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Interview with Harb on June 7, 2002



GC students are curious about how BCITs educational system works. So last week EPP 6 students Jia, Ann and Clark interviewed Harb (BCIT international student adviser)

Q: Why can't KGC students get a full time student one card?

A: KGC students study EPP programs. They can not get the 12.5 credits they need from EPP courses. If students go to BCIT, they can get a full time student one card. BCIT will try to help KGC students to get full time student One Card.

Q: What is your new plan for KGC?

A: I have two new plans. One is that I will come to KGC on June 21. If students have any problems, they can ask me on that day, and I will try to solve their problems. I also will talk with the teachers, the directors and the manager at KGC. The other plan is that I will help students to make their one card at KGC, therefore, they do not have to go to BCIT.

Q: What is the difference between the COMM.4 offered on 2 July, 02 and the COMM.4 offered in January, May and September?
A: In July, students will take about a one-mouth COMM.4 course, but it will not include COMM.0.019.

Q: If students finish BMS, can they transfer their credits to other courses at BCIT?A: Probably not. BMS is not connected with other programs such as Computer programs and Construction programs. If students take BMS they can only transfer courses to Business programs.

Q: Are BCIT's diplomas well known in Asia? A: I am sorry. I am not sure, but BCIT's diplomas are getting better known in parts of Asia. BCIT's diplomas are well known in North America.

Q: How long does it usually take for students to get diplomas?

A: That depends on how hard students' work. In general, it takes about two years. Let me give you an example :

September 2002 --- April 2003BMS ProgramsMay 2003 --- December 2003Bridging ProgramsJanuary 2004 --- December 2005Diploma

Q: Thank you for spending your time to answer our questions.

A: You are welcome. If students have any other questions, you can connect with me.



A Fool For Bean Curd

he guest was a bit surprised when his host served him a dinner of nothing but a dish of bean curd The host praised the virtues of bean curd, saying, "Bean curd is my life; it's the most delicious food in the world." One day, he had the chance to visit his friend, who remembered that the man loved bean curd and so he served ad most with host ourd.

fish and meat with bean curd However, the man devoured

only the fish and meat, and didn't touch the bean curd His friend asked, "You say bean curd is your life, but why don't you eat it today?"

The man answered, "I guess when I see fish and meat on my plate, I don't want my life anymore."







By Clark



orld cup 2002 will be held in Korea and Japan. This world cup of the

21st century is the first one on Asian soil, and for the first time will be hosted by two nations. As we know, soccer is the number one sport in the world. Especially, the world cup. A lot of people focus on this event. Despite their different histories, contexts and origins. Few things have more global appeal today than football and the internet. The world cup has a long history. The men's World Cup is

considered the most popular sporting event in the world and is followed with passionate interest around the globe. The final game has a television audience of more than 1 billion viewers. Uruguav 1930 was the first World Cup Founded in 1930 with just 13 teams. At last, Uruguay became the first champion of the world cup. Until now, the tournament attracts entries from more than 140 countries, and it became the most popular world sport. However, the teams must join in elimination games within their own continents before qualifying to become one of the 32 nations participating in the final tournament. On May 31st, the 17th world cup will be held in Seoul South Korea. We

can watch the beginning match of world cup. The match will be between Senegal and France. Senegal will put their newfound fame on the line on Thursday against Denmark after their stunning World Cup debut win over world champions France. This match proves the wonderful event will start. We hope that this world cup will be as exciting as it

usually is.



http:// fifaworldcup.yahoo.com/en/da/afc/h.htm



Test Your Critical Thinking Skills

By Jiia

Question

1. If you can only write one stroke, do you know how to make this equation equal? 5+5+5=550

2. One person is stir-frying two kinds of beans. Half are green beans; half are red beans. When the beans are cooked, this person puts them on a plate. All of the beans separate naturally. Red are red. Green are green. Why?

3. There is a ruler that you can not break, How can you make it shorter?

4. There is a small town. Several houses are set on one side of a narrow street. Light in all the houses are off. The street Lights are off also. There is a really black cat in the middle of the street. There is an old man driving a black car at 80 miles per hour on this street. Do you know how the man driving the car can drive the car without hitting the cat.

