ESL—Intermediate Reading—Four Credits
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Lorraine C. Smith, Nancy Nici Mare, Concepts for Today, 2nd Ed. Thomson Heinle 2004
Cambridge Dictionary of American English

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This is an intermediate reading course for academically oriented students of English as a second or foreign language. This course is designed to develop effective reading strategies. This course is for credit with Pass/Fail grading.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Students will develop critical reading skills such as
- Scanning
- Finding the main idea
- Using context clues
- Analyzing text
- Drawing conclusions
- Organizing information by using diagrams, charts, outlines
- Summarizing

METHODOLOGY: Students read a variety of articles from the textbook as well as periodicals and newspapers, analyze the reading material, participate in class discussions of the readings, and write summaries. Tests are given on several chapters. Tests may be closed or open book, in-class or take home.

COURSE POLICIES: You are expected to attend all classes. Attendance will be taken during the first 5 minutes of the class period.

Please note on your syllabus when exams are scheduled. Missed exams cannot be made without excuse from the Dean of Students.

Reasonably neat work is expected on all material submitted for grading.

COURSE EVALUATION: The course grade will be based on tests, quizzes, summaries and homework. The final grade for the course is Pass or Fail. Pass = 72% or more. Fail = 71% or below.

Tests: 45% Quizzes: 20% Homework: 20% Summaries: 15%
SYLLABUS

Week 1: 1/11-1/15
Introduction
A Cultural Difference: Being on Time
Phrasal Verbs I

Monday, January 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Week 2: 1/19-1/22
Changing Lifestyles and New Eating Habits
Phrasal Verbs II
Quiz: Thursday, 21 January

Week 3: 1/25-1/29
Dreams: Making Them Work for Us
Language: Is It Always Spoken?
Phrasal Verbs III

Week 4: 2/1-2/3
Loneliness: How Can We Overcome It?
The Importance of Grandmothers
Phrasal Verbs IV
Quiz: Wednesday, 3 February

2/4-2/5
WINTER CARNIVAL

Week 5: 2/8-2/12
Innocent until Proven Guilty
The Reliability of Eyewitnesses
Phrasal Verbs V
TEST: Thursday, 13 February

Week 6: 2/15-2/19
Solving Crime with Modern Technology
Ancient Artifacts and Ancient Air
Phrasal Verbs VI
Quiz: Thursday, 18 February

Week 7: 2/22-2/26
How Lunar Eclipses Have Changed History
Mars: Our Neighbor in Space
Phrasal Verbs VII

Week 8: 3/1-3/5
The Paradox of Happiness
Close to Home
Phrasal Verbs VIII
Quiz: Thursday, 4 March

3/6-3/14
SPRING BREAK

Week 9: 3/15-3/19
The Birth Order Myth
Why so Many More Americans Die in Fires?
Phrasal Verbs IX
TEST: Thursday, March 18

Week 10: 3/22-3/26
Acupuncture: The New Old Medicine
Highs and Lows in Self-Esteem
Phrasal Verbs X
Quiz: Thursday, 25 March

Week 11: 3/29-4/2
The Federal System of Government
Too Soon Old, Too Late Wise

Week 12: 4/5-4/9
The Pursuit of Excellence
Antarctica: Whose Continent Is It Anyway?
Quiz: Thursday, April 8

Week 13: 4/12-4/16
A Messenger from the Past
Is Time Travel Possible?
TEST: Wednesday, April 14

Week 14: 4/19-4/23
Review

English Language Proficiency Test: Thursday, April 15

FINALS WEEK: 4/26/-4/30 Final Exam

This syllabus is subject to change by the instructor as appropriate.

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Disability Services: http://www.studenthandbook/student_services.html/disability

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