

FINAL EXAM
Arabic 217
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1- Translate the following passages into Persian:

A- One day, a man from the city of Isfahan went to live in Shiraz. There, he bought a farm which had a lot of trees. He used to take every week some fruit from his farm and give them to his neighbour. Both became close friends, but two years later, the Shirazi had to go from Shiraz because he got a job at the Foreign Ministry in the capital Tehran.

B- When we started studying Persian four months ago, we did not know the language at all. Now we are able to read easy Persian texts and understand the meaning. We are happy because we are learning a new language.

C- Yesterday, I went to the airport of Beirut to travel to London. At the airport, I realised that I forgot my passport at home. So I had to return home, and I missed the plane which left at eleven o'clock in the morning.

D- In the afternoon, I went to the coffee shop which is near the house of my friend Mahmud. There, I met with three old friends. They were drinking coffee and smoking cigarettes. We sat together for two hours and it was very enjoyable.

2- Change the following past tense verbs into present tense:

توانست - زد - آمدند - خوایدم - گذاشت - گذشت - خواستی - شناخت - پسندید -

خریدم

3- Write a short paragraph in Persian (approximately 50 words), expressing your opinion about the Persian course that you are completing now.

Good luck!

