APC English

Course Introduction

English for Chinese Students (APC)

APC English 1

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Lessons:

Tuesday	1.30 pm –	3.0 pm
Wednesday	1.30 pm –	3.0 pm

grammar

	Week	Tuesday	Wednesday
8-Sep-26	1	introduction	parts of speech
15-Sep-26	2	nouns	nouns
22-Sep-26	3	verbs	verbs
29-Sep-26	4	verbs	pronouns
6-Oct-26	5	adjectives	adverbs
13-Oct-26	6	closed	adjectives vs adverbs
20-Oct-26	7	prepositions	determiners
27-Oct-26	8	conjunctions	summary

lessons will include:

listening comprehension exercises — speaking exercises

reading comprehension exercises — pronunciation drills

vocabulary — *business English* — *academic English*

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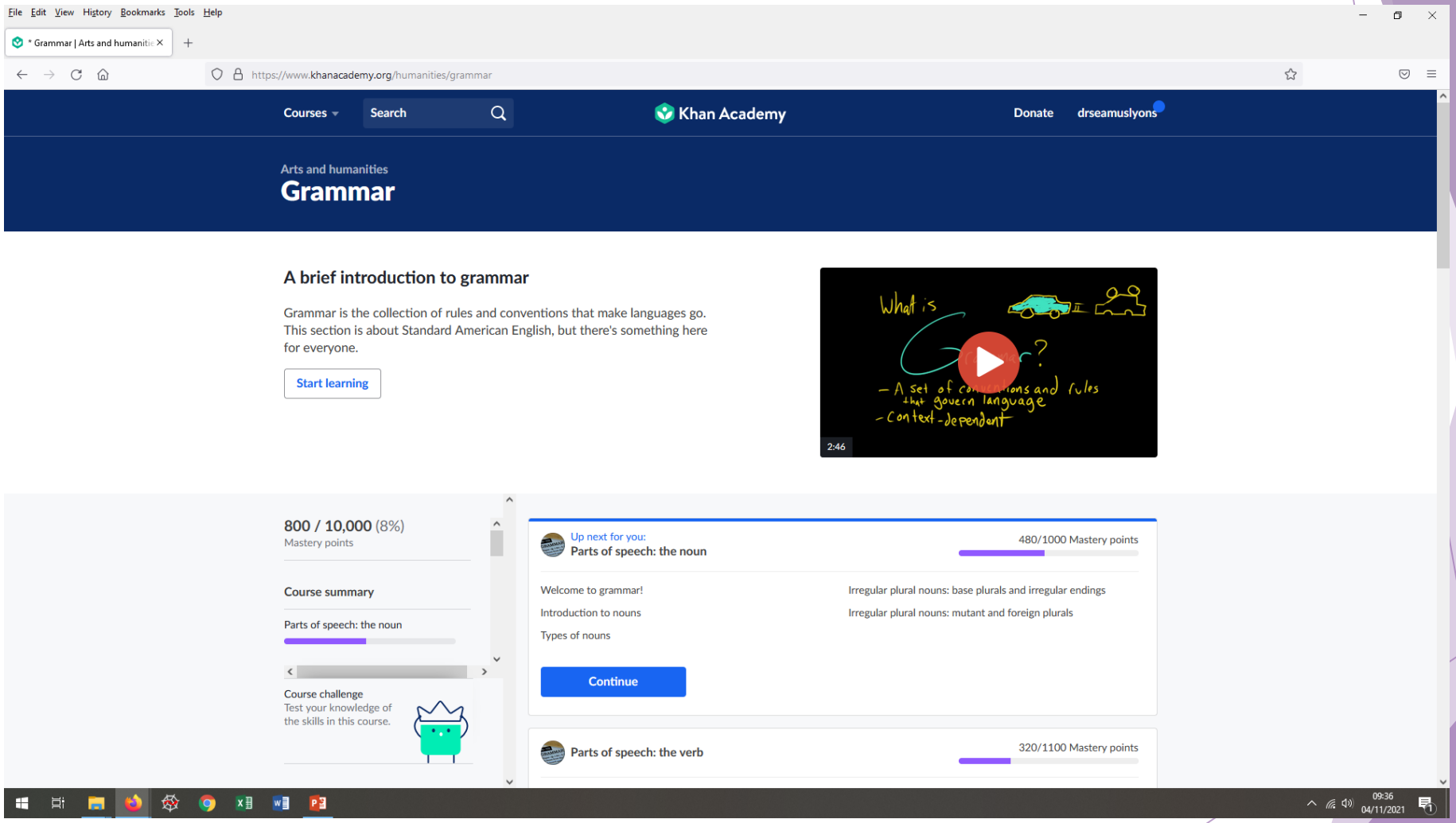

https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/grammar

Syllabus

Use Khan Academy syllabus for grammar

Also, what do you want to learn?

