

PROJECT SIYAKHULA REPORT

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The opportunity to be an English tutor and a MOOT coach on the Siyakhula Project platform is an opportunity of value that contributes to gradual yet massive change in the society. In the process of tutoring grade 12 students English, the authentic and quality process of the selection criteria –conducted by Deloitte- proved itself to be nothing short of polished quality. There was a harmonised standard of understanding and intelligence in the classroom. The students participated in the lesson as we tackled the comprehension activity as a class, simultaneously, using the guidelines and revised knowledge from the notes provided. During the lesson students were able to identify their mistakes when answering questions.

My experience as a MOOT coach was, without a doubt, fruitful. The students in the team that I was coaching were focused on a goal to win and motivated to do their best to achieve it. The students ultimately achieved their goal and won. Working with such intelligent and driven young students motivated me as their coach. Although the team consisted of introverts and extroverts they all understood and knew the roles that they wanted to play. Those who wanted to try something new were given the liberty to do so by the rest of the team. I could not have had a better team to work with in order to achieve the goal to win.

During (and shortly prior) my experience I noticed that it would be preferable if the materials that the tutors are expected to use is made available to them in a timely manner in order to ensure adequate preparation. Furthermore, I advise that an adequate number of material for the students be provided in order to maintain a polished flow of productivity.

In fine, what I admire most about my experience in the different roles I played in the project is the massive leap of artistic communication and relaxed belief in myself required in order to get the job done. As I engaged in various activities that all included some form of communication, I was reminded, as best put in the words of James Humes that “the art of communication is the language of leadership.” Siyakhula Project served as a prestigious platform to continue moulding the art of leadership that we all communicate differently in our own right.