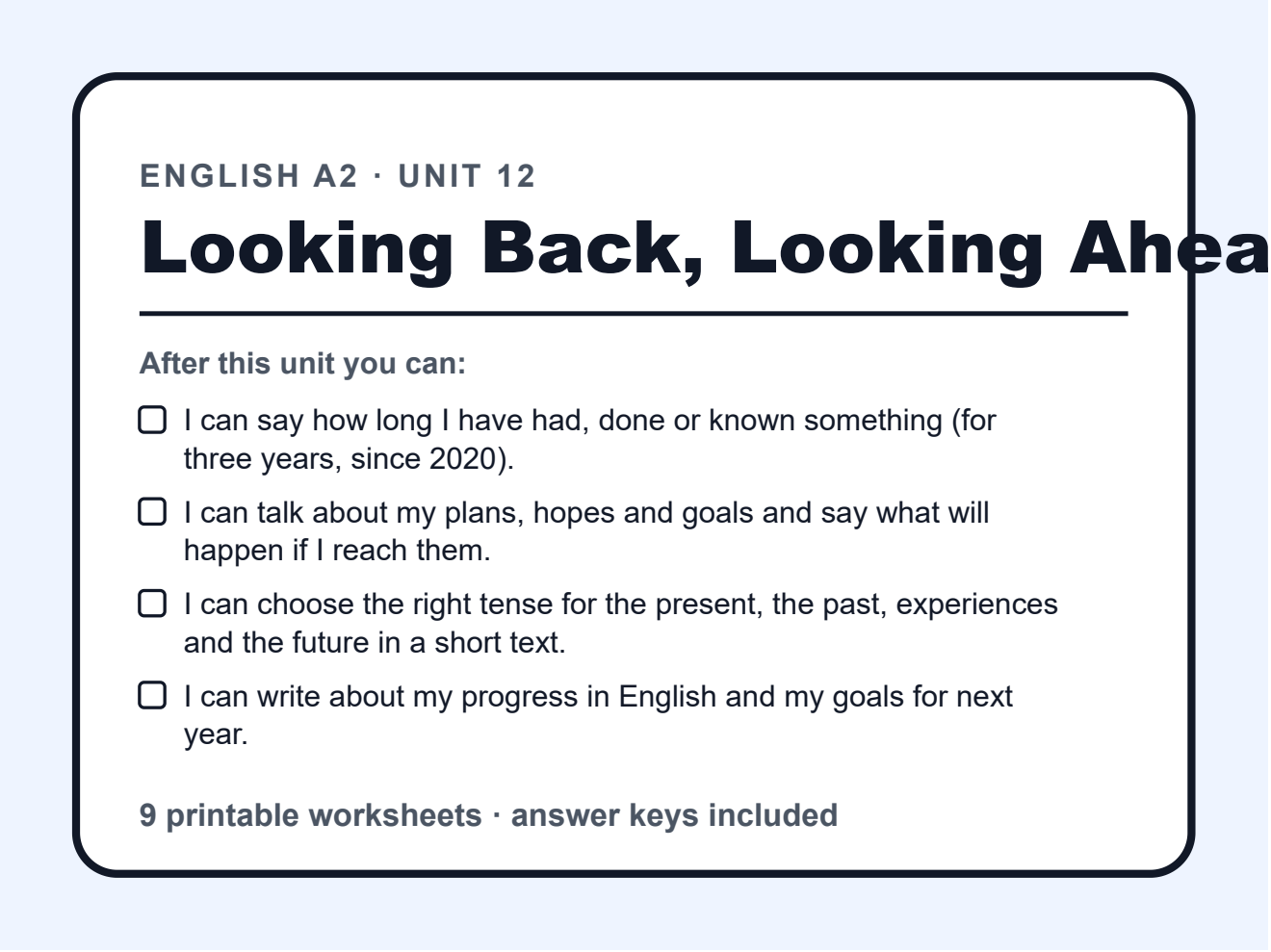
Engels A2 – Les 12: Terugkijken, vooruitkijken

Vooruitgang en verandering, plannen, hoop en de toekomst, de present perfect met for / since en How long ...?, een herhaling van de toekomstvormen met hope to / plan to en de first conditional, het A2-tijdenoverzicht, plus een blogpost aan het einde van de cursus om te lezen, praten over vooruitgang en plannen, een tekst over je Engels en je doelen en een herhaling van de les. 9 werkbladen met antwoorden.



