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English Reading and Writing II is the second course in the four-semester English Reading and Writing course sequence. This course is designed to help students apply their language skills through intensive reading and writing practice.

Readings in this course are designed to familiarize students with useful reading skills and vocabularies which will enable them to become better readers. Also, a writing section that focuses on development of productive skills is integrated to provide students with more practice on vocabulary, grammar, and writing tasks. Except for two hours of in-class instruction, students are required to complete reading, vocabulary, grammar, and writing practice online.

Many of the reading-related activities will be done using software available in our computerized language learning laboratories. Using this software, we will conduct weekly intermediate-level assessments of the student's progress in reading.

Through the weekly assessments, the students will demonstrate

1. Understanding of a variety of writing models presented in the thematic reading materials.
2. Improved understanding of basic concepts in academic writing.
3. Improved understanding of the writing process.
4. Productive and receptive knowledge of the English vocabulary presented in the thematic materials.
5. Improved confidence in their ability to improve their English proficiency through individual effort.

Make predictions
Identify main ideas
Identify details
Infer word meaning from context
Infer information not explict in the text
Classify information
Express opinions about a text
Distinguish between fact and opinion
Relate the readings to personal opinions

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