

Reading /Writing VI General 8-Week Timeline

Materials: *Testing Your Grammar (TYG)*

Reader's Choice (RC)

Various photocopies

Week One:

- Opening day business
- Introduction to the class –syllabus, “Conjugal Prep” from RC
- Introduction to Grammar
- Introduction to sentence structure
- TYG—Adjective Clauses and phrases
- Reading and vocabulary---Movie review from a newspaper
- Introduction to metaphor—poems and riddles (RC and photocopies)
- Weekend assignment—Watch a movie in English. Be prepared to write about it.

Week Two:

- TYG-Noun Clauses
- Adverbial Clauses and phrases—photocopies
- Discuss bias in writing. RC—“Can English be Dethroned”
- Work on Movie Reviews
- Introduction to morphology (RC)
- Various reading from RC

Week Three:

- Essay #1 (Movie review) due
- Reading assignment #1 distributed
- Various readings and exercises in RC—Sentence study, Vocabulary in context, etc.
- Argumentation explained (claim, warrant, evidence) advertisements discussed
- TYG—Wish
- TYG Conditionals
- Photocopies—Inversion and conditions Poem—“Out, Out”
- TYG –So vs. Such
- Grammar quiz

Week Four:

- Reading Assignment #1 due
- TYG –Negative adverbs
- Photocopies—“The dozens”
- TYG—The subjunctive
- Photocopies “Dear Abby” advice
- In –class essay—Write a letter of advice in response to a prompt
- Introduction to synthesis
- Plagiarism discussed

- Reading assignment two explained—Report to the class on the articles the student has read for the synthesis. Define three new words.
- Various RC reading chosen to highlight synthesis style.

Week Five:

- Synthesis papers due
- Reading assignment two—reports on articles
- Glossary project explained—Students must turn in illustrative sentences based on the new words from reading assignment #2.
- Grammar: Countability and articles—lecture, “field trip”, photocopies and TYG chapters.
- Grammar quiz

Week Six:

- Vocabulary quiz based on RC articles
- TYG and photocopies :Expressions of quantity
- TYG Subject/Verb agreement
- TYG Comparative forms
- Photocopy--The- plus –Comparative
- Photocopy—Connectors
- In-class essay ---describing action using connectors
- Various readings and exercises from RC
- Introduce reading assignment #3
- Glossary project due

Week Seven:

- Photocopies--Introduction to quoted and reported speech
- Readings in RC to highlight quoted and reported speech
- Reading assignment #3 due.
- Vocabulary quiz based on RC readings
- Writing assignment #3—Interview essay
- TYG and photocopies: Word form, word choice, causative verbs and verbs of perception

Week Eight

- Interview paper due
- TYG—Prepositions
- TYG—Adjectives and Adverbs
- TYG –Participial adjectives
- Grammar review
- Readings from RC
- Final exams—Reading, Writing, and Grammar.