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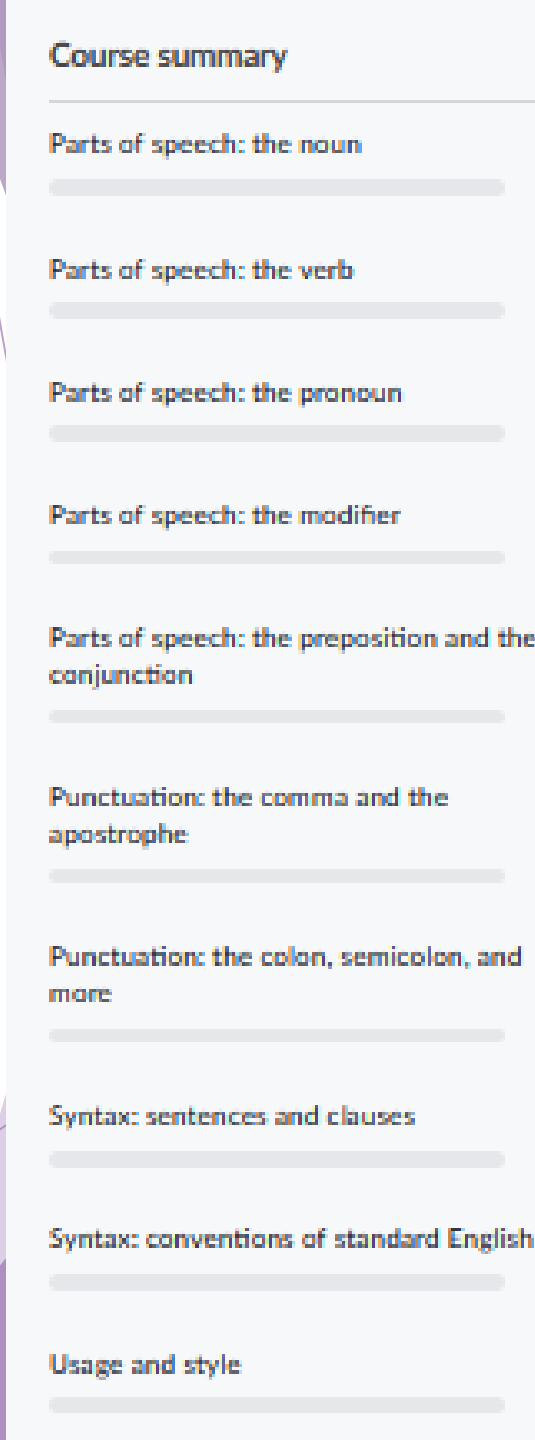

week 1 lesson 1

Introduction

Introduction

- Introduce ourselves
- About us
- hobbies & interests

let’s introduce ourselves

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history

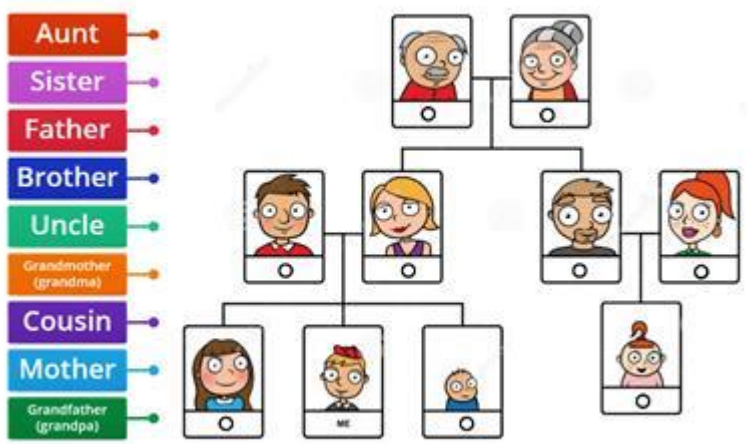
I come from Ireland

I worked near London

I now live in Thailand

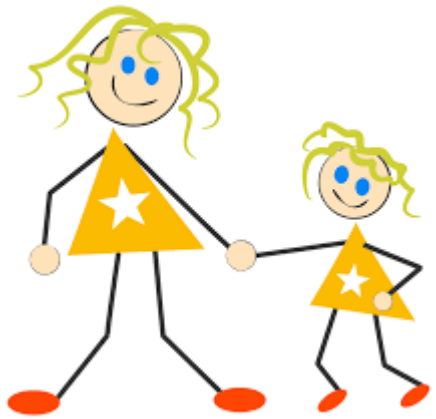
family

I have one brother and one sister



I am married

I have two daughters



interests

I like sport

I make videos on YouTube

I watch movies with my daughter

job

I teach at University

I am a Computer Scientist

My students say I look like Messi
(or used to)

food

I like Thai food

I am a vegan

drink

I drink tea from China

how about you?

