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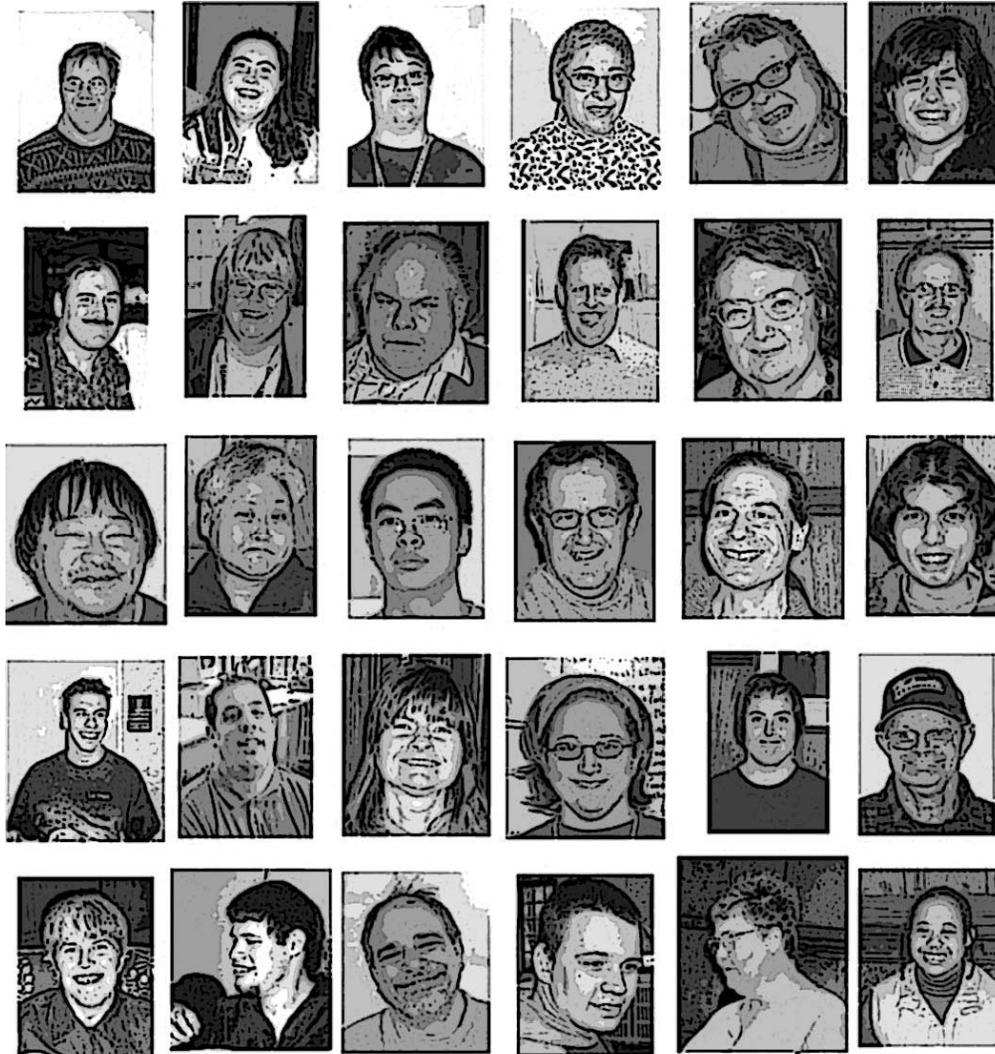


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Thanks to Cathy Berry!

We want to bid farewell to our long-time and wonderful instructor, Cathy Berry. Cathy left Independent Studies for other work.

You were the best, Cathy, and we all miss you very much!!!

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*Cathy, you
were always
right at the
heart of I.S.*

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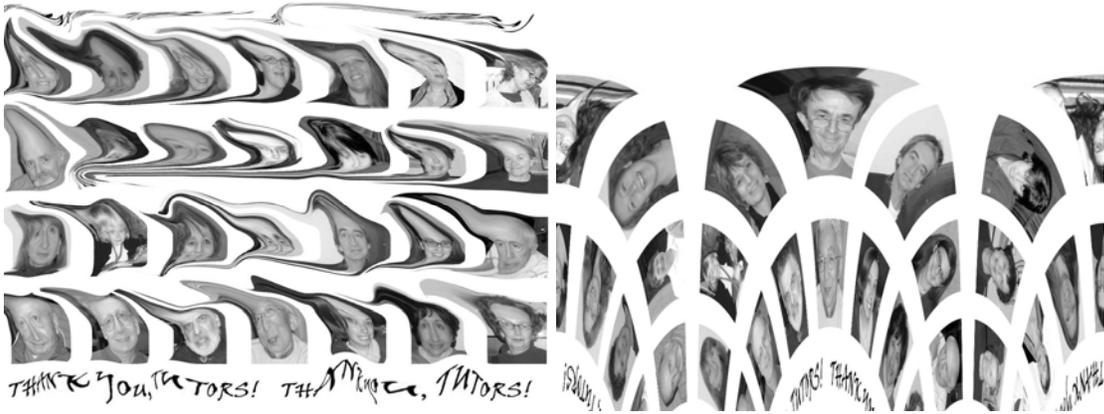


*Emma!
to her
right is
Angela
and
then
Susan
and
David
on the
left
-- and
below is
David's
dog,
Jasper
who
intends
to sneak
into
every
I.S.
book if
he can!*



We may be off the wall but we know how to run a great literacy program!!! Thanks to David, Susan, Angela and Emma!!!

Thank you, Tutors!



We keep changing and you keep adapting – thanks for being so open and flexible and dedicated and wonderful. You are the strength of our program and we thank you for all that you do for I. S.!!!

Thank you, Students!

You guys are the best!!! You're like a work of art!



Can you guess who these students are? (Some I.S. students are missing.)

Computer Class



Natalia and Peter and Erica



Michel and Barron



Robert

Here are some projects from students in the Computer Class.

Mats Sundin by Hor to Au

Mats Sundin is a popular hockey player who plays for the Toronto Maple Leafs. He was born in Bromma, Sweden on Feb. 13, 1971. Mats Sundin started playing hockey when he was five years old. Sundin is 6' 5" tall and weighs 231 LBS. He is one of the tallest players in the league.

Sundin who wears number 13 on his jersey, plays center and he is the captain for the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Sundin is a bachelor.

Career: Sundin has had a successful career playing hockey in Sweden and in Toronto.

In 1989 Sundin was the first European player to be drafted 1st overall in the NHL Entry Draft.

He was chosen by the Quebec Nordiques and played four seasons with them before he got traded to the Leafs on June 28, 1994. Sundin led the Leafs in scoring for eight straight seasons from 1994-2002. Then in September 1997, Mats became the captain for the Toronto Maple Leafs. In 10 of his 13 seasons in Toronto, Mats scored more than 30 goals. The crowds cheered Sundin on Nov 30, 2000 when he scored his 200th goal as a Leaf. A year later, Sundin recorded his 500th point as a Leaf. His Swedish fans were proud during the 2001-02 season when he became the highest scoring Swedish player in the NHL history.

