



ARAB 10101 3, ARAB 10101 3 - Elementary Arabic I - Instructor(s): Zainab Hermes

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **16**

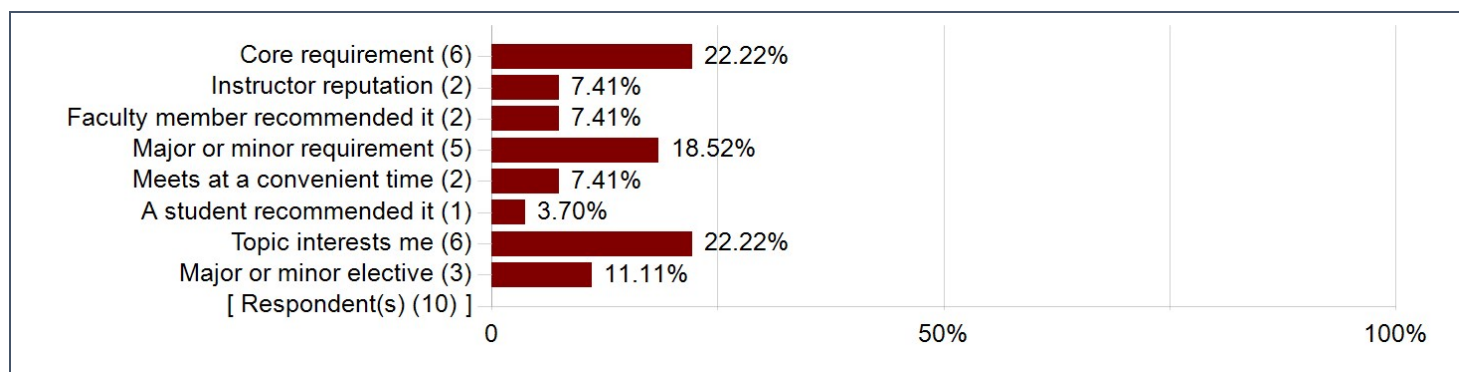
Number of Responses: **10**

Report Comments

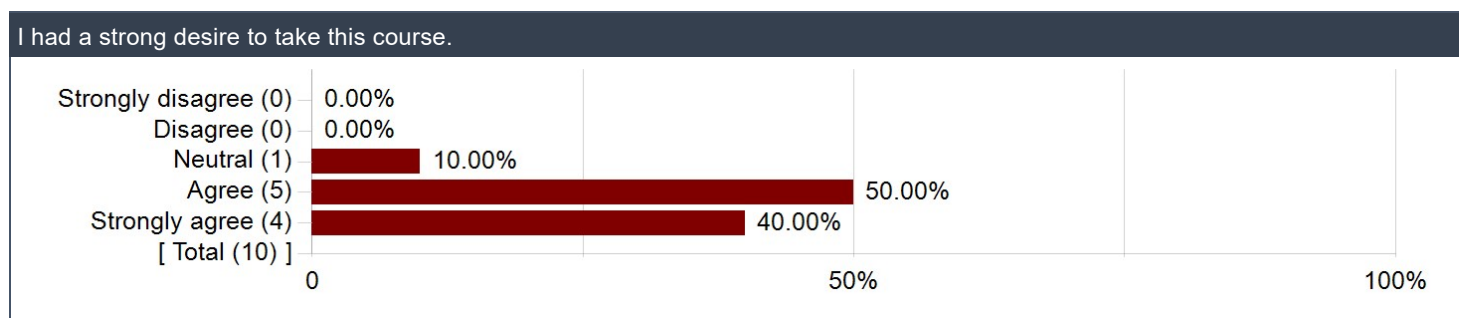
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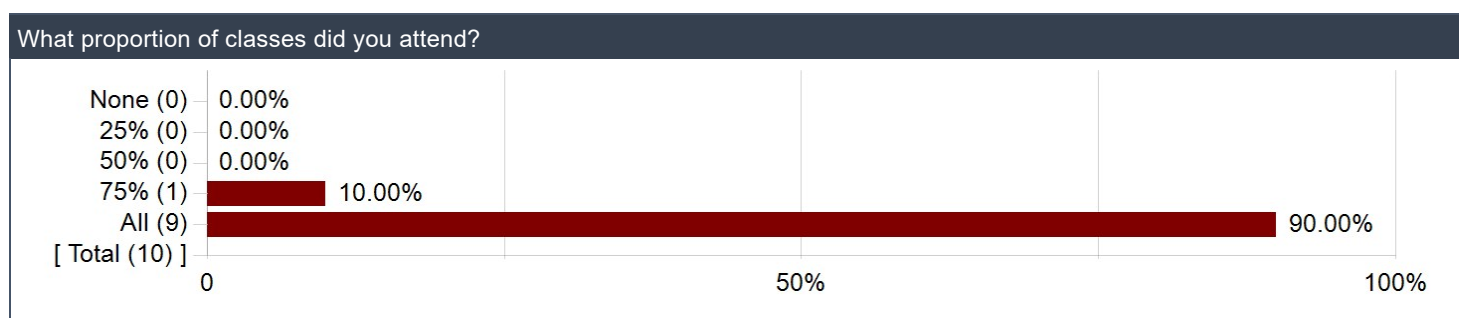
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



