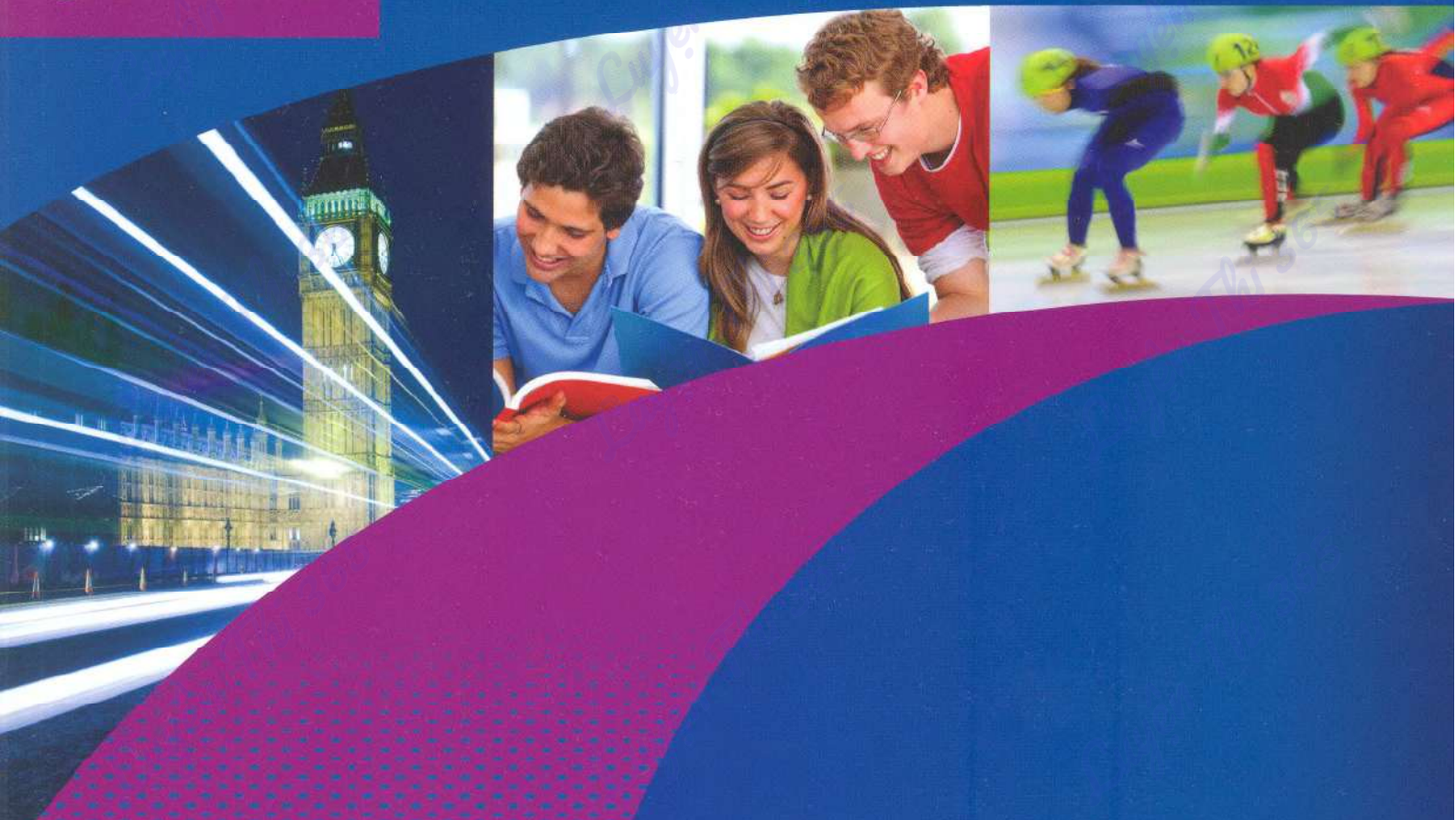


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Introduction

What is Active Grammar?

Active Grammar is a grammar reference and practice series for secondary students and university students. It is divided into three levels, corresponding to the levels of *The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages* (CEF). Level 1 corresponds to A1–A2, Level 2 to B1–B2, and Level 3 to C1–C2. The books give comprehensive coverage of grammar at each level, while also covering reading, composition and discussion. The books are suitable for students who are preparing for Cambridge ESOL exams.

How are the books organised?

Each unit includes

- a short **presentation** text which shows the grammar in context and provides authentic content in areas such as geography, history, social studies and science.
- easy-to-understand **grammar explanations** with plenty of examples.
- **Tip boxes** which highlight common errors or other interesting facts about the grammar.
- graded grammar **practice exercises**, many of which are in the style of Cambridge ESOL exams, aimed at building students' confidence.
- a **My Turn** activity, where students can actively apply the grammar to their own experiences, opinions and personal preferences.
- a **My Test** section which allows students to check their understanding of key points.

Also included in the book

- regular **Review** units which provide contrastive practice of previous units.
- an **Answer key**.
- the **Appendices**, which include a **Glossary** with definitions for all **highlighted** words in the units.

The CD-ROM includes

- extra activities for all the grammar covered in the book.
- printable progress tests.

How do I use the book?

You can work through the book unit by unit from Unit 1. Alternatively, you can use any unit or group of units separately if you want to focus on a particular area of grammar.

The book can be used for self-study, or in the classroom. For teachers, a comprehensive online teacher's guide gives practical tips on how to use the material in class.

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Present simple and present continuous

I'm holding my breath.

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Friday night

It's midnight and I'm **holding** my breath.
 I **feel** so scared that I can't move.
 There it is again – a noise downstairs. I **think** there's someone in the house.
 'Don't be silly!' I **say** to myself. (I'm always **lying** awake at night and listening to noises. Usually I **find out** it's the fridge or someone next door or ... just nothing.)
 I'm **staying** at my friend's house. Round here all the houses **have got** two floors. My friend **doesn't live** in a safe part of town and sometimes **burglars** **come in** through the downstairs windows.
 I've prepared for this moment. This is what you do:
 1 You **lock** the door as quietly as you can. 2 You **phone** the police on your mobile. 3 You **talk** to the police very loudly.
 There's the noise again ... and it's **getting** closer.
 I **don't want** to do this. I **get** slowly out of bed. But then I **stop**. Two round eyes **are looking** at me.
 I **scream**.
 The neighbour's cat **runs** back the way it came. How did it get in? Probably through the downstairs window.
 But that **means** the downstairs window is open ...

- ?
- 1 Where is the writer of the story?
 - 2 What is making the noise?

Answers: 1 The writer is at his or her friend's house. The writer is in bed upstairs.
 2 The neighbour's cat

Present simple and present continuous

Present simple

- 1 Add an -s for third person forms in present simple statements.

All other forms stay the same.

I / you / we / they **run**.

He / she / it **runs**.

- 2 Make negative forms of regular verbs with **don't** and **doesn't**.

I **don't want** to do this.

My friend **doesn't live** in a safe part of town.

NOT ... **doesn't lives** ...

- 3 Use the present simple for things that are always or usually true.

*He **doesn't live** in a safe part of town.*

- 4 Use the present simple for regular or repeated events and habits.

*I **visit** my friend every month.*