



Checkpoint #2



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Congratulations! You have made it to the second checkpoint!

Here you will find books in Tamil, a language widely spoken in Southern India. India is home to over 400 indigenous languages, and Tamil is one of them, which makes it the second richest country in language diversity.

தென்னிந்தியாவில் பரவலாகப் பேசப்படும் மொழி தமிழ். இந்தியா 400க்கும் மேற்பட்ட பூர்வீக மொழிகளைக் கொண்டுள்ளது, அவற்றில் தமிழ் மொழியும் ஒன்று, இது மொழி பன்முகத்தன்மையில் இரண்டாவது பணக்கார நாடாக அமைகிறது.



Dr. Sudha Swaminathan, a professor in Early Childhood Education, specializes in math and educational technology. Dr. Swaminathan speaks, reads and writes in Tamil.



Also here, you will find bilingual Korean-English children's books thanks to Dr. Kwangwon Lee, an Early Childhood Special Education professor whose research and teaching focuses on early intervention for autistic children and their families. Dr. Lee's mother tongue is Korean.

For Checkpoint #3, go to where music and art live. *Hint: floor மூன்று*



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Can you find the hidden Russian spelling of *Three Sisters* in the poster?



The Theater Department is putting on a play in March called “Three Sisters.” The play was written by Russian playwright Anton Chekhov in 1901. *Three Sisters*, or три сестры as written in the Cyrillic alphabet, is about three sisters in a small town that reminisce about their time in Moscow, the capital of Russia. Even with the play’s old age, it still has an impact around the world, even on our campus.

For Checkpoint #5, go to where the office of President Ismaili and the Office of Equity and Diversity is located. *Hint*: floor два



Checkpoint #5



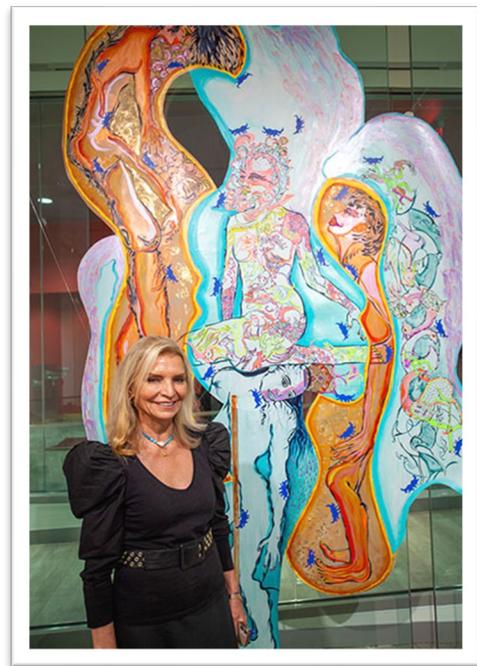
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Welcome to Gelsi-Young! Have you been here before?

In front of you are two mixed media works of art by Afarin Rahmanifar, an Eastern Professor and Iranian-American artist.

These works are part of her *Barbie* series. According to Prof. Rahmanifar “Barbie reflects the layered experience of observing myself from within American culture—particularly how language, accent, and cultural translation shape one’s position within social and hierarchical structures.”

Prof. Rahmanifar’s mother language is Persian (Farsi).



Persian (Farsi): «.زبان مادری، خانه‌ای است که هویت در آن شکل می‌گیرد.»

English translation: “Mother language is the home where identity takes shape.”

For Checkpoint #6, where would you go if you are hungry for a snack or wanting to buy a 12 pack of Celsius?



Checkpoint #7



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Welcome to the Business Administration Department!



Mustafa Kemal Atatürk is known as the founding father of the Republic of Türkiye. The infographic shares his story and his impact on Türkiye. Dr. Fatma Pakdil is a Business Administration professor as well as a Dean's Fellow here at Eastern. Her research specializes in healthcare operations management, and she has used this passion and research in the past at hospitals in the United States and Türkiye. Dr. Pakdil is also a member of the Turkish National Scientific and Technological Council. Her mother tongue is Turkish.

For Checkpoint #8, head to where books rest on shelves. *Hint:* sessiz kat



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Shhhhh! You are on the quiet floor!

This oil painting, titled *Village Life*, was painted by Abner Dubic, a Haitian painter that specializes in village paintings. Abner Dubic was born in November of 1944 and has been painting since 1966. His works are well respected in the community and are noted for their bright colors. Dubic's mother tongue is Haitian Creole.

Take a look around you. You are in the Caribbean studies section of the library. This is the home of numerous other works Caribbean art, as well as books and resources about by and about the people and culture of the Caribbean.



For Checkpoint #9, head up to the next floor. *Hint*: Katriyèm Floor



Checkpoint #11



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Welcome to the Computer Science Department!

Dr. Sarah Tasneem, a Computer Science professor here at Eastern, is originally from Bangladesh. The history of International Mother Language Day (IMLD) can be traced back to February 21, 1952 when students at the University of Dhaka and other activists bravely protested the suppression of their rights to speak and preserve their mother language, Bangla.

Read Checkpoint #11 provides a brief history of the language rights movement that took place in Bangladesh (then East Pakistan).

Professor Tasneem's mother language is Bangla.



Bangla: মোদের গরব মোদের আশা আমরা বাংলা ভাষা

English translation: our pride, our hope- our own Bangla language

For Checkpoint #12 (FINAL Checkpoint), please visit the homebase for the World Languages and Cultures Department.

