

English Language Club Report

Night Talks

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The English Language Club conducted online LIVE talks via our English Language Club Youtube Channel by using StreamYard software. The talks can be considered as one of the initiatives taken by the club to promote the usage of English and to conduct intellectual interviews on social media.

The talks were conducted once every fortnight. It began on 9 April 2021 and usually lasted for one and a half hours mainly 5-5.30pm during the Ramadhan month whereas 9-9.30pm on other months. Before each episode, the committee members including the hosts, technical team members and the advisors of this project had meetings to discuss the content and flow of the talk. Once the elements were identified, a rehearsal session was conducted a day before the talk by the hosts to ensure the content was delivered effectively without touching on sensitive issues.

When there were special invited guests to the night talks, an online session was usually set up with them in advance to discuss the flow and the interview questions to be asked during the talk. Besides interviewing, there was also an episode involving online debate.

Advertisements and promotions for the talks were conducted via Whatsapp and Instagram. After each night talk session, online feedback forms were given to the audience to gain their responses and learn from their constructive comments. Certificate of appreciation (e-cert) was issued to all participants of the talk.



Happy Furry Friends

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Volunteer Service

Besides organizing activities related to English, the English Club also decided to focus on other aspects. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many sectors were affected and one of them is the animal shelters all around Malaysia. When we first planned this activity, we had big hopes to visit a shelter called Cat Beach Sanctuary which is in Teluk Bahang, Penang. Our initial plans were to go there on 19 June 2021, visit the shelter, clean some parts of the shelter, groom some cats, and bring some of their needs like milk, kibbles, wet food, and wee pad.

However, due to the Movement Control Order (MCO) extension, we were unable to proceed with the plan. We started the donation drive from 15 April to 9 May 2021 and an amount of RM 348 was received from the public. On 10 May 2021, the English Club advisor contacted the owner of the shelter to enquire on the items needed. On 18 June 2021 the items were purchased online via 'Shopee' and were shipped directly to the Cat Beach Sanctuary. Among the items purchased were wet wipes, kibbles, wet food, and rice.



Donations

According to the project manager, out of RM 348 received, 81.3% were from the Permatang Pauh campus students while 15.6% were from the Bertam campus. Overall, the students contributed 96.9% of the donation while the remaining 3.1% were from outsiders.