The Writing Center

Workshop Lesson Plan ESL Bootcamp

Lesson Objectives:

- 1. To review basic grammatical topics relevant to ESL learners
- 2. To have students practice identifying parts of speech, phrases/clauses, and end punctuation

Preparation:

• Review handouts. Check if there are enough copies of handouts. Make more if necessary.

Handouts:

• Student Handouts on Parts of Speech, Clauses and Phrases, and End Punctuation. The handouts are copied separately because you may only do one or two sections depending on the level of students that show up for the workshop. Distribute them as needed.

Technology:

• N/A

Reading Lesson:

- The reading section of the Bootcamp workshop is first and will be approximately one hour. They will cover annotation, inferences, and finding topics/main ideas. You may view their lesson plan for more details.
- As the RC presents, pay attention for examples, details, and questions that may be useful in your section of the workshop.
- Our WC portion will take place during the second hour of the workshop.

Introductory Activity: 5 minutes

• Introduce yourself and the lesson.

Lecture Notes: 45-50 minutes

Parts of Speech

- Ask the students to name the parts of speech they know and what they mean. Write those on the board.
- Go over the Parts of Speech handout with students, reviewing details and examples you have not already covered.
- Do the Parts of Speech Exercise. Have the students do the first sentence on their own and then go through it on the board together. If you have time, do another sentence. They increase in length.
- Phrases and Clauses

- Ask students what the difference between a phrase and a clause is and if they have any examples.
- Go through the first 2 pages of the Phrases and Clauses handout. Review the definitions of phrases and clauses and go over subjects and verbs.
- Do the Subjects and Verbs Exercise and the Phrases vs Clauses Exercise.
- If there is still time and the students are at a higher level, go over the last page of the Phrases and Clauses handouts covering Independent and Dependent Clauses
- Do the Independent and Dependent Clauses Exercise.
- End Punctuation
- Ask students what punctuation marks they usually put at the end of sentences.
- Go through the End Punctuation handout.
- Do the End Punctuation Exercise.

Practice Activity:

• Practice activities are done at the end of each section on Parts of Speech, Phrases and Clauses, and End Punctuation.

Closing Notes: 5 minutes

- Review main ideas of lesson.
- Take any last questions.
- Encourage students to come back to the Writing Center.

Mini Workshop: ESL Bootcamp Student Handout

Parts of Speech

Part of Speech	Function	Example
Nouns	Nouns name people, places,	Michelle likes her class at
	things, or ideas. Proper nouns	Truman College because
	that name specific people and	Mr. Smith encourages the
	places are capitalized.	students to read books.
Pronouns	Pronouns replace nouns to	Michelle likes the article
	avoid repetition.	because it is about chemistry
		and she loves science.
Adjectives	Adjectives describe nouns	The intelligent student works
	and pronouns, explaining the	hard at the difficult courses.
	kind, number, color, shape,	
	etc.	
	Articles (a, an, the) are also	The student works on a paper
	adjectives but are usually	for an economics class.
	identified separately.	
Verbs	Verbs show action or state of	Michelle likes her class at
	being.	Truman College because Mr.
		Smith encourages the
		students. It was fun.
Adverbs	Adverbs describe verbs,	She easily understands the
	adjectives, and other adverbs.	concepts because the teacher
	They add information like	explains them very clearly.
	when, where, why, or how.	
Prepositions	Prepositions show position in	In <u>the evening</u> , Michelle does
	space and time. They are	her homework at the library
	always followed by nouns to	so she is prepared for <u>class</u> in
	form prepositional phrases.	the morning.
Conjunctions	Conjunctions are connecting	Michelle's favorite subjects
	words. They can be	are science and English since
	coordinating conjunctions	they will be the most useful
	(for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so)	for her future career.
	or subordinating conjunctions	
	(because, while, since, when).	
Interjections	Interjections interrupt a	Wow, this lesson was
	sentence to convey a greeting	incredibly helpful!
	or to show emotion.	

