



Toyohashi Chapter Meeting Announcement

Date and Time: Sunday, 12 July 2015 - 1:30pm - 4:00pm

Speaker: Andy Boon

Sponsored by Cengage Learning, Andy Boon will be giving two presentations at this meeting.

Presentation 1. Here we are now, motivate us

You walk into the classroom. The students are at the back chatting with friends, sitting in silence, checking their phones, or resting their heads on the desks. Then, suddenly, the bell sounds. It is the start of the class. How do we as teachers change the classroom dynamic to one where learning can take place for all concerned? How do we create an environment and experience that will spark our students' natural curiosity and eagerness to develop? Once in action, how can we help nurture and sustain their interest throughout the lesson when learner motivation is constantly at threat. This presentation will provide an overview of Dörnyei's motivational teaching practice model (2001), describe its practical application in the L2 classroom, and explore strategies for generating, maintaining and protecting student motivation. The audience will be invited to share their own experiences of and suggestions for stimulating teen spirit.

Presentation 2. Inspire or perspire? Getting students speaking

This presentation will introduce the audience to a number of strategies that can help break the silence in the Japanese classroom and get students engaging in meaningful communication. Audience members will be asked to try out a number of tried and tested speaking activities and also be encouraged to share their ideas for getting students talking to one another in the L2.

Bio: Andrew Boon is an associate professor in the faculty of humanities at Toyo Gakuen University, Tokyo. He has been teaching in Japan for over 17 years and is an Aston University PhD student. He has been an active member of JALT since 2004, has presented at numerous conferences, and has published several articles on teacher development, motivation, and methodology. He is also co-author of *Inspire*; a 3-level listening and speaking coursebook (Cengage Learning, 2013-14).

Location: Aichi University Toyohashi Campus (Building 5, Room 541)

Guide to Location: [Link to meeting location](#)

Fee for JALT members: Free

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