

# Who Makes the Difference in Your Life?

It's always a great time to reflect on where we've been and where we need to be. As student leaders and advisers it's our job to help ALL of our students to feel welcome, create positive experiences and to help make their school years memorable and successful. How are you doing so far? Where would you like to improve? Take this quiz to help realize who is really making the difference.

## Quiz Part 1

1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.
2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.
3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America contest.
4. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize.
5. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor and actress.
6. Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

How'd you do? Easy?

*"The facts are, none of us remember the headliners of yesterday. These are no second-rate achievers. They are the BEST in their fields. But the applause dies, awards tarnish, achievements are forgotten, accolades and certificates are buried with their owners."*

## Quiz Part 2

1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
3. Name four people who have taught you something worthwhile.
4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Was the second quiz easier than the first?

Do you think YOUR name would have made the list on somebody else's Quiz Part 2? Did this help you to see which people impact our lives and are truly important? Have you taken time to tell these people how important to you they are? As a school leader I encourage you to think about this as you plan upcoming events and as you lead others . . . make sure that you are helping to create memories, positive experiences and connections for ALL students.

## **SOURCE = Quiz and quote**

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