

**Metaphor for teaching:**  
*teaching is like coaching an athletic team*

A successful sport coach has 5 characteristics: discipliner, coordinator of rules, team leader, guider and punisher.

I like *discipline*. During my classes, I want my students to be disciplined physically (quiet, well behaved, focused on the lecture) as well as intellectually (know their goals and priorities, patient with the new material and constantly try to improve).

I think it is very important for the students to *follow the rules*. They must understand that the syllabus is like a contract and also the base of a good collaboration between me and them.

I want my students *to work like a team*. They must help and respect each other. I am also part of the team because we share the common goal of learning more.

It is always a pleasure for me *to guide* them through the new concepts and methods and also through the student life in college.

Finally, I can *push* them to improve their limits and overcome difficulties and I do not hesitate to use *the whistle* to make them aware of their mistakes. I also *penalize* them if it is necessary.

