The Third Student Conference of English for Academic Purposes

In December, chapter members attended the Third Student Conference of English for Academic Purposes. Following are brief excerpts from the conference presentations.

Tourism in Korea by Won-Jung Beom

That Korea is an unknown country to the world sounds strange, because it not only has a long history, but is also becoming a top economic power. However, it’s the truth. There has not been much effort to boost tourism in the world or even within Korea. It’s said that Korea’s outset to tourism was somewhat late. However, now we are living in the 21st century. Everything is changing quickly. Korea is seriously thinking about what to do and where to go in terms of the tourism industry. To let the world get to know about Korea, the country should put its best foot forward to the world to show its cultural features, unique food, and news on information going on now either face-to-face or online. In many ways, Korea will have to advertise its values. We need an awareness of three types of festivals in Korea: international festivals, regional festivals, and university festivals. To have a blast, it is necessary for us to select where to go, what to touch, and how to feel.

Travel by A-reum Han

We all recognize the importance of travel. In modern society, cars have advanced a lot; therefore, people usually have no time to walk, thinking about themselves. People need to release the stresses they got from society and refresh themselves through travel. When people are happy or sad, starting or finishing, they go travel. Travel has become a part of human life.

People pick up their travel experiences when they tell the most memorable things in their lives. Travel experiences to people are not only escape from their daily life, but also the second world which they dream about. Travel affects human life in any ways. Just one trip can change someone’s ideals and determine someone’s entire future. Travel among family members makes their love deeper. And travel alone makes one’s thought deeper. Like this, travel has become part of our lives.

Escape from Atopy by Song-ah Choi

Did you know that 30 percent of the children in the world and 10 percent of adults are suffering from atopy? Statistics certify the high prevalence of atopy. Even without statistics, we can tell there are so many atopic people around us. All atopic people are itching to escape from the itch. The main purpose of this presentation is to make people understand atopy. The more you know about atopy, the more wisely you can manage it.

Atopic dermatitis is a typical skin disease which can be found among allergic people.
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When we mention atopy, it generally indicates atopic dermatitis. It is a chronic condition, and dryness and itchiness of skin is a major symptom. The major symptoms of atopic dermatitis are itchiness, dry skin, scabs, and scaly skin. Severe itchiness is the most usual symptom. Genes, allergens, environmental and mental factors bring atopy. Itchiness, dry skin, and related symptoms like mental disorder, asthma, wheeze, hay fever, and rhinitis frustrate sufferers. But there are some things that you can do. Controlling temperature, moisturizing, and hygiene will help a lot to prevent atopy. Keeping away from allergenic foods, chemical products, and polluted air is the answer.

Plagiarism by Tae-ju Moon

Plagiarism is becoming more and more serious, and it hurts our society in many fields such as the music industry, broadcasting, and even in school, like in universities. As plagiarism becomes more serious in our society, recognition of it becomes more important than before. There are three major reasons for the general rise of plagiarism, especially in the case of students. Students plagiarize out of expedience. Students plagiarize out of ignorance. Furthermore, in the case of other kinds of plagiarism, like in music, writing, and painting, each reason for it can be different. However, the important thing is that plagiarism itself is surely not good for ourselves and but also for our society. Whether the reason is intentional or unintentional is not important. The result is damage to our society. The most important thing is to find a solution to plagiarism. To take proper measures, we should also understand the reasons for plagiarism and take steps to stop people from committing plagiarism. Now it is time to reflect on ourselves. Remember that all changes come from within us first.

The Automobile by Jinho Kim

In the beginning when people invented the automobile, they could not have known how strong the influence of the car would be. Now it has become part of our life, and even more than that for some people. The car industry has brought lots of benefits and side effects to our society and the world. As benefits, it has brought a rapid growth in economy and provides people with jobs and public utilities. Also it has caused car accidents and global warming. Recently, people have come to realize that we really have to stop the global warming before it is too late and that one of the main reasons for global warming is automobile gasses. Many engineers have tried their best cut down these gasses and they are succeeding. It is obvious that new technologies are becoming more important as we drive more. They are the ones that only contribute to cutting down greenhouse gasses. I hope that we could have a much better life with eco-friendly cars.

The Relationship Between Music and Human Beings by Eunseon Jo

How many times do you come into contact with music in a week, intended or not? You will be surprised by the answer. Music is all around us – when we watch television, listen to the radio, eat in a restaurant, and even when we walk on the street. MP3 products are sold like mad and have become the modern person’s necessities. You can listen to music even on your mobile phone. The music industry has become huge in modern society. In other words, music affects us a great deal because it is so closely related to our lives — in particular, to our emotions. Music can give vitamins to the emotionally barren. Therefore, considering the relationship between music and people is essential.

Music reflects various aspects of human societies, like history, emotions, mental and physical health, and a sense of values. It has come to have great power in modern society. Music carries a great deal of weight; it affects people’s overall lives. We should not forget about the importance of music.
Upcoming Events

April 10: Monthly Chapter Meeting
- James Baldrey (Chosun University)
  Communicative Language Teaching at the University Level
- Nancy Jo Marcet (HUFS Oedae Language Institute, Jeonju)
  Teaching Sentence Structures

May 1: Mokpo Outreach

May 8: Monthly Chapter Meeting
- Yeon-seong Park (Chonnam Nat’l University)
  Creative Grammar Instruction Techniques
- KTT Speaker: TBA

May 15: KOTESOL National Conference
  UCC Center, Daegu Technical College, Daegu