My Dream as a Teacher of Young English Learners

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When I close my eyes, I picture myself in a school, teaching lovely students who are aged 5-7 years old. These students are bright and cheerful and are always full of curiosity. They have their own uniqueness which makes my class embrace diversity and respect each other. As a teacher, I help them become active, challenge themselves, and become kind, respectful adults. I serve as a resource to the students and am an inspiration to them. I am open to them and they are open to me so we affect positively each other. I have a great impact on the students. I truly love the students and the class is full of energy and enthusiasm.

A goal I have in my life is to be a teacher with empathy, authenticity and respect. I think a full understanding of the students is essential. I want to feel and understand what the students feel so that I can be always ready to help them. I also want to put 100% of my effort to teaching them. My own approach to nurture the development of the students will be effective. Since all the students are valuable and they deserve to be well-treated, respecting and believing in the students should be necessarily accompanied. I will show respect and give attention to every single student equally. Consequently, I believe I can be a successful teacher for them!

For the students who are learning English as a second language, I think the most important thing to be considered in the English class is how much the students enjoy English and how we can make them keep interested in English. When you find something interesting or attractive, you are willing to do it and share your interest with others. I have been interested in English since I was young and I felt satisfied and proud as getting better. I met very nice teachers and they all made me try my best. My teachers definitely inspired me to challenge and think positively. I liked to read English books and share the stories with my friends and teachers and have fun activities, sing English songs, and watch English movies. All the experiences I’ve had since young made me have a good impression of English. I want to share what I felt with the students I will teach in the future. I think the students will enjoy English as much as I did! I believe when the teacher is having fun teaching, the students will show their interest in learning. Interest makes them motivated. I want to give the students motivation which is one of the key factors in successful English education. Motivation will make them have fun in English and keep up the good work!

There will be various types of students I will meet and I want to approach in multiple ways so everybody can show their competence. Some might have verbal-linguistic intelligence; others might have bodily-kinesthetic intelligence. I will watch them closely and apply different strategies when teaching them. I want the students to feel comfortable when they learn new things. If they learn by the way that fits them, it would be more effective and self-directed. Therefore, student-centered learning will be possible. I don’t just want to give them a lecture or follow the directions planned by a teacher. I want them to do by themselves. I want them to think and act by themselves. They have great potential and what I think my job is to elicit their potential in an anxiety-free environment. I think it is very important to create a relaxed environment because we can learn something naturally only with no anxiety. I want to encourage the students and help them focus on their own ability to make them think they can do anything they desire! I want to make sure that the students can make their own choices and play a leading role of their own. I will support them and provide guidance when they need.

To understand fully and be aware of the steps of the development of young learners seem difficult but I want to work hard and be an influential teacher in the future. I think just obtaining knowledge is not enough to become a great teacher. The mindset towards teaching approaches and the students is much more important than having knowledge. Teachers should have passion, willingness, and consideration. If the teachers want to do it, the students will definitely like it. I believe the students feel exactly the same way with their teachers. When the teachers are happy and satisfied, so are the students. However, depressed and negative teachers can’t help making their students uninterested or unenthusiastic. I think motivation derives from positive energy so I will boost my positive energy to make the students to learn effectively. Also, I want to make the students choose and plan by themselves, thereby being an active learner. Creating a comfortable environment and encouraging the students to learn naturally are my goals as well.

My final goal is to have my own school where anybody who wants to learn and experience something new can join! The students will have positive mind and not be afraid of taking risks. They will love to be at school and enjoy what they learn. The students and the teachers will be communicative. They can not only study in class but also go out to see the world. They will be wondrous about the future they will face. They will grow as a team and influence one another and cooperate and share what they experience. With their personal insights, they will handle whatever comes to them and achieve success in the end. I, as a teacher, will be there for them and be the best supporter. I hope my school is full of opportunity and challenges. I will help them reach their full potential as they learn. I believe the students grow into respectful adults and be confident whatever they do. I hope to make my dream as a teacher of young English learners come true in ten years.