

Apêndice B

Ementa do Curso BGW

Course Information

Course name: **BGW** (Beginner Grammar Writing)

Instructor: **Vera Mello**

Objectives of the course

This 2-month course has as its main objectives:

- To guide students to write short paragraphs in a completely amusing way;
- To help students to develop linguistic and communicational abilities through tasks, chat, and discussion forums;
- To promote interaction, participation and cooperative learning among students and teacher;
- To develop autonomy, collaboration, social integration, mutual respect, awareness and understanding of cultural diversities;
- To help students to work towards their own learning taking into account their pace and learning styles;
- To contribute to individual and group learning development.

At the conclusion of the course, participants should be able to write a short paragraph effectively.

Course Requirements

In order to successfully complete the course participants are expected to:

- have some computer literacy;
 - log on to the course site at least twice a week;
 - be active participant in the course;
 - check suggested extra reinforcement materials;
 - do all the tasks assigned as group or individual work weekly;
 - participate in the forum discussion either by posting a reply to a message, or by creating a new topic for discussion;
 - participate in previously scheduled chat sessions;
 - read all the messages posted by the instructor and mates.
 - send a note to the tutor if facing personal problems and do not want to be removed from the course.
- NO COMMUNICATION IN A 2-WEEK PERIOD IMPLIES AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM THE BGW GROUP.

Method of Instruction

No books will be required.

New assignments will be posted in the form of weekly lessons for participants to read and work on. Comments and explanations will be sent via email to individuals and/or to the group.

Grading

- No special test will be given.
- Students will be asked to self evaluate their performance throughout the course as a way of being aware of their own learning process and will also receive the tutors' feedback on their progress once a month.

Before starting the course, it's mandatory that you fill the new students' form and that you accept all the requirements for taking the course.

A certificate may be given by EFI upon request and after the learner passes a BGW course test which consists of writing a short paragraph.