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"I have a dream...."

One of the most powerful speeches in history

As we all know from our speaking class, giving strong and effective speeches is an important skill in English.

There are many great characteristics of a good speech, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s *I Have a Dream Speech* is considered by most historians to be one of the best speeches in history. Dr. King, rather than talking about fear and violence, talked about love and hope. As a result of his work, he won the Nobel Peace Prize and has a national holiday in his honor.

There is more information about Dr. King in this week's culture column, but here are a few lines from Dr. King's *I have a dream* speech.

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at a table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a desert state, sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a

dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today.

Perfect Attendance

It is very important that all of you attend class every day. Even though you may have to miss class occasionally, even one or two absences could cause you to miss a test or an important assignment. These students, however, were present every day during Fall II session.

- Hamdan Alajmi
- Saad Almasoud
- Ahmed Alshammari
- Blanca Delgado
- Felix Olivo
- Fadia Shuaib
- Hyunji Song

Congratulations on their perfect attendance!

And our winners are...

Every semester we do a writing competition called CIES Voices. This is an opportunity for any student, no matter

what level or group they're in, to submit something that they've written and show it off for everyone to see.

Last session we had ten fantastic entries, and all of these compositions can be found in CIES Voices available on the

CIES website.



Mengying "Eliza" Zhang, who is from China, won first place in the writing competition. Hyunji Song, who is from South Korea, won 2nd place. Congratulations to both of these terrific students!

Get Involved!

The Tallahassee Museum is located close to Florida State, and it is a place that is full of historical information about Tallahassee and Florida. It is a popular place to visit in Tallahassee. We will be going to the Florida Museum on **Thursday**. We will meet in front of CIES at **3pm** (after listening class) and we will either drive or walk over to the museum. The weather should be beautiful, and this will be a great chance to learn more about your city and state. (Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes!)

Also, on **Thursday at noon**, we'll be meeting during lunch to talk about recruitment with Dr. Kennell. Please join us and share some ideas for helping get new students from all corners of the world to come here and study at FSU!

Question: Why is Monday a holiday in the US?

Answer: Monday is a national holiday held in honor of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. King is generally regarded as one of the most famous Americans in history. He was born in 1929 and was **assassinated** in 1968. Dr. King was the most important figure in the United States civil rights movement. The civil rights movement occurred throughout the 1950s and 1960s, and it gave African Americans (and other minorities) more rights and opportunities. Before Dr. King, many black people did not vote, and they did not have the same educational opportunities as whites. Many black Americans even had to use separate restrooms, water fountains, and restaurant tables than white Americans.

Dr. King was a very talented speaker, and the speeches he gave about race and racism are very important to America today. For many older Americans who remember what things were like before Dr. King, it has been particularly impressive that we now have a black president. No matter what political beliefs you have, it is amazing how far the United States has come as a nation in such a short period of time.

Language Questions

Question: When do you use an apostrophe and when do you use "of the" for possessive?

Answer: A general thing to remember is that if something is living (**animate**), then you use an apostrophe + s. If something is **inanimate**, you use 'of the.'

Examples:

ANIMATE: 'the girl's dress' 'the dog's paw'

INANIMATE: 'the side of the building' or 'the edge of the desk'

However, many times in English we have noun adjuncts. This is when a noun modifies another noun. Noun adjuncts

do not use apostrophes. Many nouns in English use noun adjuncts.

Examples:

The car stereo is broken.

The car's stereo is broken. (INCORRECT)

The stereo of the car is broken.

(INCORRECT)

Happy Birthday!

Here are people at CIES that have celebrated a birthday the first two weeks of January:

Angel Rios (January 5)

Mutaz Bakri (January 12)

Silvia Garcia (January 12)

Quote of the Week

If you can't fly, then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then **crawl**, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward

- Martin Luther King, Jr.



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strength. skill. character.

This week's vocabulary:

slave (noun) – a person who is owned by another person and has no freedom (legal in the United States before 1863)

assassinate (verb) – to murder or kill, usually someone who is in an influential position

animate (adjective) – something that is live and capable of movement (an animal)

inanimate (adjective) – something that is not alive and not capable of movement

crawl (verb) – moving around using both your hands and legs (what infants do before they can walk)