

Class name: Upper Basic Tue./Thur.

Instructor: Dr. Frank Berberich

Welcome to the **Upper Basic (Tue/Thu)** course of the Tsukuba Center for Institutes. This is a course in everyday English Communication for adult English learners with a lot of English knowledge, but little experience using it.

Who am I?

Please call me 'Frank'. I have been living in Tsukuba for over 25 years, and am a retired professor of English and Information Technology. I also have many years of experience in the business world. I will be your guide to enjoying communication in English. I am at:

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What is this course about?

This course is about **you, enjoying using your English** for real **communication**. You already know a lot of English! You only need to **USE English** more. This course will help you improve your English communication skills, and become more confident using English.

What will you do in class?

You will practice English skills using many interesting and fun activities such as everyday chatting, and interesting tasks, games, and role-plays. You will learn techniques to help you communicate more clearly, in more relaxed, smooth, and natural English.

I will be your English **coach**, and only sometimes your teacher. I will guide you to practice and improve. This is **not a lecture** course, it is an **action course**.

What are the course contents?

We will use a textbook as a base, and also include many other topics, and our focus is on communication of your own ideas and personal experience.

We will practice all four language skills: About **70% Listening/Speaking**, about **30% Reading/Writing**. Included will be:

Listening/Speaking: Some difficult but important English sounds, linking, rhythm, stress; daily-life conversation, fluency, short speeches and presentations, etc.

Reading/Writing: Main ideas and meaning, sentences and paragraphs; organizing to be Clear; email communication, etc.

Activities and Topics: Everyday situations and communications such as exchanging personal information, describing, making plans, jobs and skills, your opinions and thoughts, arts and entertainment, the future, etc.

Interested?

Please join us and enjoy using and developing your English skills. I look forward to being your guide and coach. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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2019 April

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