

The Current Situation and Challenges of ALTs in Compulsory Education: An Analysis Based on Stakeholder Perspectives

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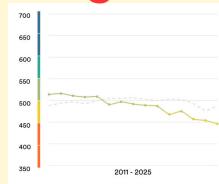


BACKGROUND

Our experiences about ALT classes



• English → subject from 2020



Still low English ranks

Doubt about whether ALTs are being effectively utilized.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Most ALTs don't have teaching qualifications, and they lack teacher training.

HYPOTHESIS Does the current ALT system have structural problems?

METHODOLOGY & RESULTS

What are the current problems facing ALTs?

1: Interview with a JTE at private ES

2: Interview with 3 ALTs

-Employment style → part-time meeting with JET ↓

What problems are local boards of education aware of and addressing?

-Lack of teaching skills of ALTs
↑ struggled with lesson management

How is this issue affecting students?

ANALYSIS

Training

How to conduct team teaching
No common goal
What is the final goal?



Communication problem

Mismatch of objectives
Lack of information sharing



All 7 cities: training conducted

However...

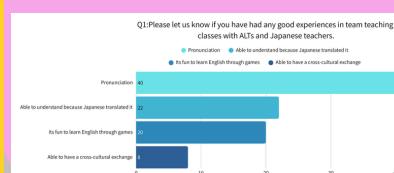
Training content and frequency

→ Varies by city

✗ learning how to conduct team teaching

PROS

Pronunciation ↑



CONS

1. Students can't understand ALT's English
2. JTE didn't understand ALT



3: Inquiry to 7 local boards of education in Hyogo

4: Questionnaire to 201 high school students about their experiences in ES & JHS

SUGGESTION

Proposing Changes to JET Training

ALTs

- Qualification ✗

- Demand of other Asian nations

Quality ...



Training

Length: 1 week in summer

Content: Don't cover teaching method

Incorporate teaching method in JET training

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