

# International Conference for Junior High School Students 2020 Plan

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Supratarka (NPO)

## Conference Theme

“After the threat of Corona virus”

What do you think you need for yourself after the threat of Corona virus?

What do you think we need for our society after the threat of Corona virus?

「コロナ後の世界に向けて」

「新型コロナウイルスの脅威が去ったのち、自分にとって何が必要だと思いますか？」

「新型コロナウイルスの脅威が去ったのち、社会に必要なものは何だと思いますか？」

## Participants (10 Students each from 3 countries)

1. Japan (Okinawa) : Unna Junior High school  
<https://unnajhschool.ti-da.net/>
2. Malaysia (Penang) : Bukit Mertajam High School (HSBM)  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bukit\\_Mertajam\\_High\\_School](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bukit_Mertajam_High_School)
3. Thailand (Bangkok) Rachawinit School  
<https://www.facebook.com/rachawinitschool/>

\*Students ages: basically 12 - 14 years old.

## Date

November 22, 2020 (Sunday)

(2 hours' duration)

Japan: 14:00 - 16:00

Malaysia: 13:00 - 15:00

Thailand: 12:00 - 14:00

## Venue

Japan: at home

Malaysia: at home

Thailand: at home

## Conference style

- Video call system between 3 countries.
- Individual participation from home.
- No restriction on video call devices. (PC, Tablet, Smart phone)

## Activity

Corona virus is forcing us to change our lifestyle and renew our understanding of the world. In this situation, students discuss the theme “**After the threat of Corona virus**” with 2 questions on video call.

Through the exchange of opinions and ideas, students will develop their understanding of each other and of the world.

## Aims

1. Develop students’ understanding of the world.
2. Develop children’s worldwide network.
3. Develop students’ communication skills.
4. Provide opportunities for English communication.
5. Develop students’ leadership skills.

## Activity sequence

\*Japan Time

Stage	Time (Japan time)	Program	Details
Greetings	14:00-14:01 (1 min.)	Ice Breaker <all students>	Share greetings in local languages from each country. <u>*All repeat the phrase.</u>
	14:02-14:03 (1 min.)	Host’s Greeting <host >	Opening words by the host.
Self Introduction	14:05-14:08 (3 min.)	Self introduction. (Japan, Thailand, Malaysia) <all>	Self introduction for all. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A translator (teacher) introduces first.</li> <li>● Students of the country follow.</li> <li>● Self introduction just by name.</li> </ul>
Introduction of school and current situation	14:10-14:20 (9 min: 3 min x 3)	Introduction of school and current situation < presenters >	Students introduce their school and present situation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <u>Presenter(s)</u> introduce their school and current life.</li> </ul>

		(Japan, Thailand, Malaysia)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Students can ask questions to the presenter(s).</li> </ul>
After the threat of Corona virus	14:25-14:50 (25 min)	<p style="text-align: center;">Q1: What do you think you need for yourself after the threat of Corona virus?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Discussion &lt;any student&gt;</p>	<p>Corona virus is forcing us to change our lifestyle and renew our understanding of the world. In this situation, students discuss the main theme “<b>After the threat of Corona virus</b>” with the question “<b>What do you think you need for yourself after the threat of Corona virus?</b>”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <u>Each student</u> prepares one’s own answers in advance.</li> <li>● <u>Any student</u> can express one’s opinion.</li> <li>● Others ask questions or express opinions about it.</li> <li>● Students can express their opinions in their native language which will be translated into English by staff.</li> <li>● The conference manager will go to the next topic according to the time table.</li> </ul>
	14:50-14:52 (2 min.)	Break time	2 minutes break.
After the threat of Corona virus	14:55-15:20 (25 min)	<p style="text-align: center;">Q2: What do you think we need for our society after the threat of Corona virus?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Discussion &lt;any students&gt;</p>	<p>Students discuss the main theme “<b>After the threat of Corona virus</b>” with the question “<b>What do you think we need for our society after the threat of Corona virus?</b>”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <u>Each student</u> prepares one’s own answers in advance.</li> <li>● <u>Any student</u> can express one’s opinion.</li> <li>● Others ask questions or express opinions about it.</li> <li>● Students can express their opinions in their native language which will be translated into English by staff.</li> </ul>

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Fee questions	15:25-15:35 (10 min)	Free questions to each other <any students>	<p>Students can ask <u>free questions</u> to each other.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Topics won't be restricted.</li> <li>The conference manager will go to the next topic according to the time table.</li> </ul>
Closing words	15:35-15:36 (1 min)	Closing words. <host>	<p>The host gives closing words.</p> <p><b>*Video call is still connected.</b></p>
	15:38-15:40 (2 min)	Beak time	2 minutes break.
Summary	15:40-16:00 (20 min)	Filling work sheets and collecting students' impressions. <all students> <observers>	<p><b>Summary will be done <u>all together</u> on <u>line</u>.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students fill the work sheets.</li> <li>Students express their impressions of the meeting.</li> <li>Other participants also express their impressions of the meeting.</li> </ul>
	16:00-16:02 (2 min)	Closing words of the meeting. <host><all>	<p>Saying good-bye to each other.</p> <p><b>*All activities will be closed.</b></p>

## Preparation

- Each side** prepares introduction of their own school.
  - Introduce your school with photos and diagrams.
  - Add presentation of the current situation of the threat of Corona-virus.
  - Select presenter(s) of your school at each side.
  - Presentation should be within 2 minutes.
- Each student** prepares one's own answers to the 2 questions on the worksheet according to the main theme "**After the threat of Corona virus**" in advance.

Q1: **What do you think you need for yourself after the threat of Corona virus?**

Q2: **What do you think we need for our society after the threat of Corona virus?**

  - Answers (opinions and ideas) should be clear and concrete.
  - Answers can be prepared in their own language.
  - Use short sentences so that it can be easily translated into English.

3. **Presenter(s)** for your school's introduction and current situation.
  - Select student(s) as presenter(s).
  - Only one presenter can present on screen. Then make order at your school side.
  - Presenters of each country will take turns presenting their school.
4. **Translators** need to understand the flow of translation, because all gather on the same screen at the same time. They need to translate one by one sequentially.

### **Conference Rules**

1. All participating students are expected to ask questions or express opinions.
2. Do not criticize other group's ideas or opinions by own standards. Constructive questions or opinions are welcomed.

### **Sequence of communication**

Speaker (native language)

→ Translator (English) → [\[Internet\]](#)  
→ Translator 1 (native language 1) → Students  
→ Translator 2 (native language 2) → Students

Questioner (native language)

→ Translator (English) → [\[Internet\]](#)  
→ Translator 1 (native language 1) → Speaker  
→ Translator 2 (native language 2) → Speaker

### **Role list at the conference**

- Conference manager: hosts and controls and facilitates the entire activity.
- Group managers (translators): Teachers. (Each country has one manager who takes care of their students.)
- Conference staff: support the conference and the conference manager.

## Notes

- Please select students according to their ideas and will. Students should not be selected according to their English ability only. The aim is not English conversation but to discuss and exchange ideas beyond country borders.

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