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## EDITOR'S NOTES

Dear 2022,
Two years have passed since the pandemic hit the world. We have grown accustomed to Meet and Classroom, so chalk and talk is now a foreign concept. Our lecturers are now online presenters, putting in hours of effort to produce lectures and exercises while managing chores and family commitments. Even when they are concealed behind a camera lens and a microphone, our lecturers are enthusiastic about giving the best education to the next generation of learners. We, the lecturers at APB, are well prepared to face the most recent issues and challenges in the world of teaching and learning, and we will guarantee that our students are achievers who are set to succeed in a world where everything is conducted online.
To end the note for now:
" "Whatever the mind can conceive and believe, it can achieve." Napoleon Hill


Chief Editor Nadiah Yahyauddin

(STANDING FROM THE TOP LEFT TO RIGHT): MISS NOR AINI, MRS OOI SING EE, MISS SITI 'AISHATUL-HUMAIRA, MR SHAHRUL MUHAZAD, MISS MASHITAH, MRS KHAIRON NISA AND MRS HAZWATI
(SITTING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT): PM DR NORWATI, PM DR SOO, MRS NOR HANIZA (STANDING IN THE CENTER BELOW): MR MUHAMMAD FAKHRUL AIMAN


## TALKING CIRCLE 1 BABY STEPS TO OBS 4th March 2022 $8.30 \mathrm{am}-5.00 \mathrm{pm}$ on <br> 

Baby Steps to OBS was the first webinar to be held under the Talking Circle program. OBS is the acronym for Open Broadcasting Software. Mr. Muhammad Fakhrul Aiman bin Zulkiflee, our speaker, had begun the session at 8.30 a.m. He introduced the elements of OBS, which was open-source software that provided graphic and audio elements for live streaming and recording. He also showed how to use some of the OBS parts with online meeting software like Google Meet and Microsoft Teams. This webinar presented an excellent chance for APB lecturers to learn about new ways to deliver their teaching materials online. The session ended in the afternoon

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POSTER
BABY STEPS TO OBS WORKSHOP


## PTAR BOOK REVIEW <br> SERIE 6 17TH March 2022 10.30 AM ON webex

On March 17, 2022, PTAR, or Perpustakaan Tun Abdul Razak, UiTM Cawangan Negeri Sembilan Kampus Rembau organised a book review session through Webex. Our respected APB lecturer, Mrs. Nor Haniza binti Hasan, was invited as one of the book reviewers for this session. In her review, she introduced a book entitled The Cure : Heal Your Body, Save Your Life by Dr. Timothy Brantley, an expert in nutritional healing. According to Mrs. Nor Haniza, the book emphasised on the importance of healing one's body through the careful consumption of food. She also encouraged audience to read the book because it has many tips on keeping one's body healthy. The insightful session ended at 11.30a.m.


## POSTER PTAR BOOK REVIEW SERIE 6



Mrs. Nor Haniza Hasan during her session.

## BENGKEL PEMBANGUNAN KERJAYA UNTUK PENSYARAH <br> AKADEMI PENGAJIAN BAHASA UITM CAWANGAN NEGERI SEMBILAN BY PM ZAINON ISMAIL <br> 18TH March 2022 <br> 10.00 AM ON

On March 18, 2022, APB UITM Negeri Sembilan Kampus Rembau hosted a career development workshop to APB lecturers. This webinar was live-streamed via Google Meet and hosted by Mrs. Hazwati Hashim. Our renowned Department Head, Professor Madya Zainon bin Ismail, was the speaker for this session. In her presentation, she had highlighted the areas wherein lecturers can improve in order to reach their expected goal as an educator at UiTM. The meeting lasted two hours and concluded at noon. It was a privilege to have her as our speaker that day, and we are appreciative for the time she have spent supporting APB lecturers on their professional development.


APB REMBAU WEBINAR: PEMBANGUNAN KERJAYA UNTUK PENSYARAH AKADEMI PENGAJIAN BAHASA UiTM CAWANGAN NEGERI SEMBILAN



PM Zainon Ismail during her session.


# TALKING CIRCLE 2 BY APB LECTURERS 23RD March 2022 9 AM - 12 PM ON 



On March 23, 2022, APB UITM Negeri Sembilan Kampus Rembau hosted a second talking circle or a sharing session. This session was moderated by Mrs. Nur Faathinah Mohammad Roshdan. PM Dr. Soo Kum Yoke introduced the fundamentals of Ouriginal, a plagiarism detector for written assignments, to kick off the sharing session. Mrs. Khairon Nisa resumed the second session by presenting and showing Microsoft Teams as an instructional platform. The third session was presented by Miss Nadiah Yahyauddin, who introduced Flipgrid as a teaching platform. APB lecturers have gained a lot of insights on the newest teaching technology and these shall serve as the new teaching practice among APB lecturers of UiTM Rembau.


