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ABSTRACT

Redesigned to reflect a more standards-driven as opposed to course-driven approach, the Applied Literature and Composition courses (I and II) described in this paper not only prepare the two-year college/technical school students for entering the real world of work, but also for post-secondary and college level work. It notes that the course is designed to be taught as a one-year or a two-year laboratory course that incorporates and integrates literature, role playing, writing competencies, and the ability to use application, evaluation, synthesis, and analysis. After an introduction, it lists competencies for the courses and correlates the competencies to the Georgia Quality Core Curriculum. The next section of the paper presents eight thematic units (on teamwork, workplace communication, interpersonal relationships/diversity, giving and following directions, critical thinking/problem solving, negotiation, job and time management skills, and information and technology). It then presents three sample lessons ("Mr. Holland's Opus," "Cup Skits-Buy/Sell," and "InfoHunt"). The paper concludes with weekly pacing guides for block scheduling and for traditional scheduling. (RS)

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Introduction to Applied Literature and Composition

In order to make Applied Literature and Composition I and II (formerly Applied Communication I and II) more effective, and to clarify the purposes of the courses for educators, Applied Literature and Composition I and II have been redesigned. We must rise above our curriculum and resources to best meet the needs of our students and prepare them for the next level of their education. The courses are no longer text-driven but are more standards-driven. Teachers will need some of the *Agency for Instructional Technology (AIT)* or *Communication 2000* modules; however, complete sets of these are not necessary for the success of the courses. Teachers will also need to utilize appropriate grade level literature texts. The courses not only prepare the students for entering the real world of work, but also for post-secondary and college level work.

Curriculum Guide Introduction

Applied Literature and Composition is a laboratory course that incorporates and integrates literature, role-playing, writing competencies, and the ability to use application, evaluation, synthesis, and analysis. It is imperative that students be given a variety of suggested methods emphasizing workplace application.

The course guide has been developed with a variety of suggested activities and literary selections. The instructor is encouraged to adapt and implement the selections and activities as needed to engage students in interactive learning.

The curriculum units which follow, are designed to be taught during a one or two-year applied course. Schools which offer only Applied Literature and Composition I should choose four units, while those offering Applied Literature and Composition I and II will want to use all of the units.

Because of the laboratory nature of the course, teachers must use a variety of methods for evaluation. Suggested methods include teacher observation, group participation evaluations, oral presentation evaluations, journal writing, portfolio assessments, text ancillary tests, written composition, as well as those methods suggested in materials from the *Agency for Instructional Technology (AIT)* and *Communication: 2000* instructor manuals.

The following design for instruction is suggested (Theresa Spangler):

- Standards
- Objectives
- Resources
- Methodology
- Assessment

Articulated Course
Technical School English 101

Competencies for the post-secondary level course are listed below:

1. Read and analyze writing to identify subject and focus.
2. Read and analyze writing to identify supporting information.
3. Read and analyze writing to identify patterns of development, such as time, cause and effect, classification, and problem solving.
4. Produce logically organized, grammatically acceptable writing.
5. Compose a variety of paragraphs, reports, memoranda, and business letters.
6. Demonstrate listening skills by following directions for writing assignments.
7. Revise to improve ideas, style, organization, and format, preferably with word processing.
8. Edit to improve grammar, mechanics, and spelling.
9. Use library resources to enhance writing.
10. Participate in class discussion, small group discussion, and/or individual presentations.
11. Participate as an active listener.

Two Year Colleges
English 101 Competencies

1. Uses a computer (word processing, Internet searches, and various programs)
2. Writes using the 4 Cs (clear, concise, correct, complete) in various modes with acceptable organization, content, grammar, and mechanics
3. Develops acceptable paragraphs and college themes
4. Completes a "college theme" within 2 hours (timed essay)
5. Exhibits critical thinking in reading (novels, essays, nonfiction) and writing
6. Reflects correct research skills in a completed paper
7. Uses advanced reading skills
8. Exhibits correct listening skills
9. Shows understanding of collaborative learning
10. Exhibits correct speaking skills

Two Year Colleges
English 102 Competencies:

1. Uses a computer (word processing, Internet searches, and various programs)
2. Writes using the 4 Cs (clear, concise, correct, complete) in various modes with acceptable organization, content, grammar, and mechanics
3. Develops acceptable paragraphs and college themes
4. Completes a "college theme" within 2 hours (timed essay)
5. Exhibits critical thinking in reading (novels, essays, nonfiction) and writing
6. Reflects correct research skills in a completed paper
7. Uses advanced reading skills
8. Exhibits correct listening skills
9. Shows understanding of collaborative learning
10. Exhibits correct speaking skills
11. Correctly interprets literature
12. Correctly completes a more extensive paper on a literary topic
13. Employs test taking strategies (college wide)

