

Glossary:

noble ['nəubl]- having or showing fine personal qualities that people admire

strive (for) [straw]- to try very hard to achieve something experienced [ik'spiəriənst]- having knowledge or skill in a particular job or activity

inspire [In'spaiə] - to give somebody the desire, confidence or enthusiasm to do something well

appreciate [əˈpriːʃieɪt] - to recognize the good qualities of somebody/something

responsive [ri'sponsiv] - reacting with interest or enthusiasm

Discuss:

- 1. Have you got a teacher who you admire?
- 2. What traits of character of your favourite teacher do you appreciate most?
- 3. Did your favourite teacher influence the choice of your favourite subjects?

The teacher I admire

The teaching profession has always been considered to be the noblest, most difficult, and most important of all professions. To my mind, to be a teacher means to be a creative, individual person with a rich inner world and inexhaustible life energy who is constantly striving for a truly human contact with students.

The example of such a brilliant teacher is my collegue, the teacher of English, Victoriya Victorovna Tsyganova. She has 30 years of teaching experience. For 17 years Victoriya Victorovna has been working in municipal budgetary educational institution «Gymnasium №25». She has established herself as a highly professional, experienced, artistic teacher who creates optimal conditions for the personal development of students. Thanks to her active life position, endless store of energy and enthusiasm, Victoriya Victorovna manages to inspire students to develope their abilities and talents and makes them constantly strive for self-improvement. The results of her students' research work are presented annually at the sessions of the Don Academy of Sciences for young researchers and are highly appreciated. Her students are prize-winners and winners of the open competition of public speaking skills, of municipal and regional stages of subject Olympiads and competitions.

Victoriya Victorovna is a very responsible person with high organizational skills. She is the head of the Department of foreign language teachers, member of the English language Olympiad Commission. Since 2003 Victoriya Victorovna has taken the position of the Deputy Director. Since 2007 she has been the head of the Unified State Exam centre. Victoriya Victorovna was awarded a certificate of Honor for high professionalism, skilful organization and management of the centre of the Unified State Exam.

Victoriya Victorovna Tsyganova is a responsive teacher who is ready to share her experience and knowledge. She conducts open lessons, master classes for teachers of the district and city, participates in seminars, shares her experience in online communities of foreign language teachers. She is an active participant of the annual August conference.

Victoriya Victorovna is constantly improving her professional level, she is engaged in self-education and tests herself in various competitions of professional skills. In 2009, she won the district competition "Teacher of the year", in 2011 she became the winner of the city stage of the competition "The coolest class teacher".

All in all, I can say that Victoriya Victorovna is the teacher who can make everyone sincerely fall in love with the subject, she is your friend and mentor, an example in any situation. Next to her you will see yourself with different eyes and will try to become better, smarter, kinder. I think I'm lucky to work with the teacher who inspires me every minute.