



## Arlington Public Schools: Interpersonal Common Assessment Summary

The **INTERPERSONAL assessment** pairs students and presents them with a topic about which they must speak spontaneously.

Level	French, Spanish Italian (levels 1, 2 & 3 only)	Mandarin
1A (7 <sup>th</sup> grade) & Level 1 (AHS)  <i>Novice High</i>	You've been accepted into a study-abroad program in France/Italy/China/Spain for the summer and have just arrived in Paris/Rome/Beijing/Madrid! You've been assigned to a dorm room with a student from another country. You try saying hello in English, but get a blank look. It's time to test out your French/Italian/Mandarin/Spanish! So that you don't spend an awkward summer staring at the walls of your dorm room, say hi to your roommate and introduce yourself in French/Italian/Mandarin/Spanish. It would be nice to have a friend while you're in France/Italy/China/Spain, so find out as much as you can, and share some information about yourself to see what you have in common. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	
1B (8 <sup>th</sup> grade)  <i>Novice High</i>	It's almost the end of your first week studying abroad in Paris/Beijing/Madrid! You've met a few people in your classes from different countries, but you haven't made a lot of friends yet. It's Friday, and you're not sure what you're going to do this weekend. One of the program coordinators gave you a weekend guide with some great ideas, but you don't really want to go out alone. Before everyone leaves for the weekend, you turn to another student in your class to see if you can make plans with them. Hopefully, you will have some common interests and can invite them to do something with you so you don't spend the weekend by yourself! (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	
2  <i>Intermediate Low</i>	Your family is on vacation in Québec/Tuscany/Guangzhou/Peru. You're super excited to finally see... As you're waiting in line, you notice someone who looks very familiar -- an exchange student who spent a month at your school last year! You don't have too much time to chat, but you want to find out how they've been and what they've been doing since you last saw them. Find out and share some highlights from the last year! (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	
3  <i>Intermediate Mid (weak)</i>  Mandarin: <i>Intermediate Mid (very weak)</i>	A cute French/Spanish/Italian exchange student asks you to show them around while they're in Arlington for the year. They are getting to know the area and wonder if you could bring them into Boston this weekend for some sight-seeing. You're a bit nervous to make a good impression! As you walk around with them in Boston, you try to show off your knowledge and sound smart as you discuss what you're looking at. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	It's the last week of your Chinese exchange student's stay in Arlington! You want to plan a great going-away party with a Chinese theme and authentic food. Talk to your friend about who to invite to the party, what to cook, and other details. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)
4  <i>Intermediate Mid</i>  Mandarin: <i>Intermediate Mid (weak)</i>	You've always been very passionate about current events, and thanks to your participation in the France/Spanish Exchange last year, you've made friends with a student from France/Spain with the same interests as you. About once a week, you both Skype and discuss the latest issues. It's always interesting to hear the point of view of someone from another country, and you love having lively debates. You've been following a current news event online, and are excited to finally chat with your French/Spanish friend about it on tonight's Skype call. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	A cute Chinese exchange student asks you to show them around while they're in Arlington for the year. They are getting to know the area and wonder if you could bring them into Boston this weekend for some sight-seeing. You're a bit nervous to make a good impression! As you walk around with them in Boston, you try to show off your knowledge and sound smart as you discuss what you're looking at. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)
5  <i>Intermediate High (weak)/ Advanced Low (weak)</i>  Mandarin: <i>Intermediate Mid</i>	You live in the "French/Spanish House" at your university, where all students pledge to speak French/Spanish all the time. You want to set up a film night and conversation club for other students interested in French and Francophone/Spanish and Hispanic cinema. One of your dorm-mates is also really interested in setting this up with you. Discuss your plans for launching the club and any other activities you will do. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)	You've always been very passionate about current events, and thanks to your participation in the China Exchange last year, you've made friends with a student from China with the same interests as you. About once a week, you both Skype and discuss the latest issues. It's always interesting to hear the point of view of someone from another country, and you love having lively debates. You've been following a current news event online, and are excited to finally chat with your Chinese friend about it on tonight's Skype call. (You and a partner will each take one role in this scenario.)