

ASL 1

Reedley College
ASL 1, Fall Semester 2011

Instructor: James Lawrence

Course: American Sign Language 1

No Office hour: Please email or page me at JLBike@aol.com. I will e-mail you, but please don't depend on me too much, unless you have good reason like serious or emergency.

Code: 54002 **Class Meetings:** POR 1

Class Time: Tuesday, and Thursday 12:00- 1: 50 PM

1. PARTICIPATION:

Participation is a mandatory requirement. Students are expected to meet all class sessions. If you miss a session, you will lose points and information. It is the student's responsibility to keep up with the assignments. You are responsible to ask your classmate for missing homework and information for class. Please make an arrangement to discuss with Instructor about missing quiz, Midterm Exam or Final Exam if something happens.

2. PUNCTUALITY:

Students are expected to arrive for class on time and attend the entire period. I can't teach you if you are not on class. Each class will begin and end on time. There will be ten to fifteen minutes break, which will begin at different times, depending on how class time is progressing.

3. HOMEWORK & CLASS ROOM PARTICIPATION :

An assignment will be given each week that will be due at the next class meeting. Students are expected to actively participate in all classroom activities. Please note: Classroom participation will play a major role in the assessment of your final grade. Experience has shown that students who participate actively will learn more and sign better.

4. EXAMINATIONS:

The MIDTERM and FINAL examinations will be cumulative. Occasionally, there will be pre-announced a Pop quizzes during the semester. With this in mind, the student will need to be prepared for each and every class. The student will also be graded on one presentation.

No Talking with your voice in allowed / Turn off your cell phone, unless you have emergency!!!

This is to help you use Sign Language more without voice. I need your respect.

From this point on you will be treated as college students. In return, I expect you to conduct yourselves in an appropriate manner. This includes everything from being in class before our scheduled starting time to conducting yourselves as college students in the classroom. Any person who continues to disrupt a class will be dropped from the course.

Points:

2 Quizzes = 50 points (5 points each)

1 test = 100 points (5 points each)

2 Tests = Midterm/Final = 100 points (5 points each)

Participation = 5 points (170 points of 34 classes)

Homework = 25 points (5 points each)

Report up to 5 pages or more

50 to 45 Points: A, 44 to 39 Points: B, 38 to 33 Points: C, 32 to 27 Points: D, 26 to 0 Points: F

The total number of points will be compiled and the total number of points will reflect the grade each student earns. Test papers and other assignments will evaluate according to the following scale.

Points: **Final Grades**

395 – 295	A
294 – 195	B
194 – 095	C
094 – 085	D
084 – 000	F

5. BOOK REPORT:

Book report is due on _____.

The student is also responsible for a book report that will be due before the semester ends. Summarize ten chapters you pick. (a minimum one or two pages of report) Instructor will be available to answer any questions if you have anything for feedback.

(Students in ASL 1 are required to read a book, For Hearing People Only. It is a very interesting book. Read all chapters and pick 10 chapters – Student will learn a lot about the deaf culture through reading.)

6. Quizzes:

Quizzes will be given after practicing in the classroom with announcements.

7. MIDTERM EXAM:

The exam will be given on _____ after practicing in the class. Students must take this exam in order to receive credit.

8. FINAL EXAM:

The FINAL exam will be given on _____ after practicing in the class. Student must take this in order to receive credit.

9. MATERIAL:

Please bring the following items to class each week:

***Required text: Signing Naturally Level 1 Units 1-6 (White Book with gray strip) and For Hearing People Only (Second Edition)**

***Sense of humor**

***Creativity**

***Patience**

***Smile**

***Be yourself**

***Support each other**

***Teamwork**

I look forward to seeing you in class!

