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Welcome to **BBLAN 2700 – Language Practice 9 –**

**COURSE OBJECTIVE**

The main aim of Language Practice 9 is to prepare you for the oral part and the writing component of the proficiency exam, BBNAN02800)

The Oral part of the exam (to be taken in pairs) consists of the following components:

1. comparing and contrasting photographs and discussing the wider issues they raise
2. commenting on the style, register and context of a passage related to the general theme of the interview
3. taking part in a communication activity, e.g. a discussion, rank-ordering, etc., related to the general theme of the interview.

The Written examination consists of three components:

1. Use of English (Advanced grammar and vocabulary)
2. Reading: authentic magazine articles responding to questions, writing an 80-100 word summary on a given aspect of the article
3. Writing (opinion essays)

**COURSE CONTENT**

The followings are to be covered this term:

1. Vocabulary: Topics to be covered this term: Buying, Selling, Advertising, Law and Order, Safety and Danger based on the relating units of Upstream Advanced and Upstream Proficiency St’s books. At the beginning of each lesson there is a warm-up game based on the vocabulary of the current topic and a quick test can be expected after every topic, i.e. the 2nd, 3rd, 4th occasion.
2. Speaking and Reading: Based on topic-related photos, articles and rank-ordering. It is compulsory to hold at least one presentation on basis of an article of your interest.
3. Writing: Opinion essays. You will be requested to hand in at least three opinion essays during this term in addition to writing regular home assignments.

The term will end in a written and oral mock exam.

**ASSESSMENT**

You will be assessed on basis of your quick test results, oral presentation(s), writing papers and the end-term mock-exam.

During the term only three absences can ba accepted.

**COURSE MATERIALS:** Evans V. Edwards L.. Upstream Advanced St’s Book, Evans V. Dooley J. Upstream Proficiency, Evans V. Successful Writing Proficiency, Harrison M. Proficiency Testbuilder, Macmillan Heinemann