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On Nov. 19, Bill Pellowe and Trevor Holster will give a presentation / workshop during the [JAL T International Conference](#) in Tokyo on the [Peer Assessment add-on for MOARS](#). MOARS is a free, open-source Mobile Audience Response System for students to use with iPod Touch, iPhones, and other mobile browsers.

This conference will be held November 18-20 at the National Olympics Memorial Center in Yoyogi, Tokyo. The full title of the conference is the 37th Annual International Conference on Language Teaching and Learning & Educational Materials Exhibition.

### **Title: Classroom Peer Assessment Using Mobile Devices**

Content area: Language and Technology (CALL)

Presenters: Pellowe, Bill (Kinki University); Holster, Trevor (Fukuoka Women's University)

Day: Saturday November 19th, 2011

Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM (60 minutes)

Room: 505

#### Description:

Peer feedback not only helps keep the class focused while a classmate gives a presentation, it can actually engage the learning process. However, actually using the data from such feedback surveys can be so time-consuming for teachers that the process is a detriment to in-depth analysis. In this presentation, the presenters will first demonstrate a free, open-source student response system (SRS) that includes a peer feedback module. Using this SRS, the teacher creates a feedback survey that students can access through any device containing a web browser (laptop, iPad, iPod Touch, mobile phone, etc.). The students can reuse this survey to give feedback on each of their classmates' performances (such as speeches, presentations, poster sessions, etc.). The teacher can then use this SRS to create data files that are compatible with many-faceted Rasch measurement (MFRM) software which is also available for free. This allows the teacher to perform in-depth analysis on the data that was collected. The presenters will demonstrate sample data collected from a proof-of-concept pilot study and explain how to understand the results of the analysis. This presentation is aimed at classroom teachers, assumes no previous experience with the software demonstrated, and will be especially useful to those who want to do research on peer feedback.

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### More Information:

- For more information about the JALT 2011 Conference, see [jalt.org/conference](http://jalt.org/conference)
- To read more about this add-on, see our [Peer Assessment Add-on download page](#)
- To see what this add-on looks like, see the [Peer Assessment Screenshots](#) page
- For information about using this add-on's data for research, see Trevor Holster's page, [Analyzing MOARS Peer-assessment Data with FACETS](#)