During the 2003-04 season, Sundin tied for the NHL lead with 10 game-winning goals. Sundin was named to the Eastern Conference All-Star team. Sundin finished the year with 75 points. Mats Sundin was injured in Game 4 in the first round against Ottawa. Sundin missed four games before he returned in Game 2 against Philadelphia. Sundin had 9 points in 9 playoff games.

During the 2004-05 season the NHL has been on strike. It must be hard for Sundin not playing hockey right now.

Sundin loved growing up in Sweden and goes back often to visit his family & friends. Sundin is proud about his country and it was a dream come true to play hockey for Sweden. When Sundin first came to Canada he had many things to learn but Sundin adjusted well.

Sundin is an intelligent hard worker with an easy going personality. He is a friendly person and he appreciates when other people are friendly to him. Sundin is thankful for his fans. He likes to help others and he volunteers to help children's charities. In his spare time Sundin likes to play golf and watch David Letterman's Show.

I admire Mats Sundin as a hockey player because he is young and has a long career ahead of him. Sundin has very good skills. He is a fast skater and he shoots hard. Sundin likes to drive to the net and he creates a lot of plays. He is a hard worker and a true leader who expresses how he feels to the team and helps correct mistakes.

I admire Mats Sundin as a person because he has a very good sense of humour. He treats other people well and he helps children.

How I Did This Project

We wrote down lots of ideas to help choose a topic.

Then I just decided on one topic.

We went on the Internet and using Google we found information about Mats Sundin.

Then we made a plan of what to write.

Then we followed the plan.

We made 3 Drafts.

We read over the final draft and corrected it.

When I was happy with my project I printed a final copy.

Study at Frontier College by Lynn Symons

Friends

My feelings

What I learnt

E mail

Great experience

Reading

Writing

I work at using a computer and internet for e mail.

I work on a great experience and reading and writing.

Study at Frontier College

This is what I worked on with David Greig in the past. We worked on vowels, phonics and crossword puzzles. I have an address on a computer for E mail looking at my Internet messages. I went to the Library on my own on Wednesday. I checked out messages. I had a good time and it was a great experience.

It was useful to send my Christmas list to family. I work on AlphaRoute doing reading, writing, spelling and crossword puzzles. This study is a help to me on the outside of the college.

In the future, outside the College, I will volunteer at Alternative Grounds.

I make coffee and help with loading the dishes in the washer. University of Toronto campus residence is another place I work. I work at the Coffee Shed and I workout at Goodlife gym. I am at Frontier College now.

Normally, I live on my own in an apartment in courtyard housing.

Woodworking Project by Sane Stewart

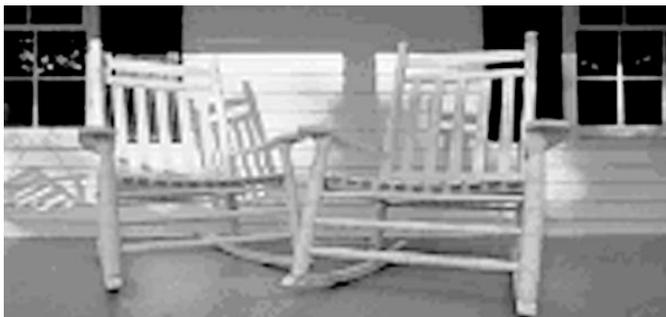


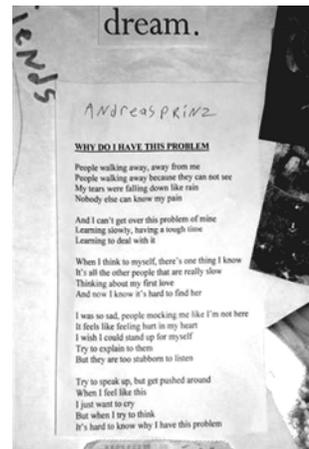
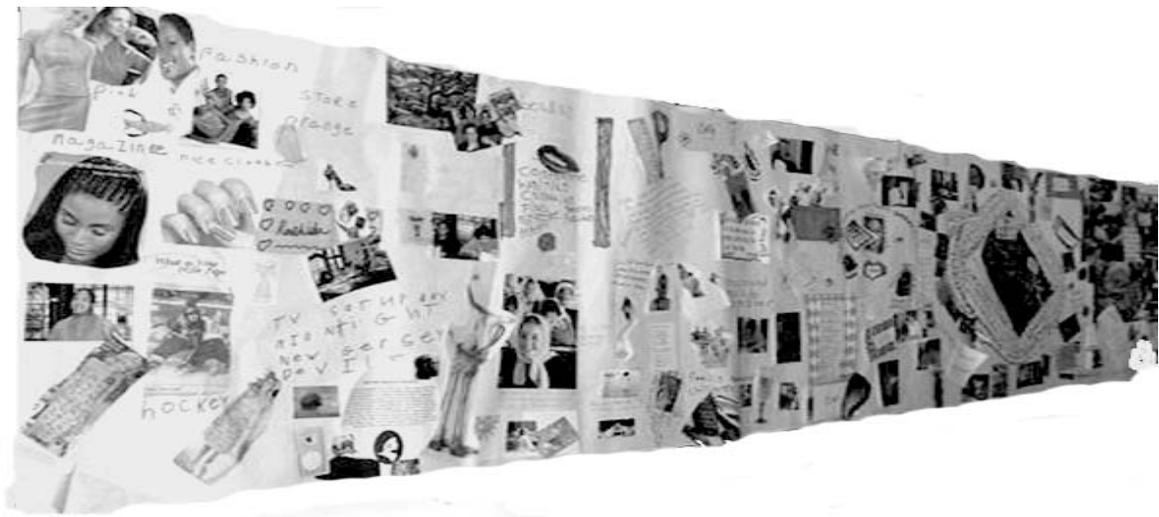
My name is Sane Stewart. I was born in Jamaica with a disability. I came to Canada at the age of 12 years old. I used to go to school in North York. My first time I saw someone make something out of wood, I was about six years old. I was living in Jamaica with my Dad. This was a woodwork shop next door to my house and sometimes I went there to play with the tools. I got to help with some of the sanding of chair legs and table tops. When I came to Canada I was in the sixth

grade. I made my first woodwork project and it was a little clock in my woodwork class. A year later I had my third operation at the hospital for sick kids. After the operation I was in rehabilitation. The center had a school, pool and gym. The school had woodwork class. In the class I made a piece of wooden art of a ninja turtle and I also painted it the colour green.

