

Konkuk International Language School  
**Summer 2026**  
**Scholarship Advanced English Conversation**

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Class Dates: Tuesday June 23 – Wednesday July 8 (12 classes)

Class Time: 10:30-12:40

Textbook: **21<sup>st</sup> Century Reading 3** *Cengage Learning*

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## ***I. Goals***

The purpose of this course is to build your communicative skills through literacy and classroom discussions and ultimately have fun doing it.

By the end of this course, you will:

- enhance your overall speaking skills through regular group discussion and debate.
- feel comfortable expressing your ideas on interesting topics.
- improve your pronunciation to help you speak clearly.
- learn and use high intermediate vocabulary and grammar.
- be able to listen to and understand authentic Ted Talk videos.
- be able to read authentic high intermediate level texts.
- increase your intercultural awareness.

## ***II. Course Requirements and Offerings***

- **Attendance:** Students must meet 80% attendance. Students who attend less than 80% cannot apply for scholarship classes this year. All students are strongly encouraged to come to every class!
- **Discussions:** We will have regular discussions about topics of common interest. The aim of discussions is to explore themes and topics in an interesting way, in small groups.
- **Language Skills:** The course will include regular *listening* and *speaking* tasks and communicative activities. There will also be opportunities to *read* and comprehend language learning articles.
- **Grading:** *Attendance (50%), Class Participation (50%)*

**Syllabus (Subject to change)**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Themes / Topics</b>
1	Tuesday June 23	Introduction + Ice-breaking Topical News Discussion
2	Wednesday June 24	Unit 1 Hidden Miracles
3	Thursday June 25	Unit 2 Sleep Matters / Health
4	Friday June 26	Unit 3 Cyborg Tech
5	Monday June 29	Unit 4 Happy Planet
6	Tuesday June 30	Unit 5 Career Paths
7	Wednesday July 1	Unit 6 Generation Text
8	Thursday July 2	Unit 7 Barriers and Bridges
9	Friday July 3	Unit 8 Personality Types
10	Monday July 6	Unit 9 Smart Thinking
11	Tuesday July 7	Unit 10 Facing Fear
12	Wednesday July 8	Extra Topic - Community