ESL 2320: TOPICS FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES I
FALL SEMESTER 2009

Block 1: August 24 - October 13, 2009

Final Exams October 12-16, 2009
Daytime Class: Elizabeth Hall 116  M, T, W, Th 10:30am - 11:20am
Evening Course: Elizabeth Hall 315 M, W 5:30pm - 7:20pm

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COURSE OBJECTIVES:
1. Review and reinforce the reading strategies learned in Level 2.
2. Lessen dependency on dictionaries and increase acquisition of meanings of words and expressions *in context*.
3. Practice skimming and scanning strategies to locate information.
4. Summarize and paraphrase ideas that comprise a main idea.
5. Use contextual clues to understand order and sequencing.
6. Increase reading speed with full comprehension.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:
1. Attend class very regularly! IMPORTANT: Attendance will be used to determine the final grade.
2. Read each assignment so that you are prepared to participate in class. Work done in class cannot be made up; when you miss class, you lose points.
3. Bring all necessary materials to class: pencils, blue or black ink pens, a text highlighter (for example: a Sharpie Accent, Avery or other brand), 8 1/2 x 11 inch writing paper, a dictionary, and ALWAYS bring your course text, In Context, to class!

ATTENDANCE:
Plan to attend class very regularly -- absences have a negative effect on the final grade for the class. Course 2320 covers a great deal of material, and includes graded work, quizzes, and tests.

NOTICE REGARDING CANCELLATION OF CLASSES IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, such as an outbreak of the H1N1 virus.
In the event of an extended campus closure, I will continue to provide instruction and interaction by means of the Weber State University EMAIL system. My email (as above) is:
Throughout the time of the closure, you can expect an email message from me on specific days each week during the closure; the specific days will be determined in the first email you would receive from me, in the event of such a closure. Since I plan to use WEBER EMAIL systems for all communication purposes, you must know that YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING YOUR WILDCAT EMAIL ACCOUNT VERY REGULARLY.

The email I send you will contain a file (Word, PowerPoint, audio, etc.) file attachment that will provide a lecture substitute, directions for any written assignments, and readings, and any other pertinent information. You are to complete the assignment during the same week and submit it in the text of the email, as well as an attachment to an email message back to me by the following Sunday evening. Tests and exams will be postponed until students are able to return to campus, unless the closure extends beyond three weeks. In that case, I will send an email message containing a link to a Chi Tester (or other) assessment measure/instrument with specific instructions for completing the assessment.

Because it can be challenging to complete assignments in a word processing program, I will accept homework either electronically (as specified above, in a document in the WILDCAT EMAIL you send and/OR as via (by means of) Standard US MAIL to the following address:

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