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PREFACE

This textbook is intended primarily for the students of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, University of East Sarajevo, as a basic teaching tool for the subject English Language 2. The English Language 2 course is oriented towards the students who have already been learning English as the first foreign language during the primary and secondary education, and whose knowledge of English is at Intermediate or Upper-Intermediate level (B1 or B2). The students attend the lessons in this subject during the second semester of the first year of study, at all study programs. However, due to the content, this textbook can certainly be used in teaching English at other related faculties of technical orientation, primarily those dealing with computing and information technology.

The textbook is a kind of continuation of the textbook for the subject English Language 1 and, they together make a whole, which is completely logical, since these are two teaching subjects that are taught one after the other during the winter and summer semesters of the same year of study. It is based on fifteen teaching units, within which various topics in the field of computer science and information technology are covered, presented in the form of texts and appropriate exercises that accompany them. Also, the teaching units cover three broad areas of English grammar that are not covered in the textbook for English 1: Modal verbs, Conditional sentences and Verbals.

The texts in the textbook are authentic, written by native speakers and, if necessary, adapted and edited to suit the teaching needs, goals and purposes. The covered areas range from general considerations of the impact of computing and information technology on life and society, through general and specific topics related to hardware and software, to programming, networks and the Internet. Each of the texts is accompanied by appropriate exercises. In the exercises, apart from the questions conceived and directed in such a way that, through them, it is easier to understand the texts, both as a whole and by highlighting their most important elements and parts, the emphasis is primarily on the adoption and development of the vocabulary in the field of computing and information technology, understanding the language structures which characterise the texts in this field (with special emphasis on noun compounds and collocations), identification of certain sentence patterns which occur in the discourse of computing and information technology, and development of the ability to create longer and shorter textual units on relevant topics. At the end of the textbook, there are three appendices. The first of them is dedicated to collocations, the second to idioms, and the third to phrasal verbs in English.