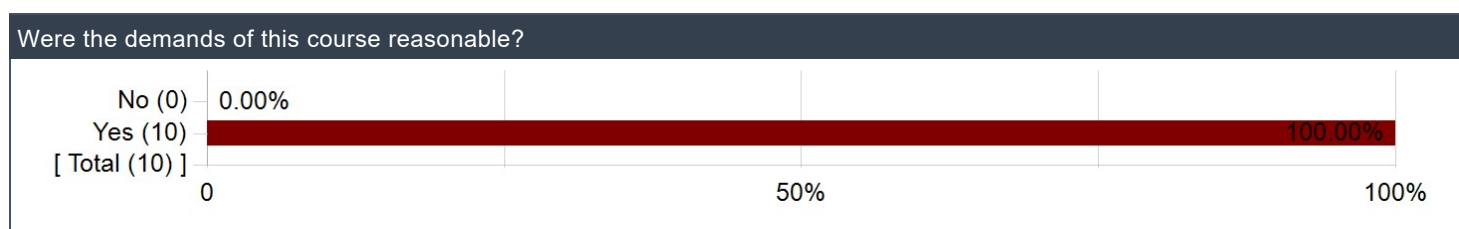
I had a strong desire to take this course.



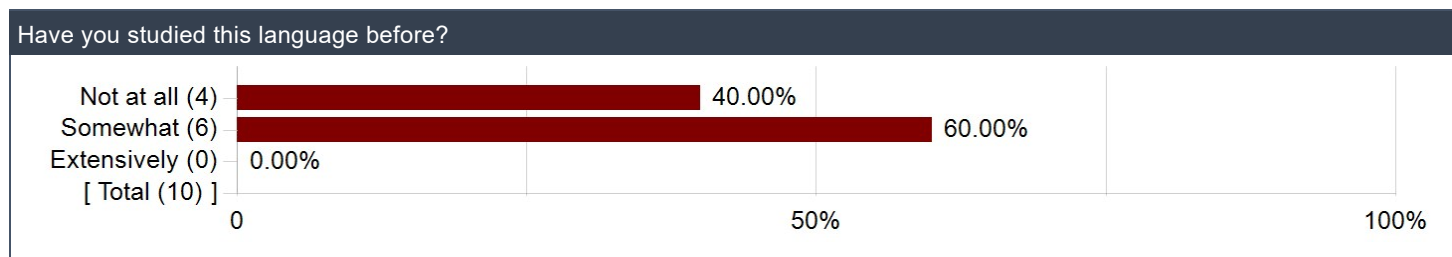
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



