




2023

5 th	John	B ch	ST
6 th	Leonor	FCE	T
6 th	Rita	FCE	ST
8 th	Tomas	Beg ch	T
8 th	Gustavo	CAE	ST
11 th	Mariana	Aa2	ST
13 th	Leonor	B1+ teens	T
14 th	José	Beg ch	T
15 th	Beatriz	A2+	ST
16 th	Ana	FCE	ST
18 th	Daniel	A ch	T
20 th	Leonor	B ch	ST
20 th	Mariana	A2+ teens	ST
26 th	Mariana	A2+	T
28 th	Zé Pedro	A2+ teens	T
29 th	Inês	B ch	ST
30 th	Dinís	A ch	T

So Christmas is here again.  Doesn't time fly? We hope you had a great year. All the teacher would like to wish all our students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a fantastic year of 2024. May it be filled with lots of love, joy, happiness and health. BUT first, you have your tests..... **GOOD LUCK** in your tests. Just do your best and obviously study (at least a bit) 😊



Summer course in England

Come and spend two weeks in the beautiful Bloxham School in England , learn English and have lots of fun.😊

Ask your teacher for more information 😊



At least ONE student joined Teacher Paula in wearing pyjamas to class on Pjyama Day – 20th November.

Thanks Lucy 😊

Look At Our Great Work!

Just a transport or a home???

Have you ever thought about traveling around the world? If you live in a trailer that's possible!!!

Living in a trailer is unusual because every day is different and it's always an adventure.

I love traveling and being with my family so being in a small house would not be a problem at all. Sometimes I think about living in a "normal" house but what would be the fun in that.

Not everything is perfect, but I think more people need to try to live in other ways.

It's so much fun living in a trailer. Remember that a house is not about the material things but about the people that love us and who you love!

(Maria Inês Dias – B1)

The thing that makes my house the coolest

What's the first thing that comes to your mind when we're talking about a perfect house? How big it is, right? That's the first thing that pops into your mind, because everyone loves a big house, so do I, that's the most important thing in a house.

I love everything about it, I love the pool, I love my bedroom, I love the woods and the garden. I really live in the woods because I'm an outdoor boy, so I like to be there. Although I like being inside too, I can't imagine living without my computer.

Houses are homes, places where we can rest after a hardworking day, and they are a safe place, where no one gets hurt. That's a house for me.

(Henrique Pereira - B1)

I saw as soon as I entered the room of my house, I saw a box that said "for Rita" it looked like a present. When I opened it, it was a little animal, a border collie dog, very cute and friendly. I called my mother and asked her why we had a dog in our house and she told me that it was a present.

Even though I didn't know why, I took the dog into my room and while I was in my room with the border collie, I looked it up on the internet. It said that this breed of dog is very intelligent, loyal to its owners, easy to train and very energetic.

I already wanted a pet because I often felt lonely, so my parents decided to give me one, but they gave me one that was very friendly and didn't bring me any traumas, because I had one when I was a child and I cried when I was near a dog of any size.

I get on very well with him and all my friends like him very much when they come to my house and sometimes, they want to take him to their homes.

(Rita Sousa – A2+ teens)

My Harry Potter review

The Harry Potter series, based on J.K. Rowling's beloved novels, is a cinematic journey that captivated audiences with its magical world and compelling characters. With eight films, the series follows the growth of the young wizard Harry Potter, his friends Hermione Granger and Ron Weasley, and their battle against the dark wizard Voldemort. The films blend fantasy and adventure creating a rich narrative.

The cast, led by Daniel Radcliff, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint, delivers memorable performances, aging alongside their characters over the years.

The series' success comes from its ability to balance humour, suspense and heartwarming moments, as well as its accessibility to people of all ages.

Visually stunning and emotionally deep, the Harry Potter films are definitely something you should watch, even if you don't like fantasy because it will surprise you.

