

Ideal Teacher

Ideal

- ◉ Something which is perfect
- ◉ A person or thing which is regarded as perfect
- ◉ An aim, principle, or standard

(English Mini Dictionary)

What is an ideal teacher?

- Some educationalists define an ideal teacher as one who holds certain degrees and has the sufficient subject knowledge required for teaching.
- Others, however, give more importance to the emotional attachment and positive rapport that the teacher establishes with his or her students.

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- In the words of Confucius, **"The Ideal teacher guides his students but does not pull them along; He urges them to go forward and does not suppress them; He opens the way but does not take them to the place"**

25 Qualities of an Ideal Teacher

1. ***Creative:***

A teacher's creativity plays a vital role in establishing ideality in his/her teaching methods and therefore his/her students' performance. A creative teacher would always try different ways of instructional strategies to provide the useful information in an interesting scheme. This will definitely depend on their students' levels and interests.

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2. *Resourceful*

The students expect the teacher to be a walking encyclopedia. They think a teacher is acquainted with a wide knowledge of everything. The ideal teacher in their views should be able to answer any question that comes to their minds. In that sense teachers do have adequate information in their fields and subjects and should always search for new ideas related to their teaching. It is not considered a positive point if teachers refuse to renew their strategies and methods. As Cherland (1989) states, some teachers believe that they have worked for so long on establishing their own ways and methods which they do not intend to change.

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3. *Good-looking*

The looks do matter to students. It interferes with the idea they build about their teachers from the first encounter they have with them. This would indicate that teachers should take care of their appearance, their facial expressions and signals they transmit to their students in the various kinds of situations.

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4. *Caring*

A caring teacher becomes very popularly loved among students. It is a very vital quality that shows how much a teacher values the humanity of their students and accordingly students feel comfortable having such a teacher. This would also imply the ease that students get in dealing with such a teacher and the contentment students feel with him or her. They can speak about their personal problems and private concerns freely and expect a special treatment.

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5. *Understanding*

An ideal teacher is also expected to understand students' needs and work towards making all the efforts to appreciate their circumstances and the reasons behind their actions or even their faults sometimes.

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6. ***Patient***

A teacher is regarded as a parent who has a huge amount of patience for their students. They will need that patience in their every day dealings with students and their troubles. If teachers are short tempered , the students will create negative associations which might lead to some kind of reluctance to act freely and naturally with them and would therefore make a huge barrier between them.

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7. *Disciplinarian*

Controlling students is not an easy task added to the burden on teachers. Applying the proper techniques at the appropriate situations is a significant tip. Dealing with a variety of personalities is dazzling and requires a great knowledge in psychology particularly of children and adolescents. Failing to do so might result in chaos in the classroom and hence time and energy lost.

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8. *Well-qualified*

Teachers' qualifications provide them with enough confidence regarding their subject knowledge and put them in a position of trust and conviction among their students. That would also formulate positive students' believes towards their teachers and the quality of education they are getting.

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9. *Motivated/motivating*

Motivation is an essential factor for both teachers and students. The teacher should be motivated enough to teach properly and deal with the students accordingly. That enthusiasm should be transmitted to students through the methods and procedures the teachers use.

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10. *Well-dressed*

Appearance plays a role with students. It distinguishes the teachers' personalities and wellbeing. Students regard the way a teachers dresses as an inspiring dynamic for their own styles and looks. The teacher is a role model for them who they follow and try to imitate.

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11. *Reliable*

This is one of the qualities that we as teachers want to implant in our students. That could be done through the teachers' approaches they utilize with their students. It depends on how reliable the teacher is to allow for copying by students later on.

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12. *Respectful*

Students look up at their teachers. They are for them equivalent to their parents and close relatives. That should happen in cases where teachers are well viewed and respected by the students. This kind of view comes from the general vision that teachers gain within the community at large and the way they deal with the students particularly.

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13. *Flexible*

Flexibility is a major issue among students which affects largely on their views towards their teachers. They suppose that the extent to which a teacher is flexible designates how good that teacher is with them. If the teacher is flexible, he/she will be moderately lenient with the students and will give room for some reasonable get away.

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14. *Fair*

Fairness is required from teachers in their dealings with students and between sexes as well. In mixed classes of boys and girls, each sex normally complains of teachers' discrimination between either sex.

Sometimes also teachers might categorize students according to their level and treat them differently favoring good ones to the others who could be weaker.

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15. ***Committed***

A teacher needs to commit himself/herself to the teaching profession. This would comprise taking the responsibility of their job and working on developing the aspects that regulate around it. Their presence and engagement is vital to enhance it and improve the quality of their own teaching methods and techniques.

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16. ***Good communicator***

Communication is a vital aspect between students and teachers. It represents the core element in the teaching and learning processes. If communication is clear and productive between them then positive results shall be expected. Teachers need to communicate their instructions and deliver the information clearly so that students would react logically and rationally.

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17. *Punctual*

As teachers are role models for their students, an ideal teacher should stick to being on time so that his/her students would follow the same path. They need to be taught and shown punctuality regarding their assignments and other duties similarly.

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18. *Entertainer*

Students prefer the fun type of teachers who try to create a relaxing atmosphere in the classroom. At the same time, however, they expect that kind of fun teacher to balance the time of fun and the time of seriousness. This kind of balance establishes an immune trust from students to teacher that no time is going to be lost on account of their benefits as recipients of information.

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19. *Helpful*

The kind of help that students anticipate from their ideal teacher is expanded among the responsibilities that the teacher needs to handle in and out of class. This could take the form of realizing the individual differences between the students and trying to treat them accordingly whenever there is a need for help in its different forms.

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20. *Well-prepared*

An ideal teacher should show the students his/her abilities and skills in the area of their subject. This will clearly appear in the sequence of the lesson plans and how smoothly they move between the points being taught. They should be ready to handle any sudden situation regarding the lesson and would fulfill the aims of the lesson successfully and ultimately.

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21. *Hard working*

Teaching is a demanding profession and to be an ideal teacher is a challenge that requires hard work and numerous efforts. Such efforts represent the teacher's willingness to perform at their utmost level of production and attainment in doing their tasks and activities which will reflect positively on their students.

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22. *Problem solver*

Students are at a delicate age where they suffer some personal, social, and educational problems. They expect their teacher to have the abilities to solve their problems and suggest the suitable solutions. If the teacher succeeds in doing this then the students will consider him/her an ideal teacher.

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23. *Intelligent*

Intelligence is a quality that matters a lot to students. They consider it a crucial part of the whole educational process. In their views, an ideal teacher is an intelligent human being who can make them intelligent beings as well. They also assume that their ongoing learning route is supposed to enhance their skills and advance their level of cleverness.

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24. *Clear voiced*

The way the teacher speaks and the clarity of his speech are important components of the information delivery procedure. An ideal teacher is supposed to have a clear understandable way of speech to enable the students to get the information at an adequate level.

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25. *Organized*

A teacher's organization could take the form of well-sequenced lessons, tidy handouts, good use of class board, good time management for the class activities, as well as availability of all his/her teaching resources and tools.

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