Teacher-Parent Knowledge-Sharing Seminar and Workshop

TV Soap Operas and Children—Creative or Abusive

by

Early Childhood Education Section

Curriculum and Instruction Department

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and

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at Building 4 Room 209, Education Faculty, Chulalongkorn University

Bangkok, Thailand

The seminar/workshop, conducted on for 1 October, 2011 between 8.30am-3.00pm, was organized by the graduate students of Early Childhood Education Section, Curriculum and Instruction Department, Education Faculty, Chulalongkorn University. There were 200 attendees who were teachers from private school, public schools, parents, and University students. Honored guests include, deputy abbot at Rama 9 Temple, pediatrician and expert on child behavior and development, theatrical director; and and proposer of a soap opera rating system.

The morning session included expert opinions on various soap opera clips and their suitability for young children. The discussion aimed to educate the audience on how to supervise children when watching television, and which programs to choose for them.





Photos of the seminar

The afternoon session was a workshop on how to organize activities that are fun and educational for elementary students, and that will benefit them more than television. The lecturers were from various disciplines, and the activities included:

- 1. "Fun with Music" activities
- 2. "Hold-In-One Marbles" toy-making activities
- 3. Hand-Made Storybooks
- 4. Creative and Nutritious Foods





"Fun With Music"



"Hold-in-One Marbles"





Hand-Made Storybooks





Creative and Nutritious Foods