

# JALT Hokkaido Winter Language Teaching Conference 2026

Saturday, February 14th	Welcome and Networking Dinner 6:30PM - 8:30PM Sapporo Beer Garden				Saturday, February 14th
Sunday, February 15th	Room A	Room B	Room C	Room D	Sunday, February 15th
9:00	Doors Open - Registration				9:00
9:30	Tech Assistance - See your room and test your equipment				9:30
10:00	Greetings & Welcome				10:00
10:20					10:20
Session 1 10:30  10:50	Reasonable Accommodation and English Language Education in a Japanese Night High School / 合理的配慮を目指した定時制における英語教育 Yuto Yokokura	Collaborative Vocabulary Development: Integrating Shared Documents in Student-Teacher Interaction Ross Rangott	From Content to Cards: Sustaining Engagement through Playful Review Haidee Thomson		Session 1 10:30  10:50
Session 2 11:00  11:20	Encouraging Out-of-Class Engagement and Phonological Awareness through ASR-Supported Oral Reading Farene Ng	Quizlet in Technical High School Vocabulary Instruction: Benefits and Challenges Akihito Saito	English Central  An AI Conversation Partner Integrated with Classroom Learning  Alan Schwartz	The Moodle Video Assessment Module in Action Glen Hill	Session 2 11:00  11:20
Session 3 11:30  11:50		Reading the Concrete: Mobilizing Pedagogy in Bangkok's Linguistic Landscape Kittinata Rhekhalilit			Session 3 11:30  11:50
Poster Presentations - Main Room					
Session 4 12:00  12:50	Implementing Virtual Exchange in Your Classroom – Language and Culture Experiences for All! - Matthew Cotter & Andy Johnson / Gold Medal English: Activities inspired by the Olympic Games - Jerry Halvorsen, Sally Kobayashi & Michael Halvorsen / Developing Online Learning Resources for an Indigenous Language Program - Kanta Nishizawa, Max Toth, & Kel Freeman				Session 4 12:00  12:50
Session 5 1:00  1:50	Keynote: James York Speaking on <i>Finding the SPACE to Play in Language Teaching</i>  Big Room 4th Floor				Session 5 1:00  1:50
Session 6 2:00  2:20	Designing an Inquiry-Driven English Course Gregory A. King & David R. Laurence	Featured Speaker Workshop:  Task-Based Learning (TBL) Gaming James York	From Input to Output: Transforming Independent Listening into Collaborative Speaking Kriti Arora		Session 6 2:00  2:20
Session 7 2:30  2:50	Scaffolding Critical Thinking through a Human-Centered AI Tutor Chatbot in Thai Higher Education Sanooch S. Na Thalang		Engaging Learners Through Student-Generated Vocabulary Quizzes James Emmet Owens		Session 7 2:30  2:50
Session 8 3:00  3:20	Creativity in Communication - Dixit for Task-Based Learning Ben McDonough	English Central  Motivating Students to Engage with Graded Readers  Julian Warden	Fostering Engagement by using Background Music to Improve Classroom Atmosphere Corey Reed	We Teach Vocabulary, but Why Doesn't Our Students' English Proficiency Improve?  Hosam Elmetaher	Session 8 3:00  3:20
Session 9 3:30  3:50			Teleporting Remote Students into the Physical Classroom with Mixed Reality Euan Bonner & Ryan Lege		Session 9 3:30  3:50
4:00  4:30	Closing Words and Goodbye				4:00  4:30
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