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Welcome to the ERC's 2nd newsletter made by students. We have another student's interview, a book review, and some Halloween pictures. We hope you like it!

STUDENT INTERVIEW

Our student this time is Mirai Oba. She is a first-year student in Mr. Hill's Reading Skills course.

Q1: Tell us about your reading experience in English and Japanese before you came to Chikudai.

I have learned (contain reading activity) English at English academy JOY from elementary school 4th grade to junior high school 3rd grade, and in schools since junior high school 1st grade.

Q2: Why did you choose the Reading Skills course? And, what did you know about it before you joined?

I thought that I need reading skills to read various English text. So I decided to choose this course, but the all information that I only know were written in syllabus.

Q3: How many books did you read for class?

(Mr. Hill says she read 179,935 words and that means 40 books! The reading target was 125,000 words.)

Q4: The target was 200,000 words. What did you think about that when you started, when you were halfway through the course, and when the course was

finished?

The first book that I read was about 1,500 words, so I felt sense of danger that I can't clear the target. So I read books every day. In the result, I finished reading activity by June.

Q5: Did you read anything different in English than you usually did in Japanese? Why?

I read ERC books as same as Japanese books.

Q6: How much do you continue to read in English after the course is finished?

Nothing.

I didn't continue to read.

Q7: What advice would you give to any students in Reading Skills course – for doing the reading or just for their attitude?

I think reading activity likes study for university entrance examination. The important thing is doing every day.

LUNCH CHAT IS GROWING!

So far in 2015, we have had a very large group of people joining the English lunch chat. We now have to use the big table plus 2 or 3 small tables! It is a very loud time, and we are happy that some foreign

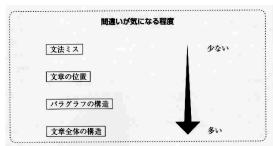
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students have decided to come and speak English with the Japanese students and Chikudai staff at that time. Thank you!



身が普段読む文献などをモデル論文として 論文構造を調べたり、簡潔に abstract を書 き出すタスクも豊富なので先生や先輩など 相談できる方がいると尚良いでしょう。



BOOK REVIEW

We have a book review from a Chikudai student. Teachers and students can borrow it from the ERC.

通じる! 科学英語論文・ライティングのコツ



論文をこれから書こうという修士や博士の 学生さんにおすすめです。

文法などの細かい点ではなく文章全体の構成を中心に科学論文をどのようにつくっていくべきかを分かりやすく教えてくれます。 科学論文を構成するintroduction等セクションごとにどのような骨組みで書いていくのかが分かりやすく解説されています。自

HALLOWEEN EVENT

In October, ERC had a pumpkin carving event for Halloween at lunch chat. Many people joined this event and had a wonderful time. Anybody can join this event, so keep in mind for next October!

