## My second language experience.

Jung yeseul (Nancy)
TESOL 116th

What do you think about the most important teacher's qualification? Teaching skills, responsibility, neutrality, preparation for a class and use of teaching materials and so on. There are many kinds, however, I think the most important qualification is to give motivation to students. Second, teaching skills that are suitable for each student. Lastly, enthusiasm. I'd like to talk about my experience of learning chinese as a second language.

The experience that I learned about chinese. When I was in high school. My chinese teacher was the best I've ever met. The reason why she was the best teacher to me is that she continuously motivated to students in class and gave up none of them. It was an student-centered class. Even though students made mistakes, she kept praising and encouraging them to follow class. Therefore, students could speak their opinion without any worries. In the class, There was a student who hated studying chinese characters. He was losing interest in chinese due to the complicated letters. Teacher was introducing the chinese movie "Unspeakable Secret". It was a romantic movie. That is, she noticed students interest. Finally, She made the student interested in chinese. Because the student was so into the actress in that movie. Teacher always tried to induce our interest. She was so enthusiastic in the class. Therefore, she used many teaching materials. Such as visual materials, realia and authentic materials. She was both an involver and enabler.

On the other hand, The chinese teacher I met at colleage was not a good teacher. He did not care if students were interested in studying chinese or not. He did not try to encourage them to study but focused only on teaching grammar. It was a teacher-centered class typically. Teacher's teaching style was strict. He gave too many assignments every class. It was hard to finish. When I did not finish assignment, he scolded at me in front of my classmates. It was a terrible still in my memory. Besides, He did not communicate much with students and like to recieve questions about the lesson as well. If I did not understand about the lesson, I had to ask my friends. Furthermore, he did not use a variety of teaching materials. He used only text book. It was hard to find interesting. When he wrote on chalkboard, I used to note-taking. Classroom atmosphere was very silent. There was no vitality. Although I like learning chinese, I was out of enthusiasm at that time. As a teacher, he seemed to me that he was just an explainer without care for his students.

In my opinion, Being a good explainer is not a good teacher. A good teacher should understand students' interest. As well as, Teacher should use the materials properly. For instance, visual learners feel interest in videos and drawing. To verbal students, rollpaly and storytelling will be effective. To figure out the student type of learning is important with enthusiasm. In addition, A great teacher should have the ability of giving motivation to students who have lack of interest in what they study. Thus, As a teacher, I'd like to be a good motivator who can drag students' potential from their inside.

Word count: 546