

WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A GOOD TEACHER

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A teacher plays a big part in the lives of its students. You can be remembered as an inspiring teacher, a funny teacher, or worst of all, a terror teacher. As an educator, it is vital to feel responsible – not just to your students but to your qualifications as well. Not just professionally but also personality-wise.

So, what does it really take for someone to be recalled as a good teacher? Can it be easily achieved? And do we have lots of this kind of teacher nowadays? Allow me to specify some of the qualities a TEACHER must have.

TRUSTWORTHY. A teacher must be trustworthy enough for parents to have faith in you as their child's second parent. Aside from having good credentials, you must be true to your words and show confidence that you are really capable of instilling knowledge in your students.

EMPHATHETIC. As a teacher, you must know when your students are having a hard time academically or even personally. You must be able to put yourself on your student's shoes to understand where they are coming from. From this, you may effectively help them to be an achiever.

ARE PREPARED. A teacher must always come prepared before facing their students. A well-prepared lesson plan that will ensure that it will be understandable to your students is important. Knowing each of your students' strengths and weaknesses will be helpful to effectively sustain a productive class.

COMMUNICATE WELL. A teacher must be an active listener who knows when to talk versus when to listen first. You must be able to communicate well, not just verbally but nonverbally too. Having a good connection with the parents and your school colleagues and boss is a must as well for you to be able to address problems or conflicts easily.

HUMOROUS. A good teacher must know how to have fun as well. Students should take a break from all the complex lessons they have to learn, and having a fun and cool teacher will make them feel happier and more excited to come to school. This will make them more relaxed and excited to learn from you.

ENTHUSIASTIC. As a teacher, you must show that you're very dedicated and passionate about your job. You must show your students that you love teaching so they will feel your enthusiasm and enjoy learning as well.

ROLE MODEL. A teacher must set a good example for their students. You must be aware of your behavior for your students not to have an excuse to disrespect you. You must show professionalism, humility, and integrity at all times.

Being a really good teacher may be challenging, but is surely rewarding once achieved. Your students won't easily forget about you and will have deeper connections with you even after they graduate. Indeed, there are still lots of teachers who possess great personalities aside from their exceptional credentials. And you as well can absolutely be a good teacher.

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