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Discussion Question

1. What element of teaching do student teachers and new teachers usually cite as their number one concern? Why?

The number one concern for these teachers is discipline. Student teachers and new teachers are fearful of the possibility of losing class control when they begin teaching assignments. Students will display a lack of control and poor manners in school because of the poor discipline habits in the home and society they live in. It is necessary for teachers to be prepared to deal with disruptions in the learning environment they display. Teachers should have an orderly classroom free from distractions in order to have educational progress. Teachers should recognize the planning involved in establishing discipline. Teachers should present to their students their discipline policy, and know the consequences that will come with their actions if they are not proper. When students misbehave, teachers must be able to discipline them in a way that does not disrupt the entire class and halt the learning process. Good discipline will not simply come to teachers, and they cannot expect to just walk into the classroom and discipline their students without any thought. Knowing the attributes of good teaching specifically the characteristics of a good teacher, effective discipline, appropriate attire, commanding voice, and enthusiasm will help these uneasy teachers to discipline their class well and not be concerned with losing the attention and control of the students.