

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of Study

Learning English is very important because English is an international language. As I read in “Why is English the International Language?”, the domination of the English language globally is indisputable. English is the language of diplomacy and international communication. (par.1). That is why, I want to improve my English skills. I choose teaching at Creative Learning because I can practice my English skills by teaching. Moreover, I want to learn more about practical English in teaching.

When I did an internship at Creative Learning, my task was as a teacher assistant. I helped the teacher in teaching English and after a few weeks, I was given some chances to teach. I was nervous at my first teaching session, but after a few days I got confidence in teaching.

Working as teacher was not easy because I often found a problem that some pupils between 3–5 years old did not want to participate in English class activities. This problem is important to be analyzed because I want to optimize the teaching–learning activities.

In this term paper, I would like to focus on the problem I often faced during my internship. I also propose to find the best solution of the problem. I hope that I can improve my skill in teaching and I also hope this term paper will be useful for everyone who reads my term paper.

B. Identification of the Problem

Based on my experience during my internship program as a teacher assistant at Creative Learning I would like to analyze:

1. Why were some pupils unwilling to participate in English class activities?
2. How did the problem influence my performance as an assistant teacher?
3. How should the teacher make the pupils become active in English class activities?

C. Objectives and Benefits

The objective of my study is to analyze why some pupils do not participate in English class activities. Afterwards, I will find out the best solutions of the problem.

The benefit that I can get from this study is I will know how to overcome this problem. Besides, I can have a new insight for my future job as a teacher.

The benefit for the institution from this term paper is the institution can get more inputs about teaching techniques in handling this problem.

D. Description of the Institution

In 2004, Creative Learning was established in Setra Sari Plaza A/2. The owner is Mr. Setiabudy. At that moment, the English teachers are Ms. Leoni, Ms Lean, Mr. Niko and Ms. Eldia. Creative Learning is not only established to provide English learning programs but also to improve children's intelligence, emotion and creativity.

Creative Learning is a non-formal education where the program is to give English language education as a second language to

young learners. Besides English education, they have other programs, such as CalisMath, K-math, and Pre-K.

Creative Learning provides a waiting room which has the Internet access and some toys. In addition, there is a small library with a collection of reading books for children. Pupils can stay in the waiting room or library while waiting for the class or waiting to be picked up after the class.

E. Method of the Study

There are several ways in gathering data for my term paper. I collected them from my observation during my internship and my daily journal that I wrote during my internship. I did library research and browsed the Internet to find the theories to support my term paper.

F. Limitation of the study

I limit my analysis in this paper is the difficulty in handling 2–3 pupils whose ages are between 3–5 years old who do not participate in Creative Learning class activities. The class is held from Monday until Saturday. I did my internship from January 27th 2011 until February 27th 2011.

G. Organization of the term Paper

I divide my term paper into four chapters. Chapter I is Introduction. In this chapter, I will include Background of the Study, Identification of the Problem, Objectives and Benefits of the Study, Description of the Institution, Method of the Study, Limitation of the Study, and Organization of the Term Paper. Chapter II is Problem Analysis. In this Chapter, I will analyze the problem, the causes and the effects of the problem. Chapter III is Potential Solution that will explain several potential solutions to solve the problem. Chapter IV is Conclusion. In this part, I will propose the best solution of the problem. In the last part of my term paper, there is Bibliography, containing a list of references and an appendix.

