

## YOUR VOICE IS MY COMMAND: EMPOWERING LEARNERS IN THE CLASSROOM

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The educational phrase ‘Your Voice is My Command’ is quite useful. It encompasses a teaching strategy that focuses on the learners’ contributions, appreciates their original perspectives, and incorporates them into the teaching and learning process.

Learners stubbed up and were motivated to take charge of their learning process. They were excited to know that their input would be welcomed, respected, and implemented as well. Teachers can also develop mutual trust with their learners by practicing active listening whenever learners feel that their input matters, they tend to put more effort into their tasks, increasing their level of motivation and confidence at the same time. Having the perception of “Your Voice is My Command” also works best for the learners as they are confident that their ideas will be respected and therefore encourages them to take on an active role. This perspective also fosters critical thinking as learners are allowed to express their ideas and thereby enhance their analytical and expressive capabilities. More importantly, when their ideas and opinions are acknowledged, learners feel that they are emotionally secure which in turn improves their overall learning experience.

In contrast, the will of learners will change from being passive participants to active ones when they have teachers that promote the salutation “Your Voice is My Command.” This method enhances the development of competencies such as communication, collaboration and self-advocate making the students suited for not only academic achievement but to the outside world as well.

Then again, the second most important voice in the classroom after the teacher is the voice of the learner.

Furthermore, incorporating the “Your Voice Is My Command” in a classroom is not simply a method of having fun learning classroom management and order but rather, goodbye to self-concern and welcome respect, and inclusion of all ideas into the teaching-learning process. Teachers can foster a learning space in which every learner succeeds because as the saying goes, education is most meaningful when it is being shared.

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