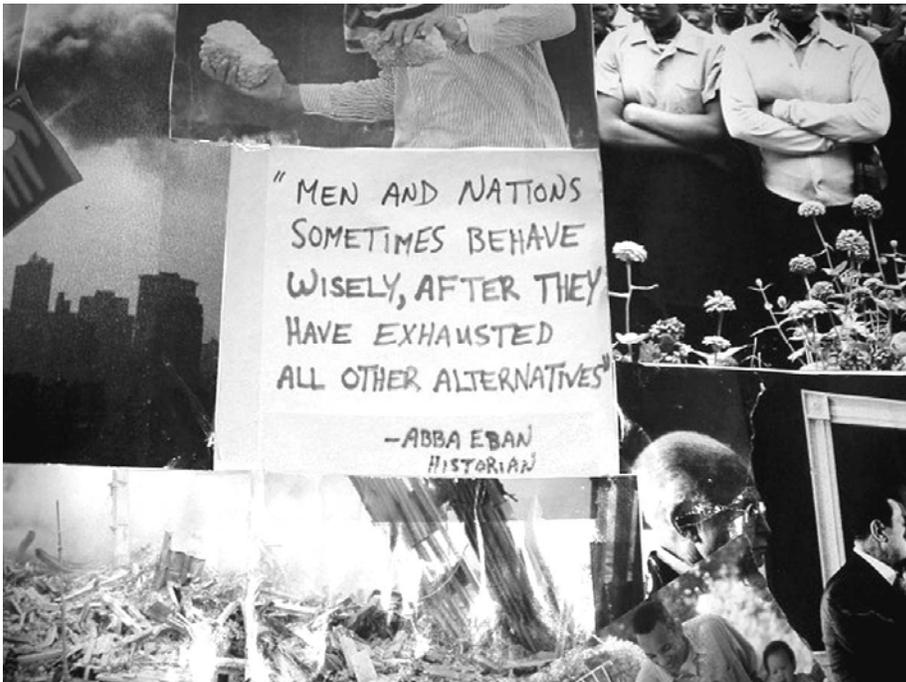
When I was in high school I developed an interest in more advanced woodwork projects. I made a spice rack and cutting board. The rest of my years in school from grade 10 to 12 I made bigger woodwork projects: full sized chairs with 40 to 50 parts and I had to use tools like the table saw, band saw, sander and also hand tools. I have an interest in being a woodworking carpenter. In the future I will take classes at Lee Valley about woodworking tools and machines.

The reason that I chose woodworking as my project is because it is one of my career goals. One day I will have a career as a woodworking carpenter and making chairs, tables and cabinets are all the items I would make as a carpenter. I would like to become a welder and have my own family business. I would sell my chairs, tables and cabinets and try to make my family proud of me. I have no working experience so I would like to have a part time job or do some volunteer work.

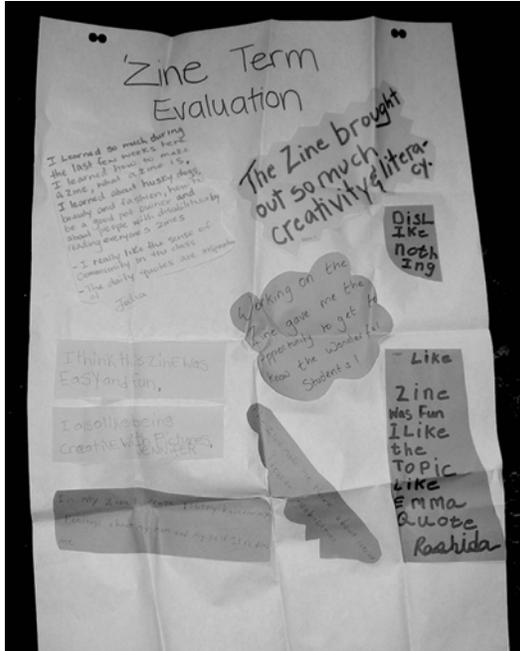




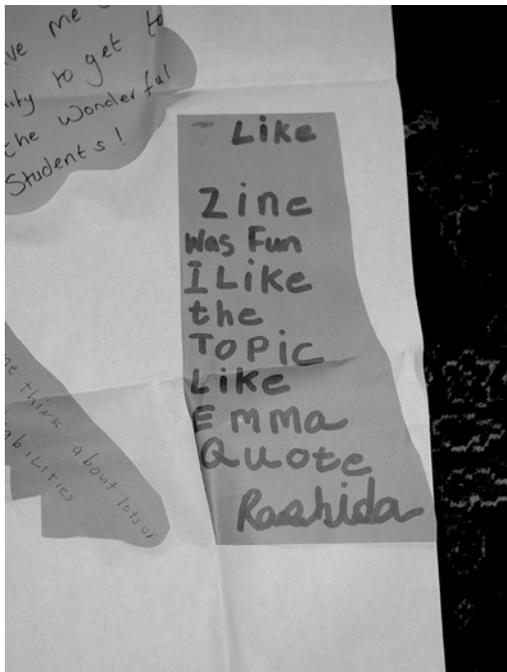




Zine Project



Students created their own mini-magazines, called "zines". Each student's zine presents a different topic.



abilities

A HIGH PERFORMER. A TEAM PLAYER. A CARING COLLEAGUE. A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY.



We're changing perceptions.

BY
Andreas

by Andreas

4. How does it feel to have a disability?
 Sometimes O.K.
 I am nose y.

L AURA INTERVIEW

1 What is it like to have a disability?
 Remember me ^{not like} C.P.
 Remember me ^{not like} C.P.

2 What is challenging for you?
 Eating, Boys with nice bodies.

3. How do you cope with it?
 I see which nice boys you like
 I also have a great sense of humour.

What it's like to be Andreas

My name is Andreas.
 I want to accept myself.
 I will follow the light.
 To be a human being is to breathe.
 To be yourself is to feel.
 No pain,
 No worry,
 Quiet struggles
 will be your mind.
 I know I will be strong.
 I will try really hard to be strong.
 Let your mind speak to the world.
 You have a gift.
 Follow it!
 Enjoy this!
 It is your life.

It is okay.
 I am in peace because that's me inside.
 Peace is with me.
 I will take this with me
 And I will not be afraid anymore.

SPOTLIGHT ON BOCCIA by Jennifer Larson

Twice twice to play a publicist and ballers meet? Think again! This Paralympic sport may be hard to watch, but it's a lot easier to play.

Boccia (pronounced "bo-CHIA") is a unique sport that is specifically designed to include people with severe physical disabilities who may not be able to compete in other sports. It can be enjoyed on any size or level level. Boccia programs and competitions are available from the recreational to elite level.

Here's how it works. Boccia is played indoors with 11 boccia balls and one blue ball called the "jack" ball. The "jack" ball is heavier and smaller than traditional balls. Players use their hands, feet or a ramp to throw, kick or roll the ball. The "jack" ball is used to start the game. Each player takes turns trying to get his or her balls close to the jack. After all the balls have been placed, the player with the ball closest to the jack wins one point for each ball that's closer to the jack than the opponent's ball.

Boccia is played individually or pairs or as teams of three. It is a strategic game that requires tactical, technical and mental preparation to beat your opponent. It is a game where anything can happen.

Canada was the first country to host the 2004 Paralympics. Canada is a member of the IPC and is active in the IPC's para sports and top level in the IPC's para sports. Canada is one of only three countries to qualify athletes in all seven sports for the 2004 Paralympics.

