

**Semester Two Syllabus  
Fourth Course English Practical Class  
Group 44.2  
Tuesdays: 2:20-3:40**

Welcome to semester two of English lessons with Sharece. There are a few things you should know coming into this semester. Deadlines are real. If you don't turn in assignments by the deadline, you will get a zero for the assignment. Assignments must be handed in rather than emailed (thanks to feedback from the first semester).

**LESSON OVERVIEW**

Lesson One: January 31<sup>st</sup>

Unit 3: Extra, Extra

Homework: workbook page 32, #s 19 & 20

Lesson Two: February 7<sup>th</sup>

Unit 3: Extra, Extra

Oral Presentation: Technology Today & Tomorrow

Homework: workbook page 32-33 #s 21, 22, 23, & 24

Lesson Three: February 14<sup>th</sup> (Valentine's Day)

Unit 3: Extra, Extra

Oral Presentation: The History of Valentine's Day

Homework: workbook page 33, #25

**DUE: NEWS STORY**

Lesson Four: February 21<sup>st</sup> (Mardi Gras – New Orleans, LA)

Unit 4: Travel

Oral Presentation: American Presidents 101

Homework: workbook page 42, #s 20 & 21

Lesson Five: February 28<sup>th</sup>

Unit 4: Travel

Oral Presentation: Teaching Rules

Homework: workbook pages 42-43, #s 22 & 23

**DUE: TRAVEL BROCHURE**

**REMINDER: WRITING COMPETITION ENTRY DUE BY FEBRUARY 29 at 3PM.**

Lesson Six: March 6<sup>th</sup>

Unit 4: Travel

Oral Presentation: How to Find the Right Job

Homework: workbook page 43, #24

Lesson Seven: March 13<sup>th</sup>

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Unit 5: The Science of Life

Oral Presentation: Volunteerism

Homework: workbook page 52, #19

**DUE: FIRST FIVE JOURNAL ENTRIES**

Lesson Eight: March 20<sup>th</sup>

Unit 5: The Science of Life

Oral Presentation: Living on a Budget

Homework: workbook page 53, #20

**DUE: PERSONAL HEALTH BILL OF RIGHTS**

Sharece will not be teaching English lessons from March 23-April 2.

Lesson Nine: April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Special Guest: Mrs. Bunn, Sharece's mother

Unit 5: The Science of Life

Oral Presentation: Short bio of Ukraine

Homework: workbook page 62, #s 18,19 & 20

Lesson Ten: April 10<sup>th</sup>

Special Guest: Mrs. Bunn, Sharece's mother

Unit 6: Arts & Entertainment

Oral Presentation: Top Ten of Ternopil

Homework: workbook page 62-63, #s 21, 22 & 23

Lesson Eleven: April 17<sup>th</sup>

Unit 6: Arts & Entertainment

Oral Presentation: Environment in Ukraine

Homework: workbook page 63, #24

**DUE: MOVIE REVIEW**

Lesson Twelve: April 24<sup>th</sup>

Unit 6: Arts & Entertainment

Oral Presentation: Earth Day

**DUE: SECOND FIVE JOURNAL ENTRIES**

There will be no English lesson May 1<sup>st</sup> as it is a holiday.

Lesson Thirteen: May 8<sup>th</sup>

Oral Presentation: Arts & Entertainment of Ukraine

**FINAL DAY TEST**

## **ASSIGNMENT DETAILS**

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

You will be responsible for ten journal entries throughout the semester. Journal entries must be about 100 words long and they must be typed before they are turned in. You may have some class time to begin working on journal entries, but you will be expected to finish the journal entries on your own time. The journal entries are worth 10 points each. Ten journal entries will total 100 points total. The first five journal entries will be due during your English lesson on the week of March 12-16. If you do not turn in your first five journal entries by this class period, you will get zero points for the first five journal entries. The second five journal entries are due on the week of April 23-27. If you do not turn in the last five entries by this class period, you will get zero points for the last five journal entries.

