

My experience with the Bilingual Project

I was given the opportunity to learn English at school since I was 3 years old. My distant memories of when I was little include singing songs in English, reading books in English, describing pictures, as well as many others. I believe all of them have contributed in a positive way to my current English level. Being surrounded by English since I was a child has made me much more comfortable and more used to the language and has improved my pronunciation and my understanding when native people talk in English.

During my whole school life, I have had native English teachers, which I believe is one of the most helpful things to get used to the English language and acquire a good pronunciation. I can remember taking dictation tests in primary school to learn how to spell different words.

All my teachers throughout the secondary education years (both native and non-native) have also taught us English very well. As well as explaining grammar, vocabulary and skills like writing, they have taught us how to talk in fluent English with someone face to face and have provided us with useful knowledge of the English culture.

Another positive thing that I would like to point out is that ever since I got to high school, we had a language assistant. At the 7th grade, we had a girl from New Zealand, at 8th grade a Philippine girl, and at 9th grade a boy from England. They came to class once a week and explained things about their culture, themselves, or just prepared interesting activities.

The bilingual project has given me many opportunities, but the one to highlight is the exchange project I took part with English teenagers from Hull. Even though we didn't have the opportunity to go there, when they came to Spain, I definitely had a great time. We got used to speaking and communicating in English very quickly and, as well as learning, we made lots of friends. Overall, it was a great experience and opportunity and I learnt lots of things.

The knowledge of English I have acquired is high, proof of which is that I am currently in my 10th year of secondary education and I am already preparing to take the B2 English competence test. This certificate is very important for me, and my future professional life. The bilingual project has provided me with the possibility of studying a degree in English and studying and living in an English-speaking country without any linguistic barrier.

In summary, the bilingual project is one of the best opportunities and experiences I have had in my life. I really like English and I am looking forward to using it in the future, for example, to travel as well as for my curriculum, and in general, for my daily life.