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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · VOCABULARY Name: _____ Date: _____

Progress and change

Focus: vocabulary: progress and change (improve, achieve, goal, challenge, effort, confident, fluent, so far)

PROGRESS AND CHANGE

progress improve improvement change develop achieve goal aim success successful effort challenge opportunity chance step result confident fluent beginner level mistake practice regularly recently so far

1 Match the words and the definitions.

1. progress	a. something you want to achieve
2. goal	b. speaking a language easily and well
3. challenge	c. a person who has just started
4. opportunity	d. getting better, step by step
5. beginner	e. hard work to achieve something
6. fluent	f. a chance to do something good
7. effort	g. something wrong that you say or do
8. mistake	h. something difficult you try to do

2 Complete the sentences with words from the box.

Example: I want to _____ my English, so I'm doing this course. → improve

1. I passed the A1 test, so now I'm at A2 _____.
2. We _____ to finish the course in June.
3. Speaking with colleagues is good _____ for the exam.
4. Sara has _____ changed jobs, so she's very busy at the moment.
5. We have finished six units _____, and there are six more.
6. The exam _____ were good. Everyone in the class passed.
7. Nina feels more _____ now. She isn't afraid of making mistakes.
8. Ben goes to his English class _____, twice a week.
9. She worked hard and _____ her goal: a job in London.
10. The course was very _____. All twenty students passed the exam.
11. Passing A2 is a big _____ forward. The next one is B1, and then B2.

ANSWER KEY

1 1 d, 2 a, 3 h, 4 f, 5 c, 6 b, 7 e, 8 g **2** 1 level, 2 aim, 3 practice, 4 recently, 5 so far, 6 results, 7 confident, 8 regularly, 9 achieved, 10 successful, 11 step

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Plans, hopes and the future

Focus: vocabulary: plans, hopes and the future (intend, decision, ambition, apply for, retire, someday)

PLANS, HOPES AND THE FUTURE

plan hope dream wish intend decision decide future ambition promise possibility probably definitely perhaps retire save up set up apply for move abroad take a break learn to drive volunteer promotion qualification someday

1 Choose the correct word.

Example: I _____ to start my own company someday. (hope / retire / volunteer) → hope

1. Omar has made a _____: he's going to move abroad. (level / decision / result)
2. I'll _____ come. I never miss your parties! (perhaps / someday / definitely)
3. My _____ is to work in Berlin. (ambition / possibility / promotion)
4. Anna is going to _____ for the manager's job. (retire / intend / apply)
5. Ken is 64. He's going to _____ and travel. (intend / retire / promise)
6. We're _____ up for a flat of our own. (saving / setting / applying)
7. I _____ at the hospital on Saturdays. I like helping people. (decide / volunteer / retire)
8. Lena got a _____ in English and found a job. (level / result / qualification)
9. Work hard and you'll _____ your ambition. (achieve / intend / decide)

2 Put the words in the correct column.

Example: future → Nouns

intend decision probably retire ambition definitely decide possibility perhaps save up promotion someday

Verbs	Nouns	Adverbs

ANSWER KEY

1 1 decision, 2 definitely, 3 ambition, 4 apply, 5 retire, 6 saving, 7 volunteer, 8 qualification, 9 achieve **2** Verbs: intend, retire, decide, save up | Nouns: decision, ambition, possibility, promotion | Adverbs: probably, definitely, perhaps, someday

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · GRAMMAR Name: _____ Date: _____

Present perfect with for and since

Focus: present perfect with for and since; How long ...?; present perfect vs past simple with for

PRESENT PERFECT WITH FOR AND SINCE

I've worked here **for** three years. **She's lived** here **since** 2019. (still true now)
for + a period: for two weeks, for months, for a long time
since + a point: since Monday, since 2020, since I was 18
How long have you **known** him? For a year. / Since my first day.
Finished: **I worked** there **for** two years. (past simple = not now)

1 Complete with the present perfect (full forms) and for or since.

Example: Tom _____ (have) this phone _____ 2021. → has had, since

1. Maria _____ (work) for this company _____ 2018.
2. We _____ (have) this car _____ six years.
3. Levon _____ (be) a teacher _____ he left university.
4. I _____ (know) my best friend _____ we were at primary school.
5. The shop _____ (be) closed _____ three weeks.
6. They _____ (live) in Lisbon _____ last summer.
7. Ali and Sara _____ (be) married _____ twenty years.
8. How long _____ (you / have) your laptop? _____ about a year.

