# ENGLISH 126 (FALL 2016) COLLEGE READING SKILLS

Course #57866

TTH 12:00-1:50 LFS-B

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Text: 10 Steps to Advanced Reading 2nd ed. By John Langan

Materials: A good college level dictionary

Black or blue pen for essays in class

Standard 8 ½ x 11 college ruled notebook paper

Course Description: This course is to develop the students' basic reading skills into college-level proficiency in the areas of vocabulary usage, literal comprehension, and critical reading skills. Students will be trained to use various reading and analyzing strategies for different writing styles. The class emphasizes reading and writing as a problem solving process.

## **Course Requirements:**

- 1)Class participation
- 2) Excessive absences [4] will lead to failing the class
- 3)Habitual lateness will lead to being dropped from the class
- 4) Assignments are due on their due date
- 5)Outside reading will be required along with possible research
- 6) Critical thinking and writing skills are necessary for all assignments
- 7) Evidence of plagiarism or cheating will result in an F and reported to the dean
- 8) In class tests cannot be made up later

### **Grading:**

- 1) Class participation 15%
- 2) Summaries and writing responses 70%
- 3) Quizzes, tests, text exercises 15%

100-90% = A

89-80% = B

79-70% = C

69-60% = D

50-0% = F

#### **General Information:**

- 1) Writing will be in academic style---MLA format.
- 2) All opinions and positions must be supported by legitimate sources.
- 3) Cell phones are to be off and are not allowed in class. I will collect them during testing.
- 4) If you have special needs of any kind, please let me know.
- 5) I may alter this syllabus; it is meant only as a guide.

#### **ENGLISH 126**

#### FALL 2016 SCHEDULE

Introduction Week #1

Class rules, syllabus, schedule Aug 15-19

Reading and writing sample

Vocabulary Quiz Week #2

Text: Introduction (Quiz?) Aug 22-26 Reading/writing assignments

Outside reading: Chapter 1

Week #3 **Vocabulary Quiz** 

Text: Chapter 1 (Quiz) Aug 29-Sep2

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 2

Vocabulary Quiz Week #4

Text: Chapter 2 (Quiz) Sep 5-9

> Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 3

Week #5 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter 3 (Quiz) Sep 12-16

> Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 4 & 5

Vocabulary Quiz Week #6

Text: Chapter 4 (Quiz) Sep 19-23

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 6

**Vocabulary Quiz** Week #7

Text: Chapter 5 (Quiz) Sep 24-30

> Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 7

Week #8 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter 6 (Quiz) Oct 3-7

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 8

Week #9 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter 7 (Quiz) Oct 10-14

> Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 9

Week #10 Oct 17-21 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter 8 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments
Outside reading: Chapter 10

Week #11 Oct 24-28 **Vocabulary Quiz** 

Text: Chapter 8 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments

Outside reading: Chapters 11 & 12

Week #12 Oct 31-Nov 4 **Vocabulary Quiz** 

Text: Chapter 9 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 13

Week #13' Nov 7-11 **Vocabulary Quiz** 

Text: Chapter 9 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 14

Week #14 Nov 14-18 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter 10 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 15

Week #15 Nov 21-25 Vocabulary Quiz

21-25 Text: Chapter 10 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments Outside reading: Chapter 16

Week #16 Nov 28-Dec 2 Vocabulary Quiz

Text: Chapter: Part 4 (Quiz)

Reading/writing assignments

Outside reading: Discussion/Assignment

Week #17 Dec 5-9 **Vocabulary Review Test** 

**Text Review** 

Final Preparation

Week #18

**Final Exam** 

**Dec 12-16** 

Tuesday Dec 13th 12:00-2:00 / Evening Class 6:00-8:00 PM

CONGRATULATIONS!!
YOU DID IT!!