

# English Language Club Report

## A Knowledge Transfer Programme: Peers for Youth Engagement and Reachable Support (PYERS)

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The English Language Club of UiTM Cawangan Pulau Pinang (UiTMCPP) collaborated with Kolej Komuniti Seberang Jaya to organise a community service online mentorship programme - Peers for Youth Engagement & Reachable Support (PYERS). The programme was conducted via WhatsApp and Google Meet from October 18, 2021, to December 3, 2021. The PYERS programme aims to encourage and guide students who are weaker in the English language to enhance their communication skills. Led by some of the executive members of the club who are UiTMCPP diploma students from the Permatang Pauh campus, the programme committee also consisted of students from other UiTM campuses such as Bertam and Melaka who were also interested in the project. Under the guidance of UiTM English language lecturers, eight committee members participated as the facilitating mentors in this programme, while the students of Kolej Komuniti participated as the mentees. The mentors, super-

vised by the lecturers, have prepared a 5-week module prior to the programme. The eight mentors worked in pairs to guide and communicate with several mentees via WhatsApp. They also met the mentees in Google Meet sessions and conducted exciting lessons and activities such as learning idioms, using WH-questions, and playing language games (Shark Tank Game and Hot Potato Game). All activities are related to basic communication skills, aiming to boost the mentees' confidence in using English. It is hoped that the English Language Club of UiTMCPP could hold more collaborations, and more students will participate as mentors in PYERS. PYERS has proven that UiTM students could shine not only in their studies but also in conducting events that involve helping the surrounding local community. With more programmes like this, we could shape and empower our students to be more versatile as future trainers and leaders.

