



# AUAP ONLINE 2021

## Mid-Cycle Newsletter



## June, 2021



### IES CLASS = TOEIC PREP

#### Topics & Skills:

**April:**

- TOEIC test overview
- Review 9 parts of speech
- Prepositions of location & movement
- Part 1 tips and tricks

**May:**

- Part 2: sound alike words and same word distractors
- Part 5: Suffixes & Parts of speech
- Part 5: Comparatives & Superlatives
- Part 5: Participial adjectives
- Vocabulary building: Synonyms

**June:**

- Part 5/6: Subject verb agreement
- Part 3: Inference questions
- Part 3: Content words to focus listening

**"This class helps me know what to focus on for improvement and will help me in the future when I look for work and may have to use English."**



★★★★★  
94% of students can understand the English of their teachers!

### Mid-Cycle Summary

IESは、毎週火曜日の午前中に105分間行われる1単位のコースで、TOEICのための基礎力を身につけることを目的とした総合的スキルを学ぶコースです。文法的な概念、リスニングスキルの向上、テスト対策を学び、また現地の学生ボランティアと一緒に発音や会話を練習する機会もあります。

### Student & Class Highlights

The AUAP Online IES class started the semester with a review of the parts of the TOEIC test. Having this “map” of the TOEIC helps students know what to expect in each part and how to effectively manage time, especially with the Reading section. Students reviewed parts of speech using a variety of interactive and fun activities including using Kahoot, Quizlet, and more. At CWU, classroom volunteers from the CWU Education department helped AUAP Online students to review parts of speech and other grammatical points in Zoom breakout rooms. These rooms were filled with a lot of laughter and fun while learning at the same time!

In May, class started to focus on more language development skills that are useful for the Reading section. These included lessons on subject-verb agreement and different types adjectives. After learning the information in the main Zoom room, students joined breakout rooms to practice in pairs and small groups in a variety of interactive ways. Students also focused on vocabulary development – an essential part of preparing for the TOEIC test. They learned how suffixes can help understand both the meaning and the part of speech of unfamiliar words and how synonyms are frequently used in answer choices. After working on Part 5 grammar questions, one student said the exercises “were challenging, but very useful.”

Halfway through the semester, this class has covered a lot of practical language and test-taking strategies that will lead to improved TOEIC scores!

### Confused and Confusing

The paper is




The man is



### Interjection

word or phrase spoken loudly with strong emotion  
Example, "oh no, yikes, and woe  
Oops  
Dang and Yup"

**Example: "Yikes, I didn't realize there was a test on grammar"**



# American Flag



1776

Betsy Ross



More about Native Americans Today



Casinos Tribal Schools Tribal Colleges



## Mid-Cycle Summary

American Issuesは、毎週土曜日の午前中に210分間行われる4単位の授業です。文化、歴史に関連する現在のアメリカ諸問題および重要な社会運動について学び、議論します。トピックとしては、ネイティブ・アメリカン、アフリカ系アメリカ人、LGBTQが挙げられます。このコースでは、主要な人物、出来事、テーマの探求を通じて、現在および過去の諸問題を解説します。

## Student & Class Highlights

Students participated in a variety of unique synchronous and asynchronous activities through their AUAP Online classes. The various activities are intended to help students improve their English skills, knowledge about American culture and history, as well as improve discussion and presentation skills. At the beginning of American Issues, students looked closely at the topic of "Identity" as this course is a critical reflection of three identities in America today and the challenges each faces.



"I didn't know what happened to them before so it's very good to learn Native American history."

A unique component of AUAP Online classes is the chance to interact with US students. Students from CWU, EWU, and WWU regularly attend online classes and participate in breakout rooms allowing AUAP students to have meaningful discussions about class topics. Additionally, there are opportunities for students to have discussions with US peers outside of class. A popular activity for AUAP students is the "Video-Chat" project where AUAP students are paired with US students and meet virtually several times to discuss various topics and current events.



songwriter, and wood



## AMERICAN ISSUES Topics & Skills

### April:

- Virtual, collaborative journey across the USA activity
- Identity & values discussion
- Video of the American dream and discussion
- Online discussion board about Native Americans and Indian culture

### May:

- Student presentations on important Americans in history
- Discussion with US students about "America's first people"
- Reading activity about issues that Native Americans face such as loss of land, reservations, and the "Trail of Tears"

### June:

- Native Americans today
- Student research on Tribal schools & colleges and Tribal casinos
- African American culture introduction
- Student research about slave ships, slave auctions, and the "Triangle Trade"

## Special Activities

- Students at WWU participated in a video-chat assignment with members of WWU's Global Citizenship course
- Students at CWU were invited to join a CWU International Cafe to learn about WA state and talk with CWU students



92% of students enjoy talking to American students in class!



82% of students are comfortable participating in American Issues class!