



EGL108

Freshman Conversation 2

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Course Website >>> <http://EGL108.blogspot.kr/>



I. Description:

While this is a textbook based conversation course, it is also a very interactive social experience that is geared toward developing a positive learning community. We will focus on developing communicative strategies, functional vocabulary, presentation abilities, and pronunciation skills. Students will actively engage with each other and with the instructor in an effort to improve their speaking skills in a variety of environments and contexts.

Hanging Out

II. Course textbook/resources

Touchstone Level 3, 2nd edition. Please make sure to bring your textbook to each class. In addition, we will use the course website at: <http://EGL108.blogspot.kr/> and make use of technology to enhance the learning and social experience. We will use a Google Document for our Group Notes, Quizlet Flashcards for studying purposes, and a Naver Band for group messaging and in-class activities.

III. Instruction Methods:

The course uses a variety of instructional methods including textbook-based activities and discussions. We will also engage in debates, partner practice, small group discussions, and presentations. Practical speaking activities (both individual and group-based) are emphasized.

IV. Grading

Students will be assessed according to the following criteria

20% Attendance 20% Participation 20% Assignments	20% Mid-Term 20% Final Exam
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Grades will be distributed based on the required university quotas: 25% A's, 45% B's, 30% C's
The midterm exam will be a one-on-one conversation with the instructor. The final exam will involve a project based discussion. **Plagiarism** (intentional or not) will result in significant **loss of points** or possibly an 'F'.

Instructor Notes

Please make every effort to **arrive on time**. Those arriving more than five minutes late will be marked tardy. Those more than 20 minutes late will be marked absent for that hour.

* Students who start **'packing up'** before class has been dismissed will also be **marked tardy!**

If you are absent...

- please **check the course website** for information about any assignments you are still expected to complete
- send an email to puflebow@gmail explaining your absence (if you think it should be excused)

Please turn cell phones off unless they are being used as part of a class activity.

Please do not hesitate to speak with me (in person or via email) whenever you have questions or concerns about class.

EGL 108 Week#1 Get Acquainted Questions

Basics

Where are you originally from? Where do you live now? (Where in.....?)

How many people are there in your family? How many brothers and sisters do you have?

Do you have a boy/girlfriend? What is he/she like? How did you meet?

Professional/Academic Life

What do you like most (or least) about studying at BUFS?

Which courses are you looking forward to or dreading this semester?

Have you had any part-time jobs? Where did you work? How was it?

What do you plan to do after you graduate? What are your career goals? What is your dream job?

Potpourri

How was your vacation? Highlights? Lowlights? Memorable Experiences?

How do you feel being back at school?

What do you like to do in your free time?

What was your most interesting travel experience?

If you could travel to any country in the world, where would you go? Why?

Tell us about the first time you.... (traveled overseas, fell in love, got drunk, etc.)

What/Who is your favorite....color, snack food, fruit, actor, TV Show, sport,...? Why?

What kind of (music, food, books, etc.) do you like?

Which movies did you see during vacation? What music are you listening to these days?

If you won W1,000,000,000 (10 억 원), what would you do with it? (Don't put it all in the bank!)

Do you like animals? Do you have any pets? Why?/Why not?

What are your pet peeves?

What do you hope to get out of this class? What are your goals for this semester?

Jigsaw Activity: Take turns interviewing people in your group as if they were guests on a talk show. Other people in the group should take notes because you will be asked to describe this person in another group. Below are some suggested questions, but you can ask anything you like, including lots of follow-up questions.

Assignments (*linked version and info about lab times on the course website at: EGL108.blogspot.kr*)

due by Sept. 4 (for those registered week#1)

- Register for a Gmail account if you don't already have one.
- Complete the Entrance Questionnaire
- Register for a Quizlet Account and join the EGL108 Quizlet Class.
- Join the EGL108 Band for your class
- Post a 1~3 minute introduction video to the course BAND
- Install Other Apps (Google Hangout, Google Translate, Quizlet)

Next Class: Bring in at least 5 photos of things that are important to you. These can be people, places, experiences, possessions or anything else you value. Photos can be printed or shown on a digital device, but can not be stored on a USB drive with no display.