



The University of Suwon

ESL Syllabus

Autumn 2017

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Course Objectives:

The goal of this course is to provide students with the skills necessary to be a confident and independent user of English. This course will focus upon the following:

- **Listening to activate and reinforce other skills** (Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, Listening, and Speaking)
- **Role playing and pair-work to become a more confident speaker**
- **Problem solving to develop critical thinking skills**
- **Reading to activate and reinforce other skills** (Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, and Writing)
- **Reading to become a better reader** (Skimming, scanning, predicting, and comprehension)
- **Reading to develop critical thinking skills** (Prioritize, Make Conclusions, Draw Comparisons, Make Inferences, etc...)
- **Reading for enjoyment** (Discover enjoyment and usefulness in reading in a second language)

Course Guidelines:

- All students **must** use the required texts (Using a textbook with answers already filled in, is not appropriate and will result in a loss of points)
- Students must act respectfully and courteously in class at all times
- Please place all handphones on **silent** and **don't use them**
- Handphone use for dictionaries is allowed and encouraged

Required Text/Material:

- Listening & speaking skills textbook: English Firsthand 1 & 2 (Pearson Longman)
- Reading Skills TextBook: Select Readings Pre-Int 2nd Edition (Oxford University Press)

Course Websites:

<http://blackboard.suwon.ac.kr/>

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Expectations:

- Attend and participate actively in all general class sessions
- Complete all required activities, and any related assignments
- Make all assigned pair, group, and class presentations

NOTE: This is a skills-based course that requires participation and effort during every class session and regular practice outside of class. Students will not improve their English skills without a personal commitment to serious effort

Assignments:

- Students will need to participate in weekly speaking tasks.
- Students must complete homework assignments and quizzes on Blackboard.

Policies:

To complete a course, students must attend at least 75% of classes. That is, if students miss a course more than **four** times, they will fail the course.

- **Excused Absences:**
 - There are NO excused absences.

Tardiness:

- Late for more than the first half of the class hour = 1 absence
- 3 times late = 1 absence

- **Missed Exam:**

- **The course has 2 exams – (Midterm Exam and Final Exam)
- Missing any exams results in an automatic F for the class
- Makeup exams are allowed but will be docked points

- **Grading:**

- Homework = 25%
- Midterm exam = 25% (Online Test 12.5% + Speaking Test 12.5%)
- Final exam = 25% (Online Test 12.5% + Speaking Test 12.5%)
- Attendance and Participation = 25%

NOTE: The course is graded on a curve (relative grading).

ESL Schedule Autumn 2017

Date	L&S Lesson	Reading Lesson	Homework Due Date
Week 01: Aug 28-Sept 3	Introduction to the course	Introduction to the course	
Week 02: Sept 4-10	Unit 2	Chapter 8 <i>Understanding Headings</i>	Sept 23
Week 03: Sept 11-17	Unit 3	Chapter 8 <i>Understanding Headings</i> <i>Review</i>	Sept 30
Week 04: Sept 18-24 <i>개교기념일 University</i> <i>Foundation Day: Sept 25</i>	Unit 4	Chapter 9 <i>Making Predictions</i>	Oct 7
Week 05: Sept 25-Oct 1	Unit 5	Chapter 9 <i>Making Predictions Review</i>	Oct 14
Week 06: Oct 2-8 <i>추석 Chuseok: Octobert 3-9</i>	Speaking Test	Chapter 10 <i>Distinguishing Facts from Opinions</i>	Oct 21
Week 07: Oct 9-15	Speaking Test/Review	Chapter 10 <i>Distinguishing Facts from Opinions Review</i>	Oct 28
Week 08: Oct 16-22	Midterm Exam	Midterm Exam	
Week 09: Oct 23-29	Unit 8	Chapter 11 <i>Dealing with Unfamiliar Words</i>	Nov 11
Week 10: Oct 30-Nov 5	Unit 10	Chapter 11 <i>Dealing with Unfamiliar Words Review</i>	Nov 18
Week 11: Nov 6-12	Unit 11	Chapter 12 <i>Using Context Clues</i>	Nov 25
Week 12: Nov 13-19	Unit 12	Chapter 12 <i>Using Context Clues</i> <i>Review</i>	Dec 2
Week 13: Nov 20-26	Speaking Test	Chapter 13 <i>Summarizing</i>	Dec 9
Week 14: Nov 27-Dec 3	Speaking Test/Review	Chapter 13 <i>Summarizing Review</i>	Dec 16
Week 15: Dec 4-10	Make-Up Week	Make-up Week	
Week 16: Dec 11-17	Final Exam	Final Exam	