

Teaching Quotes

1. Creative activity could be described as a type of learning process where teacher and pupil are located in the same individual. *Arthur Koestler, novelist & journalist*
2. Education is the process of becoming critically aware of one's reality in a manner that leads to effective action upon it. *Paulo Freire, Brazilian educator, 1968*
3. What are the purposes and priorities of teaching? First, to inspire. Second, to challenge. Third, and only third: to impart information. *J. Michael Bishop, 1989 Nobel Prize for Medicine*
4. Clear thinking requires courage rather than intelligence. *Thomas Szasz, author, psychiatry professor*
5. My aim is to agitate and disturb people. I'm not selling bread. I'm selling yeast.
Miguel de Unamuno, writer and philosopher
6. Teaching is an art of thinking out loud but intelligibly. Writing is intended to persuade; teaching is to show others how one person thinks and also what a "fine feeling" it is to think well. *C. Wright Mills, sociologist*
7. The belief that all genuine education comes about through experience does not mean that all experiences are genuinely or equally educative. *John Dewey, philosopher and education reformer*
8. How long will we persist in throwing answers like stones at the heads of students who have yet to ask the questions? *Paul Tillich, theologian, existentialist philosopher*
9. What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to a human soul. *Joseph Addison, essayist and poet*
10. You can tell whether a man is clever by his answers. You can tell whether a man is wise by his questions.
Naguib Mahfouz, writer
11. In questions of science, the authority of a thousand is not worth the humble reasoning of a single individual.
Galileo Galilei, Italian physicist, astronomer, 1564-1642
12. Only the mediocre man is always at his best all the time. *Somerset Maugham, novelist*
13. The secret of education is respecting the pupil. *Ralph Waldo Emerson, Am essayist, poet, 1903-1882*
14. It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it. *Aristotle*
15. The one real object of education is to have a [learner] in the condition of continually asking questions.
Bishop Mandell Creighton, British historian and Bishop of Church of England, 1843-1901
16. The connectedness of things is the most important goal of education. *Mark Van Doren, Am poet, critic*
17. An education isn't how much you have committed to memory or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you know and what you don't. *Anatole France, Fr poet, 1844-1924*
18. "The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires."
William Arthur Ward, author