

Course Syllabus

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Course: College English Skills Preparation

Course Code: VLE101 (Mon.–Fri.) 1/2020

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 21st 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 21st century

Teaching and Learning Activities

Week	Topics	Teaching Materials	Teaching Activities
1	Course orientation Vocabulary (I) - Jobs	Materials for classroom and online teaching, e.g. - PowerPoint	The activities for both in classrooms and online classes are based on student-centered learning.
2	Vocabulary (II) - Jobs Grammar - Present simple Skills - Read and speak: My job - Adverbs of frequency English for Everyday Life - Making appointments - Prepositions of times	- Word - Zoom application - Google Classroom - Hangouts application - etc.	
3	Vocabulary - Life events Grammar - Past simple Skills - Read and speak: A biography - Infinitive of purpose English for Everyday Life - Responding to news		
4	Vocabulary - At the station Grammar - Present continuous - Present continuous and present simple Skills - Listen and speak: In a taxi - want, like, need English for Everyday Life - Offering and asking for help		

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5	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Directions and locations Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Past continuous Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and write: An unusual event - when, while English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Giving directions 	Materials for classroom and online teaching, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PowerPoint - Word - Zoom application - Google Classroom - Hangouts application - etc. 	The activities for both in classrooms and online classes are based on student-centered learning.		
6	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The world Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Future with going to Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen and write: A round-the-world race - Large numbers English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expressing doubt 				
7	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Describing people - Modifiers Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adjectives and adverbs Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and write: A personality quiz - Expressing likes and dislikes English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At the shops 				
8	Mid-term Exam				
9	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TV programs Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present perfect Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen and write: The news - Present perfect with present result English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expressing opinions 				
10	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cooking Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quantity - Quantity expressions Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and speak: A diet - but and however English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expressing annoyance 				

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11	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shops Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comparatives and superlatives Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen and write: Where do you normally shop? - Not as ... as English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a clothes shop - too/enough 	Materials for classroom and online teaching, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PowerPoint - Word - Zoom application - Google Classroom - Hangouts application - etc. 	The activities for both in classrooms and online classes are based on student-centered learning.
12	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Money Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Future with will Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and speak: What will the future be like? - Expressing opinions 2 English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Talking about money problems 		
13	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the office Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obligation Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Listen and speak: Commuters - Time expressions English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greeting a visitor 		
14	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the home (I) Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advice (I) Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and write: I promise to love, honor, and wash up (I) - Expressing opinions 3 (I) English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Describing faults (I) 		
15	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the home (II) Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advice (II) Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read and write: I promise to love, honor, and wash up (II) - Expressing opinions 3 (II) English for Everyday Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Describing faults (II) 		
16	Final exam review		

Measurement and Evaluation

1. Measurement

1.1 During the semester	80%
- Attendance and participation	10%
- Assignments	15%
- Expressing gratitude project (Productive Learning)	15%
- Online practice	10%
- A presentation of an English website	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

Hutchinson, T. (2018). *English for life: pre-intermediate*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Details of the course activities

Expressing gratitude to medical professionals and healthcare workers during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic

Activity: The students write a message in English on a piece of A4 paper to thank medical professionals and healthcare workers for dealing with the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic

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 **31 August – 27 September 2020**. The students have to finish all online exercises by the given time.

A presentation of an English website

Activity: The students introduce an English website for learning English or practicing their English skills outside the classroom by making a two- to three-minute video clip. The video clip presents how to use the website and what the students gain from using it.