

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- familiarize ourselves with the basic terminology and key concepts of English grammar so that we acquire the meta-language to talk about grammatical phenomena adequately
- get introduced to task-based-teaching (TBT) as one way to develop grammar lessons for ESL learners

COURSE CREDIT REQUIREMENTS & GRADING

Your final grade will depend on the number of points you score. You can get the maximum of 100 points if you

- attend regularly: attend 11/12 classes (excluding the first class and the midterm exam), and each class you attend gives you 2 points, so maximally 22 points. Absences can be excused by providing a doctor's note or another substantial (!) reason for your absence. Unexcused absence in more than 3 classes may result in failure of the class.
- hand in 4 written homework assignments for a maximum of 20 points (5 points each)
- pass a midterm exam for a maximum of 28 points
- pass a final exam for a maximum of 30 points
 - If you encounter a scheduling conflict with the examination dates, please notify me by 1 November so that we may arrange an alternative date.
 - Both the midterm and the final exam are closed book and closed notes. Please bring a 50-item scantron sheet and a blue book to both exams.

INFORMATION ON DROPPING CLASSES

<<http://essc.unt.edu/registrar/schedule/scheduleclass.html>>

COURSE MATERIALS & READINGS

The required textbook for this class is: Celce-Murcia, M. and D. Larsen-Freeman. 1999. *The grammar book*. MA: Heinle & Heinle.

All other course materials will be posted on Blackboard or made available in class.

ODA STATEMENT

The University of North Texas is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of federal equal opportunity legislation; reference Public Law 92-112 – The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended. With the passage of new federal legislation entitled Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, there is renewed focus on providing this population with the same opportunities enjoyed by all citizens.

CONTACT

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Class: Mondays 6:30-9:20pm (Lang 113)

Office hours: Thursdays 2-5pm

1	8/29	Introduction to the class
	9/5	No class (Labor Day)
2	9/12	Parts of speech I / Introduction to Task-based teaching (TBT)
3	9/19	Parts of speech II (including modal auxiliaries and phrasal verbs)
4	9/26	Complementation patterns Homework assignment 1 due today
5	10/3	Tense/Aspect
6	10/10	Sentence constituents and word order
7	10/17	Revision for midterm exam Homework assignment 2 due today
	10/24	Midterm exam
8	10/31	Passive constructions
9	11/7	Finite adverbial clauses
10	11/14	Relative clauses / non-finite clauses
	11/21	No class (Thanksgiving Holiday) Homework assignment 3 due today
11	11/28	Reported speech and writing
12	12/5	Revision for final exam Homework assignment 4 due today Deadline for extra credit submissions
	12/12	Final exam