

## Week 16 Assignment: ASL 101L

1. Congratulations! You have reached the last week of the semester before final exams. You may choose to complete this week's lab assignments, or you may use your time to make up any previous lab work, review for your ASL final exams, or practice and record any expressive signing assignments/projects.
2. Review and memorize vocabulary in Learning American Sign Language Units 1-22 and Signing Naturally Units 6-10, 12, and CR 6-12. Drill yourself on vocabulary until recognition of each sign is automatic. Go over your class notes. If your teacher has taught you any new signs that are not in these units, take time to remember and practice them now.
3. Read the glossed representation of the signed dialogues in Learning American Sign Language (LASL) Units 23 and 24. After reading each dialogue, watch the corresponding section of the video. Copy the signers until you are comfortable signing the dialogues on your own. Watch the signers again, paying particular attention to facial expression. Copy the signers again, making sure to include facial expressions and non-manual signals.
4. Study and practice using each grammatical feature discussed in Unit 22. Remember to take good notes on information you learn from both LASL and SN.
5. Practice exercises in Unit 22 of LASL.
6. Learning a new language is a difficult process, but it can be fun too. If you are planning to continue learning ASL, you may want to videotape yourself one last time this semester so you can look back later and compare your expressive signing skills to see how much you've learned. If so, here is an optional assignment. Think of a favorite children's story. Remembering the ASL stories that you watched this semester, how do you think a Deaf parent would sign that story to his or her Deaf child? Do your best to sign the story so that the child would understand it and be entertained. Think of ways

to mime the story or make facial expressions to convey emotions. Videotape yourself signing the story by Saturday.

7. You are not required to complete three hours next week, but if you would like to make up any hours or use the ASL/Interpreting Lab to prepare for your ASL final exams or projects, it will be open. Remember that you need to have completed a minimum of forty hours to receive credit for ASL 101L.
8. I have enjoyed reading your paragraphs and your papers. If you have any final tips for how to improve your experience in ASL lab classes, please send your suggestions to me at [mbsmith@palomar.edu](mailto:mbsmith@palomar.edu) or submit them to a lab assistant. We hope to see you again next semester—until then, enjoy the break!