

WRITING CENTRE WORKSHOPS – Spring 2009
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Reading and Understanding Difficult Material

Reading is a skill that many of us take for granted, except when we are faced with challenging material. Because reading is so deeply connected to writing and critical thinking, reading well at all levels is essential to academic success. In this workshop we will explore the answers to questions like these:

- how do I handle a large reading load?
- how can I approach difficult vocabulary?
- how do I read to analyze and summarize?
- what does it mean to be a critical reader?
- how do I read to respond?

For direct assistance during the workshop, you are welcome to bring examples of reading you find challenging.

Choose one time, below:

Dates: Tuesday, Jan. 27 2:30 – 3:30
 Tuesday, Feb. 3 2:30 – 3:30
 Monday, Feb. 9 3:00 – 4:00

Presenter: Dale Wik

Enrolment is limited. To register, please contact Dale at dale.wik@viu.ca or phone 753-3245, ext. 2115.

Grammar Workshops: a series of four

This series of four workshops will give you an opportunity to understand grammar and to use this knowledge to write effective sentences that clearly communicate your ideas. You will work your way methodically through the various sentence elements and consolidate your new knowledge with weekly homework exercises.

By the end of the session, you should be able to

- identify and correct sentence errors
- write more clearly and precisely
- revise your own writing with greater ease and confidence.

Time: Wednesday, 3:00 – 4:00
Dates: Jan. 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, Feb. 18
Presenter: Sandra Hagan, English Department

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