

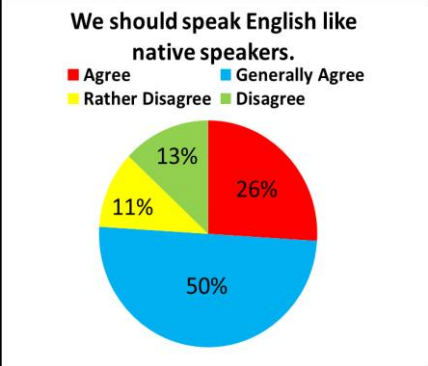
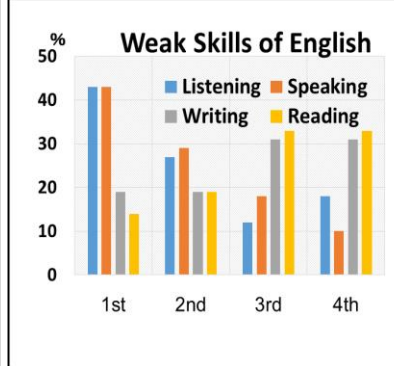
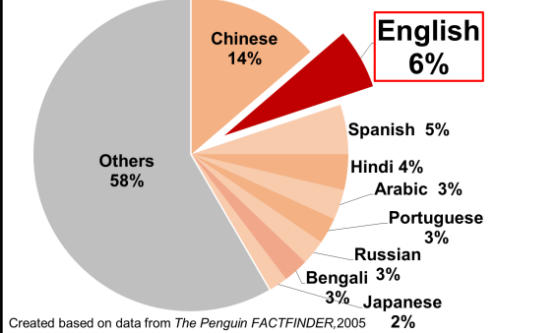
Surviving an Era of Globalization -To Be Confident Learners of English-

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1 Background & Purpose

Our Attitudes toward English (Ube HS 2nd graders, n=192)

World's Native Language Population(2005)



2 Hypothesis

We can become confident learners of English if we uncover some factors that make us feel nervous about communicating in “Japanese English.”

3 Method

Listening tests for international / Japanese students

STEP 1 Prepare 3 types of sound recordings

- ① Japanese ver. (students)
- ② American ver. (ALT/student)
- ③ Asian ver. (Taiwanese/Filipino)

STEP 2 Prepare 2 types of answer sheets

① Script sheet:

Symbols	
P	Pronunciation
I	Intonation
S	Speed
U	Unknown Words
O	Others

Listeners mark 5 symbols under the words they feel strange

② Impression sheet: Overall impression

STEP 3 Carry out listening tests

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International students

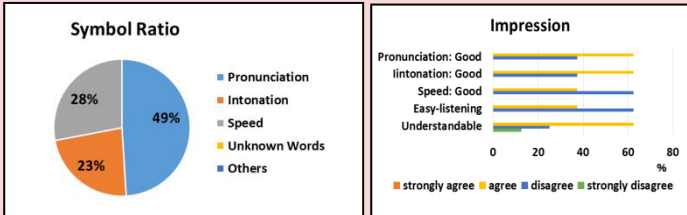
- Native speakers
- Non-native speakers

Japanese students

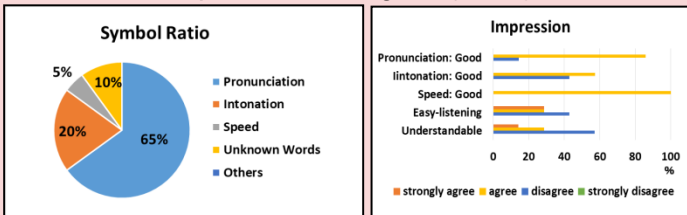
4 Results so far

① Japanese English ⇒ International students

• Native speakers of English (n=9)



• Non-native speakers of English (n=10)



☆ Speed: Good

★ Pronunciation and Intonation: A little awkward

② American / Asian English ⇒ Japanese students Not yet conducted.

5 Our future plans

- (1) To increase the number of international / Japanese participants and collect more data
- (2) To analyze the results of our research in more detail and uncover some factors



To propose some ideas for using English confidently

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