Find out more about boccia:
www.boccia.ca

LINKS using online web sites

EMP ONLINE
www.employment.com
The online site created by a group of employers and job seekers provides for finding a job or a job seeker. It's a free service.

CANADIAN DISTANCE SOCIETY OF THE DEAF
www.cdsd.ca
This national organization offers a variety of services to deaf and hearing impaired people. The society provides a lot of job, training, and information.

RECORDING FOR THE BLIND & VISUAL IMPAIRMENT
www.rfbdb.org
This American educational organization has provided a lot of information about the services it provides to people with visual impairments.

RFB&D
www.rfbdb.org
This organization provides a variety of services to people with visual impairments. It provides a lot of information about the services it provides to people with visual impairments.

FEDERATION OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
www.fpd.ca
This national organization provides a variety of services to people with disabilities. It provides a lot of information about the services it provides to people with disabilities.

Unique Books
disability
www.uniquebooks.com
This website offers a variety of books for people with disabilities. It provides a lot of information about the books it offers.

Directory of Disability Organizations in Canada
www.dodoc.ca
This directory provides a list of disability organizations in Canada. It provides a lot of information about the organizations it lists.

On My Own: A Resource Guide for Living Independently
www.onmyown.ca
This guide provides a lot of information about living independently. It provides a lot of information about the services it provides to people with disabilities.

Geography of Library and Disability
www.libraryanddisability.ca
This website provides a lot of information about the services it provides to people with disabilities. It provides a lot of information about the services it provides to people with disabilities.

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How people FEEL

Why are people suffering? - Poem by
People like me,
Most things I go through are hard for me,
like Stress, Anxiety, Feeling so Alone,
Eating too much, Feeling Overweight,
Dealing with my mom's death, Dealing with
Headaches, Putting my life back together.
I wish there was a way for me to be cool
and collected.

Most days are hard.
It happens when I go places, and when
I come back home.
I start feeling angry.
I don't know what it is with me.
When people don't call me,
I feel frustrated.
I'm still grieving inside.
Mom, why am I going through this?
I know you're not here,
but it's hard for me to let things go.
My anger, My frustrations, my headaches,
what does this all mean?



by Laura



HUSKY LOGS

The food for the Siberian Husky is seal meat and deer stew. Also, they drink clear water. If you own a Siberian Husky, they can be fed canned meaty food or dry dog food. One of the biggest enemies of all to the Siberian Husky is the Polar Bear. Their other enemies are wolves and other lead dogs.

The Siberian Husky's habitat is in the Arctic.

The followers behavior is fastly learning and to it's leader is sniff, yelp and circle




The leaders behavior is quite proud and its a natural born leader. It howls.

Finally, interesting facts about the Siberian Husky. It's a sled dog. It has to earn friendship. It sometimes howls mixed with a bark. It helps it's master. Did you know that the Siberian Husky is related to the American Eskimo

Activities that Husky Dogs like to do

- Playing chase games with you.
- Playing tug of war with you
- Gnawing on the furniture
- Chewing shoes, clothing, cameras, credit cards, electrical cords, TV cables, etc.
- Bolting through the door ahead of you
- Stealing food.
- Digging.

Biography Project - Dietmar Leopold Pannier

1. Searched the internet for 'What is a Biography?'

2 Asked questions to Annette and Angela.

3 Wrote their biographies.

4 Searched for other biographies



by Dietmar

- an account of the series of events making up a person's life
www.cogsci.princeton.edu/cgi-bin/webwn
- a written account of a person's life.
library.usask.ca/tutorials/basics/tutorials/gloss.html
- A written history of a person's life.
www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/workbook/glossary.htm
- A book about a person written by some other person.
gateway.library.uvic.edu/learn/orientation/glossary.html
- A written account of a person's life, actions, or character. A biographer is one who writes such an account, a biographee is one about whom the account is written. An autobiography is an account of a person's life written by himself or herself.
www.isu.edu/library/research/glossary.htm
- a written account of another person's life.
www.miracosta.edu/library/workbook/chapter/glossary.html
- An account of a person's life written by another person.
www.delft.edu/library/glossary_of_library_terms.html
- the life story of a person written by someone else
www.bedsouthpublishing.co.uk/books/englishatwork/glossary.htm
- A documented account of a person's life.
www.library.wvu.edu/ref/howtoguides/glossary.html
- the life story of a person that is written by another person either as a book or journal article.
www2.tntech.edu/library/guides/glossary.html
- A book about a person written by another person.
www.emc.maricopa.edu/library/DEFINITIONS/GUIDES/glossary.htm
- A written account of a person's life, or some portion of their life. See Also Autobiography.
library.boisestate.edu/Reference/BBRTN/jargon.htm
- A carefully researched, relatively full account of the facts of the life of a particular person, or closely related group of people, written by another. The person written about is the biographee. As in any historical work, the biographer presents, in continuous narrative, the most interesting and important events, usually with the aim of elucidating character, personality, and social context.
www.msu.ca/library/glossary.htm
- The story of a person's life as written by another.
www.lyncsburgen.gov/publiclibrary/sidzone/literary/definitions.htm
- Source that provides a written account of a person's life or a group of literature concerned with people's lives.
www.library.siu.edu/lib/info/guides/glossary_terms.html
- Author's version of the history of a person's life. The author of a biography is called a "biographer."
www.morehead-st.edu/cwis/library/technology/glossary.htm

Biography

1. Annette Evans

By

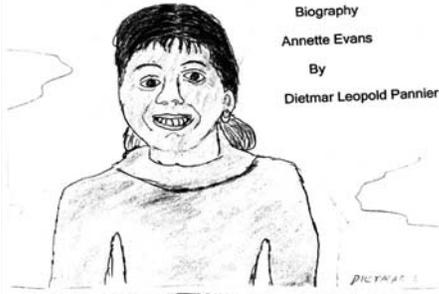
Dietmar Leopold Pannier

2. Angela Bisby

By

Dietmar Leopold Pannier

Biography
Annette Evans
By
Dietmar Leopold Pannier



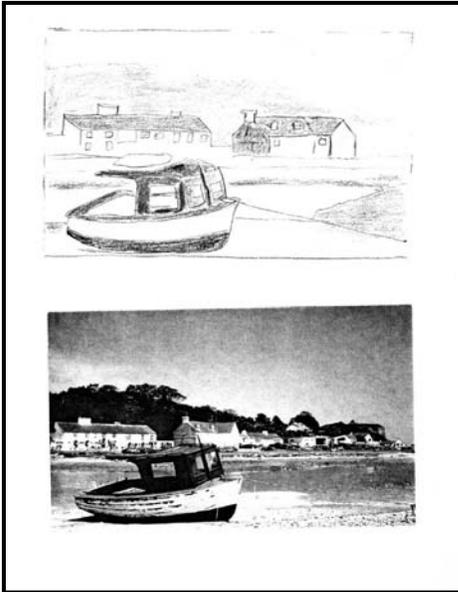

3. Have you got a family

4. Did you like school ?

5. What do you like to do

6. Have you been away on holidays

7. What would you like to do in the future ?



Annette Evans

Annette Evans was born in June 2 1957 in North Wales .
 She is the only daughter of Aneurin and Eluned Jones
 When she was 4 she start school in local sea side village of
 Trefor .
 She enjoyed school and had many friends went swimming in the
 sea.



