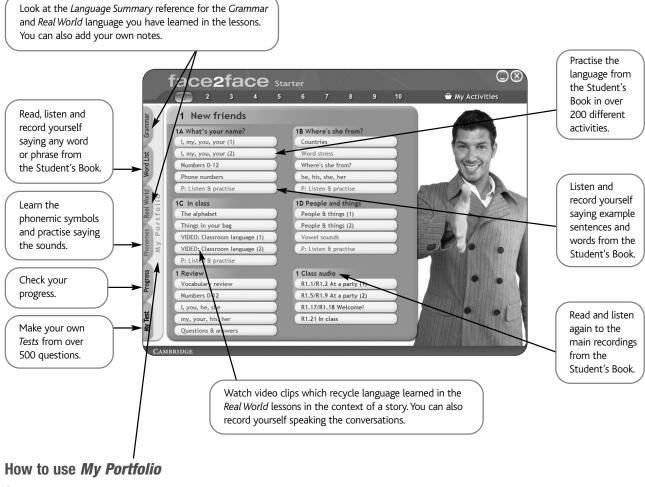


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The CD-ROM/Audio CD: Instructions



- Use the CD-ROM/Audio CD in your computer to practise all the new language from the Student's Book.
- Use the CD-ROM/Audio CD in CD players at home or in your car. You can practise the language from the *Real World* lessons (lesson C in each unit).



Grammar



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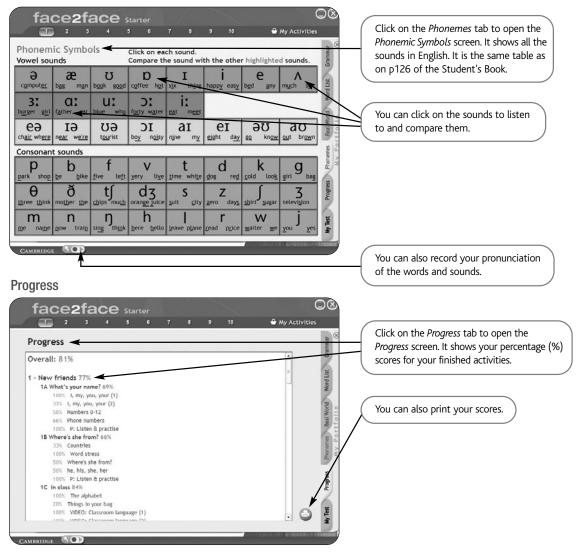


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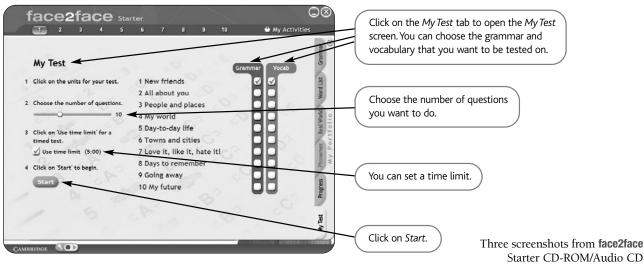
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The CD-ROM/Audio CD

