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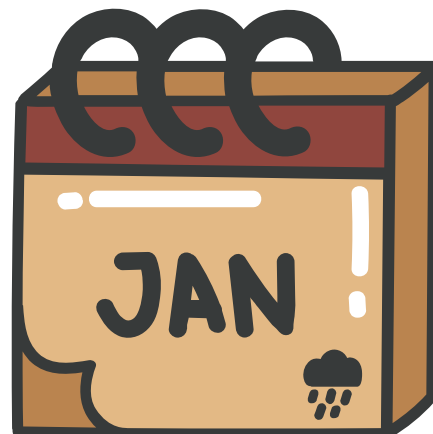


# Latest News of SOFL

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- **The Proficiency exam which will be held on 5th February participation forms are announced.**
- **Track 2 Quiz appeal forms are announced on 10th January.**
- **Student lists for Track II Progress Test are announced.**
- **Student lists for the Proficiency Exam are announced.**
- **Speaking Exam Session lists are announced.**
- **The results of Proficiency exam which was held in January 23 are announced.**
- **The 23 January Proficiency exam appeal forms are announced.**



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# January 1st

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## New Year's Day

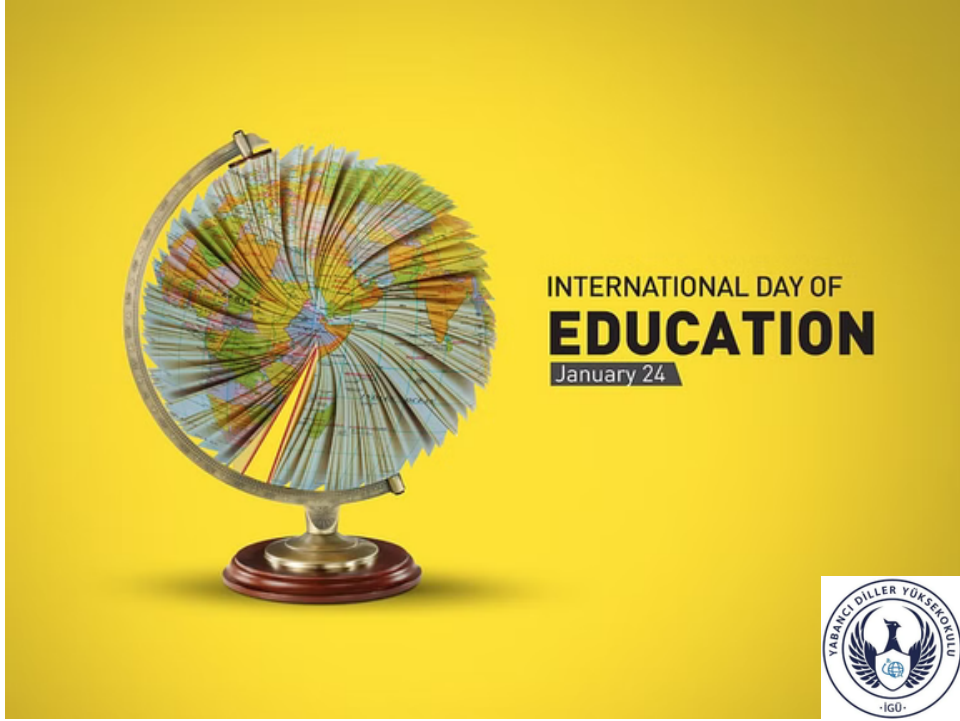


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January 24th

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# International Day of Education



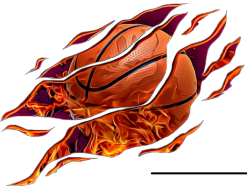
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**January 27th**

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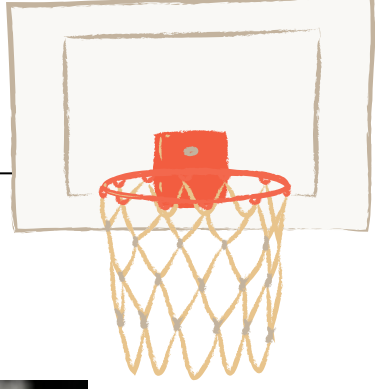
# **International Holocaust Remembrance Day**





# Alperen Şengün

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**Alperen Şengün was born on July 25, 2002, in Giresun, Turkey. He plays as a center and power forward. He currently wears the jersey of the NBA team Houston Rockets.**





## How did it all begin?



**“One day, while watching his brother's high school game together, Alperen entered the court during halftime, took the ball in his hand, and threw it towards the basket. This shot resulted in a score, and it was impossible not to notice his talent in that shot. This was how Alperen first encountered a basketball and scored his first points” Şengün's former basketball player father Kemal Şengün points out.**



