

## Criteria for grading in-class performance

The following explains the grade distribution for the participation portion of your grade. Remember that I will monitor class participation daily and through active participation you can raise your grade from the assumed average (C) position.

### **9-10 The excellent language learner (A level):**

1. Shows initiative.
2. Initiates and maintains interaction with fellow students and the instructor.
3. Shows leadership in group activities
4. Almost never uses English in discussions and group activities.
5. Asks questions mainly in French.

### **8-8.5 The good language learner (B level):**

1. Shows willingness to participate.
2. Cooperates fully in discussions and group activities, although may not necessarily be a leader.
3. Answers readily when called upon.
4. Elaborates somewhat on answers.
5. Occasionally resorts to English.

### **7-7.5 The average language learner (C level):**

1. Participates more passively than actively.
2. Tends to use English, especially in small group activities.
3. Gives slightly more than one-word answers.

### **6.5 The below-average learner (D level):**

1. Participates grudgingly.
2. Speaks mostly English in discussions and small group activities.
3. Generally does not cooperate in small group activities
4. Seems distracted and does not fully pay attention in class (texts, falls asleep, etc.), yet does participate on a very basic level.

### **0-6 The failing language learner (F level):**

1. Is always obviously unprepared for discussions.
2. Is disruptive, prevents other students from hearing, etc.
3. Refuses to participate in class activities.
4. Is disrespectful to other students and the instructor (i.e. talks when others are talking).
5. Has not mastered enough French to be able to participate actively in class activities.