

Prompt: Please introduce yourself. Obviously, this ice-breaker post doesn't have to follow the criteria of an actual discussion prompt (it will not be graded). As I did in my short introduction, just tell us a bit about yourself, your hometown, your goals, interests, favorite beverage—that kind of thing. If it is easy for you to do so, consider posting a photo of yourself (optional).

The Obligatory

Hello there, everybody. My name is Chad Philip Johnson and I am obviously enrolled in ENGL1B for the Summer 2012 semester. This is my fourth and final English class at Shasta College: I have already completed ENGL1A, ENGL1C and ENGL13B. Like a lot of you I am taking this class because it is required for me to transfer, but that's okay with me because I enjoy this subject. It will be my last English class and that is, in a lot of ways, not really such a good thing. But I should be okay, so long as there are plenty of good books to read.

I am majoring in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and intend to transfer to UC Berkeley in the Fall of 2013. Fortunately, the College of Engineering at UC Berkeley requires that its students have at least an above average understanding of the English language, and this happens to work out well for me. The only downside to this is that the material in an English course is much different than the other subjects I am usually studying—such as Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry. All of these subjects, when taken at the same time, can require quite a bit of intellectual juggle work: it is a little weird to figure out how much torque to put into a pulley to keep a hoisted 4kg block evenly balanced and then, an hour or two later, begin writing an essay about Victorian era poets from England's 19th century.

Were you to meet me in a normal class setting you would probably notice that I have long hair and listen to Rock and Roll and Heavy Metal (not during lecture, of course). I also enjoy drinking beer, working on computers, playing baseball, programming, and plucking the guitar (but not necessarily in that order). Another interesting fact about me is that I am starting my own business and, like a lot of people out there who start their own businesses, I expect to be absolutely rolling in dough in no time at all. I will be selling video games (of course) for lots of money to people through the InterWeb. If all goes as planned then I will be able to retire when I am 34 and spend the rest of my life drinking expensive champagne on the beach, meanwhile reading all of the fantastic literature that has been released over the centuries....

Re: TJ :) (by Terra Jones)

right now I'm a business major but am tied up between being a teacher or something involved in law enforcement- so many options!

Well, we need more business men and women in our schools—not necessarily teaching the classes, but balancing the books. Maybe in the right arrangement you could do both?

If you wanted to also fit the law enforcement passion in there then you could move to Southern California and be a business/math-teacher/accountant who carries a nightstick and a can of mace! (Just a little joke.)

Anyway, good luck in the class!

Re: Introduction (by Christian Smith)

I am majoring in Mathematics and a second field I have yet to determine.

Hello Christian. Just out of curiosity, where are you at in your Math studies? I will be taking MATH4A and MATH6 next semester, so maybe we will get to see a bit of one another pretty soon.

Regarding your second field, have you considered Computer Science? Not a bad area to get into if you enjoy video games. Just out of curiosity, what are some of your favorite video game titles?

Good luck in ENGL1B!

Re: intro (by Hannah Sharp)

so they dont offer it there at humboldt during summer??? or is it just a summer thing that you wanted to do?

I would guess it's the Three Dolla Bill Y'all\$—too many Benjamins, know what I'm sayin'??!

Sorry, Fred Durst hijacked my computer (if you don't know who he is, that's a good thing).