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 2. Have We not opened for thee thy bosom,
 3. And removed from thee thy burden
 4. Which had *well nigh* broken thy back,
 5. And We exalted thy name?
 6. Surely there is ease after hardship.
 7. *Aye*, surely there is ease after hardship.
 8. So when thou art free, strive hard,
 9. And to thy Lord do thou attend *whole-heartedly*.
- Cited from HOLY QUR'AN. AL-INSHIRAH (Chapter 94,95; Part 30)

**Dream as if you will live forever,
Live as if you will die today.**

"Allah is our objective. The Prophet is our leader. The Qur'an is our law. Jihad is our way. Dying in the name of Allah is our highest hope.

Not all Problems come with easy solution, Sometimes, We need to find true solution, be patient and surrender all matters to Allah.

Success is not a final, only an achievement. Eat failure, and you will know the taste of success. Success needs a process.

To get a succes, your courage must be greater than your fear. I once failed Him and forgot Him. Now, I come back but do not know; when will fail again. So, do not wait for it.

Education is the best equipment for the old day.

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ABSTRACT

A Study of the Seventh Grade Junior High School Students' Attitude Toward English Reading

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The aim of this study was: to find out the seventh grade students' attitude toward English reading. This research was conducted on the seventh grade students of Sekolah Menengah Pertama Negeri 1 Adimulyo in academic year 2014/ 2015. The research method was descriptive. To get the sample, the writer used random sampling. To collect the data the writer used some instruments such are classroom observation, interview, and the questionnaire. After the data collected, the writer would like to crosscheck the data using those instruments and the informal interview against the students. The result of the study showed that most of the seventh grade student of SMP Negeri 1 Adimulyo giving positive attitude toward English along one year study. For Obsevation, the students gave their attitude to positive indicators were 65% - 80% and for negative indicators were 15% and 35%. For questionnaire, over 30 items the representative attitudes were 11% to negative, 42,78% to neutral, and 46,22% to positive. The representative respondents gave their responses to questionnaire about 8,90% to negative, 44,05% to neutral, and 47,05% to positive. The conclusion that, even if most of the seventh grade students gave positive attitude, there were the students who gave neutral statements, and the last but no least were negative responses, too.

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