

2024 Wenzao English Read Aloud Contest

I. Purpose: This contest aims to elevate students' motivation and interest in learning English with the experience of a read-aloud competition.

II. Organizer: Center for English Language Teaching (CELT), Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages

III. Date: May 22, 2024 (Wednesday), 15:00-17:00

IV. Registration:

A. Contestant Qualifications:

1. Undergraduate freshmen in the Day Division of the 4-year college currently taking General English courses from A1a to B1b (non-English native international students included)
2. Registered full-time students
3. Students with no experience staying in any English-speaking country or studying in any English language school (including bilingual or international schools) for over six months.

B. Spaces:

A maximum of two students (three for A1a) from each class can sign up for the contest.

C. Online Registration:

1. Sign up by April 12, 2024, 23:59
2. Sign up link: <https://forms.gle/XaNCmevEYa3377jcA>

V. Procedures:

A. Important dates:

- April 12, 23:59: Registration deadline
- April 19, 17:00: Qualified contestant announcement on the Center of English Language Teaching website
- May 22: Contest day (the result announcement after the contest and posted on the Center website on the following day)

B. Venues:

Classroom Q203: English A1a, A1b, A2a

Classroom Q204: English A2b, B1a, B1b

C. Assigned read-aloud materials:

Level	Assigned Reading Materials
A1a	Prism Intro: Unit 2 Reading 1: The coldest city in the world (p.36) Unit 4 Reading 1: A World History of Maps: Muhammad al-Idrisi's world map (p.73) Unit 6 Reading 2: Skyscrapers: Buildings that Touch the Sky (p.112)
A1b	Password 1: Chapter 2: Learning to Make Movies (p. 10) Chapter 12: Are Online Friends Real Friends? (p. 109) Chapter 15: Working for Tips (p. 143)
A2a	Password 2: Chapter 1: Daring to Breakdance Chapter 2: Helping Each Other Chapter 13: Singing for Iraq
A2b	Password 3: Chapter 5: Life is Full of Surprises Chapter 6: It was Love, So Strong and So Real Chapter 8: An Amazing Woman
B1a	Password 4: Chapter 1: Dreamers and Doers (p. 3) Chapter 4: When the Employees Own the Company (p. 37) Chapter 9: A History of Telling Time (p. 111)
B1b	Cry Freedom

1. Chapter 3 (pp. 9-13) 2. Chapter 7 (pp. 27-35) 3. Chapter 9 (pp. 42-48)

D. On the contest day:

Time	
15:00-15:20	Contestants report to the Center with their student ID in the following corresponding room. Q201: English A1a, A1b, A2a, A2b, B1a, B1b
15:30	The read-aloud contest starts. Contestants move to the following corresponding rooms. Q203: English A1a, A1b, A2a Q204: English A2b, B1a, B1b
Prize and reward announcement	

E. Regulations

1. The contestants must report with their student ID cards (or any other valid certificate with a photo) at Q201 or Q202 in between 15:00-15:20 for registration and confirmation of the running order for the contest. Those who do not show up for reporting before the contest (15:30) will be removed from the contest and their related rights will be denied.
2. The contestants should dress in appropriate formal outfits.
3. Procedure:
 - a. The contestants draw one out of the three assigned reading materials five minutes before their performing time.
 - b. The first bell will be rung once as a reminder when the contestant reads up to 1:50. The finishing bell will be rung twice when the contestant reads up to 2 minutes and the contestant must stop reading.
 - c. The winners will be announced on the spot after the contest. One winner from each English level will be rewarded.
4. Criteria for Evaluation:
 - a. Pronunciation and intonation: 30%
 - b. Fluency: 30%
 - c. Delivery: 30%
 - d. Posture: 10%

※ If the contestants are tied, the ranking will be determined by the scores in Pronunciation and Intonation, followed by Fluency, Delivery, and Posture.

VI. Prizes:

The first place in each level will receive NT\$500 and a certificate.

Note: All contestants will receive certificates of participation.

VIII. Contact Information:

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