PACING GUIDE
8 UNIT COURSES | 18 WEEK TIMEFRAME

A weekly breakdown of course content and guide to pacing eDL courses in both blended and online learning environments.
HOW TO USE THE BLENDED LEARNING PACING GUIDE

The Blended Learning Pacing Guide provides suggestions for the delivery of eDynamic Learning courses in a teacher-directed, blended learning classroom. The pacing guide establishes a timeframe and appropriate pace for delivery of the course material. The pacing guide’s timeframe designates the number of weeks to teach each unit, as well as the approximate number of class periods to devote to the unit components (e.g., Unit Introduction, Lessons, Questions, Labs, Activities, and Quizzes).

Under each unit component, a structure for each lesson outlines ideas for delivering an impactful and research-based blended learning lesson to build the students’ mastery of course content and objectives. The goal is for teachers to utilize the lesson structure in conjunction with the Blended Learning Strategies for the purpose of lesson planning and delivery. The diagrams on the following pages outline the structure of the Blended Learning Pacing Guides and how to use each part.

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Unit Components
The unit components are listed in columns 3–6 of the pacing guide and include the following: Unit Introduction & Lessons, Questions, Labs, Activities, and Quizzes. In each column, the guide recommends the number of class periods to spend on each component. The suggested pace to complete the unit components is based on a class length of 45–60 minutes.

Lesson Structure
The Lesson Structure provides the outline of a lesson plan featuring blended teaching and learning opportunities for each component including:

• activating prior knowledge,
• building academic language and course vocabulary,
• developing higher-order thinking skills,
• engaging students with structured interaction,
• implementing project-based learning,
• reviewing course content,
• assessing students, and
• providing feedback.

Midterm and Final Exam
For both the Midterm and Final Exam, there are suggestions for how to review the units being assessed. These suggestions include the amount of time to spend reviewing each unit, along with the activities, games, and mini-projects.
General Pacing of Unit Features

- Teach one unit, every two weeks.
- Allot approximately one class period to introduce the unit and teach each lesson in the unit.
- Allot approximately one class period for students to respond to and discuss each question set in the unit.
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- Share the Unit Objectives.
- Introduce Course Vocabulary. | Lesson Structure:
- Review key ideas and concepts from the lessons.
- Have students respond to the Text or Discussion Questions.
- Discuss student responses.
- Utilize Blended Learning Strategies to engage students in the discussion.
- Provide feedback to students. | Lesson Structure:
- Activate students’ prior knowledge and review vocabulary.
- Present the Lab or Activity to students or have students read the Lab or Activity.
- Review the rubric.
- If applicable, group students for cooperative work.
- Support students through questioning and prompting.
- Provide feedback to students.
- Have students present their work products.
- Assess student learning. | Lesson Structure:
- Review key ideas, concepts, and vocabulary from the unit.
- Have students complete the Flashcards and/or quiz review.
- Discuss student responses.
- Utilize Blended Learning Strategies to review.
- Provide feedback to students.
- Optional: Play a unit review game.
- Administer the unit Quiz.
- Review the answers with students.
- Clarify students’ mistakes and misconceptions.
- Assess student learning and reflect on instruction. |
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| Week 8 | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— |
| Week 9 | Midterm Review and Midterm | —— | —— | —— | —— |

Midterm Review Ideas

- Spend approximately one class period reviewing each unit.
- Have students complete the unit Flashcards.
- Review key concepts from the unit using Blended Learning Strategies.
- Use students' errors from the unit Quiz to create a “Mistakes Test.” Have students correct the errors.
- Play a review game.
- Have students review the Text Questions or the Discussion Questions.
- Another option is to have students complete a mini-project for a key unit learning objective or concept. Students may choose, or you may assign, the focus of the project and the work product students will create. Have students share their completed projects or present them to the class. Students may set up their projects at stations. Have half the class visit the project stations while the other half of the class presents their projects at their stations. Then have students switch roles.

Mini-projects may include:

- advertisement
- comic strip
- blog post or journal entry
- newspaper story, radio announcement, TV program, or video
- skit, play, or tableaux
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The Student Online Learning Tips provided for the unit components will help students maximize their learning while building their mastery of course content and objectives. The goal is for students to use the learning tips to successfully complete the Lessons, Questions, Labs, and Activities on their way to achieving the course objectives. The diagrams on the following pages outline the structure of the Online Learning Pacing Guides and how to use each part.

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Lesson Structure
The Student Online Learning Tips help students to successfully complete the unit components and achieve the unit objectives and Tips include:

- ways to build academic vocabulary
- reading strategies
- use of online discussion or chat features to collaborate and get support
- steps to engage in blended project-based learning
- what to do when stuck
- how to reflect and use teacher feedback
- ways to review and study for unit quizzes

Midterm and Final Exam
For both the Midterm and Final Exam, there are suggestions for how to review the units being tested. These suggestions include the amount of time to spend reviewing each unit, along with the activities, games, and mini-projects.
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• Read the lesson and/or listen to the podcast.  
• Take notes on the lesson or annotate the text.  
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• Monitor your understanding of the lesson by asking yourself questions. Or after each section of text, stop to summarize it.  
• Determine the most important ideas from the lesson.  
• Ask for help when you need it.  
• Re-read and clarify the hard parts when you don’t understand, don’t follow the text, or don’t know what a word means.  
   Student Online Learning Tips:  
• Review key ideas and concepts from the lessons.  
• Respond to the Text or Discussion Questions.  
• Refer to the lessons and text to help answer the questions.  
• Start an online discussion or chat about the questions.  
• Review and reflect on teacher feedback. | Student Online Learning Tips:  
• Think about what you know about the topic and review vocabulary.  
• Read the Lab or Activity.  
• Review the rubric.  
• Collaborate with other students online.  
• Start an online discussion or chat about the Lab or Activity.  
• Ask for help when you need it. Clarify the hard parts.  
• If you get stuck, revisit the rubric and the goals of the Lab or Activity. Write a list of smaller tasks or goals that are needed in order to complete the Lab or Activity.  
• When the Lab or Activity is completed, use the rubric to self-assess your work.  
• Review and reflect on teacher feedback. | Student Online Learning Tips:  
• Review key ideas, concepts, and vocabulary from the unit.  
• Complete the Flashcards and/or quiz review.  
• Start an online discussion or chat about the questions.  
• Review and reflect on teacher feedback.  
• Try playing a unit review game. Quiz yourself with flashcards or play a vocabulary memory game.  
• Take the unit Quiz.  
• Review the answers to the unit Quiz.  
• Clarify your misconceptions and mistakes.  
• Self-assess and reflect on your learning. |
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**Unit 5**

- **Unit Introduction**: Read the Unit Summary and the Unit Objectives.
- **Lesson**: Think about or brainstorm what you know about the topic.
- **Course Vocabulary**: Study the Course Vocabulary.
- **Before reading the lesson, scan it. Predict what the lesson is about.**
- **Read the lesson and/or listen to the podcast.**
- **Take notes on the lesson or annotate the text.**
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**Week 11**

**Unit 6**

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**Week 12**

**Unit 7**

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**Unit 8**

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- comic strip
- blog post or journal entry
- newspaper story, radio announcement, TV program, or video
- skit, play, or tableaux
- chart, diagram, or timeline
- model or clay sculpture
- rap, song, or poem
- experiment
- debate