

Quote from “*Teacher and Child*”

By *Haim Ginott*

I have come to a frightening conclusion.

I am the decisive element in the classroom.

It is my personal approach that creates the climate.

It is my daily mood that makes the weather.

**As a teacher I possess tremendous power to make
a child's life miserable or joyous.**

I can be a tool of torture or an instrument of inspiration.

I can humiliate or honor, hurt or heal.

**In all situations, it is my response that decides whether a crisis
will be escalated or de-escalated, and a child humanized
or de-humanized.**