

IMPORTANCE OF GOOD TEACHER - STUDENT RELATIONS

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EFFECTIVE teaching or learning depends on sound and healthy relations between teachers and students. Both teachers and students contribute to the process of learning. It is a two-way traffic. Fruitful interaction between teachers and students can ensure the success of imparting and receiving education.

It is said that a mother is the best teacher and a child learns most of the basic things from her without paying much conscious effort. We also know that relationship between a mother and a child is incomparable. Both mother and child understand each other's feelings very deeply and a child gets the most secured place on her lap.

The job of a teacher is almost like a mother- to look after the wellbeing of the students. To know a new thing is to discover a new land. A teacher is a guide to help the student reach the new place. A teacher must know the needs of the students and arrange the teaching materials accordingly. If he does not have good relations with students, he will surely fail to understand their pulse. On the other hand, if the students do not feel secured at the presence of a teacher, they will not come out of their shell. They will hide their emotion, liking and disliking. So there will be a wall between the teacher and the students and the flow of knowledge will be hampered. The teacher also will be deprived of getting feedback from the students.

A teacher must create urge among the students to know the unknown. He must motivate them at different levels of the learning process. He must evaluate the performance of them and appraise them from time to time. To implement all the steps mentioned, a good relation between a teacher and a student is urgently required.

A good teacher with sound knowledge and rich personality can highly inspire the students, who may take him as role model and can work hard to be a person like him. If we study the lives of great persons, we can see many of them have got inspiration from some of their favourite teachers.

A teacher not only teaches the lessons prescribed in the syllabus but also trains them many things required for practical life. He teaches them manner and behaviour, helps them develop their taste for good things and makes them fit for society. So a good attachment and understanding between a teacher and a student is a must.