

Academic Writing and Grammar I
Ivy Collegiate School
2021-2022

Department: English
Email:

Time: MTuW 10:05-11:00
Place: 805

Course References: The following textbook is required for Academic Writing and Grammar I. Any additional worksheets will be provided throughout the school year.

- Amy Cooper and Samuela Eckstut-Didier, Grammar Explorer 3A, National Geographic Learning, 2015

Objectives: Academic Writing and Grammar I is a class designed to help incoming students develop their writing skills and strengthen their knowledge of grammar. Students will gradually work their way up from writing grammatically correct sentences to paragraphs to short essays. We will also touch on different forms of poetry to expose students to a variety of ways in which grammar can be used to great effect.

Co-/Prerequisites: N/A

Course Policy:

- You must come to class prepared every day and take part in discussions related to what is covered in class. Daily participation is required.

Class Policy:

- Regular attendance is essential and expected.
- All written assignments must be your own original work and will be checked for plagiarism.
- Students will be responsible for keeping any additional handouts or readings throughout the course. It is recommended that students have a dedicated folder or file for class.

Reading Course Outline:

Week One: Simple present and present progressive

Week Two: Stative verbs

Week Three: Simple past and past progressive

Week Four: Present perfect

Week Five: Present perfect progressive and present perfect

Week Six: Past perfect and past perfect progressive

Week Seven: Review

Week Eight: Will, be going to, present progressive, and simple present

Week Nine: Future time clauses

Week Ten: Future: progressive, perfect, and perfect progressive

Week Eleven: Negative yes/no questions and statement questions

Week Twelve: Tag questions; answers to tag questions

Week Thirteen: Poetry: Haiku

Week Fourteen: Review

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Week Fifteen: Count and non-count nouns; quantity expressions

Week Sixteen: Articles

Week Seventeen: Subject-verb agreement

Week Eighteen: Gerunds

Week Nineteen: Infinitives

Week Twenty: Gerunds + infinitives

Week Twenty-one: REVIEW

Week Twenty-two: Necessity, prohibition, obligation, and expectation

Week Twenty-three: Ability

Week Twenty-four: Advice, regret, and criticism

Week Twenty-five: Possibility and logical conclusions: present and future

Week Twenty-six: Possibility and logical conclusions: past

Week Twenty-seven: Poetry: Limericks

Week Twenty-eight: Sentence diagramming

Week Twenty-nine: Sentence diagramming II

Week Thirty: Writing with purpose

Week Thirty-one: REVIEW PERIOD

Week Thirty-two: CAPSTONE PRESENTATIONS

Week Thirty-three: FINAL TEST

Grading Policy: Homework and quizzes (60%), Finals and Project (40%)

Important Dates:

Final Examination, Semester I Dec 13-16, 2021

Final Examination, Semester II May 30 - June 2, 2022

Academic Honesty: Students are expected to abide by the policies regarding Academic Honesty as laid out in the ICS Student Handbook. Any violations will be forwarded for administrative review and the possible imposition of academic penalties.