Applied Literature and Composition Lab I and II

QCC Standards

- .9-12. 1-25 Uses Core Skills listed at the beginning of the Language Arts 9-12 section of this QCC document.
- LA. 9-12.26 Presents arguments in orderly and convincing ways.
- LA. 9-12.27 Communicates ideas clearly in writing.
- LA. 9-12.28 Tests the validity of an assertion by examining the evidence.
- LA. 9-12.29 Participates in scenarios requiring application of technical/business/vocational problem-solving and communication skills.
- LA. 9-12.30 Recognizes different purposes and methods of writing; identifies a writer's point of view and tone.
- LA. 9-12.31 Comprehends and responds to a variety of written materials, including poems, short stories, novels, and business/technical items.
- LA. 9-12.32 Experiences a variety of nonprint resources as a part of the study of technical and business applications; creates multimedia presentations.
- LA. 9-12.33 Judges technical literature on the basis of technical clarity.
- LA. 9-12.34 Engages in discussion by speaking and listening. Critically and constructively interprets, analyzes, and summarizes ideas.
- LA. 9-12.35 Conceives and develops ideas about a topic for the purpose of speaking to a group, chooses and organizes related ideas, presents them clearly in standard American English, and evaluates similar presentations by others.
- LA. 9-12.36 Evaluates the messages and effects of mass media.
- LA. 9-12.37 Recognizes that language is a powerful tool for thinking and learning.
- LA. 9-12.38 Writes for a variety of purposes including, but not limited to, technical (reports, memos, charts), business (letter, orders, requests), academic (compositions, essays, analyses) and personal (journals, stories).
- LA. 9-12.39 Adapts writing style to various audiences, particularly those in the workplace.
- LA. 9-12.40 Learns the techniques of business and technical writing to appeal to and persuade others.
- LA. 9-12.41 Is precise in punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and other elements of manuscript form.
- LA. 9-12.42 Improves personal writing by restructuring, correcting errors, and rewriting.
- LA. 9-12.43 Uses the tools and resources of writers (e.g., dictionaries, thesauri, style manuals, and usage handbooks).
- LA. 9-12.44 Recognizes the developmental stages of writing: fluency, control, proficiency.

Correlated Standards for Applied Literature and Composition,
Two Year College, and
Technical School English

Applied Literature and Composition Competencies	Core QCC	Applied Literature and Composition QCC LA 9-12	2-Year College English 101 Competencies	2 Year College English 102 Competencies	Tech School English 101 Competencies
1. Work in cooperation with others	2, 6, 15, 17, 19, 21, 22, 24	26, 29, 31, 34, 35	9	9	10, 11
2. Critical thinking/ problem solving	2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24	26, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39	5	5, 11, 12	1, 2, 3, 10, 11
3. Negotiating skills	2, 6, 8, 17, 21, 22, 24	26, 29, 34, 37	5, 9	5, 9	10, 11
4. High Level listening skills (clarifying, note taking, body language)	3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, 21,	28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37	5, 8	5, 8	6, 10, 11
5. Reading: comprehension, inferences, vocabulary, main idea, purpose, reading non-fiction essays	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 20	28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37	5, 7	5, 7, 11, 12	1, 2, 3, 9
6. Writing: clear, concise, complete, correct, formatting for a variety of purposes.	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21	27, 29, 30, 32, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44	2, 3, 5, 6	2, 3, 5, 6, 11, 12	1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
7. Application of Technology	4, 8, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 25	28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43	1, 2, 6, 7	1, 2, 6, 7, 12	4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10
8. Speaking: clear, concise, complete, correct	3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23	26, 29, 32, 34, 35, 37, 43	1, 2, 7	10, 11	6, 10, 11
9. Adapts mode of communication effectively	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 25	26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44	8	1, 2, 7, 12	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11

Thematic Unit 1—Successful Teamwork

Competencies Covered

1. Work in cooperation with others.

Skills Emphasis

Group participation
Teamwork
Recognizing and addressing barriers to effective communication
Critical thinking/problem solving
Critical reading

Recommended Activities

Group participation
Preparing and delivering group presentations
Problem solving activities (e. g., survival exercises)
Reading and discussing literature selections

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

Communication 2000 Module 10
AIT Module 6
Communicating for Success
American Literature for Life and Work
British and World Literature for Life and Work
The Art of Work

Guest Speaker Resources

Human resources managers/Industry team leaders
Service industry personnel
Successful alumni

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* Module 10 are appropriate

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Open Boat"—Stephen Crane
"The Outcasts of Poker Flats"—Bret Harte
"The Luck of Roaring Camp"—Bret Harte
"Reflection Is an Insult to the Gods"—Tracy Kidder
"Sarcophagus"—Richard Selzer

Poetry

"Empire Builders"—Archibald MacLeish
"Departmental"—Robert Frost

Novels

The Outsiders—S. E. Hinton
Lord of the Flies—William Golding
To Kill a Mockingbird—Harper Lee
Bless the Beasts and Children—G. Swarthout

British/World Literature

Short Stories/Works

"The Destructors"—Graham Greene
"A Mild Attack of Locusts"—Doris Lessing

Novels

Animal Farm—George Orwell
Lord of the Flies—William Golding

Poetry

"Calling to United Work"—Ilya Sadofief
Beowulf excerpts
The Canterbury Tales

Unit 1 Cont'd

Drama

Twelve Angry Men—Reginald Rose

Videos

Moby Dick

The Right Stuff

Apollo 13

Bless the Beasts and Children

Teachers are encouraged to use only appropriate and related excerpts from all videos.

