

Dear Bridge Student,

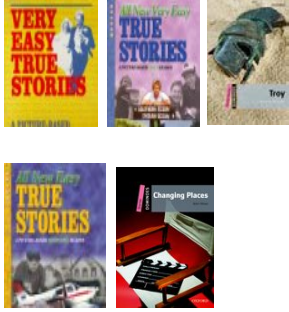

Welcome to UNI! Welcome to the new Bridge class! We are looking forward to a great semester of learning with you. We want to tell you about the Bridge class.

You will do homework and take tests and quizzes. The quizzes and tests will help you and us, your teachers, to know what you are learning and what you may need more help with.

In order to be successful in class, you should have the following study habits:

1. Come to class everyday
2. Come to class on time
3. Bring all your books and study materials
4. Enter and exit the class quietly when class is in session (e.g. late arrival, going to the restroom, etc.)
5. Raise your hand to answer or ask a question
6. If you don't understand something, ask questions! Tell your teacher that you need help.

For this semester of Bridge, you will need the following books. **Your teacher will tell you exactly which books to buy.** You can buy these books at University Book and Supply on 23rd Street. The books are:

<p>Reading</p>	<p><i>Very Easy True Stories: A Picture-Based First Reader</i> <i>All New Very Easy True Stories: A Picture-Based First Reader</i> <i>Troy (ISBN: 978-0-19-424970-6)</i> OR <i>All New Easy True Stories: A Picture-Based Beginning Reader</i> <i>Changing Places (ISBN: 978-0-19-424708-5)</i></p>	
<p>Listening/Speaking</p>	<p><i>Foundations, 2nd Edition</i> <i>Foundations Activity Workbook, 2nd Edition</i></p>	
<p>Writing</p>	<p><i>Side by Side Book 1</i> <i>Activity Workbook</i> <i>Word by Word Picture</i> <i>Dictionary: English/Arabic/Chinese/Spanish</i></p>	

Finally, there is an **Exit Test**. You must pass this final test to enter into Level 2. **Quizzes and tests during class show your progress, but you must earn a minimum score of 73% on the Exit Test in order to pass.** The grade on the exit test is your grade for all skill areas: reading, writing and grammar, and listening and speaking. If you do not pass the final exit test, you must repeat the Bridge class. If you need more time in the Bridge class, you will study with different textbooks. The ideas will be the same, but you will use different books to learn those ideas.

Here are the things you should know for the Bridge Exit Test. You must be able to...

- Recognize and recite the alphabet
- Recognize and recite cardinal numbers
- Recognize and pronounce all consonant, blended, and long & short vowel sounds
- Respond in short but complete sentences to a variety of prompts. For example, these prompts might be yes/no questions, ordering food, talking to a doctor, etc.
- Fill in a subject-pronoun chart
- Fill in a verb chart for BE and HAVE
- Match subject pronouns with possessive pronouns
- Unscramble and place words in S-V-O order
- Produce several related simple sentences in the present and present-progressive tenses
- Begin each sentence with a capital letter, end with a period, and space words appropriately
- Use capital and lower-case letters appropriately
- Fill out a form using personal information based on short, highly modified texts based on introduced grammar structures
- Choose and produce (fill in the blank) answers based on the readings
- Discern between true/false answers based on the reading
- You may NOT use a picture dictionary on the Exit Test.

We are here to teach you and help you, but please remember that you are responsible for what you learn. You must study hard after class to succeed. Let's have a great semester together!

Sincerely,

Your Instructors

After you read and understand this letter, please write your name and the date here:

(your name/signature)

(date)

Please return this letter to your writing teacher tomorrow. Thank you.