

# KMU English Speaking Competition

## Rules of Speaking Competition

1. This Speaking Competition is designed to provide a platform for KMU students to display their English speaking ability in a friendly environment.
2. We are looking for approximately 15 speakers with each speech being about 4 to 5 minutes.
3. The competition will be held in week 13 between 6:00 to 8:00 pm Tuesday evening 17th May 2022. KMU First Historic Building B1 (Auditorium).
4. Ideally the speaking competition is meant to be a fun experience rather than an intense nervous occasion: hence your speech should be entertaining and enjoyable for the audience.
5. All participants in this competition will receive credit points awarded to their English classes, plus the winner, second place and runner-up will receive respectively.
6. The topic for the narrative talk is:

An event\* in my life and the important lesson(s) I learnt.

\* The event can be: exciting, adventurous, traumatic, dangerous, or anything situation you like wherein you overcame some adversity.

Participants should register by email with Alice at: [r101121@kmu.edu.tw](mailto:r101121@kmu.edu.tw)
7. An unbiased Chairman will host the event.
8. The first speaker will commence at 6:10 pm, with each consecutive speaker following thereafter.
9. Visual materials such as PowerPoint Presentations are NOT permissible. Speakers should rely on their English speaking skills and their ability to draft interesting and motivational content.
10. Each speaker may speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. A reminder bell will ring at 4:30 and a final bell at the 5<sup>th</sup> minute mark.
11. The dialogue should follow the standard format of essay narrative writing with a Title, Introduction, body paragraphs and an inspirational conclusion. To make your speech memorable for the audience, give us a good take-home message that inspires or motivates the audience with positive feelings.

12. The speaker at the lectern has the floor. No one should interrupt or interject when others are speaking.
13. The judges will base their decision not so much on the material presented, but rather on the way in which the material is delivered, focusing on the speaker's ability to communicate effectively in English while presenting an interesting and memorable talk. Marks will be awarded for: (a) speaking fluency (b) lexical resourcefulness (vocabulary range) (c) correct grammar and (d) pronunciation clarity. (See attached speaking Rubric)
14. There will be **three un-biased external judges** and their joint decision shall be final.