**5.1 Requisites of a Good Teacher**

**A good teacher**

* Those who know, do. Those who understand, teach. (*Aristotle*)
* A good teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops. (*Henry Adams*)
* Every teacher wants to be good, but what exactly are the qualities, skills, talents and characteristics of a good teacher.
* Can these be taught or learned?
* Teaching can be satisfying for people who do it well, but opposite may be the experience of others.

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* Every good teacher has his own special, unique style. There are certain requisites for being a good teacher.
* A genetic study suggests that good teachers make a difference and poor teachers may do damage, even to gifted students.
* Effective teachers help kids notch up, while poor teachers brought down all the children in a classroom to the same mediocre level or an expected poor level.
* Students are most affected by the quality of their teachers.
* Before they begin offering instruction in the classroom, successful teachers spend time preparing goals and lesson plans. Lesson plans outline what chapters or topics will be taught on particular days and what homework will be assigned.
* An organized schedule helps the teacher keeps on task each day and on pace to meet the required education standards for his/her grade level or class.
* A good teacher keeps the required teaching aids or the supplementary subject material available at internet ready, which are helpful in making the lesson more interesting and more comprehensive.
* A good teacher interacts with students every day in the classroom, the quality of that interaction matters for the students’ future’
* The difference between a good and a bad teacher can be a full level of student achievement in a single school year. But, students rarely have an opportunity to express their perception about a good teacher.
* The top qualities can be summarized as under.
* A good teacher is one whose knowledge, understanding and conception about his subject matter is quite clear.
* Has a sharp skill of transferring the knowledge effectively to the ultimate satisfaction and needs of his students.
* Such a teacher also has effective discipline skills and can promote positive attitude among his students, for an effective study and work habits, and an overall sense of respect in and outside the classroom.

**Ability to develop relationships with their students**

* A good teacher develops relationships with students.
* A good teacher has the ability to keep a good and constant communication with his students during the delivering of the lecture.
* The nature of the job demands that a good teacher has good presentation skills to provide instructions to a class, and good interpersonal communication skills to work one-on-one with students.
* A good teacher is required to create a safe, positive and productive learning environment.
* A good teacher is always willing to listen the students when there is a problem.
* A good teacher regularly shares students’ progress with parents as needed.

**Patient, caring and kind personality**

* A good teacher is a compassionate person having sensitivity to student differences.
* Teacher’s temperament is strongly related to students’ learning and development.
* A good teacher provides an environment that allows children to reach their potential.

**Knowledge of learners**

* It includes an understanding of how students learn at a given developmental level.
* A good teacher knows that the learners have individual needs and abilities.
* A good teacher knows that instruction should be tailored to meet each learner’s needs.
* A good teacher understands the pace and capacity of the students.

**Dedication to teaching**

* A good teacher has a love of teaching or passion for the work, which includes commitment to students’ success.
* A good teacher should be willing to help and give time to solve the problem of individual students.

**Engaging students in learning**

* A teacher should be able to engage and motivate students to learn.
* Three types of engagements are required for students to learn i.e. cognitive, emotional and behavioral.
* A good teacher has the ability to make the contents of the lesson interesting and thereby motivating the students to learn.
* A good teacher can motivate his/her students for a success in and out of school.
* A good teacher develops strong bonds with students, and uses them to help students learn.

**Leadership skills**

* Good teacher needs leadership skills and patience to train students to function in a disciplined environment.
* It is at the start of the session, when students are told to behave properly and follow the basic classroom policies required to maintain discipline and helpful atmosphere necessary for good teaching-learning process.
* A good teacher needs patience, to avoid speaking out in anger or frustration when students are loud or speak out of turn.

**Creativity**

* A good teacher needs to bring a creative ability and personal style to his role to help students achieve academic success.
* A good teacher needs to come up with creative and interesting examples to get the students excited, who sometimes fail to focus at repetitive contents or dry lesson.
* The useof latest classroom technology devices such as tablet, computer, and interactive whiteboard can help the students get excited while enhancing their learning experience.
* A good teacher is always excited to learn about all new technological devices which are in use all over the world for the best teaching-learning environment in the classroom.