Please introduce yourself to another student

Hello, my name is _____

You can call me _____

Please introduce yourself

Hello, my name is ____Wang (王)____

You can call me _____John _____

Add one sentence
e.g. I am from Shanghai
I like Thai food

Please add one sentence

Hello, my name is ____ Chen (陈) ____

You can call me ____ Amy ____

Add one sentence
e.g. I am from Shanghai
I like Thai food

English online

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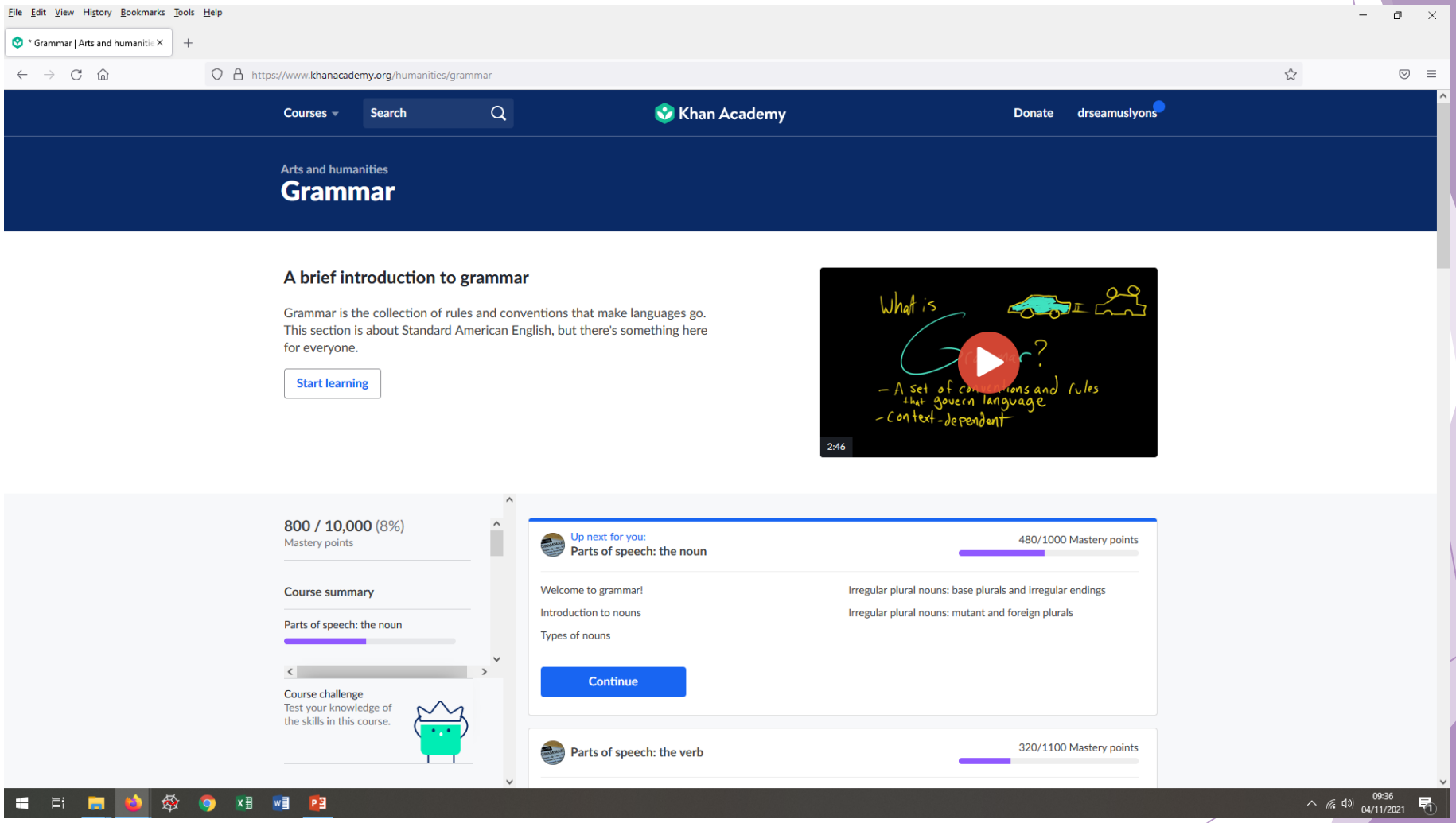

