

14. Presentation Prep

LING-351 Language Technology and LLMs

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Group presentation

Group assigned

- Each group consists of 2 members.
- Two papers assigned for each group.
- There will be two presentations per group:
 - One member presents in the first round.
 - Another member presents in the second round.

Purpose & Overview

- Presentation time: 20-25 minutes (< 30 mins)
 - 15-20 minutes for presentation
 - 10-15 minutes for Q&A
- Goal: Demonstrate your understanding of the assigned research paper and explain it clearly to your classmates.
- Focus on key ideas, not every detail.

1. Introduction: Present the paper's title, author(s), publication year, and explain why it is important.

2. Background: Summarize key concepts and relevant prior studies.

3. Research questions: State what the authors aimed to investigate.

4. Methodology: Describe how the study was conducted.
(Mention any tools or technologies relevant to this class.)

5. Findings: Highlight the main results using clear and concise explanations.

6. Your commentary: Share your own evaluation, insights, or critiques.

7. Interactive quiz: Prepare 4 short questions (multiple choices, short written response, etc.) to engage your classmates.

- 2 from presenter
- 2 from other group member

Assignment overview

- After each round of presentations (**Nov 14 & Dec 5**), you will be asked to submit a short written assignment (**individually**)
- **What to submit:**
 1. **Slides (PDF file)** — I will upload your presentation slides to the course website.
 - Include your quiz questions (without answers) (2 points)
 2. **Written reflection (.docx file)**
 - Reflect on the paper you presented. (2 points)
 - Choose two additional papers from other groups and answer the reflection prompts. (6 points)
 - **Length:** No more than **2 pages in total**.

Suggested structure for reflection

1. Background
2. Research questions
3. Methodology
4. Findings
5. Your commentary

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- The exam will include:
 - Questions created by you from each presentation,
 - A few additional questions prepared by me,
 - And topics covered in the chatbot sessions.
- **Format:** Multiple choice and short written response questions.

Please check the following pages:

- https://hksung.github.io/Fall25_LING351/assignments/02_presentation
- https://hksung.github.io/Fall25_LING351/assignments/03_assignment

Midterm

Thoughts on the midterm quiz?

Thoughts on Python?



For the remainder of the class

Things to Do

- Discuss with your group members what you need to prepare for the group presentation.
- Set up meeting schedules for your presentation preparation.
- Check your presentation dates (uploaded on MyCourses) and decide who will go first.
- Submit your output (presentation prep plan) via MyCourses (assignment, non-graded) before leaving the class.