My Experience Learning English

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These days, there are many English classes in Korea. I have learned English for over 20 years. At that time, I met two different types of teachers and they taught to me by totally different types of methods.

My first teacher type was an explainer. I learned English at preschool for the first time. The first step, I memorized the alphabet and word and kept going with this method until I entered middle school. It made me far away from English. The final goal I learned English is only to get into great college.

This teaching method was not an effective way for me. I was bored with English class because I didn’t realize why I was learning English. Even though, the teacher ordered the direction as follows; read, interpret and memorize the word, but I forget most of the things. Also, I didn’t know how to use the English I learned. I kept going this way for 6 months because I didn’t know how to study English by another way.

The most important thing is why I should learn English. In my case, I should communicate in English at the office. Sometimes, I catch a call instead of my director and I attend the meeting and discuss with buyer from another country. Even though I learned English for almost 20 years, I can’t communicate easily in English. It was a shock and chance to study English again.

My second teacher type was an involver.

It was an opportunity that I feel interested in English after watching a soap opera. They had a different life style and culture. It was so interesting to me. I really wanted to know how to communicate with Americans. But I still memorized every sentence. And then, I forget most of things a few days later. I realized that this method was definitely wrong. That’s the reason I found at the English language institute what I wanted to learn by a real method.

At this time, the method changed for me. I had attended English class every morning before I went to the office. I made a plan; I’m not nervous when I meet an American.

I choose the class for learning about English by soap opera. Teacher showed a scene several times first. And then, the teacher made a situation as a scene in a soap opera. I can use a sentence easily through making the scene.

I learned English this way. Also, I leaned a word and a grammar from lines. It was great method for me. After 6 months the teacher recommended me to take a trip to America. I accepted his recommendation and I went on a trip to America for a month. It was a chance that I tested my skill for myself. Experience was great method to learn English.

A lot of students are not satisfied with the English learning system in Korea. I also agree with them. I’m sure it is not a helpful method to explain and memorize. According to the survey, it’s a verified fact that many children are not directly involved in the conversation class by a method of only explanation and memorization.

I’m trying to be an English teacher; I will let them know why they learn English first. For the next step, I will let them know why they need to learn English. I will prepare an article, music and picture etc. whatever they interested in. they will accept English as more friendly using visual data.

I want to be teacher like him, an involver type using an exciting subject. I know most students are concentrating only when they feel that something is interesting. Students can learn English by playing. Meanwhile, they realize how to explain and use a sentence in play. Through this method, they can do both; learn and play.