**Moroccan Arabic IV Assignments**

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**Assignment 1:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 12 “Listening Subject One” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 12 “Listening Subject Two” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

For each lesson:

* Prepare the exercises on your own.
* Be prepared to do similar exercises and role play situations in your conversation session.
* Memorize the vocabulary and practice making sentences and dialogues using the vocabulary.

Conversational Practice Guides: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/conversation/>

Social and Family Life: Discussing Recreation and Free Time Activities - “Discussion Free Time Activities - Novice”

**Assignment 2:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 12 “Listening Subject Three” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 12 Grammar Section and all other topics and exercises in the chapter

Conversational Practice Guides: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/conversation/>

Social and Family Life: Descriptions in Conversation - “Describing Likes and Dislikes – Novice-Intermediate”

**Assignment 3:**

Review and practice all of material and exercises in Chapter 12.

Language Learning Strategies: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/strategies>

Go through the section on “Strategies for Conversations.” This has good suggestions for developing your ability to carry on conversations in Moroccan Arabic in everyday life.

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Everyday Life: Climate – study the video “Regional Climates in Morocco.”

* Step 1: Start by listening to the video WITHOUT referring to the written text. Don’t expect to understand everything. Listen multiple times to see how much you can pick up without help.
* Step 2: Read the Moroccan Arabic transcript of the video and then listen some more (avoid looking at the English as much as possible). See what you can understand with the help of the written text.
* Step 3: Study the English translation to clarify what you still do not understand.
* Step 4: Practice describing the video orally. Be prepared to do this in your conversation session. Be able to describe in the video what you can about who is speaking, the main topic, and summarize what is said.
* Step 5: Prepare questions in Moroccan Arabic about climate in Morocco that you can ask your conversation partner.

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Social and Family Life: Discussing Recreation and Free Time Activities - “Discussing Hobbies and Recreation - Intermediate”

**Assignment 4:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 13 “Listening Subject One” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Religious & Cultural Traditions: Fridays in Morocco – study the videos “Observing Friday” and “Activities on Friday”

* Follow the same procedure you used with the climate video in Assignment 3. Start by trying to understand the videos without consulting the text, then consult the Moroccan Arabic transcript and listen again, finally, consult the English translation as necessary. Be prepared to describe, summarize, and discuss the videos in your conversation session.

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Culture, Media, and Public Life: Holidays and Celebrations - “Naming Important Days – Novice-Intermediate”

**Assignment 5:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 13 “Listening Subject Two” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 13 “Listening Subject Three” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Religious & Cultural Traditions: Ramadan in Morocco – study the video “Preparing for Ramadan”

- Study this video and prepare to discuss it in conversation session, just as you did in Assignments 3 and 4

**Assignment 6:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 13 Grammar Section and all topics and exercises up to the end of the chapter

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Religious & Cultural Traditions: Ramadan in Morocco – study the videos “Celebrating Ramadan” and “Feeling Ramadan in the Streets”

- Study these videos and prepare to discuss them in conversation session.

Conversational Practice Guides: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/conversation/>

Culture, Media, and Public Life: Holidays and Celebrations - “Discussing Holidays - Intermediate”

**Assignment 7:**

Review and practice all of material and exercises in Chapter 13.

Review and practice describing the color of things. Discuss special days, holidays, and celebrations.

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Religious & Cultural Traditions: Eid al-Fitr in Morocco – study the videos “The Small Eid” and “Celebrating Eid al-Fitr”

Religious & Cultural Traditions: Eid al-Adha in Morocco – study the video “Celebrating Eid al-Adha”

- Study these videos and prepare to discuss them in conversation session.

**Assignment 8:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 14 “Listening Subject One” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 14 “Listening Subject Two” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

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Logistics of Everyday Life: Personal Care - “Laundry in a Host Family Household - Intermediate”

Logistics of Everyday Life: Clothes Shopping - “Shopping for Clothes - Intermediate”

**Assignment 9:**

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 14 “Listening Subject Three” – entire section (Vocabulary and Exercises)

*An Introduction to Moroccan Arabic*, Chapter 14 Grammar Section – study all the grammar topics and exercises

CultureTalk North Africa: <http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/North-Africa>

Everyday Life: Traditional Clothing – study the video “Moroccan Traditional Dress”

Everyday Life: The Moroccan *Jalaba* – study the videos “Wearing the Traditional *Jalaba* – Parts 1 and 2”

- Study these videos and prepare to discuss them in conversation session.

**Assignment 10:**

Review all of Chapter 14.

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Religious & Cultural Traditions: Moroccan Weddings – study the videos “The Start of the Moroccan Wedding” and “Moroccan Wedding Traditions”

Everyday Life: Moroccan Formal Wear – study the video “Clothing for Special Occasions Part 1”

- Study these videos and prepare to discuss them in conversation session.

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Everyday Life: Clothes Shopping – “Buying Clothes for a Wedding” – You are invited to attend a wedding in Morocco, buy what you need to wear. Extend this to discuss appropriate clothing for other formal occasions or serious occasions, and where and how to buy it in Morocco. Practice shopping and include bargaining if necessary.

**Final Conversation Session: Review for Final Oral Evaluation**