

## *Lecturers vs. Teachers*

Lecturers and teachers:  
both foster learning;  
but lecturers impart  
information,  
whereas teachers add  
motivation.

Lecturers address  
the mind;  
teachers also appeal  
to the heart.

Lecturers say:  
“Take it  
or leave it.”  
Teachers exhort:  
“Don’t leave  
without taking it.”

Lecturers want you  
to know;  
teachers ask you  
to experience.

Lecturers urge  
memory and repetition;  
teachers encourage  
insight and intuition.

Confusion and doubt  
are bane  
to lecturers,  
but a beginning  
for teachers.

A lecture contains  
warnings and admonitions;  
teaching is replete  
with inspiration.

Lecturers tell you  
what to know;  
teachers explain  
*how* you know

Lecturers are concerned  
about correctness;  
teachers also care  
about consequences.

We want our leaders,  
therefore,  
to be inspired  
teachers,  
and not mere  
lecturers!

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