

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

OCTOBER 2011

WHAT WILL YOUR COSTUME BE THIS HALLOWEEN?

Thursday

12:30-3:00



Apple bobbing contest

Best costume
contest



Pumpkin carving contest



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END OF SESSION—TIME TO CELEBRATE!

From the Academic Director:

At CSE, we have “open enrollment” which means that students can start our program on any Monday. We have 10-week sessions, and most students successfully move to the next level after 10 weeks. We like to celebrate the end of each session with a small party that’s planned by our student council.

This session, we’re celebrating with a Halloween party and costume contest.

Our next session starts on October 31st, and our focus is to help you improve your writing skills. Also, we’re opening a new GRE preparation class. Happy studying!

—Linda



TIPS FOR LEARNING ENGLISH

1. Have desire to learn the language.
2. Know your motive.
3. Set goals and try to evaluate your progress.
4. Study a little each day.
5. Make a set of study schedule.
6. Study out loud.
7. Use different learning methods.
8. Practice speaking inside or outside your school specially with native English speakers.
9. **Don't be afraid.**
10. Surround yourself with English.
11. Listen to native English.
12. Pronunciation is key to make your language understandable.
13. Use good resources as English to English dictionary.
14. Use what you know.
15. **Don't get stuck with a certain word that you do not know.**
16. Speed it up.
17. Have fun with English.
18. Enlarge your vocabulary.
19. Study English with friends.
20. Forget about your native language and try to get yourself away of students who can speak your native language as much as you can.



HOW TO BECOME A GREAT STUDENT

1. Listen carefully!

- Listen carefully in the classroom.
- Over time, you will remember things that you see and hear many times.
- Ask questions if you don't understand what you hear.

2. Take notes!

- Take good notes so that you can review them later.
- Study your notes for 5 minutes every day.
- Summarize what you've learned in your own words -make cards!

3. Write every day!


- Writing in English isn't natural at first. Keep a journal and practicing.
- Start a blog -it will help you become a better writer.
- Learn how to type in English -there are many websites to help you.



Other General Ideas (and add your own!)

- Know something about what you are going to do before you do it.
- When you are in school, speak only English.
- Tests and quizzes are excellent ways to "know what you know."
- Study a little bit every day -that's better than studying a lot only one day.

DRIVER LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR F-1 VISA STUDENTS

- CSE current student letter. 
- Verification of your residential address, such as utility bill, credit card statement, rent receipt, telephone bill, transcript or report card from an accredited school, bank statement.
- Valid Foreign Passport with US visa and valid I-94
- Valid I-20 AB with USCIS red stamp with the expiration date. It also must indicate "Colorado School of English" unless the student is a transfer.
- A non-social security number proof letter from Social Security Administration Office. You must bring there: passport, I-20 and the CSE current student letter.

STEPS TO OBTAIN YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE


1. You need to go to the Social Security Administration Office to obtain the non-issuance of security number proof letter.
2. You will bring the non-issuance security number proof letter to the DMV office and the rest of the documents listed above.
3. The same day, you will take the writing test. If you pass the writing test, they will tell you to call them and make an appointment to take the driving test.
4. Pay the \$30 dollar fee.
5. If you pass the driving test, they will take a picture of you, and give you a Colorado temporary document valid for 30 days. You will receive your ID within the next 30 days.



SWEET GLUTINOUS RICE –KHAO NIEOW MOON

Sweet glutinous rice that is popular with ripe mango called "Khao Nieow Moon" in Thai.