(Tomás Ferreira - B1+)

Porto's Timeless Treasure: Livraria Lello

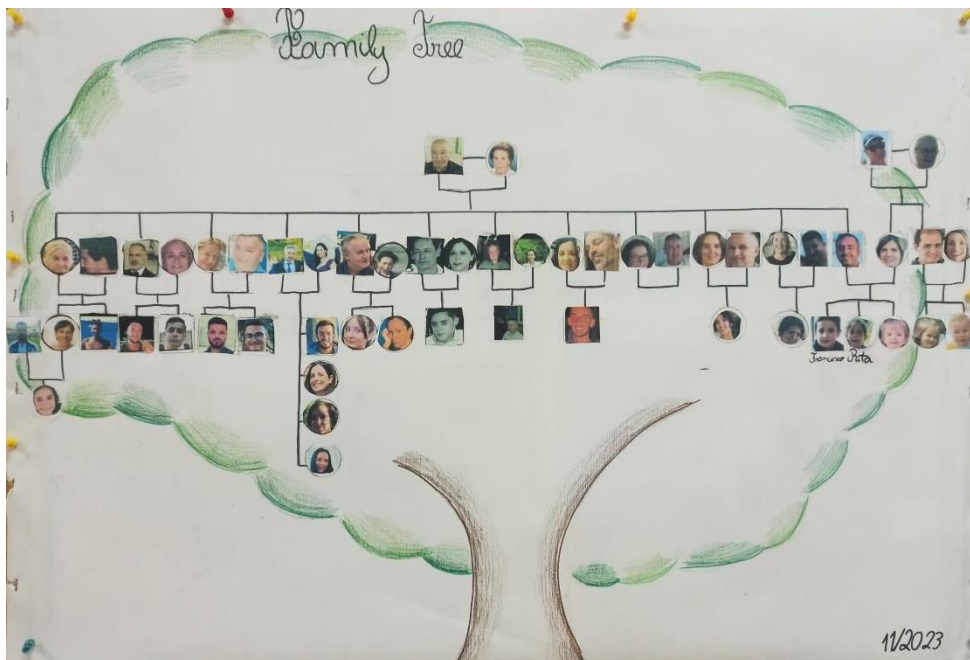
In the heart of Porto, Livraria Lello is a must-see attraction in the city. This bookshop, often compared to Hogwarts, shows a neo-Gothic front and houses a rich book collection that brings in visitors from around the world.

The journey through Livraria Lello begins with a welcome from an iconic wooden staircase that curves up to the upper floors, transporting us to a fantasy film scenario, justifying its associations with Hogwarts. Walking through this bookshop is a paradise for book lovers, with architectural shelves filled with books.

Although the experience at Livraria Lello is unique, it's important to mention that the entrance is 15 euros. For those with limited time or budget, this attraction may not be the top priority. However, it's interesting to note that half of the entrance is refundable when buying books, which proves to be an advantage.

For book, history and art enthusiasts, or anyone seeking for an Instagram scenario, I recommend Livraria Lello. It's a well-preserved cultural treasure in the historic centre of Porto.

(Elsa Miranda – B1)



A lot of work and effort went into this project but what an amazing Family Tree!!

Congratulations Francisco and Rita (Aa – Trofa).

The beauty of cycling

Every once in a while, when we are sitting at home, we feel a sudden urge to go outside and enjoy some fresh air, with most people accomplishing this by doing an outdoor activity, a hobby that makes us go out and enjoy the sunshine. One such activity is cycling and today, I will share my personal experience with it.

I learnt how to ride a bicycle all on my own when I was eight years old. My dad likes to cycle (and has made it a weekly habit to cycle with friends) so he was really eager to teach me. It took some time, many failed attempts and even more falls and bruises but I eventually got the hang of it. I'm really glad I did, because I love cycling. One of the main reasons I really like cycling is that some of my best friends like it as well, so I always have some company. I occasionally go with my dad as well, but he is used to doing much harder routes than we usually do, so I can't really keep up sometimes. I believe I won't stop cycling any time soon, which is good because it means I won't just sit around my house and I'll actually enjoy some fresh air once in a while.

I totally recommend trying to ride a bike at least once a month and for those that have never known how to ride one, I think it's a wonderful thing to do if you have some free time!

