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I was glad to interview Sir David Akers-Jones at his home on July 17, 2012. It was a memorable experience, because it was the first time I had interviewed a person of importance.

Before the interview, all members of the English Editorial Group spent a lot of time preparing for it. We were nervous and excited. When we arrived at his apartment, he walked out and welcomed us with warmth and enthusiasm. He appeared to be an amiable gentleman.

Almost three hours later, we finished the interview smoothly. In this interview with Sir David, I learned that learning is an endless process and it is never too late to learn. At Sir David's home, there are a lot of books on his bookshelves, and not one of them is collecting any dust! Sir David keeps reading although he is 85 years old.

Apart from sharing his vast knowledge with us, Sir David also took us back to the time of the Second World War. He explained that every student needed to bring a gas mask to school during the war. It was really exciting to have been given the opportunity to listen to a person who *actually* experienced the Second World War. Moreover, I think Sir David is a walking documentary, because he is conversant with world history, and he was even able to quote some well-known sayings of Chinese leaders.

Because of his past careers and eagerness to learn, Sir David speaks many different languages, such as Cantonese, Putonghua, Hindi, Hokkien and Malay. I am sure you will admire his erudition too.

Sir David encourages teenagers to read more books and work hard. “We can increase our knowledge through reading, so we should enjoy it,” he reassured us.