# Our Daily Lives : Some Global Experiences

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Discussion Facilitator: Sherry Shen, MPH

Dates: Sep. 28 - Nov. 23, 2019 - Taiwan, SAT. 10:00-11:00 am

#### Purposes:

To open up ground for discussions from attitudes towards language learning and communication, to reflections on how they affect our use of language and perspectives attached to it, while also exploring ways to create meaningful and effective communication across cultures and experiences:

Part I - Perception, Misconception & Experiences w/ language

Part II - Key elements of communication (listening to, and understanding different values; how to express yourself clearly and confidently)

#### **THEME - Communications with**

#### **People across Cultures and Experiences**

Date (Toronto/Vancouver times)	Discussion Topics (1 hr each class)	Focus
9/28 Sat. 10am TW (9/27 Fri. 7pm Vanc)	I. What in the world are we talking about?	. Key barriers, and mindset changes around using English/foreign languages
10/5 Sat. 10am TW (10/4 Fri. 7pm Vanc)	II. Talk of the time: How to have a conversation?	. Radio host shares tips on how to carry a good conversation - as listener & speaker
10/12 Sat. 10am TW (10/11 Fri. 7pm Vanc)	III. Accent matters or does it?	. A quick look at communication issues related to, and beyond accents

10/19 Sat. 10am TW  ft. Guest Speaker -  Ting-Yu Wei  (10pm Toronto + 10/18 Fri 7pm Vanc)	IV. Who are you, really?  - The danger of a Single Story, Part I	. An fun look at the reality from an embodied cultural identity and experiences
10/26 Sat. 10am TW (10/25 Fri 7pm Vanc) REMINDER - 11/2 NO SESSION (Mid-term)	V. Who are you, really? - The danger of a Single Story, Part II	. An enlightened look at the reality from an embodied cultural identity and experiences
11/9 Sat. 10am TW (6pm Vanc)	VI. When worlds collide: Miscommunication Mishaps & Fixes	. Miscommunications & possible fixes within and beyond our own communities and cultures
11/16 Sat. 10am TW (6pm Vanc)	VII. Are you with me? Part I - Empathy for ourselves & others	. Introduction to Nonviolent Communication (NVC) - a conflict resolution approach applied across 65 countries
11/23 Sat. 10am TW  ft. Guest Speaker -  Ting-Yu Wei  (9pm Toronto + 6pm Vanc)	VIII. Are you with me? Part II - IMPROV to Better Communicate and Relate across Differences	. To introduce and apply IMPROV techniques in your daily life - laughter is the best social lubricant!

## **Guest Speaker**

### Ting-Yu Wei, MBA. BA

She's led a nomadic lifestyle in 4 continents and wears many hats doing social enterprises start-up, small business consulting, teaching, and translation. She has been living in Toronto, ON, Canada since 2011.

