

I've studied with Guy for five years. Originally I had him as an English tutor, after I became fluent I had him as a French tutor instead. We had private lessons weekly for one and a half hour each lesson. Five years sounds like a long time, but it was short because there was always so much to learn. Because during my lessons with Guy, I was never solely learning about the language – I was also learning life-long lessons. Whether if it was lessons about grammar or living life, Guy was always enthusiastic about teaching as well as learning new things. Surprisingly, we developed this relationship where we both learned from each other. I think this is because of Guy's open-minded attitude towards learning and also the fact that he cares a great deal about his students. During our journey together he always asked me to update him on my life. As it turns out, as I was learning English and French from him, he was learning about me. What makes him a great tutor is that he was able to use this information to make the lessons more fun and entertaining and easier to understand. For example, he would always draw comparisons between language and music to explaining techniques for practicing listening, writing, and reading. What I found most impressive about Guy's tutoring was the level of detail he is able to provide about learning the language. He's always able to dive deep into the history of the word itself and analyze the composition of the words. As it turns out, this level of understanding he brought helped me to be a top English student in my class in eighth grade despite only coming over here in the sixth grade. Now that I've graduated and completed the International Baccalaureate program, I can see how much my understanding of the English and French language has helped me reach success. Studying with Guy was a pleasure and one of the most valuable experiences I've had in my life.

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