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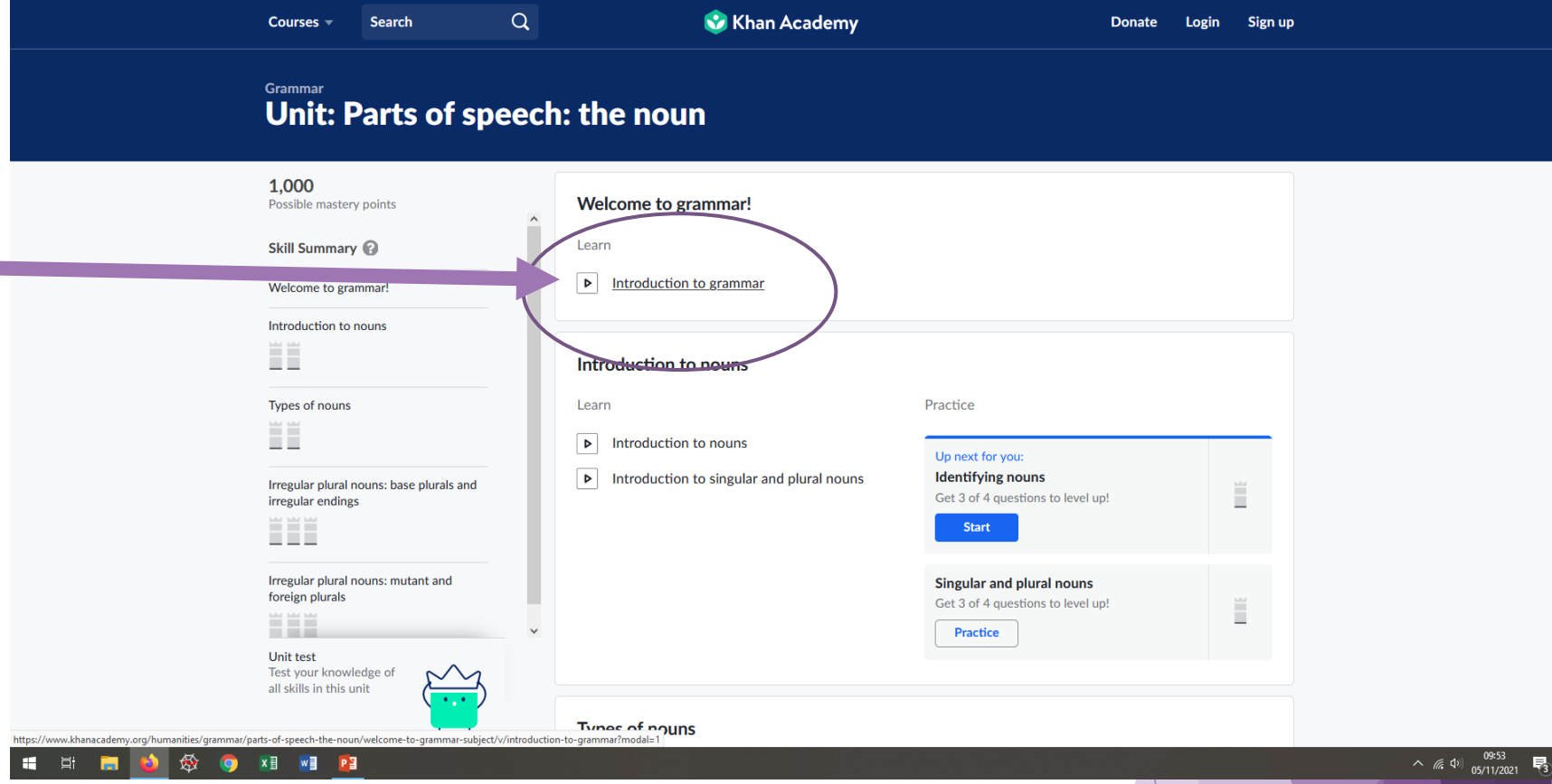
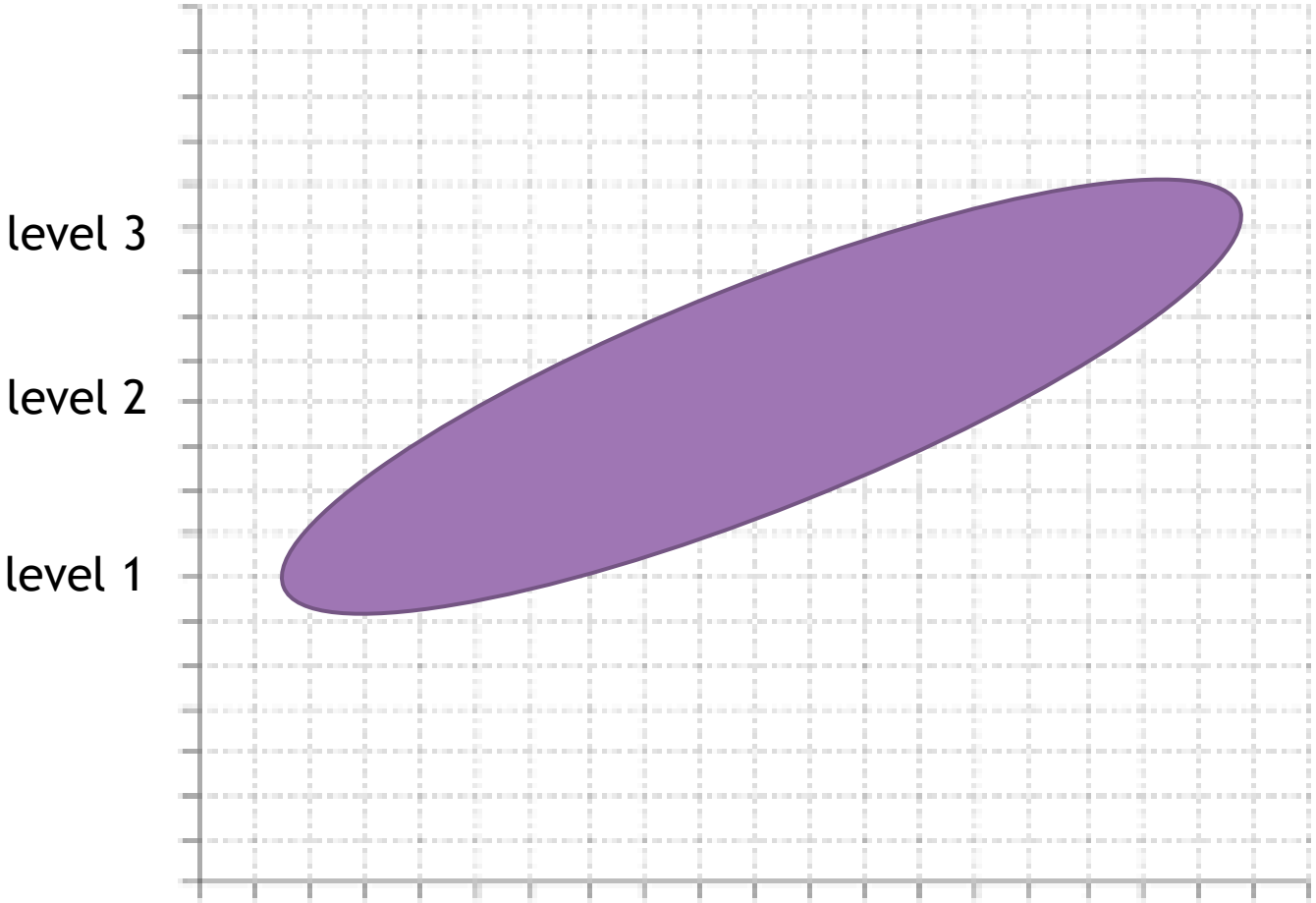