Game of rounders was played by Annette and friends.
 She was very happy with her parents but
 A few things happened to her before she was 7

- Went through glasshouse -had stitches
- Stood on a glass on the beach-had stitches
- Had measles chicken pox
- Had her appendix out

She went to high school and worked hard
 Then she went to university and become a teacher.

Annette likes to travel



She likes going to

- Hawaii

- Germany
- America
- China
- Mexico

She came to Canada

To be together with her Husband

Rev. Deian Evans Who is the Minister of the Welsh church.

In Canada She likes walking and going on her bike. She finds difficult in the winter.

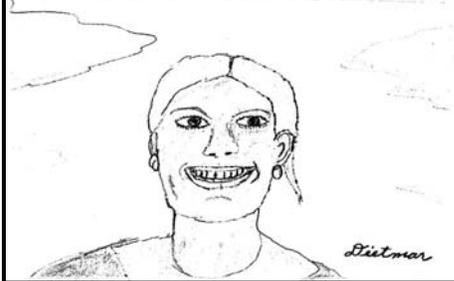
ANNETTE EVANS
 Her life in Toronto

Worked at

The Welsh church
 Were her husband
 works

Lives at Harbourfront

She cycles along the cycle track which
 Goes around the side of the lake



Questions for Angela Bisby

1. When were you born? Angela Bisby was born on July 1st 1973. She shares her birthday with Princess Diana and Canada.
2. Where were you born? Angela was born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Hamilton is on the way to Niagara Falls.
3. Have you got a family? Angela and her husband Adam live in Toronto and her parents live in Hamilton. She does not have any brothers or sisters, but many aunts, uncles and cousins.
4. Did you like school? Angela liked school. She liked the teachers. She is a graduate of Carleton University. With a Bachelor of Arts in Law and Sociology. Then she went on to post graduate studies in criminal Justice studies.
5. What do you like to do for fun? For fun Angela likes to ski / play basketball, skate ,swim,hike ,hang out with friends, and she especially likes to travel and has a been interest in photography.
6. Have you been away on holidays? Every year Angela and her husband take a holiday to different countries such as Europe Thailand Vietnam Laos Cuba and many parts of Canada. She is planning a trip to Costa Rica This year.
7. What would you like to do in the future? I enjoy the job I have now working with students and volunteers In the future I might think about continuing my work in education with inmates in the prison system.

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The Final Theory Take a major leap beyond Newton and Einstein- Science mysteries solved!

Evolution or Creation? Did the West Universe Evolve, or was it Designed and Created?

What the Bleep Do We Know? Get Answers to the Secrets of the Universe. Buy Now on DVD!

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Biography

Artzia.com ► History ► Biography : Aristotle, Armstrong, Bach, Beethoven, Churchill, Copernicus, Dali, Darwin, Edison, Einstein, Elvis, Esher, FLWright, Freud, Gandhi, Gates, Hawking, Hitler, Jefferson, Kennedy, Malthus, Milton, Mozart, Newton, Picasso, Plato, Roosevelt, Shakespeare, Turing, Twain, Washington, daVinci • Posters, Quiz, UK Posters

While most people live their lives affecting only those people closest to them, there are some people whose lives affected millions and influence our world today.

ONE

Nail A Armstrong was an American test pilot and astronaut and the first person to walk on the Moon. Born in Wapakoneta, Ohio, he served in the Korean War as a jet fighter pilot, then became a civilian test pilot for NASA and piloted the X-15 rocket plane. Armstrong was selected by NASA as an astronaut in 1962.

Aristotle in English known as Aristoteles, was a Greek philosopher. Along with Plato, he is often considered to be one of the two most influential philosophers in Western thought.

Joseph Sebastian (Bach) was a German organist, composer, and musical scholar of the Baroque period.

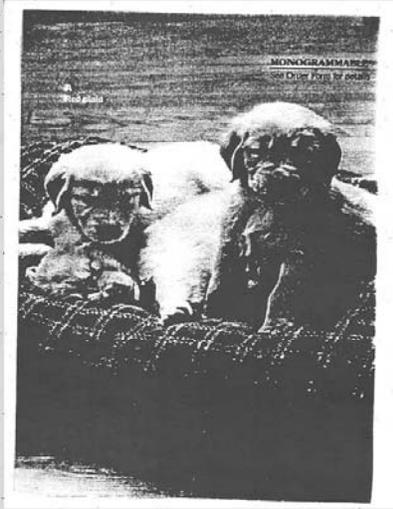
Ludwig van Beethoven was a classical composer. Many people believe he was the single greatest composer of all time.

Sir Winston Churchill was one of the most prominent leaders of the 20th century, best known as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during World War II.

Nicolaus Copernicus was an astronomer. He developed a heliocentric (Sun-centered) theory of the solar system.

Pages from Mr. ...

Taking Care



of pets
BY JENNIFER
ALBINO

by Jennifer

Good and bad ways of Taking care of Pets

Good

It is important to Groom Your Pet.



It is also important to Walk Your Pets



Don't lock UP Your Dog for too long.

Don't yell at Your Pet.

Bad




Choosing a Boarding Kennel

Need to go out of town?

A boarding kennel can give your pet a quality care, and can give you peace of mind.

Before loading Fido or Fluffy in to the the car and driving over to the the kennel, though, it is important to find the right kennel and prepare your pet for boarding.

What are the Pros and cons of using a boarding kennel?

Your pet depends on you to take good care of her, even when you have to be out of town. Friends and neighbors may not have the experience or time to properly look after your pets, particularly for longer trips. So next time you have to leave your pet behind for a while, leave pet care to the professionals, such as a pet sitter or boarding kennel.

- A facility specializing in care and overnight boarding allows your pet to:
- avoid the stress of a long car or airplane ride to your destination.
 - stay where he's welcome. Unlike many hotels,
 - receive more attention and supervision than he would if home alone most of the day.
 - be monitored by staff trained to spot health problems.

- be secure in a kennel designed to foil canine and feline escape artists.



Fuffy the cat.



Fido the dog.

- Potential drawbacks to using a boarding kennel include:
- the stress related to staying in an unfamiliar environment;
 - the proximity to other pets who may expose your pet to health problems;
 - the difficulty of finding a kennel that accepts pets other than dogs and cats;
 - the inconvenience of the drive over, which can be especially hard on a pet easily stressed by car travel.



- How do I find a good kennel?
- ASK friends, neighbors, veterinarians, animal shelters, or dog trainer for a recommendation. You can also check the Yellow Pages under Kennels and Pet Boarding. Once you have names—even ones you got from reliable sources—it's important to do a little background check. First, find out whether your state requires boarding kennel inspections. If it does, make sure the kennel you are considering

displays a license or
certificate showing that
the kennel meets mandated
standards.



