

English C Course

Semester 1 2005

Theme: World Cultures

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Course objectives: To learn about various cultures around the world.
To give students practice gathering and presenting information in English.
To increase vocabulary related to cultural studies and to improve the four basic skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

Course content: Each week we will examine a country or area through a study of its beliefs, values, history, arts, cuisine, artifacts (when possible), fashion, sports and games, etc. Therefore, students will expand their vocabulary greatly with respect to these subjects and others. Since students will figuratively travel each week, travel English will also be emphasized.

Information for students: Access to the internet will be useful as students will be required to do some research. In addition, there will be occasional in-class written quizzes. Students must keep a journal, collected twice a month, documenting their responses to and opinions concerning each culture. The final weeks of the term will be allotted for student presentations in pairs on the country or culture of their choice. This would be a useful class for future teachers.

Textbook/materials: All materials will be provided. Students will need a file to organize the hand-outs. A notebook for journals will also be necessary.

Evaluation: Effort and in-class participation will make up half the grade. Journals and homework will be assessed as a major aspect of effort. The final presentation will account for the other half of the student's grade.

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