



## **Community English Program Beginner 1 Syllabus**

**Instructor:**

**E-mail:**

**Level: Beginner 1**

**Classes: April 8 - May 27 (8 weeks)**

**Class time: 7:30pm-9:30pm (Thursday)**

**Class location: Zoom (online)**

- **Course Description**

The Community English Course is a unique course offered by the English Department of NYIBT. It provides English as a new language to adult learners of diverse nationalities and backgrounds. The course is designed to help Beginner English language learners(ELLs) to develop English listening, speaking, reading, and writing that are required for everyday life. Using a theme-based teaching approach, students will learn vocabulary, pronunciation, as well as grammar to meet their communicative needs with the emphasis on understanding authentic language usage and communicating clearly in American English. Each instructional unit is centered on a theme in order to centralize learning, skills, and strategies associated with each particular topic.

- **Course Objectives:**

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

- Use simple sentence structures and everyday vocabulary to exchange basic information, ask and answer basic questions, and express opinions and feelings.
- Use basic communication strategies to engage in short conversations about familiar topics.
- Demonstrate understanding of explicitly stated main ideas, supporting details, and basic relationships related to everyday topics from written and oral sources.



- Recognize pronoun reference and high-frequency vocabulary related to familiar contexts from written and oral sources.
- Write simple text types, such as descriptive paragraphs, short emails, and summaries, using pre-writing strategies and basic sentence structure and vocabulary.
- Use basic connectors, appropriate punctuation, and accurate spelling of high-frequency vocabulary in written assignments.
- Perceive and produce basic vowel sounds, consonant combinations, and word stress in controlled pronunciation practice and assessed speaking tasks.

- **Course Materials:**

- **Interchange, Course Book 1.** 5th Edition. (2017). (Cambridge University Press).

- **Instructional Units:**

- Unit 1: Where are you from? (pp. 2-7)
  - Unit 2: What do you do? (pp. 8-13)
  - Unit 3: How much are these? (pp. 16-21)
  - Unit 4: What an interesting family! (pp. 30-35)

- **Unit Test Dates:**

- Test 1 (Unit 1): April 15 (Thursday)
  - Test 2 (Unit 2): April 29 (Thursday)
  - Test 3 (Unit 3): May 13 (Thursday)
  - Test 4 (Unit 4): May 27 (Thursday)

- **Course Grade Breakdown:**

- Unit Tests 1, 2, 3,4 (each 15%): 60%
  - Participation: 10%
  - Final Test: 30%



- **Grade Calculation**

Letter Grade	Legend	Numerical Equivalent	Grade Point Average (GPA)
A	Excellent	90 - 100	4
B	Good	80 - 89	3
C	Satisfactory	70 - 79	2
D	Minimum Passing Grade	60 - 69	1
F	Failure	0 - 59	0
W	Withdraw Officially	N/A	Excluded from GPA

- **Policies on Withdrawal and Refunds**

When a student is accepted for admission, the student accepts NYIBT's payment conditions. After classes begin, tuition and fee charges are determined as follows if the student completes the total withdrawal process from NYIBT:

<b>100% of tuition and fees</b>	<b>By Week 1</b>
<b>50% of tuition and fees only</b>	<b>By Week 2</b>
<b>No refund</b>	<b>After the 3rd Week</b>

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## Important Course Dates to Remember!

Week 1	Tuesday, April 20	First day of classes
Week 2	Thursday, April 29	Last day for refund request
Week 10	Thursday, June 24	Last day of classes