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Three things I want to do this year in English study

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In this essay, I am going to write three things I want to do this year in English study.

First, I want to increase my English vocabulary. When I was in high school, I memorized English vocabulary every day for the entrance exam. However, after entrance exam, I found that my English vocabulary has decreased. Right after the exam, I bought a TOEIC vocabulary book and studied it. However, after entering university, I stopped studying English because I was busy with part-time jobs and clubs. In fact, I work part-time at a cram school, and sometimes when I taught English, I couldn't spell or understand the meaning of words. I think that's a bad thing to do when working at a cram school, and I think it would be a waste of what I studied in high school, so I'm going to study vocabulary this year. I heard that TOEIC can be used for job hunting, I made it my goal to study English to get a high score on TOEIC. Besides studying English, I would also like to be aware of job hunting this year.

Second, I want to learn English conversation. When I went to Korea last year, I spoke with local people in English because I do not speak Korean. However, I couldn't come up with slurred sentences, and ended up speaking in a string of words, which sounded like Degawa English. Also, through Tutorial English class, I realized that my English skills are not as good as other students. Even though I had studied English until last year, I was a little shocked that I could not speak English at all when I was in a situation where I had to speak English. In English studies at junior high and high schools, there were some English conversation classes, but most of the classes were geared toward examinations, such as English grammar. When I was in high school, I thought I was getting better at English, but while I certainly gained the ability to read and write in English, I did not gain much speaking ability. In addition to English ability, communication skills and the courage to speak English, even if poorly, are also necessary in English conversation. I want to grow those ability in this year.

Third, I want to go to foreign country. I went to Korea last summer and that was my first time abroad. I think even if I study English hard, my English conversation skills will not improve if I do not speak English. Therefore, my goal this year is to make two trips abroad. I am not satisfied with just going abroad, I want to　actively speak English with local people. I am planning to go to Vietnam with my high school friends during spring break and would like to learn a little English conversation before I go there. I think overseas travel will give me the opportunity to broaden my horizons, so I want to go as much as possible while I am still a university student with plenty of time to spare.

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