The cat eats too
much.



The children are
happy and smiling
because the dog
is beside them.



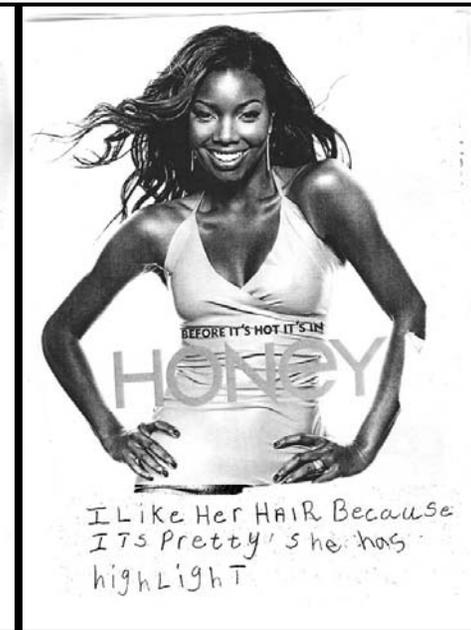
Rainy Day
The dog is dry
The man is wet
The dog is dry
because the man is
holding an umbrella
over the dog.

Hair and Beauty
ZINE!



BY Rashida Best

by Rashida



DAMAGE CONTROL
 DAMAGE CONTROL
 BY
 Shampoo oil spray
 Black color

RED READY

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...dreadlocks, with their soft, textured, and slightly messy appearance, are the perfect choice for a woman who wants to make a statement. They are a natural, low-maintenance style that can be styled in a variety of ways. From short and tight to long and flowing, dreadlocks can be adapted to any hair type and texture. They are a powerful symbol of African heritage and a unique fashion statement.

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Book Club

What the Book Club means to me?

"I like to learn more hard words. I like to do plays and be the understudy. I like how you read the words and underline them with a pen. I like to cut out pictures. I like when you write the words out on a bristol sheet. I like to draw pictures of the story."

Cheryl



"I love the Book Club because it teaches us how to read and write. It also tells us fictional stories about real people and their many accomplishments and their many expectations."

Amy

"I am learning to read. I like talking with people. I like hearing stories. I like people helping me. Reading different books make me happy."

Kerrie



"The Book Club is a fun place to learn. Each person takes a turn reading and discussing the story. *Parvana's Journey* was a sad story that made me cry."

Linda



“The Book Club has taught me to be a better listener, have more patience and also confirms the joy and value of reading.”

Shirley



Books on Tape: A Play



Books on Tape – One act play: *Just as Strong*

Characters – Dramatis Personae (in order of appearance)

- Mary** – cute, charming and trying to be nice to her Grandpa
- Willie** – trying to be patient with Grandpa
- a peacemaker
- Jim** - oldest son, feels responsible
- Mother** - sets the stage and gives the audience the background information it needs to know
- Dad** - most responsible,
frustrated and anxious for his father's visit to go well
- Grandpa** - positive outlook, anxious to get rid of the false impressions people have about his ability related to his age

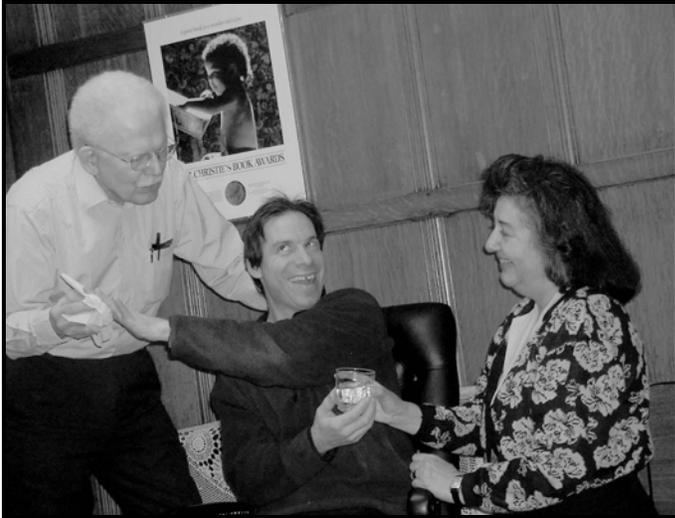
What we did to make the play work for us.

- change the title
- typed the play up using everyday language
- changed the format of the sentences to make the reading and speaking more fluid and the delivery more natural
- we removed the stage directions so it would be less confusing for all of us
- each person highlighted their own part to easily locate it on the page
- we tried to imagine that we were the character we were playing using our voice
- we often switched the parts we read to understand the timing better.
- we had great fun adlibbing and laughing

Our Favourite Scenes



"Why in the world can't *Grandpa* (Robert) lift *Mary* (Irma)?"



"I don't need all this attention."



"Yes, Mother"



"Where were you?"
"Danged if I know."

Students' comments

Sandy

"excellent play, awesome"

Joey

"funny play, terrific"

Robert

"an exciting comedy; gave me an opportunity to act and ham it up; it helped my reading; groovy"



Tutor's comments

Barron

"funny, neat ending, well thought out by playwright"

Irma

"enjoyed the irony and humour in the grandfather using the word 'strong' instead of 'weak' to describe himself"

Richard

"so well written, we could work at it for two semesters without getting tired of it; and what people brought to it made it continue to be interesting"

Peter

"really good group exercise to help us get to know each other"

Photostories

My Research On Rossini by Michel Brunet

I listened to a CD with an aria by Rossini. I liked it so much that I wanted to do my project on Rossini.

Barron and I went to the library to find some music and information about him. We got *Il Turco in Italia* on CD and a biography of Rossini.



The story of the opera, its libretto, is by Felice Romani.



About a recent performance of the opera we have:

IL TURCO IN ITALIA
Armonia sulla base del libretto di Felice Romani

Sellen - Marco Vinco
Flavio - Angela Bianca Dulin
Geranio - Bruno Pratico
Narciso - John Gaborn
Proscenio - Filippo Morace

direttore - Antonino Fogliani
regia - Antonio Calenda
scena - Nicola Rubartelli
costumi - Maurizio Mengoni

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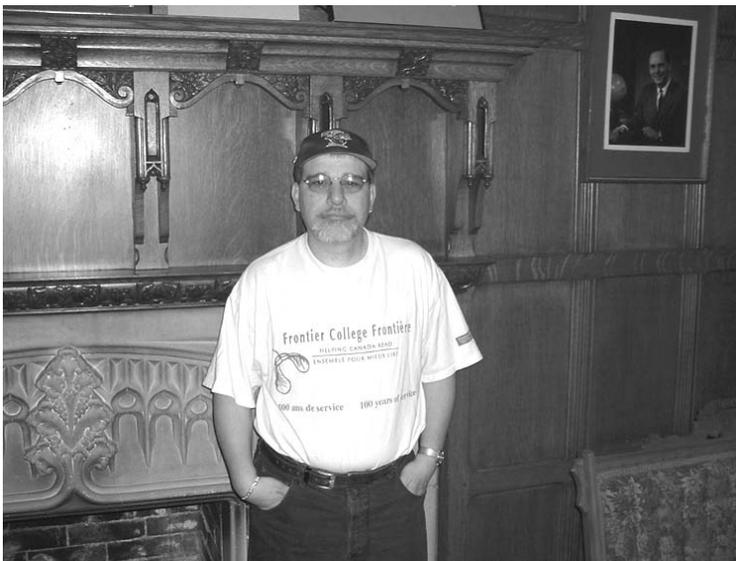
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Il Teatro di San Carlo, l'Orchestra e il Coro sono a disposizione di tutti i cittadini.

