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**Professor lectures for two hours online - on mute – 13th February, 2021**

## **Level 0**

A professor gave a two-hour online lecture but didn't know he was on mute. His microphone was off. None of his students could hear him. His lecture started well, but then the screen on his iPad froze. The video came back but the mic was off. The professor did not notice. Maybe it was because he used an iPad.

Students tried to contact their professor many times. They waved their arms and called his phone. The moment he understood his mic was off is now viral on the Internet. He looked shocked and stressed. He was upset because he wasted two hours of his students' time. He will redo the lecture.

## **Level 1**

A professor gave a two-hour online lecture but didn't know he was on mute. The microphone on his iPad was switched off. This meant none of the students in his class could hear him. His university switched his classes online to reduce the spread of COVID-19. His lecture started well but then the screen on his iPad froze. The video came back but the mic was off. The professor did not notice. It might be because he used an iPad and not a computer.

Students tried to contact their professor many times but could not get through to him. They waved their arms and called his phone. The moment the professor understood his mic was off is now viral on the Internet. He looked shocked and stressed. He was upset because he wasted two hours of his students' time. He will redo the lecture at a different time. One of his students wrote: "He teaches well. I feel bad for him."

## **Level 2**

A professor gave a two-hour online lecture but didn't realize he was on mute. Professor Wang did not know that in his online lecture, the microphone on his iPad was switched off. This meant that none of the students in his online class heard what he was talking about. His university switched his classes online to reduce the spread of COVID-19. His lecture started well but then his screen froze. The video came back but the mic was off. Professor Wang did not notice. One of his students says it might be because the professor used an iPad and not a computer.

Students tried many times to contact their professor in the lesson but could not get through to him. They waved their arms and called his phone. A video of the moment Mr Wang understood his mic was off has gone viral on the Internet. After he understood what happened, he looked shocked and stressed. He said he was upset because he wasted two hours of his students' time. He will redo the lecture at a different time so his students do not miss his class. One of his students posted on social media about the professor's accident. She wrote: "He teaches well. I feel bad for him."

## **Level 3**

A university professor in Singapore gave a two-hour online lecture but didn't realize he was on mute. Professor Wang, who teaches maths, was not aware that throughout his online presentation, the microphone on his computer was switched off. This meant that none of the students attending his online class heard what professor Wang was talking about. His university switched his classes online to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. His lecture started well but then it froze. The video came back but the mic was off and professor Wang did not notice. One of his students says it might have been because the professor was using an iPad and not a computer.

Students tried many times to contact professor Wang during the lesson but could not get through to him. They waved their arms and even tried calling him on his personal phone. A video of the moment he understood his mic was off has gone viral on the Internet. It has received more than 653,000 views. After realizing what happened, professor Wang appeared shocked and stressed. He said he was upset at the thought of wasting two hours of his students' time. He has offered to redo the lecture at a different time so his students do not miss that class. One of his students posted on social media about the professor's mishap. She wrote: "I took a class under him before and he teaches well. I feel bad for him."

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