Adapted from *The Least You Should Know about English* by Paige Wilson and Teresa Ferster Glazier.

Suffixes and Parts of Speech

The ending of a word (suffix) can indicate the part of speech. You can often change the part of speech by changing the ending of the root word. This can be especially useful when writing.

Common Suffixes That Indicate the Part of Speech

Noun Suffixes	Examples
-al	Refusal
-acy	Privacy
-ance -ence	Maintenance
-er -or	Trainer
-ist	Chemist
-ism	Materialism
-ity -ty	Simplicity
-ment	Improvement
-ness	Heaviness
-sion -tion	Concession
-dom	Freedom

Verb Suffixes	Examples
-ate	Authenticate
-en	Enlighten
-ify -fy	Terrify
-ize -ise	Civilize

Examples
Presentable
Meaningful
Authentic
Musical
Nutritious
Messy
Brownish
Creative
Endless

Adverb Suffixes	Examples
-ly	happily

Adapted from *Making Reading Relevant: The Art of Connecting* by Teri Quick, Melissa Zimmer, and Diane Hocevar

Here is the breakdown of one root word into several parts of speech.

ECON = Root Word

ECONOMIC (adj) ECONOMICAL (adj) ECONOMIST (n, person) ECONOMY (n, idea) ECONOMICS (n, school subject) ECONOMICALLY (adv) ECONOMIZE (v)

How could you change the word OCCUPY into different parts of speech?

Parts of Speech Exercise

The following sentences are adjusted from "Different Brain Wiring Could Explain Gender Differences." Above each word in the sentence, write the part of speech. You may use the abbreviations below if needed:

Noun = N	Pronoun = Pro	Adjective = Adj	Article = Art	Verb = V
Adverb = Adv	Preposition = Prep	Conjunction = Con	Interjection = Int	

- 1. It truly is the part of the brain in the back of the head.
- 2. Some differences between men and women may be wired into their brains.
- 3. Women, on the other hand, have more wiring between the right and left

hemispheres of the brain.

Phrases and Clauses

I. Phrases

Phrases are groups of words that do not form complete sentences. They are missing the subject, verb, or both.

In the morning.	Running down	To find my	For example,	Especially the
	the street.	friend.	Peter.	Red Sox.

Prepositional Phrases

Prepositions are linking words that usually show positions in time or space. There are many prepositions, but here are some common ones.

Above	at	before	for	from	in
Of	on	over	through	to	with

Prepositions are always followed by nouns to make a prepositional phrase.

In the morning At th	ne train station On the	phone With m	y friends
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II. Clauses

Clauses must have both a subject and a verb. To tell the difference between a phrase and a clause, you must be able to identify the subject and the verb.

Subjects

Who or what the sentence is about.	Oprah is known around the world.
Usually a noun or pronoun, but can	Chicago is her hometown.
also be a gerund.	She recently moved to Los Angeles.
	Interviewing celebrities has made her lots of money.
Can be singular or plural.	Television is a profitable business.
	Companies make millions through advertising on
	television.
Can be compound.	Men and women evaluate products differently.
Cannot be part of a prepositional	With huge sales, Amazon is an amazing success story.
phrase.	
<u>Cannot</u> be here or there.	Here are the flowers . There is the park .

III. Verbs

Action verbs – describes an action that	She recently moved to Los Angeles.
a subject performs.	Men and women evaluate products differently.
Linking verbs – connects the subject to	The marketing campaign is expensive.
words that describe it.	The photo looks grainy.
Helping verbs – combine with the main	Interviewing celebrities has made her lots of
verb to indicate tense, negative	money.
structure, or question structure.	American culture has been spreading across the
	globe for years.
	Will the coffee and cakes sell in Moscow?
Verbs can also be compound.	Good advertising informs, persuades, and
	convinces consumers.

Subjects and Verbs Exercise

Circle the subject and underline the verb in the following sentences.

