A Few Words From This Year’s Winners…

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“How would you describe your approach to teaching and educating students?”

We were all young once, so let’s be the teacher we wish we had …

By transporting ourselves back to our university days, we might better empathise with our students and appreciate what they desire. Just like them, we were full of delight to be admitted to the university. Just like them, we were also full of anticipation about entering this new phase of life. Just like them, we once looked forward to the first day of school. (oops, only the first day of school?! *smile*) However, reality soon set in. We encountered all kinds of professors and instructors, attended many lectures and tutorials, and experienced varied teaching styles. There were some teachers who inspired us in one way or another, so we remember and aspire to be like them. There were also some teachers whose teaching styles and habits we or our fellow classmates were guilty of criticising, so we learnt and refrained from repeating their mistakes. Based on these recollections, we should constantly ask ourselves: what if we were in the students’ shoes? Would we have loved the class? If you answered “yes”, I am sure you have already taken pains to enrich your student’s learning and made their educational journey exciting!