- Go to ‘Introduction to Grammar’ at https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/grammar/parts-of-speech-the-noun#welcome-to-grammar-subject
- Watch the video
- Is it OK (you understand it) ?

English ability

English ability levels



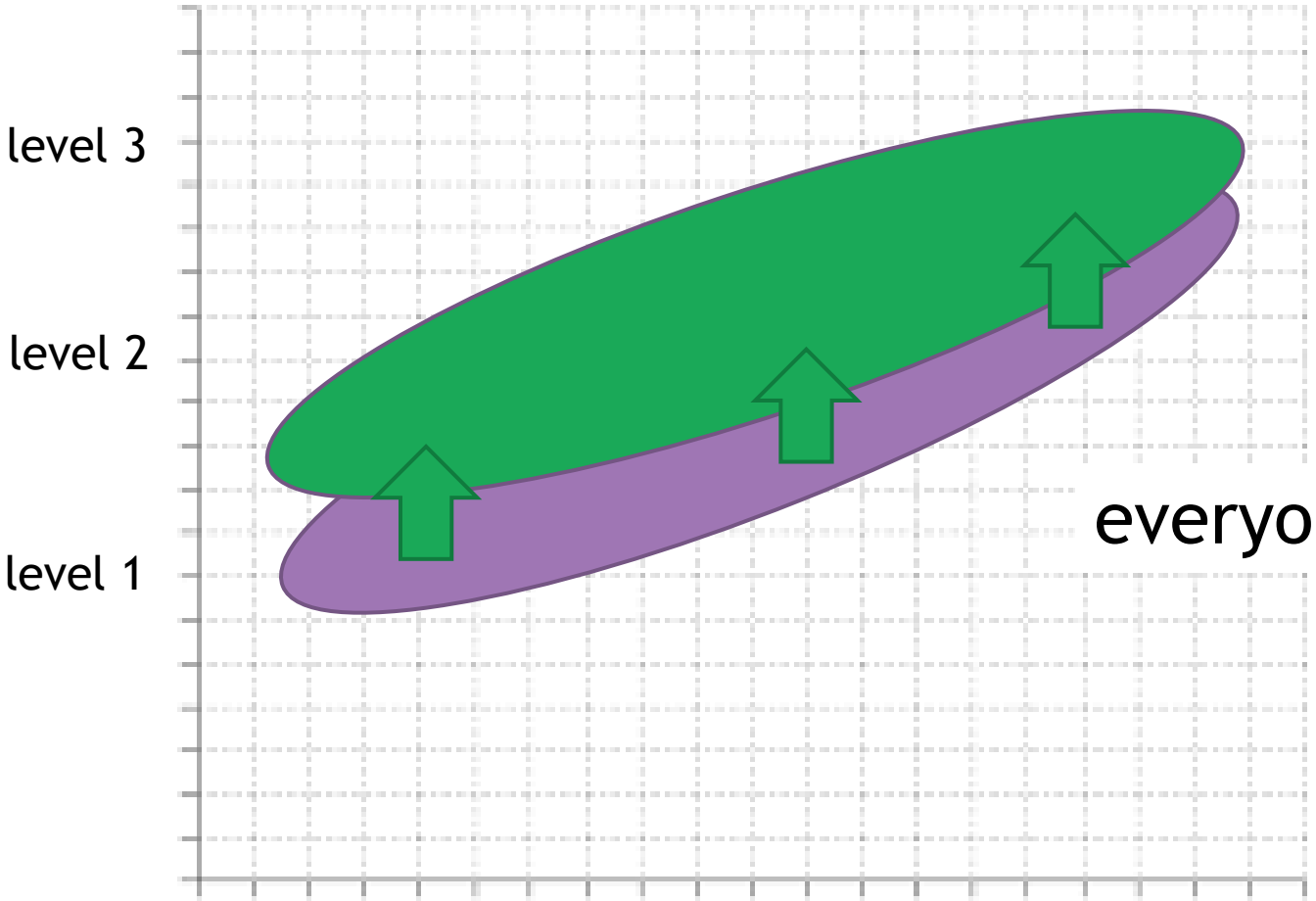
vocabulary - family

level 1: family, child, parent, uncle, aunt, cousin, marriage

level 2: relative, household, upbringing, sibling, generation, tradition, reunion

level 3: ancestry, inheritance, kinship, lineage, obligation, responsibility, independence

New English ability levels



everyone to improve

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listening exercise

level 1

vocabulary - family

level 1: family, sister, parents, uncle, aunt, cousins, marriage

Just listen first. Then, listen again and fill in the missing words:

A: Do you have a big 1 _____?
B: Yes, I do. I live with my 2 _____ and my little 3 _____ .
A: Do you see your 4 _____ and 5 _____ often?
B: Yes, they come with my 6 _____ on the weekend.
A: Oh, that's nice. They have a great 7 _____
B: Yes, ten years.

listening exercise

level 2

vocabulary - family

level 2: household, siblings, generation, tradition, upbringing, relatives, reunion

Just listen first. Then, listen again and fill in the missing words:

A: How many people live in your 1 _____?
B: Five. My parents, my brother, my sister, and me.
A: So, you have two 2 _____?
B: Yes. One brother and one sister.
A: Do you often see other 3 _____?
B: Yes, we meet at a family 4 _____ every year.
A: That's nice. Is it a family 5 _____?
B: Yes, we always have one in our family.

pronunciation practice

pronunciation
Silent Letter & Tricky Vowel Pattern

Relatives

- The final **e** is silent. It does not make the **i** long; the **i** stays a short sound as in *sit*.
- The first **e** makes a short sound as in *red*, and the **a** makes a weak schwa sound as in *about*.

Reunion

- The **eu** combination makes a combined "yoo" sound as in *you*.
- The **io** combination blends into a quick schwa sound followed by **n** ("un" sound as in *fun*).

