ENGLISH FOR PUBLIC POLICY

Fall 2013

General Information

October 7, 2013 –January 6, 2014 1:30 – 3:30 pm

Teaching Team

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Textbook

Oxenden, C. (2007). New English File, Pre-Intermediate and Intermediate, Student's Book. Oxford University Press.

Course Objectives

By the end of this course, students should be able to

- Communicate in English with confidence in everyday conversations
- Recognize improvement in English reading, writing, and listening skills
- Move onto more advanced language studies

Course Description

Class will meet three times per week. Each session is devoted to verbal and listening exercises designed to familiarize students with vocabulary and grammar useful in general settings. Although the intermediate and pre-intermediate classes share a syllabus, instruction and textbooks in each class will be modified to respond to students' abilities. Class instruction will be in English only.

Requirements

Students are required to attend every class session, participate actively in class, and complete all assignments on time.

Final grades are calculated as follows:

Class participation	20%
Quizzes	30%
Final Exam	50%

Class Participation: The school's class attendance policy is applied. Students are expected to make the most of their class time by participating actively and vocally in all activities.

Quizzes: Designed to evaluate the progress of students during the course, quizzes will be delivered in both oral and written form. Students absent on the day of a quiz will receive a grade of "0" unless otherwise announced by the Academic Registrar.

Final Exam: TOEFL-style. The last class session will be devoted to familiarizing students with the format and reviewing the course content.

Class Schedule

Week	Class	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
2	Pre-Inter	1B: Present Simple (Gavin)	1C: Present Continuous (Kelly)	1D: Defining Relative Clauses (Gavin)
	Intermediate	1A: Present Simple and Continuous (Kelly)	1A: Present Simple and Continuous (Gavin)	1B: Past Tenses (Kelly)
3	Pre-Inter	Writing: Describing Yourself + Quiz (Kelly)	2A: Past Simple Regular + Irregular Verbs (Gavin)	2B: Past Continuous (Kelly)
	Intermediate	1B: Past Tenses (Gavin)	1C: Future Forms (Kelly)	1C: Future Forms (Gavin)
4	Pre-Inter	2D: So, Because, But, Although (Gavin)	Writing: The Story Behind a Photo (Kelly)	3A: Going To, Present Continuous (Gavin)
	Intermediate	Writing: Describing a Person + Quiz (Kelly)	2A: Present Perfect + Past Simple (Gavin)	2A: Present Perfect + Past Simple (Kelly)
5	Pre-Inter	3B: Will/Won't (Predictions) (Kelly)	3C: Will/Won't (Promises) (Gavin)	3D: Review of Tenses + Quiz (Kelly)
	Intermediate	2B: Present Perfect Cont. (Gavin)	2B: Present Perfect Cont. (Kelly)	2C: Comparatives and Superlatives (Gavin)
6	Pre-Inter	4A: Present Perfect (Gavin)	4B: Present Perfect Simple (Kelly)	4C: Comparatives (Gavin)
	Intermediate	2C: Comparatives and Superlatives (Kelly)	Writing: Telling a Story + Quiz (Gavin)	3A: Obligation (Must, Have To, Should) (Kelly)
7	Pre-Inter	4D: Superlatives (Kelly)	5A: Uses of the Infinitive + Quiz (Gavin)	5B: Verb + ing (Kelly)
	Intermediate	3A: Obligation (Must, Have To, Should) (Gavin)	3B: Deduction (Must, May, Might, Can't) (Kelly)	3B: Deduction (Must, May, Might, Can't) (Gavin)
8	Pre-Inter	NO CLASS	NO CLASS	NO CLASS
	Intermediate	NO CLASS	NO CLASS	NO CLASS
9	Pre-Inter	5C: Have/Don't Have to	5D: Expressing	Writing: A Formal Email

		(Gavin)	Movement (Kelly)	+ Quiz (Gavin)
	Intermediate	Writing: An informal letter + Quiz (Kelly)	4B: Second Conditional (Gavin)	4B: Second Conditional (Kelly)
10	Pre-Inter	6A: First Conditional (Kelly)	6B: Second Conditional (Gavin)	6C: May/Might (Kelly)
	Intermediate	4C: Usually + Used To (Gavin)	4C: Usually + Used To (Kelly)	Writing: Describing a house or flat + Quiz (Gavin)
11	Pre-Inter	6D: Should/Shouldn't (Gavin)	Writing: To a Friend (Kelly)	7A: Present Perfect (Gavin)
	Intermediate	5A: Quantifiers (Kelly)	5A: Quantifiers (Gavin)	5C: Gerunds and Infinitives (Kelly)
12	Pre-Inter	7B: Present Perfect of Past Simple? (Kelly)	7C: Used To + Quiz (Gavin)	7D: Passive (Kelly)
	Intermediate	5C: Gerunds and Infinitives (Gavin)	Writing: Formal Letters and a CV + Quiz (Kelly)	6A: Reported Speech (Gavin)
13	Pre-Inter	8A: Something, Anything, Nothing, etc (Gavin)	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	8B: Quantifiers, Too, Not Enough (Kelly)
	Intermediate	6A: Reported Speech (Kelly)	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	6B: Passive (Gavin)
14	Pre-Inter	8C: Word Order & Phrasal Verbs (Kelly)	NEW YEAR HOLIDAY	Final Exam Review (Gavin)
	Intermediate	6C: Relative Clauses (Gavin)	NEW YEAR HOLIDAY	Final Exam Review (Kelly)
15	Pre-Inter	FINAL EXAM		
	Intermediate	FINAL EXAM		