

2025 Wenzao English Read Aloud Contest

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

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

III. Date: May 21, 2025 (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 Level 1 to Level 6 (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. Entry Quota:

A maximum of two students (three for Level 1) from each class can sign up for the contest.

C. Online Registration:

1. Sign up by April 25, 2025, 23:59
2. Sign up link: <https://shorturl.at/14Fvh>

V. Procedures:

A. Important dates:

1. Registration Period: From now until April 25 (Friday) at 23:59
2. Announcement of Contestants: The list of contestants will be posted on the center's website by May 2 (Friday) at 17:00.
3. Announcement of Competition Results: The results will be announced on the day of the competition, May 21 (Wednesday), and will be posted on the center's website the following day.

B. Venues:

Classroom Q203: English Levels 1, 2, 3

Classroom Q204: English Levels 4, 5, 6

C. Assigned read-aloud materials:

Level	Assigned Reading Materials
1	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)
2	Password 1: Chapter 1: Learning to Make Movies (p. 10) Chapter 12: Are Online Friends Real Friends? (p. 109) Chapter 15: Working for Tips (p. 143)
3	Password 2: Chapter 2: Helping Each Other Chapter 4: Playing with Words Chapter 13: Singing for Iraq
4	Password 3: Chapter 5: Life is Full of Surprises Chapter 6: It was Love, So Strong and So Real Chapter 8: An Amazing Woman
5	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)
6	Cry Freedom

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

D. On the day of the contest:

Time	
15:00-15:20	Participants must present their student ID and complete the check-in process at the preparation room. Q201: English Levels 1, 2, 3 Q202: English Levels 4, 5, 6
15:30	The read-aloud contest begins. Contestants should proceed to their designated rooms. Q203: English Levels 1, 2, 3 Q204: English Levels 4, 5, 6
Prize and reward announcement	

E. Regulations

1. Participants must present their student ID and complete check-in at Q201/Q202 classrooms between 15:00 and 15:20 on the day of the event to confirm their performance order. Participants who fail to complete check-in before the competition check-in deadline (15:20) will be considered as having forfeited their participation.
2. Participants should adhere to the principle of neat and formal attire.
3. Competition Procedure:
 - a. Participants will draw one out of the three assigned reading materials on-site and begin reading immediately.
 - b. The reading time is limited to 2 minutes. A reminder bell will ring once at 1 minute 50 seconds, and an ending bell will ring twice at 2 minutes to signal the completion of the reading.
 - c. One winner will be selected for each level. The results will be announced immediately after the competition, followed by the award ceremony.
4. Criteria for Evaluation:
 - a. Pronunciation and Enunciation: 30%
 - b. Fluency: 30%
 - c. Intonation and Expression: 30%
 - d. Attire and Posture: 10%

※ In the event of a tie, the ranking will be determined in the following order: (1) pronunciation and Enunciation, (2) Fluency, and (3) Intonation and Expression.

VI. Prizes:

A winner will be selected for each English proficiency level by the judges, and they will be awarded a certificate and 500 NTD.

Note: All contestants will receive a certificate of participation.

VII. Contact Information:

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