5. What kind of thing does everyone have in the day, but not in the night.

Answer key

- 1.Answer: 545 + 5 = 550
- 2. Answer: there are only two beans. One is red; the other is green.
- 3. Answer: compare it with a shorter ruler.
- 4. Answer: it was daytime.
- 5. Answer: shadows.

A Friend Like You



There's lots of things With which I'm blessed. Tho' my life's been both Sunny and Blue. But of all my blessings, This one's the best: To have a friend like you.

In times of trouble Friends will say. "Just ask... I'll help you through it." But you don't wait for me to ask, You just get up And you do it!

And I can think Of nothing in life That I could more wisely do, Than know a friend. And be a friend, And love a friend... like you.

LIVING IN STUDENT HOUSING



ost KGC students live in a homestay, rental house or apartment. They usually live in a homestay for around

1~2 months when they first arrive. After that, they look for house or apartment to rent. It is often difficult to find one that suits their needs. Especially, since KGC students are international students so they may be overcharged or get the wrong information. So, I'd like to introduce the student housing at BCIT. There are seven residences at BCIT. Each residence has four suites which are divided into A, B, C and D.

There are some advantages and disadvantages to living in a residence. In residence International students are a priority for student housing. The students can easily get a room. There are 12 students in each suite house and they share the kitchen, cooking facilities, living/ dinging rooms and washrooms. Each resident has a bedroom, furnished with a single bed, dresser, desk, bookcase, mirror, two chairs, and a desk lamp. If students





move into a residence, they don't have to worry about furniture. Residents have a choice of all male, or co-ed suits, and also academic/quiet or social/active suites. Each house has a Residence Advisor who is there to help with counseling and advice, in case of emergency, and to facilitate social events.

The cost of a room in residence is \$380 per month. It doesn't include meals as students prepare their own meals. It is cheaper than living in a homestay, renting a house, or an apartment. If a student rents a house or apartment, they pay around \$700 per month.

The most important advantage is living with and learning from friends in the same suite. Also, residence provides a chance to make friendships with people from different backgrounds and experiences. Especially, it is one of the best ways to improve English skills for international students.

There are some disadvantages to living in a residence at BCIT. Twelve students live in a suite so it can be noisy during the weekends. Students must share the shower room, toilet, living room and dining room. These places become dirty easily. Even though, there are some cleaning staff for each suite.

At last, if students have a summer/winter vacation, some residences are closed so that students who stay there during the summer/winter have to move to other residences. This only complicates matters.

As a result, there are some advantages and disadvantages to living in student housing. As for the students who live in the student housing, they can get some real benefits such as furniture, cheap price, and make friendships with people from different backgrounds and experiences. However, it can be noisy and become dirty easily, because the twelve students share the kitchen, shower room, toilet, living and dining room. Even though, we can find disadvantages to living in a residence, it is a good choice for most students.



Father's Day

o you know the history of Father's Day?

Sonora Dodd, of Washington, first had the idea of a "father's day". She thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909.

Sonora wanted a special day to honor her father, William Smart. Smart, who was a Civil War veteran, was widowed when his wife died while giving birth to their sixth child. Mr. Smart was left to raise the newborn and his other five children by himself on a rural farm in eastern Washington State.

After Sonora became an adult she realized the selflessness her father had shown in raising his children as a single parent. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19^{th} of June 1910.

President Calvin Coolidge, in 1924, supported the idea of a national Father's Day. Then in 1966 President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the 3rd Sunday of June as Father's Day.

GIFT IDEAS FOR NEXT YEAR'S FATHERS DAY

Father's Day, while selecting a gift for a man particularly your father may seem almost impossible, Father's Day is really a very easy holiday to have success.

By Zhang, Mengli, Zoe

At the risk of being too general, Dads seem to be happy with just about anything you give them. He may never use the



gift, or remember the actual gift, but they seem to appreciate getting the gift. Gifts for a father are ritual, something regal to accept. These gifts are appreciated without showing exuberant emotion. This ultra cool manner of gift expectance is not premeditated its just natural and not to be interpreted as he did not like your gift. Here are some examples: Father's Day card, Fishing Rod, Pen, necktie, pipe, wallet, etc.

Source: presentpicker.com

Figures of Speech



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