

English Speaking and Listening Course Topics for Non-Major Post-Graduate Students Fall Semester

Weeks 1-8: Debate Practice

- Debate Procedures/Introduction of Classmates: Two Truths and a Lie
- Brainstorming Debate Topics
- Intonation
- Predicting opposing questions and answers
- Preparing questions to ask opposing teams

Weeks 9-15 Culture

- American Holidays (Halloween)
- American Holidays (Thanksgiving)
- American Holidays (Christmas)
- Entertainment/Songs and Acting out Movie Scenes
- Shopping/Food and Clothing/"The Price Is Right!"
- Eating Out/American Menus
- Keeping House in America (Laundry, Yardwork, Baking/Canning)

Weeks 16-18 Finals and Grading

Spring Semester (Order is Optional)

1-Vacation Planning/Seasonal Clothing/Weather

2-Medical Care Terminology/How are you feeling?

3-Generations/Who's Who on the Family Tree

4-Telephone/Texting Etiquette/ Dating (Compare American and Chinese Culture)

5-Describe an object/Shapes and Functions/"Blind Men and the Elephant"

6-Describe a Picture/Color/Characters/Setting/Action

7-Travel Directions

8-Reader's Theater/Folktales PPT

9-Items to take for "Survival"/Decision making

10-Who to take?/Ethics

11-Murder Mystery/Problem solving

12-Goal Setting

13-The Game of Life/Budgeting

14-American/Chinese Education

15-Interview for a Job/Public Speaking

16-Sports

17-18 Finals and Grading