

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Intensive English Program

Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements

Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Foundational Writing Level 2

The goals of Foundational Writing Level 2 are for students to develop beginning-level paragraph writing skills and a vocabulary base.

Foundational Writing Level 2 Teaching Objectives:

- 1. Identify word order in compound sentences:
 - a. Distinguish among and, or, and but
 - b. Punctuate compound sentences correctly
- 2. Given a model, write short texts on self, school, and everyday activities using appropriate vocabulary; adhering to paragraph structure, including indentation.
- 3. Given a model, write short texts on past and future activities
- 4. Apply basic punctuation rules as well as capitalization rules in questions and statements.
- 5. Develop beginning-level grammar skills that include the form and usage of:
 - a. Simple present tense,
 - b. Present continuous,
 - c. Future with will
 - d. Simple past
 - e. Count and non-count nouns
 - f. Prepositions and prepositional phrases for describing time and position
- 6. Write about a controlled topic at this level. See the list below:
 - a. Write short texts about basic personal details (name, age, hometown, family, where they live, personal interests);
 - b. Write short texts about everyday subjects (e.g., directions on how to get somewhere; someone's life and routines)
 - c. Write short texts about everyday objects (e.g., color, size, position of objects in a picture)
 - d. Write short, simple notes, emails and postings to friends

Course Evaluation

Writing Assignments/Paragraphs	60%
Spelling Tests/Quizzes	10%
Homework	
Final Exam	25%



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Foundational Writing Level 2 Student Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Construct a basic paragraph (minimum of 6 sentences) on a familiar topic, given a model.
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge of word order for simple and compound sentences, employing rules of punctuation and capitalization.
- 3. Demonstrate recognition of time frames between the simple present, simple past and future with will.
- 4. Utilize high-frequency A1+ vocabulary and descriptive phrasing to express ideas in writing.

Grading Scale

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	REPEAT
A+ 98-100 A 95-97 A- 92-94	B+ 88-91 B 85-87 B- 82-84	C+ 78-81 C 74-77 C- 71-73	R 0-70
The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is almost always accurate and is characterized by a strong competence in the SLOs listed above.	The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is generally accurate and is characterized by a competence in the SLOs listed above.	The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is somewhat accurate and is characterized by an emerging competence in the SLOs listed above.	The student does not demonstrate level-appropriate English ability and is incompetent in the SLOs listed above.

Foundational Writing Level 2 Requirements for Promotion

• Students must pass the class with a cumulative grade of C- (71%) or better.