

Pre-entrance orientation

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You are here



Welcome and a question

**Welcome to Meiji Gakuin University, the
English Department, the big, wide world, and
welcome to your life!**

How will you study these four years?

Tip #1 Time management

“Lost time is never found again”

--Benjamin Franklin

Make a tight schedule

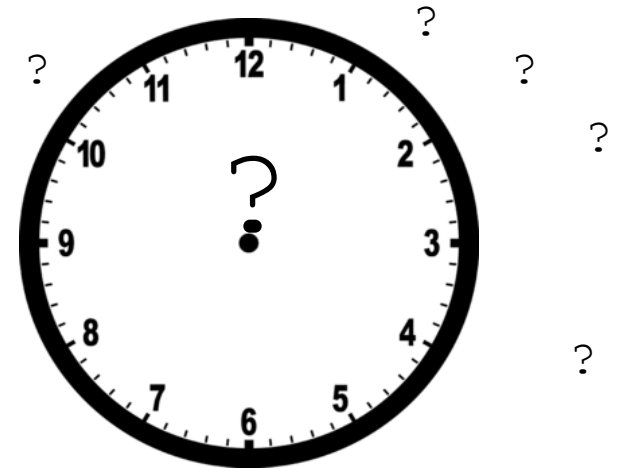
Stick to it

Avoid distractions

Use ‘extra’ time well

Be careful of circles

Be careful of part-time jobs



“A man who dares to waste one hour of life has not discovered the value of life.”

--Charles Darwin

Tip #2 Don't be perfectionistic

Practice English

(don't perform all the time)

Be active

(don't be correct)

Focus on skills and habits

(not on results)

It's OK to make mistakes

(make a few!)

1st prize

Final score = 100!!!

A+++

Magna cum laude

TOEFL
iBT = 120

English classes have 2 sides

Intensive English

Focused carefully

Details, details, details

Reread, rewrite, rethink

Examples

textbooks

final draft of paper

class presentation

Extensive English

Big picture, close enough

Not 100%, but 80%

Do once and quickly

Examples

graded readers

first (rough) draft

group discussion

Tip #3 Go beyond class

- * **Make English a habit**
- * **Prepare and review every class**
- * **Read websites in English**
- * **Read newspapers, magazines, books**
- * **Look up what you don't know**
- * **Take responsibility for your learning**



Tip #4 University is not high school

<u>High School</u>	<u>University</u>
Goal is college	Goal is life
Directed study	Self study
One right answer	Many answers, plus explanation
Teacher centered	Student centered
Translation	Think in English
Passive learning	Active learning
Dependent attitude	Independent attitude
Class work more	Homework more

Tip #5 Be active, take charge

- * Ask questions**
- * Prepare and review**
- * Build your own university life**
- * Think critically and think in English**
- * Make study a pleasure**
- * Become a lifelong learner!**

Study abroad:
plan ahead now, all the options

Study abroad

長期留学

- 半年～1年間
- 現地の人々に混じって、一緒に授業を受けたり、インターンシップなど

主に
2種類ある

□1-2週間～
1ヶ月程

- 語学学校、ボランティア体験など

短期留学

留学準備で大切なこと

1) 十分な語学試験のスコアの取得

TOEFLなどは学内受験できます

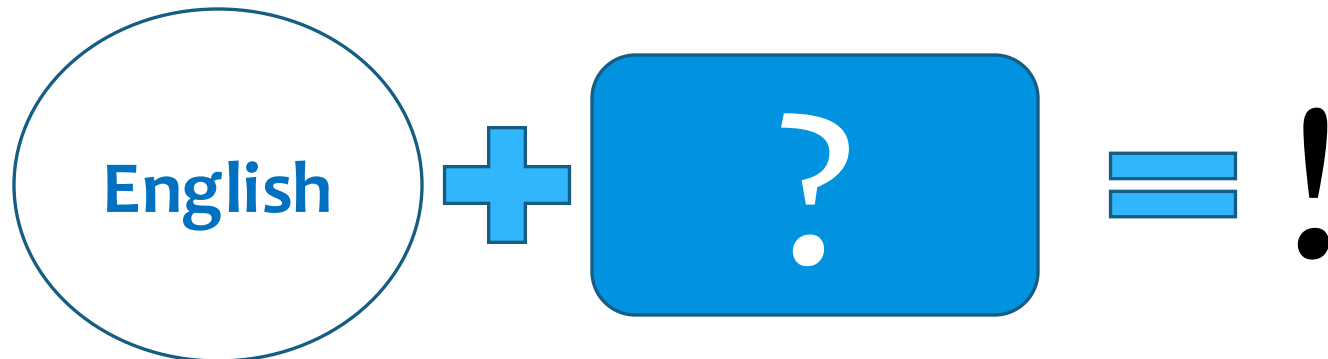
2) 自分の動機を見つめ直す

- * 「何故」と「何」
- * 「英語を勉強したい」



英語を見つめなおす

- * 「英語が好き」 はとても大切
- * 「英語を使って何ができるか」 も同じくらい大切



Set up your daily study now!

From January to April, you can learn a lot!

What you can do to study!

- * Listen to podcasts, lectures and videos online**
- * Read about how to study at university**
- * Take online English lessons**
- * Develop the habit of using English every day**

Look at our suggestions on handout!!!

So, how will you study these
four years?

