

# I had a valuable time throughout ASEP

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## 1. Three hardships and happy

I participated in this project for the first time. It was a very good experience for me to participate in this ASEP project but I have had three hardships.

Firstly, we interacted online, so there was a little bit of a problem that either the signal was off and there were time lags. Therefore, we sometimes can't communicate well.

Secondly, discussing and making the presentation was hard.

We didn't have much time to finish it because of the schedule of the school. So, I was especially busy last week. Therefore, it was one of the hardest things.

Lastly, it was the hardest thing for me to communicate with the Taiwanese member more than anything.

We speak English as a second language, so many of the conversations weren't smooth. I often couldn't understand what the Taiwanese students were trying to say, and there were also many times that I couldn't explain to them well, so it was hard to discuss with each other. However, we asked questions, sometimes expressed in gestures and talked until we understood each other when we didn't understand in the beginning. There were many difficult things, but I felt that I wanted to improve my English ability to learn more, and we wanted to speak more easily, and what I wanted to share with them. When I understand what they're saying, we're so happy to see each other. The moment was very happy.

## 2. Summary

This time we couldn't meet in Taiwan directly because of the effects of corona. However, it was online instead. So, it was online that we would always meet each other, and see each other's progress, among other things. I could spend quality time together that I couldn't do just by myself, and I think we've become closer.

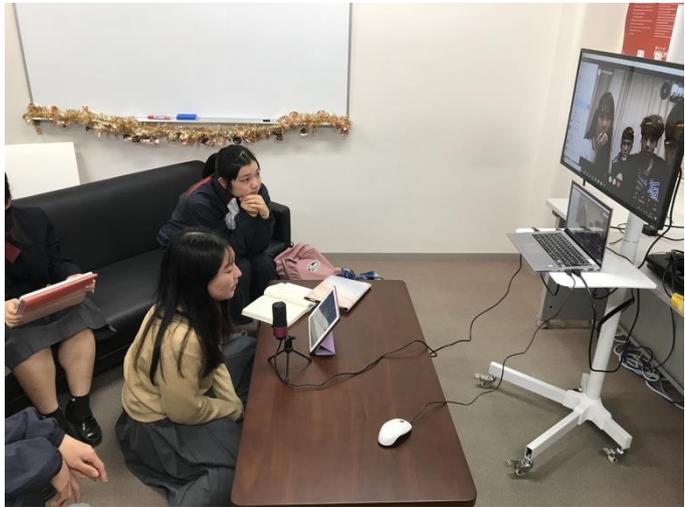
I could participate in this program in the context of COVID-19 and I had a really good experience. I appreciate the people who helped me take the ASEP for this year.



# Unforgettable memory

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Ryoka Tsubota

I've experience talking with people from Taiwan before I participate in this ASEP, but I worried a little bit about make one presentation with them. It's because we can't meet in person. The most difficult throughout ASEP is tell my opinions exactly to students from Taiwan. We are not native English speakers. Sometimes I misunderstood what they said. In order to solve this problem, we did make the best out of it.



I think gestures were the most helpful to tell our opinions. When they didn't understand what we said even we used gestures, we used a translator, but we tried hard to understand each other. So I learned the fun and difficulty of discussing in English.

## 1 What I learned from ASEP

## 2 Summary

They said that 2020 was one of the worst years ever, but I don't think that way, because we made a good presentation with awesome students from Taiwan and I'm proud of what we did. I feel the most important part of this ASEP was in the process of making a presentation with them, more than result of presentation. Actually, I felt so accomplished when the discussion goes well. I think this experience will help me one day and it's my unforgettable experience. I'm going to study hard to improve my English skills, and I also want to participate in lots of international events. Finally, Thank you for holding such an amazing event.



