

Birzeit University

Department of Languages & Translation

ENG1201 Course Syllabus/ Sem. I, 2022-2023

1) Course Description:

English 1201 and 1202 :Two-credit hour courses that integrate the four skills; listening, speaking, reading and writing that help students do the following: understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (basic personal and family information, local geography, employment); communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters; describe background, immediate environment, interests or activities; use simple structures accurately.

***Pre-requisite for ENG1201: Assessment test (A2 score) or ENG1002**

2) Course Objectives:

Upon the end of this course, students are expected to achieve the following objectives/goals in relation to the four language skills:

- **Reading:**
 - **Preview texts for better understanding.**
 - **Skim texts to find the main ideas.**
 - **Scan texts to find certain details.**
 - **Make inferences depending on text reading.**
- **Listening**
 - **Watch and understand videos on specific topics.**
 - **Predict content using visuals.**
 - **Listen in order to distinguish facts and opinions.**
 - **Listen in order to find out the main idea.**
 - **Listen and take notes.**
 - **Listen for details and additional information.**
 - **Listen for reasons, genre and instructions.**
- **Writing**
 - **Use capital letters and full stops correctly.**
 - **Identify and write a topic sentence.**
 - **Identify and write supporting sentences.**
 - **Organize sentences into a paragraph.**
 - **Write a paragraph with a topic sentence, supporting**

- sentences and a concluding sentence.
- Write descriptive sentences.
- Write a descriptive paragraph.
- Write a one-sided opinion paragraph.

➤ **Speaking**

- Organize information for a presentation.
- Give presentations with different types.
- Make suggestions.
- Offer opinions, agree and disagree.
- Hold debates on certain topics.
- Describe additional and contrasting information.
- Present reports.
- Sequence instructions.
- Plan and give a set of instructions.

3) Course Material

1. O'Neill, R. (2019). *Unlock Reading, Writing & Critical Thinking 2 Student's Book with Online Workbook.*
2. Dimond-Bayir, S. (2019). *Unlock Listening, Speaking & Critical Thinking 2 Student's Book with Online Workbook.*

4) Attendance Policy

Regular attendance is mandatory in all classes. Any student who misses more than one-third of the classes will receive FA. If you miss a class, it is your duty to find out what you have missed and what you need to make up. Also, in case of interruption of classes, you are expected to continue studying according to the course outline. You should also prepare in advance all videos and listening materials so as to ensure having an adequate and proper educational setting. Most importantly, students are requested to activate CLMS accounts and do all the required activities and tasks of the ONLINE workbooks.

5) Suggested Websites:

Helpful websites targeting the four skills: Listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

- <https://quizlet.com/73213924/unlock>
- <http://www.english-test.net/>
- <http://www.toEIC-online-test.com/>
- <http://www.learningchocolate.com>
- <http://www.studvenglishtoday.net>
- <http://funeasyenglish.com>
- www.merriamwebster.com
- www.YouTube.com/Edu
- <http://voki.com/>
- <http://www.eslcafe.com/>
- <http://esl.about.com/library/quiz/bltoeflquiz>

6) Course Policy

The following course policies and expectations apply to all parts of ENGC 1201:

Students are expected to:

- 1. attend all classes except in case of illness or emergency.**
- 2. prepare for class by completing readings and assigned work in advance.**
- 3. actively participate in classroom activities.**
- 4. ask questions if they do not understand.**
- 5. submit all assignments according to instructions, complete, and on time.**
- 6. use instructor comments and feedback to improve future work.**

7. cooperate with and act respectfully toward other students and the instructor.
8. communicate with the instructor about problems or concerns as soon as possible.
9. put focused and disciplined effort into the course assignments.

Important Note:

- Students are requested to do all the required activities and tasks of Cambridge Two workbooks because they are included in all quizzes and tests.
- Students must create reading and listening accounts in both online books.

