SLLC English Activities 2018-19

Face Yourself: Workshop for Self-study Skills & Strategies

As the semester kicks off, have you ever thought of how you can improve your language skills by yourselves? "Self-study" involves studying through self-learning materials without direct supervision. However, how can we make sure that we are doing it on a right track? How can we get the most out of this "self-study"? Here are what we are going to offer you in this 1-hour workshop:

1. A tailor-made Self-learning Journal in both Chinese and English that provides you with grammar tips as well as useful English and Chinese phrases. It is a journal that can help you to keep track on your study at HKCC.
2. Chances of analyzing your own language study needs and setting objectives for your English learning
3. Ways of writing an effective study plan and mastering the art of "self-learning"
4. Ways of using various learning materials, resources and skills to learn English

   Date: 21/9/2018

   Time: 5:30 – 6:30 pm

   Venue: HHB-106

   Application deadline: 18/9/2018 (through CARES)

   Speaker: Dr. Kimberly Tao

Movie Viewing Award Scheme

The objectives of the award scheme are to motivate students to learn authentic English from real contexts and to encourage students to learn authentic English from media.

Scheme Details

You are encouraged to watch movies that interest you. In order to join this activity, you need:

- to select your favorite English movie from SLLC (English)
- to watch and reflect on that English movie
- to write an online 300-word reflection after watching that movie and submit it through Virtue Self-learning Language (SLLC) (English) Moodle page

This activity will be organized once every semester and submission deadlines will be on 23/11/2018 (Semester 1) and 19/4/2019 (Semester 2). A student can join this activity once every academic year.

Awards

1. Gift coupons up to $250 will be given to winners of the "Best Reflections" and writers of the shortlisted "Quality Reflections".
2. Participants of SLLC activities can earn points for "English Enhancement & Self-learning Award Scheme 2018-19" to win Gold, Silver & Bronze Awards.
3. Personalised Certificates will be awarded to the winners of the shortlisted reflections.

Audio Reading Award Scheme

The objectives of the award scheme include 1) to build a good foundation for academic development; 2) to strengthen students' listening skills and 3) to encourage students to read through Naxos Spoken Word Library and recommended listening materials from Self-learning Language materials (English) at SLLC.

Scheme Details

You are encouraged to read regularly and widely throughout your academic study, and you are required:

- to choose audio materials from Virtual Self-learning Language Centre Moodle page (English): (1) NAXOS Spoken Word Library (2) American Stores for English Learners or 3) Audio Ghost Stories in The Moonlit Road [e.g. Railroad Bill: Alabama Spooky Story/ The Spirit of Thomas Lester Mississippi Rose/ The Slave Girl]
- to pick audio stories from the above suggested materials that **last not less than 30 minutes in total**
  (e.g. if the first audio story lasts for 15 minutes, then you need to pick another audio story that lasts for at least 15 minutes).
  For students who picked **Audio Ghost Stories** in The Moonlit Road, the length for all the three audio stories (i.e. Railroad Bill: Alabama Spooky Story + The Spirit of Thomas Lester Mississippi Rose +The Slave Girl) will be counted as 30 minutes in total.
- to write an online 300-word reflection after listening to your chosen audio story(ies) and submit it through Virtue Self-learning Language (SLLC) (English) Moodle page.

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Write Your Own SLLC Diary Award Scheme

The objective of the Write Your Own SLLC Diary is to arouse students' awareness of independent language learning, keep track of their own study pattern and provide them with effective learning strategies.

Scheme Details

- Think of your previous language learning habits and reflect on parts that you would like to share/ improve
- Go to Virtual SLLC Moodle page to finish **FOUR** SLLC diary entries (each worksheet requires around 80-100 words of reflection)
- Follow the questions and explore what self-learning is and how it can help you in your post-secondary study by finishing the worksheets
- Submit all the diary entries through Virtue Self-learning Language (SLLC) (English) Moodle page

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Highlights of the Week Award Scheme

The objective of Highlights of the Week Award Scheme is to encourage students to reflect on which SLLC English tips on "Highlights of the Week" help them most, which areas of English learning can be furthered enhanced and how can E-learning help them with English learning.

Scheme Details

- Go through all "Highlights of the Week" sharing on English writing, listening and speaking skills under SLLC English activities Moodle page
- Go to Virtual SLLC Moodle page to finish **FOUR** sets of questions (each question requires around 80-100 words of reflection)
- Submit all the answers through Virtue Self-learning Language (SLLC) (English) Moodle page

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IELTS preparation

How much do you know about IELTS? There is an online IELTS learning package that can help you prepare for the examination. Simply login in to the "IELTS Online" through Moodle and get access to the free resources.

There are also preparatory writing workshops where you can seek advice and assistance to meet individual needs on IELTS Writing Preparation.