counselor, and parents work together. But however, it takes a great deal of understanding, training, and a certain ability to deal with people, to affect a student's life in a positive manner. Honest but poorly aimed attempts at counseling may create more problems than previously existed. But nonetheless, counseling is a major part nowadays to establish a good teacher-student relationship.

My personal experience taught me how important is a good teacher-student relationship. Today, whatever I am is because of some wonderful teachers who helped me to believe in myself and get focused on what I do. It is of no doubt that a teacher is someone who can help a student to think differently, to chase their dreams and turn it into reality. It is the teachers who can help students believe that they can do great work for the people of this world. Teachers can make the learning experience an enjoyable one, making the classroom a great place besides making the extra-curricular activities a real fun.

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Quotes on teacher and student

1. "If I am right about everything, and you believe it and follow the teachings without confirmation from within, you have found nothing."
2. "It is much easier to attempt to distort a true teaching than it is to be a true teacher."
3. "To be a good student takes as much wisdom as it does to be a good teacher."
4. "When the chord of truth is played by the God within it rings the same strings in the neophyte's soul that also vibrated in the teacher, and in an instant they understand each other."
5. "Perhaps philosophy and religion are the most ephemeral as far as proving reliability because of the number of forms the various doctrines will take and the difficulty in proving the teacher right or wrong."
6. "There are three major tests to apply to a spiritual teacher before he should earn any of your trust for reliability. Can you guess what they are?"
7. "The student and teacher who start in harmony together will eventually meet conflict that must be resolved. In that resolution comes greater soul contact and vision of higher truth. If the conflict is not resolved and the teacher possesses the greater light the student will then carry the conflict within himself and often hold a lifelong grievance toward the teacher."
8. "Take the things you have learned to be true with reasonable certainty (especially from soul contact) and compare them to those of the spiritual teacher. If there is a high degree of complimentary thought this is a sign that you have a good starting point and a certain amount of trust is beneficial."
9. "Examine the teachings of the potential earned authority over a period of time and range of material."
10. "Any true student or teacher in this age will not depend on lower psychism for guidance, but will test all things against their own soul and that shall be their guide."
11. "As the Christ solidifies his work he will have within his association about 9,000 who will have a clear enough vision of the work to be an associate teacher, ten times more than the Buddha and his 900 in ancient times."
12. "To follow is a virtue if you are following someone who has something real to teach."
13. "If a teaching just seems to make no sense do not trust it until it does make sense."
14. "No earthly teacher is flawless."
15. "If you limit yourself to learning exactly according to the mindset of a teacher, you will also inherit his flaws."
16. "The more directly teachers become involved in doing for us what we can do for ourselves, the more things get upside down."
17. "Receiving from two teachers brings two points of vision that can slow down the learning process and sometimes bring confusion."
18. "It is always difficult for a spiritual teacher to get the attention of the masses without some strong astral attention grabber."
19. "Many of the teachings I have given out have been either new, or a new slant on the old, and cannot be found in any book. This is what the student must look for in any teacher who works through the soul."
20. "It is always a big temptation for the beginning server to create the illusion that his borrowed material is his own so his ego will be fed by the praise and adoration of his students."

