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**Free Food Fri-
day**

Baptist

**Student Center
469 Patterson**

**Friday, 12:00—
1:10 pm**

**Food, Friends
Games**

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MEET THE PRESS!!!



Hello, everyone. My name is Sukhwan Jung. I'm from Daejeon Korea. I'm glad to introduce myself to you. However, I think it's so late because this session is my last session in Memphis. I've been here for 9 months but I've not had any chance to introduce myself. Finally, I got a time in this class. My first plan was to go university here at first but I had to change my plan 3 months ago. That's why I'm going to go back to Korea in November. I'm so sad. Actually, I spent hard time during a first month here. I was surprised by many things, cultures, people, etc. It is too strange to adapt to life in America. In the past, I've gotten a lot of fun in Korea but I've not found any interesting thing at first. So, I've tried to get a matter of interest then I met my conversation partner whose name is Jake. It became my favorite time to hang out with him and his friends. Furthermore, it is one of good ways to study English. So, I will recommend that you should try to meet a conversation partner. It's good for you. I hope your English skill improves here and makes a lot of progress. Thank you for reading.



My Introduction

Hello! I'm going to introduce myself. My name is Jonghyun Choi. I'm from Seoul of South Korea and 22 years old in American years. Actually, I'm 24 years old in Korea. I have been here almost 13 months. I started level 1 in the IEI program, but now I'm in level 6. So I'm very proud of that. My favorite thing to do in my free time is to travel to other cities. I have traveled many cities which are famous such as New York, Chicago, Atlanta, Las Vegas and Orlando since I came here. And I'm planning to go to San Francisco.

Unfortunately, this session in my last session in the IEI program. After this session finishes, I'm going to go back to Korea. While I was studying in the USA, I really had fun and learned many things about English. I hope you guys also have fun in the USA. Thank you.



What's up!! My name is Hide but I don't hide. I'm a 21 year old who likes to drink and play music. I listen to music every day, but almost all of them are American music. Especially, I like the blues, jazz, funk music. Before I came here, I played the guitar but now I'm crazy to play the bass guitar. Anyway, I'm from Japan. Almost of people who are from another country ask me about Samurai and Ninja. Honestly, I don't know about them completely. Please don't ask me about them. Please ask me about music.

The best things in life are....
The family. Melissa
My family. MiJi
To love my family. Younghee
To meet Mr. Right or Mr. Perfect.
Antonia
My friends. Takahisa
Freedom and our beliefs. Ayman
Enjoying food. Wei
Useful whenever you want. Jackie
Being healthy. John
Is meeting your soulmate. Moo
Getting a good job, having a good wife, and
having a nice life. Mansour
Friends. Sukhwan



Hello, everybody! I am glad to tell you something about myself. My name is Yuen Chun Hung, which is a Chinese name. I know it is difficult to pronounce it, so I would love you to call me Jackie. I am proud to have this name; I hope I will be as famous as Jackie Chan who is a popular

international star. I am from Hong Kong which is a small city in China but it is very beautiful. Before I came to IEI, I was an exchange student in Virginia Beach. I lived with an American family that helped my English improve much faster. After that, I moved to Memphis in February and started study in IEI the month after, because of the half year exchange life; it helps me get into America life easily. In IEI, I met a lot of friends from different countries, we share our culture to each other, and it seems I travelled around the world. Also the teachers in IEI are nice, they will help you whenever you have problem, and I receive a lot of knowledge from them which is useful. This turn is my last one, after that I will attend college, but I am not sure which one I am going to. However, I am glad to study with all of you and I enjoy the time with all IEI's teachers and students. I will go back to my home country to be a business man. I would not stay in America, I do not think I will like the life in here, the life in Memphis is really boring but it is a good place to study or I will come back to visit after I retire. Finally I hope we will meet in somewhere and keep in touch with my friends. Goodbye!



Hi. I'm Mansour from Qatif, Saudi Arabia. I've been in Memphis for seven months. I came to the United States to study English then go to The University of Memphis. Actually, I'd like to study architecture, but because there is not a good opportunity to get a job in my country in that field, I switched to Finance. I have many hobbies such as speaking English, going to the gym, swimming, and playing basketball. I'd like to finish my study as soon as possible and go back to my country. I have some dreams I want to achieve them. My dreams are to get a good job, marry, and to have a happy family.

*Two is company, but three
Is too much. Melissa
Is better. Miji
Is a circle. Younghee
Is strange. Antonia
Is better. Takahisa
Is a group. Ayman
Needs one more or less people. Sukhwan
A factory. Wei
A game. Jackie
Makes the problems occur. Moo
Is a store. Hide
Maybe won't feel comfortable. Mansour*



My Profile

My name is Orrawan Sappayakorn. My nickname is Moo. I am 28 years old. I came from Thailand. I lived in Bangkok, which is the capital city of Thailand. I graduated with

a Master's degree from The College of Management Mahidol University, Thailand. My major was Entrepreneurship Management, which is like an MBA. Before I came to the US, I worked as a banker at TISCO Bank Public Company Limited. My responsibilities were analyzing clients' credibility, searching for new clients, and keeping a good relationship with existing clients. However, I wanted to improve my English skills. So, I decided to come to the US to study English. I knew about IEI from my boyfriend. He is studying in the Ph.D. program at The University of Memphis. He helped me find the information and apply to the IEI program. However, I didn't want to quit my existing job. Therefore, I asked my boss for leave without pay to study English. Fortunately, she accepted my request. She allowed me to study English in the US for 8 months, which is from June 2009 to January 2010. Then, I have to go back to work on February 1st, 2010.

At the first time I came here, I didn't understand what Americans were talking and I couldn't respond to them in English immediately. I always thought what I wanted to say in Thai and translated it into English. After that, I have tried to watch American movies and speak English as much as I can. Currently, my English skills are better although they are not as good as I expect. I still keep watching American movies and speaking English. I hope my English will be fluent before I go back to Thailand.

Someday, I'll

...Travel all over the world by own airplane. I really like to travel, so I have travelled many places in the US since I came here. But I haven't gone to many other countries. If I had my own airplane, it would be easy to travel all over the world. John

...Win the lottery. I really want to get a lot of money. If I have that, I'll go to where I've not been in my life. I want to know about the life and culture of other countries. After finishing my trip, if I have extra money, I'll keep it in my savings account. Sukhwan

...be as rich as Bill Gates so I can have anything I want. When there is a disaster. I will donate to save people's lives. I would love to see people have food to eat and places to live.

Jackie

...I'd like to finish my English course as soon as I can. Then, I'd like to graduate from the University of Memphis with Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Finance with high grades. After that, I hope to find a good job and get married have children.

....go on my way. Even though someone says something to me. This is not my dream and also my wish. I have to do that because if I can't do it, I'll die. Hide

...I really want to be Doraewon who has many things in his bag. He has a door. When I want to go anywhere, I could just open the door and pass through it. Also, he has a time machine. I can go to the past or future by using it. It's great to know about the future. If I knew when the world will be destroyed, I could tell everybody to prepare themselves. Probably, I can help them because I'm Doraewon. I have everything I need in my bag.

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