

Autobiography

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I'm 22 now. And I'm going to graduate from my university. Like a bird, full of courage, vision and ambition, I'm ready to fly.

My name is Elaine Chen. I was born in Tainan on April 16th, 1983. There are 4 people in my family: my father, my mother, my younger brother and me. My father used to be rich, so I had a great childhood. I went to a private junior high school and traveled abroad once. My father always told me that I should study hard in order to attend the best university in Taiwan. This would ensure that I would have a bright future. However, after I attended high school things changed dramatically. We lost our house and cars. My father and mother began to argue constantly. So I started to work on a part-time basis and I made up my mind that I would get my life back.

Because of my background, I'm an independent and determined person. I always know what I want to achieve and the best way to go about doing so. Once a goal is desired, I will certainly achieve it. No matter how long it will take or how difficult it will be, I always have faith in myself. Sometimes my parents think that I am stubborn because I always have my own ideas. This is because I don't blindly follow other peoples' ideas with no reason. I want to live my own life, sticking to the philosophy that no one can understand me better than myself.

My interests are widely diverse, so I've been engaged in different fields so far, for example: sales, food preparation, assisting, translating and English teaching. I learned a great deal from these jobs, not just professional working experience but also how to deal with human relationships. Now I work as a part time English teacher. It's totally different from any of my other jobs. My duties are to deal with a lot of kids.

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Teaching them is not the most important aspect. The most important aspect is making them sit down obediently while in class. A job where one has to supervise children is unlike any other job. They need care and love. Each of them is an individual. Just like taking care of flowers, I need to water them and to tend them every day. Teaching is about responsibility and patience. Teachers must be sensitive to all kinds of situations. I have to always be on standby, because kids often have accidents to deal with.

I think I've found a job that I want to do for my entire life. It's teaching! It's a job about human beings. I feel ~~it's~~ more rewarding to work with people than with paper. Apart from teaching the kids, I also have to face their parents. There are still plenty of things for me to explore. I hope I can help lots of children to improve their English and thus enrich their lives.

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