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Characteristics of a good teacher

According to Pacific learners (and Pacific parents), a "good teacher":

- ▲ understands that my identity, language and culture is important to me
- ▲ pronounces my name and words in my language properly
- ▲ recognises that English might not be my and/ or my parents' first language and communicates with us in a way that we can understand
- ▲ makes an effort to learn and use simple words like saying 'hello' and 'thank you' in my language
- ▲ does research to know more about me, my family and my culture and island nation(s) that we come from
- ▲ understands the values that are important to me such as faith, spirituality (church) and family

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