Vocabulary activities

Words related to studying and exams

CEFR Level B1/B2

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1. Mixed letters

A really fun way to review vocabulary at the end of the lesson or the week is to mix up the letters of each word. Write a word or words on the board. The students then race to identify the vocabulary.

| yessa | essay | lifa |
| usject | subject | tste |
| xmeanliatoi | examination | ssap |
| pdlimoa | diploma | aerpp |
| eurslt | result | Amtch |
| grdae | grade | Dnamissoi |
| erxecies | exercise | armk |
| tkae | take | qliyuaf |
| cprojet | project | sieths |

2. Cards for games

| subject | diploma |
| examination | exercise |
| fail | paper |
| pass | project |
| essay | grade |
| result | take |
| test | match |
| admission | mark |
| qualify | thesis |

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3. Crossword

Across

1. part of an examination (5)
5. information that you get from something such as an exam, a scientific experiment, or a medical test (6)
7. a number or letter that shows how good someone's work or performance is (5)
9. an official test of how much you know about something, or how well you can do something (11)
12. to do an exam or test (4)
14. when someone is given permission to enter somewhere or to become a member of a club, university, etc. (9)
15. a short piece of writing about a particular subject, especially one done by students (5)
17. to not pass a test or exam (4)
18. to give someone a set of questions, in order to measure their knowledge or ability (4)

Down

2. a piece of school work that involves detailed study of a subject (7)
3. to check a piece of work or an exam, showing mistakes and giving a letter or number to say how good it is (4)
4. a qualification from a school, college or university, or an official document showing that someone has completed a course of study (7)
6. a long piece of writing that you do as part of an advanced university course (6)
8. to pass the exams that allow you to do a particular job (7)
10. to choose someone or something that is suitable for a particular person, activity or purpose (5)
11. to succeed in a test or examination (4)
13. a short piece of written work which you do to practise something you are learning (8)
16. an area of knowledge which is studied in school, college or university (7)
## Crossword – solution

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4. Mixed sentences

Rearrange the words to make complete sentences.

1. applied / school / law / admission / for / she's / to
2. marketing / got / she's / a / in / diploma
3. homework / essay / pollution / write / want / I / you / to / on / an / for
4. we / CAE / we / studying / because / hard / want / are / pass / to
5. end / at / chapter / of / the / book / exercises / the / has / every
6. fail / work / if / she'll / she / all / exams / her / doesn’t
7. FCE / Carla / in / a / grade A / got
8. be / down / for / spelling / poor / punctuation / and / you'll / marked
9. exercise / match / country / city / capital / in / to / you / have / the / first / each / to / its
10. must / candidates / two / answer / questions / paper / each / from
11. very / year / of / end / was / the / difficult / examination
12. college / special / in / had / do / our / third / at / year / everyone / to / project / a
13. 1992 / medicine / in / in / qualified / he
14. results / the / posted / your / exam / be / home / will / to / address
15. school / geography / history / at / favourite / my / were / subjects / and
16. pronunciation / I / course / in / took / a / English
17. you've / tested / studied / you'll / on / term / this / be / everything
18. thesis / took / time / doctoral / write / to / it / a / long / my
Mixed sentences – answers

1. She’s applied for admission to law school.
2. She’s got a diploma in marketing.
3. For homework I want you to write an essay on pollution.
4. We are studying hard because we want to pass CAE.
5. The book has exercises at the end of every chapter.
6. If she doesn't work, she'll fail all her exams.
7. Carla got a grade A in FCE.
8. You'll be marked down for poor spelling and punctuation.
9. In the first exercise you have to match each capital city to its country.
10. Candidates must answer two questions from each paper.
11. The end of year examination was very difficult.
12. In our third year at college everyone had to do a special project.
14. The exam results will be posted to your home address.
15. My favourite subjects at school were history and geography.
16. I took a course in English pronunciation.
17. You'll be tested on everything you've studied this term.
18. It took a long time to write my doctoral thesis.
5. Wordsearch – exam words

Can you find these exam words in the puzzle?

- essay
- subject
- examination
- diploma
- result
- grade
- exercise
- take
- project
- fail
- test
- pass
- paper
- match
- admission
- mark
- qualify
- thesis

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Wordsearch – solution

- - - - - t a k e - - - - -
- - - - - - - - - - - - t - -
ex e r c i s e - e - c - - -
-- x - - - - d - e - - - t
- - a - - - - a e j - - - s -
t - m - - h r r o s - - e f -
h - i - c g - r e a s t - a p
e - n t - - p - m s - a - i a
s - a - - - o p s u - y 1 s
i m t - - - - l - a u - l - - s
s - i - - p - - p b - - t k -
- - o - i - - - e j - - - r - -
- - n d - - - - r e - a - - -
ad m i s s i o n c m - - - -
q u a l i f y - - t - - - - - -
6. Gap-fill sentences – exam words

*These can be used with a wordsearch, crossword, another exercise or just on their own.*

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- b. She's got a ………………. in marketing.
- c. For homework I want you to write an …………… on pollution.
- d. We are studying hard because we want to …………….. CAE.
- e. The book has ……………… at the end of every chapter.
- f. If she doesn't work, she'll …………… all her exams.
- g. Carla got a ……………..A in FCE.
- h. You'll be ……………… down for poor spelling and punctuation.
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- j. Candidates must answer two questions from each ………………
- k. The end of year ……………… was very difficult.
- l. In our third year at college everyone had to do a special ……………
- m. He …………….. in medicine in 1992.
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