

**Welcome to
VB 036
English Skills for
IT II
Course**



Agenda

- ▶ Introductions
- ▶ Ice-breaker
- ▶ VB036 intro and requirements
- ▶ CJV FI courses

Introductions

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GET TO KNOW
EACH OTHER



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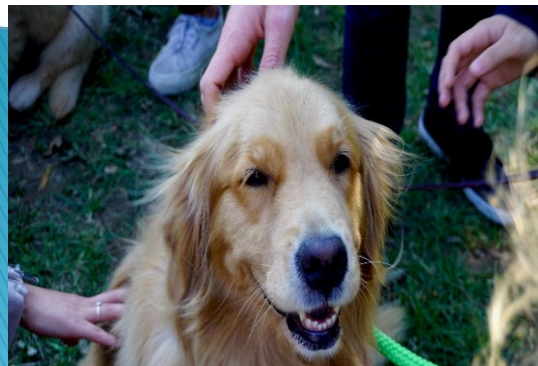
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MEMORABLE ME

1. TAKE THREE MINUTES TO THINK OF A UNIQUE OR MEMORABLE FACT ABOUT YOURSELF THAT MAKES IT EASY FOR OTHERS TO REMEMBER YOU.

2. WE WILL START WITH ONE PERSON INTRODUCING THEMSELVES BY SAYING THEIR NAME AND SHARING THEIR MEMORABLE FACT.

3. THE NEXT PERSON WILL REPEAT THE PREVIOUS PERSON'S NAME, THEIR MEMORABLE THING BEFORE INTRODUCING THEMSELVES, ETC.



Compulsory Courses

il language,

- ▶ VB036 English II (presentation skills, discussion skills)
- ▶ VB001 English Exam:
 - ▶ written part – see the mock test in the IS
 - ▶ oral part – presentation, discussion

Course Requirements

- ▶ Individual In-class Presentation
- ▶ Presentation Handout
- ▶ Presentation Style Review
- ▶ ROPOTs
- ▶ Attendance
- ▶ Active participation in class assignments + exercises for self-study

VB036: Course Intro

- ▶ Presentations, discussion, SR, exam preparation
- ▶ Interactive syllabus IS – course information

Giving a presentation


- ▶ On IT related topic (ideal)
- Timing 6–7 minutes
- ▶ Avoid giving a simple overview on a particular topic

Basic Information on Self-Driving Cars X

Why Self-Driving Cars Will Not Revolutionize Driving +

- Q&A session
- Discussion
- Feedback

Presentation Handout

- ▶ a
 - ▶ the goal of the presentation (key fact/message(s) to remember)
 - ▶ a bullet–point summary of the presentation
 - ▶ important key words to remember
 - ▶ sources/references
 - ▶ and a few discussion–provoking questions.
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CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING PRESENTATION

- GOOD CONTENT
- CLEAR STRUCTURE (3PTS – INTRODUCTION, STRUCTURE + CONCLUDING, NOT SUMMARIZING!)
- USAGE OF SIGN POSTING
- CORRECT USAGE OF ENGLISH(3PTS) *
- RELEVANT RANGE OF VOCABULARY
- FLUENCY
- CORRECT PRONUNCIATION (AVOIDING IRRITATING MISTAKES)
- STRESS AND INTONATION
- QUALITY AND LANGUAGE OF VISUALS (2PTS)
- EYE CONTACT, PROPER BODY LANGUAGE
- OVERALL IMPRESSION (FUN, PASSION, EXPERTISE, EFFORT, DRESS CODE...)
- REFERENCES
- GOOD TIMING
- HANDLING THE Q&A SESSION
- ASKING QUESTIONS

CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING DISCUSSION

➤ HANDOUT (1 POINT)

➤ ACTIVE PARTICIPATION = BEING PRO-ACTIVE (moving discussion forward, getting back on track, discussion phrases, summarizing) AND INVITING OTHERS TO PARTICIPATE (3 PTS)

➤ APPROPRIATE (FORMAL) LANGUAGE (2PTS)

➤ AGREEING/DISAGREEING, TURN-TAKING, NEGOTIATING (complex argumentation, negotiating the topic at the beginning, negotiating the conclusion) (2PTS)

➤ TASK COMPLETION (RATED AS THE WHOLE GROUP)- summarizing the whole discussion, important points and stances of the group and suggestions for further steps/action/studies

➤ COHESION/COHERENCE (RELEVANCE)


Presentation Style Review

- ▶ Attend a colloquium led by an IT expert at FI
- ▶ Comment over:
 - style
 - vocabulary range
 - transitional expressions/signposting
 - visual information
 - the person's style of speaking
 - what you learnt from the colloquium/lecture
- ▶ Start with an introduction
- ▶ The suggested length 250 words
- ▶ Deadline: end of April

Class Principles

students in charge

mistakes are to be appreciated



EXAM VB001

- ▶ Listening (True/False statement), sentence completion
- ▶ Reading (gap filling, correcting mistakes)
- ▶ Grammar and vocabulary (paraphrasing, word formation, gap filling)
- ▶ Writing (formal/semi-formal e-mail 160 words)
- ▶ Presentation+ discussion.

WRITING EXAM CRITERIA

▶ 0-12 POINTS (PASSMARK - 7 PTS)

▶ MEETING TASK REQUIREMENTS (2pts)	GRAMMAR (1 pts)
DESCRIBING THE PROBLEM	VOCABULARY (2pts)
SUGGESTING SOLUTION	ORGANIZATION OF INFORMATION, PARAGRAPHING (2pts)
FORMAL LANGUAGE (3pts)	RELEVANT LINKING EXPRESSIONS (2pts)
SALUTATION	
CLOSING	
TEXT TOPIC (I´m writing to...)	

English Courses at FI

- ▶ VV066 English Conversation

VB039 and VB040: Presentations in English I and II

- ▶ VB064 Academic and Professional Skills for IT

- ▶ VB037 writing in English

- ▶ CJVAEA English Autonomously

- ▶ VV079 English Online – English Exam Support

- ▶ VB000Eng Introduction to Academic Writing

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Skim the first 9 pages of the article and give answers to the following questions:

1. How much of the workforce will need to reskill according to the IBM research?
 2. What do the employees prioritize on?
 3. How do some business leaders react to the advent of AI? How effective are the tactics they are implementing?
 4. How will the global labour market landscape change according to the World Economic Forum?
 5. What rank of workers will be impacted by AI era the most?
 6. What can help the executives in leading their companies?
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