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LANGUAGE and CULTURE CENTER

05.02.01 Level 1

What is the schedule like?

Your classes will be 4 hours a day, 5 days a week. Classes will take place either from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

What are the Level 1 goals?

- To achieve basic communicative competence in reading, writing, listening, and speaking.
- To acquire the skills necessary to progress to intermediate levels of English proficiency.

What are the Level 1 skill outcomes?

A student who successfully completes Level 1 will demonstrate the ability to:

READING OUTCOMES

- Read and understand short passages.
- Answer simple comprehension questions.
- Identify topic and main idea.
- Identify supporting details.
- Preview and predict content.
- Scan a passage for specific information.
- Skim a passage for the main idea.
- Recognize word forms: noun, verb, adjective, and adverb.
- Identify synonyms and antonyms.
- Use a monolingual English picture dictionary.
- Follow simple written directions.

WRITING OUTCOMES

- Write simple sentences.
- Recognize and use correct paragraph format.
- Write related sentences on a given topic.
- Use descriptive, narrative, and other rhetorical modes.
- Proofread for errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.
- Avoid plagiarism.

LISTENING OUTCOMES

- Understand the spoken letters and sounds of the English alphabet.
- Understand numbers, including those in dates, addresses and telephone numbers.
- Understand contractions, third person singular, and past tense endings.
- Follow simplified instructions given at a reduced rate of speed.
- Understand simple questions.
- Identify the main idea of a short listening passage.
- Identify details of a short listening passage.

SPEAKING OUTCOMES

• Produce the sounds of the English language.

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- Say the alphabet and numbers, including dates, addresses and telephone numbers.
- Imitate correct stress and intonation.
- Express basic needs and wants.
- Ask and answer simple questions.
- Describe people, places, and things.
- Speak using simple sentences, basic grammar structures, and English word order.

What grammar structures will be taught in Level 1?

A student who successfully completes Level 1 will be familiar with:

GRAMMAR STRUCTURES

- regular and irregular verbs
- subject-verb agreement
- present tenses: simple and continuous
- past tense: simple
- future time verb forms
- basic modals
- indicative mood
- sentence formation: subject-verb-object
- question formation: yes/no and wh- questions
- nouns count and non-count
- pronouns
- adjectives
- adverbs of frequency
- articles
- prepositions: time and location
- basic coordinating conjunctions

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