Suggested Methods of Evaluation

AIT objective tests for each module are available in the teacher training manual

Communication: 2000 instructor guides contain objective, video, and performance based assessments

Teacher-designed tests

Teacher observation

Group participation evaluation

Oral presentation evaluation

Journal writing

Portfolio evaluation

Text ancillary tests

Written composition evaluation

Thematic Unit 2—Effective Communication in the Workplace (Listening, Reading, Speaking)

Competencies Covered

All

Skills Emphasis

5 W's and H
Memo writing
Business letter writing
Barrier identification
One-and two-way communication
Active listening
Self-evaluation
Communication process
Communication advancement/technology
Reading strategies (e.g., K-W-L, skimming scanning, notetaking)

Recommended Activities

Role-playing
Behavior style inventory
Workplace problem/solution proposal
Career research paper
Situational memo/letter writing

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

Communication 2000 Modules 1, 3, 5
AIT Modules 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16
Communicating for Success
Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Receptionist
Law enforcement officers
Emergency personnel
Management personnel
Newspaper/radio/television reporter or personnel
Telecommuter
Sales/marketing representatives

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* modules 1, 3, and 5 are appropriate.

Unit 2 cont'd

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Hack Driver"—Sinclair Lewis
"To Bid the World Farewell"—Jessica Mitford
"Insert Flap 'A' and Throw Away"—S. J. Perlman

Bargain"—A. B. Guthrie, Jr.
"Darkness at Noon"—Harold Krents
"Lily Daw and the Three Ladies"—Eudora Welty

Mr. Flood's Party"—E. A. Robinson

"Incident"—Countee Cullen
Spoon River Anthology—E. A. Masters

"Theme for English B"—Langston Hughes
"The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock"—T. S. Eliot

Drama

The Miracle Worker—William Gibson

Video

My Fair Lady
Man Without a Face
Empire of the Sun

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Teacher observation
Group participation evaluation
Oral presentation evaluation
Journal writing
Portfolio evaluation
Text ancillary tests
Written composition evaluation

British/World Literature

Short Stories

"Shooting an Elephant"—George Orwell

Poetry

"The Passionate Shepherd"—C. Marlowe
"The Nymph's Reply"—Sir Walter Raleigh

"When I Was One and Twenty"—A. E. Housman
"Why So Pale and Wan, Fond Lover?"
Suckling
"Is My Team Ploughing?"—A. E. Housman
"Ah, Are You Digging on My Grave?"—
Thomas Hardy

Drama

Pygmalion—George Bernard Shaw

Thematic Unit 3—Interpersonal Relationships/Diversity

Competencies Covered

All

Skills Emphasis

Group participation/teamwork

Role playing

Self-analysis: behavior style, decision-making inventories

High level listening skills

Critical thinking/problem solving

Recommended Activities

Completion and analysis of individual behavior style and decision-making inventories

Group teamwork activities

Role-playing scenarios for observation, analysis, and discussion

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

Communication 2000

Module 12 (Diversity)

Module 7

Module 1, Lessons 3-7

Module 2, Lessons 3-8, 14

Module 7, Lessons 4, 13

Module 8, Lessons 4, 7-9, 12

Module 9, Lessons 10, 12, 13

AIT Modules 12 and 9

Communicating for Success

Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Inclusion teacher

Counselor—legal or marriage

Human resources/personnel manager

EOA/Affirmative Action representative

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Fall of the House of Usher"—E. A. Poe
"The Minister's Black Veil"—Nathaniel Hawthorne

"Lily Daw and the Three Ladies"—Eudora Welty
Unit 3 cont'd

"The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"—James Thurber
"A Worn Path"—Eudora Welty
"The Life You Save May Be Your Own"—Flannery O'Connor
"A Rose for Emily"—William Faulkner
"The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky"—Stephen Crane
"A Visit to Grandmother"—William Kelley
"Thank You, Ma'am"—Langston Hughes

Drama

The Crucible—Arthur Miller
The Glass Menagerie—T. Williams

Poetry

"Theme for English B"—Langston Hughes
"Thank You Ma'am"—Langston Hughes

"Mending Wall"—Robert Frost

Nonfiction

"I Have a Dream"—M. L. King
Autobiography of Malcolm X—Alex Haley
The Diary of Anne Frank
The Battle with Mr. Covey—F. Douglass