(A.J – F.C.E)

Have you ever heard about Instagram? So let me tell you about it! Instagram is a very popular and useful social network that has been used a lot in the last few years. On Instagram you can post photos and videos on your feed or even stories that are automatically eliminated 24 hour after you post them. You can also follow other users, like, comment, and even repost other people's posts on your stories. It is also possible to go on live and chat with your friends. In my view, Instagram is the best social network because it's the only app where you can do everything that you have to do separately on other social media.

Do you know that some people make money through Instagram? Instagram is not just an app that you can use to get to know other people and see what they share about their lives, but also a tool that you can work on. Some people by having many followers, earn money by advertising products of some brands.

Despite the good things, Instagram is a source of distraction. People can become addicted to it as you have always something new to see in Instagram. Do you know that 347 thousands of stories are posted every minute on Instagram? That's a lot! Instagram can be really bad for our mental health too because people usually post just the good things that happen in their lives, and you, as a follower usually compare yourself and your life with the lives of the people you follow, which can be fake.

Thankfully, there are some people on the internet that show you that life is good in all ways even if you are going through a hard time and say that it takes part of the process and in the end everything will be fine and also show you that you are beautiful just the way you are!

I certainly would recommend it to other people, because it's an app where you can meet new people, and have a new perspective of life, in a positive way.

(Leonor Gomes – B1+ teens)

Christmas Vocabulary

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the puzzle grid with the name of each Christmas item following the number and direction indicated. Use the word bank if you get stuck.

1 → Scarf
4 → Ice skating
5 → Mittens
6 → Candy cane
8 → Sweater
10 → Present
12 → Sleigh
14 → Snowman
16 → Santa hat
18 → Bell
19 → Ornament
21 → Reindeer
71 → Fire
31 → Stocking
111 → Snowflake
91 → Wreath
15 → Candle

BELL	SANTA CLAU
CANDLE	SCARF
CANDY CANE	SKATE
FIRE	SLEIGH
HAT	SNOWFLAKE
HOLLY	SNOWMAN
MITTENS	STOCKING
ORNAMENT	SWEATER
PRESENT	TREE
REINDEER	WREATH

Start

Finish

German christmas words

Q H R E T S E V L I S Q Q H L O X D X L S T K H
Y G M O B R A F S C L X Q X V E O N Y D U H H M
P G Z D Z G F Z L H S H K X S C W I X G C O R E
I U M B V D J Y K Z V K X T U C E K M N R H N L
F F F G O O P X B X A H T P F E I T P B H W U W
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J M Y Y O Z X T N V U T I E O B A X P O K Z U J
N W Y L W W E T E J T J K N O X U Q V M J W R G
Y I C U W L M N E P Y Z O K N O I T A R O K E D
H V U A X O Q C E Z X B A E W C K B O P E V Q M
I D M C H N T Z U C K E R S T A I G E Z R U C Q
R E K C A R K S S U N D R N N E K N I H C S P M
E G P N Z P B A L M U A B S T H C A N H I E W Z
Q N Y O A V X R J E Z S W K D I H X X R R C P L

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| weihnachtsmann | schnee | Geschenke |
| Weihnachtsbaum | dekoration | silvester |
| kerzen | weihnachten | engel |
| zuckerstaige | lebkuchen | christkind |
| nusskracker | reinter | schinken |

CHRISTMAS WORDSEARCH

C D D E E G G N O G W K B L D
J E L O P H T R O N F A M N S
B F G T I S N O W B A L L M T
Q L N E W L E S N I T D S S H
Q E I L Q B L C D N Q J H N G
Y D K T N H B A E I E T A E I
R C C S L F M N C C Y M T T L
O H O I H R Y D E X S F N T C
E I T M P O L Y M Y X P A I O
L M S M L S L C B X I E S M O
C N T W O T O A E R W E W V K
S E J G D Y H N R E W R L L I
I Y J Q U F Z E K D A T M J E
W C L D R E E D N I E R J S D
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| WORD LIST | |
| CANDY CANE | HOLLY |
| CHIMNEY | LIGHTS |
| COOKIE | MISTLETOE |
| DECEMBER | MITTENS |
| EGGNOG | NORTH POLE |
| ELF | PRESENT |
| FROSTY | REINDEER |
| | RUDOLPH |
| | SANTA |
| | SNOWBALL |
| | STOCKING |
| | TINSEL |
| | TREE |