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Endorsements for

# The Compassionate Classroom

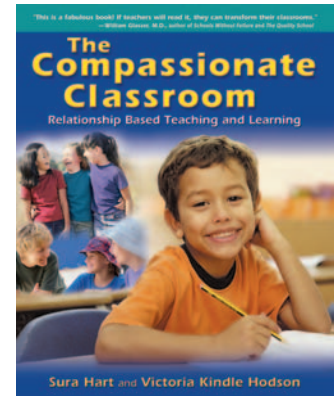
by Sura Hart and Victoria Kindle Hodson

“Education is not simply about teachers covering a curriculum; it is a dance of relationships among the people of the class. This how-to guide presents a wide range of powerful communication and relationship tools that will help each child discover and reach their potential.”

- **TIM SELDIN**, president, The Montessori Foundation

“I believe the message in this book can change the course of learning and life for all of us.”

- **MARSHALL B. ROSENBERG, Ph.D.**, author of *Nonviolent Communication: A Language of Life*, *Speak Peace in a World of Conflict*, and *Life Enriching Education*



“*The Compassionate Classroom* demonstrates the connection between learning and the relationships between students and teachers. It is filled with exercises and roleplays that could be introduced to the classroom to enhance understanding. This is a great curriculum development resource!”

- **JERRY MINTZ**, Alternative Education Resource Organization (AERO)

“This is a fabulous book! If teachers will read it, they can transform their classrooms.”

- **WILLIAM GLASSER, M.D.**, author, *Schools Without Failure* and *The Quality School*

“Teachers, parents and school administrators: Today’s teachers can create a Planet of Peace. The communication process you will learn by reading this book is the cornerstone.”

- **ROBERT MULLER**, founder of the University for Peace in Costa Rica

“This book is easy to read and easy to relate to. It provides small, tangible steps that can be implemented by any teacher or parent. It is the ‘scaffold’ that educators have been looking for to set the stage for tremendous learning.”

- **BRENDA HARARI, Ph.D.**, educational researcher and consultant

“*The Compassionate Classroom* helps teachers and students practice communicating nonviolently. Its message is crucially important and its activities provide both fun and engaged learning.”

- **NEL NODDINGS, Ph.D.**, author, *Educating Moral People* and *Starting at Home: Caring and Social Policy*

“I predict *The Compassionate Classroom* will become an indispensable guide for professional educators and parents who strive to create schools where ‘learning flourishes and teachers enjoy teaching’. It’s a gem!”

- **MARY PIEKOS**, educator, Woodstock IL

“This book shows teachers how to strengthen relationships, fuel interest, passion, and inspire accomplishment! The authors solve the age-old mystery of how to resolve classroom conflicts without disrupting the learning process.”

- **RESA BROWN**, special education teacher of the year

“*The Compassionate Classroom* has great exercises and practical lessons that give educators tools to implement Nonviolent Communication in the classroom and create connections with students that will enhance both learning and teaching.”

- **LESLIE TROOK**, middle school principal

“*The Compassionate Classroom* presents clear and concise explanations of the ‘how’ and ‘why’ of Nonviolent Communication along with playful exercises and games that animate the joy of natural giving.”

- **MICHAEL DREILING**, sociology professor and author

“I am excited by *The Compassionate Classroom* and its potential to help the conflict that is a daily reality in our schools, especially here in South Africa. Some of its exercises and games have already yielded interesting results in our classes. It is an invaluable practical tool for today’s teacher. I heartily recommend it.”

- **SHENA LAMB**, university instructor

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