Novels

Things Fall Apart—Chinua Achebe
Ethan Fromme—Edith Wharton
The Joy Luck Club—Amy Tan

Videos

The Joy Luck Club

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Suggested Methods of Evaluation

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Communication 2000 instructor guides contain objective, video, and performance based assessments
Teacher-designed tests
Teacher observation
Group participation evaluation
Oral presentation evaluation
Journal writing
Portfolio evaluation
Text ancillary tests
Written composition evaluation

British/World Literature

Short Stories

"The Dead"—James Joyce
"The Horse Dealer's Daughter"—D. H. Lawrence
"The Rocking Horse Winner"—D. H. Lawrence

"No Witchcraft for Sale"—Doris Lessing
"Your Place Is Empty"

Drama

Macbeth—Wm. Shakespeare
Othello—Wm. Shakespeare
Hamlet—Wm. Shakespeare
The Quiet Man

Poetry

"My Last Duchess"—Robert Browning
"The Passionate Shepherd to His Love"—
Marlowe
"The Nymph's Reply"—Sir Walter Raleigh

Novels

Angela's Ashes—Seamus Heany

Thematic Unit 4—Giving and Following Directions

Competencies Covered

1. Working in cooperation with others
2. Critical thinking/problem solving
4. High level listening skills (clarifying, notetaking, body language)
5. Reading: comprehension, inferences, vocabulary, main idea, purpose, reading nonfiction essays
6. Writing: clear, concise, complete, correct, formatting for a variety of purposes
7. Applying of technology
8. Speaking: clear, concise, complete, correct
9. Adapting modes of communication effectively

Skills Emphasis

Active listening
Following oral and written directions
Giving oral and written directions
Technical writing

Recommended Activities

Demonstration speeches
How-to writings
Completing business forms
Giving oral and written directions

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

Communication 2000 Modules 2, 3, and 8
AIT Modules 2, 7, 9, 11, 16
Communicating for Success
Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Emergency services personnel
Supervisory personnel
Receptionist/switchboard operator
Temporary services/employment agency personnel
Health services personnel
Dispatcher
Route driver
Trade and industry personnel

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* modules 2, 3, and 8 are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"To Bid the World Farewell"—J. Mitford
"The Lottery"—Shirley Jackson
"To Build a Fire"—Jack London

Unit 4 cont'd

Poetry

"Mother to Son"—Langston Hughes
"Naming of Parts"—Henry Reed

Drama

"Insert Flap 'A' and Throw Away"—S. J. Perlman

Novel

Of Mice and Men—John Steinbeck
And Then There Were None—Agatha Christie

Video

Apollo 13
And Then There Were None
Home Alone
Home Alone II

British/World Literature

Short Works

"Arthur's Last Battle"—Rosemary Sutcliffe

Poetry

"The Rime of the Ancient Mariner"—S. T. Coleridge

Macbeth—William Shakespeare

Novel

Frankenstein—Mary Shelley

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Suggested Methods of Evaluation

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Teacher-designed tests

Teacher observation

Group participation evaluation

Oral presentation evaluation

Journal writing

Portfolio evaluation

Text ancillary tests

Written composition evaluation

Thematic Unit 5—Critical Thinking/Problem Solving

Competencies Covered

All

Skills Emphasis

Conflict resolution
Critical thinking and reading
Listening and speaking
Use of technology

Recommended Activities

Role playing
Problem solving activities (e.g., Grant's Pass activity in AIT Module 3)
Case studies
Analyzing issues (e.g., media, news, industry, community)
Krell Industry in *Communication 2000* Module 3

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

Communication 2000 Modules 3 and 7
AIT Modules 3 and 12
Communicating for Success
Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Health services personnel
Local government/elected officials
Supervisory personnel

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* Modules 3 and 7 are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Catbird Seat"—James Thurber
"A Wagner Matinee"—Willia Cather
"Under the Lion's Paw"—Hamlin Garland
"The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"—James Thurber
"A Worn Path"—Eudora Welty
"The Jilting of Granny Weatherall"—Katherine Porter
"A Rose for Emily"—William Faulkner
"The Hack Driver"—Sinclair Lewis

Novels

"The Dead Man's Path"—Chinua Achebe
"The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky"—Stephen Crane

Nonfiction

The Speech of Chief Red Jacket—Sagoyewath

British/World Literature

Short Stories/Works

Beowulf excerpts
"Shooting an Elephant"—George Orwell
"Spring"—Italo Calvino

And Then There Were None—Agatha Christie
Animal Farm—George Orwell
The Hobbit—J. R. R. Tolkein

Unit 5 cont'd

Drama

Civil Disobedience—H. D. Thoreau
The Declaration of Independence

Macbeth—William Shakespeare
Hamlet—William Shakespeare

Novels

Jurassic Park—Michael Crichton
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings—Maya Angelou
The Scarlet Letter—Nathaniel Hawthorne
A Separate Peace—John Knowles

