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Characteristics and Abilities of Effective Teachers

- Communication effectively
- Diversify learning experiences
- Encourage students to be part of the learning team
- Flexible
- Strive to connect with students



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An Effective Teacher is...

- Caring
- Consistent
- Fair
- Honest



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An Effective Teacher is...

- Knowledgeable
- Prepared
- Respectful
- Responsible



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…Effective teachers

- ✓ An effective teacher loves to teach. Has a love and passion for teaching young people.
- ✓ An effective teacher demonstrates a caring attitude.
- ✓ An effective teacher can relate to his or her students. } works hard to figure out how to relate to each of his/her students. } finds a way to connect with his/her students even if they have to fake it.

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…Effective teachers

- ✓ Foster Individualized Instruction: } Each student learns differently, so it's important for teachers to keep a variety of teaching strategies in their tool belts in order to reach all students.
- ✓ An effective teacher is an excellent communicator. } must be a skilled communicator to students. } must be a strong communicator with parents as well as your faculty/staff in your school

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…Effective teachers

- An effective teacher is proactive rather than reactive. } considers intense planning and organization } plans ahead, looks for aspects that they might have issues with, and proactively looking for solutions to solve problem
- An effective teacher strives to be better. looks for new and better teaching strategies, new research, new technology, new educational tools -seeks out professional development opportunities

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…Effective teachers

- ✓ An effective teacher challenges their students. } challenges every student and maximize time with them so that they learn more than they ever thought they could learn.
- ✓ An effective teacher understands the content that they teach and knows how to explain that content in a manner that their students understand. } highly effective teacher both understands the content and explains it on level.

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…Effective teachers

- ✓ Use effective classroom management - Establishes and sustains an orderly environment in the classroom.
- ✓ Increases meaningful academic learning and facilitates social and emotional growth. Decreases negative behaviors and increases time spent academically engaged.

Source: https://www.slideshare.net/memijecruz/qualities-of-an-effe

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CHARACTERISTICS OF EFFECTIVE TEACHERS

1. Fairness Effective teachers know how to be fair and just and try their very best not to have "pets," or students that are given unfair advantages over other students.

2. Positive Attitude Good teachers are happy to be teaching. They share their positive attitude by praising and recognizing effort and success in their students. This "positive" influence is contagious.

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3. Preparedness Some teachers still don't realize, students can tell when the teacher is not prepared and is just trying to "wing it." Great teachers are always prepared.

4. Personal Touch Students have fond memories of teachers who connected with them in a personal way. Some teachers do this just by asking students individually, how they are doing. Others intertwine personal stories and experiences with the day's lesson.

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5. Sense of Humor It is nice when a teacher can effectively deliver one-liners that give everyone a chuckle. It's a bit trickier to have the quick ability to react with good humor and diffuse difficult situations. This is a truly admirable skill of a great teacher.

6. Creativity Students will often remember unusual assignments, use of props, decorations or costumes that inspired them to really think "outside the box." Such is the calling card of the effective teacher. It could also be a saying such as, "A stitch in time saves nine." (Benjamin Franklin).

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7. Willingness to Admit Mistakes An outstanding teacher will recognize when they have made a mistake and apologize for it. A simple act, yet a rarity among many teachers. It demonstrates the profound power of humility.

8. Forgiving Students too often think of those teachers that would never give them a second chance. Fortunately, a few students had highly effective teachers who let students know, each day, each student started with a clean slate.

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9. Respect Since teachers expect to receive respect from their students, it only makes sense students expect the same from teachers. For example, Students appreciate teachers who keep grades confidential. They are also grateful when teachers speak privately to them about behavior issues. Teachers practicing this quality rarely have discipline issues.

10. High Expectations Having high expectations affects the way a teacher teaches and the way the teacher interacts with students. Great teachers express that they believe in their students' abilities. Such teachers energize and encourage students to reach new heights. They monitor those expectations and never give up on students.

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11. Compassion Effective teachers understand the importance of nurturing students in a safe environment. These are the teachers that notice when children are left out of games or other activities and take action to remedy this. Students remember these teachers.

12. Sense of Belonging Students feel like "they belong," in the classroom of a great teacher. This teacher gives the class a feeling of family. They work cooperatively on mutual goals and with mutual caring. This may be the most important one.

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Characteristics of a Top Teacher

by Becton Loveless

There are many characteristics, techniques, etc. that make for a successful teacher. These may be as varied as the teachers themselves. However, there are certain time-tested attributes, characteristics, and practices which contribute immensely to teacher success. The following list contains items that students have used to describe their best teachers.

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1. Enthusiasm

Students can feel the excitement

Students easily detect the teacher's love for job and subject

2. Preparation

Teacher knows the subject

Teacher plans and prepares lessons daily

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3. Punctuality

Always arrives on time

Begins and ends class on time

Expects and encourages students to arrive on time

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4. Support and concern for others

Lets students know that he/she cares about their success

Takes time with students

Allows for creativity

Is friendly and courteous

Is supportive and encouraging

Is smiling, caring, and loving

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5. Consistency

Does not miss class

Is consistent in attitude and dealings with students

Is always well prepared to teach class

6. Politeness

Treats students with respect

Does not condescend

Avoids embarrassing students in class

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7. Firmness and control

- Is firm in a kind manner
- Avoids tangents in teaching

8. Does not play favorites

9. Provides personal help

- ✓ Takes time to explain concepts
- ✓ Gives individual attention

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10. Accepts individual differences

11. Employs an effective delivery

- ✓ Clarifies for understanding
- ✓ Creates a sense of fun with the learning task
- ✓ Eliminates bad, irritating, and/or distracting habits

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12. Does not make students lose face

Avoids criticizing students

13. Sets high expectations of students

14. Is humble

15. Is fair

16. Uses variety

- ✓ Uses a variety of learning activities
- ✓ Experiments
- ✓ Allows for spontaneity

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17. Has a sense of humor; is relaxed

18. Makes use of engaged time

Sets a good pace and provides for a change of pace

Avoids engaging students in "busy work"

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19. Use of text

Is not a slave to the text

Uses text as a road map

20. Keeps within 1-2 days of the scheduled course outline

21. Provides field trips and other activities

Applies student experiences to classwork

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22. Does not always teach from a sitting or leaning position

23. Maintains appropriate interpersonal relationships with students

Does not allow students to call him/her by first name

Does not try to win a popularity contest

Maintains a healthy teacher-student relationship

Respects students (remember that sometimes what you think is healthy, fun joking with students may be interpreted by them as disapproval and dislike.)

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24. Does not allow just a few students to monopolize or dominate the class

25: Keeps accurate records of:

Work completed

Attendance

Test results

Grades

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