DIAGNOSTIC QUESTIONS
FOR LANGUAGE LEARNERS

What’s hard for you about understanding what you **HEAR**?

- simultaneous translation which keeps getting faster
- oral dialogue keeps getting longer
- so little English used, replaced by so much in the foreign language - not having enough basic vocabulary, especially idioms
- following spoken directions

What’s hard for you about **SPEAKING**?

- finding the words to say what you want to say
- fluency: pronunciation and phrasing
- having to respond with longer, more complex answers, including using more verb tenses

What’s hard for you about **WRITING**?

- finding the words to express what you want to write
- grammar and spelling
- having to respond with longer, more complex amounts

What’s hard for you about **TEST-TAKING**?

- the preparation and studying - where to begin, how long does it need, how to do it most efficiently
- the oral sections
- the composition section
- the language usage sections
- not being able to finish on time