EVERYONE’S FIRST TEACHER

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Who do you call when you need comfort after a tiring day? Who do you look for first when you reach home? Who is the woman that you love the most? Isn’t it your mother?

When mothers are the topic, the counts of sacrifices, acts of love, acts of care and the like are unending. It seems that every positive adjective in the dictionary is applicable to them. Starting from birth until we learned how to walk, talk, read and write, they are with us. They helped us grow, and it is not too much if we say that we owe them.

As the data from the National Economic and Development Authority show, our country has the lowest female workforce participation in Southeast Asia at 46 percent. Women of the Philippines are also likely to quit work during their childbearing time. This might be because women, upon entering motherhood start to carry the weight of the responsibility to teach their children the basics and soon enough, reading and writing and more complex skills.

As what we grew up learning, Mothers are considered the first teachers, and it is undeniably true. Most of us learned the alphabet, learned to count, read and write, at the comfort of our homes with our mothers as our teachers. This is a proof that we know what we know now because our mothers took part in instilling knowledge into us.

Mothers come in different appearances, they don’t look the same. There are different kinds, different approaches of teaching, different ways of showing love and care. What is constant is that, our first teachers deserve the appreciation and gratitude.
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