Short /e/ Sound (as in *red*)

1. Bed
2. Pen
3. Desk
4. Test
5. Help
6. Text
7. Spend
8. Check
9. Member
10. Relatives

Weak Schwa /ə/ Sound (as in the "a" in *about*)

1. About
2. Again
3. Ago
4. China
5. Sofa
6. Lesson
7. Present
8. Cousin
9. Distance
10. Relatives

sounds like uh

"Yoo" /juː/ Sound (as in *you*)

1. You
2. Use
3. Unit
4. Music
5. Human
6. Future
7. Student
8. Uniform
9. Review
10. Reunion

Short /ʌ/ "un" Sound (as in *fun*)

1. Sun
2. Cup
3. Bus
4. Club
5. Jump
6. Study
7. Result
8. Subject
9. Discussion
10. Reunion

你太厉害了！
You are amazing!

interests & hobbies

I like …

你有什么爱好？

(What hobbies do you have?)

我喜欢唱歌。

(I like singing.)

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I like to …

sing：**唱歌** *chànggē*

cook：**烹饪** *pēngrèn*

play football (soccer)：**踢足球** *tīzúqiú*

play basketball：**打篮球** *dǎlánqiú*

listen to music：**听音乐** *tīngyīnyuè*

read：**看书** *kànshū*

watch movies：**看电影** *kàndiànyǐng*

surf the net：**上网** *shàngwǎng*

travel： **旅行** *lǚ xíng*

take photographs：**摄影** *shèyǐng*

ski：**滑雪** *huáxuě*

scuba diving：**潜水** *qiǎnshuǐ*

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I like to …

jog：慢跑 *mànpǎo*

swim：游泳 *yóuyǒng*

fishing：钓鱼 *diàoyú*

play badminton：打羽毛球 *dǎ yǔmáo qiú*

play Taichi：打太极 *dǎ tài jí*

paint：画画 *huà huà*

dance：跳舞 *tiàowǔ*

walk：散步 *sànbùg*

dining out：出去吃饭 *chūqù chīfàn*

shopping ：逛街 *guàng jiē*

rock climbing：攀岩 *pān yán*

practice yoga：做瑜伽 *zuò yú jiā*

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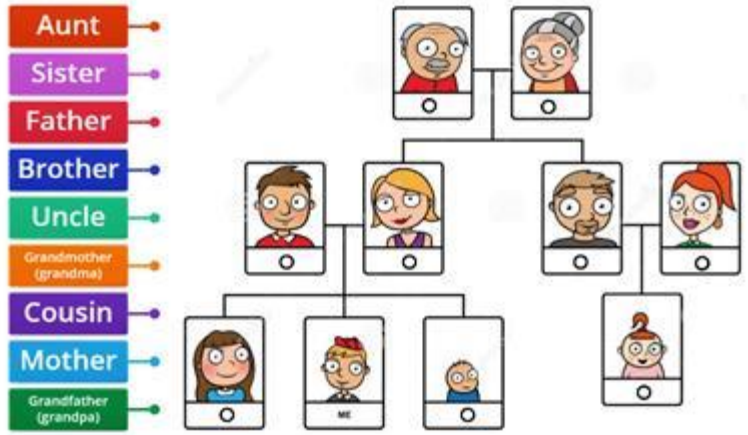
about you

I like _____

tell another student

family, food & travel

about you



I have __ brothers and __ sisters

I have visited _____

I like _____ food

Please share with me

I would like to know

- your name
- what to call you
- what you like to do
- anything interesting about you

share your answers

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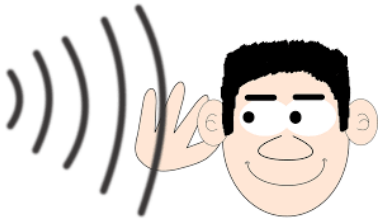
English
You want to know

you want to learn

- [x] reading
- [ ] writing
- [ ] speaking
- [ ] listening
- [ ] pronunciation
- [ ] vocabulary
- [ ] spelling
- [ ] grammar



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Website

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try it

Father

Brother

Uncle

Grandfather (grandpa)

