



D.Y.U. I.L.C. English Newsletter

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Welcome to new students arriving at the I.L.C.!

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Greetings and a warm welcome to all new and returning students from all the teachers and staff here at Da Yeh University International Language Center. As the new semester begins, a mixture of nerves and excitement fills the air as students and teachers alike settle into their new schedules and develop a new routine to match.

Many of you may be wondering how you can make the most of your time here in the I.L.C. and turn your English education here at D.Y.U. into a stepping stone for success?

Truly, the answer is as simple as 1, 2, 3!

Number 1: Book yourself in for an oral conversation session with our lovely teachers in the Language Learning Navigation Center or LLNC. Our friendly teachers love to chat with students, and in this relaxed environment your natural language skills will flourish!

Number 2: Put your newly found skills and confidence speaking English into practice by joining one of our fabulous English contests. Have fun with your friends and win prizes!

Number 3: Do not delay and sign up right away online for one of our crucial campus English tests. It is a requirement for every student at Da Yeh to pass either the CSEPT or TOEIC campus English tests, and the online sign up process has already begun!



Who is Banksy?

For the past 20 years, one of the world's most famous artists has also been the most mysterious! The story of Banksy begins in the early 90's on the streets of Bristol, UK. As a youth, Banksy and his friends would stalk the streets at night, looking for places to spray graffiti and create their public art works.



After a few brushes with the police, Banksy realised he could create his art much more quickly and safely if he used pre-cut stencils to form his images. This method solidified his iconic style, catapulting his work into wider notoriety.

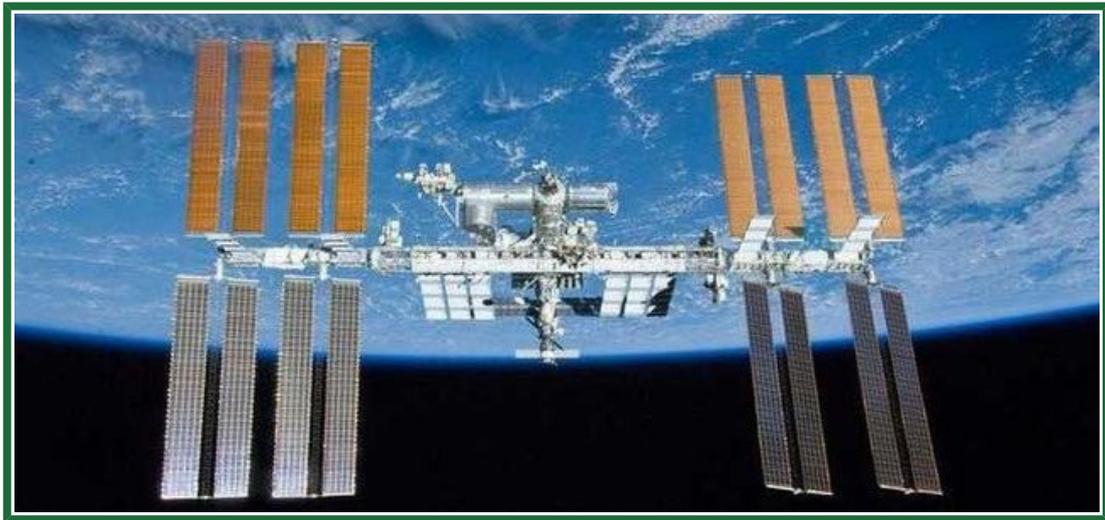


Despite the worldwide attention that his artwork has received, surprisingly, nobody knows exactly who Banksy is! His real name, and his appearance are both complete mysteries, which has lent his persona and his artwork an even more intriguing edge.

Banksy has kept his identity a secret for many years, as he believes that the political and sometimes criminal nature of his artwork could get him in trouble. Many of the artworks he has produced have been made on public property where graffiti art is prohibited. Moreover, Banksy also believes that message of his artwork can be understood more clearly when people are not distracted by his celebrity.

In the latest shocking twist to Banksy's story, a recently auctioned piece of his automatically shredded itself after selling at auction for over 1 million dollars! This appears to be a plan by Banksy to further improve his notoriety, whilst also making fun of the high priced world of art collecting. Who knows where and when the story of Banksy will end, or if his true identity will ever be revealed?





Trapped in Space! Emergency situation aboard Space Station, three astronauts marooned above Earth!

A routine mission to resupply the International Space Station (ISS) ended in dramatic failure earlier this month, leading to an unprecedented situation where three astronauts are now trapped in space!

It all began with the standard launch of a Soyuz craft en-route to resupply the ISS. This craft was intended to deliver two new astronauts to the space station, and also return the existing crew members back to Earth.

However, disaster struck as the rocket launched, and the craft was destroyed!



Fortunately, the two astronauts aboard the Soyuz craft, Nick Hague and Aleksey Ovchinin were able to safely eject and return to Earth. Unfortunately, this left three astronauts, Serena Chancellor, Alexander Gerst and Sergey Prokopyev unable to return to Earth as planned.

What happens next is unclear. The three astronauts in space are in no immediate danger, as they have months of supplies to keep them alive and healthy. They also have the option of returning to Earth using the Soyuz craft that is currently docked with the ISS, although that option would be risky and it would also leave the ISS completely unmanned.

Right now, the best option available seems to be to wait. There is another Soyuz rocket in production, which should be ready by December. But, before that can launch the rocket must be checked so we don't have a repeat of this terrible incident.

Scary Animal: Tarantula!

Among the world's most feared creatures are the giant hairy spiders known as Tarantulas! These undeniably creepy, outsized spiders are as large as your hand and capable of delivering a nasty bit if you are foolish enough to pester them!



Around the world there are approximately 900 species of Tarantula, ranging greatly in size and appearance. The name Tarantula comes from the Italian town of Taranto, which happens to be home to some of these scary spiders!

Tarantulas will sometimes live in the trees, and sometimes on the ground in small burrows they dig for themselves. They can actually be helpful to people by catching and eating other spiders and insects. Some of the larger species of Tarantula may even prey upon lizards, mice, birds, bats and even small snakes that get caught up in their webs!



However, perhaps there is a softer side to these misunderstood creatures. Let's consider the important role they play in nature, and some of the amazing characteristics that help these spiders succeed in dangerous environments.

