

English Language Club Report

Intersarsity Ingenuity: English Language Competitions with UniKL MSI

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The 'Intersarsity Language Match' was the first joint event initiated by the English Language Club of UiTM Cawangan Pulau Pinang and Universiti Kuala Lumpur – Malaysian Spanish Institute (UniKL MSI). With the theme 'Mind Your English', the open friendly competition was held to encourage and develop students' creativity and to showcase talents from both universities in relation to the English language. At the same time, it was organised to encourage networking opportunities among students to further strengthen the relationship between the two nearby institutions. In addition, students got to have fun in a post-pandemic physical setting after having been confined to their respective learning spaces due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Students from both universities were given the opportunity to participate in four competitions for free, namely:

- **Idea pitching** which involved students presenting creative or innovative ideas in the form of a 3-minute pitch in front of a group of judges.
- **Storytelling** which involved students delivering a story with the theme "Twisted Fairy Tales" in front of a large audience using creative techniques and an appropriate language style.
- **Medley singing** which involved students singing a combination of two or more inspirational or motivational English songs at a time.
- **Scrabble competition** which involved students playing the Scrabble board game based on their vocabulary strength.

The host for the scrabble competition was UiTM CPP. On 23 May 2022, the competition was held at Laman Perdana, UiTM CPP, involving 16 students from UniKL MSI and 16 students from UiTM CPP. The UniKL MSI participants arrived at 8.30 a.m., accompanied by its Head of the Student Development Section, Mr. Fazrul Azmi Zulkifli. In a single elimination format, all 32 competitors were placed in groups of 4 with 1 score master and were given 1 hour to finish the game. The top 2 highest scoring participants from each group continued to the next round with the same rules. This went on until the final 4 and the winner was decided.

On 25 May 2022, the participants of the other 3 competitions were brought to UniKL MSI in Kulim, Kedah as they acted as the host. The singing competition was held in the main lecture hall while the idea pitching and storytelling competitions were held at the library. Judges for each of the competitions were each from both universities as well as an external judge. From UiTM CPP, Ms. Marni Jamil judged the singing competition, Dr. Isma Noornisa Ismail was one of the judges for idea pitching, and Mdm. Muriatul

Khusmah Musa handled the storytelling. After all the competitions were over, the closing and prize giving ceremony was conducted at the main lecture hall with special invited guests - Assoc. Professor Dr. Rofiza Abou Bakar, Head of Learning Center, Academy of Language Studies, UiTM CPP and Ts. Dr. Al'Hapis Abdul Razak, Deputy Dean of Student Development and Campus Lifestyle, UniKL MSI.



The main event comprises the Idea Pitching (top right), Storytelling (bottom left) and Singing competitions on 25 May 2022 at UniKL MSI. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rofiza Abou Bakar (top left) gave her closing speech as an invited VIP. Winner of the singing competition presented by Dr Rofiza and Mr. Fazrul Azmi Zulkifli (bottom right).

In a nutshell, this was a good programme because it tested and unearthed the students' creativity. In addition, the participants were able to interact with students from another neighbouring university (UniKL MSI) and enabled collaboration between the two universities for other programmes in the future. After participating in the programme, the participants are also eager to compete in other competitions and are more confident in themselves and their hidden talents.

The following are the winners for each competition category:

SCRABBLE COMPETITION WINNERS:

1st: IRDINA BINTI IZMAN (UiTM CPP)

2nd: AFIF LUQMANULHAKIM BIN ABDUL WAHAB (UiTM CPP)

3rd: AINUL MARDHIAH BINTI MUHAMAD ZAHARI (UniKL MSI)

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4th: ADAM DANISH BIN KAMARRADUEN (UniKL MSI)

IDEA PITCHING COMPETITION WINNERS (THEME: INTERVARSITY SKILL-SWAP PLATFORM):

1st: SYED AMIR HAIKAL BIN SYED HISHAM ALWI & MUHAMMAD HAZIQ FITRIE BIN AINUDDIN NAZLEE (UiTM CPP)

2nd: MUHAMMAD HAZIM BIN AHMAD & AHMAD YUSRY BIN YUSOF (UiTM CPP)

3rd: MUHAMAD IRFAN BIN AHMAD SUHKRI (UiTM CPP)

4th: TASNIM AL QASYIKH BIN SYAHRULNIZA (UniKL MSI)

5th: MUHAMMAD ZARIF BIN AZMI (UniKL MSI)

STORYTELLING COMPETITION WINNERS (THEME: TWISTED FAIRYTALE):

1st: MUHAMMAD LUQMAN ZHARIF BIN SULAIMAN (UniKL MSI) *Story: Rapunzel with a Good Mother & an Evil Prince*

2nd: MUHAMMAD ZUHAIR RAHIMI BIN ABDUL RAZAK (UiTM CPP) *Story: DJ Rap-Unzel*

3rd: NUR DANIA BINTI KHAIRUL ANUAR (UniKL MSI) *Story: Red Riding Hood and the Wolf in Hollywood*

4th: RASYID JAZLAN BIN RASALI (UiTM CPP) *Story: The Tragedy of Rapunzel*

5th: HERVIANA MARIUS (UiTM CPP) *Story: Little Red and the Seven Dwarfs*

MEDLEY SINGING COMPETITION WINNERS (THEME: INSPIRATIONAL / MOTIVATIONAL / UPLIFTING SPIRIT):

1st: SYARIFAH NABIHAH BINTI SYED MOHAMAD (UiTM CPP) *Songs: Naomi Scott's Speechless X Idina*

Menzel's Let It Go

2nd: AINATUL FATIMAH BINTI ABDUL MUKTI (UniKL MSI) *Songs: One Direction's Story of My Life x Keala Settle's This is Me*

3rd: MUHAMMAD ZIKRY BIN MOHD SOPIAN (UiTM CPP) *Songs: Bon Jovi's It's My Life X Living on a Prayer*

4th: MUHAMMAD AIMAN SYAHMI BIN MOHD YUSOF (UniKL MSI) *Songs: Ben E King's Stand by Me X Frank Sinatra's Fly Me to the Moon*



The Scrabble Competition held on 23 May 2022 at Laman Perdana, UiTM CPP. Mr. Muhammad Aiman Abdul Halim judged the final round between 2 UiTM CPP and 2 UniKL MSI competitors (top left). The winner, Irdina Izman from UiTM CPP was presented a mock cheque of RM150 by club advisor Mr. Noor Azli Affendy Lee and UniKL MSI Head of the Student Development Section Mr. Fazrul Azmi Zulkifli (bottom left). Club advisor Dr. Nur Ilianis Adnan presenting a token of appreciation for each participant of the Scrabble competition (bottom right).