COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Number and title:  LHD 213 IND – Intermediate Hebrew I  
Days: Weekly meetings.  
Hours: From 1-2 p.m.  
Prerequisite: LH 112 or appropriate Foreign Language Placement.

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

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TEXT

Hayesod, Luba Uveeler and Norman M. Broznick (Ch. 24-37)  

COURSE DESCRIPTION/MATERIAL TO BE COVERED

The textbook will be used for reading, translating and grammatical exercises. Israeli Hebrew language films will be shown and students will be required to write a summary and express their opinion on the film in the target language. Students will be expected to write compositions on mutually decided subjects. Songs and poems will be introduced as a study of Israeli culture and society. Most of the grade will be based on the oral and written use of the language. Students get to enrich their vocabulary, extend their grammar knowledge and use the language with increased independence.

COURSE AND GENERAL EDUCATION OBJECTIVES

You will be able to:  
- Communicate effectively through reading, writing and speaking.  
- Use analytical reasoning to identify issues or problems and  
- Evaluate evidence in order to make informed decisions.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

60% Homework  
20% Attendance (once a week a MUST)  
20% Final exam
EVALUATION METHODS
This course aims at training in literary analysis through the study of Hebrew works and emphasis on Hebrew composition and conversation. Your analytical and writing skills will be evaluated through the presentation of your assignments and discussions.

EXAM/QUIZZES
One final exam.

ATTENDANCE
Students are expected to attend class and to arrive on time. If you have to be absent, please notify instructor beforehand if possible. Furthermore, be sure to get any assignment, as well as any information provided in class from a class mate. An absence is no excuse for not being prepared for the following class, or for not handing in homework on time.

Be aware that every two instances of lateness will be counted as an absence.

If you leave early, or sleep in class, or pop in and out of the room frequently, come to class without your text, or fail to participate in class, you will be marked as being late for that class.

More than two unauthorized absences will determine lowering final grade. However, more than three unauthorized absences will determine a grade of WU for the course, which is equivalent to an F (Departmental Policy).

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
The Foreign Language Department abides by Queensborough Community College policy regarding Academic Integrity. Cheating on a quiz or exam as well as the act of plagiarizing (stealing the words or ideas of another) will result in an F grade for the course. It may also lead to suspension or dismissal from the College. For more details, refer to the Academic Integrity Policy stated in the 2009-2010 College Catalogue, p. 44-45.

CALENDAR
Note that there are no assignments (HW) in the book, besides translations from English to Hebrew. Those will be assigned as well as handouts, both to be submitted on the following meetings.

- Weeks 1 & 2: Chapters 24-25
  - Review of all 4 verb tenses.
  - Vocabulary of lessons 16-24 in textbook
Transfer of nouns to inflected form.
Stories and translation exercises.

Weeks 3 & 4: Chapters 26-27
Future and imperative verbs.
Film and discussion in Hebrew.

Weeks 5 & 6: Chapters 28-29
Construct state. Inflection of the dual and plural nouns.
Vocabulary and creative original sentences.
Stories and translation exercises.

Weeks 7 & 8 : Chapters 30-31
Comparative and superlative.
Story and translation exercises.
Film and discussion in target language.

Weeks 9 & 10 Chapters 32-33
Brief autobiography in Hebrew. Cardinal and Ordinal numbers.
Review of telling time. Numbers from one thousand to one million.
Stories and translation exercises.

Weeks 11 & 12 – Chapters 34-35
Review of days of the week and months of the year.
Review of useful everyday expressions .
Analysis of a literary text.

Weeks 13 & 14 - Ch. 36-37
Review of grammar learned during the semester.
and preparation for final exam.

Week 15
Final exam, cumulative.

STUDENTS WILL NEED A GRADE OF “C” OR HIGHER TO PASS TO LH 214