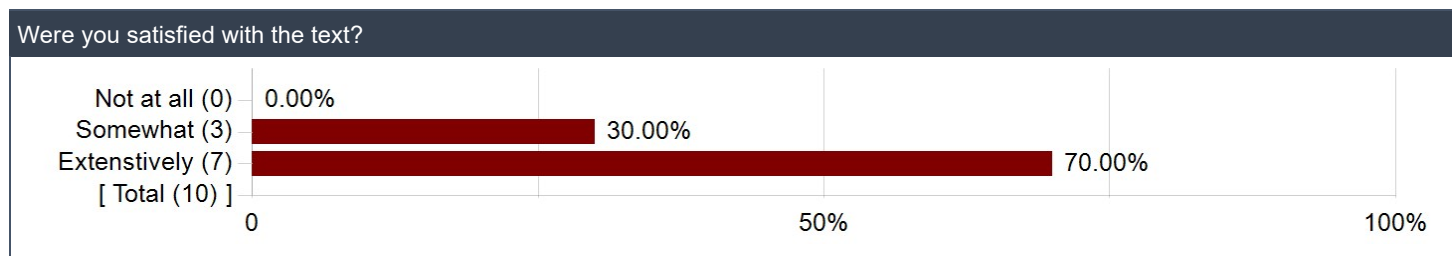
Have you studied this language before?



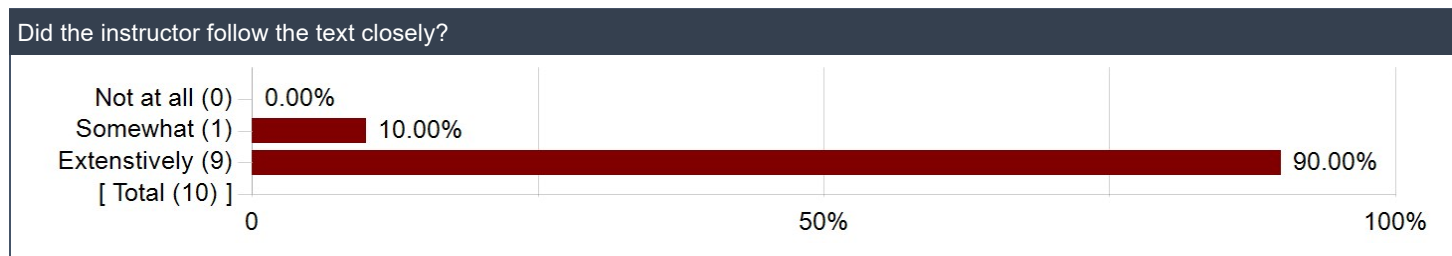
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	50.00%	30.00%
Spelling	4.00	4.00	0.00%	10.00%	30.00%	30.00%	10.00%	20.00%
Reading	4.60	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	30.00%	20.00%	30.00%
Writing	4.40	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	30.00%	20.00%	30.00%	20.00%
Grammar	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%
Vocabulary	4.90	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	20.00%	40.00%	30.00%

Were you satisfied with the text?



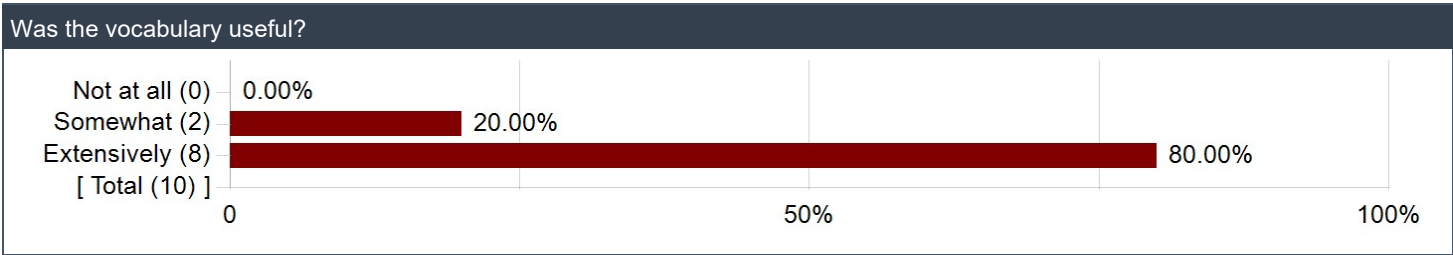
Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

