**How great the teacher can affect to the students!!**

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I have a memory about the first love. Now, I can say that it was more admiration than love. He was the senior year math teacher, Jeawoo Jang called 100 meter-handsome, in the middle school. He was young, single, tall, slim and wearing big glasses covered his ugly eyes, so he looked handsome in a distance. Most of schoolmates liked him, good-looking and humorous teacher.

I wanted him to recognize me than any other girls so I had studied math more. On the math test, I got 3 times 100 scores out of 100 straightly. After the third test, he asked who Mi Hyung Jung was in the class. Back then, I had an early leave because of catching a cold. When I heard the news from my classmates I was so happy and boasting. After then, I became an after school math tutor of my class. There is another story. I had studied very hard to ask him some questions but the true test was to go near him. I had solved all the question sheets but I couldn't find any questions not to be able to solve the answers. However, I got a question which didn't have the right answer because the question itself was wrong. With a curious face, I approached him and said,

"Teacher, I cannot find the right answer of this question. Can you help me?"

He welcomed me and started to solve the question. But he hesitated to find the answer during I was just staring him thoroughly. Later he found the question itself was wrong. Even if it was to show myself up to him, I had to study hard.

Thinking back to the past, the way he taught was not that special. He used humorous stories in the beginning of the class but kept going on the lecture. He was an explainer and his class was traditional. Still, he was young, he was passionate. However, how could I involve myself the subject, math so deeply? The teacher himself becomes a motivation to be able to study hard. When I reached the point that I'm not that good looking and young enough for kids and youth, I questioned myself on becoming a good teacher.

Kathleen Stephens was the United States ambassador to South Korea from 2008 to 2011. She was a Peace Corps volunteer in South Korea's Yesan, Southern Chungcheong-do from 1975 to 1977; it was then that she was given her Korean name Shim Eungyeong. As soon as Stephens arrived to South Korea as the United States ambassador, she visited Yesan Middle School where she had taught as a Peace Corps volunteer 33 years ago.

"Yesan is where I learned the qualities I needed to be a diplomat," said Stephens. "I had warm-hearted colleagues who were out there for me, and students who studied hard despite many difficulties. I learned how to endure hardships and convince others, which is essential for a diplomat."

I think she must be a good teacher. She had learned how to communicate with the students not only Korean but the cultural mind set of Korean. Her enthusiasm as a teacher is based on to be a diplomat. Moreover, she has made a model to many students who are dreaming a diplomat.

Becoming a good teacher is having passion and developing and controlling oneself to give students motivation. As a teacher, to be able to affect someone else needs responsibility. Still, how great becoming a teacher is!