

The Hashemite University The Language Center

Course Title: English Language - On line (121602101)

The aim of this compulsory prerequisite course is to introduce students to the paper version of the TOEFL test. It is based on the most up-to-date information available on the format and content of paper TOEFL test.

Course Objectives:

1. Knowledge and understanding:

- To enrich the students' asset of vocabulary.
- To expose students to a variety of challenging and interesting text-types in reading and structural activities.
- To expose students to the most up-to-date English as used on a daily basis.

B. Intellectual skills:

- To encourage students to analyze the systems of language in use.
- To enable students to approach different texts through different strategies and at various levels (parts of speech; sentence parts; positions of adjectives, adverbs; paragraphs; essays, etc.)

Employment skills:

- To enable students to use English fluently.
- Enable students to sit for the test which is an entrance requirement for admission at universities in the States.
- To enable students to sit for the test which has become a requirement for graduate education in Jordan.

Textbook:

Philips, Deborah. (2003). Longman: Preparation Course for the TOEFL test.

Evaluation:

First Online Exam:

Second Online Exam: 25%
Participation 10%
Final Online Exam: 40%

Notes:

- This course is taught on line which means that there will be no actual classes in a given place or time.
- It is your responsibility to follow the course regularly on the e-course system on the university web site.
- If you didn't log in to your Moodle account for 6 consecutive weeks or 6 weeks overall, you will be forbidden from the course.
- Also it is your responsibility to follow any piece of information related to the course and the exams
 In addition you should be in touch regularly with the instructor to ask about anything related to the course.
- Your assignments for attendance grades will be announced regularly on the site by your instructor.
- The first, second and final exams are assigned in accordance to the academic calendar; you should know about the first, second, and final exams' details from the STUDENT PORTAL on the University Website NOT from your INSTRUCTOR.
- Kindly, see <u>your portals</u> to know the full exam details knowing that the periods of the exams are as the following
- Don't forget to bring your university IDs at the day of the exam.
- Don't be absent at the day of the exam and know that no make-up exam will be conducted unless you bring a convincing, official proof justifying your absence.
 Otherwise, your mark is nothing but a Zero.
- Also know that (in case your proof is accepted) the make-up will be more difficult than the ordinary exam.

Tentative Weekly Course plan

WEEK	SKILLS
1	Orientation and introduction
2	 Introduction to the structure section. <u>Sentences with one clause</u> Skill 1: be sure the sentence has a subject and a verb. Skill 2: be careful of objects of prepositions. Skill 3: be careful of appositives.
3	Introduction to the reading section <u>:</u>

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	Skill1: Answer main idea questions correctly.	
	Skill 2: Recognize the organization of ideas.	
4	Sentences with one clause (Contd.)	
	Skill 4: Be careful of present participles.	
	Skill 5: Be careful of past participles.	
5	Skill 5: find pronoun referents.	
	Vocabulary skills	
	Skill 8: finding definitions from structural clues.	
6	Revision and preparation for the first exam.	
FIRST EXAM		
7	Directly answered questions	
	Skill 3: answer stated details questions correctly.	
	Skill 4 : find unstated details.	
	Skill 9: Determine meanings from word parts.	
	Skill 10: use context to determine meanings of difficult words.	
8	Sentences with multiple clauses:	
	Skill 6: Use coordinate connectors correctly.	
	Skill 7: use adverb time and cause connectors correctly.	
	Skill 8: use other adverb connectors correctly.	
	Sentences with inverted subjects and verbs:	
	Skill 15: invert the subject and the verb with question words.	
9	Skill 17: invert the subject and the verb with negatives.	
	Skill 19: invert the subject and the verb with comparisons.	
10	Revision and preparation for the second exam.	
SECOND EXAM		
11	(skill 7 of the reading part is eliminated)	
	Skill 11: use context to determine meanings of simple word.	
	Problems with subject verb agreement:	
	Skill 20:make verb agree after prepositional phrases.	
12	Skill 21: make verb agree after expressions of quantity.	
	Skill 23: make verb agree after certain words.	
13	Revision and study questions for the final	
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*First Exam/ Included skills and the allocated marks:

- Quiz before the first exam
- Structure 1-5 (15 marks)
- Reading 1,2,5,8(10 marks)
- Quiz before the second exam
- Second Exam/ Included skills:

- Structure 6,7,8 , 15, 17, 19 (15 marks)
- Reading (The skills of the first) +3, 4,9,10 (10 marks)
- Quiz before the final exam (overall grade is 10)
- Final Exam/ Included skills:
- Structure: The skills of the first and the second+ skills 20, 21, 23 (25 marks)
- Reading 1-11 Except for skills 6 and 7 (Eliminated) (15 marks).