

Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences

School of Medicine

Syllabus for Specialized English One

Course objectives:

This three-credit course is aimed at enabling the students of Medicine to:

- get familiar with the register and terminologies of medicine;
- develop the ability to read and comprehend domain-specific texts;
- apply reading strategies of skimming, scanning, making predictions, and the like;
- develop the ability to verbalize their comprehension of the texts;
- and negotiate ideas and discuss issues related to medicine.

Course Materials:

- Specialized English One Pamphlet
- Medical Terminology Systems (Ch. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8)
- Specialized English One Audio + Transcripts

Assessment:

Criteria	Percentage	Points
Classroom Activities	10	2
Mid-term Exam	30	6
Final Exam	60	12

- Both mid-term and final exams include 60 items whose major focus is on listening, vocabulary and reading comprehension. In terms of format, all the items are multiple-choice type. Regarding content, the test consists of five listening comprehension items followed by 35 vocabulary items; out of 35 vocabulary items, 10 come from medical terminologies. The test finally ends with four passages with five items each.

Lesson Plan

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13	Unit 9 Chemical Terrorism	40
14	Unit 10 Poisoning and Drug Overdosage	45
15	Unit 11 Osteoarthritis	50
16	Unit 12 Intestinal Obstruction	55
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