- 1. Some differences between men and women may be wired into their brains.
- 2. It is the part of the brain in the back of the head.
- 3. Women, on the other hand, have more wiring between the right and left hemispheres of the brain.
- 4. In earlier studies, men have been shown to be better at learning and completing a single task at a time.
- 5. There were a few brain differences in subjects under 13.

Phrases vs Clauses Exercise

Choose whether the following groups of words are phrases or clauses. Write Phrase or Clause after each number.

- 1. This study is the first to show differences in neural wiring.
- 2. According to its authors.
- 3. Which is responsible for motor control.

- 4. Men had more connections within each hemisphere and within the cerebellum.
- 5. While the results showed improvements.
- 6. Paul Zak, a neuroscientist.

Independent Clauses

There are two types of clauses: independent and dependent. An independent clause has a subject and a verb and expresses a complete idea. Therefore, it is a full sentence on its own and CAN stand on its own.

- Sally went to the store.
- *I bought candy.*

Dependent Clauses

A dependent clause has a subject and a verb but does not express a complete idea. Therefore, it is not a full sentence and CANNOT stand on its own. It depends on another clause to be a complete sentence.

- While Sally was at the store.
- Because I bought candy.

Independent and Dependent Clauses Exercise

Put IC next to an independent clause and DC next to a dependent clause.

- 1. While Wendy was at her doctor's appointment.
- 2. William takes his dog, Sparky, for a walk every evening around 7 o'clock.
- 3. Biking is a difficult activity.
- 4. Before Wanda makes coffee in the morning.
- 5. Because it is dark out when I arrive at the office.

End Punctuation

Punctuation Mark	Function	Example
Period (.)	Place at the end of a full	I enjoy watching movies.
	sentence that makes a	
	statement.	
Question Mark (?)	Place after a direct question.	Do you also like movies?
Exclamation Point (!)	Place after an expression to	I loved that movie!
	emphasize it or to show	
	emotion or loud sounds.	

End Punctuation Exercise

Decide whether the sentence is making a statement, asking a question, or expressing emotion. Add the proper punctuation to the end.

1. There are 33 students in my class_____

- 2. What time does the class start _____
- 3. The house is on fire _____
- 4. The shop on the corner sells notebooks and paper_____
- 5. Each class will have an assigned time to go to the library_____
- 6. My dad said he is going to double my allowance _____
- 7. Why aren't you coming on the field trip_____
- 8. How long will it take us to get to the museum _____
- 9. I returned the books to the bookcase_____
- 10. Where is the school office _____
- 11. What is your favorite sport _____
- 12. James scored the winning touchdown
- 13. Mom is making my favorite meal for dinner _____
- 14. Is Emily your best friend _____

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Answer Keys

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- Women, on the other hand, have more wiring between the right and left N Prep Art Adj N V Adj N Prep Art Adj Conj Adj hemispheres of the brain.
 - N Prep Art N

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Circle the subject and underline the verb in the following sentences.

Subjects in bold. Verbs underlined.

- 1. Some **differences** between men and women <u>may be wired</u> into their brains.
- 2. It <u>is</u> the part of the brain in the back of the head.
- 3. **Women**, on the other hand, <u>have</u> more wiring between the right and left hemispheres of the brain.
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- 4. Men had more connections within each hemisphere and within the cerebellum. Clause
- 5. While the results showed improvements. Clause (though dependent so not a sentence)
- 6. Paul Zak, a neuroscientist. Phrase

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- 2. William takes his dog, Sparky, for a walk every evening around 7 o'clock. IC
- 3. Biking is a difficult activity. IC
- 4. Before Wanda makes coffee in the morning. **DC**
- 5. Because it is dark out when I arrive at the office. **DC**

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Add the proper punctuation to the end.

- 1. There are 33 students in my class.
- 2. What time does the class start ?
- 3. The house is on fire !
- 4. The shop on the corner sells notebooks and paper.
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- 12. James scored the winning touchdown !
- 13. Mom is making my favorite meal for dinner ! or .
- 14. Is Emily your best friend ?