



Why do

YOU

TEACH?

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We asked Ghana's young teachers,

“Why do you teach?”

Read their responses on why they love what they do and are proud of their profession.

Why do you teach?

What I love most about teaching is seeing my KG child read and write correctly and seeing them blend and read simple words and sentences.

I love seeing my pupils beaming, expressing themselves and exhibiting discipline and responsibility. Teaching at the KG has helped me build on my creativity, gain more experience and learn new things.



Beulah Margaret Ansah
KG2 teacher at Kokoado M/A KG
KEEA in Central Region

Why do you teach?

I love teaching because it gives me the opportunity to work with very young learners to achieve their targets. I also get the chance to constantly read and research into how best to help young children learn.

Most importantly, what I love about teaching is that it makes me happy to be a great influence in the lives of young learners who are full of potential and destined for greatness.



Joana Awity

KG1 teacher at Kyiase M/A KG
KEEA in Central Region

Why do you teach?

Early Childhood Education focuses on active learning; this encourages me to develop creative and engaging activities which give learners freedom to be creative themselves. Teaching in KG enhances my own creative and imaginative abilities.

Teaching gives me the feeling of accomplishment seeing my learners grow in knowledge, confidence, cooperation, curiosity and moral values. I learn new strategies and skills each day.

As I work with a variety of children, I gain more knowledge about different learners, their individual needs and how to meet the learning needs of these children.



Nancy Pieteron

KG2 teacher at Fawomanye D/A KG
Shama in Western Region

Why do you teach?

A teacher not only teaches but also inspires.

I love teaching most because I get the opportunity to make a difference and touch the lives of learners in building their future and bringing out the best in them.

Teaching offers unlimited possibilities in influencing generations of students. I cannot teach every child in the world but I can impact the ones I come in contact with. This impact stays with them throughout their years of schooling and beyond.

Teaching is also one of the professions that allows continuous learning and creativity through professional development.



Regina Tetteh

KG2 teacher at Dompase M/A KG
KEEA in Central Region

Why do you teach?

I love teaching because it is not just a profession, it is a mission. I realized that through teaching, I would be able to fulfill my soul's craving to make a contribution in shaping the world of tomorrow.

Teaching is the best job. It is fulfilling when you help youngsters to leave school with good virtues and decent grades and know they have a future. All professionals can boast, but a teacher taught them all.



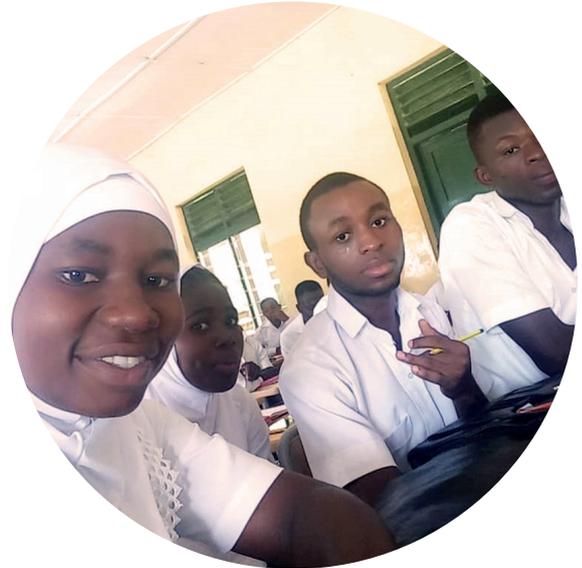
Gifty Mensah

JHS 2 Science teacher at Asamang
D/A JHS in Atwima Nwabiagya
North District, Ashanti Region

Why do you teach?

Education is the key to success. Without education, there would be nobody to be a teacher, pilot, doctor engineer. Ghana's education system has made so many Ghanaians proud how both the rich and poor have access to quality education which gives room to all children to participate in all classroom activities.

This improves upon the social lives of the ordinary Ghanaian people meet, interact and mingle with and see one another as one people without taking into consideration colour, status, religion, tribe, which opens a door for all.



Yussif Anbanbeou Tauficatu
Student teacher at Tumu College
of Education in Sissala East, Upper
West Region

Why do you teach?

Teaching is a thing of passion to forever engage in. I love most to study to get myself well equipped to provide assistance to others. I love to give what I know to help others and lift their career up. Many people say teachers will have their reward in heaven but I say teaching is a gift from God and not just anyone is called to teach.



Eric Agyekum Obeng

Student Teacher at Bia Lamp Lighter
College of Education in Bia West
District, Western North Region

Why do you teach?

