

Conversational English: Sept. 27, 2017

Class # 22

7:00 pm to 8:30pm

Volunteers: Linda,\* Joyce, Liz, Jon

Students: Yoko, Guosheng, Marie

The Discussion topic this evening was “Jobs”

Our theme for the evening was jobs, although it veered into shopping at the mall versus online for a bit. Some big cities like Osaka and Beijing, have large downtown areas with many stores and shops but other areas have shopping malls as we do. Some people said they like to shop online because it is so convenient while others like to see and handle what they buy.

We asked a few questions about their past jobs. Yoko said she used to work with computers and writing instructions for computer use and has not worked lately. She would not like to go back to work because she is now used to a much slower lifestyle. Marie worked in a large company and likes working in a big place with a lot of people. Guosheng has worked in research and is looking for a job in a hospital but has trouble being understood in his interviews.

We then broke into pronunciation practice, using the 1.5 reading level story, *Two Weeks' Notice*. We used the listen-and-repeat method. It was a bit of a challenge but we did ok.

We ended with job-and-work-related idioms.