



Language Institute Thammasat University
Course Outline Semester 1/2023

TU 006 English 2

Course Syllabus

This course is designed to improve students' writing skills. Emphasis is placed on developing the skills of writing sentences and paragraphs. Students will develop the ability to recognize different types of sentences and paragraphs and understand the role they play in various types of writing. Regular practice in writing topic sentences, supporting sentences, and full paragraphs will allow students to become skilled writers within a variety of contexts.

Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes (COLO)

Objective 1: Distinguish various types of paragraphs including narration, description, instruction, process, cause-effect, comparison/ contrast, and opinion paragraph
Learning Outcome 1.1: recognize how various types of paragraphs are organized Learning Outcome 1.2: explain what a paragraph is
Objective 2: Write sentences and paragraphs of various types as mentioned in Objective 1
Learning Outcome 2.1: outline various types of paragraphs Learning Outcome 2.2: write topic sentences, supporting details and conclusions of various types of paragraphs Learning Outcome 2.3: write a complete paragraph composed of various types of sentences
Objective 3: Make use of appropriate phrases and structures learned in class to compose writing pieces at both sentence and paragraph levels.
Learning Outcome 3.1: use appropriate transitional words, past tense, adverb clauses of time, and time expressions to compose writing pieces at both sentence and paragraph levels. Learning Outcome 3.2: use appropriate prepositions of place, adjective order, and adjective clauses to compose writing pieces at both sentence and paragraph levels. Learning Outcome 3.3: use appropriate sequence markers and passive voice to compose writing pieces at both sentence and paragraph levels. Learning Outcome 3.4: use appropriate comparison and noun clauses to compose writing pieces at both sentence and paragraph levels.

Course Materials

Rimkeeratikul, S., Somphong, M., Sribayak, V., Soontornwipast, K., Tiensawangchai, T., Porkaew, K., Suriyatham, V., Kunwongse, S. (2019). *Developing effective paragraph writing skills*. Thammasat University Press.

Where to buy: TU Bookstore or contact Line account => TUBookstore (<https://lin.ee/hbkJBFH>)

Suggested readings:

Fitzpatrick, M. (2005). *Engaging writing: Paragraphs and essays*. Pearson Education Inc.

Strauch, A.O. (2010). *Writers at work: The short composition*. Cambridge University Press.

Zemach, E. D., & Rumisek, A. L. (2007). *College writing from paragraph to essay*. Macmillan Education.

Course Evaluation

Attendance & Class Participation	10 %
Assignments	40 %
-Before midterm exam	20 %
-Before final exam	20 %
Midterm Examination	25 %
Final Examination	25 %
<u>Total</u>	<u>100 %</u>

P (Pass)- 55% and over N (No Pass)- 54% and below
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Details of assignments

Tasks	Details
Assignment 1 (10%)	COLO: 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1 <u>What to do:</u> 1. Write a narrative paragraph about your daily life or an event in the past. (200 words) <u>What to submit:</u> 1. A narrative paragraph about your daily life or an event in the past (10%)
Assignment 2 (10%)	COLO: 1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 <u>What to do:</u> 1. Write a process paragraph (200 words) <u>What to submit:</u> 1. A process paragraph (10%)
Assignment 3 (10%)	COLO: 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1,3.2, 3.3 <u>What to do:</u> 1. Write a cause-and-effect paragraph (200 words) <u>What to submit:</u> 1. A cause and effect paragraph (10%)

Assignment 4 (10%)	COLO: .1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1,3.2,3.3,3.4 <u>What to do:</u> 1. Write an opinion paragraph (200 words) <u>What to submit:</u> 1. An opinion paragraph (10%)
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Active Learning Activities

1. Group discussions
2. Lectures
3. Research assignments

Important note:

In order to pass the course, students are required to obtain at least 55% of the total score (55 points) and to attend at least 80% of all classes.

Attendance Policy:

1. Students are required to attend at least 80% of the total class hours. They cannot be absent more than 3 times before the final examination.
2. For each incidence of lateness 1 point will be deducted. For each unexcused absence 2 points will be deducted. Attendance scores can be reduced for lack of participation despite physical presence.

Plagiarism policy

Thammasat University students are required to refrain from any kind of plagiarism, i.e. an act of copying other people's work, such as language, thoughts, or expressions, without crediting the original author(s). Copying any sentences or paragraphs from any sources, e.g. websites, books, etc., and pasting them into their assignments are thus considered cheating, which will result in a mark of **zero** for the assignment or even an **NP (No Pass)** grade.

Relevant sites for students' practices concerning plagiarism (in Thai):

<http://regu.tu.ac.th/quesdata/Data/K21.pdf>

<http://regu.tu.ac.th/quesdata/Data/K23.pdf>

Instructors

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Tha Prachan	000101	Wed 17.30 - 20.30	LITP- 2E	Asst. Prof. Dr. Vimolchaya (vimolchaya.y@litu.tu.ac.th)
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Rangsit	000002	Mon 17.00 - 20.00	LI 212	Asst. Prof. Chorthip Chorthip.v@litu.tu.ac.th)

Tentative Teaching and Learning Schedule

Week	Date	Contents
1	Aug 14*/16 *Holiday TBA	Course introduction An effective paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title of the paragraph • Topic sentence • Concluding sentence
2	Aug 21/23	An effective paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of paragraphs • Making an outline for writing a paragraph • Unity • Coherence A narrative paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to write a narrative paragraph • Making an outline of a narrative paragraph
3	Aug 28/30	A narrative paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main parts of a narrative paragraph • Language focus (sequencing, prepositions, adverb clauses of time, past simple tense, past perfect tense) <p style="color: red;">Assignment 1: A narrative paragraph about your daily life or an event in the past (10 points)</p>
4	Sep 4/6	A descriptive paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to write a descriptive paragraph
5	Sep 11/13	A descriptive paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus (prepositional place, adjective order) • Adjective clauses describing places and objects
6	Sep 18/20	A process paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing a process paragraph
7	Sep 25/27	A process paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus (passive voice) • Language focus (Sequence markers) • Language focus (Markers) <p style="color: red;">Assignment 2: A process paragraph (10 points)</p>
	Oct 2/4	Midterm exam = 25 points (<u>17.30-19.30</u>)

Week	Date	Contents
8	Oct 9/11	An instruction paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus • Write topic sentences for instructions • Write concluding sentences for instructions • Write an instruction paragraph
9	Oct 23*/25 *Holiday TBA	A cause-and-effect paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing a paragraph of cause and effect Paragraph organization
10	Oct 30/ Nov 1	A cause-and-effect paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus (Structures for causes) • Language focus (Structures for effects) Language focus (Matching causes with effects)
11	Nov 6/8	A compare-contrast paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus (Comparison) Assignment 3: A cause and effect paragraph (10 points)
12	Nov 13/15	A compare-contrast paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to write a topic sentence for a compare-contrast paragraph - Outlining a compare-contrast paragraph
13	Nov 20/22	An opinion paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Writing an opinion paragraph
14	Nov 27/29	An opinion paragraph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language focus (phrases for stating opinions, noun clauses) Assignment 4: An opinion paragraph (10 points)
15	Dec 4/6	Revision
	Dec 13	Final exam = 25 points (17.30-19.30)

Important Dates:

Add/Drop	15-28 August 2023
Withdrawal with 'W'	4 September – 22 October 2023
Public Holiday	14 August: National Mother's Day 23 October: King Chulalongkorn Memorial Day

