



Welcome to CSKLS 313!

This 7-unit class has two parts, reading and writing. While you will attend two different classes, you will receive a single grade for both based on your work in both classes.

Each component of the class will have its own topics and procedures, and you should become very familiar with their similarities and differences. Below is the description of the reading part of this class.

Note:

- You must pass both classes with an A, B, or C to pass this 7-unit course

Our Website: <https://canvas.santarosa.edu/courses/20250>
Go to your SRJC portal and click the “More Details” link next to our class

Section 4909
7 units
Room 2805 Magginni Hall
Tuesday and Thursday 1:30 – 3:00
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Reading Course Description

Introductory developmental reading course offers skill-building lessons based on reading material and computer-based exercises to increase reading comprehension.

Reading Course Outcomes and Objectives

By the end of this course, you will have developed critical reading and thinking skills using a wide range of reading materials. Upon completion of this course, you will:

- ✓ Identify and apply appropriate reading strategies
- ✓ Predict Outcomes
- ✓ Recognize & Recall Details
- ✓ Recognize Context Clues
- ✓ Make Inferences
- ✓ Recognize Sequence of Events
- ✓ Identify topics, main ideas and supporting details
- ✓ Analyze and describe organizational patterns such as comparison and cause and effect
- ✓ Summarize what you’ve read in a paragraph including the main idea and supporting details
- ✓ Distinguish between general and specific ideas
- ✓ Interpret figurative language in a variety of materials, including fiction, nonfiction, and poetry
- ✓ Recognize Synonyms & Antonyms
- ✓ Comprehend Graphic Information

Reading Class Required Materials

- ✓ Textbooks:
 - Breaking Through College Reading, by Brenda D. Smith any edition
 - Other texts as semester moves along

- ✓ binder (1"- 1 1/2") Note: each class needs its own binder
- ✓ binder paper
- ✓ dictionary
- ✓ highlighter pen
- ✓ dividers

Course Requirements - Both Classes

- Computer Lab: You will be completing **3 hours total each week** for both classes (1.5 hours per class). Leslie Mancillas and I will each give you assignments in reading and writing.
- The ASK Lab (which you are welcome to use during non-class time) hours are: M-Th. 9:00 AM-2:30 PM and M – Th 5 – 8:30pm, and Fridays 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Complete all assignments on time to receive full credit.
- Take all quizzes on the scheduled date.
- You may be absent a maximum of three times before your overall grade is affected.
- Two tardies = one absence (you must talk to me if you might have a valid reason for tardiness).

Reading Class Grading Criteria

Assignments and Attendance: 45%

Various assignments include in-class work and homework. All assignments will receive points and will be based on the new skills you learn throughout the semester.

Lab Hours: 10%

In my class, the computer lab component consists of interactive reading lessons on the computer and other assigned reading activities. You are expected to attend the lab 1.5 hours each week for the reading class and will keep track of your hours each week.

Quizzes: 20%

Quizzes will be given throughout the semester.

Final Exam: 25%

Your final exam is on December 21, 2016

Grading Scale for Your Final Grade:

91% - 100% = A; 81% - 90% = B; 71% - 80% = C; 61% - 70% = D; 60% or lower = F

Student Responsibilities

- ❖ Read and understand class procedures and the SRIC attendance requirements procedures (provided on the reverse).
- ❖ Attend and participate in class (roll is taken)
- ❖ Be prepared for every class; bring required books; turn in homework on time, pre-read assigned selections.
 - Late homework accepted only under specific conditions
- ❖ Be respectful and courteous to others.
- ❖ Cell phones and all electronic devices OFF and out of sight during class - school policy
- ❖ Consistently check my online information for: Homework, Lab Work, and the Gradebook

- ❖ You may opt for Pass/No Pass option (P or NP) for this 7-unit class. However, it's a good idea to discuss this with a counselor first.

Teacher Responsibilities

- ❖ I will correct and/or grade assignments and quizzes in a timely manner so you can determine your grade throughout the semester.
- ❖ Maintain web pages
- ❖ Make every reasonable effort to maintain a positive learning environment.
- ❖ Be available to students during appointed times:
My office hour is also to be announced Room 613, Analay Village

Notes

- Organize your binder the first week! There will be a binder check the second week of school.
 - Have dividers for
 - Passwords and Notes
 - Returned Homework
 - Vocabulary
 - Reading Skills
 - Literary Devices
- Attend every class, and be prepared and on time. Regular attendance is essential to your learning and your grade. If you must miss a class, contact me by email (preferred) or telephone regarding homework.
- It is important that you refer to the course website regularly to get current homework assignments and lab assignments (for BOTH classes).

Late Work: You may turn in missed assignments or make up a quiz the day after you return only if you have an excused absence. Otherwise, you will receive only half-credit at best.

No homework will be accepted more than one week late.

- *Students shall be disciplined for the following categories of misconduct: dishonesty, such as cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the college. (the first offense of cheating or plagiarism shall effect the assignment; the second offense shall be reported to the school).*

Finding the Instructor

Refer to my lab and office hours. Please come in to see me for any reason related to this class. I need to be aware of any difficulties you may have keeping up with the course work.

I'm looking forward to offering you tools that will help you succeed.