**My English Learning Experience**

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I have studied English for about 15 years. Actually I think I am a special case of as a learning English person. I was born in California and I grew up in US until I am 5. After I came back to Korea, I forgot whole of English because I was too young. But I continued to study English after I started elementary school.

When I first started English, it was difficult to understand the language of another country. But I kept trying and practiced. In my age of elementary school, most of people didn’t studied English as much as now. But I had a plan to go back to US for my school works, so I think I did my best to do for English. As I said so, I go back to US when I was 13, and I graduated Jr. high school.

I was in city of Utah. In that city, there was nearly Asians at all. I had a hard time to communicate, making friends, homesick, missing Korean food, missing my old friends………..

But I know that I had to get over this. I never give up, and I tried to talk a lot in school, and if I had any questions I tried not to hesitate and ask them what to do. At least I think it was not a failure experienced.

After that, I came back to Korea, and I graduated high school, and college. My major was hotel management, so I wanted to learn and experience the hotel, and their lives at Las Vegas.

For this reason I lived in Vegas about a year. And I recognized it is different between studying abroad before my childhood and after my childhood.

Before my childhood, I only can do studying and nothing. I can’t go out by myself, I need my parent’s permit. But after childhood, I can do anything by myself, but I know there’s responsibility after my behavior. In Vegas, I experienced a lot thing. How to having deep relationship with foreign people, their culture, what they are thinking about….

I think I had a really good time for also my English skill as my life. If I couldn’t understand what was going on the class, I asked teacher and friends. I never forgot to review after I wrote it down. I was not tried to memorize, I practiced to understand and use English on real life. It was no easy on first time, but it became used to it.

Learning a second language is difficult to everyone. I think this is the reason it’s more meaningful work to do. The more I study, the more interested I become. Sometimes I read a book in English after in Korean. This way is good way to understand the whole story. Like this, I am not going to stop the study of English and I will study until I can. One more thing I like children so I want to teach them what I know. This is final goal to me, and I will do my best.