



FLACS Exam in World Languages



CHECKPOINT A

The FLACS exam is a regional assessment designed by NYSAWLA, the NYS Association of World Language Administrators. Your child is currently enrolled in a level 1 class. As a result, your child will be taking the FLACS Checkpoint A exam in the target language (Mandarin Chinese, French or Spanish). To earn a high school credit in World Languages, each student must pass the course and the FLACS A exam.

The FLACS Checkpoint A exam comprises four subtests: Speaking, Listening Comprehension, Reading Comprehension and Writing.

Speaking (30 points) *REVISED FOR JUNE 2023*

The Speaking subtest is divided into two sections and is scored using rubrics provided by NYSAWLA.

Part 1A: Presentational Speaking – Students will be given a topic and will need to speak at least 4 sentences about the topic. (10 points)

Part 1B: Interpersonal Speaking – The teacher will ask a series of questions related to two different topics. Students will answer in the target language. (20 points)

Listening Comprehension (20 points)

Part 2A: Four multiple choice questions in English x 2 points each (8 points)

Part 2B: Two multiple choice questions in the target language x 2 points each (4 points)

Part 2C: Two note-taking passages with two questions in English per passage (8 pts)

Reading Comprehension (30 points)

Part 3A: Eight ads with questions in English x 2 points each (16 points)

Part 3B: Seven ads with questions in the target language x 2 points each (14 points)

Writing (20 points)

Two tasks, 10 points each

Tasks are provided to students in English. Responses must be written in the target language.

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