Going through school and studying of courses such on children and adolescents helped me understand why children behave the way they do. I also understand why the student should be the at the centre of learning.

During Supported Teaching in Schools (STS) it feels great to help someone acquire knowledge or build upon their knowledge.



Ekissi Stanley Edem
Student teacher at St. Francis
College of Education in Hohoe
Volta Region

Why do you teach?

Teaching is an act of supporting youngsters so that they may gain understanding about the world around them. Teaching is a professional work which should be of passion and full of innovations. A teacher today is always a teacher. In addition, the teaching profession is a noble one, the hallmark of every teacher is to see their students passing out successfully in a transformed way to become great personalities in the future.



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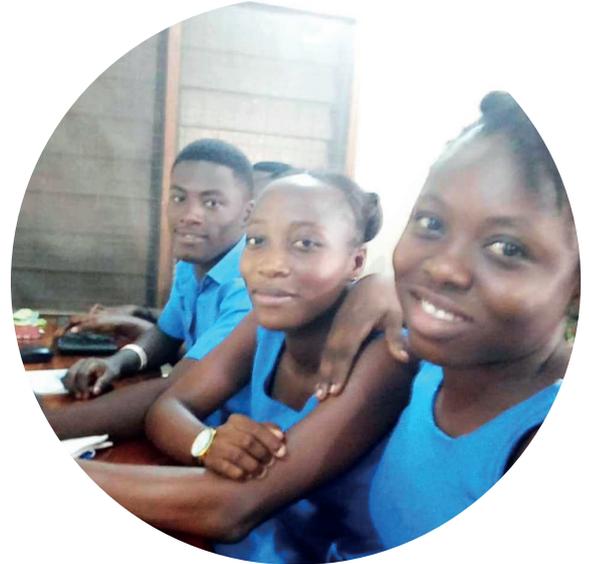
Student at St. Francis College of
Education in Hohoe
Volta Region

Why do you teach?

Teaching involves guiding people to obtain knowledge, competence and values. I love the fact that teaching has the ability to transform a learner's life holistically.

Teaching is a process of developing knowledge, skills and values within learners. Knowledge develop learners cognitively whilst skills train them physically and values prepare them affectively. Teaching helps enlighten people to explore and know about themselves and their environment.

Teaching helps individuals to identify their potential and develop them to the benefit of themselves and the society at large.



Nannette Benneh

Student teacher at Bia Lamplighter College of Education in Bia West District, Western North Region

Why do you teach?

There are wonderful things I love about studying to become a teacher but the one I love most is the broad knowledge I am acquiring from the integrated curriculum offered by the college.

I have been able to obtain knowledge on human psychology and this enables me to understand why different people exhibit different characters in our society. Also, how to apply technology to make life easier and a better place to live in.

The knowledge, skills and values acquired has developed me cognitively, affectively and physically such that I can now go about my daily activities with confidence.



Simon Baah

Student at Bia Lamplighter College of Education in Bia West District, Western North Region

Why do you teach?

What I love about teaching is the possession of the three domains of learning [cognitive (knowledge), affective (heart) and the psychomotor (skills)] that a teacher will support their learners to develop.

Teaching is one of the most important professions that develops the individual holistically to fit well in the society and the world at large.

Through teaching one become a well-balanced social being, capable of critical thinking and logical reasoning, acquainted with skills and attitudinal traits which are the basic requirements for nation building.



Paul Mensah

Student teacher at Bia Lamp Lighter
College of Education in Western
North Region

Why do you teach?

Teaching supports development of moral values, abilities and skills in learners. There are many reasons behind my love for teaching but the one I love most is the creativity. Teaching as a day to day activity, brings out the skills that are needed to produce ideas which makes learning more interesting for both the teacher and the learner. Here, imaginative approaches are adapted to make teaching and learning very exciting. In conclusion, teaching brings out the creativity in a teacher and their learners.



Nita Aba Annan
JHS Math Teacher at Mfantshipim
Basic School
Central Region

Why do you teach?

There are many reasons to love being a teacher.

Teaching is one of those noble professions that keeps you on your toes and keeps you young at heart. It allows you to use your brain and continue learning each day. It's a profession that allows you to be creative and work with a variety of different people. Each school day brings with it a new beginning.

Now how many jobs can you say can do that?



Godwin Kwapong
Student Teacher
Mampong Technical College of
Education, Ashanti Region

Why do you teach?

[I love teaching because]... teaching is a lifelong learning process. This helps the individual to developed intellectually and discover new things every day.

The teaching profession enables teachers to make impact in society in diverse ways. Teachers educate, counsel and also serve as life coaches by identifying potentials in society.



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