

International Yamanote Kindergarten

The 17th English Speaking Contest - Kindergarten Level

★ Saturday, February 9th, 2019 ★

This year marks the 17th, annual IYK English Speaking Contest and with last year's changes to the contest being so successful, we have decided to make further changes this year. We are looking to bring an even more fun atmosphere to the contest this year and to create a more relaxed environment to bring the best English out of the children as possible.

Like last year, the contest will be divided into 3 levels, one for each grade (Junior, Intermediate and Senior), and as always, consist of 2 categories, the English Speaking and English Listening tests. As the name of the contest suggests, speaking is the main focus, with this years Listening test becoming slightly shorter, but also adding a fun, new, live/action based section. The Speaking test will change significantly this year, becoming more lesson / activity based and in a change to previous year's contests, the children this year DO NOT need to bring any items from home.

The reasons behind the changes to this years tests is to not only make the most out of our 8 Overseas teachers, but to provide a more relaxed, stress free environment, without the pressures of tests and contests the children will face later in their lives and to encourage all of the participants to have fun whilst communicating with others in a foreign language.

There is very little the children can do to prepare, with the questions, topics and challenges involved all being a review for them. However, please find below a list of the topics and targets we have covered over the past 9 months, as well as some example questions they may be likely to receive during this years contest.

We hope this years contest will be rewarding for the children and help to encourage them to continue trying hard to learn and enjoy English everyday, not only during their time with us here at IYK, but also for the rest of their lives.

Junior

Below is a list of the topics we have been learning in Junior classes this year. Some of the targets may appear in the English Speaking Contest.

April	Feelings Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How are you today? <i>I'm _____.</i> How's the weather? <i>It's _____.</i> What's your name? <i>My name is _____.</i> How old are you? <i>I'm <u>3</u> / <u>4</u>.</i>
May	Vegetables Animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like _____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> Which do you like? <i>I like _____.</i> _____, please. <i>Here you are.</i>
June	Zoo Animals Opposites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like _____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> What is it? <i>It's a _____.</i> Is it <u>big</u>? <i>Yes, it is / No, it isn't.</i>
July	Face Parts Abilities / Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Touch your _____. What do you want? <i>May I have a / an _____, please?</i> Can you _____? <i>Yes, I can / No, I can't.</i>
August	Fruits Colours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like _____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> Which do you like? <i>I like _____.</i> What colour is it? <i>It's _____.</i>
September	Sea Animals Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What can you see? <i>I can see a _____.</i> What is it? <i>It's a _____.</i> What did you find? <i>I found a _____.</i>
October	Halloween Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is it? <i>It's a _____.</i> Is it scary? Is it cute? <i>Yes, it is / No, it isn't.</i> Who is it? <i>It's _____.</i>
November	Prepositions Directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is the _____? <i>It's _____.</i> Go _____.
December	Christmas Prepositions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do you have? <i>I have a _____.</i> What do you want? <i>I want a _____.</i> Where's the _____? <i>It's on the _____.</i>
January	Clothing Winter Play	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you have _____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> Put on your _____. Can you _____? <i>Yes, I can / No, I can't.</i> Let's go _____.

Example Junior Listening Test Questions:

- Circle the apple.
- "I'm going to the park".

Question: Where is the boy going?

Example Junior Speaking Test Questions:

- What's your name? *My name is _____.*
- How old are you? *I'm _____.*
- Do you like tomatoes? *Yes, I do.*

Intermediate

Below is a list of the topics we have been learning in Intermediate classes this year. Some of the targets may appear in the English Speaking Contest.

April	Feelings Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How are you today? <i>I'm ____.</i> How's the weather today? <i>Today is ____.</i>
May	Vegetables Preferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Which do you like, ____ or ____? <i>I like ____.</i> What do you want? <i>I want a ____ and a ____.</i>
June	Animals Adjectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What can you see? <i>I can see a/an ____.</i> What does it have? <i>It has ____.</i> Is it <u>cute</u>? <i>Yes, it is / No, it isn't.</i>
July	Locations Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where will you go? <i>I'll go to ____.</i> Will you go by ____? <i>Yes, I will / No, I won't.</i>
August	Fruits Colours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like ____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> What do you have? <i>I have a/an ____.</i> What did you get? <i>I got a / an ____.</i>
September	Sea Animals Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What did you see? <i>I saw a ____.</i> What did you find? <i>I found a ____.</i> What did you catch? <i>I caught a ____.</i>
October	Halloween Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What will you be? <i>I'll be a ____.</i> Who is he/she? <i>He / She is a / my ____.</i>
November	Prepositions Directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is the ____? <i>It's ____.</i> Go __, turn __, look __, stop!
December	Christmas Prepositions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What do you want for Christmas? <i>I want a ____.</i> What did you get? <i>I got a ____.</i> Where is the ____? <i>It's ____.</i>
January	Clothing Winter Play	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you have ____? <i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> Put on / take off / zip up / hang up ____. Can you ____? <i>Yes, I can / No, I can't.</i>

Example Intermediate Listening Test Questions:

- Circle the big chopsticks.
- "The pen is on the table"

Question: Where is the pen?

Example Intermediate Speaking Test Questions:

- How's the weather today? *Today is ____.*
- Which do you like, cats or dogs? *I like ____.*
- Can you ski? *Yes, I can.*

Senior

Below is a list of the topics we have been learning in Junior classes this year. Some of the targets may appear in the English Speaking Contest.

April	Feelings Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How are you feeling? Why? How's the weather today? How does he / she feel? 	<i>I'm ____.</i> <i>Because ____.</i> <i>Today is ____, ____ and/with ____.</i> <i>He's / She's ____.</i>
May	Animals Countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Which do you like better, ____ or ____? Where is it from? Is it from ____? 	<i>I like ____ better.</i> <i>It's from ____.</i> <i>Yes, it is / No, it isn't.</i>
June	Animals Adjectives Body & Illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does it have ____? What does it have? What's wrong? 	<i>Yes, it does / No, it doesn't.</i> <i>It has ____.</i> <i>I have a ____.</i> <i>I cut my ____.</i> <i>My ____ hurts.</i>
July	Locations Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What will you do? Where will you go? How will you get there? 	<i>I will play / go ____.</i> <i>I will go to ____.</i> <i>I will go by ____.</i>
August	Fruits Summer Vacations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you like ____? What did you do for summer vacation? 	<i>Yes, I do / No, I don't.</i> <i>I went ____.</i> <i>I went to ____.</i>
September	Sea Animals Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What can you see? What did you see? What did you find? 	<i>I can see ____.</i> <i>I saw ____.</i> <i>I found ____.</i>
October	Halloween Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What will you / he / she be? Who is he / she / this / that? 	<i>I / He / She will be a ____.</i> <i>He / She is ____.</i> <i>This / That is ____.</i>
November	Locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where is the ____? 	<i>It's in the ____.</i>
December	Christmas Prepositions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What did you get? Where should I put it Where does it go? 	<i>I got a ____.</i> <i>Put it ____.</i> <i>It goes on the / in the ____.</i>
January	Winter Sports Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you ____? Where is he / she from? What does he / she need? 	<i>Yes, I can / No, I can't.</i> <i>He / She is from ____.</i> <i>He / She needs ____.</i>

Example Senior Listening Test Questions:

- Circle the winter clothing.
- "It's \$180".

Question: How much is it?

Example Senior Speaking Test Questions:

- When is your birthday? *My birthday is ____.*
- Which fruits do you like? *I like ____.*
- What did you eat for breakfast? *I ate ____.*