TALKING CIRCLE 2 WITH APB REMBAU LECTURERS.

# LANGUAGE \& CULTURE WEEK 2022 <br> 17TH MAY -20TH MAY <br> 12 PM - 2 PM 

## APB REMBAUINVITES YOU TO JOIN: <br> LANCUACE 8 <br> CULTURE WEEK 2022 <br> 17 MAY 2022-19 MAY 2022 <br> BUDAYA BAHASA ALAF DIGITAL

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APB UITM Negeri Sembilan Kampus Rembau hosted "Language and Culture Week 2022" on May 17, 2022. The annual event started on May 17th and officially ended on May 20. During these three days of events, many competitions and programmes have taken place through Google Meet and Flipgrid. This year's language week was organised by Mrs. Khairon Nisa binti Shafeei.

The first day started with events organised by APB Rembau's English language lecturers; Mrs. Hazwati, Mrs. Khairon Nisa, Mrs. Nur Faathinah, and Miss Nadiah. During the English language slot, many competitions have taken place. Participants were mainly students from the first semester until the third semester. The Tik Tok 60-second Acting Challenge and Product Review Competition took place on Google Meet, whereas the other two competitions were based on students' video submissions.

To continue the slots, the second day was assigned to the Arabic lecturers, where students submitted videos of them speaking and writing in Arabic. Mrs. Mashitah and Mrs. Nur Aini had taken their part in these 2 competitions accordingly. It was not a surprise that students at UiTM are definitely talented, as they delivered their presentations in the third language with ease. On the last day of the competition, our 2 beautiful Mandarin lecturers held 2 competitions, Draw Mandarin and Pertandingan Video Pendek Bahasa Mandarin. Students had sent videos of them using Mandarin in their daily routines, and some joined the other competition where students tested their knowledge on recognising Mandarin words.

All of the competitions went well, and many students have said they would like to see them happen again next year. The week of language fun was ended by a closing ceremony on the 20th of May, where competitors received the results of their efforts.

## LANGUAGE \& CULTURE FAIR 2022 ENGLISH SLOTS <br> 17TH MAY <br> 12 PM - 2 PM

The Tik Tok 60-second Acting Challenge


TV Host Maniac


Product Review Competition


# LANGUAGE \& CULTURE FAIR 2022 <br> 18TH MAY: ARABIC SLOT 12 PM - 2 PM 




Winners of Video Pendek Bahasa Arab 2022

VIDEO PENDEK BAHASA ARAB ENTRIES


KHATTAB MILENIA VIDEO ENTRIES

Winners of Khattab Milenia 2022



## SAMBUTAN AIDILFITRI PERINGKAT UITM REMBAU 19 MAY 2022 9 AM - 12 PM DEWAN BIDUANDA, UITM REMBAU

On May 19, 2022, Sambutan Hari Raya Aidilfitri Peringkat UiTM Kampus Rembau with the theme of " Vintage Raya " was held at Dewan Biduanda, UiTM Kampus Rembau. A lot of departments and faculties assisted in decorating the big hall with different sorts of decorations that best suited their own units or departments. The APB Rembau staff has also prepared some decorations for their Raya food kiosk.

All staff wore traditional Malay clothes on the day of the event. A wide range of food was served by faculties' and administrative booths. APB Rembau has served packed Mac \& Cheese to match the theme of the faculty's kiosk. Lecturers were also invited to have food from other booths. While staff were enjoying their Aidilfitri treats, music and dance shows kept them entertained. The event reached its peak when the best Aidilfitri booth was selected. At the end of the event, lecturers took their opportunity to sing along with Raya songs to conclude the celebration of the day.


