“Earth Laughs in Flowers: Seeds for the Future of Our Environment”
A learning community of ESL 262 and ESL 263
De Anza College • Fall 2010
Mon and Wed, 8:30-11:45 in KC112

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Welcome to “Earth Laughs in Flowers”!
This is a learning community of ESL 262 and ESL 263. In this learning community, you will all take both classes together, so you can get more support and make more friends. You will also get two teachers, one teaching assistant and a counselor to help you succeed. All of the reading, writing and discussion will focus on a theme. Our theme is the environment, and we will contemplate several questions about the future of our world.

Required Texts
- Course Reader
- *Better Writing Through Editing*, Peterson and Hagen
- a novel (Don’t buy a novel until you are put in a novel group.)
Required Materials

- an English-only non-electronic dictionary (*Longman Advanced* recommended)
- standard 8.5 X 11 inch, college ruled paper
- highlighting markers: yellow, orange and green
- a stapler

Suggested Texts

- a college level thesaurus

Reading, Writing and Grammar

In this learning community, you will strengthen your reading, paragraph writing and editing skills. You will do this by reading articles from our text, reading a novel, studying sentence structure from an editing book, and writing paragraphs. You will read, study and write outside of class, and work with your classmates in class. In order to be successful in this course, you must spend a great deal of time on your homework, at least 14 hours a week.

Turnitin.com

All final drafts of writing assignments must be submitted to Turnitin.com before class starts on the day due. Instructions are in this packet.

Novel Project

In groups of four or five, you will read a novel related to nature or the environment and do a novel project with your group. Additionally, you will be choosing an environmental group to report about to the class that connects to your novel. This will be included in the presentation on your novel at the end of the quarter. More information will be given in class.

Field Trips and Reflection Journals

We will take two field trips, one to the Environmental Studies Area outside the Kirsch Center and one to Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge in Alviso. You will write reflection journals of your experiences.

Class Collaboration

In this class, you will be working with your classmates everyday on reading, exercises and writing assignments. You must depend on each other to be successful. Be courageous and proactive—ask your classmates for suggestions and advice! Be kind and generous—give your classmates help and support!

English Only Please!

Although we have great respect for your first language, the purpose of this class is to improve your *English* skills. You will do that most successfully if you speak English at all times during class. If you speak a language other than English, you will have to buy the whole class coffee at Starbucks.

Extra Help

1. Drop in for help at the Writing and Reading Center in AT 309. (http://faculty.deanza.edu/writingcenter/)
2. Sign up for a weekly tutor at the Tutorial Center in L47.
3. Sign up for free workshops and 1/2 unit classes, and use the ESL multimedia in the Speaking and Listening Lab in AT 304. (www.deanza.edu/langarts/lsl/)
4. Use the ESL language learning software in AT 103.

**Attendance**

You must come on time to every class. **If you miss more than two class meetings for any reason, you will be dropped from the class, receive a “W” or fail the class**, depending on the day of your third absence. Four late arrivals to class will count as one absence.

If you stop coming to class or decide to drop it, **YOU MUST DROP THE CLASS YOURSELF EITHER ONLINE, BY PHONE, OR BY VISITING ADMISSIONS & RECORDS**, otherwise you will receive an **F at the end of the quarter**.

If you do miss a class, it is your responsibility to contact your classmates or us, get the assignments for the following class and come to class prepared. You may find it helpful to get the names, phone numbers, and email addresses of two classmates. However, you are not required to give this information to anyone.

Classmate #1
Name ___________________________ Phone ___________________
Email ____________________________

Classmate #2
Name ___________________________ Phone ___________________
Email ____________________________

**Grading**

Please keep a record of your own points, so you can estimate your grade at any time.

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**Grading Scale**

95-100=A, 90-94=A-, 87-89=B+, 84-86=B, 80-83=B-, 77-79=C+, 73-76=C, 0-72=no pass
Missed Exam/Quiz and Late Paper Policy
No make-up exams or quizzes will be given. No late papers will be accepted. The only exceptions are if a dinosaur blocks the door of your house or you get stuck in a snowstorm on Highway 85. If you have a serious problem, email Michelle or Katie as soon as possible.

Plagiarism
If you turn in any work that is not your own or copy anything from anyone or anywhere, you will automatically fail the assignment/exam/quiz and may be dropped from the class or fail the course.

Disruptive Behavior
De Anza College will enforce all policies and procedures set forth in the Standards of Student Conduct (see catalog). Any student disrupting a class may be asked to leave that class. Administrative follow-up may result.

Cell Phones
Please don’t use any communication device during class. No emailing or texting during class. Don’t even read emails or texts. If your cell phone rings during class, you will have to bring cookies to the next class meeting for everyone. If you are a caretaker, please put your phone on vibrate.

Important Dates
Saturday, October 2nd Last day to add most classes
Saturday, September 25th Last day to drop for a refund (out of state and foreign students)
Saturday, October 2nd Last day to drop for a refund (resident students)
Friday, October 8th Last day to drop a class with no record of grade
Friday, October 15th Last day to request a class be changed to Pass/No Pass
Friday, November 12th Last day to drop with a "W"

Final Exam
ESL 262: Wednesday, December 8th 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.
ESL 263: Friday, December 10th 9:15 a.m to 11:15 a.m.

Office Visits
Please come see us if you have any questions, problems, or just need a little extra help. Come see us early, before a small concern becomes a big concern! If you cannot come to our office hours, we can arrange another time.

A Final Note
By the end of this quarter you will be a better English reader and writer. Improving your English skills does not come without effort. If you put maximum effort into your work, you will be surprised at how much progress you can make. Don't worry; you don't have to do it alone. Your classmates, teachers and teaching assistants are here to help you. Together we can accomplish great things. So, let’s get busy, work hard, and enjoy the quarter!