Novels

A Christmas Carol—Charles Dickens

Drama

A Raisin in the Sun—Lorraine Hansberry
Miracle Worker—William Gibson

Poetry

"Mending Wall"—Robert Frost
"Fire and Ice"—Robert Frost
"Design"—Robert Frost
"Bells for John Whiteside's Daughter"—J. Ransom
"The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock"—T.S. Eliot
"Mr. Flood's Party"—E. A. Robinson
"The Fence"—Rangkuh

Poetry

"Rime of the Ancient Mariner"—S. T. Coleridge
"The Passionate Shepherd"—C. Marlowe
Beowulf
"The Lady of Shallot"—Alfred Lord Tennyson
"The Nymph's Reply"—W. Raleigh

Videos

Gung Ho
Twelve Angry Men
Mr. Holland's Opus
A Separate Peace

Videos

Becket

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Suggested Methods of Evaluation

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Teacher-designed tests
Teacher observation
Group participation evaluation
Oral presentation evaluation
Journal writing
Portfolio evaluation
Text ancillary tests
Written composition evaluation

Thematic Unit 6—Successful Negotiation

Competencies Covered

All

Recommended Activities

Role-playing

Team planning project (e.g., school activity, family vacation, and brochure design)

Skills Emphasis

Interpersonal conflict resolution

Oral and written communication

Active listening

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

AIT Modules 3 & 12

Communication 2000 Module 7

Communicating for Success

American Literature for Life and Work

British and World Literature for Life and Work

The Art of Work

Elements of Literature

Guest Speaker Resources

Peer Mediation Counselors

Law Enforcement Officers

Marriage Counselors

Customer Service Representatives

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000 Module 7* are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Catbird Seat" -James Thurber

"Everyday Use" -Alice Walker

"Under the Lion's Paw" -Hamlin Garland

"Masters of Arts" --O. Henry

"The Interlopers" --Saki

Novel

A Day No Pigs Would Die—Robert Newton Peck

Lord of the Flies—William Golding

British/World Literature

Short Stories

"The Rocking Horse Winner"—D. H. Lawrence

"The Jar" -Luigi Pirandello

"Death of a Tsotsi" -Alan Paton

Unit 6 Cont'd

The Outsiders—S. E. Hinton
To Kill a Mockingbird—Harper Lee
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings—Maya Angelou

Drama

A Raisin in the Sun—Lorraine Hansberry
The Glass Menagerie—Tennessee Williams

Macbeth—William Shakespeare –A. Miller
Hamlet—William Shakespeare

Death of a Salesman –A. Miller

Poetry

"Incident"—Countee Cullen

Video

The Revolt of Mother
To Kill a Mockingbird
Twelve Angry Men
Dead Poet's Society

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Teacher – designed tests
Teacher observation
Group participation evaluation
Oral presentation evaluation
Journal writing
Portfolio evaluation
Text ancillary tests
Written composition evaluation

Thematic Unit 7—Job and Time Management Skills

Competencies Covered

- 3. Negotiating skills
- 8. Speaking: clear, concise, complete, correct
- 6. Writing: clear, concise, complete, correct, formatting for a variety of purposes
- 7. Applying technology
- 8. Speaking: clear, concise, complete, correct
- 9. Adapting modes of communication

Skills Emphasis

Time management
Self-assessment
Resume writing
Job applications
Job interview
Active listening
Job research skills

Recommended Activities

Job interview skills (role-playing)
Resumes
Applications
Letters of application (cover, follow-up)
Time management activities (how to budget time)

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

AIT Modules 4, 13, 14, & 15
Communication 2000 Modules 2 & 6
Communicating for Success
Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Human resources managers
Retail managers
Employment recruiters
Labor department employees
Temporary employment managers
Georgia Department of Labor representatives

Suggested Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* Modules 2 and 6 are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"My Lack of Gumption"—Russell Baker
"The Oyster and the Pearl"—William Saroyan
"Dr. Heidegger's Experiment"—N. Hawthorne
"A & P"—John Updike
"A Wagner Matinee"—Willa Cather

British/World Literature

Short Stories

"The Verger"—Somerset Maugham
"Shooting An Elephant"—Orwell
"Miss Youghal's Sais"—Rudyard Kipling

Unit 7 cont'd

Poetry

"Cotton-Picking Time"—Maya Angelou
"The Death of the Hired Man"—Robert Frost

Slappy Hooper"—Jack Conroy
"Why We Are Late"—Josephine Miles
"Departmental"—Robert Frost
"Empire Builders"—Archibald MacLeish

Drama

The Glass Menagerie—T. Williams

Novels

My Antonia—Willa Cather
The Old Man and the Sea—Ernest Hemingway
The Outsiders—S. E. Hinton
The Water Is Wide—Pat Conroy
Silas Marner—George Eliot