Ingredients

- 350 g. 
- Glutinous rice
- 1 can coconut milk
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 1/4 salt
- 1 tsp rice flour
- 4-5 pandanus leaves

Preparation:

1. Wash glutinous rice until water clear, and then soak about 3 hours or over night.
2. Boil water in steamer on medium-high heat, drain and place in sieve cloth with glutinous rice in steamer, place 2 pandanus leaves on top.
3. Steam about 30-45 min or until glutinous rice is cooked (grains look clear)
4. Separate 3/4 cup coconut milk in a small bowl, put remaining coconut milk in a pot, add sugar and salt, bring to boil on medium-low heat.
5. Add 2 pandanus leaves to coconut milk mixture, stir frequently until sugar dissolves. When the mixture is boiled, remove from heat.
6. Put steamed glutinous rice in a pot that has cover, add rice, stir quickly until it mix well, cover it for 15 minutes.
7. For separated coconut milk in No. 4, add rice flour and 1/4 tsp salt in it and mix well. Put in a pot and bring to boil on medium-low heat, stir frequently until the mixture is thick, remove from heat and set aside for topping.
8. Put sweet glutinous rice in a plate, top with prepared coconut cream and serve with ripe mangoes.

Denver has three main transportation; Bus, Light rail and **free mall ride**. I'll introduce some information and how to take an advantage of public transportation. Let's hop on board!



Rtd bus service offers a variety of routes for every type of rider or occasion and from Local, Limited, Express. Schedules may vary so check out [www. Rtd-denver.com](http://www.Rtd-denver.com) or visit a transit station : Market Street Station, Civic Center Station(on 16thst.). All buses equipped with bike racks. You can leave your car at home or at one of nearly 80 park-n-Ride locations and leave the driving to bus, you'll save money on gas. All bus stops have red and white signs that list each bus route that stops at that location, so double check for your route number. Discount fares, ticket books and passes are available and you can buy bus ticket at main bus station, king-soopers and safeway. Drivers do NOT carry or make

change – so make sure you have exact change (bills or coins) or a pass before you get on the bus. One-way fares are just \$2.25, \$4.00 depending on the bus type. If you need to change buses to get to your final destination, ask the driver for a transfer slip, which will get you on to your next bus. On the bus, the driver will announce stops over the loudspeaker, you may need to pull the **“Stop Requested” cord** above your head. Exit the bus through the rear door if the bus has two doors.

Light rail lines (C, D, E, F, and H) stop at more than 35 stations and the system is divided into four fare zones: A, B, C and D. The number of zones you travel in for each one-way trip determines your fare. Once the train has stopped, the doors automatically open or you can push the lighted green button. Parking available at select station and Parking fees may apply. One-way fares are just \$2.25, \$4.00, or \$5.00 depending on the number of fare zones you travel in for each one-way trip. Purchasing passes and ticket books will save you time and money.

C: Union Station to Littleton/Mineral, D: 30th & Downing to Littleton/Mineral

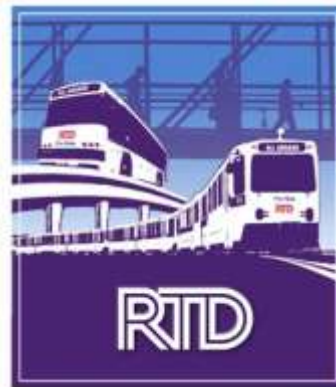
E: Union Station to Lincoln, F: 18th & California to Lincoln, H:

18th & California to Nine Mile

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Lower Downtown (LoDo)/ Coors Field/16th street mall, the D, F and H Lines at the 16th/ California Station (northbound travel), and the 16th/Stout Station (southbound travel).

For more info, visit:
www.RTD-Denver.com



The **Graduate Record Examinations** is a standardized test that is an admissions requirement for many graduate schools in the United States, in other English-speaking countries and for English-taught graduate and business programs world-wide. Created and administered by Educational Testing Service (ETS) in 1949, the exam aims to measure verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, analytical writing and critical thinking skills that have been acquired over a long period of time and that are not related to any specific field of study. The GRE General Test is offered as a computer-based, computer adaptive exam administered by selected qualified testing centers; however, paper-based exams are offered in areas of the world where computer-based testing is not available.

In the graduate school admissions process, the level of emphasis that is placed upon GRE scores varies widely between schools and between departments within schools. The importance of a GRE score can range from being a mere admission formality to an important selection factor.



We are offering a GRE preparation class for our advanced level students starting next session. For more info, talk to our Academic Director, Linda Van Doren.



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