I liked the opera and the project gave me lots of practice on the computer.

I especially liked Part II, because listening to it, I felt calm. The other parts had fewer songs and were a little less interesting to me.

We liked doing this project on Rossini so much that we needed to renew the CD and the book, so I phoned the library to renew them. I am now more comfortable using the library.

I am an opera lover so this project was fun for me.



Michel

Shopping at Sobey's by Ross Crockett

Shopping at Sobey's

"This photostory is about the pictures of me shopping at Sobey's."

December, 2004

Written by Ross Crockett



Shopping at Sobey's

I want to write about shopping at Sobey's because I go to Sobey's to buy groceries.

This is the story of me at Sobey's.

This is me outside at Sobey's with the pumpkins.

I want to write about me and the pumpkins.

The pumpkins are outside at Sobey's.

There are many pumpkins.





This is the picture of me with my arms up. I am standing up beside Sobey's sign.

I like the picture of me at Sobey's.



This is the picture of me and the scarecrow. I am hugging the scarecrow because I like it.

I like the picture of me and the scarecrow at the door.



This is the picture of me with my hand. I am waving to Peter.



On the way home from Sobey's we met a friend. Her name is Preshia. She is a housekeeper. She cleans the house. She is helping my mother at Dr. Logue's. She took my mother home to Granite Place.



This is the picture of me and the cashier at Sobey's. Her name is Luvvy. I talk to her while I am doing the shopping.

I am going to give the money for the groceries.



This is a picture of the groceries at Sobey's.

I like buying some fruit in a basket. I am buying some cereal, milk and the juice.



This is the picture of a box of apples. This is the box of oranges and this is the box of potatoes. This is the box of brownies.

I like the picture of Sobey's.



This is Fresh Catch. This means fresh fish. My favorite is salmon with no bones. I also like fishcakes.

My Fun Family – All live in Richmond Hill

by Gayle Kitamura



A photograph of my brother with his wife and three children.

Max Rabbit

We got Max from a children's summer camp. Max is white and grey. One night my brother thought Max was a robber and called the police! Max was not the robber but he was creeping around the house. It was Max's birthday yesterday, 7th February, he was one year old.

Max lives with another rabbit called Charlie. He is much smaller than Max as Max stops Charlie from eating his food. Max's favorite food is people's fingers, you start patting him but he goes nuts and starts biting your fingers. Charlie the rabbit bites Max's ear and Max yells back at Charlie.

Charlie rabbit had his birthday February 10th and he is 2 years old. My sister-in-law, Susan, told me that Charlie ran out the door yesterday. I don't know if he came back yet. Maybe he is still lost on his birthday!

My six year old nephew Daniel

Daniel is the youngest of my nephews. He can be a bit troublesome at times. Once we thought he was lost and we looked all over for him but he was at the next door neighbor's house all along. He was visiting his girlfriend!

My sister-in-law Susan

Susan's pet peeve is when her husband Rob puts the pet rabbit Max on the clean kitchen counter. It drives her crazy! Sometimes I think she is angry at me and she starts to yell when she sees the rabbit, then she realizes that she got the wrong person and it is her husband that she is after. The children always laugh when she tells their dad off!

My brother Rob



A photograph of my parents with my brother Rob and Pete the dog.

Rob has funny ways of telling people off, if they say something to him that he does not like. He looks at you but says nothing and makes you realize you must be quiet!

My eleven year old nephew Kevin

Kevin loves school, especially because of the girls! His teachers say "Get to work Kevin!"

Tyler is my 18 year old step nephew

Tyler is working in a theatre as an usher. He is so tall that he bumps his head every time he goes through the theatre door! He gets home at midnight each evening and his mother stays up to bring him home.

They live in a big house. It has four bedrooms and two bathrooms. They have a kitchen they do not cook in! They do not have a garden to water or for the rabbits to run in.

The family do not eat together, they eat on the run! This is because Rob and his wife both work and the children have to get their own meals. The boys do not like eating together because they fight. Everyone eats junk food as Susan does not cook.

My Aunt and Uncle

They live in Vancouver so we do not get to see them very often. My Uncle is 104 years old, but I can't keep up with him! My Aunt is 91 years old so she's much younger than him. Although they don't live in Richmond Hill, I want to include them in my story because they are nice to me. I hope to visit them this summer.



A photograph of Pete and I



Gayle with Fiona (left)

Trip to the Zoo by Robert Lesser



I am Deirdre and I am a reticent rhinoceros. If I could talk, I would say, "More tourists!" Then a man came to feed me – long narrow leaves plucked from the edge of my large space and I feel better. I am thirty years old and I am told I'll last to forty, but I think I want to go a lot longer.



Now I've eaten.



And I'm satisfied. I left my native habitat to come to the Toronto Zoo. I think the weather here is strange – three seasons in one day. My space is too limited. I complain but nobody listens.



At last someone is interested in me.



My name is Harry. I heard you met my cousin Deirdre. I hope she said something nice about me.



The elephant took a look at the spectators and rolled his eyes and said "oy vey I don't want to carry all those people on my back."



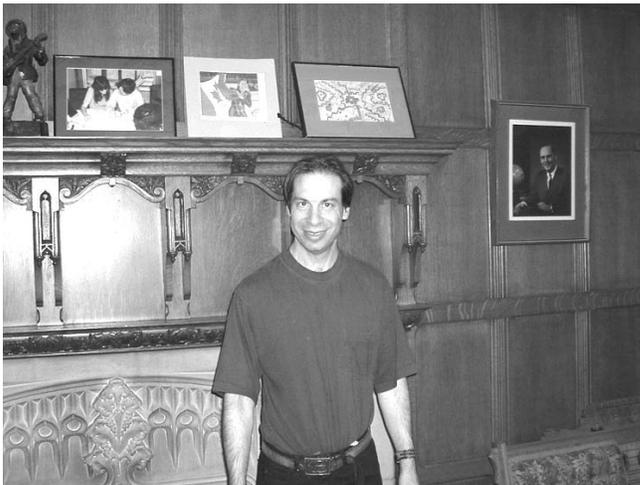
Peahens be quiet, if you play your cards right they will feed us.



Don't pay attention to them, we are the important ones. Feed us!



They planted these trees and they're too small to hide behind.