Phonemes



My Test

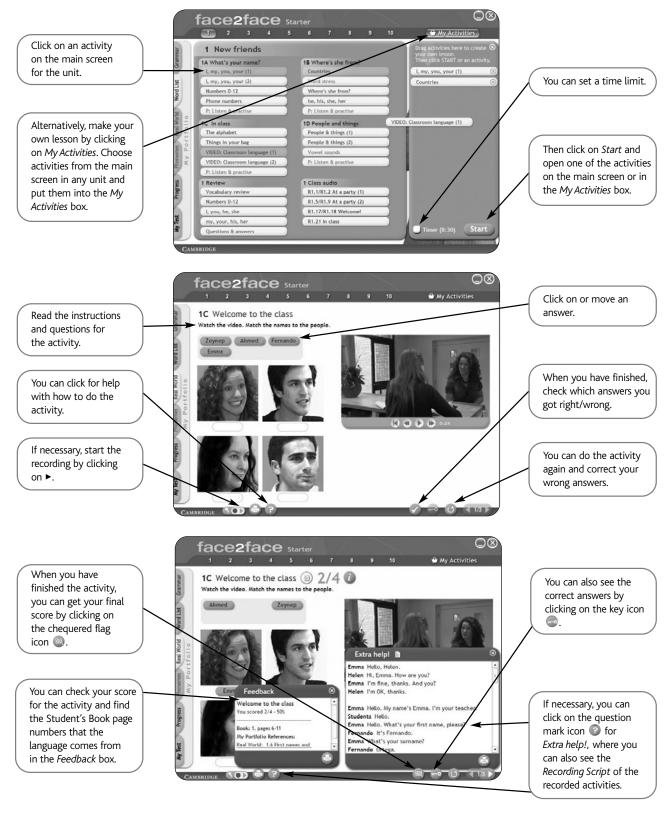


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The CD-ROM/Audio CD

How to practise new language



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Three screenshots from face2face Starter CD-ROM/Audio CD

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The Common European Framework (CEF)

What is the Common European Framework (CEF)?

Since the early 1970s, a series of Council of Europe initiatives has developed a description of the language knowledge and skills that people need to live, work and survive in any country or environment where the main language of communication is different form their own language. Waystage 1990¹, Threshold 1990² and Vantage³ detail the knowledge and skills required at different levels of ability.

The contents of these language specific documents served as the basis for the more general *Common European Framework* of *Reference for Languages: Learning, teaching, assessment* (CEF)⁴ which was officially launched by the Council of Europe in 2001 and includes sets of 'can do' statements or 'competences'. A related document, *The European Language Portfolio*, encourages learners to assess their progress by matching their competences against the 'can do' statements.

The **face2face** series has been developed to include comprehensive coverage of the requirements of the CEF. The table above right shows how **face2face** relates to the CEF and the examinations which can be taken at each level through University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (Cambridge ESOL), which is a member of ALTE (The Association of Language Testers in Europe).

face2face Starter and CEF level A1

The table on the right describes the general degree of skill required at A1 of the CEF. Details of the language knowledge required for A1 are listed in *Breakthrough*. The 'can do' statements for A1 are listed in the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, teaching, assessment.*face2face Starter covers level A1. The Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing tables on p14–p17 show where the required competences for level A1 are covered in face2face Starter.

More information about how **face2face** Starter covers the grammatical, lexical and other areas specified for A1 by *Breakthrough* can be found on our website: www.cambridge.org/elt/face2face

face2face Student's Book	CEF level	Related examinations	Council of Europe document
Starter	A1		Breakthrough
Elementary	A2	KET Key English Test	Waystage
Pre-intermediate Intermediate	B1	PET Preliminary English Test	Threshold
Upper Intermediate	B2	FCE First Certificate in English	Vantage
Advanced	C1	CAE Cambridge Advanced Certificate	

In the spirit of *The European Language Portfolio* developed from the CEF, **face2face** provides a *Progress Portfolio* at the end of every Student's Book unit. Students are encouraged to assess their ability to use the language they have learned so far and to review any aspects by using the CD-ROM/Audio CD. In the Workbook there is a 20-page *Reading and Writing Portfolio* section linked to the CEF and a comprehensive list of 'can do' statements in the *Reading and Writing Progress Portfolio*, which allows students to track their own progress.

U N D E R S T A N D I N G	Listening	I can recognise familiar words and very basic phrases concerning myself, my family and immediate concrete surroundings when people speak slowly and clearly.
	Reading	I can understand familiar names, words and very simple sentences, for example on notices and posters or in catalogues.
S P E A K I N G	Spoken Interaction	I can interact in a simple way provided the other person is prepared to repeat or rephrase things at a slower rate of speech and help me formulate what Γm trying to say. I can ask and answer simple questions in areas of immediate need or on very familiar topics.
	Spoken Production	I can use simple phrases and sentences to describe where I live and people I know.
W R I T I N G	Writing	I can write a short, simple postcard, for example sending holiday greetings. I can fill in forms with personal details, for example entering my name, nationality and address on a hotel registration form.

⁴ Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, teaching, assessment (2001) Council of Europe Modern Languages Division, Strasbourg, Cambridge University Press ISBN 978-0-521-80313-7 © Council of Europe



¹ Waystage 1990 J A van Ek and J L M Trim, Council of Europe, Cambridge University Press ISBN 978-0-521-56707-7

² Threshold 1990 J A van Ek and J L M Trim, Council of Europe, Cambridge University Press ISBN 978-0-521-56706-0

³ Vantage J A van Ek and J L M Trim, Council of Europe, Cambridge University Press ISBN 987-0-521-56705-3