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**CONFUCIUS SAYS...**



**DIRECTIONS:** Explain what point you think Confucius was trying to convey in each quote.

“To know what you know and what you don’t know is the characteristic of one who knows.”

“If a man would be severe towards himself and generous towards others he would never arouse resentment.”

“The superior man understands what is right; the inferior man understands what will sell.”

“Reading without thinking gives one a disorderly mind, and thinking without reading makes one unbalanced.”

“We may yet have another child, but never another mother.”

“One who refuses to think about future problems will soon have them falling about his ears.”

“Lead the people by laws and regulate them by penalties and the people will try to keep out of jail. Lead the people by virtue and restrain them by the rules of good behavior and the people will have a sense of shame and will become good.”

IN GENERAL, how could you sum up the teachings of Confucius? What do you think he is MOST concerned about?