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“Education” Monologue

Difficult Choice

Each of us has ever had to make difficult choice, it is especially hard to go through this as a teenager. It affected me when I tried to decide where I want to study. Honestly, I never liked my school, despite the fact that I have always been a quick learner with good grades and excellent relationships with teachers. I simply did not like the approach of most teachers to learning. Then I began to think, what if at the university I’ll run into a similar problem? Therefore, I became interested in educational systems and universities in other countries.

The first country that came to my mind was the USA. I put my thinking cap on, and I was surprised when I saw how many differences the Russian and American education systems. “That's what I need,” I thought, and started looking for a university. What was my surprise when I discovered the tuition fee which averaged 50,000$ per year. So, it’s not difficult to guess that I chose to stay in Russia, but the question still remained.

I continued to go to school and every day I was convinced of the imperfection of the methods. Arriving at the lesson, hoping to learn something interesting, I now and then came across the unprofessionalism of teachers. For example, for some, it was the norm to stick the whole lesson in the phone, others lacked the knowledge to solve elementary tasks from textbooks, and this despite the fact that I studied at a school that was one of the 100 best schools in our country. Every time we tried to explain to the teacher that she needed to back to basics, it was useless. Of course, there were friendly teachers who did everything possible to help, for example, understand the tasks of the exams, but there were few of them, so I had to resort to the help of well-prepared tutors. However, there were times when studying at school brought me pleasure. These were the periods of quarantine when we switched to distance learning. In fact, it was more like self- teaching, because of the imperfect Digital Resources for distance learning, we just relaxed, sometimes doing a little homework. Well, of course, we did not receive any education during these periods

After graduating from school, I realized the need for higher education, because I did not have the proper knowledge that would be useful for me in the chosen profession. In my opinion, this will make progress faster than with only secondary education. Since the quality of education is important to me, I chose a university based on ratings. SPBPU was perfect for me.

To conclude, I would say that I am glad I made the right choice. I am finally in a place where there are excellent teachers and where I can get a good quality education. Who knows, maybe if I had not gone through difficulties at school, I would not be here now.

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| * Methods * Do homework * Friendly teachers * Exams * Self- teaching * Graduating from school * Approach * Well-prepared tutors * Make progress * Digital Resources for distance learning * Grade * Higher education * grades | * Back to basics * Tuition fee * Put my thinking cap on * Quick learner | * Honestly * Therefore * So * For example * However * In fact * Of course * To conclude * In my opinion | * Comparative adjectives (faster than) * Conditionals (if I had…I would) * Modal verbs (would) * Present Perfect Continuous (I have…been) |