2 Choose the correct form.

Example: I _____ in Berlin for two years. Now I live in Lisbon. (lived / have lived) → lived

1. Sara _____ for the bank since 2020. She likes it there. (worked / has worked)
2. How long _____ Ali? Since university. (did you know / have you known)
3. Omar _____ there for forty years. He retired in 2010. (worked / has worked)
4. Nina _____ her laptop for a month, and it's already broken. (had / has had)
5. I _____ Tom since my first day here. (know / have known)
6. They _____ in Gyumri for ten years. Then they moved. (lived / have lived)

ANSWER KEY

1 1 has worked / since, 2 have had / for, 3 has been / since, 4 have known / since, 5 has been / for, 6 have lived / since, 7 have been / for, 8 have you had / For **2** 1 has worked, 2 have you known, 3 worked, 4 has had, 5 have known, 6 lived

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · GRAMMAR Name: _____ Date: _____

Future forms and goals

Focus: future forms review: will, going to, present continuous, might; hope to / plan to / be thinking of

FUTURE FORMS

Prediction, offer, decision: **will** (It'll be hard. I'll help. OK, I'll take it.)
Intention: **be going to** (I'm going to apply for the course.)
Arrangement: **present continuous** (I'm meeting Sara at six.) · Possible: **might**
Goals: **hope to, plan to, would like to** + verb · **be thinking of** + -ing
If I pass the exam, **I'll** apply. **When** I finish, **I'm going to** look for a job.

1 Choose the correct form.

Example: The phone's ringing. _____ answer it. (I'll / I'm going to) → I'll

1. Sorry, I've got an appointment. I _____ the dentist at 4.30. (might see / 'm seeing)
2. We _____ move abroad, but we haven't decided yet. (are going to / might)
3. I'm thinking _____ a cooking course. (to do / do / of doing)
4. She hopes _____ her own café one day. (opening / to open / open)
5. If I _____ the job, I'll move to Berlin. (get / will get / got)
6. When I _____ the course, I'll look for a new job. (will finish / finish)
7. Don't worry. I _____ finish the report for you. ('ll / 'm going to)
8. I'd like _____ a year abroad before I'm thirty. (spending / spend / to spend)
9. Nina _____ probably retire next year. (is going to / will)
10. Ken _____ his manager at ten tomorrow. It's in his diary. ('s meeting / might meet)
11. I'm sure you _____ pass. You've worked so hard. ('ll / might)
12. I've decided. I _____ apply for the B1 course in May. ('m going to / might)
13. I plan _____ my own business someday. (setting up / to set up)

2 Correct the mistake in each sentence.

Example: If I will pass the exam, I'll apply for the course. → If I pass the exam, I'll apply for the course.

1. I'm thinking to change my job next year.

   _____

2. We hope move to a bigger flat someday.

   _____

3. She might to take a break from work in August.

   _____

ANSWER KEY

1 1 'm seeing, 2 might, 3 of doing, 4 to open, 5 get, 6 finish, 7 'll, 8 to spend, 9 will, 10 's meeting, 11 'll, 12 'm going to, 13 to set up **2** 1 I'm thinking of changing my job next year. | 2 We hope to move to a bigger flat someday. | 3 She might take a break from work in August.

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · GRAMMAR Name: _____ Date: _____

The A2 tense map

Focus: tense review: the six A2 tenses with their time words, in a mixed text

1 Complete the tense map with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Example: Present simple: I _____ (work) at night. → work

Tense	Time words	Example
Present simple	every day, usually, always	I work at night.
Present continuous	now, this week, these days	I _____ (learn) to drive now.
Past simple	yesterday, ago, in 2021	I _____ (move) here in 2021.
Past continuous	when, while, at 8.00	I _____ (work) when you called.
Present perfect	ever, just, yet, for, since	I _____ (pass) two exams so far.
Future forms	tomorrow, next year, in May	I'm going to start B1 next year.

