Dear INTERNET English 1B student,

On Monday February 3, our online class will begin.

- If you have never taken an online class before, don't worry. I'll provide detailed instructions.
- If you're an online veteran, great! You already know how to succeed in an online class.

The online platform we will use is called Canvas. It is very simple to use. See below \downarrow for instructions on how to log in. It will open for you Monday morning February 3. I hope you will log in on this first day and post a "self-introduction." If you have not posted by Thursday February 6, I will consider you a "no show" and will drop you from the class to make room for a waitlisted student.

Good news! You won't be spending much on our three required textbooks:

Book #1: URGENT. *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park. This adolescent (junior-high level) work is a quick-and-easy read. We'll finish it by the end of Week #2. This means you will need to obtain a copy ASAP. You have basically two options:

- Come to my office for a **FREE BOOK**. See my office hours below.
- Order the eBook online.

Book #2. *Ramona* by Helen Hunt Jackson. This is a California classic, written in 1884. You'll need it by the end of Week #2. You have two options:

- This novel is available **FREE** online. You may also listen to the **FREE** audiobook.
- You can purchase the paperback. It is available in <u>our college bookstore</u> new for \$6.95 and even less for a used copy.

Book #3. *Good People* by David Lindsay-Abaire. This is an amazing play by a contemporary playwright. You won't need this book until Week #4. It is the only book you will have to purchase:

• It is available in <u>our college bookstore</u> new for \$13.35, used for \$10, and even less if you plan ahead and purchase a used copy online.

You probably have plans to transfer to a university. Let me know how I can assist you as you move ahead with your education.

You are always welcome to email me with questions. I look forward to reading some great stories with you this coming semester.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patrick Wall Professor of English 209-954-5438

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Come get your FREE TEXTBOOK!

EXTENDED OFFICE HOURS in **Locke 410** through the early days of the semester:

Tuesday January 28: 8:30 - 9:15am, 10:30am - 11:15am, and 7:30 - 8:30pm

Wednesday January 29: 8:00 – 8:45am, 11:30am – 1:30pm, and 7:30 – 8:30pm

Thursday January 30: 8:30 – 9:15am, 10:30am – 11:15am, and 7:30 – 8:30pm

Friday January 31: 9:30 – 10:15am and 7:30 – 8:30pm

Monday February 3: 8:00 – 8:45am, 11:30am – 1:30pm, and 7:30 – 8:30pm

Tuesday February 4: 8:30 - 9:15am, 10:30am - 11:15am, and 7:30 - 8:30pm

Wednesday February 5: 8:00 - 8:45am, 11:30am - 1:30pm, and 7:30 - 8:30pm

Thursday February 6: 8:30 – 9:15am, 10:30am – 11:15am, and 7:30 – 8:30pm

Canvas Instructions

The easiest way to log in is through our class web site: **DRWALL.ORG.**

The link is located in the upper-right corner. The instructions for logging in are right below it, titled "Canvas Help."

Once you successfully log in, you will see our English 1B "tile" on your screen. Click on it, and you'll see our Canvas HOME page, which also links to our web site. Now go to **MODULES** (left side of screen) and begin working through Module 1A as soon as possible.