

This month, I tried to focus on creating fun activities for the students. Hopefully, if they are able to learn English through games and activities, then they will enjoy learning English more. I hope to continue to improve my teaching ability and make more fun lessons for the students.

This month, I taught the 2nd year students a lesson about asking for directions. In November, I taught a similar lesson to the 3rd year students, but I think that the 2nd year lesson was much more fun. We played a game where the students made teams and raced to find locations on a map. I think many of them enjoyed the game, and it was fun seeing them compete. My favorite part of the game were the team names the students created. Some of my favorites were Team Genius, Team No. 8, Team Tim, Team Bob, and Team Toilet.

This month, I also taught the students a lesson about Christmas. I made a pop-up card to show what Christmas is like in the United States, and we played a short quiz game about Christmas. I enjoyed many of the funny answers students wrote. When I asked, "Who is Santa Claus?" some students answered, "He is my father." Many students did not know how to write Jesus Christ in English, so many of them wrote "yes" instead. When I asked the students what they wanted for Christmas, some of them wrote that they wanted a pen, some of them wrote that they wanted money, and one students wrote that he wanted a girlfriend, and then one more girlfriend.

We also made Christmas cards while listening to Christmas music. It was fun helping the students write their cards and seeing what sort of things they wrote and drew. Some of the students wrote me cards, which really touched my heart. Thank you very much for your cards!

It was a very nice way to end the year and my first semester at Konan Junior High School. I will officially be working at Konan Junior High School until August 2020, so please look after me these next few years!

