



For our next Toyohashi Chapter meeting, we are back to our traditional venue at Aichi University (Toyohashi Campus) (Building 5, Room 541): 1:30-4:00 pm on 29th May 2022

Our speaker is Mark Brierley, long 'a leading light' in JALT!



His presentation is entitled "Reading your way to better English"

There are no shortcuts to becoming good at English. Like many things, it takes time. If we can find ways that are easy and enjoyable, we are more likely to spend time. Research has shown that starting reading easy books means students get better faster. The student practice of reading many easy and enjoyable books is called Extensive Reading (ER). For ER to be successful, students need access to a variety of books at different levels to suit their varied and changing interests and reading abilities. The presenter will talk about introducing the rationale and practice of ER, building and maintaining libraries and keeping track of reading.

Mark teaches English at Shinshu University in Matsumoto, Nagano prefecture. He edits the JALT ER SIG newsletter and works on the Extensive Reading Foundation Placement Test. As well as Extensive Reading he is interested in ecologically friendly Low Energy Building.

Our next meeting is from 1:30 to 4:00 pm on Sunday 31st July. This presentation will be at Toyohashi Arts Theatre 'Plat' near to Toyohashi Station and the presenter will be Keizo Asano, He will focus on 'Applying Readers Theatre to Japanese EFL classrooms at the high school and college levels.'