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- Aug. 16 Introduction to ASL 1 Welcome your name to each other, Deaf History, Fingerspelling A to Z on page 19.
- Aug. 18 Selected Numbers Conversation Practice
- Signing Naturally Unit 1: Introducing Oneself. Number 1 to 15, Fingerspelling names, Vocabulary
- Aug. 23 Practice Fingerspelling Practice A to Z, any word like name, things., What, Where, Who, why, when, how
- Aug. 25 Signing Naturally Unit 2: Exchanging Personal Information, Number 16 to 29 and Vocabulary.
- Aug. 30 Review Unit 1 to 2, for ASL structure Play Game A to Z .
Book Report about: "For Hearing People Only" (require), Deaf History or more research. Due on November 22
- Sept. 01 Unit 1 to 2 on quiz. Signing Naturally Unit 3: Discussing Living Situations Far away, moderate distance, and very near. You will see it.
- Sept. 06 Signing Naturally Unit 3: Discussing Living Situations : Cardinal Numbers 30-66
- Sept. 08 Signing Naturally Unit 3: Discussing Living Situations – Vocabulary, Spatial Agreement, Conveying Size Lengths of Time, old, and How old
- Sept. 13 Signing Naturally Unit 3 Making Request: Fingerspelling – Watch very carefully for trick / Still practice all above for unit 3 for feedback
Do your homework for cutting and paste Different pictures from magazines like Parents, Kids, Home Gardens, etc. Looking for different shape like box, tire, phone, rooms. Paper size is poster with pictures due on Thursday, September 29.
- Sept. 15 Watch Movie: Children of a Lesser God then Do your homework for short report
- Sept. 20 Short report about Children of a Lesser God and Talk to each other with sign language
- Sept. 22 Signing Naturally Unit 3: Discuss about different pictures. Practice for vocabulary and ASL structure
- Sept. 27 Review Signing Naturally Unit 3 for feedback
- Aug. 29 You'll speak with ASL for different pictures. If you will meet deaf person or more, you are real worth to earn more experience to write down the report for extra credit. Deaf Events on Calendar. Take a look website bottom of page before spring break or after. You will show it to me, I'll mark better grade.
- Oct. 04 Test on Signing Naturally Unit 3.
- Oct. 06 Review on Unit 1 to 3 for all of them
- Oct. 11 Midterm Examination on Units 1 to 3
- Oct. 13 Tell to each other about Midterm Examination on Units 1 to 3 for feedback
- Oct. 18 Signing Naturally Unit 4: Talking About Family – Vocabulary, Rocking Numbers

- Oct. 20 Signing Naturally Unit 4: Which only child, oldest, or youngest are you in family? How old, and How many brother / sister do you have? He, she, It, her, His, They, Them, Their
- Oct. 25 Signing Naturally Unit 5: Ben's Keys. How many keys do you have?
Talk to each other with sign
Review Unit 4 – Vocabulary
- Oct. 27 Signing Naturally Unit 4 on Quiz
Signing Naturally Unit 5: Telling About Activities – Vocabulary Review, Past, Present, and Future for when
- Nov. 01 Signing Naturally Unit 5: You, What do you do? Me, What do I do? Two of us, Three of us, four of us, give of us, all of us
- Nov. 03 Sign daily for Sunday to Saturday. Month, year, etc...
Talk to each other for your experience to meet deaf or more in somewhere.
- Nov. 08 Signing Naturally Unit 5: Main Street, USA and Buildings/Streets at Reedley College
Review Unit 5 then Unit 5 on Quiz
- Nov. 10 Signing Naturally Unit 6: Storytelling – A lot of creative you own idea for good story
- Nov. 15 Watch Movie: Sound and Fury then Do your homework for short report
- Nov. 17 Help each other about Storytelling for feedback with sign
- Nov. 24 Be ready to sign in short storytelling
- Nov. 22 Test on unit 4 to 5
Book Report Due and feedback Group discussion to feedback each other
Group Discussion Review Units for feedback about all unit 1 to 5
Which day, I will let you know for Final Examination Unit 1 to 6 of Signing Naturally
- Nov. 24 No class for Thanksgiving Holiday, Keep up sign on Holiday and weekend!
- Dec. 01 All review Unit 1 to 6 for feedback to each other
- Dec. 08 & 10 Still Review units 1 to 6 and Play Game or watch movie: Mr. Holland's Opus
- Dec. 15 or 17 **ASL Unit 1 to 6 Final Exam**, after that, all final grades

Take a look Website for www.dhhsc.org

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Service Center, Inc.
A lot of deaf events on 2011 calendar