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As many researchers have referred, Islamic values became stronger in Egyptian society after the defeat of the 1967's war and the many phenomenons related to Islam Appeared. And it is remarkable that some Islamic intellectuals who appeared on the TV shows have got the widespread fame and popularity. In my research, I focus on these Islamic intellectuals and the transformation of Egyptian society. I make it obvious that how those intellectuals and Egyptian people interacted with each other by focusing on the advent of the new broadcasting technology. The reason why I focus on the media technology is that the society is mediated by the media and the media is also affected by the society.

For this purpose, I need to master the Arabic language. Most of the materials I need for my research are written in Arabic. And I have to listen what the Islamic intellectuals are talking on their TV shows. In addition to it, to understand how people watch the TV and what the impression people have toward the Islamic intellectuals on the TV shows, it is indispensable to master the good conversation.

Through this training program, I came to be able to read some Arabic books. And through the everyday's conversation with my teacher and local friends, I came to be able to speak and listen to them. Furthermore I could collect the books and DVDs which are indispensable for my research. This practical training program developed my basic ability for my research. After coming back to Japan, I need to read and watch these materials so that I utilize them for my thesis. And I need to continue to study Arabic language because I learned the importance of the continual studies and the need for understanding other cultures through their language.