Positive Characteristics of a Classroom Teacher
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Favorite Teacher

Recall a favorite teacher.

• What qualities did this teacher possess that caused him/her to be a favorite?

• Which of the qualities do you have?
Positive Characteristics for a Classroom Teacher

- Accuracy
- Alertness
- Courtesy
- Empathy
- Flexibility
- Friendliness
- Honesty
- Initiative

- Kindness
- Loyalty
- Patience
- Responsibility
- Stability
- Tactfulness
- Tolerance
Accuracy

The ability to be careful and to consistently avoid mistakes
Alertness

The ability to understand instructions and meet changing conditions
The ability to be polite and considerate and to cooperate with others
Empathy

The ability to be aware of and understand another’s feelings
Flexibility

The ability to adjust to meet new needs or changing situations
Friendliness

The ability to display a warm and outgoing attitude toward others
Honesty

The ability to show fairness and straightforwardness in conduct
Initiative

The ability to be a self-starter rather than waiting to be told what to do
Kindness

The ability to give respect and consideration to others
Loyalty

The ability to display faith and confidence in another person
Patience

The ability to bear provocation, annoyance, misfortune, and disagreement without complaint, loss of temper, or irritation
Responsibility

The ability to accept obligations, to answer for one’s conduct and actions, and to deserve the trust or confidence of others
Stability

The ability to understand pressure and remain calm during crises
Tactfulness

The ability to do and say the right thing at the right time
Tolerance

The ability to have a fair and objective attitude toward individuals whose opinions, practices, race, religion, or nationality differ from one’s own
Positive Characteristics = Positive Effects

**Directions:** Fold your paper into three equal columns. On the left column, list three of the positive characteristics we have considered in class (or three that you have identified). In the middle column explain its effect the student. In the right column explain its effect on classroom learning.

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