**Şengün with his first coach Salim Taslı**







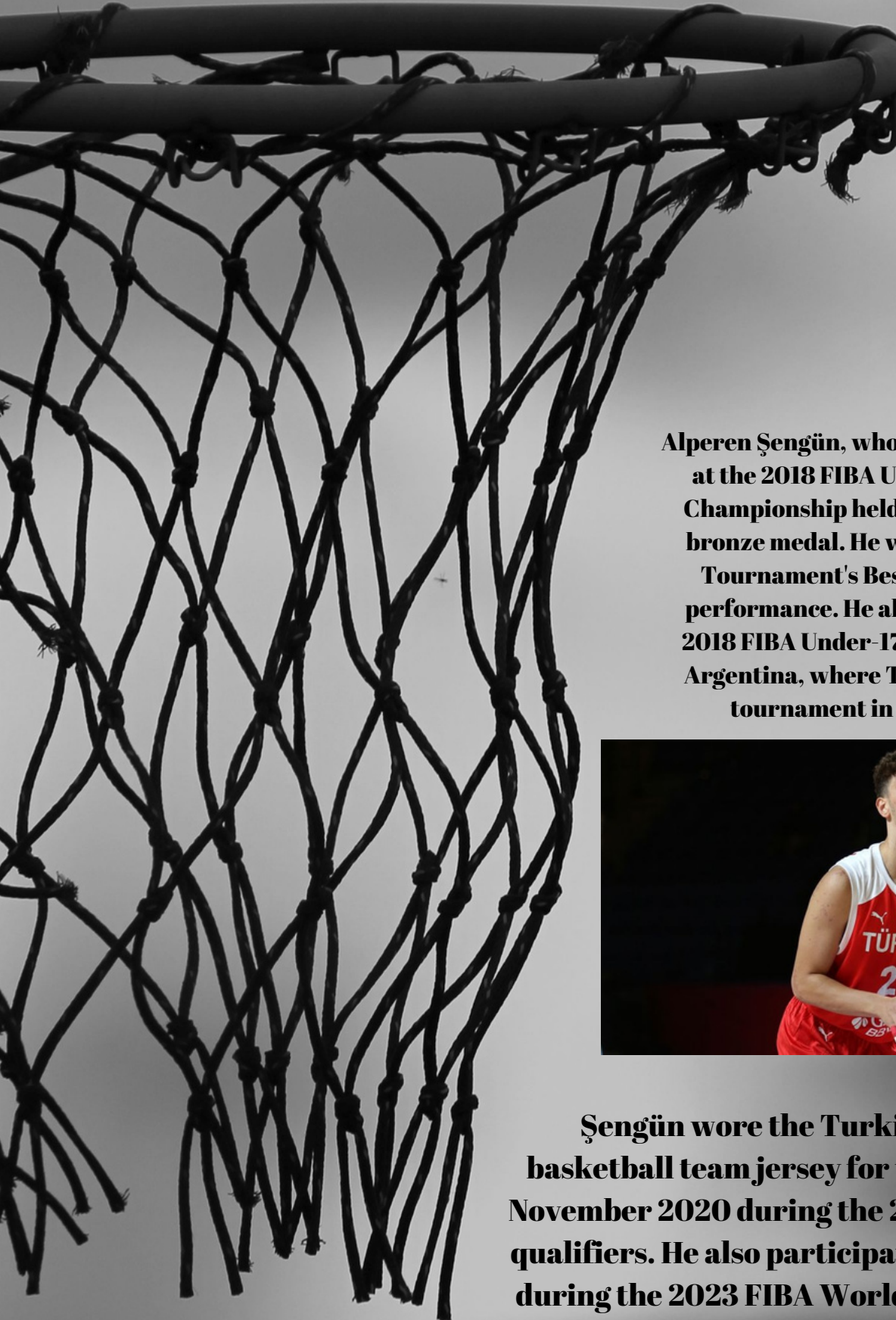
Salim Tash describes Alperen Şengün's personality:

"He had many positive qualities such as keeping his word, being able to perform the shown action at the first attempt, leading his friends, being social, humorous, and so on. We also cannot overlook the contribution of his teammate Murat Korkmaz to his development. They were competing together. Banvit team also wanted him, but he chose to prioritize his education."



"Starting his basketball journey in Giresun, Şengün signed his first professional contract with Bandırma Kırmızı. Wearing the Beşiktaş jersey, he was selected as the Most Valuable Player of the regular season in the 2020-21 Basketball Super League and became the youngest player to be named MVP in the league. Şengün, selected in the first round, 16th overall, in the 2021 NBA Draft, became the second highest-drafted Turkish basketball player."





