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SLS Upcoming classes

Thai Beginners 1
Thursday, 16 February 2012
06:30pm - 08:30pm

Korean Beginners 1
Saturday, 25 February 2012
11:00am - 01:00pm

Korean Beginners 2
Saturday, 11 February 2012
11:00am - 01:00pm

Korean Intermediate 1
Thursday, 16 February 2012
06:30pm - 08:30pm

Japanese Beginners 1
Tuesday, 21 February 2012
06:30pm - 08:30pm

Japanese Beginners 2
Saturday, 18 February 2012
11:00am - 01:00pm

Mandarin Beginners 1
Thursday, 23 February 2012
06:30pm - 08:30pm

Indonesian Beginners 2
Thursday, 23 February 2012
06:30pm - 08:30pm

LANGUAGES TIPS & STRATEGIES

Happy New Year!

The New Year has dawned. It is now 2012 and we have another 365 days of opportunities ahead of us.

In accordance with our mission, we continued to provide and maintain language packages, translation, interpreting, language and cross-cultural training solutions, language programs, Skype lesson, 4-hour language workshop, individual coaching VoiceOver and bilingual staff.

As well as serving language, IELTS and OET students, we extended our reach to other customer such as NAATI and PTE. We are proud to be partner of Inspire Generations (IG), ABBEY Language Travel, Abbey Book Store and member of AUSIC, ATA, ATESOL, ACTA and Japan Foundation. We keep updating our team to help our school to move to a upper level. Our language trainers are native speakers of the language they teach and have impressive qualifications together with many years teaching experience.



Before we look ahead to what awaits us in this new year, we'd like to look back and reminisce on the events of the past year: in 2011, we ran training projects with AMP Capital, Hong Kong Aviation Capital, Commonwealth Bank, Goldwind Australia Pty Ltd, Brighter 2, Gregory Jewellers..... Also, SLS offering Chinese-Japanese-Vietnamese Calligraphy and Indonesian Colloquial workshops for students. As great success, we plan to make this an ongoing series throughout the year for students to gain a better understanding about the culture of other countries.

In January 2011, SLS launched two new courses: Persian and Burmese language. Moreover, We launched a free new website for all students to register for language exchange needs and find a friend to practise their language. Another success, SLS presented a paper about the international students' perception of IELTS Test at the 3rd International Conference on English, Discourse and Intercultural Communication held at Macao. Dr Na Pham presented a study about the learning need and difficulties of Australian adult learner in acquiring an Asian language at International Conference on Languages, Literature and Linguistics - ICLLL 2011 at Dubai.

Furthermore, SLS played an important role at The National Achievers Congress 2011 held in Sydney. Last but not least, SLS has been doing a study about the learning need and difficulties of Australian adult learners at SLS in acquiring an Asian language.

In other to enhance learning experience, SLS is currently working on implementing Moodle for online learning and this will be launched as a FREE Student Portal for all students of SLS and we will open NAATI course in 2012. Since 19 January 2012, SLS has moved permanently to Level 2, Suite 202, 332 Pitt St, Sydney NSW 2000, which is the same building but different level. We believe our students will have better learning facilities and environment.

We appreciate our loyal students and devoted staffs and look forward to bringing more interesting programs in the near future. Keep yourself updated with our upcoming events and we wish you all the best in 2012!

Dr Na Pham
Director of Sydney Language Solutions



What is Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic ?

PTE Academic is a computer-based test which measures your skills in academic English. PTE Academic scores are accepted by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) for student visas

- Fast results typically within 5 business days
- Book a test 48 hours in advance of a testing session
- Accepted by over 150 Australian institutions and DIAC for student visas
- Convenient three-hour test session
- Scores accepted by DIAC
- Send scores direct to DIAC online
- SLS will run this course from April 2012

Parts	Content	Time
Introduction	Introduce yourself	Untimed
Part 1	Speaking & Writing	77-93 minutes
Part 2	Reading	32-41 minutes
Part 3	Listening	45-57 minutes

Upcoming Intensive Courses

NEW INTENSIVE COURSES

FROM MONDAY, 19 MARCH 2012 - FRIDAY, 13 APRIL 2012

Don't just come to the country, speak their language and get a different experience!

This course is perfect for people who will visit one of these countries on Holiday!!

- ✓ Intensive Course: 4 weeks (2 days /week), 2 hours/day
- ✓ Small Class size: 3-8 students
- ✓ Reasonable Fee: \$290 for 8 classes
- ✓ FREE Training material

Vietnamese

19/03/2012

Monday & Friday
06:30-08:30pm

Cantonese

20/03/2012

Tuesday & Friday
06:30-08:30pm

Indonesian

21/03/2012

Wednesday & Friday
06:30-08:30pm

We need 4 students minimum to start the class. In case that there are only 3 students enrolled, students will be asked to share the cost of \$1160 together.

Please call us 9283 9892 or email info@sydneylanguagesolutions.com.au if you and your friends want to join this course together and we will arrange it for you.

Students' Corner

A nice gift from our students in Japanese Pre-intermediate 2 class given to Toshiko Jackson, our lovely teacher at SLS on January 2012 at our new office!!!



Improve Your Cantonese Pronunciation!

By Jenny

One of the difficulties for Cantonese language learners is the pronunciation. Most language learners are used to sounds which only exist in their native languages. Therefore, it is essential to be aware of the different sound system. Listed below are some tips to mastering your pronunciation skills:

1. Learn to recognise the differences between some English and Cantonese sounds.



2. Try to listen carefully when you are listening to the CD or in class.

3. Notice how some special sounds are made.

4. Practise moving your lips, jaw, and tongue properly so that you can pronounce the sounds.

5. Choose good dictionaries and good language textbooks, they can add lots of new vocabulary to practice and make learning such an enjoyable experience.

6. Don't be shy, just try your best to express your idea, even if you make mistake, you can try to explain in simple way.

7. Correct yourself whenever you make mistake, repeat again and again a new word until you are confidence.

8. Accuracy is better than huge vocabulary. If you are good at vocabulary but you say them wrongly, no one can actually understand you.

Useful websites for learning Mandarin

嗨，大家好。

Hi, everyone! Today, I will introduce two useful websites to Chinese learners.

1. <http://www.standardmandarin.com/chinese-phrases/Australia>

You could find Chinese characters and pinyin forms from this website and you

could also click for the pronunciation as well. This is a very good website for beginners.

2. <http://www.nciku.com/>

For those learners who want to learn writing, nciku will be quite helpful as you could search the characters from this website. They also teach you some practical Chinese conversation everyday.

Learning is a very interesting process that makes you feel fulfilling everyday.

Please share your learning experience with us。

好好学习，天天向上。



NAATI Preparation Course



The National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Ltd (trading as NAATI) is the national standards and accreditation body for translators and interpreters in Australia. It is the only agency to issue accreditations for practitioners who wish to work in this profession in Australia.

SLS NAATI Preparation Course is going to be launched in April 2012.

Candidates for this course must have at least 6.5 or 7 in IELTS WRITING.

Please email info@sydneylanguagesolutions.com.au to register your interest for this course.