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Memories of a Library during My Youthful Days in England

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The oldest library at the University of Oxford, the Bodleian Library, holds a special place in my heart. Established in 1602, the library's collection has continually grown and now holds over 13 million books and materials. The library is not merely a repository of books; it is a treasure trove of information, a place of learning for students, a hub of communication, and a site for the transmission of wisdom.

When I first visited the Bodleian Library, when I was a master's student at the LSE, the University of London, I was overwhelmed by its grandeur and history. The beautiful Gothic architecture, the intricate frescoes on the ceilings, and the unique scent of old books made me feel as though I had travelled back in time to the Middle Ages. The historical value of this library is immeasurable, and it is a source of pride for the University of Oxford, as well as a valuable resource for scholars worldwide.

Turning to its collection, it is a vast repository of human knowledge and wisdom. The library houses books on philosophy, literature, science, history, and every imaginable field, providing essential information for academic progress. For example, the Bodleian Library holds a copy of Shakespeare's First Folio, an indispensable asset for literary research. Handling these books made me feel as though I were conversing with the great scholars of the past, further igniting my passion for learning.

The library also plays a crucial role as a place of study for students. In the quiet reading rooms, many students diligently focus on their studies, embodying the essence of scholarly pursuit. I often visited the Bodleian Library before exams to concentrate on my studies. The tranquillity and solemn atmosphere of this place enhanced my focus on my academic endeavours.

Furthermore, the library serves as a hub for communication. In reading rooms and break areas, students can be seen exchanging ideas and sharing knowledge. I met many friends in the library, with whom I studied and engaged in deep discussions. The conversations held in the quiet environment of the library provided deeper understanding and insight, broadening my academic horizons.

Additionally, the library is a site for the transmission of wisdom. Ancient manuscripts and historical documents preserved there play a role in conveying the wisdom of the past to the present. By interacting with these valuable materials, I felt the weight of history and realised the continuity of human knowledge. Especially, the special collections of the Bodleian Library include medieval manuscripts and rare books from the Renaissance, which convey the richness of past scholarship and culture.

The time I spent in the Bodleian Library is an irreplaceable memory. The abundance of its collection and historical value, as well as the time spent there, formed the foundation of my researcher's mindset. As a student and a scholar, even as a governmental official at that time, the library was essential and meaningful pillar to my growth. The knowledge and experiences gained in that place continue to profoundly influence my life, philosophy, and the way of thinking.

The Bodleian Library at the University of Oxford transcends the mere definition of a library; it stands as a resplendent treasury of knowledge, a sacred sanctuary of learning for scholars, a vibrant nexus of intellectual exchange, and a timeless vessel of wisdom's transmission. The experiences and insights garnered within these hallowed halls are indelibly etched upon my soul, guiding and inspiring my journey through the unfolding tapestry of the future. (※日本語訳は上記 QR コードからご覧いただけます。)



図書館オリエンテーションの紹介

毎年新入生向けに授業内での図書館利用説明や館内案内を行っています。図書館利用説明では貸出等の各種サービス、所蔵資料の検索方法、MyOPACの使い方（予約・延長・図書リクエスト）等を説明します。要望に応じて、データベースの紹介や文献検索実演も行います。館内案内では、ラーニング・commons、メディア・ラウンジ、視聴覚コーナー、閲覧ブースのエリアを中心に紹介します。2024年度S1, S2期間は439名の参加がありました。F1, F2期間での実施申込みも受け付けておりますのでお気軽にお問い合わせください。



生成AIを使ってみよう！ 楽しく学ぶ「ChatGPT」活用ミニ講座を開催しました

図書館長・袁福之先生を講師にお迎えし、生成AIは質問に対し推論を重ねて答えを生成すること、質問の指示が具体的であるほど求めるものに近づくことを、「ChatGPT」と「Adobe Firefly」を操作しながら実践的に学びました。

質問・指示を入力すると数秒で文章や画像が生成され、参加者から「思っていたより操作が簡単だった」「研究のアイデアを得る際に便利だ」等の声が寄せられました。今後もラーニング・commonsを活用したイベントを企画します。次回もお楽しみに。

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新着図書紹介 映画原作本

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