

ORAL ASSESSMENT

Group presentations / Semester 1

At the end of the first semester you will be required to form small groups to make an oral presentation on the subject of your choice.

Organization

- **Group size:** 4 students
- **Duration:** Each group presentation should last **15-20 minutes**, and must have a clear structure. Each student should speak for the same amount of time (**5-6 minutes**).
- **Topics:** Choose any topic that interests you, and preferably, the other students in the class, too! Suggestions: a sport or leisure interest, a travel experience, a current news story... or any other topic of your choice.
- **Delivery:** Although students may refer to brief notes or slides during the presentation, they should **NOT** simply read their presentation from the notes or slides! It is important to communicate with the audience and use **EYE CONTACT**.
- **Schedule:** Presentations will take place the **10th and 17th of January**.
- Students are responsible for forming their own groups and deciding which topic they are going to work on. *Each group should make a presentation about a different topic.* If you decide to present visual aid (Powerpoint, Prezi etc.) do bring your own computer.

Assessment

Your presentations will contribute to your continuous assessment mark for semester 1. Students will be given an *individual mark* according to the following criteria:

- **Structure:** are the different parts presented in a clear and logical way? Is there a clear transition between parts?
- **Content:** is the presentation interesting? What do we learn from the presentation?
- **Language:** is the grammar and vocabulary accurate? Does the presenter speak fluently with correct pronunciation?
- **Delivery:** does the speaker look at the audience? Does he/she vary the pace and intonation? Does he/she use visual aids effectively?

NB : You will be assessed on your ability to SPEAK English, not to READ English from a page!

Class participation

As students listen to each other's presentations, they must try to assess each speaker's performance according to the above criteria. There will be a short feedback slot after each presentation.