

## WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A GREAT TEACHER: THE HEART OF TEACHING

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What does being a great teacher entail? Credentials, knowledge, critical thinking, and all other intelligence-related abilities are crucial, of course. But a successful teacher should be much more than just someone with the right education, experience, and intelligence.

What is an excellent teacher's innermost motivation?

You are kind: An excellent teacher demonstrates kindness to those around them, including parents, coworkers, and pupils. "Kindness makes the world go around," is one of my favorite sayings since it genuinely alters the atmosphere in the classroom and at school. A caring teacher makes children feel at home, cherished, and cared for.

You have compassion: Teaching is a very humanistic profession, and having compassion means having the deepest knowledge of others and demonstrating concern for them. Students will be more receptive to understanding the world around them if their teacher shows compassion for them via her or his actions.

You exhibit empathy, which is a quality we should all strive to cultivate in ourselves and our kids. Having the capacity to step into another person's shoes and view situations from their point of view can have a significant influence on our choices and behaviors.

You are upbeat: It takes a lot of effort to be upbeat. Being a good teacher is challenging enough without always facing issues with scanty solutions. However,

maintaining a good attitude in the face of adversity can greatly benefit our pupils and those around us. Positive thinking always appears to help things become better.

You are a builder: A great teacher fills in the gaps and creates bonds that foster friendships, community, and relationships. Teachers are constantly looking for ways to improve both within and outside of the classroom. An outstanding teacher works to create a sense of community in the classroom and throughout the school and community.

You motivate students to strive to be better students, teachers, and even people because you set an example for them. In front of everyone's eyes, a brilliant teacher unearths possibilities, magic, and hidden riches.

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