

**How is mentee's English level ?**

...It varies. They are willing to improve their English abilities mainly for studying abroad and are planning to take IELTS test. As for the IELTS overall band score, it is generally 6.0 (or higher) they need when applying for the exchange programs.

**Do we have any material for the mentoring ?**

...The mentees are recommended to get an IELTS book written in Japanese. Added to which, we suggest the mentees to consult with their matched mentor if they have particular book/material they want to use. There are also books about IELTS at the Library, in which you may find sample tests. Most of them are written in Japanese, so it is recommended to check them with your mentee when searching the books. We have also a textbook (in English) to lend and a list for useful website about IELTS which we can share you as necessary. Please note that there is no financial aid for the print-out etc.

**How about the mentoring curriculum?**

...The curriculum plan is to be made by each pair by listing what the pair is going to work on in each mentoring session. The reason is to make it possible for the pair to work freely on the section/s (speaking, writing etc.) the mentee wants to improve. Please ask your mentee in which part/s s/he needs your help at the first mentoring session and make eight mentoring plan with her/him.

**What is important for mentoring ?**

...Japanese students tend to be afraid of making mistakes and therefore they can be shy. To make them feel relaxed, please try to speak a bit slowly and clearly and give them time when they are trying to find a word or framing their thoughts. Also, what we often hear from the mentees is that they are very thankful for their mentors being supportive and encouraging. To have a confidence in English by your positive and encouraging support, it makes a big difference for them when taking the test. One more thing, please enjoy mentoring. You are not expected to be their "teacher" who can answer everything about English, but a supporter.

**Outside the mentoring session ?**

... Please enjoy some casual talk with your mentee. They are also supposed to try to answer your question about Japan and Japanese as much as they can. We hope that you and your mentee will boost interactive exchange between two even outside the mentoring session.