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What's happening this week?

At last, here comes the day many of you have been waiting for:

December 8, the last day of the ILC course! Starting at 9 o'clock, we have our final Friday Activity, the inter-class ILC Debates, during which the stimulating public speaking skills of several of our students will be showcased. From a practical point of view, it should be possible to feel that language learning is continuing to take place in a meaningful way during this activity.



Following the debates, there will be the awarding of certificates to all ILC trainees. This day means all ILC students will have achieved what they have put their efforts into.

In closing, on behalf of the teachers, I would like to thank all ILC students for your support and participation throughout the term. We have had wonderful experiences. I hope you will always remember the good times we have had during the course.

Wishing everyone all the best!

INTENSIVE LANGUAGE COURSE CLOSING CEREMONY

At the Prince Palace Hotel

Friday, 8 December 2006

- 08.45 Registration
- 09.00 Debate 1
- 10.30 Coffee/Tea Break
- 10.45 Debate 2
- 11.45 Awarding of Certificates
- 12.00 Lunch



NOTE: Don't forget - the ILC final test is on Thursday, 7 December. Punctuality is essential.

Final test schedule:

- 09.00 - 09.30 Reading
- 09.40 - 10.35 Writing
- 10.40 - 11.35 Listening
- 11.40 - 13.30 Speaking

To ensure that you don't miss the test, please come before 9 o'clock.

Usana

Culture Corner



EVERYDAY MANNERS IN AMERICA

Telephone Etiquette

When answering the phone at your desk say, "Hello, this is Mr or Ms Smith." Do not use phrases such as "Smith here!" or simply "Hello".



Many people think it is rude when you use call waiting to talk to someone else in the middle of the conversation you are having with them.



When using a cell phone, try to find a quiet spot to answer or initiate a call. It is considered particularly rude to leave a cell phone turned on (and to answer it) in public places like movie theaters, libraries, **classrooms**, churches, etc.



Internet & E-Mail

Use the "blind carbon copy" (Bcc) field when sending group e-mails. This way you won't divulge the names of the other people you are writing to. !中英对照



TYPING USING ALL CAPS IS CONSIDERED RUDE; IT IS LIKENED TO SHOUTING. (Plus, it is hard to read!)



Be careful when trying to express humour or sarcasm through e-mail. It is often misunderstood or misinterpreted.

<http://www.bluegrass.kctcs.edu/LCC/SOC/ISA/etiquette.html>

Piyaporn

Here's the Answer...

In and into



Q What is the difference between *in* and *into*?

A We use *in* to talk about the position of something (with no movement)

Examples :

A: Where's Tom?

B: In the bedroom.

My mother is the woman in the chair by the window.



When we talk about a movement, we usually use *into*.

She came into my room holding a paper.



We use *in* after *sit down*, and very often after *put*.

Examples :

He sat down in his favorite chair.

I put my hand in my pocket.

Source: Swan, M. 2000. *Basic English Usage*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Adapted)

Napassawan

LEARNING STRATEGIES

How to Learn English!

Here are some tips which may help you to master the English Language!



◆ Speak without fear

The fastest way to learn anything is to do it – again and again until you get it right. Like anything, **learning English requires practice**. Don't let a little fear stop you from getting what you want.

◆ Use all of your resources

There are many different ways you can improve your English, so don't limit yourself to only one or two. The internet is a fantastic resource for virtually anything, but for the language learner it's perfect.

◆ Surround yourself with English

The absolute best way to learn English is to surround yourself with it. Take notes in English, put English books around your room, listen to English language radio broadcasts, and watch English news, movies and television. Speak English with your friends whenever you can. The more English material that you have around you, the faster you will learn and the more likely it is that you will begin "thinking in English".

◆ Listen to native speakers as much as possible

One of the reasons is that native speakers have a natural flow to their speech that students of English should try to imitate.