Comments
There are books that we were told to buy and use as a resource for class, they come in really handy. But she also created engaging slideshows that related to the layout of the book!
Best teacher ever by far
We followed the textbook pretty closely

Was the vocabulary useful?

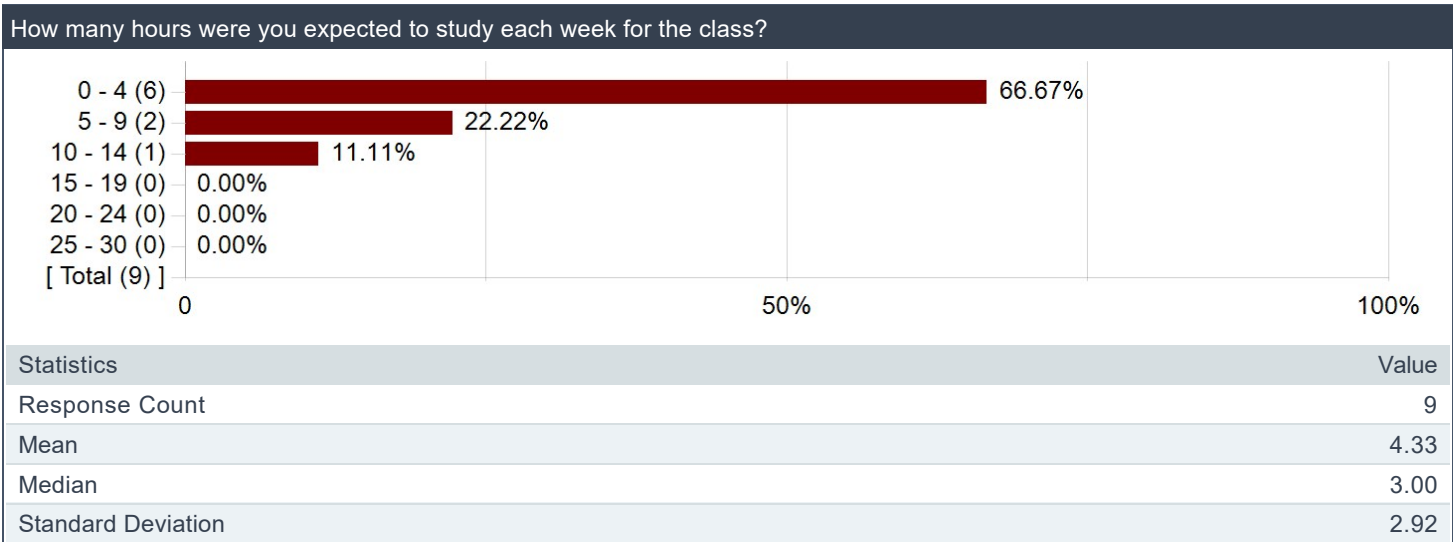


Why?