Nonfiction

"Levi Strauss: A Biography"—Downey (BLFL &W)
"Working"—Studs Terkel
"Walden"—Thoreau
Ben Franklin Autobiography

Video

I Heard the Owl Call My Name
Hoosiers
Mr. Holland's Opus
Dances with Wolves
Moby Dick

Poetry

"Calling to United Work"—Ilya Sadofief
"To the Virgins to Make Much of Time"—Andrew Marvell
"To An Athlete Dying Young"—Housman
Canterbury Tales
Ulysses—Alfred L. Tennyson
"Dulce et Decorum Est"—Wilfred Owens

Drama

Pygmalion—George Bernard Shaw

Novels

Jane Eyre—Charlotte Bronte
Brave New World—Aldous Huxley
A Christmas Carol—Charles Dickens

Video

Silas Marner
My Fair Lady/Pygmalion

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Suggested Methods of Evaluation

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Communication 2000 instructor guides contain objective, video, and performance based assessments
Teacher-designed tests
Teacher observation
Group participation evaluation
Oral presentation evaluation
Journal writing
Portfolio evaluation
Text ancillary tests
Written composition evaluation

Thematic Unit 8—Information and Technology

Competencies Covered

2. Critical thinking/problem solving
3. Negotiating Skills
5. Reading: comprehension, inferences, vocabulary, main idea, purpose, reading nonfiction essays
6. Writing: clear, concise, complete, correct, formatting for a variety of purposes
7. Applying Technology
9. Adapting mode of communication effectively

Skills Emphasis

Acquisition of information from a variety of sources
Evaluation of relevancy and accuracy of information
Organization of information
Interpretation of graphic information
Communication of information through oral and graphic methods

Recommended Resources

Suggested Texts

AIT Module 17
Communication 2000 Module 4
Communicating for Success
Any literature text from the state's approved list

Guest Speaker Resources

Computer information specialist
School registrar/scheduler
Emergency services personnel
Telephone information specialist
Telecommuter
Website businessperson
Travel agent

Suggested Works of Literature

Selections from *Communication 2000* Module 4 and AIT Module 17 are appropriate.

American Literature

Short Stories

"The Catbird Seat"—James Thurber
"The Life You Save May Be Your Own" Flannery O'Connor
"Epicac"—Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.
"Harrison Bergeron"—Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.
"The Pedestrian"—Ray Bradbury
"Sucker"—Carson McCullers
"Hack Driver"—Sinclair Lewis
"The Portable Phonograph"—Clark

Poetry

"When I Heard the Learn'd Astronomer"—Walt Whitman
"Richard Bone"—E. G. Masters

British/World Literature

Short Stories

"Adventures of the Speckled Band"—Sir Conan Doyle
"The Sanctuary"—Agatha Christie
"The Necklace"—Guy de Maupassant
"The Fence"—Rangkuh

"Dulce et Decorum Est"—Wilfred Owens
"Porphyria's Lover"—Robert Browning

Unit 8 Cont'd

"If I Could Tell You"—W. H. Auden
"Ode to Science"—E. A. Poe
"Theme for English B"—Langston Hughes

Novel

Fahrenheit 451—Ray Bradbury
Module 8 cont'd

2001: A Space Odyssey—Arthur Clarke
I, Robot—Isaac Asimov

Video

The Net
Fahrenheit 451
9 to 5

Novel

Frankenstein

Nonfiction

"A Modest Proposal"—Jonathan Swift

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Mr. Holland's Opus

Ann Williams - North Forsyth High School

Character list

Principal Jacobs - the woman who hired Mr. Holland

Vice-principal Gene Walters - very conservative; became principal when Mrs. Jacobs retired

Bill Meister - football coach who helped Glenn Holland

Glenn Holland - musician who became a teacher

Iris Holland - Glenn Holland's wife

Cole Holland - Glenn Holland's deaf son

Gertrude Lang - red-headed clarinet player who later became governor

Rowena Morgan - student who wanted to sing "more than anything else in the world"

1. What mistakes did Mr. Holland make when he began teaching? Be SPECIFIC!
2. "These tests are pathetic..... Wasting my time and yours..... We're going to go over these answers one by one until you get them right."
 - A. What message did Mr. Holland's words send to the listener?
 - B. This seemed to be Mr. Holland's toward everyone who did not live up to his expectations. Discuss two other instances, besides when he was a first-year teacher, when he acted in this manner.
3. Discuss the conflicts between work that Mr. Holland wanted to do and work that he had to do.
4. Principal Jacobs, the woman who hired Mr. Holland, reminded him of the two duties of a teacher: "Fill those minds with knowledge. Give those minds a compass so that knowledge doesn't go to waste."
 - A. What "compass" did Mr. Holland provide?
 - B. *How* did he provide/give direction to others? Cite SPECIFIC instances.
5. Throughout the movie, although he cared for others, Mr. Holland used words and body language which conveyed other meanings, many of them negative. Discuss with SPECIFIC examples where people received these negative "messages" from Mr. Holland.
6. Why was Bill Meister, the football coach, always so willing to help Gene Holland? In what unexpected ways did he provide assistance?
7. "If you have passion, if you have hunger, what do you want to do?" What do YOU want to do?
8. Mr. Holland was married and had a son. He was a professional educator.
 - A. Considering all of this, why did he see Rowena at the bus stop?
 - B. Why did she want him to come to the bus stop?
9. The move to abolish funding for fine arts in the schools is not new; it still exists today and is an ongoing battle. How would students' lives be affected by the cutting/elimination of fine arts programs in elementary, middle, and high schools?
10. What other lessons besides music did Glenn Holland teach his students?

