

The class on April 25 was led by Joyce Donadee with Erin and Lou assisting. In attendance were Jing, Yoko and Marie. I first checked with them to find out if they received an e mail from me about the class. They said that the e mails are very helpful and they depend upon using them to prepare for class.

We did page 4 This is Your Page. The first letter was about the words bear and beer. They liked the humor. The next article was about using an ID to get alcohol. This led to a discussion about accessibility of alcohol in different countries. The bath time discussion taught us that the progressive parts of the countries of Korea, Japan and China where they came from, they use western style bathrooms but also have the old style (hole in the floor for the toilet) bathrooms together. Many older people prefer the old style. We talked about Ubers and Lyfts and how we use them. They had difficulty understanding the term "estate sale" because an estate is usually a large house while an estate sale could be any size house where a sale is held. None of the students have visited garage sales, etc, but Lou told them about our Yard sale which seemed to interest them. We shared stories about using store credit cards.

After that we had an article from the news about the new penguin babies at the Aviary. We read one sentence at a time, first, and had the students listen. Then we read the sentence again for them to write down. They could ask to have the sentence repeated as often as they needed. This is to practice listening skills and they had difficulty with this activity.