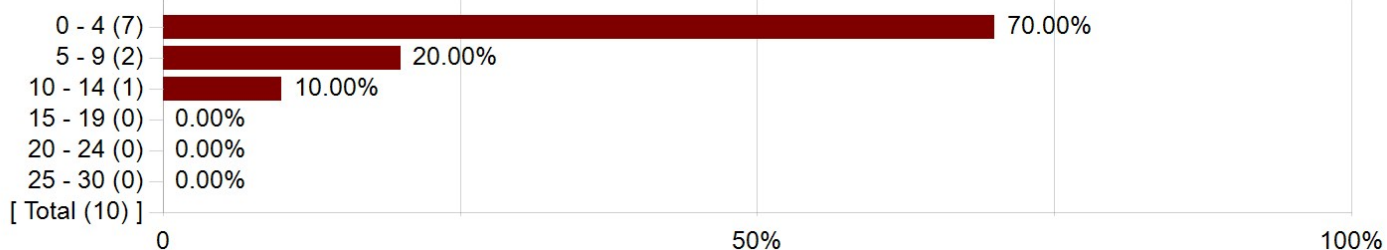
Comments
Learned a lot of new terms!
Best teacher ever by far
Some of the vocabulary was words that I'd use in my daily life, but other words seemed unimportant, like having to know the word for "United Nations".
Most vocab were very common words (a couple strange ones like united nations, though)

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

Comments
In class, we would learn a new topic and then have drills assigned to grasp it more. This format was extremely productive for me personally.
Lectures and seminars were very helpful in practicing my Arabic skills and the teacher was very helpful
Best teacher ever by far
The class was structured in lecture format. We went through the book, reviewed vocab, and then did drills. I thought this format was helpful, especially doing drills on our own and then correcting them as a class, though I thought it may have been a bit fast paced.
It was sometimes a lecture style where Prof. Hermes would explain a concept to us, and then we would do some form of practice or drill.

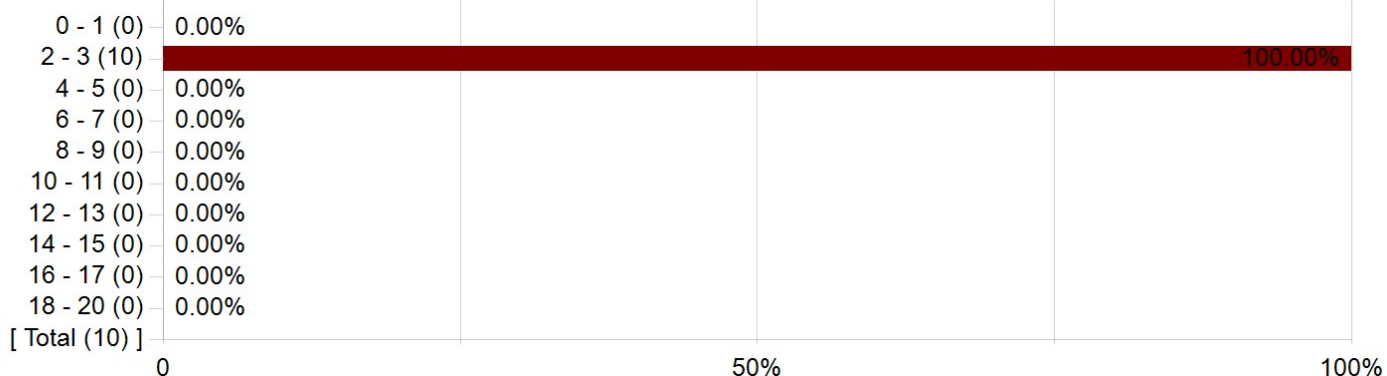


How many hours did you spend?



Statistics	Value
Response Count	10
Mean	4.10
Median	3.00
Standard Deviation	2.81

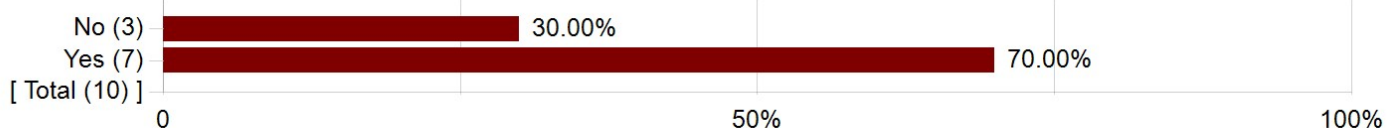
How many written quizzes were given?



