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## "Teachers Are Like a Box of Chocolates"

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**What** This easy to stage teacher appreciation reader's theatre script is perfect for Sunday Schools, Christian schools, or VBS. A few readers use candy imagery to thank teachers for being so sweet. Smaller children can participate by acting out the included simple movements. The skit also includes a suggested craft that can be given as a teacher appreciation gift.

Themes: Teacher Appreciation, Teachers, Thank You, Gardens, Growth, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Honor, End of School

**Who** 2+ Readers  
Children (at least 3) any ages

**When** Modern Day

**Costumes** All can wear modern clothing. Another option would be to have them wear bright colors or candy themed attire or accessories.

**Props** No required props. Younger children hold could hold cutouts of candy.

**Why** Proverbs 16:24

**How** This play may be performed as a reader's theatre and does not need to be memorized, though you will want to do a quick run through. Your actors can read right off the script or can use note cards. Additionally, there are a few easy Child lines that you assign as well as a couple of group lines.  
Optional Candy Craft/Tie In: To add to the performance, you could have the children decorate a small box and fill it with chocolates or other candy to give the teachers as a teacher appreciation gift.

**Time** 2-3 minutes

At start of scene, **Readers** are center with all other **Children** gathered around them.

**Reader 1:** It's that time again!

**Reader 2:** *(looks at her watch)* Eleven o'clock? *(or whatever time it is)*

**Reader 1:** No.

**Reader 2:** Yes it is. See? *(shows Reader 1 her watch)*

**Reader 1:** That's not what I meant. I know what time of day it is. I mean—

**Reader 2:** Oh, right. It's Sunday. *(or whatever day it is)*

**Reader 1:** *(annoyed)* Not the day of the week! The time of the year! *(to assembled Children)* Kids, let's help her out. What time of year is it?

**All:** Summer vacation!

**Reader 2:** Yes! I love summer vacation!

**Reader 1:** Which is why it's the perfect moment to say a very special thank you.

**Reader 2:** You're welcome.

**Reader 1:** Not to *you*—to the men and women who have taken time out of their busy lives to be our teachers.

**Readers 2:** Teachers are pretty great aren't they? They're smart and creative.

**Reader 1:** They're patient and loving.

**Reader 2:** And they're really sweet. *(thinks)* Come to think of it, teachers are made up of lots of different things.

**Reader 1:** Just like chocolates.

**Reader 2:** Ooh, I love chocolates!

**Readers 1:** And we all love our teachers. Which is why we want to thank them by saying—

**All:** Teachers are like a box of chocolates!

**Readers 2:** Because you never know what you're going to get?

**Reader 1:** No. *(sighs)* Kids, let's help her out.

**Child 1** steps forward.

**Child 1:** Teachers are like caramels... they give us something to chew on.

**Child 1** steps back.

**Reader 2:** And chew on... and chew on... and chew on...

**Reader 1** gives **Reader 2** a withering look.

**Reader 2:** What?! Caramels are really sticky!

**Reader 1:** It means they give us something to think about. And teachers do that by teaching Bible stories.

**Reader 2:** Ooh! Like Daniel, and Noah, and Moses!

**Reader 1:** Right. They also teach us about Jesus and his amazing lessons, like the parables, which help explain how God wants us to live our lives.

**Reader 2:** Such as being kind to strangers and using our gifts and talents to praise Him.

**Reader 1:** And with each story they share, they teach us to think and how to apply these lessons in our lives so that we grow into the people God wants us to become.

**Reader 2:** That's so nice of them!

**Reader 1:** It sure is. And that's not all.

**Child 2** steps forward.

**Child 2:** Teachers are like peppermint creams... they keep things fresh and fun.

**Child 2** steps back.

**Reader 2:** And minty!

**Reader 1:** *(chuckles)* No, but they do come up with amazing crafts to make and cool games to play.

**Reader 2:** I love games and crafts! They really make learning fun.

**Reader 1:** I agree. And teachers always know the best songs to sing too!

**Reader 2:** Ooh! Like— *(clears throat, then holds up a finger and starts to sing, maybe badly)* This little light of mine—

**Reader 1:** *(stopping her)* Thanks. I think we've heard enough.

**Reader 2:** But I wasn't finished with my song!

**Reader 1:** We get the idea. And besides, the important thing to remember is that teachers keep their lessons fresh.

**Reader 2:** And minty.

**Reader 1:** *(annoyed)* No...

**Reader 2:** *(quickly)* And fun! I meant to say they make their lessons fun.

**Reader 1:** They sure do.

**Reader 2:** So how else are teachers like a box of chocolates?

**Child 3** *steps forward.*

**Child 4:** Teachers are like toffee... sometimes things can get hard—

**Reader 2:** *(pretending to eat a toffee)* Ah! I think I broke a tooth!

**Child 4:** But they’re always sweet and kind.

**Child 3** *steps back.*

**Reader 1:** That’s right. Teachers make their classrooms a safe space where children feel comforted and cared for and remind us that God loves us and is always with us.

**Reader 2:** *(holding her cheek)* I could use a little comfort right now. My tooth really hurts.

**Reader 1:** *(pats her shoulder)* There, there.

**Reader 2:** That’s not the kind of comfort I was expecting.

**Reader 1:** Well you know what they say... life can be full of surprises.

**Reader 2:** *(rubbing her cheek)* Just like a box of chocolates.

**Reader 1:** But luckily we have teachers who are always there for us, teaching us about God and guiding us along the way as we grow up.

**Reader 2:** Teachers are pretty great, aren’t they?

**Reader 1:** They sure are. So, do you understand now why teachers are like a box of chocolates?

**Reader 2:** I guess so, but I still have one question.

**Reader 1:** What's that?

**Reader 2:** What about the nuts?

**Reader 1:** The nuts?

**Reader 2:** You know... in the box of chocolates! Those little yummy little clusters of chocolate coated nuts.

**Reader 1:** Oh those! Yeah, those aren't like teachers.

**Reader 2:** They're not? Then what are they like?

**All:** The students!

*Maybe **All** make a silly face or do something funny.*

**Reader 1:** So to all the teachers, let us end this school year by sharing something sweet with you.

**All:** Thank you teachers!

**Reader 2:** And have a great summer!

*End of scene.*