2 Complete the text with the correct tense of the verbs in brackets.

Example: Omar _____ (not / like) his first English lessons. → didn't like

1. Omar is a nurse. He usually _____ (work) at night.
2. At the moment he _____ (do) the day shift because a colleague is ill.
3. He _____ (move) to Yerevan five years ago.
4. He _____ (live) in the same flat since 2021.
5. When he arrived, he _____ (not / understand) any English.
6. He _____ (study) at home when his teacher called with good news.
7. He _____ (just / pass) his A2 exam!
8. Next month he _____ (go) to start the B1 course.

3 Choose the correct word.

Example: _____ you usually work at weekends? (Do / Are / Did) → Do

1. What _____ you doing at nine o'clock last night? (were / did / are)
2. How long _____ you known your manager? (do / have / did)
3. _____ you ever worked abroad? (Did / Have / Do)
4. When _____ you start your first job? (have / were / did)
5. _____ you going to apply for the job? (Are / Do / Will)
6. What _____ your first boss like? (was / did / were)

ANSWER KEY

1 1 'm learning, 2 moved, 3 was working, 4 've passed **2** 1 works, 2 is doing, 3 moved, 4 has lived, 5 didn't understand, 6 was studying, 7 has just passed, 8 is going **3** 1 were, 2 have, 3 Have, 4 did, 5 Are, 6 was

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · READING

Name: _____ Date: _____

Reading: One year later

Focus: reading a learner's end-of-course blog post: present perfect with for / since, mixed tenses, future forms

One year later, by Elena

I've studied English for a year now. I started last September because I wanted a better job. When I began, I was working in a small shop near my home. I didn't speak any English. The first weeks were hard. I was tired after work, so I often missed classes.

Since January I've made a lot of progress. I've finished the A2 course and I've passed two exams. I feel more confident now, although I still make mistakes when I speak quickly. Listening is still difficult for me, so I watch films in English.

And next year? I'm starting B1 in September, and I'm thinking of doing a computer course. If I pass the B1 exam, I'll apply for a job at a bigger company. I'm going to practise every day. Wish me luck!

1 Read the text. True or false?

1. Elena has studied English for two years. ☐ T ☐ F
2. She started English last September. ☐ T ☐ F
3. She was working in an office when she began. ☐ T ☐ F
4. She has passed two exams. ☐ T ☐ F
5. She never makes mistakes now. ☐ T ☐ F
6. She watches films in English because listening is difficult. ☐ T ☐ F

2 Answer the questions about the text.

Example: How long has Elena studied English? → For a year.

1. Why did she start learning English?

_____

2. What has she achieved this year?

_____

3. What is she thinking of doing next year?

_____

4. What will she do if she passes the B1 exam?

_____

ANSWER KEY

1 1 F, 2 T, 3 F, 4 T, 5 F, 6 T **2** 1 She started because she wanted a better job. | 2 She has finished the A2 course and passed two exams. | 3 She is thinking of doing a computer course. | 4 She will apply for a job at a bigger company.

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · EVERYDAY ENGLISH Name: _____ Date: _____

Everyday English: Progress and plans

Focus: everyday English: How long have you ...?, How's your English going?, What are your plans?, What have you achieved?

Model dialogue

Mark: How long have you worked here, Ani?

Ani: For about two years. Since the spring of 2024.

Mark: And how's your English going?

Ani: It's improving. I've made a lot of progress, but I still make mistakes.

Mark: Don't worry. Everyone does. What are your plans for next year?

Ani: I'm hoping to get a promotion, and I'm thinking of doing an exam.

long **Since** **going** **finished** **plans** **promotion** **thinking** **luck** **ago**

1 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box.

Example: I've made a lot of _____ this year. → progress

Tom: Hi Lena. How _____ have you known Sara?

Lena: _____ my first day at the company. She's a good friend.

Tom: And how's your English _____?

Lena: It's improving. I've _____ the A2 course and I've started a new job.

Tom: Well done! What are your _____ for next year?

Lena: I'd like to get a _____ at work. And you?

Tom: I'm _____ of learning to drive. If I pass the test, I'll celebrate!

