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My Inspirational Teacher

How do you describe someone who has made such an impact on your life? Honestly there are no words to describe my middle school French teacher Madame Cheryl Anderson and how she has impacted me. Instead I shall try to express my thanks and love to her through this acronym, F.R.E.N.C.H.

F for full of personality. My first day of sixth grade French began not with the usual first day of class speech, but with the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, in French, with energetic hand and body movement. After the conclusion of her performance, and with a huge smile across her face, Madame Anderson welcomed us to French class. This is how she began her class, with an energetic performance. Every class I have had with her since, she has made me laugh with her colorful personality. It brings the language she teaches to life and the joy to learn it.

R for respect. The first rule Madame Anderson said she had for her class was kindness, that we show kindness and respect to all our classmates, and if we did so we would have no trouble as part of her class. She respects her students. She believes we all are great people who hold so much potential. Having someone who you can trust and who respects you, as well as being an excellent teacher, makes her the reason I walk in and out of her classroom with a smile on my face everyday.

E for energetic. Everyday she begins class with a warm smile. She puts lots of energy into her teaching, in games, in class discussions, and with jokes she puts up on the board everyday. The energetic and charming fun she tries to put into each class makes me more appreciative to have her as my teacher each day. It's not easy teaching boisterous middle schoolers and yet she does it and makes it look effortless.

N for noble. During a social emotion lesson this year where we discussed bullying, Madame Anderson told the class that if anyone ever was cruel to one of us, that she would go kick their butts. She was very serious when saying this. She holds noble values, and believes in kindness and is not afraid to stand up for her students. I truly believe if someone was every mean to me, she would put them in their place.

C for creativity. Madame Anderson is an artist, which means she has a creative and imaginative mind. She tells us all the time she never wants her class to be boring. Everyday we play a different game to help us learn our vocab and try projects like making music videos. Some activities are more successful than others, but there is never a dull moment in her class. I rarely ever feel bored and every day is a new idea to try out. What more could a student ask for?

H for heart. This is the best part about my fabulous and inspirational teacher. Madame Anderson fills her classroom with the French language, fun, but also love. She loves her job. She

loves what she teaches, and most importantly she loves her students. Ever since the first crazy day of French class in sixth grade, I am still sitting in her classroom three years later because not only do I adore learning the French language, but that I am being taught by the most amazing teacher. In her class I feel special, respected, and welcomed and this is because of Madame Anderson and all the love she gives.

There are still no words to describe how utterly amazing my French teacher is, but I hope she knows how much I appreciate her and everything she has given me through my three years being her student. The personality, the smiles, the respect, the trust, the energy, the joy, the creativity, the love, all of it has made me realize what kind of adult I hope to be someday. She told my parents once during a conference that she sees me one day in the future walking the streets of Paris. Madame Anderson, I will one day journey to Paris, and throughout the visits to museums and cafes, I will remember that you were the one that helped me get there, with every vocab lesson and every smile.