Supplemental activities for *Mr. Holland's Opus*
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Stop the movie after each time sequence.

Discussion

How the faculty and students perceived Mr. Holland.

How he saw them.

Glenn Holland's strengths and weaknesses as a teacher.

Glenn Holland's strengths and weaknesses as a parent.

Iris Holland's strengths and weaknesses as a wife and mother.

Cole Holland's opinions' point of view

Writing

A letter from Principal Jacobs delineating his responsibilities and her expectations of him, both in the classroom and in a supporting position.

A letter from a student's point of view about being in Holland's class, and what changes the student would recommend for the next school year.

A letter from the principal's point of view about Holland's class, teaching methods and styles, and whatever changes needed to be done for the next year.

A letter from a parent's point of view about Holland's class.

An interview by a local newspaper reporter for either a news or a feature story.

A diary from Glenn's, Cole's, or Iris's point of view.

A thank-you note from Rowena Morgan to Glenn Holland

A letter to Governor Gertrude Lang requesting that she speak at Glenn Holland's retirement

Activities

Play and discuss various styles of music as reflected in the different time periods in this movie.

Have a guest signer show/ teach the students signing.

Explain the use of a TTY machine.

Use closed captioning for a movie or television program.

Use cotton balls or foam ear plugs to simulate hearing loss. (These can be bought in the sporting goods section of Wal-Mart.

Projects

Trace the changes in music, fashion, and attitudes from the beginning of the movie to the end.

"I will use anything... to teach students to love music." Pick a concept/idea or a work of literature and, using anything within the limits of modesty and decency, develop a high-school teaching unit for it. Follow this format:

Hook (this is an introductory activity/discussion/presentation which will get the students' interest about a concept.)

Explanation (why they will need to learn this concept)

Activities (be specific!! What do you expect the students to do which will help them learn the concept?)

Evaluation instrument (a type of test or quiz. What questions would you include on this?)

You would be graded on originality, completeness, interest level, relevance, and preciseness.

Cup Skits - Buy/ Sell

Ann Williams - North Forsyth High School

To underscore that students have to be knowledgeable, quick-thinking, and politely persuasive in even the strangest of situations, I do CUP SKITS. I cut up these items and place them in a cup. Each student draws an item to "sell" to another student. The "buyer" draws his/ her occupation or physical challenge from another cup. Seller and buyer are randomly matched. After the student attempts to persuade the buyer to purchase his product (the buyer does not have to "buy" the item), the skit is critiqued. Everyone eventually buys and sells.

Glow-in-the-dark shoe laces	Commemorative spoons	Anti-snoring pillow
China thimbles	Whoopie cushion	Pink flamingos
Fuzzy dice	Sleeping masks	China bells
Petrified wood clock	Animal hat	Fake tattoos
Outsized sunglasses	Key chains/ key fobs	Car compass
Fake (decorative) fish	Miniature plastic totem poles	Mexican jumping beans
"Handpainted" figurines	Beaded curtains	Solar-powered flashlight
Car air freshener	Bumper stickers	Elvis on velvet
Shell bracelet/ earrings	Shell necklace	Miniature Indian moccasins
Decorative brooms	Shot glasses	Imitation arrowheads
Long earrings	Hula girl figurines	Car window signs
Hand buzzers	Neon license plate lights	Spiked mohawk wig

These are suggestions for occupations or physical challenges. Students need to know how to work with people from all walks of life.

Drill sergeant	Dumb blonde	Union enforcer
Comedian	Hippie	Minister
Police officer	Student	Foreigner
Musician	Blind person	Deaf person
Mute person	News Reporter	Politician
Flagman on road crew	Retired person	Mortician

Infohunt

Ann Williams - North Forsyth High School

Teaching library and research/ resource skills can be laborious and boring, but if it is turned into a scavenger hunt, students eagerly pursue elusive answers. Information can come from ANY source, and often the more obscure, the better. Create several different lists of questions, pair the class into teams, and let them hunt. Included are some suggestions for questions, courtesy of Major Mac Kelly and Gunnery Sergeant Jack Snook, USMC (ret.).

