

Arabic 3: Exam Info

The Arabic 3 final exam covers the four main skill areas: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students are also tested on specific grammatical information and skills introduced in the course. The exam is based exclusively on *Mastering Arabic 1*, Units 14–20; other readings and video materials are not tested on.

Here is some more specific information:

- There are questions about telling time and days of the week. You will not need to write these in Arabic from memory.
- There are questions concerning recognising and applying morphological patterns, which could include plural patterns and patterns used for colour words.
- There are several multiple choice questions entirely in Arabic, where you need to choose the appropriate vocabulary item. There will also be a separate question with an entire short paragraph with blanks to be filled in from a list of words.
- There will be a question in which you will need to conjugate a verb in the singular. This could be in present tense or past tense. It could also be a hollow verb.
- There will be a listening question, in which the instructor will read a short text three times. You will have questions on the text in English.
- For the writing question, you will be asked to write a short postcard to a friend. Look at pages 196–198 in *Mastering Arabic* for ideas.
- To test your speaking skills, your instructor will conduct a conversation with you about your daily routine. To prepare, think about the following questions: What time do you wake up? Eat your breakfast? Leave the house? How do you get to work? When do you return home? Have dinner? What do you do in the evening? The speaking skills component of the exam may be conducted on a separate day.