



TRABZON UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES
2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR
MAIN COURSE SYLLABUS

Course: HZR-MC Main Course	Year: 2025-2026 Academic year	Hours: 6
Course status: Compulsory	Course type: Lecture, question & answer, discussion	Language of instruction: English
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Course Book: Empower Level B1 and B2 - Cambridge University Press		

Group	Class Hours		Course Tutors
Prep A (English Language Teaching)	Monday 10.00-12.00 (FCDZ16)	Tuesday 10.00-12.00 (FADB16) Wednesday 13.00-15.00 (FADB16)	Lect. Yıldırar KURNAZ
Prep B (English Language Teaching)	Monday 13.00-15.00 (FCDZ01)	Tuesday 13.00-15.00 (FADB01) Wednesday 10.00-12.00 (FADB01)	Lect. Yıldırar KURNAZ
Prep C (English Translation and Interpreting)	Monday 9.00-12.00 (FADB06)	Wednesday 10.00-12.00 (FADB07)	Assis. Prof. Dr. Veysel İŞÇİ

This syllabus outlines the weekly structure for the Main Course, incorporating both the Empower B1 and B2 levels. The course is structured to provide a total of 168 hours across 32 weeks, with each week dedicated to a unit or specific learning objectives aligned with the Empower B1 and B2 Scope & Sequence. Note the weeks reserved for mid-term assessments, review sessions, and the final assessment.

Week	Unit	Content	Notes
1	Introduction: General information about course		Ice-breaking & class-bonding
2	Empower B1-Unit 1	Communicating	Asking and answering personal question. Talking about how one communicates. Greeting people and ending conversations.

			Writing a personal email.
3	Empower B1-Unit 2	Travel and Tourism	Talking about past holidays. Describing travel problems. Asking for information in a public place. Writing a travel blog.
4	Empower B1-Unit 3	Money	Talking about money and shopping experiences. Talking about living less. Talking to people in shops. Writing an update email.
5	Empower B1-Unit 4	Social Life	Talking about plans for celebrations. Planning a day out in a city. Making social plans. Writing and replying to an invitation.
6	Empower B1-Unit 5	Work	Talking about what people do at work and the future of work. Making offers and suggestions. Writing a job application.
7	Empower B1-Unit 6 (Quiz I)	Problems and Advice	Giving advice for common problems. Describing extreme experiences. Asking for and giving advice. Writing an email giving advice. (Quiz-I covers previous studies)
8	Empower B1-Unit 7	Changes	Talking about life-changing events. Describing health and lifestyle changes. Talking to a doctor. Writing a blog about an achievement. (Revision before Exam)
9	Mid-term Exam	No classes held due to exam	
10	Empower B1-Unit 8	Culture	Talking about art, music, literature, sports and leisure activities. Apologizing; making and accepting excuses.
11	Empower B1-Unit 9	Achievements	Talking about future possibilities. Describing actions and feelings. Making telephone calls. Writing personal profile.
12	Empower B1-Unit 10	Values	Talking about moral dilemmas. Describing problems with goods and services. Returning goods and making complaints. Writing an apology email.
	(Quiz II – Pop-up)		
13	Empower B1-Unit 11	Discovery and Invention	Explaining what technology does. Talking about discoveries. Asking for and giving directions in a building.
	(Quiz II – Pop-up)		

			Writing a post expressing an opinion.
14	Empower B1-Unit 12	Characters	Telling a story. Talking about family and relationships. Agreeing and disagreeing in a discussion. Writing a shorty story.
	(Quiz II – Pop-up)		
15	Review of B1 Units 1-12	Revision	Structured review sessions with practice tests
16	Mid-term Exam	<i>No classes held due to exam</i>	
17	Introduction: General information about semester plans	Ice-breaking & class-bonding	Introduction: General information about semester plans
18	Empower B2-Unit 1	Outstanding People	Discussing challenges and admirable people. Explaining what to do and checking understanding. Writing an article.
19	Empower B2-Unit 2	Survival	Discussing dangerous situations. Giving advice on avoiding danger. Giving and responding to compliments. Writing guidelines in a leaflet.
20	Empower B2-Unit 3	Talent	Discussing ability and achievement. Discussing sports activities and issues Making careful suggestions. Writing a description of data.
21	Empower B2-Unit 4	Life Lessons	Discussing events that change people's lives. Discussing and describing rules. Describing photos. Writing and email to apply for work
	Quiz III	<i>Quiz covers previous studies</i>	
22	Empower B2-Unit 5	Chance	Discussing possible future events. Preparing for a job interview. Discussing advantages and disadvantages. Writing and argument for and against an idea.
23	Empower B2-Unit 6	Around the Globe	Discussing choices and changes. Introducing requests and showing gratefulness. Writing a travel blog.
24	Empower B2 - Unit Review	Revision	Review of Units 1-6 with discussions and practice.
25	Mid-term Exam	<i>No classes held due to exam</i>	

26	Empower B2 - Unit Review	Revision	Review of Units 1-6 with discussions and practice.
27	Empower B2-Unit 7	City Living	Discussing living in cities. Discussing changes to a home. Imagining how things could be. Writing an email to complain.
28	Empower B2-Unit 8	Dilemmas	Discussing personal finance. Discussing moral dilemmas and crime. Being encouraging. Writing a review.
29	Empower B2-Unit 9	Discoveries	Discussing new inventions. Discussing people's lives and achievements. Expressing uncertainty. Writing an essay expressing a point of view.
30	Empower B2-Unit 10	Possibilities	Speculating about the past. Discussing life achievements. Describing feelings. Writing a narrative
31	Final Review	Revision	Review of Units 1-10 with discussions and practice and preparation for final assessment
32	Final Exam	<i>No classes held due to exam</i>	