

An Analysis of the Importance of English Language and Literature to the Cultivation of Students' Language Ability

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Abstracts: As the most widely used language in the world, English has become a compulsory course for students. Since ancient times, most of the English teaching methods used by educators have been based on the traditional mode. The oral knowledge instillation type of teaching method ignores the cultivation of students' language ability, which has a negative impact on students' English learning. On the surface of practice, English language and literature plays an important role in promoting students' language ability. It can not only help students have a strong interest in English learning, but also improve their English learning ability. Based on the current situation of English teaching, this paper analyzes the importance of English language and literature to the cultivation of students' language ability for reference.

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1. Introduction

English language and literature, as an important category of literature, can help students understand the cultural connotations of various English speaking countries, expand their horizons of knowledge, and improve their enthusiasm for learning English. It can also help students understand the meaning behind the English language and have a deeper understanding of the English native language, rather than simply from book knowledge. The English book knowledge taught by teachers can only play a small role in the cultivation of students' language ability. Students cannot effectively communicate in English in real life. It has been proved that the formation of English language ability comes from the reading of language and literature, which can effectively help students use English flexibly.

2. The basic components of students' language ability

2.1 Basic knowledge

Every language needs the precipitation of basic knowledge in order to produce unexpected results in the follow-up learning, especially in English language learning. If students don't master English basic knowledge enough, they will not only have a sense of difficulty in English learning and lose interest in learning, but also affect their basic English communication ability, making the whole English learning ineffective. Generally speaking, English learning is inseparable from profound basic skills, which depends on the mastery of its constituent words and sentences. Morphology considers students' cognitive ability and application ability of vocabulary, while syntax considers students' ability to divide and understand sentence elements. Only by mastering the basic knowledge deeply can students learn English at a higher level and improve their comprehensive English ability.

2.2 Communication skills

After students have a certain grasp of basic English knowledge, they can have basic English communication.

In view of the fact that different English communication languages will change with the changes of communication situations, students should master the skills of different communication situations, so as to flexibly deal with different situations. It is difficult to learn communication skills. For example, the same words convey different meanings on different occasions or to different objects. In the same language situation, the same words may express different meanings when communicating with different objects. Some objects need to use euphemistic mood, while some objects may need to use straightforward mood. Therefore, students need to master communication skills in different contexts to further improve their language ability.

2.3 Rhetorical devices

Compared with a large number of vivid rhetorical devices in Chinese, English communication also needs to use certain rhetorical devices. The flexible use of rhetorical devices, on the one hand, makes the expression of sentence meaning more vivid and easy to understand, on the other hand, it can also make the sentence precise and shorten the distance between the object of communication. Generally speaking, the use of rhetorical devices in English language can express one's own thoughts and opinions more vividly, facilitate the other party's rapid understanding, and enhance one's own appeal, also attract the other party's interest in listening. It is not like the sense of estrangement in the standard English language. Therefore, the mastery of rhetorical devices is very important for the cultivation of students' language ability.

2.4 Misunderstandings in language expression

Different languages come from different countries and represent different cultural backgrounds. Therefore, in the process of communication, people need to have a basic understanding of the corresponding language background culture in order to avoid misunderstanding. In order to achieve the best effect of English language expression, students need to use books and other tools to understand the cultural background of English speaking countries, and expand the storage of knowledge, so as to avoid unnecessary misunderstanding in the later communication process.

3. An analysis of the importance of English language and literature to the cultivation of students' language ability

3.1 Providing a large number of excellent examples to increase students' language related knowledge

English language and literature contains a large number of excellent sentences. In the process of reading, students can not only expand the scope of knowledge and understand the profound connotation of literary works, but also absorb the excellent sentences in English literature and use them in all aspects of life. Through the full reading of English language and literature, students can effectively improve their ability in reading comprehension and writing in English learning with the help of the knowledge storage of English literature. Although in the English teaching class, teachers will teach English grammar, the accumulation of excellent sentences and other aspects, but compared with the autonomous learning of English literature and the automatic setting of context, the classroom efficiency is slightly lower than the learning of English language and literature. English language and literature can also improve students' language ability. Because English language and literature contains rich communication skills, students can apply what they have learned to improve their language ability. In addition, the study of English language and literature can also help students understand the cultural background of different English speaking countries, which cannot be known only by books. On the basis of understanding the cultural background of English speaking countries, it is particularly convenient to communicate with different people in English in the future.

3.2 Stimulating students' learning enthusiasm and understanding the significance of English language and Literature

Reading itself is a kind of fun. In the process of learning English language and literature, students will have a kind of interest in reading because of reading the plot of literary works, character description and other aspects, so as to continuously cultivate their interest in English learning in the process of reading, which cannot be

effectively cultivated in English classroom. Interest is the best teacher. Once students' enthusiasm for English learning increases, the efficiency of the whole cultivation of English language ability will naturally be greatly improved. Many students in the process of learning English, teachers rely on traditional teaching methods, cannot effectively attract students' interest, resulting in students' sleepiness and exclusion, thus hindering the cultivation of students' language ability. The formation of students' autonomous learning ability needs to start from the correct teaching methods. The teaching method of learning English language and literature is particularly effective. It can not only cultivate students' enthusiasm, but also improve their language ability through the relevant knowledge of English language and literature. In the process of learning English language and literature, students can not only improve their language ability, but also deeply understand the significance of literary works. The reason why English language and literature shine in the current of the times is that it has an extraordinary positive impact on readers.

3.3 Enriching students' language expression

English language and literature contains a large number of unfamiliar words and sentences. In the process of reading, students can understand the meaning of each word and sentence through dictionaries and other tools, so as to increase their vocabulary. Books and textbooks are to pull out the new words in each unit to form a vocabulary. Compared with English language and literature, the vocabulary is smaller, and it does not have the same grand context as English language and literature. There are also a lot of rhetorical devices in English language and literature. In the process of reading, students will turn different rhetorical devices into their own use, which achieves the purpose of language ability training. Through the knowledge storage of English language and literature, students will naturally come up with relevant vocabulary in the real language communication, so as to make the whole language communication process more natural and smooth. Nowadays, many teaching materials contain individual chapters of extracurricular reading, which means that educators pay more attention to English language and literature. In a word, the existence of English language and literature enriches students' language expression and improves their language ability.

4. Measures of English language and literature in the process of cultivating students' language ability

Many students have difficulties in reading literary works, such as large vocabulary and difficult reading comprehension. They will form fear and reject English language and literature. Based on this, teachers need to actively guide students to read. Through the decomposition of chapters and the segmentation of paragraphs in books, students can feel the charm of literary works and have interest in reading. In addition, teachers should also encourage students to read different types of English language and literature works, not limited to a certain type of works. In the process of reading multiple types of literature works, teachers can gradually form a sense of idiom and expand the scope of knowledge and vision. Teachers can also set up relevant examination links to test students' language learning, so as to form language ability.

5. Conclusion

Both Chinese learning and English learning are inseparable from the reading of relevant language and literature works. Facts have proved that English language and literature plays an important role in the cultivation of students' language ability. On the one hand, it can help students expand the scope of knowledge, establish a huge knowledge framework, and form excellent personality. On the other hand, it can help students improve their psychological quality and build a certain spiritual world. The formation of these abilities can help students move towards a better life no matter for their present or future.

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