Class: 78th TESOL for Children

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**Don’t Be “Just” A Teacher**

 ‘Knock~ Knock~’ “Hey Sister~! Please come and play with us.” When I was young I was like a leader of the kids in the neighborhood. All the Kids always came to my door and shouted. They really wanted to play with me and wanted me to lead something interesting games almost every day. I absolutely loved it. For this reason, I thought ‘May be... I could be a teacher.’ But this was just a vague and a hazy idea. However I had the opportunity to teach children by chance. I found that I really like to teach them and enjoy it. My dream came true again. I decided to be a teacher.

‘A Good English Teacher’

I was really into teaching children, so I spent more than 3 years to teach them. But as time goes by I felt guilty. I think I was enthusiastic enough and kids love my class. I started to wonder ‘Is there better way to teach my kids? I want to give more knowledge to them.’ But when I want to change something I had no ideas how to do it and that was very extensive. It gave me loss of desire to teach. So TESOL FOR CHILDREN is the result of much thoughtful consideration.

I would like to consider about current English education system in Korea. It’s too bad children cannot learn English in a natural way. Because Korea is EFL country. Especially children have limited time to be exposed to listening and speaking English. They still accept English as a hard and complicated foreign language. Even though there are full of English institutes. Schools stared to have English Zone and foreign teachers. If they could, government set up more effective learning environment to children in every school.

If someone ask you about “Who is the best teacher you ever had?” and “Why did you like this teacher so much?” then what would you like to answer? Funny teacher, Good looking teacher, the teacher who treats you like a friend. The teacher who really has sense of humor. Well, people’s answers can vary. All our teachers have different characteristics. All students have different preferences. But the fact that they are able to interact and like each other. They will wait their favorite teacher’s class and concentrate on it harder than others.

There are lots of teachers. But I don’t want to be just a teacher. I want to make everyone loves me. If I gain their heart, they want my class eagerly and enjoy it. I believe that it brings a great learning effect to students.

To be a great teacher, broad knowledge of subject matter, caring, fairness, and patience, willing to correct their wrong ways etc... There are many qualifications to be a good teacher and all are important. The most important things to me are if I always keep enthusiasm and love for my child in my mind, I could put any efforts into my kids and me. Children can do everything! They can be anything! I want to be a teacher who can change the world by children!