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INTRODUCTION

The *Kids' Adventures in English* (KAE) series consists of KAE 1–4, which correspond to levels 1 to 4 of the course developed to appeal to the interests of young learners the age of six and seven.

The aim of the KAE series is to teach some of the basic vocabulary and structures of the English language to children who are beginning their study of English. Learning takes place through oral and written exercises, involving the development of the child's listening skills.

Each level of the KAE series is independent in content, which makes it possible to use any of the four levels to teach students who have no previous knowledge of English. In addition to basic vocabulary and structures for these beginning students, each level introduces additional vocabulary and structures so as to interest and motivate students who have already studied English.

Of course, students who have not studied English before will, at the beginning of the level, need extra attention and guidance from the teacher. However, the content of each level is planned in such a way as to enable these students to integrate into the group, making it possible for them to fully participate in classroom activities in a short period of time.

The material of each lesson takes into account the stage of the student's development and growth within his or her particular age group. Meaningful situations have been created so that students may develop their capacity to think logically, reason clearly, and make associations.

Having the students observe and interpret pictures aims to:

- Develop mental awareness through the habit of association of ideas.
- Foster a critical inquisitiveness.
- Enable the students to use words, expressions, and statements in English to describe the situations presented in the pictures.

KAE 3

The aim of KAE 3 is to develop the students' listening, speaking, and reading skills. The observation and interpretation of pictures lead children to a discovery of the world around them and the words used to describe it, including situations where students learn about nature, meet people, and learn facts.

In KAE 3, there is no writing practice. This is to avoid interference problems which might arise for students who are learning to read and write in their native language. Students will only identify the written forms of words and expressions they have learned orally. For this reason, the exercises in KAE 3 aim to develop three language skills: listening, speaking, and reading. English is used in all activities involving these skills.

Some of the topics covered in KAE 3 are:

- The classroom environment.
- The neighborhood environment.
- Pets.
- The value of money and the importance of not defacing or destroying currency.
- The home environment and family relationships.
- The importance of environment conservation.
- The sense of solidarity.
- The importance of protecting marine life and the world's lakes, rivers, and oceans.
- The relevance of having good manners.

Contents covered in KAE 3 include:

- The third person singular form (*it is*) of the simple present tense of the verb *to be* in affirmative, interrogative and negative forms.
- · Definite and indefinite articles.

- Demonstratives: this, that.
- Possessive Adjectives: my, your.
- Colors: yellow, blue, pink, green, red.
- Cardinal numbers 1 to 10.
- Time with o'clock.
- Imperative sentences, interjections, and greetings.
- Questions with What color . . . ?, What time . . . ?
- Questions: For here or to go?, What for?, What's your name?
- Expressions: Close call, Excuse me, Got you!, How funny!, Let's . . . , Over, Over and out, Please, See you, Strike!, This is . . . calling . . .

In this series, each lesson plan presents an educational objective and a specific objective to help the teacher better direct the learning process.

The term *Educational Objective* is used to refer to objectives which are abstract, theoretical, and ideal. These are long-term objectives which are part of the realm of human values and which cannot be directly evaluated or measured.

The term *Specific Objective* is used to refer to concrete short-term objectives. These are objectives which are practical and which can be evaluated by observing student performance.

It is of the utmost importance, however, to remember that true success depends, to a large extent, on placing the student in the proper level, as well as on the optimum use of the didactic material. Dedication and hard work on the part of the teacher are also fundamental.

Teacher's Material

Lesson Plan (LP)

Interactive Classroom Program (ICP)

Student's Material

Student's Book (SB)

BASIC INFORMATION

You need to be familiar with the CCLS Methodology for Levels 1 to 4.

If you haven't taught KAE 3 before, be sure you read the complete LP of a lesson before teaching it.

It is important that you correct errors in pronunciation, intonation, and stress to ensure that your students are accurately imitating the speech of native speakers that is recorded for use in the classroom.

The following abbreviations and symbols are used in this LP:

S student or a student's name

S₁ a student

S₂ another student

P3X play the word group (WG) or word(s) three times

IRP individual repetition

CRP choral repetition

point to/at

(zoom in

Zoom out

Note to teachers:

The symbol () indicates that the camera will zoom in on a certain part of the picture to illustrate a word or word group, which will be played. The symbol () indicates that the camera will zoom out to show the entire picture again.

This Lesson Plan (LP) contains the reproduction of the exercises in the Student's Book (SB) with the answers.

This series contains three Reviews: after Lessons 4, 7 and 10. In this LP, you will find the corresponding SB pages. The aim of these reviews is to have students practice for the exams.

In KAE 3, there are 132 new words.

ALL INSTRUCTIONS, QUESTIONS, EXPLANATIONS, ETC., CONTAINED IN THIS LP ARE TO BE TRANSLATED INTO THE STUDENTS' NATIVE LANGUAGE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF WORDS, EXPRESSIONS, AND STATEMENTS WHICH ARE <u>UNDERLINED</u>. THESE ARE TO BE SPOKEN IN ENGLISH AND **NOT** TRANSLATED INTO THE STUDENTS' NATIVE LANGUAGE.

TESTING INFORMATION

MIDTERM	FINAL
ORAL EXAM	WRITTEN EXAM ORAL EXAM