## Michael Intro

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I have been a fellow here since 2019. There are three things I have been trying to focus on since I began. First, is trying to teach teachers how to create a classroom environment conducive to communication.

Second, Another thing I noticed was lacking in the Mexican education system was essay writing, both in Spanish and English.

Finally, and this one relates to essay writing, I have been trying to train teachers how to prepare students for the TOEFL iBT given that....

- 2. Personally, I have noticed that training teachers has actually made me a better teacher myself for two reasons.. **discussion with teachers** and **research**.
- 3. I think just by simply being present here and conducting conversation clubs, students learn a lot about not only culture, but common idioms that they wouldn't learn in a textbook. And I also learn little things about Mexican geography and culture that I wouldn't have learned elsewhere.
- 4. I think focusing more on informal things like board game clubs, convo clubs, are better than