◆ Watch English films and television

You can expand your vocabulary and hear the flow of speech from the actors. If you listen to the news you can also hear different accents.

◆ Listen to English music

In fact, it is often used as a way of improving comprehension. The best way to learn though, is to get the lyrics (words) to the songs you are listening to and try to read them as the artist sings.



◆ Study as often as possible!

Only by studying things like grammar and vocabulary and doing exercises, can you really improve your knowledge of any language.

◆ Do exercises and take tests

One of the best reasons for doing lots of exercises and tests is that they give you a benchmark to compare your future results with. Keep doing this and you really will make some progress with English.



◆ Record yourself

Nobody likes to hear their own voice on tape but, like tests, it is good to compare your tapes from time to time.

◆ Finally

Have fun!



Adapted from http://www.world-english.org/how_to_learn_english.htm

Usana

FROM TEACHERS



Wish you all kinds of success especially in English skills. Give yourself a chance for English practice even after this ILC Course.

All the best to all of you.

Usana

I always enjoy working with all of my marvelous ILC learners. If you just stop and think about it for a moment, it's easy to know why. I'm pretty sure that you have enjoyed learning English here. So have I. Anyway, don't forget to keep it in mind about "Although you've already completed the ILC course, you yourself can maintain language learning everlastingly". You actually realize how to do so, don't you?

Wish you all the best,

Piyaporn

Whenever you have a chance to learn and use English, don't hesitate!!! Hopefully, you will always have good memories of your time at the Institute of Foreign Affairs. I wish you all the best of luck.

Napassawan

Dear students

I'm very happy to teach you. All of you are diligent in "Writing" and you can improve it a lot.

Moreover, you're qualified students.

I absolutely appreciate you.

With love

Nongluck

You are very lucky to be here together. Not only getting English knowledge but gaining other profits, such as having new friends, learning how to participate in many activities also. Being successful in study is good, but being successful in living happily is better.

Good luck to all of you!!

Machamon

End of course note

Where have the weeks gone? My teaching time with ILCI and ILCII has been extremely enjoyable. The students have been a source of challenges, satisfaction but above all, great joy.

The first couple of weeks were quite uncertain as we tried to figure out who we all were and what we had to offer to other members of our groups. We soon realised we were all learners. Once this was achieved, our mood changed. We all worked our hardest and everyone contributed so much. It seemed like there was no stopping but we always had fun and much laughter.

I now feel pleased with what we have achieved but sad that my students are leaving. I would like to wish them every success in their future.

Martina

Congratulations on your completion of the ILC course. Your efforts have been rewarded. Good luck for the future.

Robert

To all the ILC Students,

After returning to the 'real world' of your offices, I hope you will have the chance to use your English skills.

Please continue to speak and write in English and also listen to the language as much as possible.

I hope your time here has been enjoyable and also useful. Good luck in the future, whatever you do.

Best Wishes

Andrew

Use your English Skills at every opportunity you are given.

Get as much exposure to the English language as you possible can. eg. making English Speaking Friends, radio, TV and reading.

When you go back to your Government Department remember the saying "If you don't use it, you'll lose it".

All the best

Fun teaching you

Ian

Answers no.9

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|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 a stem is part of a flower | 11 a yolk is part of an egg |
| 2 a trunk is part of a tree | 12 a bridge is part of a violin |
| 3 a rung is part of a ladder | 13 a handle is part of a jug |
| 4 a hand is part of a clock | 14 a lens is part of a camera |
| 5 a spoke is part of a wheel | 15 a leg is part of a chair |
| 6 a chassis is part of a car | 16 a wick is part of a candle |
| 7 a trigger is part of a gun | 17 a nib is part of a fountain pen |
| 8 a core is part of an apple | 18 a heel is part of a shoe |
| 9 a cuff is part of a shirt | 19 a tooth is part of a comb |
| 10 a kernel is part of a nut | 20 a jacket is part of a book |

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