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THE ROLE OF A TEACHER IN THE LEARNING PROCESS

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A teacher is an individual responsible for imparting knowledge, providing guidance, and instructing students in a specific subject or skill. These educators can be found working in diverse environments, which encompass schools, colleges, universities, and other educational establishments. Their instructional scope can span a broad array of subjects, encompassing mathematics, science, history, literature, art, and music, among others. Teachers hold a significant role in molding the intellect and prospects of their students, and their influence can leave enduring and profound imprints.

The professional activity of a teacher is a spiritual, intellectual, and cultural potential that allows the development of a student as a person. The importance of the role of the teacher and the results of his or her work determines the corresponding high requirements for both the personality and professional skills of the teacher. Modern pedagogical science has confidently proved that the learning process is inextricably linked to the process of upbringing. By providing students with a certain amount of knowledge, the teacher develops their independence, critical thinking, and the ability to develop their own point of view. The effectiveness and strength of influence on students' emotions and consciousness largely depend on the teacher's personality. Given the influence of the teacher's personality on the quality of the education process, scientists offer various sets of personal qualities that are important for the teaching profession. They include knowledge: good teachers have a deep understanding of the subject they are teaching and stay up-to-date with current developments in the field; patience: effective teachers are patient and understanding with their students, recognizing that everyone learns at a different pace; clear communication: teachers who can explain complex concepts in a clear and concise manner help students understand and retain information; creativity: good teachers are creative in their teaching methods, finding ways to engage students and make learning enjoyable; empathy: teachers, who are empathetic to their students' needs and concerns create a supportive and nurturing learning environment; flexibility: effective teachers are flexible and adaptable, recognizing that each student has unique learning needs and adjusting their teaching style accordingly.

The combination of these qualities creates a teacher's authority. The teacher is the main figure in the pedagogical process, and his or her personal example is a powerful factor of educational influence. Through communication with students, a teacher educates not only with words, but also with all the qualities of his or her personality. A teacher does not just

educate in the sense of “teaching”, but first and foremost educates a moral, free, independent and self-sufficient personality; provides fundamental, systematic, effective knowledge that a person can later use not only in education, but also in personal and professional life; develops a personality with strong, flexible thinking. A good teacher tries to raise a successful student.

The relationship between an educator and a student constitutes a fundamental element of effective teaching and learning. This rapport, often referred to as a connection, carries the potential to influence a student's motivation, level of engagement, and academic performance. Various ways exist in which the teacher-student connection can impact the educational experience. When students perceive that their teacher genuinely cares about their well-being, they tend to place trust in their teacher and become more at ease in sharing their thoughts and ideas. By cultivating positive relationships with their students, educators can serve as a source of inspiration, motivating students to pursue their learning objectives. Furthermore, when students feel connected to their teacher, they are more inclined to actively participate in class discussions and activities, enhancing their engagement in the learning process. Teachers who establish a strong bond with their students can offer both emotional and academic support, thereby facilitating student success. This connection enables more effective communication, a deeper understanding of student needs and challenges, and the provision of constructive feedback.

In today's society, education is an important component of the development of children and adults, and teachers play a key role in this. Teachers contribute to the improvement of students' intellectual, moral, and social skills, which affects their success in the future. The profession is hardly a simple one, as professionals have to work with people with different personalities and views. However, teaching will always remain relevant.