

MU357.1
DICTION, PART II
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Welcome! We will continue onward with the information that we learned in Diction part I. This term, we will study the more difficult languages, English and French. If time permits, we will also do a brief study of Spanish, though I do not want to do it at the expense of learning French thoroughly first.

TEXTS: We will continue to use Joan Wall's well-known treatise, *Diction*, as our primary text. In addition, we will use Madeline Marshall's very popular *Singing in English*, and Thomas Grubb's classic text, *Singing in French*. Where and when possible, we will study repertoire which will illustrate that which is discussed in the texts. Maybe there may be a performance or two...hmm.

HOW DO I GET A GRADE FROM YOU? Much the same as in Diction, Part I. I will be assigning readings from the aforementioned texts to read during the time between our weekly meetings. As before, I will also have written assignments for you to complete by the next class meeting. Your grade will be derived from the content of the written assignments and your performance in our weekly meetings. Assignments are due on time. **Late ones lose a letter grade per day!** *Mkay?*

ABSENCE/LATENESS: We have only 13 meetings during the course of a semester. Hence, your presence is necessary so we can cover the required material. I always freely admit that there are things out there which will result in irreconcilable conflicts, and as long as I know in advance, that's fine. We will always make up your time when it is mutually convenient. As always, my best advice is: **DON'T BLOW THIS CLASS OFF AND JUST NOT SHOW UP!!**

In the event that you don't show, I am required by the College to award you a score of zip, zero, nada. That is not going to represent a great service to your GPA. Also, try and be on time. Too many of these will result in an unexcused absence, so 'nough said, mkay!

OKAY, OATEN, WHAT'S ON THE CALENDAR FOR THIS TERM? Glad you asked; read on!

WEEK #	TOPIC	READING
1	Welcome; overview; review of IPA	None! Woo hoo!
2	English	Madeline Marshall
3	English	
4	English	
5	English	
6	French	Wall, Grubb
7	French	
8	French	
9	French	
10	French	
11	French	
12	French	
13	French	