

Discussion Process and Principles

Discussion Process and Principles can be used in many ways. We have outlined 4 different syllabi below for different timeframes. Use these, or mix and match them to come up with your own syllabus!

Syllabus 1: Two Semester University Curriculum

This syllabus divides each Discussion Loop or unit into three classes. The first class includes the Discussion Labs, the Discussion Principle, and the Discussion Phrase Bank. The second class features The Discussion section, and the third class features the Let's Continue the Discussion options.

Syllabus 2: One Semester Discussion Skills Curriculum

This syllabus focuses on the introduction and development of the 7 Discussion Loops and the 7 Discussion Principles. Each Discussion Loop is divided into 2 classes. In this syllabus, the first class features the Discussion Labs, and introduces the Discussion Principle, and the Discussion Phrase Bank. In the second class, students apply the principle and the phrases in The Discussion.

Syllabus 3: One Semester Discussion Projects Curriculum

This syllabus introduces and develops a topic over two class periods. The first class introduces and discusses an inspirational topic in The Discussion section. The next class expands the topic in a project such as a poster presentation, a panel discussion, a conference simulation, an interview, or a class discussion. Lots of fun!

Syllabus 4: Intensive Discussion Course

This 7-class syllabus focuses on a different type of discussion and a different discussion topic each class. Great variety! Not only does the discussion topic change but the discussion type and task changes, too.

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(Syllabus 1: Two Semester University Curriculum)

1. Course Description:

This course includes both the theory and practice of discussion. The course progresses from discussion as sharing to discussion as exploring to discussion as decision making. The outcome or results of each discussion is extended in a follow-up activity.

2. Course Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- Engage in 7 different types of discussion
- Apply the 7 principles of discussion
- Use appropriate language strategies for implementing the principles
- Use self-assessment to improve discussion performance
- Present the results of a discussion

3. Schedule: (First Semester)

Lesson 1	Orientation, Course Requirements, Etc.	
Lesson 2	First Discussion and Self-Assessment.....	pp.1~6
Lesson 3	Loop 1: Sharing Your Experiences	
	Discussion Labs 1.1, 1.2, 1.3.....	pp.11~15
	Discussion Principle 1.....	pp.16~17
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.18
Lesson 4	Loop 1: Sharing Your Experiences	
	Discussion: Sharing our Good Times and our Bad Times....	pp.19~23
Lesson 5	Loop 1: Sharing Your Experiences	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.24
Lesson 6	Loop 2: Sharing Your Ideas	
	Discussion Labs 2.1, 2.2,.....	pp.26~31
	Discussion Principle 2.....	pp.32~33
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.34
Lesson 7	Loop 2: Sharing Your Ideas	
	Discussion: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally.....	pp.35~39
Lesson 8	Loop 2: Sharing Your Ideas	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.40
Lesson 9	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Discussion Lab 3.1.....	pp.44~47
Lesson 10	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Discussion Principle 3.....	pp.48~49

	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.50
Lesson 11	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Discussion: Who are Your Heroes.....	pp.51~55
Lesson 12	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.56
Lesson 13 & 14 Review, Exam, Etc.		

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Schedule: (Second Semester)

Lesson 1	Loop 4: Searching for the Best Position	
	Discussion Labs 4.1, 4.2.....	pp.58~59
	Discussion Principle 4.....	pp.60~61
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.62
Lesson 2	Loop 4: Searching for the Best Position	
	Discussion: The Entertainment Hall of Fame.....	pp.63~67
Lesson 3	Loop 4: Searching for the Best Position	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.68
Lesson 4	Loop 5: Identifying the Criteria	
	Discussion Labs 5.1, 5.2.....	pp.72~73
	Discussion Principle 5.....	pp.74~75
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.76
Lesson 5	Loop 5: Identifying the Criteria	
	Discussion: Finding the Right Person for the Right Job.....	pp.77~83
Lesson 6	Loop 5: Identifying the Criteria	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.84
Lesson 7	Loop 6: Listing the Options	
	Discussion Labs 6.1, 6.2, 6.3.....	pp.86~89
	Discussion Principle 6.....	pp.90~91
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.92
Lesson 8	Loop 6: Listing the Options	
	Discussion: Designing a Menu for the International Palate...	pp.93~97
Lesson 9	Loop 6: Listing the Options	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.98~100
Lesson 10	Loop 7: Choosing the Best Solutions	
	Discussion Labs 7.1, 7.2	pp.102~105
	Discussion Principle 7.....	pp.106~107
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.108
Lesson 11	Loop 7: Choosing the Best Solution	
	Discussion: Studying Abroad—Where to go and Why.....	pp.109~113
Lesson 12	Loop 7: Choosing the Best Solution	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.114
Lesson 13	Final Discussion and Self-Assessment.....	pp.115~119
Lesson 14	Review, Exam, Etc	

Discussion Process and Principles **(Syllabus 2: One Semester Discussion Skills Curriculum)**

1.Course Description:

This course on the introduction and application of discussion skills. The course progresses from discussion as sharing to discussion as exploring to discussion as decision making.