Journal entries must include the writer's name, the date of the journal entry, and the topic or question answered. Each journal entry must be unique and should be written by the student handing in the entries. You may use each journal entry prompt only once.

Here are examples of journal entries prompts you may use:

- If I were an animal, I would be...
- If I found ten hryven on the ground, I would ...
- If I could travel anywhere in the world, I would go ...
- Why are you studying English at TNPU?
- What's your favorite quote or saying? Why?
- The best season is...
- When I was five, I remember...
- Ukraine rocks because...
- Which is better: dogs or cats? Why?
- What is your favorite free-time activity?
- The best holiday is...
- I am afraid of...
- Today I feel...
- If I could meet any person from history, I would meet...
- If I had a million dollars, I would...
- Ternopil is...

### **CLASS ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

Each student is responsible for a four to eight minute oral presentation about approved topics. Students will sign up for the dates and specific topics during their first lessons during the week of January 30 to February 3. Explanations about specific topics are listed below. If you have more questions, please ask Sharece for help early. Sending a frantic email at 9 PM the night before the presentation is not ok.

After the presentations, students must be prepared to answer questions. The classmates and teacher will ask the questions and the student must do his or her best to answer them.

**Topics:**

- **Top Ten of Ternopil** – Pick the ten most interesting and important places to visit in Ternopil. They can be of historical, unique, educational, or entertaining value. Showing pictures or a map with location might help with this part.
- **Teaching Rules** – What are teaching rules you will use in your classroom? How did you come up with these rules and how will they help you?
- **Volunteerism** – Sharece, your teacher, is a volunteer living and working in Ukraine. She thinks volunteering is important. What do you think? Are there opportunities for you to volunteer in Ukraine? In Ternopil? How important is it to you and to your country to have people that will help others without asking for anything in return?
- **The Importance of English** – You chose to study English. Why did you do this? Why is English an important language to know? What is the future of English?
- **The Environment in Ukraine** – What do you see as challenges to the Ukrainian environment? Do Ukrainians do a good or bad job protecting their environment?
- **Arts & Entertainment of Ukraine** – What are some of the truly Ukrainian musicians and programs you have to watch, listen to, and enjoy? Remakes of American shows don't count. Tell us about REAL Ukrainian A&E.
- **How to Find the Right Job for You** – You're about to graduate. What are the steps you need to take to find the right job? Where do you look for a job? What do you do when you hear about an interesting job?
- **Technology Today, Technology Tomorrow** – What does modern technology look like? What do you imagine in the future? My niece wanted me to bake cookies and shove them through the computer screen to her when we were Skyping. Will this ever be possible?
- **Living on a Budget** – What should any person do to avoid going broke? How do you manage your money? What do you have to give up and what are the necessities that you require in your own personal budget?
- **Earth Day** – Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. What does it mean? Find out when it started and what sort of projects people do during this day/week.
- **The History of Valentine's Day** – February 14<sup>th</sup> is Valentine's Day. What's this holiday all about? Is it a good day? When did people in Ukraine begin celebrating it? How did the holiday originate?
- **American Presidents 101** – Presidents' Day is celebrated the third Monday of February every year. What's this holiday about? Or – tell us about two or three US presidents you are interested in.
- **Short bio of Ukraine** – Tell us about Ukraine. Make it short. If someone has never heard of Ukraine, what would you want to tell him or her about this country?
- **Hot Spots in Ternopilska Oblast** – What are the places people should visit in Ternopilska Oblast? Where do kids take their field trips? What's there to see in this oblast?
- **Euro 2012** – What is Euro 2012? Why is it in Ukraine? What's going to happen? Tell us about it.

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- **What is American football?** – People in Ukraine don't usually play American football. What is this sport? Who plays it? What are the basics of it? When did it start?
- **The History of TNPU** – When did TNPU first open its doors? Has it always been a university for teachers? Tell us about it.

### WRITING ASSIGNMENTS

You have four main writing assignments for semester two. Descriptions are below. If you do not understand the expectations for the assignment, ask early. Assignments are due in hand by the due date on the syllabus.

