

I KNEW THAT!

HELPFUL HINTS FROM THE



BE THE KIND OF PERSON YOU WANT YOUR STUDENTS TO BE. **I**F A TEACHER DOESN'T LIVE UP TO HIS OR HER OWN STANDARDS, HOW CAN THE CHILDREN BELIEVE THEY ARE IMPORTANT?

DON'T GIVE HOMEWORK AS A PUNISHMENT. **E**XPLAIN EVERY HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT. **E**NCOURAGE STUDENTS TO ASK THEIR PARENTS FOR HELP WITH HOMEWORK.

USE PURPOSEFUL, EFFECTIVE QUESTIONING TECHNIQUES. **B**E SURE TO ALLOW "WAIT TIME" OF AT LEAST **5** SECONDS FOR A RESPONSE.

ADMIT IF YOU'VE MADE A MISTAKE AND APOLOGIZE IF YOU'VE TREATED A STUDENT UNFAIRLY.

KEEP YOUR CLASSROOM CHEERFUL AND ORDERLY. **A**LLOW SPACE FOR STUDENTS TO MOVE EASILY AROUND THE ROOM AS NEEDED.

MAKE LEARNING FUN, INTERESTING, AND RELEVANT TO THE STUDENTS' LIVES.

COMMUNICATE OFTEN AND OPENLY WITH PARENTS. **E**NCOURAGE PARENT VOLUNTEERS IN YOUR CLASSROOM.

REMEMBER THAT EACH STUDENT HAS DIFFERENT STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, AND NEEDS.

FULFILL YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM AS WELL. **B**E A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL FACULTY AND TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION AS WELL.