

AFTER-EXAM DEBRIEFING

Taking an exam is a learning opportunity! Unlike what you may have done in the past, you are not finished with the material that you have just been tested on. In fact, you need to know EVERYTHING that you were just tested on at the time of the final for this class, AND you will need to know it next semester when you are taking MATH 60 – Elementary Algebra.

Thus, before getting the exam back, you need to *debrief*. The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines the word *debrief* as:

- to carefully review upon completion <*debrief* the flight>

Thus, we need to do the same with respect to the exam.

Please answer the following questions, first individually, then as a group, on the separate paper provided.

Part I: *Content of the Exam*

- What topics were covered by the exam?
- What is something you remember from the exam as being especially important?
- What are the topics/problems you did NOT know how to answer/complete?
- Where can you find the information necessary for you to learn what you did not know at the time of the exam? *Go back to each item in the previous question and write next to it where you can learn the material.*

Part II: *Preparing for the Exam*

- What did you do to prepare for the exam that made you more comfortable and more confident at the time of the exam?
- What should you have done differently – what kept you from being more comfortable and more confident at the time of the exam?