What animal has the fastest heartbeat? - The hummingbird

How deep is a fathom? - 6 feet

Who was the first Commandant of the United States Marine Corps? - Samuel Nicholas

Who played in the first NFL game that was forced into overtime? - The Baltimore Colts and the NY Giants (1958)

Who scored the winning touchdown in the 1958 NY Giants versus Baltimore Colt football game? - Alan Ameche

The ball on top of military flagpoles is called a _____? - Truck

How many letters are in the Cyrillic alphabet? - 32

In the TV series "Have Gun Will Travel," what was Paladin's first name? - Wire

What message did the British Admiral, Lord Nelson, send to his fleet just before the battle of Trafalger?
- "England expects every man to do his duty"

How many consecutive weeks did the Beatles appear on the Ed Sullivan show in 1963-64?
- Four

What is a "John Wayne"?
- A can opener

What is a paradiddle? - A drum rudiment consisting of four strokes, "right, left, right, right"

What music group recorded "The Lonely Bull"? - Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass

Whose likeness appears on the military medal, the Purple Heart? - George Washington

What two individuals are in the Baseball Hall of Fame who never played the game of baseball?
- Abbott and Costello (for the comedy routine "Who's on First?")

What is the standard cadence (number of steps per minute) of a military unit when marching?
- 120 steps per minute.

What military leader was awarded five Navy Crosses? - Lt Gen Chesty Puller, USMC

Other interesting tidbits:

What percentage of purity is sterling silver? - 97.5%

What is a chukker? - A time period in polo

How many children did Scarlet have in the book *Gone with the Wind*?
- Three (the movie only mentioned one)

What baseball player broke Roger Maris's homerun record - and when?
- Mark McGwire, 8 September 1998

What baseball player was known as "Mr. October"? - Pete Rose

What were the two sister ships to the Titanic? - Olympic, Britannic

What is the tailless cat? - Manx

The official language of the Philippines is (and it's not Spanish!) - Tagalog

Where would you go to row on the Po? - Italy

Weekly Pacing Guide--Applied Communication I--4x4 Block Schedule

Week 1

Course Introduction

C:2000 Module 10, Lessons 1-2

Getting Acquainted

Week 2

Behavior Styles Inventory Module 10, Lessons 3-5 Memo Writing

Decision-Making Inventory

Week 3

Module 10, Lessons 6-10 "How to Deal with Difficult People"

Week 4

Module 10, Lessons 11, 14, 15

"Beowulf"

Canterbury Tales

Week 5

C:2000 Module 7, Lessons 1, 3, 5, 6, 7

Week 6

King Arthur legends

Family Conflicts

Hamlet

Week 7

Module 7, Lessons 9-11

Conflict Brochure

Week 8

C:2000 Module 2, Lessons 1-5

Assistive Technology

Week 9

Module 2, Lessons 6-8

Offensive Language Activity

Pygmalion

Week 10

Module 2, Lessons 9-12

Resume Writing

Week 11

Resumes cont'd

Getting a Job Presentations

Week 12

C:2000 Module 4, Lessons 1-8

Travel Projects (Module 4)

Week 13

Module 4 Travel Projects cont'd

Begin Research Paper (Career)

Week 14

Research Paper

Week 15

Research Paper cont'd

Week 16

Individual Oral Presentations

AIT Module 17, Electronic Communication

Week 17

Module 17

Revise research papers

Week 18

Module 17

Weekly Pacing Guide--Applied Communication I--Traditional Schedule

Week 1-2

Course Introduction

Getting Acquainted

C:2000 Module 10, Lessons 1-2

Additional Team-building Activities

Week 3-4

Behavior Styles Inventory Module 10, Lessons 3-5 Memo Writing

Decision-Making Inventory

Week 5-6

Module 10, Lessons 6-10 "How to Deal with Difficult People"

Week 7-8

Module 10, Lessons 11, 14, 15

"Beowulf"

Canterbury Tales

Week 9-10

C:2000 Module 7, Lessons 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 Literature choices

Week 11-12

King Arthur

Family Conflicts

Hamlet

Week 13-14

Module 7, Lessons 9-11

Conflict Brochure

Week 15-16

C:2000 Module 2, Lessons 1-5

Assistive Technology

Week 17-18

Module 2, Lessons 6-8

Offensive Language Activity Policy Writing

Pygmalion

Week 19-20

Module 2, Lessons 9-12

Resume Writing

Week 21-22

Resumes cont'd

Getting a Job Presentations

Week 23-24

C:2000 Module 4, Lessons 1-8

Travel Projects (Module 4)

Week 25-26

Module 4 Travel Projects cont'd

Begin Research Paper (Career)

Week 27-28

Research Paper

Week 29-30

Week 31-32
Individual Oral Presentations
AIT Module 17, Electronic Communication

Week 33-34
Module 17

Week 35-36
Module 17

An additional module would likely be covered
in a 36-week course; AIT Module 16 would be an
excellent choice



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