

## Student comments – Math 10A, Winter 2007

The following are the student comments about my teaching from CAPE (Course And Professor Evaluation) forms for the Math 10A (beginning calculus) course I taught in Winter 2007 at UC San Diego. These comments are unfiltered and unedited.

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Makes the class very interesting, promotes learning, great attitude

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prof. Butler is a very dedicated & enthusiastic teacher!

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Prof. Butler: very energetic and interesting.

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Good teacher, explains clearly

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He is a good teacher and he makes learning fun.

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He's a good teacher. Keeps my attention.

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\* Engaging and entertaining lectures.

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\* shows great enthusiasm for subject

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pretty weird, but has been one of the few professors to be able to hold my attention. Makes the presentation of math fun. He wears the same outfit so its pretty weird.

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Has a good understanding of material, but sometimes its difficult to understand his methods

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Lectures need to be a bit more stimulating to hold attention, more example probs help also

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He is very knowledgeable & entertaining. Definitely not your typical boring math teacher. He loves math & his enthusiasm makes the class much easier to stomach.

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The instructor was great. He really knew what he was talking about and what he was doing. He made things clear and easy to understand which is very important in math.

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Great. Very Enthusiastic.

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- not Boring, catches attention!

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- easy to approach

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- explains in details ... explains why we have to use the equations.

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He is a good professor. He explains things clearly and makes sure you understand what you are doing. He gives you hints on what is going to be on the exam, so you don't go into it without knowing what to study.

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One of the best math professors I have had here at UCSD. Takes time to explain rules rather than just stating them or telling us we should know them or look them up for ourselves. Overall a great instructor and it is evident he has a passion for teaching and the course matterial.

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gets the job done, nice guy

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Mr. Butler is awesome. His lectures help a lot for both hwk & exams. He is always willing to help and makes you really enjoy math.

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He takes the time to make sure people understand what he teaches and that they can actually use it.

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Steven Butler does a good job of breaking down ideas so the students can understand.

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I wish Steve Butler would teach 10B, !0C...

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- Entertaining

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- Cares about our understanding

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Butler promotes clear involvement and keeps us interested. His jokes aren't that great but ty do relate to calculus. His lecture style is great for taking notes and he is very helpful in office hours.

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Steve is the perfect professor for this class. He understands that most of the students aren't in love with math or too excited to be in the class but he really does a great job of making it tolerable. His excitement & enthusiasm come close to transforming to the student and making 10A as enjoyable as possible.

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Professor Butler is very informed with the subject he teaches. He goes through all the steps showing why certain shortcuts work which it makes easier to remember. He is entertaining and holds the classes attention well.

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- he was very helpful. - stayed after class when needed help
  - good instructor for Calculus
  - helped us prepare for test
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- He's one of my best professors, he explains things well at a good pace
  - material covered is always on schedule
  - seems passionate about math
  - is helpful with questions
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Good professor, teaches well. Makes math interesting.

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The instructor attempts to make the course interesting.

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Friendly guy & excellent teacher. Covers material very well. Occasionally moves a little quickly, but I'd rather be a little lost than bored out of my skull. Cracks jokes, keeps things light. Excellent.

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Very good instructor. Lectures are fun and he really wants us to learn. He wants us all to be math majors!

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Amazingly hilarious. He is my favorite math professor so far in all of my career. His vivacity and fervor towards math motivated me to want to learn and grasp the information as best I can. In office hours, he is very supportive and will help you, no matter how stupid or elementary the question is. I wish he was teaching 10B!

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