My Team Teaching Experience

Teaching Practice Year1&2

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Year one

I experienced team-teaching a first year Business Studies class with another PME Science Student.
She was assigned to my class as a resource teacher and helped a weak student in the class. I planned the whole lesson myself and communicated it with her before class. I also gave her extra resources so she could help the student with homework before the next lesson. I was not aware that it was possible to team teach a business class with a teacher from a different subject. I found the class ran a lot smoother having two teachers in the classroom. I was the main teacher and she helped with things like handing out notes and timing. The experience was good for all.

Year two

I currently team-teach 5th year Business Studies along with my co-operating teacher. When I was asked I was delighted due to having a positive experience from last year.
We work together to plan the class. We have only started a week ago, but so far it is working out very well. I have a different teaching style than her and we both bring different personalities to the classroom. So far its very positive.

Disadvantages of Team-Teaching for Teachers:
This is not always successful. Some teachers are not flexible and are not willing to change their methods.

Advantages of Team-Teaching for Teachers:
Encourages creativity, promotes collaboration among teachers

Student Benefit:
Promotes inclusiveness in the classroom.

Good communication and collaboration between teachers.

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