

TEACHING AND TEACHERS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What images spring to mind when you hear the word 'teaching'?
- 2) Do you think teaching is easy?
- 3) What are you good at teaching people?
- 4) What skills do teachers need?
- 5) Are all your teachers good at teaching their subject?
- 6) Do you think teachers know everything about their subject?
- 7) What do you think are the good and bad things about teaching?
- 8) Is teaching dangerous in schools in your country?
- 9) What is the best way of teaching English?
- 10) John Sculley said: "We expect teachers to handle teenage pregnancy, substance abuse, and the failings of the family. Then we expect them to educate our children." Is this true for your country?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Who is/was your favourite teacher and why?
- 2) Is teaching or learning the most important activity in the classroom?
- 3) Do you prefer mayonnaise or salad dressing on salads?
- 4) Do you think a career in teaching will make you rich?
- 5) Do you think teaching at elementary school, high school, or university would be best?
- 6) Do you think technology is a good teaching tool?
- 7) What teaching materials do you want your teachers to use?
- 8) How will teaching change in the future?
- 9) Do you think schools do a good job of teaching children?
- 10) Gail Godwin said: "Good teaching is one-quarter preparation and three-quarters theatre." Do you agree with her?

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