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UPENA Writing Workshop

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The UPENA Cawangan Sarawak, in its endeavour to inculcate the writing culture among the staff, organized a workshop on writing, which was held from the 26 to 28 April 2004 at the Bilik Sarjana, UiTMCS. This activity is in line with the university's aim to promote writing of academic books, manuals, and manuscripts in the pursuance of its objective to become an internationally recognized university.

Among the objectives of this workshop were :

- a. To instill the writing culture (especially books, and other academic materials) among the staff of UiTMCS.
- b. To train the staff on various writing techniques.
- c. To highlight ethical issues in publishing

In general the participants' comments were very positive and many of them are of the opinion that similar workshops need to be conducted in the future. Participants enjoyed the mouth watering menu which included dishes from various cultures, the Malay, Chinese and Indian.

God sent Sight

My views glued to the scenery.
Precipices with shades of greens.
The sky is blue with white cloud touches,
The sweet smell of air makes a glorious feeling
Brilliant beauty ...
Is what my thoughts for the environs,
Still intrigued by the sparks I saw from the horizon,
As time drifted away, the sky turned amber
Totally magnificent from my distance.
The clouds layered as my eyes saw different swirling shapes,
As if this is a colour version of our galaxy,
The grass filled the earth.
Green and colourful with various flowers.
Again my thoughts went praising the scenery,
Adoring the treasure while breathing the precious air,
Will I be able to enjoy this again? .
This is an experience, I'll cherish forever.

by Mohamad Zulkarnine Zakaria

(The above poem was published by Poetry.com on the Net. Impressed with Zulkarnine's interest in poetry and the English Language, his BEL 250 lecturer asked him to say something more about himself. And this is what the budding poet wrote).

"Learn English and it will benefit you in the future". Those were the words that changed my attitude about the language. And those are the words that I strongly hold on. They still be my driving force to do the best in my pursuit for education.

During my early years of education, I was the kind of a person who took everything for granted. I was never serious about learning. This problem continued until one day when my sister, a year older than me, passed her Final Primary school exam with flying-colours. Everybody in the family was proud of her and she took all the credit humbly. Then she smiled to me - a 'meaningful' smile. It was was totally swollen with pride. It was a smile that changed me.

In school, I tried to change my attitude and started taking everything seriously. I read a lot of books and did more exercises. When my education shifted to secondary level, I felt very lucky because I achieved a place in the science stream of a well-known secondary school. But I realized that I was still poor in knowledge and English. Then I took the initiative to attend tuition classes on the advice of one of my favorite teachers.

As learning got tougher, I realised that I had to manage my time between the text books and other reading materials. My interest in reading novel/ story books suddenly changed one day into poetry writing. After reading a few collections of poetry books, I tried to compose my own poems. I'm only using simple words to express my feelings, thoughts or ideas. I'm also exposing myself to different writing styles. With such exposure I am able to discover the beauty of writing and poetry.

When my poem was published by Poetry.com., I felt encouraged. I'm now motivated to do the best in everything involving writing and expressions. Writings enable me to show my feelings and express my gratitude. Though I'm proud of the tool that I have now, I know that I still have more to study and learn. To be successful in learning English, one must have strong initiative besides learning from other people.

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Tahniah!

kepada semua pelajar yang berjaya dalam peperiksaan semester lepas.

Syabas!

kepada mereka yang dipilih untuk meneruskan pengajian mereka dalam program ijazah sarjana muda di UiTM.

Selamat Datang!

diucapkan kepada para pelajar baru

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