

## Sapporo International University – English 1

### Free Talking Unit 9, 'Going Out'

**Objectives:** Students should be able to listen to a weekly schedule and describe their favourite activities around Sapporo, using all of the vocabulary learnt in Spring semester. E.g. frequency, reasons, descriptive adjectives.

#### Rough plan:

- Warm-up small talk questions. Ask about their week, sleep, breakfast.
- Ask if they plan to **go out** this weekend. If they will **hang out** with friends and where.
- Do the model conversation on p.68. Discuss what kind of place Alice & June decided to go to. “Right, shopping mall. Do you like shopping malls? How often do you go?”
- Randomise questions from p.67. Ask them why they like activities they “usually” do, why they dislike things they “never” do. And use exaggerated body language to ask them what they would do on a date. They usually laugh if you compare their different date spot ideas.
- Show & tell. They built up to this last week but please model it for them first with a picture of somewhere in your local area. Give sentences from p.71 Activity A and let them ask questions. Then they must show you a picture and produce at least 3 sentences.
- Time filler option: Ask them to look at pp.69-70 Activity B schedules and ask them questions. “Okay, ...san, are you free this Sunday morning? Ah I see. How about...”

**Special Note:** Please do NOT ask “Are you a first year?” “What is your major?”. Instead, start with recent topics. For example “How’s it going?” “How often did you go out this week?” “Did you play with your friends yesterday?”.

The general interaction pattern is Teacher Question – Student Response – Teacher Elaboration. Try NOT to simply correct. For example:

“Where do you often hang out with your friends?” “Onsen” **“Repeat after teacher. I often hang out in onsen”** - This is not a conversation.

“Where do you often hang out with your friends?” “Onsen” **“Oh, so you often hang out in onsen? That’s interesting. I have never been. What is it?”** - Perfect!

Some students have privacy issues showing photographs. Just allow them to type the name in

the breakout room chat so you can Google image search while sharing screen.