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Molding young minds may seem like a cliché, but it's true. Educating children is an honor for me. Seeing that "A-ha!" moment in their eyes, and how they react when you know they've learned something new is priceless. You know that they'll carry that knowledge with them wherever they go. For me, it brings a sense of satisfaction. I feel I've made a small contribution in a child's life.

Despite the fact that this is my fifteenth year as a teacher, I feel like I'm still just beginning to learn the ropes. I want to be more than just a teacher, I want to be an educator. The more I know, the more I know there is nothing I know. So I'm still learning. I want to pass that message on to students, to never stop

learning. A lot of times I see students give up on difficult tasks. I try to instill in them to at least make an effort, you never know what you can do until you try. If you hit a wall, find ways to go around it, under it or just through it. Use your imagination, it's a gift from above.

Take what you've learned and make an attempt at life, both personal and professional. I find that it's difficult to separate your personal life from your professional life. For me, the two are intertwined. I find myself seeking improvement in all aspects of my life. I hope I continue this for as long as I live.

Over the years I've learned that life is not what one expects.

Life is a blank slate, and each day brings with it a new beginning, new challenges to face, new lessons to learn.

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