# Learned from ASEP

Ritsumeikan Moriyama Senior High School  
Shoya Yamamoto

## 1 Asian Student Exchange Program Experience: Before and After

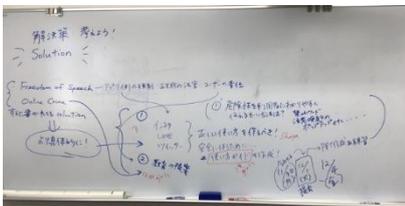
I'm interested in this program because we can cooperate with student from foreign countries. Therefore, I decided to participate in it. However, I can't go to Taiwan and contact on Skype and Line. Although What I experienced is different from last year, I realize a lot of points which I lack and have some reflections. They must lead to next activities.



## 2 Working with Zhong Jheng Senior High School

To communicate with student from Taiwan on screen is more difficult than face to face for us. We often misunderstood what they say. Therefore, we spent a lot of time to confirm them. We made ASEP line group to contact any time, but It didn't work effectively. I think we are not enough to discuss presentation topic. We often focus on how to summarize presentation on time and how to incorporate our thoughts. I want to exchange opinions each other to generate new ideas. However, I can't carry out even the bare minimum and depend on teacher's help. Somehow we could make a video, I felt less sense of achievement.

## 3 My thought after experiencing collaboration as a team



Unfortunately I couldn't works as a team. I wasn't enough responsibility, because we don't go to Taiwan. I know I should have send message frequently to build strong relationship with Taiwanese students However, I gave up taking actions. I'm not confidence to use English so that I couldn't say my opinions and go along with people.

## 4 What I thought about the host school and other participants

I watched some videos other schools made. I was surprised at amazing ideas which I didn't come up.I took a charge of question-and-answer sessions.Sadly I used multiple devices to join this competition, so I was confused. Although I was in bad condition, I was able to answered audience questions calmly. The answer isn't good enough but I was able to select best choice. It's a good my progress.

## 5 My reflection on preparation period

It was beyond my capacity to communicate in English well. Many thing doesn't go as planned and I may have missed chances to improve ourselves. However, everything I experienced ASEP is related to future actions. Anyone started from failures. Don't be afraid of failures, I would like to improve communication and language skills through daily study and various events.

## 6 Message to future participants

To communicate with people from different country is so difficult that many Japanese avoid many chances. In fact, if you don't say opinions, other people drive a project without taking care of you. I recommend to participate in many events like ASEP as long as you can. Failures is invaluable experience that you need.



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# Asian Student Exchange Program 2020

Ritsumeikan Moriyama Senior High School  
Fuka Hayashidera

## 1. Days of meeting

While we shot a presentation, we talked about “Invisible Weapon” and “Undercurrent of Social Media” many times. The most surprise thing for me was first online meeting with Taiwanese students. They thought main structure in spite of first online meeting. Thanks to that structure, we could think our idea smoothly and easily. But at first, we boggled at that thing because we thought Taiwanese students and Japanese students make one original presentation together so first online meeting wasn't good. However, as we have many online meetings and student's LINE messages, we could make one presentation.



## 2. Conclusion



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開課時間：2020/12/28 10:35:00~12:50:00  
已觀看總人數：400

We could learn many things for this ASEP. For example, online meeting with Taiwanese students. I was participated in WYM but it was different from ASEP. I felt more difficult than WYM because of different our opinions. However, it was really interesting for me because I think it is normal thing in the future. How do we act when we dispute with people who speak different languages? I leaned “speak simply” is important. One of the main causes we dispute is we could not tell many times and simply.

I'm happy to join ASEP. I'd like to join next year!

# ASEP

Ritsumeikan Moriyama Senior High School  
Kirara Sakura

## 1 learned from ASEP



Firstly, the reason why I participated in this ASEP is that I wanted to work with people around the world to find solutions to social problems that would not come up alone. There was something I learned from having many meetings with Taiwanese people. It's difficult to convey our opinion. In order to avoid that, I tried to accept the other party's claim first, understand what purpose the statement was made for, and then make my own statement. The Taiwanese students thought about the main part, so even a single meeting went a long way.

## 2.presentation

One of the main things we thought about was the guidelines for using SNS correctly. I was glad that we were able to create the guidelines that we had been looking at and incorporate them into the presentation. It was difficult to think about how to pronounce and express, and how to convey it to the other party, but it was good to have a good presentation. I hope I want to join ASEP next year too!