There is a fifth writing assignment, to enter the TNPU English Kafedra Writing Competition. The deadline for the competition is February 29 at 3 PM. Details of the competition are noted below the grading section of the syllabus.

#### 1. News Story

Write a news story. What happened? Where did it happen? Who did it happen to? Why did it happen? When did it happen? This should be a true story. This should be original. Think about something you heard your mom say at the dinner table or what the old lady said on the bus. Follow up with that story and write a real news story about it. This should be from 500 to 1000 words in length.

#### 2. Travel Brochure

Make a travel brochure about a place people can visit in Ukraine. Make it pretty. It must be in English and the words and text on the brochure must be your own. You can make a brochure for a specific attraction or for a city. For example: you could make a brochure for Koza Bar or you could make one for Ternopil. Make your brochure special and unique. If you know your friends are focusing on Lviv and Ternopil, pick another city.

#### 3. Personal Health Bill of Rights

Make a bill of rights that will help you stay healthy. You must have at least 10 statements as a part of your personal health bill of rights. What can you do to stay healthy and live a long time? Write down your action plan in well-written statements.

#### 4. Movie Review

Write a movie review about an American movie you have watched in English. What happened in the movie? Who were the main characters? What was your opinion of the movie? Should everyone watch it? Was it a waste of time?

### READING ASSIGNMENTS

There are pages and tasks you are expected to complete by the next class period. You are responsible for completing all of those tasks on your own time. The tasks should help you with your writing abilities. The time we have in class is limited. By completing the assigned tasks, you should gain the skills and knowledge that will enable you to successfully complete tasks in our class as well as in the future.

## GRADING

I know you care about grading. Here's how I'm going to grade you guys this semester. You get 50 points for each writing assignment (4x50=200). You get 100 points for your oral presentation. You get 100 points for your journal entries. You can earn 50 points for attendance and participation (which means I will track attendance and participation at every lesson and will grant you points at the end of the semester based on your activity level). You can earn 50 points for entering the writing competition. Total, you can earn 500 points for the semester. These points will be given to your other teacher and figured in with your final score. For questions about this, see Sharece or your Ukrainian teacher.

Writing Assignment 1	50 points
Writing Assignment 2	50 points
Writing Assignment 3	50 points
Writing Assignment 4	50 points
Oral Presentation	100 points
Journal Entries	100 points
Attendance	50 points
<u>Writing Competition</u>	<u>50 points</u>
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>500 points</b>

### **TNPU English Kafedra Writing Contest February 2012**

TNPU's English Kafedra is having a writing essay contest in February. The contest is open to students from the first to the fifth course at TNPU. Students must turn-in their essays by the deadline to be entered into the competition.

#### Contest Entry Guidelines:

1. Essays must be original works written by students currently attending TNPU.
2. Essays must be turned-in by the person who wrote the essay.
3. Essays must be between 2,000 and 2,500 words in length.
4. Essays must be typed.
5. Essays must be written about one of the approved themes stated here.
6. Essays must be handed-in by 3 PM on February 29, 2012 to be included in the contest.
7. Winners of the essay contest must provide a digital copy of their work when asked. This digital copy will be posted to the Weebly website (Americanteacherinua).

#### Approved Themes for the Essay Contest:

- Technology today, technology tomorrow
- Environmental Issues and Change
- The Future of the Classroom
- Healthy Lifestyles and Living
- Our Future Ukraine

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All entries should well labeled with the writer's name, year at TNPU, theme, and contact information. Failure to provide this information will disqualify the entry.

### Tips:

1. Essays should be well edited by the time they are handed in.
2. Keep a digital copy of the essay and keep all drafts. This is important in case the reading commission asks you to provide these documents.
3. Begin writing early so you have enough time to thoroughly edit your work.
4. Try. It never hurts to enter the contest. When you try, you open yourselves up to new and exciting challenges.

Prizes will be awarded to the best essays from each course level. (Prizes come in the form of book donations from Darien Book Aid in the USA.)