7) Grade Distribution_ (The pass mark for the course is 60%)

Item	Mark %	Remarks
1. Test 1 (RW)	15%	Choose a RW unit or two units to be subject of test.
2. Test 2 (LS)	10%	Choose an LS unit as subject for the test
3. Speaking Quiz	5%	Divide students into two groups. You have two topics to test students' speaking in.
4. Portfolio	10%	You are kindly requested to ask your students to do the tasks (handwriting) on time.
5. Attendance, homework and participation	10%	
6. In-class writing assignment	10%	At least one.
7. Final exam-RW & LS	40%	It should cover the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3 RW units 2. 2 LS units: vocabulary and language development only

Course Outline

Week	Material	Unit	Exercise	Page
Week1	Discussion of course outline (just 1 lecture)			
	R&W Unit1: Places: Learning Objectives, Unlock your knowledge Watch and Listen Discussion	1 1 1 1	1,2,4,5 6 (just item 1 of the exercise). Items 2 &3 are left for sts portfolio.	14 15 17
Week 2	Reading 1	1	1, 2, , 4, 5,6,7,8 (ex. 9 for portfolio)	18-21
	Reading 2	1	1,2,5, 6,7 ex. 8 for portfolio.	22-24
	Language Development	1	1,2,3,4,5,6,7, 8	25-27
		1		
	Critical Writing	1	1,2,3,5,	28-29
	Grammar for Writing	1	1, 2, 3, 4, 6,	29-32
		1		
Week 3	L&S Unit 1: Places Learning Objectives, Unlock your knowledge	1 1 1 1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Ex 7 (1) (portfolio) 1 ,3,4,5,6,7,8	15
	Watch and Listen	1		16-17
	Listening 1			18-21

Week 4	Language Development Listening 2 Critical Thinking Preparation for speaking	1 1	1, 2 , 4, 5,7,8 1,2,3,4,5,8,9 1,5, 6 2,3,4,5,6	22-24 25-28 29-30 31-33
Week 5	Speaking activity (tell us about an interesting place and why you selected it. Listening Quiz	1		
Week 6	R & W: Unit 2 Festivals and Celebrations Learning Objectives, Unlock your knowledge Watch and Listen	2 2	 1,2,3 1,2,3,4,5,6 Ex. 7 (3) portfolio	 37 39

	Reading 1	2	1,2,4,5,6,7 Ex.8 (3) portfolio	40-42
	Reading 2	2	1,2,3	43-44
Week 7	Reading 2	2	4, 5, 6	45
	Language Development	2	1, 2, 3, . ex . 5 portfolio)	46-47
	Critical Thinking		1, 4,	48-49
	Grammar for writing	2	1,2,3,4	50-51
	Academic Writing Skills	2	1,2,3	52-53
Week 8	<u>In-Class Writing Assignment # 1</u> <u>(Optional) . Just 1 writing assignment</u> <u>is required</u> <u>Test 1 (RW</u>	2		54-55
Week 9	L&S Unit 2: Festivals and Celebrations	2		
	Learning Objectives, Unlock your knowledge	2		36-37
	Watch and Listen		1,2,3, 4,5 Ex. 6 (1) portfolio	38-39 39
	Listening 1	2	1,2,3,7,8,13,14	40-43
	Language Development	2	1,2,4,6,8,9,10	44-47

	Listening 2	2	1,4,5,6,7	48-50
Week 10	Critical thinking Preparation for speaking Speaking Task Speaking Activity. Let students talk about an event from a festival and persuade the students to go to it.	2 2 2	1,3 1,2,3,4,6 3,4	51-52 54-55 56
Week 11	R&W Unit 3: The Internet and Technology Learning Objectives, Unlock your knowledge Watch and Listen Reading 1 Reading 1	 3 3 3 3	 Questions: 1, 2, 3, 4 1,2,3,4,5 Ex. 7 (2) portfolio 1, 2, 3 5,6,7,8,10	 58-59 60-61 62 63-65
Week 12	Reading 2 Language Development Critical Thinking Grammar for Writing Academic Writing Skills	3 3 3 3 3 3	1,2 5, 6,8 1, 2, 3, 4,5 1, 2, 4, 1, 2,3,4 2,3	66 67-68 69-70 71-72 72-75 76

Week 13	Writing Task: students practice writing about one-sided opinion paragraph	3		
Week 14	Revision Final Exam			

Portfolio exercises:

unit	Page	exercise
Unit one: reading & writing	17	Ex.6 (2,3)
Unit one: reading & writing	21	Ex. 9
Unit one: reading & writing	24	Ex 8
Unit one: reading & writing	33	Ex.3
Unit one: speaking & listening	17	Ex. 17 (1)
Unit two: reading & writing	39	Ex. 7
Unit two: reading & writing	42	Ex.8 (3)

Unit two: reading & writing	47	Ex.5
Unit two: speaking & listening	39	Ex.6 (1)
Unit three: reading & writing	61	Ex.7 (2)