

## Evaluating an online resource

Make language learning a part of every day by using online resources! For this activity we will focus on one resource to evaluate: *Talk to Me in Korean* (TTMIK)  
<http://www.talktomeinkorean.com/>

**Use a separate piece of paper to record your answers.**

*Before visiting the website:*

- #1. Why are you studying Korean? What particular aspects of the Korean language and/or Korean culture inspired you to learn Korean? (3-5 sentences)
- #2. Why do you think it's important to use and explore the Korean language and culture outside the classroom? Are there any Korean websites you all ready visit? What are they? Why do you visit them? (3-5 sentences)

*While visiting the website:*

#3. Go to the *Talk to Me in Korean* website: <http://www.talktomeinkorean.com/> Look around and get familiar with the website and answer the following questions:

- Is it a website for language learners or for native Korean speakers?
- What does the website offer? Is it free or is there a cost?
- Do you think this website might be useful to you? Why or why not? What specific aspects could be helpful and/or most interesting to you? (3-5 sentences)
- How could you use this website to practice & improve your language skills? Be specific. (3-5 sentences)

#4. Now pick an area of interest. This website offers many videos and audio files for beginners to advanced learners. Pick one video or audio file that particularly interests you. For example, my favorite section on this website is "Korean Drama Phrases," so I would pick one episode from that section to listen to. Listen or watch your chosen file and write down any **vocabulary, phrases and cultural information** that you learn from your video or audio file. If there is a **free** PDF downloadable file that accompanies the video/audio file, download it and look at it also.

*After visiting the website:*

- #5. Why did you pick that specific video or audio file? What about it interested you?
- #6. Was the vocabulary, phrases, and cultural information you learned useful? Why or Why not?
- #7. Share what you learned with a partner.
- #8. Keep what you learned today in mind throughout the next few weeks. See if your vocabulary, phrase(s) or cultural information appears again in a reading, a video, or a conversation. Try to use what you learned while speaking and writing. The more you use it, the more you remember it! ☺

