**Kate's past & future**

"“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

― Nelson Mandela

In 2002~2007,I taugt children (age of 5-13) at piano academy and as a private tutor.Every student liked me.I think that came from my good character (kindness, understading),teaching style and doing the right thing as a teacher.I taught the piano lesson to all the students tenderly and I really tried to make them comfotable,always thought about that how I can teach piano efficiently,puting students a problem of just right level what they had to know.All young learners liked lots of visuals of creative activity.When I had to teach music theory, I used colorful creative visuals.For example,I put a sticker each syllable names colorfully,So children easily understood and liked the creative activities.Come to think it,I was a explainer because I had tons of commentary.I focused on that how I could convey the music knowledge to my students.In 2011 to 2012,I've helped my nephew with his English homework.When they he was more younger(age 4~6),he had no patience.That was really hard to me.when I said "Wait..wait your turn" but he already did what he wanted in the way of his own.From the experiences I've felt chidlren are not like adults.There weredifferences between adults and children.Yes.Looking back,,young learners had no patience.They could't put themselves in someone else's shoes.They relied on others.(They trust teacher and follow.)They needed to be led.They needed a lot of visuals of creative activity.(colorful syllable names )They need to develope their motor skills.(They longed for earning new theory,music.)Their attention -span was very short.(Age 5,6) young learners were really hard pressed about the lesson time(50minites) not like adults.They wanted to go around the hall.Not like this,

Adults are goal-oriented.They have life experiences and knowledge.They are relevancy-oriented.They need to be shown respect.They are autonomous and self-directed.(This theory is in the module2).When I was 7years old,I had a very warm teacher and she always gave me a smile. Her behavior made me feel comportable and relaxed.When I was a 2nd grader ,teacher(A) was a involver.She made students

stuck on the class,because her voice sound had high/low tone, this made students concentrate on her lesson and she always tried to think about students first.

Everything was set for students not for teacher.When I was a 5th grader teacher (B) was a enabler.She instructed many things so students were able to learn many things.She gave her students homeworks and always explained detailedly and clearly.That made students were able to do lots of things.When I was 13years old,

That was my last grade.My teacher(H) was very energetic and encouraged students by giving us some creative homeworks.There is one thing I remember.That was choreographing with hula hoop by teams.After she noticed homework , I organized a team and undertooked leadership positions by my team.We could give full play to ours imaginations then we shared that ideas each other and finally we finished our homework.Come to think of it, now I realized why my teacher gave us that kind of homework.From that process, we learned the spirit of team work, enhanced ours creativity.Her way of teaching was creative and also fun.She was the Involver also Explainer,because when she listen to students presentation she always gave us a detailed explanation.Her lectures was wonderful because there was so many visuals,commentary,so students could easily understood and learnded many knowledge.I think that teaching is the moments that inspire and motivate teachers.I got happy energy from chidlren.They showed me unexpected, amazing jobs.They laughed with an innocent smile.It was touching.That made me to be a better teacher, I've studied about effective teaching style and I've made a constant effort.This week I learned tips,how to motivate children from the Module2. It says,Keep yourself motivated.Be an individual,Encourage,Play games,Get their hands dirty, literrally and figuratively,Get them moving,vary the pace,Have fun and be silly,Make your students active learners.Here is myphilosophy."Teaching children pleasantly with love."

Here in Korea, There are many English Academy for young learners.But most of them it has a form of cramming method of teaching. That's because koera has a short history about English YL. So they are teaching English YL like adults without understanding of YL.Their program that just based on the book, there is few physical time,lots of test,too much homework of memorizing English words for the test.I think that kind of teaching style makes children get stressed and sick, cause a maladjusted children,having mental illness,bringing about violent children.It's really a serious problem. I'll teach my children within understanding of child development. A preschool child have got a lot of potential.With an understanding of Gardner's theory of multiple intelligences, teachers, school administrators, and parents can better understand the learners in their midst. They can allow students to safely explore and learn in many ways, and they can help students direct their own learning. Adults can help students understand and appreciate their strengths, and identify real-world activities that will stimulate more learning.(not from only books at the desk).I 'll help them to achieve theirs goals,so I'll make a joyful and meaningful class.There'll be lots of and creative program. (cook, gym, science, music,drama, art&craft) from these programs children can be exposed English naturally and merrily and also can improve their multiple intelligences.I learned what is important factor to be a great teacher from Tesol course.My great teachers had that characteristics.(like module1)They set high expectation for all students.They were patient.They were friendly,but professional.They were enthusiastic about knowledge and conveyed to kids.I admire all my kindergaten and elementry school teachers,because they were real involvers.From this experiences I think I'll teach my children like what my teachers have done to me."Teacher is a peron who leeds students to a better world."

This is my definition the word of "teacher"I really want to be a great English teacher.