Reading/Writing IV
Upper-Intermediate General Reading/Writing class
Classroom Textbooks

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A High-Intermediate Reader
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Course Description

Level IV is an upper-intermediate level general English course designed for those students who want to:

- gain a better understanding of grammar
- improve their ability to read general, non-technical information
- develop their ability to write clearly
Upon completion of this course, in the following skill areas, students will be able to:

**Reading**

- improve overall reading proficiency skills, including pre-reading, skimming, scanning, and perceptual skills
- identify the main idea of a reading passage
- identify the major parts of a reading passage and their functions and relationships
- identify the major and minor details of a reading passage and their functions and relationships
- identify inferences
- distinguish fact from opinion
- identify the writer’s tone and audience
Writing

- write accurate sentences by using the grammatical structures studied in class
- express ideas in multi-level paragraph essays with an introduction, body, and conclusion
- use different types of essay organization such as description, narration, persuasion
- organize the paragraphs in writing
- use correct mechanics (punctuation, indentation, capitalization)
Grammar

- understand and use verb tenses:
  - simple present, past, and future,
  - present, past, and future progressive
  - present, past, and future perfect
  - present and past perfect progressive

- understand and use adverb, adjective, and noun clauses
Vocabulary

- determine meaning from context
- learn new vocabulary by “families” or groups of related words
- determine meaning through stems and affixes
- make effective use of a monolingual dictionary
Let’s enjoy studying and using English together!