

Syllabus and requirements – Practical Language 4A

Seminar group 1: 1.00 – 3.15 p.m., room 58

Seminar group 2: 8.25 – 10.40, room 12

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Compulsory material: New Cutting Edge, Student's Book – Upper Intermediate (2005).
Cunningham, S. & Moor, P. Pearson Education Limited: Harlow.

Requirements:

In order to pass the course you need to pass at least 70 % out of 200 points, which consist of:

Placement test 1 – 10 points

Placement test 2 – 20 points

Progress test – 10 points

Attendance and active participation – 10 points

Written assignment – 10 points

Homework and self study – 10 points

Final written test – 80 points (minimal pass mark is 70 %; you can have a re-sit)

Oral test – 50 points

Assignment for the whole course:

- regular attendance: because we are already going to miss a lot of sessions due to bank holidays and your teaching practice, regular attendance is strongly recommended!
- homework and self-study: this is also an essential part – you must come ready for each seminar and devote time to your self-study as well (see the details below)

- 2 written assignments: you will choose 2 topics from the topics we will have discussed and write a specific written essay to those 2 chosen ones (upload them in the IS); the deadline is 14th December for both writings
- learning plan: you will choose at least 3 activities connected with English learning that you find interesting and helpful and that you want to devote your time to in your free time. You will send me a list of these activities and details about realizing those activities at the latest on the 4th October.
 - o examples of these activities:
 - reading an English book
 - analyzing song lyrics
 - watching series in English
 - having a skype conversation with an English speaking friend
 - visiting an Eng. speaking country
 - visiting an Eng. speaking event
 - participating in an international student club
 - chatting with friends in English
 - writing a learning diary
 - extra grammar exercises on the Internet or in a textbook
 - e-learning courses, etc.
 - o you can choose anything that fits you and your interests but remember that you must plan all the details of your activity:
 - e.g. don't write: I'm going to listen to some songs.
 - instead write e.g. : I'm going to listen to the songs of XXX at least XXX a week and I'm going to read their lyrics and choose interesting vocabulary from these songs.

Sessions:

21st September: introduction, requirements, placement test 1, analyzing your strengths/weaknesses in English, setting goals; Unit 1

5th October: Unit 1

12th October: Unit 2

19th October: Unit 2, Unit 3

26th October: Unit 3, progress test

23th November: Unit 4

30th November: Unit 4

7th December: Unit 5

14th December: placement test 2, Unit 5