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THE MANAGEMENT OF CLASSROOM ISSUE

Once you make a decision, the universe conspires to make it happen.

* Emerson, Ralph Waldo -

Students have own their goal, teachers have own their goal as well. If so, what is the goal of teachers? I suppose it is leading students to their goals. Then, what is easy way teachers to achieve their goal? Maybe it is how well they manage their classroom and deal with their students.

I had studied English at Wall Street Institute (hereafter “WSI”), WSI has an English only policy. When I started to study there I wasn’t able to speak English at all, so I asked others by using Korean. The staffs of WSI just told me not to speak Korean and how helpful speaking English was. I gradually shut up my mouth. One day, one staff of WSI told me she really wanted to help me to improve my English. I promised her that I would tell her one English sentence every time I got there. I didn’t want to disappoint her, so I started to speak English from the simple sentences. Whenever I look back at that time, I think how well she dealt with me.

The places which have the English only policy usually do nothing for us anything practical but keep telling us to speak English. It would be a good way to let them follow it voluntarily. However, some people have problems like feeling it awkward, being shy or worrying what if they’re wrong. So, the first thing they have to do is making them feel comfortable. I suppose the teachers could make English sentences very kindly when students said Korean, make them repeat that sentences, and encourage them that they are doing well. Or could use the same method the staff of WSI did. Don’t push them hard. Think about that who wouldn’t want to speak English if people who enrolled in that kind of place.

The tardiness is very much habit. The person who is late once is always late. There is no reason being late. The traffic jam can’t be a reason. Should hurry if you were late once because of traffic jam. Therefore, it must be corrected not only as a student but also as one human being. I suggest different ways to correct their tardiness as how much time they are late. First, wait for them if they are late less 5 minutes. In this case, teachers have to say to them whole class has waited for them. Most people would hurry when they know they can make others be waited. Second, give them a brief which it was already lectured if they are late less 10 minutes. Then, let them know this is being repeated only for them. Most people would stop doing the same thing when they know they give others loss. Lastly, keep a policy which can’t raise their class level if they have more than 7 or 8 times tardiness over 10 minutes late. People who learn second language want to go on next level. In this case, let them know their tardiness keeps them being lower level ever. In absences’ case, treat them very strictly if they don’t have reasons. Keep a policy which can’t raise their class level if they have more 3 times absences. Use their hope to go on next level.

There’s one way to help students to do homework or assignments. That’s giving them a very sincere review even if they didn’t sincerely do. It’s required that teacher don’t care students finish it or not. Above all, let students know the most important thing is submission. Human beings are moved when they are treated very heartily. I’m sure that students would be changed. Another way to help students would be giving them simple samples, so make them feel that homework or assignments are easy. In presentation’s case, there’s one way to give students a list of the order of people who present by date and turns at the same day. People who don’t present in class might think that everything would finish if time’s up. So, tell them that they must do, and let them know their turns. Students will prepare for theirs, because they know their turn is coming.

If teachers really want students to be any better, teachers need to develop their own technics to manage classroom and deal with their students. Take thought for the better way to help students, there’s always ways.

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