

Rob Whyte Intermediate Conversation Class, Spring 2017

Midterm Exam

- speaking test
- check your ability to speak fluently and accurately
- check your understanding of vocabulary
- about 4-6 minutes per person

Question 1 (1 minute)

- vocabulary comprehension
- I say 2-3 words, you give me a fast definition
- The word list is the same as the quiz: **60 words**
- The words in your question will be random

Question 2 (1-2 minutes)

- speak fluently about the book you read
- summarize the book you read
- speak 30-40 seconds
- I will ask follow up question

Question 3 (2 minutes)

- speak fluently about a topic
- you will get one topic
- use long, full sentences with lots of details
- expect follow up questions

Here are three different topics with suggested questions to help you make a wonderful answer. You will get one of these topics in the exam (random). Short answers with incomplete information, such as "I don't know, I'm not sure" will result in a low grade.

1 Topic: an important person.

You should say:

- Who the person is.
- How long you have known him/her.
- What qualities this person has.
- Explain why they have had such an influence on you.

2 Topic: a lake, river or sea you have visited.

You should say:

- What it is and its' location.
- How often you have visited that place.
- What activities you do there.
- Explain why you like this particular place.

3 Topic: a present you have given someone.

You should say:

- Who you gave it to.
- What kind of present it was.
- How it compared to other presents you have given.
- Explain why you decided to give this particular gift.

Question 4 (2 minutes)

Answer one these questions (random) from the textbook. Make an interesting answer with long sentences and lots of details. Expect a few follow up questions.

1. What's your favorite way to spend an evening?
2. What do you want to do for a living?
3. What have you been doing for fun lately?
4. What are you thinking about doing this summer?
5. What kind of styles are in fashion right now?