

# Presentational Test Tips-Help

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- Confirm the time and place of the test with your teacher.
- Find out what topics you'll be tested on and if you are allowed to bring any props, visual aids, and how you should dress.
- Be sure to prepare for the oral exam as you would any other exam.
- Anticipate questions that may be on the exam. Prepare answers for the questions and then ask/answer questions that you think might be asked with another person, preferably with someone in your class who knows the material.
- Practice talking in front of a mirror so that you can evaluate your body language and/or record your answers on audio tape and play it back to see how you sound or on a video tape to see how you sound and your composure.
- If you are using the computer or other equipment for your exam, test it out several times and make sure everything is the way you want it to be.
- Show up at least five minutes early so that you can gather your thoughts and not feel rushed. Being late can have an adverse effect on your grade.
- Turn off your cell phone before taking the exam.
- Dress accordingly.
- Maintain good eye contact and posture. Don't slouch if you're sitting or lean if you're standing.
- Pay close attention to the questions asked. If you don't understand the question ask for clarification or ask your instructor to repeat the question.
- Speak in complete sentences. Try not to give one or two word answers whenever possible.
- Be sure to thank the instructor for his/her time when you are finished with the test.

