

Writing Syllabus Summary

Goal

This course aims to improve your English writing.

Improve what?

Your writing fluency and accuracy.

Objectives

By the end of the course you will be able to ...

- define elements of good writing
- name and create 4-8 types of sentences.
- describe and use paragraph rules
- name and correct common text mistakes
- write an error-free short text

Method

A mix of teacher lectures, quiet writing time, and personal feedback.

Most weeks we will spend 2 hours working on textbook activities and 1 hour on personal writing projects.

Textbook

Ready to Write 2

5th edition, 2017, Karen Blanchard and Christine Root

Assessment

- 2 exams (final and midterm 25% each)
- 4 small writing assignments (4 x 5%)
- Attendance (20%)
- One consultation with teacher (10%)

Pass – Fail

How do you pass?

- 60% on each exam and assignment
- 65% or higher on final grade
- attend at least on consultation
- come to class (miss 12 classes and that is F)

Conclusion

- **It is possible** to come to every class and still **fail** the course.
- Coming to class does not mean you necessarily pass.
- You must work in this class.

Other Things

- Please come to every class.
- Do not ask me to change your final grade at the end of the semester.
- You get the grade you worked for.
- Check your attendance every week. I will not update large chunks of attendance because you did not check weekly.