When you hear the word ‘seminar’, what is the first thing you think about? Is it a boring meeting, where one person tells about a subject? Or is it a meeting of same-minded students, who want to learn more about the subject? According to Wikipedia, seminar is a form of an academic event, which is held in an institution or by a commercial or professional organization. Its main aim is to gather a small group together for meetings and concentrating on a particular topic or subject. The seminar is usually conducted in a form of a dialog or by using presentations. The speakers are usually people, who have profound skills in the subject and can share their knowledge with the group.

Recently we had a seminar on management with one of the best professors of the institution. Her name is Elvira B. Mercado and she is an outstanding speaker. We discussed various topics and it was interesting to learn more about managers and their styles of behavior, the successful stories and failures, what makes a good manager and many other topics. However, the best part was that we were not only learning about someone else’s experience: we were trying to apply it to our own lives. Professor used various visual materials, which greatly contributed to the whole process and gave us a chance to get additional information on the subject.

We also had practical exercises in a groups of three. On the first stage, we were assigned with two questions. It was called the brainstorming part. Second stage consisted of transmitting information from one participant of the group to another. Almost all teams failed and it was evident that there are many factors, which influence the outcome. There are many underwater stones, which may influence your hearing and saying. And the third exercise was to create a human-like machine, which I enjoyed the most. We have created a washing machine out of eight students and one of our group members has presented the machine very well, so we won the ‘best human-like machine’ award.

The seminar was held for three days and it was a real life changing experience. Despite the lack of sleep and total exhaustion, we gained lots of skills and knowledge, which can be applied in our carriers and personal lives. We had a chance to meet new people, exchange experience and learn more about the successful people around us. Although we lacked some time to complete all the tasks and assignments, I think that this seminar was one of the best I have even participated in.
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