

2018- 2019 MNVA High School Syllabi
Minnesota Virtual Academy
English Foundations

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BRIEF COURSE DESCRIPTION –

Course Description: Students build and reinforce foundational reading, writing, and basic academic skills needed for success in high school. Through carefully paced, guided instruction and graduated reading levels, students improve reading comprehension and strategies, focusing on literacy development at the critical stage between decoding and making meaning from text. Instruction and practice in writing skills help students develop their composition skills in a variety of formats. Formative assessments identify areas of weakness, lessons are prescribed to improve performance, and summative assessments track progress and skill development. If needed, students can continue their remediation of reading and writing skills with English Foundations II

Course Goals and Objectives: Students will be prepared to employ reading, writing, speaking, and listening basic skills. ***You will need to be self-motivated and do much of the course work independently***

MATERIALS NEEDED

All Materials for this class are found on D2L or materials for this class are provided on D2L.

CLASS CONNECT SCHEDULE –

Class Connect times:

Mondays 9 am

Tuesday & Wednesday 9 am Enrichment

Thursday Individual Help

Attendance for Class Connect sessions is mandatory. Attendance is recorded by attending class live or by watching the recording and submitting the required documentation to your teacher.

GRADING

Grading

During online courses, students will receive grades for homework assignments, quizzes, tests, projects, participation and other activities. **Students will be able to see their grades at any time by going to their grade books.** If students have questions about grading procedures, they should contact their instructors.

Students are required to save their work throughout the semester. By saving their work, students will be able to retrieve any assignments in question and review them with their teachers in the event of a dispute or question over a grade.

I am looking forward to working with you this year!



MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR REVISIONS BASED UPON A VARIETY OF FACTORS THAT BEST SERVE THE CLASS*

Type	Max. Points	
Unit 1 ▼		
1.01 Practice Checkpoint: Main Ideas ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.01 Quiz: Main Ideas ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.02 Practice Checkpoint: Verb Tense ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.02 Quiz: Verb Tense ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.03 Practice Checkpoint: Noun Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.03 Quiz: Noun Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.04 Practice Checkpoint: Root Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.04 Quiz: Root Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.05 Practice Checkpoint: Sequencing & Classifying ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.05 Quiz: Sequencing & Classifying ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.06 Practice Checkpoint: Capitalization ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.06 Quiz: Capitalization ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.07 Practice Checkpoint: Parallelism ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10

1.07 Quiz: Parallelism ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.08 Practice Checkpoint: Pronunciation & Syllables ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.08 Quiz: Pronunciation & Syllables ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.09 Graded Assignment: Writing Complete Sentences ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
1.10 Practice Checkpoint: Irregular Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.10 Quiz: Irregular Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.11 Practice Checkpoint: Subject-Verb Agreement ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.11 Quiz: Subject-Verb Agreement ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.12 Practice Checkpoint: Contractions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.12 Quiz: Contractions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.13 Practice Checkpoint: Common & Proper Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
1.13 Quiz: Common & Proper Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
1.14 Unit Assessment: More Basic Concepts ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	144
Unit 2 ▼		
2.01 Practice Checkpoint: Fact & Opinion ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.01 Quiz: Fact & Opinion ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.02 Practice Checkpoint: Sentence Flaws ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.02 Quiz: Sentence Flaws ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.03 Practice Checkpoint: Prefixes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.03 Quiz: Prefixes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.04 Graded Assignment: Ideas & Opinions ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
2.05 Practice Checkpoint: Asking Important Questions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.05 Quiz: Asking Important Questions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.06 Practice Checkpoint: Simple & Compound Sentences ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.06 Quiz: Simple & Compound Sentences ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.07 Graded Assignment: Sentence Types ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
2.08 Practice Checkpoint: Suffixes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.08 Quiz: Suffixes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.09 Practice Checkpoint: Cause & Effect ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.09 Quiz: Cause & Effect ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20

2.10 Practice Checkpoint: End Marks in Punctuation ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.10 Quiz: End Marks in Punctuation ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.11 Practice Checkpoint: Determining Sentence Type ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
2.11 Quiz: Determining Sentence Type ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
2.12 Graded Assignment: Writing Good Paragraphs ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
2.13 Unit Assessment: Gathering & Organizing Information ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	108
Unit 2 Extra Credit 🌟 ▼	-	22
Unit 3 ▼		
3.01 Practice Checkpoint: Summarizing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.01 Quiz: Summarizing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.02 Practice Checkpoint: Punctuation Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.02 Quiz: Punctuation Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.03 Practice Checkpoint: Verbs & Contractions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.03 Quiz: Verbs & Contractions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.04 Graded Assignment: Developing Paragraphs ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
3.05 Practice Checkpoint: Generalizations ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.05 Quiz: Generalizations ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.06 Practice Checkpoint: Plurals ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.06 Quiz: Plurals ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.07 Practice Checkpoint: Singular & Plural Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.07 Quiz: Singular & Plural Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.08 Practice Checkpoint: Writing Purposes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.08 Quiz: Writing Purposes ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.09 Practice Checkpoint: Compound Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.09 Quiz: Compound Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.10 Graded Assignment: The Process of Writing ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
3.11 Practice Checkpoint: Characterization ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
3.11 Quiz: Characterization ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
3.12 Unit Assessment: Summarizing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	108
Unit 4 ▼		

