**My success learning English**

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If I were born in another country like the U.S. or U.K. ,I might be writing korean essay now. Learning another language is kind of fantastic challenge to me.

Not only speaking English but also knowing another cultures made my life abundant, where as my daily life was getting busy and curious. I thought the best way of improving English again and again. It was hard to have over intermediate level of English. But I had no choice but to move forward. So I would like to have the time that I experienced matters in all expects.

“How do you pronounce the word ‘train’?” That was my English teacher’s first question in the first English class when I was in the middle school student.

Some students prounced wrong and teacher asked it again. So I answered the question correctly. I could prounce the word because I had already listened the

lesson before I attended the class. I was proud of my self. But the teacher did not praise me at all for my pronunciation. After the class, English was not interesting to me any more. Her class was boring and she always read text books or dialogues and kept us repeating. The teacher even let us memorize many vocabularies during 50minutes. I know that knowing a lot of words helps me improve my knowledge of English. But that situation made me frustrated.

According to this fact, her class was a traditional class which used only a text book and testing, a lot of homeworks. Her teaching style was kind of Explainer. It was quick,productive and easy to understand. But it was boring and no feedback.

Teacher talked almost always. This was 24years ago. Teaching method was getting changed as if I grew up.

Compare to the past, teachers more concerned about communication with students. Not only do they try to understand learner’s differences but also they are inclined to teach by using student’s multiple intelligences. According to a survey about learning style, I belong to Auditory Modality. That kinds of students have usually sense of hearing. Therefore they can learn the best by hearing things. So Videos and audio recordings are great ways for this type of learner to learn. These teaching methods remind me of my second English teacher who always stimulated me to study hard. He let us read out loud and repeat things back to him. And he said that we can learn from other students reading out loud. So during class we always spoke out loud. When I joined his class for the first time, I was in shock about his active teaching methods. But I was getting used to studing in that class. Because, I was kind of interpersonal student. I liked to think and processes by relating,cooperating and communicating with others.So his class helped me improve my English. As a teacher he was Involver. He asked many questions and knowed subject matters well. Also he wanted students to participate in class actively. That is why I regarded him as one of my respectable teacher. But about two years later I realized that there is one negative thing. Each student was not getting enough time to speak English. At that time I thought that I wanted to be surrounded by native speakers or someone who can talk everything in English as well. Because I was really eager to learn speaking English.

fast. I also wanted enabler teacher who can made me build confidence,good relationship. I think this facts told me that I wanted second language acquisition instead of learning. So I joined another language school.

Fortunately my first native teacher created an atmosphere of English zone. So we could communicate with classmates naturally just as in the way children pick up their own first language. The teacher provided motivation and give me positive feedback to encourage my ability.

In Conclusion, I firmly believe that I improved speaking my English much fast while I communicated with my classmates and native teacher during class. He had me study in students-centered class that helps my retention and let me be exposed to the natural situations by mingling with classmates. In particular, when I got significantly more pratice opportunities to speak with korean classmates who are beyond my level of competency, I could feel satisfied.

All things considered, I will keep studing English in a positive way to reach my goal as if I learned from excellent teacher.