

Info about class test & final exam

Students:

(a) The **in-class test is 1 hr, closed book**. It will be in your normal classroom.

You are required to answer 5 short questions (from 7 given on the question paper). These require specific, limited types of answers: less than a page; 100 words (2 or 3 paragraphs) should prove enough. Some may ask for definitions/descriptions, some for explanations, and some for features of something. They are closed-answer, theory or immediate application questions.

(b) The **final exam is 2 hr, open book**. Living life is open book!

You are required to answer 4 questions, from 6 asked. Each question is open-ended, i.e. there is not a unique answer expected. A typical good answer will be about 200-250 words. They all present you with a scenario/situation. You are required to analyse the problem and to decide what to do or, perhaps, to comment on what others should or should not have done. We are more interested in the thought process you show in getting to your conclusion than the conclusion itself. This final exam is a poor attempt to simulate a “practical” exam.

(c) As **advice**, I say, “Please answer the question asked – all parts of it.” Relevant information is only that: relevant, but not an answer to the question. Nor is an answer to a different question helpful.

Hint: Read the question again after you have finished writing your answer.

A good place to start for the class-test is the course word-list. Can you explain each term? Practise with a friend. And mark each other.

And don’t forget the advice Pam & I gave in the workshops.

(d) Recall that you need a satisfactory mark from examination work to pass this course, where that mark is given by

$$\text{mark} = \max(4/5 * \text{final} + 1/5 * \text{test}, 2/3 * \text{final} + 1/3 * \text{test})$$

with final and test denoting the “final exam” and “class test” marks, respectively.