

# Principles of Teaching

## Broad Vocational Scenerio & Traits of Instructor

## Theory 1.3

### Essential traits of a good Instructor

**Objectives:** At the end of this lesson you shall be able to

- state the prerequisites of an instructor
- explain the personality of good instructor
- brief the qualities of an instructor
- list the traits of a good instructor.

#### Prerequisites of an Instructor

The requisites and prerequisites of an instructor include the ability and qualities of an instructor. Communication skill, subject knowledge, experience are few of those qualities.

#### Qualification

The instructor must fulfil certain qualifications required for the post. The qualifications are classified into two types. They are;

- Essential Qualification
- Desirable Qualification.

Without the necessary qualifications one cannot be considered for the post of Instructor.

#### Personality traits of good Instructor

##### Habit and Personality

Habits are a voluntary action repeated very often by an individual. Good habits can be developed by way of self-thinking & self-motivation, etc. After forming the habits, firm determination, continuity, practice, encouragement, etc. can be developed.

Personality is the influence of one's mental, physical, and emotional interaction with others. It can also be said that personality refers to physical, mental, moral and social values of a person.

#### Types of personalities

There are two types of personalities:

- Introverted
- Extroverted

**Introverted:** Persons who are reserved, who do not like to mix with others, who like to work alone, who are better in writing than speaking, fond of books, magazines, who do not like self-praise, etc. belong to Introverted personality group.

**Extroverted:** Those who like to mix freely with people, fluently speaking, friendly not easily embarrassed or harmed are known as extrovert personality.

The people who have both these qualities are called **Ambiverted Personality**.

#### Factors influence personality development are:

- **Physical** : Appearance, voice, speech, tone.
- **Mental** : Intelligence, wisdom, memory, thinking, and reasoning.
- **Environmental** : Family, relatives, neighbours, society.
- **Emotional** : Cheerful, nervous, temper
- **Gender/Sex** : Men or women
- **Cultural** : Religion, community.

#### Personality Development

Personality is defined as the enduring personal characteristics of individuals. Personality development is the development of the organised pattern of behaviours and attitudes that makes a person distinctive. Personality development occurs by ongoing interaction of temperament, character and environment.

#### Qualities of an Instructor

Qualities of an Instructor classified as

- Physical Quality
- Mental Quality
- Moral Quality and
- Personal Quality

#### Physical Quality

- **Good Health:** An instructor can be prompt, regular, enthusiastic, only if Instructor keeps good health.
- **Dress and Appearance:** An instructor's dress must always be simple and neat. Instructor must avoid attractive dresses which distract the attention of the learners.

- **Voice:** An instructor's voice must be clear and audible. It must not be harsh and monotonous.
- **Language and Speech:** The language of an instructor should be simple and clear, easily understandable. It should not be ornamental and grammatically incorrect. Instructor should practice himself to be a good orator.

### Mental Quality

- Knowledge of the subject
- Knowledge of principles and method of teaching.
- Knowledge of psychology as learning is a psychological factor, which helps in learning.

### Moral Quality

- **Justice and impartiality:** An instructor must be impartial in handling and dealing with their trainees.
- **Self control and will power:** Instructor must have good self-control and will power to face the trainees.
- **Sympathy and Perseverance:** Instructor should have sympathy, kindness and immense patience.

### Personal Quality

- **Leadership:** Instructor must have leadership qualities to guide properly and give instruction to the trainees.
- **Class control:** Controlling the class is also an important factor without which discipline cannot be maintained; when discipline is not maintained we cannot expect desired learning outcome.
- **Class manners:** His behaviours towards trainees should be very polite and gentle the instructor must avoid addressing them rudely and insulting them badly.
- **Good habits:** An instructor must have good habits like punctuality, regularity and honesty.

### Traits of good instructors

As the teaching is a noble task and an instructor must require the knowledge and skill technique of teaching, following are the most important characters to be performed by an instructor.

- Has to make the course interesting.
- Has to possess sense of promoting the knowledge and skill.
- Has to encourage trainees participation.
- Admire the interest of the trainees.
- Should be neatly dressed.
- Has to well adjust socially.
- Has to provide a variety of learning experiences.
- Has a friendly personality.
- Had known the subject of course.
- Has a posed (balanced) and business like attitude.
- Shows a great deal of enthusiasm.
- Uses many illustrations
- Has pleasant voice.
- Readily assumes responsibility.
- Has a moderates honorable view.
- Uses knowledge skill for transfer and application.
- Reasonable strict and maintain discipline.
- Has the teaching material well organised.
- Fair evaluation.
- Has maintain proper training records.
- Has punctuality.
- Should use tools, materials, and equipments economically.

## Model Questions

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  - Personel quality
  - Traits of Instructor