Statistics	Value
Response Count	10
Mean	2.30
Median	2.00
Standard Deviation	0.48

Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

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If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

Comments
We did films, conversation tables, etc. I loved them and they felt very community oriented!
Very good experiences, loved going to the cultural events
Two cultural activites, typically offered by CMES. I particularly enjoyed the foreign films they showed.
two outside activities super easy
We had to attend talks or watching Arabic films, as well as having a conversation with a native Arabic speaker. I really enjoyed both of these, and my teacher was really helpful in alerting us to opportunities to study and speak Arabic on campus.
We had to do 2 cultural activities and 2 arabic conversations. They were honestly really fun and engaging assignments.

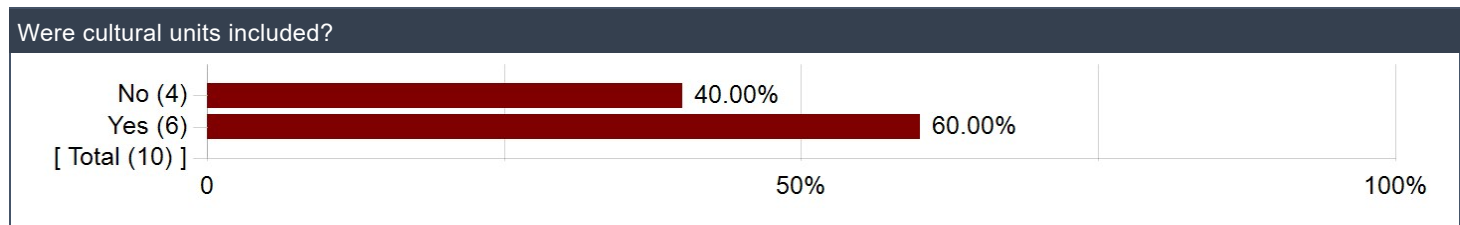
Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
4.30	5.00	10.00%	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	70.00%

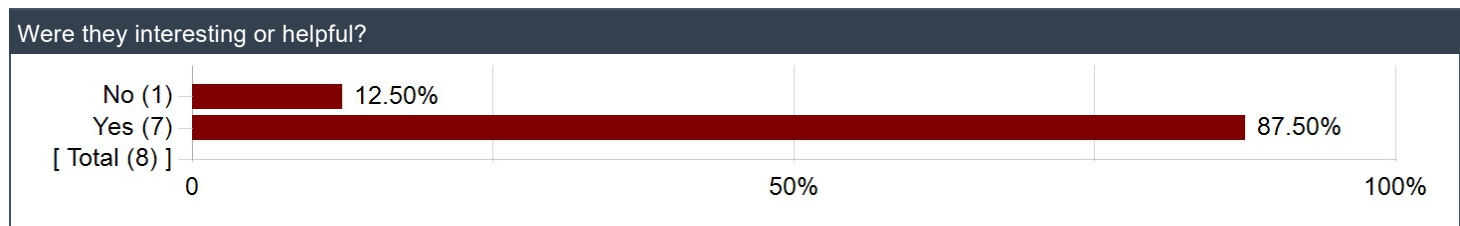
Explain

Comments
Best teacher ever by far
We had consistent and structured lessons and she made it clear what our tests and quizzes would be on.
Prof. Hermes is great! Expectations of the course were clearly listed in the syllabus and she always answered any questions we had.