**Optimistic Attitude**

* A good teacher needs a genuinely optimistic attitude.
* Students usually come in the school with one or the other familial problem with them, unaware of the solutions.
* An optimistic and good teacher can help kids to focus on the positive aspect of the problem and thus nullifying the possible negative impact of the problem/s that may affect his academic progress.

**Top signs of a good teacher**

* He sees the class as that of individuals, not as a drawer full of case files,
* He keeps his sense of humor against all odds,
* He deals with the upset kids, clueless administrators, and aggressive parents with grace and dignity.
* He is not afraid to be flexible and creative,
* He knows when to make a stand and when to choose his battles,
* He sees the parents as allies, not enemies,
* He never gives anybody any doubt as to why he went into teaching.
* He loves his job, and he shows it.
* His students love him too.
* He is expert in communication skills.
* He has the superior listening skills.
* He has deep knowledge and passion for his subject matter.
* He is easily approachable and friendly to all concerned.
* He has the excellent organizing and performing skills for what he is given the responsibility of.
* He has the strong work ethics.
* He has the community building skills in abundance.
* He has high expectations from all and satisfies those who have high expectations from him.

**Personality** **development of students**

* Personality means the characteristics and appearance of a person—his thoughts, feeling, behavior, communication ability and physical features.
* With the help of simple methods anybody can develop a winning personality and change his/her future.
* With the help of good training a child can learn communication skills, different subjects, driving or computer operating.
* Similarly, training in personality development enhances the general as well as unique traits (characteristics which differentiate from one another) of a person.
* A teacher helps in personality development of students, in order to get positive thought pattern, gain confidence, improve behavior, learn better communication and develop a healthy physique.
* Good personality doesn’t mean wearing of good dress or a well build body, but, the inner personality that has a longer lasting impact. Therefore, inner and outer personality of a child needs to be develop that requires;

**Setting an aim in life;**

* Life is not an aimless destination that is driver by sheer luck. But, is a target that is achieved through a plan of action.

**Power of knowledge,**

* Knowledge is a weapon that is required to impress others. To update the knowledge,
* Read news papers
* Watch informative programs at TV.
* Read good and popular books
* Interact, interrelate, and communicate with intelligent persons.

**Confident look,**

* Think positive then looks will be automatically positive.
* Always wear a smile at your face.
* Confident faces impress others; so, feel confident rather than looking frustrated.
* While shaking hands have an eye to eye contact with others.

**Style of speaking,**

* Speak clearly and forcefully with sweetness and command.
* No mistakes of grammar and pronunciation.
* Speaking power is an essential trait of a good personality

**Smart dress,**

* Successful persons in every field usually wear smart dress to feel more confident and relaxed.

**A healthy body**

* A healthy and smart look is absolutely essential to attract others.
* Exercise regularly, play games and go for a morning walk.
* Eat a balanced diet.

**Good habits,**

* Cleanliness, punctuality, completing your work in time, fulfilling your promises, being sincere and dedicated to your work.
* Listening other people with empathy.
* No smoking and no drinking are the essentials for sparkling the overall personality.

**We get the result of what we think. So, think big and live big.**

**Ascent of pedagogy depends on certain factors such as;**

* Talent search and personality development.
* Use of technology in teaching
* Discipline
* Use of audio-visual aids
* Teaching of subject and its proper lesson planning
* Moral education
* Monitoring of academic performance of individual students for giving award
* Report of good behavior and misbehavior to the concerned authority
* Maintenance of records
* Frequent counseling
* Health awareness
* Frequent motivational activities
* Encourage sports and co-curricular activities
* motivation

***Teachers are the fulcrum of teaching learning process. They are the catalyst to empower the future generation. Right kind of teaching is provided now a-days only through computers, Audio-visual aids, use of CDs, smart boards, e-mail learning etc. Educational institutions cannot afford to ignore detach. Most of the faculties are not very well aware of its use. Grooming of faculty for technology based teaching methods thus becomes imperative***