

# Bridging Horizons

A Multifaceted Odyssey from English as a Foreign  
Language (EFL) to Asia-Pacific Regional Studies

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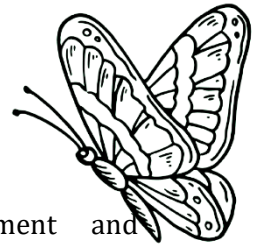
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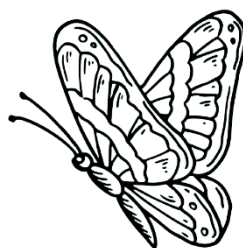
thought-provoking discussions, and inspire one another to keep developing and growing as educators.

# Prologue



In the novel "Bridging Horizons: A Multifaceted Odyssey from English as a Foreign Language (EFL) to Asia-Pacific Regional Studies," I walk you through my life-changing journey from teaching English as a foreign language in Indonesia to earning a Ph.D. in Asia-Pacific Regional Studies (APRS) at National Dong Hwa University. I discuss my experiences, difficulties, and development as I combine teaching languages and interdisciplinary studies throughout the novel's ten chapters. Starting with my brave leap into interdisciplinary terrain, I explore the Asia-Pacific region, uncovering a new academic landscape that expands my horizons. I discover the intersection of language and policy, unravel language constructs, navigate classroom challenges, and embrace an interdisciplinary pedagogy. I challenge linear thinking, emphasize the importance of language as a means of communication, and explore how to include multidisciplinary topics into my teaching methods. In the end, my experience inspires a new generation of EFL teachers to pursue an interdisciplinary career, realizing the value of interdisciplinary language teaching for improving English language instruction.





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