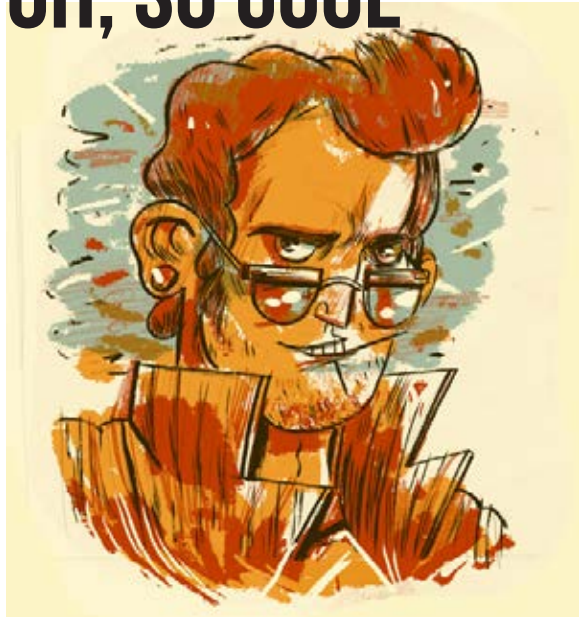


TYPECASTING TEACHERS

8 BASIC TYPES AND EXAMPLES FROM T.V. AND MOVIES

FROM SUPERSTAR TEACHERS, LIKE ROBIN WILLIAMS AS JOHN KEATING IN "DEAD POETS SOCIETY," TO THE DOWNRIGHT DESPICABLE, LIKE CAMERON DIAZ'S CHARACTER IN "BAD TEACHER," PORTRAYALS OF EDUCATORS ON SCREEN TEND TOWARDS EXTREMES:

The OH, SO COOL



Often acts the same age as the students, may have been an outcast in his or her younger days, like Will Schuester in "Glee."

The GOTCHA



Mean, plays favorites and is looking to set up students to fail. Think Mrs. Tingle in "Teaching Mrs. Tingle."

The ON A MISSION



This superteacher is out to save the world: Jaime Escalante in "Stand and Deliver," John Keating in "Dead Poet's Society."

The BARBIE DOLL



... or "Ken Doll" is an object of desire, often lacking in teaching abilities. Think Ronnie Cooke in "Boston Public."

The PREDATOR



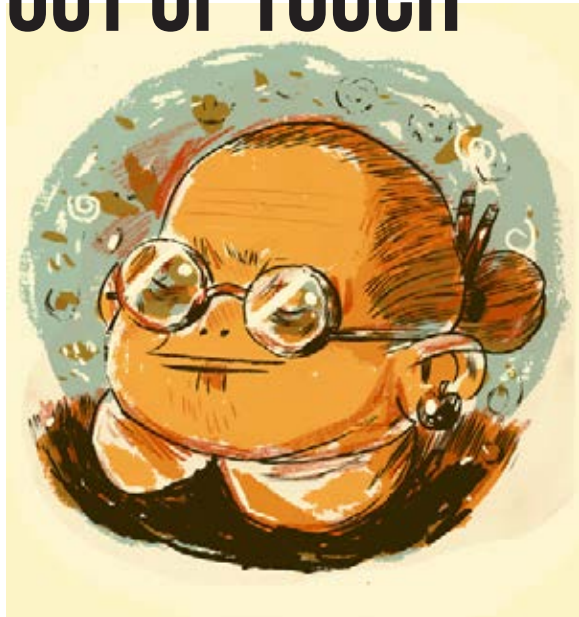
Develops inappropriate relationships with students like Coach Troy in "Teachers" and Miss Honeywell in "Porky's."

The INCOMPETENT



Can't teach effectively or control their classroom, like Edna Krabappel on "The Simpsons" or Principal Belding on "Saved by the Bell."

The OUT OF TOUCH



Has no understanding of youth culture and great disdain for trying new ideas. Think Ben Stein's character in "Ferris Bueller's Day Off."

The ACTION HERO



Literally "saves the day," either from a bad principal or even an external villain. Think Arnold Schwarzenegger in "Kindergarten Cop."

Do you think these teacher types reflect reality? What stereotypes can you add to our list?

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