PRE-AIDILFITRI PHOTO SHOOT FOR APB REMBAU


AIDIL FITRI MAY 2022 WITH APB LECTURERS

## THE INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON ONLINE LEARNING AND PHYSICAL LEARNING: <br> CURRENT PERSPECTIVES FROM UNDERGRADUATES IN MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA <br> 24.05.2022, 8.00 PM - 10.30 PM, ON <br> 

On May 24, 2022, APB Rembau and The Language Club hosted the International Webinar on Online Learning and Physical Learning: Current Perspectives from Undergraduates in Malaysia and Indonesia. It was a collaborative effort between two universities, UiTM Cawangan Negeri Sembilan, Kampus Rembau, and Institut Agama Islam Negeri (IAIN), Palangka Raya, Indonesia. The forum was broadcasted on YouTube and the Zoom Meeting Online platform.
Next, members from both universities began the forum by connecting to the Zoom Meeting link, and then audiences sang their country's national anthem and their university's anthem. The forum continued with an opening speech by the Coordinator of APB Rembau, Associate Professor Dr. Soo Kum Yoke, and was followed by a short speech by APB's Head of Department, Associate Professor Dr. Sharifah Sheha Syed Aziz Al-Baftim, to officiate the forum. The session continued with the discussion on "Online versus Physical Learning." Each team member from both universities shared their own perspective on the topic. The forum ended with a Q\&A session and speeches by the project director, Miss Fatin Nabilah binti Mas Dzulfadhli, and the forum's chairwoman, Associate Prof. Dr. Norwati Haji Roslim.


# HAPPY MANDARIN（KAI KAI XIN XIN XUE HUAYU） Dr．Siang Lay Choo，Nur Farrah Atiqah binti Amran 

Pada 2 November 2019，Kelab Bahasa UiTM Kampus Rembau telah menjalankan program Happy Mandarin（Kai Kai Xin Xin Xue Hanyu）di Sekolah Menengah Sains Rembau （SEMESRA）．Kelab Bahasa telah mendapat tajaan sebanyak RM4000 daripada Khind Starfish Foundation menerusi program Project for Happiness untuk menjalankan projek khidmat masyarakat ini．Program ini dijalankan oleh penasihat Kelab Bahasa iaitu Dr． Siang Lay Choo serta dibantu oleh Cik Nur Farrah Atiqah，Cik Mandy Lai Chui Mun，PM Dr． Soo Kum Yoke dan Cik Mashitah dari Akademi Pengajian Bahasa（APB）．Fasilitator program terdiri daripada 20 orang pelajar Kelab Bahasa yang diketuai oleh Nur Azreen Fatihah． Seramai 120 orang pelajar Tingkatan 1 dan Tingkatan 2 SEMESRA telah menyertai program ini．

Objektif program Happy Mandarin（Kai Kai Xin Xin Xue Hanyu）ini adalah membantu pelajar di SEMESRA memahami budaya kaum Cina melalui permainan yang berkaitan． Program ini sedikit sebanyak membuka mata mereka tentang perbezaan antara budaya orang Melayu dan orang Cina．Program ini juga membawa aktiviti pembelajaran bahasa Mandarin dengan cara yang menyeronokkan dan interaktif．Kelab Bahasa ingin menunjukkan bahawa bahasa Mandarin bukan sahaja boleh dipelajari melalui buku，malah ia lebih senang dikuasai melalui aktiviti bahasa．

Sebelum program ini dijalankan，beberapa siri mesyuarat telah dilakukan bersama ketua projek（Nur Azreen Fatihah），penolong ketua projek（Che Wan Nurfadhlina）serta Koordinator APB（PM Dr．Soo Kum Yoke）mengenai aktiviti yang akan dijalankan serta bajet yang diperlukan untuk merangka kertas kerja．Kertas kerja tersebut mendapat kelulusan daripada Khind Starfish Foundation dengan syarat para fasilitator turut diminta untuk menjana dana khalayak sebanyak 10\％daripada RM4000 yang diberikan．Satu sesi Latihan kepada Pelatih（Training of Trainer）diadakan bagi memastikan semua fasilitator yang terlibat mendapat idea dan objektif yang sama dalam menjayakan program ini．

Antara aktiviti yang telah dijalankan sepanjang program ini ialah belajar nombor dalam bahasa Mandarin menerusi pertandingan mengepit kacang menggunakan chopstick，menghias tanglung mengikut tema yang diberikan iaitu tema mencintai alam sekitar，menulis kad ucapan untuk pelbagai jenis perayaan di Malaysia dalam Hanyu Pinyin dan Karakter Cina seperti Kaizhaijie Kuaile 开斋节快乐（Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri），Xinnian Kuaile 新年快乐（Selamat Tahun Baru Cina），Tuyaojie Kuaile 屠妖节快乐（Selamat Hari Deepavali），Dabaosenjie Kuaile 大宝森节快乐（Selamat Hari Thaipusam）serta aktiviti paper cutting perkataan 春 yang membawa maksud musim bunga ataupun permulaan tahun bagi kaum Cina．Akhir sekali，pertandingan nyanyian lagu bahasa Mandarin telah diadakan antara para pelajar SEMESRA．Para pelajar telah diberikan beberapa lagu oleh Puan Hazimah Hani，guru bahasa Mandarin SEMESRA untuk dipilih．Antara lagu tersebut ialah 拔萝卜（Menuai Lobak），三轮车（Beca）dan两只老虎（Dua Ekor Harimau）．Para pelajar telah mempelajari banyak kosa kata bahasa Mandarin menerusi lagu－lagu tersebut．Mereka telah melakukan persembahan dengan sangat baik，menghiburkan malah terdapat pelajar yang melakukan aksi yang mencuit hati para juri dan penonton．

