

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Year and Semester: Spring 2019

English as a Foreign Language

Name of course: Trom Basisi

Teacher: Orly Taub

Classroom: 613 H3

Class hours: Mon. 9:00-12:00
Wed. 16:00-19:00

DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE

The purpose of this course is to teach students how to read and comprehend a connected passage on scientific topics. The majority of the texts are authentic selections from journals and a text book.

Textbook: Making Connections 2. Kenneth J. Pakenham – Jo McEntire – Jessica Williams

Only new and unmarked books are acceptable. Bring your books to every lesson.

Dictionary – Oxford - English – English dictionary is adequate for the university needs. You may however use any dictionary you choose, including an electronic one. Only battery operated dictionaries are allowed. Bring your dictionary to every class. During all exams (Seens, Unseens and finals) only clean dictionaries will be allowed. Any student found with anything written in the dictionary, will have the dictionary and exam confiscated and will be sent to "Va'ad Mishma'at" You may not share dictionaries during exams.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Notices – Grades, room changes and other class announcements will be posted in MOODLE.

Attendance – Class attendance is compulsory. For any absence you need to have a reasonable excuse, such as sickness or Miluim. If you are absent from class without such an excuse, you may not be allowed to take the final exam.

Before returning from an absence, you should mail your teacher or ask your friends what work you have missed. Absence is not an acceptable excuse for coming to class unprepared.

Teachers keep records of attendance. If you come late to class, make sure that the teacher marks you present at the end of the lesson. When you return from

an absence, it is your responsibility to inform the teacher why you missed class. Otherwise you will be marked absent without an excuse. If you don't bring your books to class, you may be considered absent without an excuse.

Assignments - Although there is no grade for homework assignments, all homework assignment must be completed. If you do not do your homework, you may receive a grade of 800, which means uncompleted work, and you will not be allowed to take the final exam, until your assignments are completed.

A student who has a failing class grade can take Moed Aleph and Moed Bet and these two grades will be averaged and will be their grades.

Exams and grades – The class grade is 60% which is divided as:

Unseen 1 - 20%

Unseen 2 - 20%

Class grade – Practices and class work – 20%.

Make up – Only for students who don't take either Unseen 1 or Unseen 2 must take the Make up. It is not to improve the grade.

Final exam - 40%.

The Unseens' dates will be announced in class.

If you have a special problem that requires a special arrangements for exams, you must submit a request to the Va'adat Hora'ah the first week of the course. You must talk to the social workers in the office. Do not delay in submitting the request. The passing grade for the course is 56. A grade less than 56 will be the exam's grade, regardless of the class grade. Then you must come for Moed Bet.