Speaking & Listening II

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1. In addition write a reflection on how you want to develop your participation in groups during this year. What are your strengths in terms of group participation? What areas do you want to develop? Set goals for yourself.

In last class, when we discussed the survival plan, I was deemed to be the “Information and Opinion Giver” by my members. I tried hard to participate and to offer my ideas as long as I came up with some. However, I think I did not encourage some rather silent members to speak up. In this following year, I’d like to learn to listen more and help to develop a better group discussion with more opinions from different partners. Thus, it is possible for us to have a more dynamic discussion and to come up with stronger conclusions.

1. Also reflect on your use of Chinese in the class. When did you feel like your English was not good enough to communicate what you wanted to say? Is there anything that you said in Chinese that you would like to know how to say in English? Write what you want to know how to say down here: [I wish I knew](http://2010-soph-convo-nccu.wikispaces.com/00+I+wish+I+knew) how to say this in English ...

Whenever I want to say some words but I do not know how to say them in English, I would

feel really embarrassed. I would also blame myself for not working hard enough on learning English. However, I would be aware of the area that I still need to improve my knowledge. But, at this moment a whole week after the previous class, I have totally forgotten the words I said in Chinese last week. Being aware of this, I decide to take notes of the Chinese words I used in the class in the future. Then, I expect, in this way, the situation may have an obvious improvement in the future!