

THE WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY
PROFICIENCY TEST OF
ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
SAMPLE QUESTIONS

NOTE: You must bring your passport with you to the test.

The WSU Proficiency Test contains three parts (five sections):

Part I: Written Essay (30 minutes)

Part II: Listening Comprehension (45 items, about 15 minutes)

Part III: Grammar, Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension (75 minutes)

Part I is the WRITTEN ESSAY (30 minutes)

Various topics will be selected at the time of each administration. You should select one of the three selected topics, organize your thoughts, compose an essay with as much information and detail as you can. While length is not the most important factor, a longer uage.

Essays are graded on

- 1) how well you addressed the specific topic chosen; i.e., you did not wander into topics unrelated to the one chosen.
- 2) the mechanics of punctuation, spelling, and sentence structure (verb usage, appropriate tense selection, etc).
- 3) organizational structure, including paragraphing.
- 4) fluency in the English language, including style and idiomatic control.

Part II is LISTENING COMPREHENSION (45 items, about 15 minutes)

Each problem will be spoken only ONCE. You will select an appropriate answer and mark your answer choices on the answer sheet.

Part III contains 3 sections: Grammar, Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension. You will have 75 minutes to complete all 3 sections