

English I (E) – Credit Recovery

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

In this course, students will learn to use the Internet to communicate. They will explore mass media and gain an understanding of journalism and advertising practices. They will also explore a variety of literary genres and gain experience with research papers.

COURSE OBJECTIVE:

- Understand the Internet
- Explore Mass Media: Journalism and Advertising Techniques
- Apply Reading Strategies
- Explore Elements of Short Fiction, the Novel, Poetry, and Drama
- Understand Research Papers

This course has been specifically built with the credit recovery student in mind. The course content has been appropriately grouped into smaller topics to increase retention and expand opportunities for assessment. With each topic, diagnostic quizzes are presented to the student, allowing students to pass through areas of content that they have previously studied successfully. Post-topic quizzes are presented with each topic of content. Audio readings are included with every portion of content, allowing auditory learners the opportunity to engage with the course. Test pools and randomized test questions are utilized in pre- and post-topic quizzes as well as unit exams, ensuring that students taking the course will not be presented with the same exams.

The ELL version of the course includes additional practice activities (such as cloze activities), as well as pre-topic vocabulary lists, that introduce key vocabulary in English and in Spanish.

PREREQUISITES: None

COURSE LENGTH: Two semesters

REQUIRED TEXT: None

COURSE OUTLINE:

UNIT I: Internet Communication

Section 1 - E-mail Etiquette
Section 2 - Discussion Boards and Online Collaboration
Section 3 - Internet Safety/Potential Problems
Section 4 - Audience and Purpose
Section 5 - Editing: Spell Check

UNIT II: Mass Media: Getting the News

Section 1 - Identifying Bias
Section 2 - Journalistic Objectivity
Section 3 - Comparing News Sources
Section 4 - Journalistic Techniques
Section 5 - Apply What You've Learned

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COURSE OUTLINE (continued):

UNIT III: Mass Media: Offering Opinions

Section 1 - Editorial, Columns, and Blogs
Section 2 - Contrast Opinions and Facts
Section 3 - Writing Opinions
Section 4 - Writing to Persuade

UNIT IV: Mass Media: Advertising

Section 1 - Advertising Techniques
Section 2 - Advertising Mediums
Section 3 - Editing: Powerful Word Choices
Section 4 - Creating Advertisements

UNIT V: Semester Conclusion

Section 1 - Review Ideas Presented
Section 2 - Revise Diagnostic Essay
Section 3 - Editing

UNIT VI: Reading Strategies

Section 1 - Introduction to Reading Strategies
Section 2 - Writing Strong Intros and Conclusions
Section 3 - Note Taking
Section 4 - Correspondence-Friendly Letters

UNIT VII: Short Fiction

Section 1 - Introduction to Short Fiction
Section 2 - Editing-Sentence Fragments

UNIT VIII: The Novel

Section 1 - Exploring Theme and Symbolism
Section 2 - Sentence Variety
Section 3 - Editing: Pronoun Antecedent Agreement

UNIT IX: Lyric Poetry

Section 1 - Poetic Devices
Section 2 - Correspondence-Business Letters
Section 3 - Editing: Using Apostrophes

UNIT X: Drama

Section 1 - Introduction to Elizabethan Drama
Section 2 - Compare and Contrast Essay
Section 3 - Reading-Romeo and Juliet

UNIT XI: Research

Section 1 - Avoiding Plagiarism
Section 2 - Research Paper
Section 3 - Assignment Walk-Through

UNIT XII: Conclusion

Section 1 - Review of Ideas
Section 2 - Review Diagnostic Essay
Section 3 - Editing

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