

Ben Gurion University of the Negev

English as a foreign language

Trom Basis Aleph Level

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Please write to me only in English; I refuse to answer e-mails in Hebrew.

Description and requirements

A. Purpose

One of the central purposes of the course is to facilitate Trom Basis Aleph level students with reading and comprehension of Technology / Science or Humanities and Social Sciences texts in English. The course will focus on topics and texts that are relevant to the student's academic literacy. The students will engage in four skills: writing, listening, oral reports and reading comprehension which will be tested.

B. Materials

1. Course reading materials will be posted on Moodle so students should check Moodle each day after class or similar request by teacher.
2. Dictionary: Choose the format that you are most comfortable with. (Electronic dictionaries or Book).

No Quicktionaries, no smart phone dictionaries, no smart watches,

No laptops or tablets are allowed on exams.

The use of such tools in class is at the teacher's discretion.

- *Dictionaries may not be shared nor may beep during exams.*

C. Departmental (BGU) rules:

1. Full attendance is mandatory from the first week of the semester. A student is allowed to miss up to two (2) lessons, as long as relevant documentation is provided. Missing more than two lessons will result in a failing course grade. (700)
2. The student must bring the assignment texts to class.
3. The student must complete class and home assignments and handing them on time when requested to do so.
4. A student without a class grade will not be allowed to take the final exam and the final course grade will be 700.

D. Grades:

The following components are compulsory in order to pass the course (passing grade = 56).

- i. Final exam 50% (with minimum passing grade of 56).
- ii. Written assignment -10%
- iii. Listening comprehension -10%
- iv. Oral report -10%
- v. Vocabulary quiz – 10%
- vi. Practice Unseen – 10%

CLASS GRADE = 50%, FINAL EXAM =50%

Dates of exams:

Moed Aleph: 16.1.22

Moed Bet: 22.2.22

Moed Gimel: 21.3.22