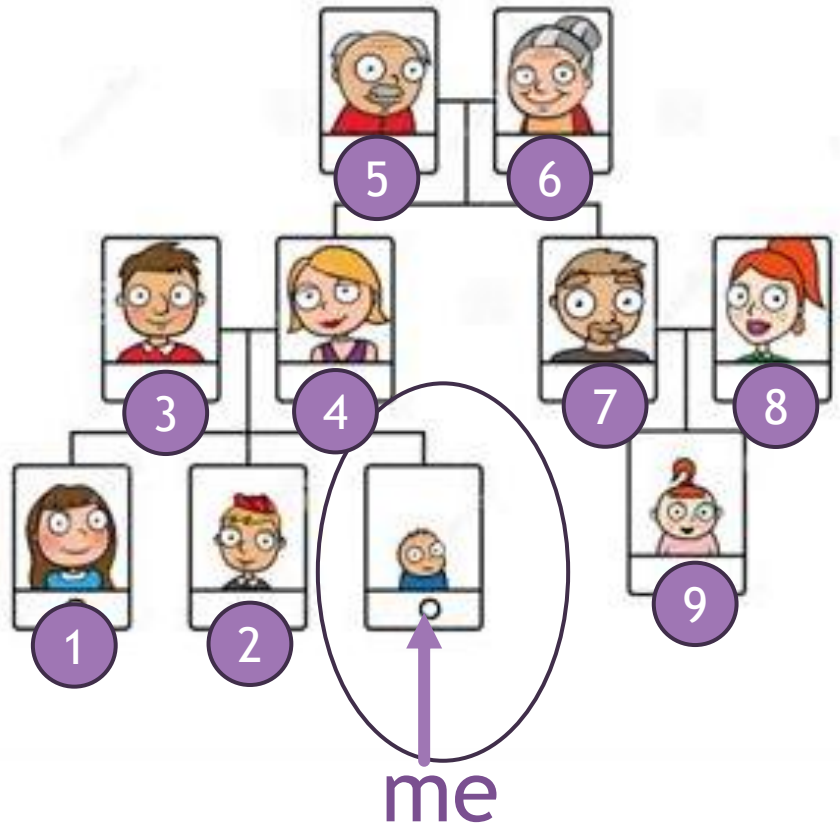
Cousin

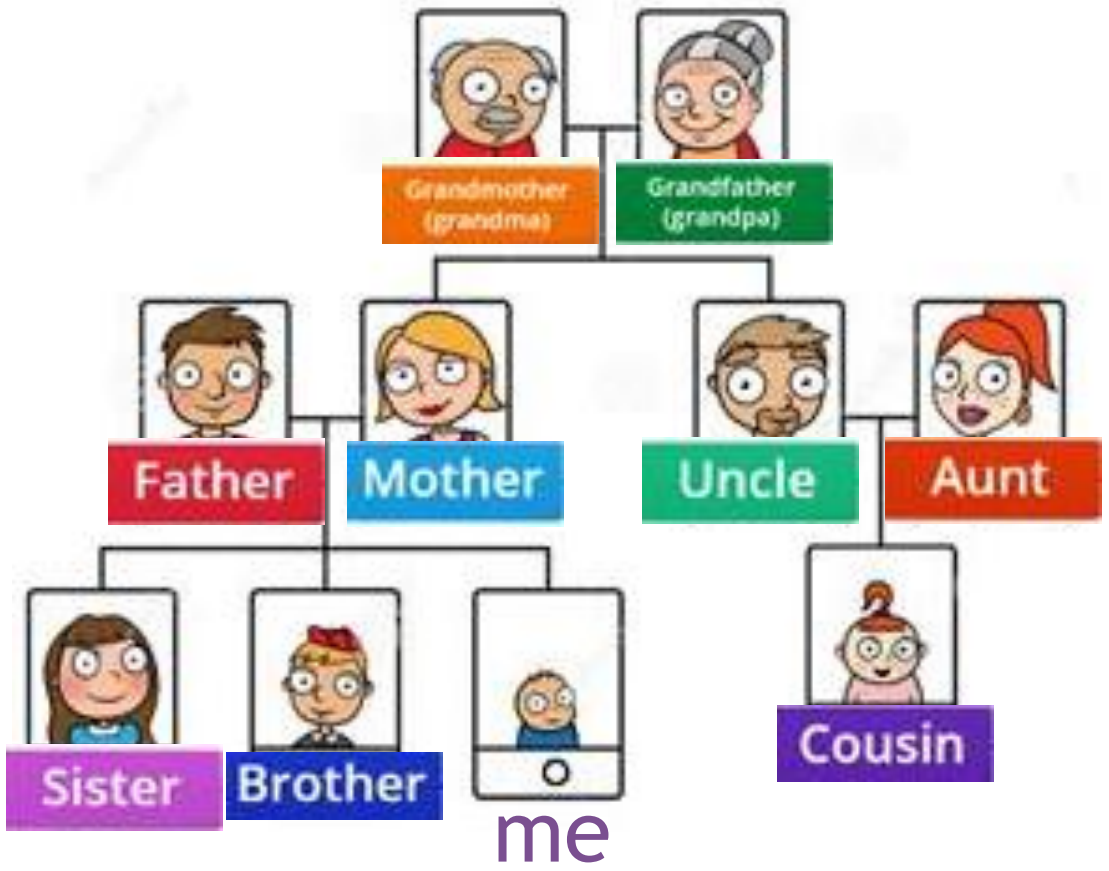
Aunt

Sister

Grandmother (grandma)

Mother




Grandmother (grandma)
Grandfather (grandpa)
Father
Mother
Uncle
Aunt
Sister
Brother
me
Cousin

Thank you!

any questions?