

"What Makes a Good Teacher?"

- ❖ A person who will listen to you. You don't want a teacher who ignores every word you say!
- ❖ Someone who is nice. You would want a teacher who respects your thoughts and doesn't yell at you because they think what you say is wrong.
- ❖ A teacher who doesn't curse or doesn't slash down any beliefs you have.
- ❖ Someone who is fun to have as a teacher! Someone over the age of 90 wouldn't be a very good choice!
- ❖ You would want someone who tells true stories, and funny, no, hilarious jokes. You would want an all-around cool person.
- ❖ It doesn't matter if they are male or female as long as they respect you and you respect them.

That, my friends, is what a teacher should be.

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A good teacher, to me, would be a teacher who doesn't gripe at us all the time, who doesn't give too much homework, and someone who gives free time to talk and do our work. That teacher would happen to be Mrs. Smith.

Jami Glover
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I think a caring and a kind person makes a good teacher. A good teacher is someone who helps with problems, helps you understand about the real world and what is going to happen to you.

Heather Kimbrel
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To me a good teacher is a teacher who pays attention, a teacher who enjoys a friendly argument, and a teacher who strives to make everyone as happy as possible. A good teacher is also a person who punishes the misbehavers and rewards those who act sane. Finally, I think a good teacher is someone who is strong in their subject and good at what they do.

Matthew Whitaker
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The thing that I think makes a good teacher is to have a sense of humor. A teacher should try to be fun and tell stories from when he/she was a child (those are always the best). Overall, every student wants a nice teacher that will treat you good.

Amanda Ballew
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In my opinion, there are lots of things you have to have in order to be a good teacher, although, to me, a sense of humor is the main thing a good teacher needs. To try, even on "hard" days to crack a smile, just ever so often will make school fun, not dull and boring like most. So, maybe if every teacher were like that, more kids would start to like every part of school instead of just saying they only liked one class and that's the one they wanted to be in all day long.

Johnna Abney
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When it comes to teachers, they need to be able to help kids, they need to love kids, they need to have patience, they need to be kind, they need to be able to withstand pressure, they need to have rules, they need to teach right and wrong, they need to have a joyful heart, and they need to remember what it is like to be a student. I think teachers must have a lot of patience to be able to teach all types of students, young and old.

I know one teacher who always helps the students, even when they don't know what kind of help they need. She helps them even though she doesn't think she is. She has taught me that it is okay to be alone in something that you believe, just that you believe it. She was my elementary teacher and she is still my favorite. She is always there to help and just to talk. She has so much patience with kids and nothing gets on her nerves. She is an example of a good teacher.

Emily McKinney
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In my years at school, I have had many teachers. They have all had good qualities, but I think a good teacher needs at least these: they need to be outgoing and willing to do things for their students. I think they should be cool like my Social Studies teacher. I think they should have a good sense of humor like my Language Arts teacher. They should be nice like my Math teacher. Finally, I think they should always stay calm like my Science teacher. These are the qualities I think teachers should have.

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