MELLE

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Well, what should I say at first!

Let’s start with myself! I’m Ga hye Chae. I’m also called Melle. It’s my nickname. I live in Hagye, the north-eastern part of Seoul. I live with my family.

I just graduated from my university last year. I studied at HUFS, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies. My major was French and European Union.

Until now, I worked as a singer, a performer, and an English teacher. I acted in a performance named ‘Kaboom’ for a year. And last week, I started teaching English as a part-time job. It’s the first time I teach something to lots of people. I work on Tuesday afternoon, Thursday afternoon, Friday afternoon, and sometimes Saturday afternoon.

I love HIPHOP. I enjoy making a rap in my free time. I also love writing. I post on my blog sometimes, and I write the lyrics for a song. I love dancing, traveling, eating, and watching movies. I love drinking a cup of coffee and reading a book in a café. Actually that’s one of my favorite hobbies! Sleeping is one of them too! I am a passionate youth, and I have lots of things to want to do!

Now, It’s time to talk about my experience of learning English and the reason why I’m doing TESOL. I have loved studying English since I was a young child. I enjoy studying a foreign language. I am quite good at learning it. When I was 15, I entered SFLHS, Seoul Foreign Language High School. And I chose English as my first major. German and Japanese were the second and the third one. I kept studying English as a second major in my university.

I have always been confident of grammar and reading. However, speaking has been the hardest part for me. Even if I had some opportunities to practice my speaking like the time when I stayed in Montreal for 5 months or the time when I took the English-speaking lectures in high school or university, I need more fluency. Fluency in English is also required for my job because I am teaching English to students in the academy since last week. So I decide to do TESOL to improve my speaking. The improvement of speaking is the most important purpose of taking this course for me.

The second reason why I’m doing TESOL is for being a better English teacher. I have never received any professional education of teaching, especially English-teaching. So TESOL would be a great help for me. It could help me to think and find out how to be a ‘good’ teacher for my students. I learned lots of things already in my first week of TESOL. In addition, the certification of TESOL is an important reason for sure. It’s certain that the certification would be very helpful as a professional English teacher or in raising my salary.

Last, I do TESOL for my pleasure. I’m really having fun in doing it. The class is really enjoyable so I could not take my eyes off for a moment. It’s hard for me to wake up early in the morning because I used to sleep by noon just a week ago. But I really love the class!