**SPEAKING ASSESSMENT TEST - CHAPTER 6**

**Topic:** ***Mi estación favorita del año***

*(See pages 170, 202 & 203 in your textbook for weather expressions and vocabulary you can use.)*

**General Instructions:**

Answer the following questions using vocabulary and structures that you have studied in Chapter 6.

DO NOT use vocabulary or structures/verb tenses you have not studied *yet.*

**REMEMBER:** *The purpose of this assessment is to demonstrate mastery in the vocabulary and grammar concepts studied in this chapter, so there is no need to go beyond that. You may use your textbook/ebook and the chapter vocabulary (see above textbook pages), but no other outside sources.*

**Content of Script to be composed in Spanish in complete sentences:**

* What is your favorite season of the year and why?
  + My favorite season is winter because there are no bugs.
  + Mi estación favorita es el invierno porque no hay insectos.
* What is the weather like during this season (where you live) ? Give at least 3 details, e.g., Is it sunny? Does it rain or snow? Is it hot, cold, warm, cool? Be sure to use the verb "hacer" when describing most weather conditions: *Hace frío…*, etc. Remember: "to rain / to snow" have their own specific verbs: *llover / nevar* and do not use "hace."
  + In texas, winter is cold or temerate. Sometimes it will snow. It is usually sunny
  + En Texas, el invierno es frío o templado. A veces nieva. Suele hacer sol.
* What do you like to do at this time of year (that you can't do in other seasons)? Name at least 2 things. Answer using this structure: *Durante* (+ name of season)*, me gusta +* a verb infinitive*.*
  + In winter it not hot so I can sit outside with my family and play with the dogs.
  + Durante invierno, me gusta sentarme afuera con la familia y jugar con los perros
* Is this your favorite season to go on vacation ( *= para ir de vacaciones*) ? Give 2 reasons why it is or isn't your favorite season to go on vacation. Do not repeat the same actions used in the previous question. Use this structure:

(Name of season) + *es/no es mi estación favorita para ir de vacaciones porque* ….

* + Winter is not my favorite season to go on vacation because it is too cold in other places and I spend christmas at home.
  + El invierno no es mi estación favorita para irme de vacaciones porque hace demasiado frío en otros lugares y paso la navidad en casa.

**Memorization:**

Your speech must be completely memorized.

**NOTE: If your recording contains any indication whatsoever that you are reading from a script and have not memorized your speech, your submission will be declared invalid and you will need to present your speech during your instructor's office hours for verification that it was memorized.**

**SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

**STEP 1. Once your script is memorized, the first step is to record it in ASSIGNMENTS, Ch. 6 Speaking Assessment, on Canvas. After opening the assignment, click on the "panda" symbol to record directly in Canvas with your webcam. Click on the "Upload" button if you recorded your video on an external app or similar. Then click SUBMIT.**

**STEP 2. After you submit, you should see a button in the upper right corner that says "ADD COMMENT." Click on that to PASTE YOUR SCRIPT DIRECTLY IN THE COMMENT BOX, and submit again.**

**Please do not attach your script as a .PDF document or photo. ¡GRACIAS!**

**Grading:**

You will be graded with the rubric seen on the following page.

**Grading Rubric for speaking assessments**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **MEMORIZATION:** *(Delivery)*  Flow of speech, pauses, timing. Ability to improvise if a word or expression is forgotten. | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| **PRONUNCIATION:** *(Delivery)*  Accuracy in terms of recognizing words as correctly pronounced on a basic level. | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| **EXPRESSION:** *(Delivery)*  Variety in intonation appropriate to the content of speech. | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| **CONTENT:** *(Script)*  Grammar accuracy and inclusion of all information specified in the instructions. | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| **VOCABULARY:** *(Script)*  Variety of vocabulary learned so far in this course. | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |

**SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_\_ / 50 = \_\_\_\_\_\_ %**