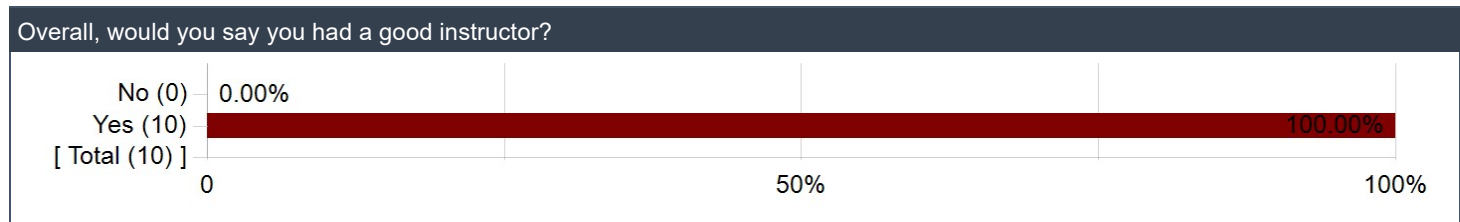
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



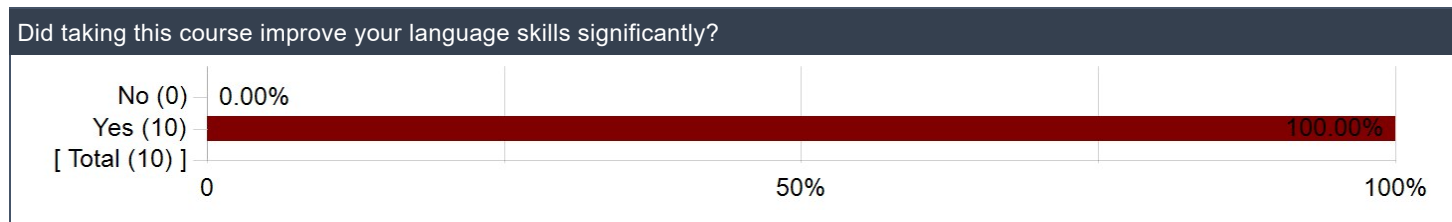
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments
Zainab does a great job of making the class entertaining as well and educational, something I greatly appreciated!
Very approachable and supportive!
Best teacher ever by far
I thought she was very helpful in providing feedback on quizzes and tests; she also had a lot of patience with students and questions, and made sure to review and explain grammar thoroughly, as well as encouraging us to attend cultural activities.
Prof. Hermes is really kind and very good at teaching. She does a great job of reinforcing concepts for us so we can better retain the information.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



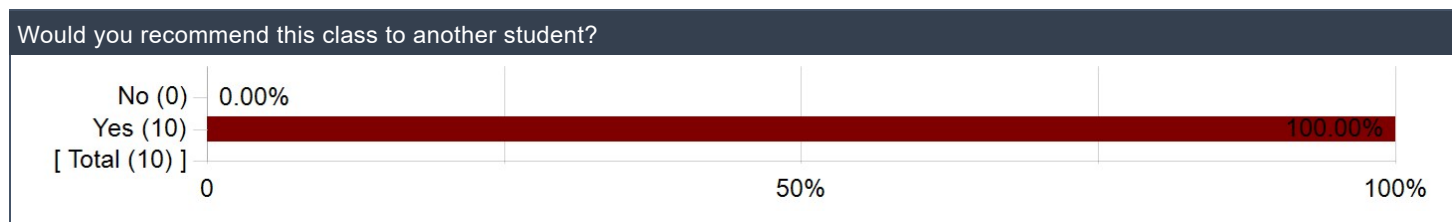
In what way?

Comments
Best teacher ever by far
I learned how to read and write Arabic, and to have a basic conversation and identify some grammar rules.
I know the alphabet, some basic vocabulary, sentence structure, and grammar.

How would you improve this course?

Comments
Best teacher ever by far
I might ask that we go at a slower pace; a lot of my classmates already knew how to read Arabic, but it took me some time to practice, so I sometimes found myself falling behind in class activities.
Maybe more speaking in class. I think it would help to have "arabic only" time or something similar where we have to figure out what Prof. Hermes is telling us based off of context clues even could be a fun activity.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
Best teacher ever by far
I really enjoyed learning and speaking Arabic, and I think I have a greater appreciation for the language. My teacher is super supportive and kind, and she offers a lot of opportunities to learn and foster our knowledge.
Great class and not stressful at all.

