Skills for success

Skills for life
Why Initiative?

The 21st Century and University skills sections focus on clear learning outcomes and transferable skills to boost students’ future potential.

A premium digital offer provides the option of creating a fully interactive learning environment.

The Communication Trainer and Exam Trainer exploit video content to enhance students’ communication and performance.

Grammar is presented through a variety of real-life contexts that immediately appeal to students.

Structured development of communicative and productive skills enhances students’ confidence and output.

Initiative has interesting topics with lots of background information for the teacher. Up-to-date in all aspects including 21st century skills. It has lots of material but it’s also inspiring to create your own. One of those books that helps you become a better teacher.

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Study, practice and play with pronunciation wherever you are! A premium version and wordlists are available with coursebook vocabulary.

Online Workbook

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Teacher's Resource Centre

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http://www.wordle.net

Thirsty for great resources organised by subject matter and level?

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Want a tool for brainstorming ideas with your students and organising revision?

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Lights, camera, action! A great online video recording site that is easy to use and even easier to share!

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