

**Results of a Survey of Students' Experiences, Interests and Needs
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Total number of students surveyed: 245.

Date of survey: April 2000.

Age range: 18-23 years of age.

Table 1: Survey participants breakdown by institution:

Name of institution	Institution 'A'	Institution 'B'
Location of institution	Tokyo, Japan	Saitama-ken, Japan
Type of institution	2 year junior college	4 year university
Total number surveyed	186	59
First year students	163	38
Second year students	23	13
Third year students	0	2
Fourth year students	0	6
Male students	0	27
Female students	186	24
Japanese students	186	53
Other nationalities	0	6

Table 2: Responses to the questions: a) Have you been to any foreign countries?; b) Which countries would you like to visit?

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No.	Response	No.	Response
105	None	99	U.S.A. including territories
63	U.S.A. including territories	50	Australia
37	Australia	50	U.K.
23	U.K.	35	France
17	Canada	27	Italy
12	China including Hong Kong & Macao	20	Canada
10	France	17	China including Hong Kong & Macao
9	Yes	9	Germany
8	New Zealand	8	Europe
5	Japan	8	India
4	Thailand	8	New Zealand
5	Korea	8	No answer
5	Singapore	8	Switzerland
3	No answer	7	Bali (Indonesia)
3	Switzerland	7	Spain
3	Taiwan	7	Thailand
2	Brazil	5	Egypt
2	Germany	5	Korea
2	India	5	Many countries

2	Italy	3	Africa
1	Austria	3	Don't know
1	Malaysia	3	Sweden
1	Netherlands	2	Japan
1	Philippines	2	Netherlands
1	Sri Lanka	1	Brazil
		1	Chile
		1	Cuba
<i>continued from righthand column</i>		1	Greece
1	Nowhere	1	Hong Kong
1	Peru	1	Iceland
1	Russia	1	Ireland
1	Singapore	1	Jamaica
1	Tahiti	1	Maldives
1	Turkey	1	Mexico
1	Vietnam	<i>continued in lefthand column</i>	

Table 2: Responses to the questions: a) What do you think is the best reason to study English?; b) What are your hobbies and interests?

a) What do you think is the best reason to study English?		b) What are your hobbies and interests?	
No.	Response	No.	Response
55	to speak well	84	listening to music
52	to communicate with foreigners	77	watching movies
25	for work	58	shopping
14	no answer	29	cooking
13	for living abroad	23	reading books
12	for travelling abroad	22	singing songs (including <i>Karaoke</i>)
12	like English & culture	18	playing the piano
11	international language	12	travelling to foreign countries
9	want foreign friends	11	surfing the Internet
8	for studying abroad	11	sleeping or taking a nap
5	to use in future	10	swimming
3	necessary in future	9	eating/food
2	no idea	8	sports
2	to read interesting books	8	driving
2	study repeatedly	8	watching television
2	understand music/film	8	talking with friends
1	autumn	8	playing tennis
1	compelled to	8	watching sports
1	do international business	7	walking
1	joyful/joyfully (?)	6	photography
1	pass exams	6	playing football/soccer
1	spring	5	playing volleyball
1	teach in future	5	dancing
1	try & don't be shy	5	snowboarding
1	very difficult	4	radio

1	winter	4	speaking English/foreign languages
		3	playing baseball
		3	skiing
<i>continued from righthand column</i>		2	playing basketball
1	bodyboarding	2	animals
1	running	2	needlework & clothes-making
1	archaeology	2	fishing
1	English	2	drawing pictures
1	sending & receiving email	2	watching videos
1	telephoning	2	playing tv/computer games
1	fashion	2	watching football/soccer
1	drinking	2	none
1	judo	2	creative writing
1	song writing	1	keeping a diary
1	watching drama	1	collecting toys
1	playing music	1	billiards
1	playing the guitar	1	collecting posters
1	playing the flute	1	reading magazines
1	playing softball	1	using personal computers
1	going clubbing	1	calligraphy
1	cycling	1	classical ballet
1	going to the sea	1	collecting records
1	visiting friends	1	playing the clarinet
1	badminton	1	playing slot machines
1	housework	<i>continued in lefthand column</i>	

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