Lena: That sounds great. Good _____!

2 Match the questions and the answers.

1. How long have you had this job?	a. It's improving, thanks.
2. How's your English going?	b. For about three years.
3. What are your plans?	c. Thanks. I've worked hard for it.
4. What have you achieved?	d. No, I'm still thinking about it.
5. Have you decided yet?	e. I've passed my A2 exam.
6. Good luck with the exam!	f. I'm going to learn to drive.

ANSWER KEY

1 1 long, 2 Since, 3 going, 4 finished, 5 plans, 6 promotion, 7 thinking, 8 luck **2** 1 b, 2 a, 3 f, 4 e, 5 d, 6 c

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · WRITING Name: _____ Date: _____

Writing: My English and my plans

Focus: writing about your English and your plans: beginning, middle, end; linking words

Writing tip · Beginning: how long, why · Middle: progress, problems · End: plans
Link with **so**, **because**, **although** and **then**. Finish with a plan.

1 Match the two halves of the sentences.

1. I worked long hours,	a. and then I started A2.
2. I started English	b. although my writing isn't good yet.
3. First I did A1,	c. so I didn't have much time to study.
4. I speak well now,	d. because I needed it for my job.

2 Write about your English and your plans (60-80 words).

MODEL

I've studied English for two years. I started because I wanted to work abroad. At first, speaking was difficult, so I practised with a colleague every day. So far I've finished A2 and I've learnt hundreds of new words. I'm more confident now, although my grammar isn't perfect. Next year I'm going to start B1. Then I'll apply for a job in Lisbon. If I get it, I'll move there!

- How long have you studied English, and why did you start?
- Two things you have achieved so far (I've ...).
- One thing that was difficult at first, and what you did (so ...).
- Your plans for next year and what you'll do if you reach your goal.

Self-check: capital letters and full stops · subject + verb word order · this unit's grammar · this unit's words · the right length

ANSWER KEY
1 1 c, 2 d, 3 a, 4 b

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ENGLISH A2 · UNIT 12 · UNIT REVIEW Name: _____ Date: _____

Unit 12 review

Focus: unit review: for / since, future forms and goals, the tense map, progress and plan words

1 Choose the correct word.

Example: I've lived here _____ 2020. (for / since) → since

1. Ken _____ for a bank for ten years. Now he's a teacher. (has worked / worked)
2. I _____ you as soon as I get the results. (call / 'll call / 'm calling)
3. If it _____ tomorrow, we'll stay at home. (will rain / rained / rains)
4. She's thinking _____ for a job in Tbilisi. (to apply / of applying / apply)
5. We've had this flat _____ we got married. (for / since / ago)
6. Tom _____ his first exam last month. (has passed / passed / was passing)
7. Sorry, I can't talk now. I _____ a report. ('m writing / write / wrote)
8. I _____ to work when I saw the accident. (was driving / drove / have driven)
9. I _____ never flown. I'm afraid of planes. ('ve / did / was)
10. How long _____ you had your car? It looks new. (have / did / do)

2 Complete with decision, retire, so far, challenge, apply, achieve, confident or volunteer.

Example: I'd like to _____ for a year in a hospital abroad. → volunteer

1. It was a difficult _____, but Nina has decided to _____ early.
2. I've only made two mistakes _____. Not bad!
3. Driving in the city was a big _____ at first, but now it's easy.
4. Omar wants to _____ for a job at the new hotel.
5. If you practise regularly, you'll _____ your goal.
6. Speak slowly and clearly, and you'll sound more _____.

3 Match the questions and the answers.

1. How long have you lived here?	a. Really well, thanks.
2. What are you going to do next?	b. Since 2019.
3. Have you ever lived abroad?	c. I'm going to look for a better job.
4. Why did you start English?	d. No, never, but I'd like to.
5. How's your new job going?	e. Because I needed it for work.

ANSWER KEY

1 1 worked, 2 'll call, 3 rains, 4 of applying, 5 since, 6 passed, 7 'm writing, 8 was driving, 9 've, 10 have **2** 1 decision / retire, 2 so far, 3 challenge, 4 apply, 5 achieve, 6 confident **3** 1 b, 2 c, 3 d, 4 e, 5 a

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