That very word made me feel connected and made me realize that I will never be disowned from their world. I sometimes wonder, what would have happened if I did not have them in my life. As there is a saying in The Rhyme of The Ancient Mariner, "Water water everywhere, not a drop to drink"; my life would have been the exact where I would have had an ocean of people, but not the ones who will help me to build myself.

So, this article is a token of my appreciation to all my teachers for what they have done for me. Thank you teachers, for the support you all have given me throughout the years. Thank you for believing in me, being there for me when I needed you the most, for criticizing me, for enduring my insolence, for sharing happiness, I thank you for showing me a brighter day. I thank you for those times when you defended me though I failed you, thank you for confiding in me and preparing me for the worst. As I stand here today in my adulthood and look back, it was you who has brought me to this level. It was you all along who paved the way where I walked. It was you who made me a better human, grown humanity in me and gave me the courage to withstand all odds of life. It was you who made me think beyond my limits and to be a more matured person. All that you have done can never be repaid, can never be forgotten, and I never want to forget, for these are the beautiful chapters of my life that I will go on reading and be forever grateful to you. Thank you...

The secret of good teacher-student relations

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OFTEN we ask ourselves, who is a good teacher and who should be regarded as a good student. A teacher is the person with whom a student spends almost 5-7 hours a day for almost 10 months every year. No doubt, a teacher is the person who plays the major role in shaping up a student's life. On the other hand, when we talk about good students, first thing that comes up in our mind is a picture of a well-mannered student with high scores in almost all the subjects and who is the apple of every teachers' eyes.

But, do these lines define a good teacher and a good student?

I am sure most of the people reading this piece watched or heard about the super hit Hindi movie "Taare Zameen Par". This movie actually revived the age-old questions which most of us ignore Who is a good teacher? How a good teacher can change a student's life? On the other hand, another blockbuster Hindi movie "3 Idiots" chased the entire education system while showing who would be regarded as good students and what should be regarded as a good teacher-student relations.

We spend a major part of our lives with our mentors. Starting from pre-school, a teacher-student relationship is a long and important one which makes us aware and responsible individual.

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There was a time when in this part of the world a good teacher meant a person with a wonderful personality and excellent teaching capability; presence of whom used to force even the naughtiest student in class to pretend as the most disciplined one; a teacher whom everyone used to respect and yet whose very name would evoke fear in the minds! While at the same time a good student meant to be one who always got good marks in exams; who was well-disciplined and of course who never argued with teachers! And I am pretty sure with these two definitions readers can picture what good teacher-student relations meant. But times have changed and so has the concept of an ideal teacher, or a student and with that good teacher - student relations.

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