**Alperen Şengün, who represented Turkey at the 2018 FIBA Under-16 European Championship held in Serbia, won the bronze medal. He was selected for the Tournament's Best Team due to his performance. He also competed at the 2018 FIBA Under-17 World Cup held in Argentina, where Turkey finished the tournament in the fifth place.**



**Şengün wore the Turkish national basketball team jersey for the first time in November 2020 during the 2022 EuroBasket qualifiers. He also participated in two games during the 2023 FIBA World Cup qualifiers.**

**In the 2021 NBA Draft, Şengün was selected by the Oklahoma City Thunder in the first round, 16th overall, and was subsequently traded to the Houston Rockets in exchange for two future first-round draft picks. On August 7, 2021, he signed a contract with the Rockets. Şengün played his first game in the 2021 NBA Summer League against the Cleveland Cavaliers, recording 15 points, 15 rebounds, 4 blocks, 3 assists, and 1 steal.**



**On January 12, 2023, in a match where they were defeated 135-115 by the Sacramento Kings, Şengün achieved his first career triple-double with 10 points, 10 rebounds, and 10 assists. With this accomplishment, he became the youngest center to record a triple-double in NBA history and the youngest player in Rockets history to achieve a triple-double.**

**On January 17, in a match where they were defeated 140-132 by the Los Angeles Lakers, Şengün played with 33 points, 15 rebounds, 6 assists, and 4 blocks, breaking his career scoring record. Additionally, he surpassed Shaquille O'Neal to become the youngest center in NBA history to achieve statistics of 30 points, 10 rebounds, and 5 assists. Furthermore, he became the youngest player in Rockets history to score at least 30 points and grab 10 rebounds in a single game, breaking Hakeem Olajuwon's record from 1984.**





**On January 26, in a match where they were defeated 108-103 by the Washington Wizards, Şengün achieved his second career triple-double with 21 points, 11 rebounds, and 10 assists. Additionally, he became the youngest center in NBA history to record multiple triple-doubles before turning 21 years old.**



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# Did you know?

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**The word ‘almost’ is the longest in the English Language with all the letters in alphabetical order.**



**‘Pronunciation’ is the word which is most mispronounced in the English Language.**

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# English Idioms

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**The ball is in your court.**

It is up to you.



**Come rain or shine**

No matter what



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# English Riddles

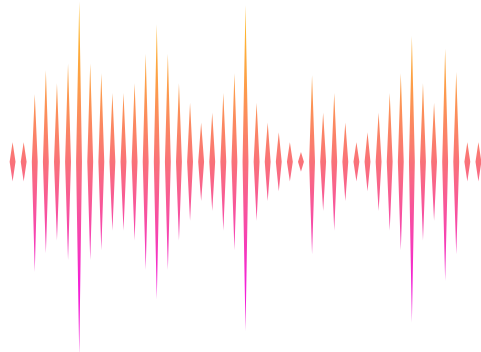
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**I'm not alive, but I can die; I'm not solid, but I can melt.  
What am I?**



**Answer: ice**

**I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no  
body, but I come alive with the wind. What am I?**



**Answer: an echo**

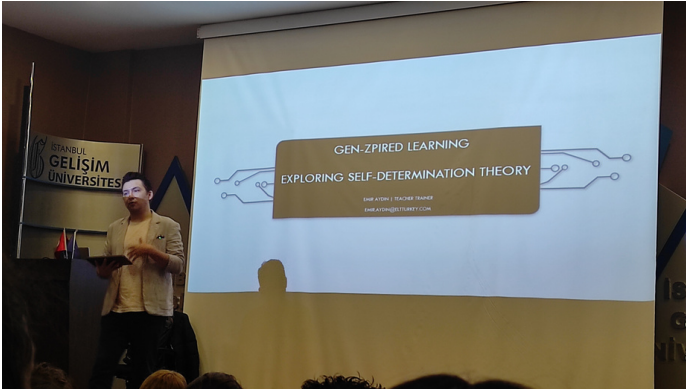
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# Our Staff's Academic Activities

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In SFOL, we support our instructors' academic endeavors.



**Educational consultant Emir Aydın made a presentation titled “ Gen-ZPired Learning Exploring Self-Determination Theory ”**

## **Webinars**

**Webinars and events take place on a regular basis because the need for being up to date when it comes to teaching in the 21st century, makes seminars an inseparable part of professional development. For a detailed list of webinars on English language teaching, you can visit the following website:**

**<https://webinars.eltngl.com>**

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# Our School On Social Media

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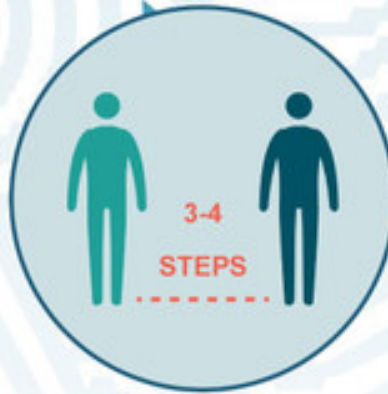




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AVOID CLOSE CONTACT SUCH AS HANDSHAKING AND HUGGING.



AVOID CROWDED PLACES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.



DO NOT TOUCH YOUR MOUTH, NOSE AND EYES WITH DIRTY HANDS.



WASH YOUR HANDS WITH WATER AND REGULAR SOAP FOR AT LEAST 20 SECONDS.



USE HAND SANITIZER IF THERE IS NO WATER AND SOAP.