

Are You a Good Teacher?

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★★ *This quiz is designed for the teachers at The Bolles Middle School* ★★

- 1.) When a student is late to class without an excuse how do you approach them?
- Yell and embarrass them in front of the class.
 - Get your clipboard out and take points off their grade.
 - Ignore them.
 - Ask in a calm way why they are late.
- 2.) When a student talks without raising his or her hand, what do you do?
- Tell him or her that you're taking points off their grade and write it on your brown clip board.
 - Give them a warning; if they do it again, send him or her to the dean.
 - Holler at them and then go back to what you were talking about.
 - Politely ask them to stop.
- 3.) When a student asks you for a pen or pencils, how do you respond?
- Say, "Yes," and then you tell them to make sure that they give it back to you after they are done.
 - As fast as they ask the question you say, "No," and then you take your brown clipboard out and tell them you're marking off a point for not being prepared.
 - Just say, "No."
 - Ask why they don't have a pencil with them.
- 4.) When a student is being rude the whole entire class period and you just can't take it anymore, what is your reaction?
- Give them a week of activities duty.
 - Send them to the dean.
 - Ignore them.
 - Yell at them.
- 5.) How do you plan for your classes?
- Let's see how the students are acting. If they are being bad, I'll give them tons of work
 - As long as the children are happy, who cares?
 - Plan a week or two ahead.
 - I don't know.

Scoring:

Question #1: $a=4, b=3, c=2, d=1$

Question #2: $a=4, b=2, c=5, d=1$

Question #3: $a=3, b=3, c=2, d=2$

Question #4: $a=2, b=4, c=1, d=5$

Question #5: $a=3, b=1, c=2, d=0$

5-9 points: You are too easy with the children you need to be a little more strict on them, when a student crosses the line you need to let them know who is the boss.

10-12 points: You're right on track!

13-16 points: You are too predictable! The students know what you are going to do when they get in trouble, but you do have a zero-tolerance rule which is good because you are letting the children know that this is your classroom and they should learn to agree with your rules.

Over 16 points: Consider joining the Marines.

Oxymoron: What Does It Mean?

researched by Hannah Stone at www.bored.com

You always here the term "oxymoron," but do you know what it is? Well, an oxymoron is a phrase which uses two opposite terms, yet still makes sense. You probably use oxymorons all the time—we all do. But how much sense are you *really* making? Below are some examples of oxymorons:

Personal computer	Plastic glasses	Jumbo shrimp
Silent scream	Pretty ugly	Microsoft Works
Same difference	Head butt	Dodge Ram
Alone together	Working vacation	Virtual reality