4.01 Practice Checkpoint: Helping Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.01 Quiz: Helping Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.02 Practice Checkpoint: Action & Linking Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.02 Quiz: Action & Linking Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.03 Practice Checkpoint: Core Subject Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.03 Quiz: Core Subject Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.04 Graded Assignment: Prewriting ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
4.05 Practice Checkpoint: Reading Strategies in Science ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.05 Quiz: Reading Strategies in Science ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.06 Practice Checkpoint: Possessive Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.06 Quiz: Possessive Nouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.07 Practice Checkpoint: Information as graphs charts and diagrams ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.07 Quiz: Information as graphs charts and diagrams ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.08 Practice Checkpoint: Adverb Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.08 Quiz: Adverb Usage ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.09 Practice Checkpoint: Reading Strategies in Social Studies ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.09 Quiz: Reading Strategies in Social Studies ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.10 Practice Checkpoint: Transitive & Intransitive Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.10 Quiz: Transitive & Intransitive Verbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.11 Practice Checkpoint: Conjunctions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.11 Quiz: Conjunctions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.12 Practice Checkpoint: Comparative & Superlative Adverbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.12 Quiz: Comparative & Superlative Adverbs ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.13 Practice Checkpoint: Synonyms & Antonyms ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
4.13 Quiz: Synonyms & Antonyms ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
4.14 Graded Assignment: Writing Strategies ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
4.15 Graded Assignment: Revising Writing ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
4.16 Unit Assessment: Summarizing in Different Subjects ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	132
Unit 5 ▼		
5.01 Practice Checkpoint: Prior Knowledge ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10

5.01 Quiz: Prior Knowledge ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.02 Practice Checkpoint: Easily Confused Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.02 Quiz: Easily Confused Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.03 Practice Checkpoint: Homographs & Homophones ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.03 Quiz: Homographs & Homophones ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.04 Graded Assignment: Proofreading ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
5.05 Practice Checkpoint: Adjectives ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.05 Quiz: Adjectives ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.06 Practice Checkpoint: Multiple Meanings ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.06 Quiz: Multiple Meanings ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.07 Practice Checkpoint: Pronouns & Antecedents ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.07 Quiz: Pronouns & Antecedents ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.08 Graded Assignment: Writing for the Reader ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
5.09 Practice Checkpoint: Drawing Conclusions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.09 Quiz: Drawing Conclusions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.10 Practice Checkpoint: Pronoun Case ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.10 Quiz: Pronoun Case ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.11 Practice Checkpoint: Connotation & Denotation ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.11 Quiz: Connotation & Denotation ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.12 Practice Checkpoint: Substituting Pronouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.12 Quiz: Substituting Pronouns ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.13 Practice Checkpoint: Context Clues ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.13 Quiz: Context Clues ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.14 Practice Checkpoint: Unfamiliar Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
5.14 Quiz: Unfamiliar Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
5.15 Unit Assessment: Inferences ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	144
Unit 6 ▼		
6.01 Practice Checkpoint: Point of View ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.01 Quiz: Point of View ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.02 Practice Checkpoint: Predictions & Conclusions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10

6.02 Quiz: Predictions & Conclusions ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.03 Practice Checkpoint: Adjective Intensifiers ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.03 Quiz: Adjective Intensifiers ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.04 Practice Checkpoint: Punctuation Uses ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.04 Quiz: Punctuation Uses ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.05 Practice Checkpoint: Figurative Language ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.05 Quiz: Figurative Language ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.06 Practice Checkpoint: Analogies ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.06 Quiz: Analogies ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.07 Practice Checkpoint: Bibliographies & References ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.07 Quiz: Bibliographies & References ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.08 Practice Checkpoint: Purpose in Writing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.08 Quiz: Purpose in Writing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.09 Practice Checkpoint: Figurative Language in Literature ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.09 Quiz: Figurative Language in Literature ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.10 Practice Checkpoint: Greek & Latin Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.10 Quiz: Greek & Latin Words ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.11 Practice Checkpoint: Compare & Contrast ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.11 Quiz: Compare & Contrast ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.12 Graded Assignment: Comparing & Contrasting ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
6.13 Practice Checkpoint: Punctuating Dates & More ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	10
6.13 Quiz: Punctuating Dates & More ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	20
6.14 Graded Assignment: Letters ▼	Assignments ⓘ	20
6.15 Unit Assessment: Purpose in Writing ▼	Quizzes ⓘ	132
Unit 7 ▼		
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