

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

These days, a lot of behaviour problems happen to students. One of them is lack of motivation to learn in the classroom. It is a common behaviour problem that happens when a student does not have enough motivation to learn in the classroom. This term paper will be focused on the discussion and the analysis of this problem.

Dörnyei states that “motivation is effort, desire, and attitude towards learning” (Dörnyei 50). Then, lack of motivation can be a serious problem because not having enough motivation can inhibit the student’s learning process. Therefore, it will result in poor performance in learning. That is why it is important to discuss and analyze this problem critically and systematically so the right potential solution can be found to solve this problem.

Considering that I like teaching children, I used the opportunity of the apprenticeship programme to teach English at Kids 2 Success. The most serious problem that I found in the class was a student’s lack of motivation to learn. The student’s lack of motivation makes him become unable to finish his task, unable to participate in learning activities, and disturbs

other students with his unmotivated behaviour, such as bothering his friend, making jokes or conversations when he was supposed to do his exercise, etc. Therefore, it encourages me to observe and analyze the student's lack of motivation in order to find the right solution to solve it.

B. Identification of the Problem

The problem that I am going to analyze is described in these questions:

1. What are the causes and the effects of the lack of motivation to learn in the classroom?
2. What ways can potentially solve this problem?
3. What is the best way to overcome the student's lack of motivation to learn in the classroom?

C. Objectives and the Benefits of the Study

The objectives of this term paper are:

1. To find the causes and the effects of the lack of motivation to learn in the classroom.
2. To find the potential solutions to solve the student's lack of motivation to learn in the classroom.
3. To find the most practical and effective solution to overcome the student's lack of motivation to learn in the classroom.

For the institution where I did my observation, the benefit of this term paper is to help them to be aware of the lack of motivation that happens

among their students. This term paper will give ideas to choose which solutions to apply in order to solve this problem.

For the readers, the benefit of the whole discussion in this term paper is to give them some information concerning the lack of motivation in learning, so that they will know how serious this problem is and how much it needs to be solved. This term paper will also help them to prevent the possible causes and the effects of this problem; furthermore, it can help them to know that there are potential solutions to overcome this problem.

As for me, the benefit of writing this term paper is to help me realizing how this behaviour problem needs to be solved. This term paper also helps me to acknowledge how much motivation can influence a student's learning; therefore, I can find a way to prevent this problem from happening to myself and to other people around me in the future.

D. Description of the Institution

Creative Learning was built in June 2005 at 55th Taman Kopo Indah II, Bandung. This institution is operating in education for children at age two and more. After this institution had been well-known, a branch is opened at Setrasari Plaza A/2, Bandung.

The name of the whole institution is Creative Learning, but it is divided into two kinds of courses, which are Kids 2 Success and Calismath. Kids 2 Success is a one stop education centre where children can learn English; on the other hand, Calismath is a one stop education centre where children can learn reading, writing, and mathematics.

Kids 2 Success vision is to be the education centre that teaches English with new kinds of fun ways. Whereas Kids 2 Success mission is to make the students love learning English and making the learning process become fun activities. Until now, Kids 2 Success becomes more and more famous. It is proved by the new students that keep increasing from month to month.

E. Method of the Study

I did the observation about the lack of motivation in learning while I was teaching in Kids 2 Success during the apprenticeship period which started from July 2nd until August 20th 2008, at Creative Learning as the English teacher in Kids 2 Success. I wrote all the problems that I faced during the teaching and every daily activity in the classroom in the apprenticeship journal so that I could use it as my observation data. I took a library research and internet browsing to find the theories for this term paper.

F. Limitation of the Study

This whole discussion in this term paper will be focused on what happened in the classroom at Kids 2 Success where I taught English during the apprenticeship period. Moreover, the observation is focused on a student's lack of motivation to learn in the classroom at Kids 2 Success, who is a second grade at elementary school.

G. Organization of The Term Paper

Abstract contains a summary of the whole discussion in the term paper, which is typed in Indonesian. Declaration of Originality contains the writer's statement about the authenticity of the term paper. Chapter one, part A discusses the background of the study. Part B contains the identification of the problem. Part C contains the objectives and benefits of the study. Part D contains the description of the institution. Part E explains about the method of the study. Part F contains the limitation of the study. Part G contains the organization of the term paper. Chapter two analyzes the factors that cause the problem and their effects. It also contains the observation results of the situation of the problem and then theories which support the analysis of the problem. Chapter three discusses the potential solutions of the problem along with the positive and negative effects of the solutions while chapter four discusses the chosen solution to the problem and the relevant advices in the application of the solution. Bibliography contains the information about the publication of all the sources used in the term paper.