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**WHY I AM DOING TESOL?**

What is the meaning of TESOL? Dictionary says TESOL is ‘Teaching English to speakers of other languages’ however what meant TESOL to me? Also what can I get after learning? When I tried to learn TESOL at the first time I didn’t think about that exactly therefore I’m going to consider about TESOL to me

First of all I can improve my English skill. Because it would be hard to get chance to talk with someone in English in Korea. Actually I didn’t expect that I would speak English much during the class but all of students could have chance to speak English. It was impressive and good.

Secondly I would like to be English teacher. Basically English teacher should be good at English furthermore English teacher must know many kind of teaching method, linguistic technique and knowledge but everyone can be English teacher nevertheless speaking English very well.

Additionally it was totally different teaching method between old and new. I learned English like the old way. Almost Korean is afraid speaking English because they learned English without speaking practice. We just heard and memorize from textbook and studying for examination. In fact it could be work for some of subject like a History but it doesn’t make sense for language. Honestly I didn’t like English before so I started study Japanese instead of English because in that time I had interesting about lots of Japanese culture and the broadcast contents so naturally I watched many kind of drama, movies, variety shows and animations then after 2years surprisingly I could understand drama without subtitles! However I couldn’t speak Japanese very well. It was obvious thing, because I just studied reading, writing, listening without speaking. After then I tried to make a Japanese friend through on internet who lives in Korea then finally I could speak Japanese fluently. For this case I realized something, there is no shortcut to the mastery of languages. We need to have interesting and try to speaking practice very many times.

As a whole I can figure out how to teaching English if I could be English teacher in the future. The most important thing is to create excitement to students and make them participate in the class. However I don’t know how to teach like that that’s why I have to learn TESOL. I attended the TESOL class just one week but I think I learned many things it was quite different with my common sense about teaching. For example I thought that teacher is supposed to answer about students question exactly but it was different. To be a good teacher help them and make them find answer themselves. I would learn many kind of knowledge about teaching therefore I’m very exciting to learn TESOL.