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ファシリテーター

English/英語

Name / 氏名

Gretchen CLARK

Home country or region / 出身国・地域

USA

Languages I speak / 話せる言語

English, Japanese, a little bit of French

Academic specialties / 専門

Business English, Academic Writing, IELTS, TOEFL

Hobbies or interests / 趣味・特技

Reading mystery novels, Being outside

How I learned foreign languages When I was a student /

学生時代どのように外国語を学習したか

Looking back, I suppose I learned both French and Japanese in the traditional ways: I memorized a lot, studied grammar, and practiced speaking and writing. I didn't do a lot of presentations, essays or anything creative at all. Even so, I remember being motivated and inspired by my teachers. They taught me that learning languages would open doors to the world. They were right! In university, I studied abroad in Hamamatsu and fell in love with Japan. That's why I am living and working here now!

A message to students learning foreign languages /外国語を学ぶ学生へのメッセージ

Find your own voice and use it in your foreign language! There are people out there that want to get to know you. Share your identity, aspects of your culture and country with them!