



True Stories from KATY TEACHERS

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Teachers share a few funny anecdotes from the classroom

Teacher's Aide

"Whenever I'm swamped with papers to grade from my ninth-grade English students, I get my own children to help grade quizzes with multiple choice and short answers. My kids are 8 and 10 years old." - M.B.

Field Trip Wrangler

"My first year of teaching, I took a fourth-grade class on a field trip to the Houston Ship Channel. We were on a three decker, open-air tour boat and I was terrified that the children would push each other overboard. I spent the next two hours running up and down stairs pulling kids off rails while the chaperones enjoyed visiting on the top deck. After that, we stopped at a park so everyone could have their sack lunches. One boy climbed up onto a bathroom sink, jumped off, and cut his head. I pulled out the first-aid kit, cleaned his wound, bandaged it, and checked his eyes with the little flashlight. The mom that was helping said, 'Is this really your first year teaching? I can't believe you're so calm.'" - J.H.

Bring Back Mrs. Carter

"In the second week of school, I took over a second-grade class because their teacher had to retire for health reasons. The first week, they had a substitute, Mrs. Carter. I worked the kids pretty hard that week and on Friday one little boy raised his hand and asked, 'When is Mrs. Carter coming back?' When I told him that she wasn't coming back and I was their teacher for the rest of the year, the little boy lowered his head and said very quietly, 'Oh damn.'" - K.J.

Share with the Class

"A group of sixth-grade boys were laughing during the lesson. I tried to get them to focus and had one boy come to the front of the class to share this apparently hilarious story. I was sorry I did that when he shared with the class that Johnny watched porn last night!" - D.H.

Friendly Fire

"As a high school choir director, I once had a student who wouldn't stop talking to his friends and pay attention. One day I got the bright idea of bringing a water gun and when he didn't stop talking after being asked, I gave him a squirt. I felt pretty proud of myself until the next day. The boy brought his own water gun and returned fire this time. I never tried that again." - G.L.

Psych Intervention

"I was teaching seventh-grade English and we were in the middle of a lesson when a young man stood up without permission. I paused and gave him my, 'What the heck are you doing?' face. He tossed his head at me and asked, 'Whatcha looking at?' That's when I asked him to sit down. He told me, 'Nah, I don't feel like it.' I asked him to sit down a second time, but more sternly. He thrust his chest out and started coming up toward me. I wondered if he was going to hit me or something, but instead he just got in my face and said, 'I ain't got to do nothin' you say 'cause you ain't my mother.' I guess I had been watching a lot of the TV show *Psych* because I turned my head to the side and mumbled, 'You know that's right!' The whole class busted out laughing, including the unruly young man." - A.B.

Floating in Space

"My elementary students were curious about space and they asked me how astronauts poop. I showed them a video of an astronaut explaining the toilet in space and how they recycle their urine. The video said that without suction, poop and pee would be floating around in the spacecraft. That drew a chorus of 'Eeeewwww,' from my class." - J.G.

We Promise

"My preschool class of 2-year-olds brought me some friendship fruit salad. They promised me that no one sneezed or coughed in it - so I ate it." - D.P.

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