Quotes For Teachers

- “Children must be taught how to think, not what to think.”
  Margaret Mead
- “What is a teacher? I'll tell you: it isn't someone who teaches something, but someone who inspires the student to give of her best in order to discover what she already knows.”
  Paulo Coelho
- “The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires.”
  William Arthur Ward
- “In learning you will teach, and in teaching you will learn.”
  Phil Collins
- “We now understand that higher-level thinking is more likely to occur in the brain of a student who is emotionally secure than in the brain of a student who is scared, upset, anxious, or stressed.”
  Mawhinney and Sagan
- Teachers affect eternity; no one can tell where their influence stops.
  Henry Brooks Adams
- The man (or woman) who can make hard things easy is the educator.
  Ralph Waldo Emerson
- Students don’t care how much you know until they know how much you care.
  Anonymous
- Children are like wet cement, whatever falls on them makes an impression.
  Haim Ginott
- The test of a good teacher is not how many questions he can ask his pupils that they will answer readily, but how many questions he inspires them to ask him which he finds it hard to answer.
  Alice Wellington Rollins
- Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best.
  Bob Talbert
- Teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions.
  Unknown
- It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.
  Albert Einstein
• If a child can’t learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn.  
  Ignacio ‘Nacho’ Estrada
• The dream begins with a teacher who believes in you, who tugs and pushes and leads you to the next plateau, sometimes poking you with a sharp stick called "truth."  
  Dan Rather
• A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others.  
  Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, translated from Turkish
• A teacher's purpose is not to create students in his own image, but to develop students who can create their own image.  
  Author Unknown
• A teacher's job is to take a bunch of live wires and see that they are well-grounded.  
  D. Martin
• What a teacher writes on the blackboard of life can never be erased.  
  Author Unknown
• The best teachers teach from the heart, not from the book.  
  Author Unknown
• Often, when I am reading a good book, I stop and thank my teacher. That is, I used to, until she got an unlisted number.  
  Author Unknown
• The secret of teaching is to appear to have known all your life what you just learned this morning.  
  Author Unknown
• Don't try to fix the students, fix ourselves first. The good teacher makes the poor student good and the good student superior. When our students fail, we, as teachers, too, have failed.  
  Marva Collins
• “What the teacher is, is more important than what he teaches.”  
  Karl A. Menninger
• “The women I know with strong personalities, the ones who might have become generals or the heads of companies if they were men, become teachers. Teaching is a calling, too. And I've always thought that teachers in their way are holy--angles leading their flocks out of the darkness.”  
  Jeannette Walls, Half Broke Horses
• "Compassionate teachers fill a void left by working parents who aren't able to devote enough attention to their children. Teachers don't just teach; they can be vital personalities who help young people to mature, to understand the world and to understand themselves. A good education consists of much more than useful facts and marketable skills."  
  Charles Platt
"The future of the world is in my classroom today, a future with the potential for good or bad... Several future presidents are learning from me today; so are the great writers of the next decades, and so are all the so-called ordinary people who will make the decisions in a democracy. I must never forget these same young people could be the thieves and murderers of the future. Only a teacher? Thank God I have a calling to the greatest profession of all! I must be vigilant every day, lest I lose one fragile opportunity to improve tomorrow."

Ivan Welton Fitzwater

"There's no word in the language I revere more than 'teacher.' My heart sings when a kid refers to me as his teacher, and it always has. I've honored myself and the entire family of man by becoming a teacher."

Pat Conroy, Prince of Tides

"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young."

Henry Ford

"One looks back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touched our human feelings. The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the child."

Carl Jung

"Whoever first coined the phrase 'you're the wind beneath my wings' most assuredly was reflecting on the sublime influence of a very special teacher."

Frank Trujillo

"Be all that you can be. Find your future--as a teacher."

Madeline Fuchs Holzer

“Spoon feeding in the long run teaches us nothing but the shape of the spoon”

E. M. Forster

“I’m not a teacher but an awakener.”

Robert Frost

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“There are three things to remember when teaching: know your stuff; know whom you are stuffing; and then stuff them elegantly.”

Lola May

“You can pay people to teach, but you can’t pay them to care.”

Marva Collins

“I never teach my pupils. I only attempt to provide the conditions in which they can learn.”

Albert Einstein

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