THE PROMINENCE OF LEARNING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

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Language is an essential mode of communication. It is difficult to imagine a society not having a language to use for conversation. It strengthens people's minds while also guiding and controlling their entire course of life. It transports culture and civilization. In connection with the use of the mother tongue, the children learn it quickly because of the favorable environment and extensive exposure to the language. However, learning the English language requires a conscious learning program. In this case, exposure to the English language must be innovative. Most students preferred the classroom learning experience for second language acquisition. Behavior, self-esteem, motivation, length of time being exposed to the language, classroom setting, learning environment, background of the family, and the allocation of qualified educators are all factors that Most influence the learning of the English language. students preferred the classroom learning experience for second language acquisition. Behavior, self-esteem, motivation, length of time being exposed to the language, classroom setting, learning environment, background of the family, and the allocation of qualified educators are all factors that influence the learning of the English language. Other learning areas are built on the English language. It is viewed as a powerful tool that enables effective communication. It is a language that can be found in any field. Given the significance of the English language, it is vital to engage learners in learning the language.

Language is a flexible way of communicating with others. It can help to communicate human needs. Using language, people can express almost everything, including emotions, political beliefs, relations, disputes, and ideas. English, as one of the



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world's languages, is regarded and used as an international language. Since then, it has grown in popularity and is spoken and learned by nearly everyone on the planet. There are several reasons why English is valuable, and many people strive to learn it. For instance, looking for a job, traveling, working with others, conducting business, taking exams, and conducting research. It is used to communicate with everyone worldwide. It has always been a special interest to be learned by most people. It is due to the importance of English in all aspects of our lives.

Learning English can enhance one's life experiences. Listening, speaking, reading, and writing in English are all complex brain activities. According to linguistics expert Stephen Krashen, learning a second language can be done in two ways: "acquire" it, learning the language through consistent exposure to hearing the language from birth; or "learn" it, by studying the language's rules, structural features, and vocabulary. There are students who learn a new language faster than other learners. This is a well-known fact to all who have learned the English language in school. Some language learners achieve success through hard work, determination, and perseverance. The English language is required for globalization, so it is included in the standard curriculum. This language is generally taught to equip students with language skills. When students learn the English language, their reactions vary, owing to the fact that it differs from their native language in some ways.

Some students can cope well with the language, while others require more time to learn it. Because of the interdependence of various countries as a result of globalization, learning a foreign language is now considered a requirement. The process of learning English is not the same as the process of learning a first language.

In the age of globalization, the English language is pivotal to a country's development. It is the most commonly used language in global businesses. To connect on a global scale, everyone must learn the language. It is the primary language of both printed and non-printed media, with more newspapers and books using English than in

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any other language. Even in countries where English is not the first language, English is fundamental in the education sector. It is the most widely used language in science, technology, and mathematics. The majority of scientific research and studies are written in English. The importance of English as the global community's lingua franca has become significant for developing and developed nations.

English is taught at the primary, secondary, and tertiary levels. Because English is a widely used and recognized language in every country, it is the role of educational institutions to teach individuals the competencies of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in English. Because it is challenging to compete globally without established English proficiency skills, English is regarded as a credential people should obtain rather than a foreign language to be learned. The state of English proficiency in the Philippines can be reflected in English language teaching and learning. Developing a certain level of English proficiency has been highlighted in countless papers and reports all over the world.

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