

## Course Syllabus

### Valaya Alongkorn Rajabhat University

Course: College English Skills Preparation

Course Code: VLE101 (Sat. and Sun.)

#### Course Description

Practice and develop four English language skills focusing on basic vocabulary, communicative sentence structures, such as listening and reading about current issues, learning in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and speaking and writing about daily life, early events and life goals in the information age.

#### Objectives

To let the students practice and develop four English language skills and prepare them for learning and using English at college level in the 21<sup>st</sup> century

#### Teaching and Learning Activities

Week	Topics	Teaching Methods/Activities
1	- Orientation - Taking the VRU-TEP test - Nouns (I)	The activities are based on student-centered learning.
2	Nouns (II) - Plural nouns - Countable and uncountable nouns - Much, many	
3	Pronouns - Personal pronouns - Possessive pronouns - Reflexive pronouns	
4	Adjectives - Comparative adjectives - Superlative adjectives	
5	Verbs - Making the subject and the verb agree - Transitive and intransitive verbs Adverbs	
6	Prepositions - Prepositions of place and movement - Prepositions and adverbials of place and position Conjunctions	
7	Mid-term exam review	
8	Mid-term Exam	
9	Simple present - Talking about your daily life and routine - Simple present - Adverbs of frequency	

Week	Topics	Teaching Methods/Activities
10	Present continuous - Talking about your likes and dislikes - Simple present and present continuous	The activities are based on student-centered learning.
11	Simple past - Talking about your favorite hobbies and interests - Simple past - Time expressions	
12	Past continuous - Talking about something that happened to you - Simple past and past continuous - Adjectives of emotion	
13	Future Simple - Talking about an important celebration in your life - Future plans and decisions - Future simple with 'going to' and 'will'	
14	Present Perfect (I) - Talking about things you've done - Present perfect - Adjective to describe experiences	
15	Present Perfect (II) - Talking about technology in your life - Present perfect - For, since, just, yet, and already	
16	Final exam Review	
17	Final Exam	

## Measurement and Evaluation

### 1. Measurement

1.1 During the semester	80%
- Attendance and participation	10%
- Assignments	40%
- Online practice	10%
- Mid-term Exam	20%
1.2 At the end of the semester	20%
- Final Exam	20%

### 2. Evaluation

Score range

60 - 100%	=	S
0 - 59%	=	U

## Course Materials

Craven, M. (2016). **Breakthrough plus 2**. London: Macmillan Education.

Murphy, R. (2010). **Essential grammar in use** (3rd ed.). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Sargeant, H. (2009). **Essential English grammar**. Australia: Learners Publishing.

Vince, M. (2010). **Elementary language practice: English grammar and vocabulary** (3rd ed.). Oxford: Macmillan Education.

## Online practice

**Activity:** The students practice English outside the classroom with online exercises. The online practice is composed of 50 questions.

Correct answer(s)	Online practice score(s)
1-12	3%
13-24	6%
25-50	10%

The online practice link will be given to the students on **20 January – 23 February 2020**. The students have to finish all online exercises by the given time.