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Oral examinations 1998

Please read this notice carefully!

Your oral examinations will take place between Monday 26 October and Friday 30 October. A notice on the board will soon inform each of you of the time and place of your exam. If the time does not suit you, please exchange times with another student, so that there is no interruption in the flow of students being examined.

Your examination will take place in the Department. Be sure you know which room you are to go to.

The examination will be conducted by two examiners. It will be in three parts. The first of your three tasks will be to read aloud a passage of French to the examiners. You should arrive outside the room a few minutes before the time of your exam so as to prepare this passage. During the reading, your examiners will be judging your accent, pronunciation and intonation, and the impression you give of understanding what you read.

The second part will consist of you giving a brief oral presentation on either:

- a) one of the dossiers you have studied this year; or
- b) one of the French literary texts which you have read this year. You should not speak from notes; you should not learn anything by heart. But you should be prepared to speak for a few minutes about your chosen subject. You will be marked on the correctness of your French and your ability to convey information.

The third part will consist of conversation, focussed or not on the subject of your presentation. Here, the object of the test is to evaluate your comprehension and fluency. This third part may overlap with the second.

The whole exam will last about ten to fifteen minutes.