

Los Angeles Mission College – Mathematics 112 – Prealgebra – Fall 2008
Section 3068 Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 – 8:25 PM INST-1017

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Textbook: **Prealgebra, Tussy/Gustafson, Third Edition**

The following topics will be covered:

Whole Numbers (Chapter 1), The Integers (Chapter 2), The Language of Algebra (Chapter 3), Fractions and Mixed Numbers (Chapter 4), Decimals (Chapter 5), Graphing, Exponents, and Polynomials (Chapter 6), Percent (Chapter 7), Ratio and Proportion (Chapter 8), Perimeter and Area of Polygons (Chapter 9).

What are your plans to succeed in this class? Here are some suggestions.

- **Class participation.** Attend every class and participate in the discussion. You may be dropped from the class if you miss **three** class meetings up till the 12th week. After that, you will remain on the roster and receive a letter grade.
- **Practice, practice, practice.** Do every exercise in every homework assignment so that you master each topic. Bring your homework, your book, class notes, and all necessary tools (pencil, eraser, paper, ruler, Sharp EL-531 scientific calculator after Test Two, etc.) with you each class session. Graphing calculators may not be used.
 Book homework is to be done on 8.5 x 11 inch paper. The same size as this sheet of Xerox paper! The paper is to be folded in half lengthwise and you are to work down the left column, then the right column, then continue on the backside in a similar fashion, then on to another sheet as needed. Each book homework is to have a heading in the top margin similar to the following:

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Book homework is to be kept in a ½ inch - 3 ring binder with the Calendar as the title page. The book homework binder is to be turned in to the instructor at the beginning of Test 1, 2, and 3 and at the final examination.

- **Get additional help.** Ask questions before, during, and after class. Make regular visits to the **Math Center** in the Campus Center basement for tutoring. Form a study group with classmates.

Your grade will be determined on a percentage basis of homework, three tests, and one final examination. **There are no makeup tests.** If you miss a test, a grade of zero will be given. If your final exam score (out of 100) is higher than your lowest test score, it may be used to replace your lowest test score.

<u>Grading Scale</u>	
90 – 100	A
80 – 89	B
70 – 79	C
50 – 69	D
0 – 49	F

<u>Grading Basis</u>	
Homework	10%
Tests	60%
Final Exam	30%
TOTAL	100%

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CELL PHONES
MUSIC PLAYERS
ELECTRONIC GAMES

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any difficulties or if you are going to miss a class meeting. Use the semester calendar to keep track of homework and class events.

Students with a verified disability who may need a reasonable accommodation(s) for this class are encouraged to notify the instructor and contact the Disabled Student Programs and Services (INST-1018, 818/364-7732) as soon as possible. All information will remain confidential.