

KHAN ACADEMY IN MY CLASSROOM



About me

I currently teach Math and Chemistry at San Ignacio, a Jesuit School in San Sebastian, Spain. My students are aged 13 to 18.

"I use Khan Academy because it allows me to give 21st century answers to students in the 21st century."

How we use Khan Academy

I use it 2 hours a week in our Math workshop with 12-13 year olds. We use KA 100% of the time but I introduce every unit and they have a guide as well as a support notebook

We work in a variety of ways: individually, peer-to-peer and doing group projects. I don't "give" the lesson, I help my students, which is more efficient. This enables me to better meet the diversity needs of my classroom.



How our students changed

They are much more motivated, enjoy learning Math and want to improve. They have a new way of learning math. Every student works at their own pace and they learn independently because they can choose their path and pace. They are more engaged. Their work and effort is rewarded. Students take the leading role in their learning.

Words of wisdom

Biggest challenges

- Changing your role as a teacher: Going from the blackboard to students' desks.
- Adapting KA content to your class program
- Taking the time needed for students and teacher to become familiar with the KA site and how it works.
- At first, students see studying Math in English as an obstacle, but later they become aware of the opportunity to practice the language.
- Resolving initial technical concerns.

- Khan Academy is a very useful tool but you need to change your methodologies.
- Share ideas and get information from other schools and teachers.
- Adapt KA to your class. There is no single way of using it - make it yours.
- Don't get discouraged with the first problems or mistakes. Learn from them, and make changes and improvements as the year goes on.
- Remember that your students are the main actors and they like seeing their own progress. They like learning.
- If you have new ideas, try them, even if you are not sure that they'll work. Embrace change and try to improve.



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