2.Course Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- Engage in 7 different types of discussion
- Apply the 7 principles of discussion
- Use appropriate language strategies for implementing the principles
- Use self-assessment to improve discussion performance

3. Schedule: (First Semester)

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Lesson 2	Loop 1: Sharing Your Experiences	
	Discussion Labs 1.1, 1.2, 1.3.....	pp.11~15
	Discussion Principle 1.....	pp.16~17
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Lesson 3	Loop 1: Sharing Your Experiences	
	Discussion: Sharing our Good Times and our Bad Times....	pp.19~23
Lesson 4	Loop 2: Sharing Your Ideas	
	Discussion Labs 2.1, 2.2,.....	pp.26~31
	Discussion Principle 2.....	pp.32~33
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.34
Lesson 5	Loop 2: Sharing Your Ideas	
	Discussion: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally.....	pp.35~39
Lesson 6	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Discussion Lab 3.1.....	pp.44~47
	Discussion Principle 3.....	pp.48~49
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.50
Lesson 7	Loop 3: Exploring Positions	
	Discussion: Who are Your Heroes.....	pp.51~55
Lesson 8	Loop 4: Searching for the Best Position	
	Discussion Labs 4.1, 4.2.....	pp.58~59
	Discussion Principle 4.....	pp.60~61
	Discussion Phrase Bank.....	p.62

Lesson 9 **Loop 4: Searching for the Best Position**
Discussion: The Entertainment Hall of Fame.....pp.63~67

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Lesson 10 **Loop 5: Identifying the Criteria**
Discussion Labs 5.1, 5.2.....pp.72~73
Discussion Principle 5.....pp.74~75
Discussion Phrase Bank.....p.76

Lesson 11 **Loop 5: Identifying the Criteria**
Discussion: Finding the Right Person for the Right Job.....pp.77~83

Lesson 12 **Loop 6: Listing the Options**
Discussion Labs 6.1, 6.2, 6.3.....pp.86~89
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Lesson 13 **Loop 6: Listing the Options**
Discussion: Designing a Menu for the International Palate...pp.93~97

Lesson 14 **Loop 7: Choosing the Best Solutions**
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Lesson 15 **Loop 7: Choosing the Best Solution**
Discussion: Studying Abroad—Where to go and Why.....pp.109~113
Final Discussion and Self-Assessment.....pp.115~119

Discussion Process and Principles **(Syllabus 3: One Semester Discussion Projects Curriculum)**

1.Course Description:

This course focuses on discussion as a means to an end. Students discuss a variety of topics and learn by extending, reporting, and recycling the content of their discussions in presentations, panel discussions, role-plays, and simulations.

2.Course Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- Engage in 7 different types of discussion
- Present the results of a discussion in a variety of different formats

3. Schedule:

Lesson 1	Orientation, Course Requirements, Etc. First Discussion and Self-Assessment (Optional).....	pp.1~6
Lesson 2	Discussion 1: Discussion: Sharing our Good Times and our Bad Times....	pp.19~23
Lesson 3	Project 1: Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.24
Lesson 4	Discussion 2: Discussion: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally.....	pp.35~39
Lesson 5	Project 2: Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.40
Lesson 6	Discussion 3: Discussion: Who are Your Heroes.....	pp.51~55
Lesson 7	Project 3: Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.56
Lesson 8	Discussion 4: Discussion: The Entertainment Hall of Fame.....	pp.63~67
Lesson 9	Project 4: Let's Continue the Discussion.....	pp.68

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Lesson 10 Discussion 5:	
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Lesson 11 Project 5:	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....pp.84
Lesson 12 Discussion 6:	
	Discussion: Designing a Menu for the International Palate...pp.93~97
Lesson 13 Project 6:	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....pp.98~100
Lesson 14 Discussion 7:	
	Discussion: Studying Abroad—Where to go and Why.....pp.109~113
Lesson 15 Project 7: Choosing the Best Solution	
	Let's Continue the Discussion.....pp.114
	Final Discussion and Self-Assessment(Optional).....pp.115~119

Discussion Process and Principles **(Syllabus 4: Intensive Discussion Course)**

1.Course Description:

This seven lesson intensive course focuses on seven different types of discussion. The lesson format includes a model discussion followed by student practice of the model.

2.Course Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- Engage in 7 different types of discussion
- Use appropriate language strategies for implementing the principles

3. Schedule:

Stage 1: Discussion as Sharing

Lesson 1: Sharing Your Experiences

First Discussion and Self-Assessment (Optional).....pp.1~6

Topic: Sharing our Good Times and our Bad Times.....pp.19~23

Lesson 2: Sharing Your Ideas

Topic: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally.....pp.35~39

Stage 2: Discussion as Exploring

Lesson 3: Exploring Positions

Topic: Who are Your Heroes.....pp.51~55

Lesson 4: Searching for the Best Position

Topic: The Entertainment Hall of Fame.....pp.63~67

Stage 3: Discussion as Decision Making

Lesson 5: Identifying the Criteria

Topic: Finding the Right Person for the Right Job.....pp.77~83

Lesson 6: Listing the Options

Discussion: Designing a Menu for the International Palate.....pp.93~97

Lesson 7: Choosing the Best Solution

Discussion: Studying Abroad—Where to go and Why.....pp.109~113

Final Discussion and Self-Assessment.(Optional).....pp.115~119