

Fall '97

LEARNING LAB 0110 COURSE OUTLINE

READING IMPROVEMENT SECTION

ACADEMIC UPGRADING DEPARTMENT  
GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE

Section LL0110 B2	TR	10:00 - 10:50 AM	A208
Section LL0110 C2	TR	3:30 - 4:20 PM	A208

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The reading section of LL0110 is designed to prepare students entering college high school equivalency programs to read effectively and think clearly. The course focuses on literal reading skills of identifying main ideas, supporting details, and organizational patterns in paragraphs and short essays.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Upon completion of the course, students will be able to
  - identify main ideas in paragraphs and longer selections,
  - distinguish main ideas and supporting details,
  - identify implied main ideas in paragraphs,
  - distinguish major and minor support,
  - identify six groups of transition words,
  - identify five patterns of organization, and
  - make inferences from reading selections.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

Ten Steps to Building College Reading Skills, Form B, Second Edition, Bill Broderick, Townsend Press, 1994.

CLASS FORMAT

Short lectures, group discussion, individual lab work and computer assisted learning will be used to improve reading comprehension skills.

GRADING/EVALUATION

Classwork and Assignments.....	25%
Tests, Quizzes, and Reviews.....	25%
Final Exam.....	50%

## **INSTRUCTOR POLICY**

1. Attendance is compulsory. Excessive absences (4,5 days) may result in being barred from the final exam. If you must be absent from class, please inform me and make arrangements for assignment completion.
2. Absence during a test will result in a mark of zero. If you cannot be present at the exam, please make alternate arrangements with me **BEFORE** the exam date.
3. Late assignments will not be accepted unless you make arrangements with me **PRIOR TO** the due date.

**ABSENCES, NO MATTER HOW JUSTIFIED, DO NOT EXCUSE YOU FROM HAVING TO DO THE WORK. EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT IN CLASS, YOU ARE STILL EXPECTED TO COVER THE MATERIAL, DO THE ASSIGNMENTS, AND HAND THEM IN.**

**PLEASE COME AND SEE ME IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING PERSONAL OR LEARNING DIFFICULTIES. TOGETHER, WE MAY BE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT A SOLUTION WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO SURVIVE YOUR PROBLEM AND SUCCEED IN THE COURSE.**

**CLASS SYLLABUS FOR READING LL0110**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>
Thursday, September 7	Course Orientation	Read course outline Get texts and materials
Tuesday, September 12	Main Ideas	Text pp. 51 - 59
Thursday, September 14	Main Ideas - Review Tests	Text pp. 64 - 73 Computer Practice
Tuesday, September 19	Main Ideas - Mastery tests	Text pp. 259 - 270
Thursday, September 21	Supporting Details	Text pp. 74 - 81
Tuesday, September 26	Supporting Details - Review Tests	Text pp. 81 - 90 Computer Practice
Thursday, September 28	Supporting Details - Mastery Tests	Text pp. 271 - 282
Tuesday, October 3	Location of Main Ideas	Text pp. 91 - 100
Thursday, October 5	Location of Main Ideas Review Tests	Text pp. 101 - 109 Computer Practice
Tuesday, October 10	Location of Main Ideas Mastery Tests	Text pp. 283 - 294
Thursday, October 12	Implied Main Ideas	Text pp. 110 - 122
Tuesday, October 17	Implied Main Ideas Review Tests	Text pp. 122 - 131 Computer Practice
Thursday, October 19	Implied Main Ideas Mastery Test	Text pp. 295 - 306
Tuesday, October 24	More Supporting Details	Text pp. 133 - 145
Thursday, October 26	More Supporting Details Review Tests	Text pp. 146 - 156 Computer Practice
Tuesday, October 31	More Supporting Details Mastery Tests	Text pp. 307 -318
Thursday, November 2	Transition Words	Text pp. 157 - 170
Tuesday, November 7	Transition Words Transitions - Review Test	Text pp. 157 - 170 Text pp. 170 - 179

Thursday, November 9	Transitions - Review Test	Text pp. 170 - 179 Computer Practice
Tuesday, November 14	Transitions - Mastery Tests	Text pp. 319 - 330
Thursday, November 16	Patterns of Organization	Text pp. 180 - 196
Tuesday, November 21	Patterns of Organization	Text pp. 180 - 196
Thursday, November 23	Patterns of Organization Review Tests	Text pp. 196 - 210 Computer Practice
Tuesday, November 28	Patterns of Organization Mastery Tests	Text pp. 331 - 342
Thursday, November 30	Inferences	Text pp. 211 - 219
Tuesday, December 5	Inferences - Review Tests	Text pp. 219 - 231 Computer Practice
Thursday, December 7	Inferences - Mastery Tests	Text pp. 343 - 354