## THROWBACK

HAPPY MANDARIN (KAI KAI XIN XIN XUE HUAYU) Dr. Siang Lay Choo, Nur Farrah Atiqah binti Amran

Kelab Bahasa berpuas hati dengan program yang telah dijalankan serta berharap agar program seperti ini dapat dijadikan sebagai acara tahunan bagi membantu para pelajar SEMESRA mempelajari bahasa Mandarin dengan lebih menyeronokkan.

## HAPPY MANDARIN @ SEMESRA REMBAU




## Room for improvement in online shopping

February 25, 2022 @ 12:00am
Online shopping is part and parcel of the new norm. - NSTP file pic


LETTERS: The pandemic has changed consumer behaviour towards online shopping.

Online shopping is part and parcel of the new norm.
It offers convenience and many choices at a fraction of the time and effort.
The rise of online shopping can also be attributed to large e-business sites, such as Lazada, Shopee, Taobao, Amazon, Mudah and Carousell.

Lazada Malaysia reported a 300 per cent increase in the number of new online sellers since the start of the pandemic.

A Juwai IQI survey reported that 57 per cent of Malaysians were spending more time shopping online than before the pandemic.

Bank Negara reported that online retail sales nearly doubled during the pandemic.
In a survey conducted on students' behaviour towards online shopping at a local university, almost half of them preferred buying beauty products, fashion-related products, games and books online.
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The students gave reasons for their preferences, which included time savings, comparisons can be made, shopping can be done throughout the day, stress releaser and lower prices.

However, the study also found that 59 per cent of them were wary of online fraud, 75 per cent were wary of the hassle in the shipment of goods, 87.5 per cent felt the lack of "feel" for the merchandise, and 75 per cent encountered difficulties when returning goods.

So while online shopping is popular, there are improvements that can be done for a better online shopping experience, especially in delivery and shipment, and there should be measures to control online fraud.

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April 16, 2022 @ 12:53pm


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LETTERS: Nowadays, it is easy to voice our opinion on any issue on social media.
People post a lot of things happening around them on the Internet, and when this goes viral, everyone hooked to the Internet can access and share their opinion about it.

This act of sharing opinions or comments seems to have gone out of context since many have failed to consider the sensitivity of the issue that may aggravate the harmony among netizens.

So, how much freedom does one have to express his or her views on social media?
Recently, in practising the freedom to voice one's opinion, an uncalled-for action taken by a popular film star who was offended by a comedian's comment went viral.

And, given the popularity of the star and how it could tarnish his reputation, netizens gave their opinion for and against that act.

Many other embarrassing cases have been exposed on the Internet, whether by academicians, politicians, students, or the ordinary man in the street.


It's bad enough that people start pointing the finger at who is to be blamed for the action.

When we resort to giving our opinions which is so easy these days especially on our smartphones, was it all in the name of harmless fun?

Lack of sensitivity and not getting the full picture before taking sides and opening our mouths to speak our minds may seem like an act of "a call to be heard".

But, we need to stop and consider; could our opinion or comments be a thoughtless gesture after all?

The constitution of Malaysia in Article 10 provides for freedom of expression among Malaysian citizens within the reasonable restriction of not provoking peace, as well as contempt of court, defamation, or incitement of any offence.

Does this give us the right to say anything under the sun? Yet, the voices and opinions of millions can change the way a certain thing is done and move for change.

The same voices or opinions can damage and ruin another person or his career for that matter. That is how strong and powerful one's opinion is, in the name of one's freedom to express one's view and to be heard.

So, perhaps before we post our opinions or views, it is a good idea to step back and think of the consequences before saying anything. It is wiser if we are slow but constructive in our comments.

After all, "if you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all."
Associate Professor Dr Carolyn Soo Kum Yoke, Nor Haniza Hasan
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