QUEBEC ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, SECONDARY V · UNIT A

Talk - Uses Language to Communicate and to Learn — Practice Test

Quebec English Language Arts, Secondary V • 25 questions

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1 **In a seminar discussion, what does it mean to synthesize views?**

- A To combine points from several speakers into a fuller understanding
- B To choose the loudest view and repeat it
- C To list speakers in order
- D To avoid any view that is complex

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2 **Which question best challenges an argument respectfully in a discussion?**

A Why do you always say such things?

B What evidence supports that claim, and are there other explanations?

C Can we talk about something easier?

D Who told you to think that?

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3 **What is the main risk of a straw man reply in a discussion?**

A It takes too long to deliver

B It uses words that are too simple

C It answers a weaker version of the argument instead of the real one

D It agrees with the speaker too much

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4 **In a persuasive talk, what does a concession do?**

- A It ends the talk without a conclusion
- B It repeats the introduction
- C It hides the speaker's position
- D It admits a fair point from the other side before answering it

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5 **What makes a spoken claim credible to listeners?**

- A Clear reasons supported by reliable evidence the audience can check
- B A loud voice and fast delivery
- C A claim repeated many times
- D A claim no listener can question

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6 **Which structure best fits a short persuasive speech?**

- A A list of unrelated facts in any order
- B A clear position, reasons with evidence, a reply to an objection, and a closing appeal
- C An introduction with no conclusion
- D A story with no stated position

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7 **In a panel discussion, what is the moderator's main job?**

- A To decide which speaker is right
- B To speak for most of the time
- C To keep the discussion fair, on topic, and open to each speaker
- D To avoid difficult questions

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8 **What is tone in spoken language?**

- A The number of listeners in the room
- B The topic printed on the agenda
- C The length of each speech
- D The speaker's attitude toward the subject, shown by word choice and delivery

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9 **Which closing best suits a talk urging classmates to join a study group?**

- A A brief restatement of the benefit and a clear next step to join
- B A new topic introduced at the last minute
- C An apology for speaking at all
- D A list of unrelated school rules

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10 **What does it mean to adapt a talk to its audience?**

- A To shorten the talk to one sentence
- B To choose examples, language, and detail that fit the listeners' needs
- C To speak only about the speaker
- D To use the same talk for every audience

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