

## **Writing Practice**

### **Week 1: Introduction to Academic Writing**

#### **Lesson1: Introduction to the Course**

##### **02. Reading Materials of the Course**

###### **Study - Notes**

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#### **1. Types of Materials Used in the Course**

The course uses two main types of resources:

- 1. Reference books**
- 2. Reliable academic websites**

These materials provide practice tasks, explanations, and examples that support the topics covered in the videos.

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#### **2. Role of Reference Books**

- Reference books offer **additional practice tasks** related to what is taught in each video.
  - After watching a video, students should go back to these books and complete relevant exercises.
  - These tasks help deepen understanding of academic writing skills and strengthen learning.
  - The more consistently students use these books, the better they perform in the course.
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#### **3. Use of Websites**

- Students will also be asked to visit certain **university websites** and other **legitimate, reliable sources**.
  - These websites provide accurate information on topics discussed in the course.
  - They complement the reference books and enhance students' understanding of academic writing norms.
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#### **4. Reference Books Used in the Course**

**1. Stephen Bailey – *Academic Writing: A Handbook for International Students* (Fifth Edition)**

- Covers many topics taught in this course in detail.
- Contains step-by-step tasks aligned with the course content.
- Highly recommended for improving academic writing skills.

**\*\*2. Martin Hewings & Craig Thaine – *Cambridge Academic English: Student's Book (Advanced)***

- Offers guidance on writing technical reports.
- Although examples are general, students will learn to apply the skills to **computer science contexts** through video examples.

**3. Mark Connolly – *Get Writing: Paragraphs and Essays***

- Contains enjoyable and useful tasks.
- Helps improve both paragraph and essay writing.

**4. Hanif K. Savage & Patricia Mayer – *Write It Right! (Paragraph Writing Focus)***

- Focuses on types of paragraphs and their structures.
- Includes many exercises to strengthen paragraph-level writing.

**5. Dorothy Zemach & Lisa Rumisek – *Academic Writing: From Paragraph to Essay***

- Helps transition from writing paragraphs to writing full essays.
- Useful for understanding how essays develop from well-structured paragraphs.

**6. Additional Books**

- Graham Palmer
- Linda Butler
- Rebecca Chapman

These books cover topics such as:

- Paragraph writing
- Essay writing
- Summarizing
- Paraphrasing
- Other components of academic writing

Exercises in these books support the skills taught in the videos.

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## **5. How to Use These Materials Effectively**

- After each video, students should revisit the books and complete relevant exercises.
  - Consistent practice builds strong academic writing skills.
  - Students can bring questions or doubts from these exercises to face-to-face sessions for discussion.
  - Developing a habit of regularly reading and practicing will ensure success in the course.
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## **6. Summary of Key Points**

- The course uses **reference books** and **reliable websites** to support learning.
  - Students should actively use these materials for practice and deeper understanding.
  - Books include a combination of general academic writing texts and skills-based practice books.
  - Regular engagement with these resources will help students master essential academic writing components.
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