Robert

Student Writing

Purim by Bobby Starr

Chag Ha' Purim!, Chag Ha' Purim! The next Jewish holiday will be Purim. Some of the people involved are; Esther, Vashti, Mordechai, Antiochous, and Haman. Haman was a evil man, he told all the Jewish people to bow down for him. Vashti went to her father Antiochous and told him that she doesn't want to bow down to Haman. Antiochous said, "don't listen to Haman he is an evil man and our people need to be free which equals freedom". The Jewish people did not bow down. Purim is celebrated on Friday, March 25, 2005. On the day of Purim we eat Hamantashen which are Purim cakes.



Bob with Natalia

Remember Dani by Laura Leskur

Remember Dani

I was living at Bloorview with Dani 10 or 20 years ago. We lived in the same units together, the units that we shared were A, B and D. I saw Dani's mother everyday where she spend a lot of the time talking to me. Sometimes Dani would fight with me and her mother because Dani was upset, she wanted to move into her own place. Even though Dani and I fought we were happy together. I was very noseey and I wanted to know what Dani's mother was saying to Dani. I was very concerned about Dani because I really cared about her and this is the reason why I was noseey. We spent a lot of time laughing when we lived together. Dani was a quiet person who loved to laugh and joke around all the time with her family and me. Dani and I loved to eat all the time. Dani's dad or mom would come to pick her up to bring her to their home every weekend. Dani love to go home with her family all the time. Dani favourite colour was blue and her wheelchair was blue. I will always remember Dani.

How Whales Communicate by Chris Butler

Last year of 2004, the group of (DSAT) Down Syndrome Association of Toronto, went to Newfoundland. Besides from the conference, that the group was scheduled to go to, we as the group planned our own trip to go, and explore by a big sail boat to see the killer whales, and how they communicate. There were about ten people on this tour. The distance from shore to the location of the killer whales was about twenty minutes away. Once we got there the killer whales were about ten feet away, it was intriguing to see them so close. As I watched the whales I noticed that there were two big whales and one baby whale. The killer whales also sprayed water and air from their blowholes, this was cool. The whales communicated with each other and swam away together. After this trip I was interested in the way killer whales, could communicate socially as a group. Here are a few things that I learned about killer whales and the way they communicate. When whales travel together they use and create dialects to share information with other killer whales. This is why killer whales feel that they need sounds returning to the source to communicate, and vocalize with other killer whales. When killer whales use sounds returning to the source to communicate with other groups they are keeping the conversation going with the other group. My experience with a family of whales was great because I got to see how their day is spent. Whenever, I was watching their traveling between the morning through night I realized how fascinating it is learning about their echolocation, and geography. Furthermore, watching these whales is like seeing a planetarium of whales. How they create their specific sounds, is very interesting, and their traveling mobility is impressive to watch. Overall I had a good time, and will remember the experience.

Christine's Story by Christine Freeland

I go to Mustard Seed every day except Thursdays and Fridays. I do arts and crafts. We make placemats. I'm making one for my husband, too. And napkins – I'm making one for my husband and one for me. I cook different foods at Mustard Seed.

I get up at eight o'clock, have a shower and make my lunch. I leave to go to Mustard Seed at nine o'clock and when I get there, I sign the volunteer book. Then, I sign the other book for arts and crafts. I go to the dishwasher and take the clean dishes out.

We leave at three o'clock, except on Tuesdays. On Tuesdays, I stay later to do the cooking.



Christine

I belong to Mustard Seed's choir. We sing "She'll be coming around the mountain", "You are my sunshine" and a few other songs. There are five of us in the choir. Usually we sing for seniors who can't go outside.

Sister Gwen helps us cook. I like Sister Gwen. She is funny, she makes me laugh. Bruce helps cook, too. He makes me laugh, too. He just jokes with me.

Sister Mary Lou is another one of the sisters I like. I help her with the muffins. Last week, we forgot to put the baking powder in the banana muffins.

There is a guy named John. He jokes around and is a nice person. He helps us with cooking and setting the tables. Bob is a nice guy, too. He comes in and helps us do the dishes. He's funny, too. Sister Barbara tells me to slow down in my work. She tells me if I go too fast, it won't be nice. Sister Mary says the same thing to me. Sister Denise helps us. She tells me to take my time and do things right. Sister Marie is funny. She helps us with arts and crafts.

I have been going to Mustard Seed for many years.

Sister Gwen's cousin is named Joan. She helps us with arts and crafts. And so does Grace.

Another person named Joan Reach is funny and nice. She went to Florida. I wish I had gone with her.

Sister Pat is nice and funny. She helps with the prayer group. Vicki is also nice and funny. Her sister used to volunteer in the summer. She is a teacher.

When I was in the other school, the teacher told me about Mustard Seed. I went to see Sister Gwen to ask if I could be in the cooking group. I asked Barbara to be in arts and crafts. I tried the sewing machine. I went too fast and Barbara told me I could not use it.

Lillian is Bruce's wife. She helps with arts and crafts. She is funny too. Mabel helps with arts and crafts too. She makes me happy. Heather is in arts and crafts and she helps us. Betty and her baby Peace come to Mustard Seed. I help her get him to sleep.

I like to cook in the cooking group at Mustard Seed. I make everybody laugh. They say I'm nice to be around.

I also belong to a group called Sound Time. We do arts and crafts, computers and outings. I went on the farm in March. We had pancakes and submarines for lunch. We saw rabbits and how they make the syrup.

I come to Frontier College to learn how to read, write and spell. I like Math too, but sometimes it's hard. All the people are nice.

My husband, Ken, is nice. He is also funny. He is a joker like my father. My cat's name is Cuddles.

My Story by Craig Baigrie

Hi my name is Craig Baigrie. I am so nice and kind that all my friends at my church all tell me how nice I look and smell because I have such nice men's after shave on.

I am too kind to let anyone feel upset or let them down.

I am a safe person to go out with or marry.

I am so helpful a person that a girlfriend or wife would not want to give me up.

I am a social person that will not want to stop going to hear music.

I am the kind of man that has such nice manners. I know a lot of women have told me that they were impressed with me. Sometimes their eyes watered.

I want to fall in love with a kind special person that will care for me and will help me when I have to go to see a doctor.

I want to love a woman and have her for a life time of married enjoyment.

I do not have anyone to phone or go out with. I want to meet a special woman so I can get more fun into my life.

I would like to have someone with me so I do not feel uncomfortable when I see two people together kissing and cuddling.

I want to meet that special person so I can have her soft hands with me when I go for walks and dinners.

I want to be just like my two beautiful sisters because they are both happily married and I love them.

I want to find someone who understands me and I get along with. I want to find someone who likes to do the same things together. I want to find someone who is healthy so she can help me be healthy.

I am looking for a kind woman who can speak English clearly so we can share our feelings with each other.

I am looking for a woman that will have the same faith as me so we can go to church together. I am trying to find the kind of woman who will like my polite manners and who will be polite back.

I am the kind of man that loves to dance. I am looking for a woman who will get out on the dance floor with me. I am looking for someone who looks nice and has a neat appearance. I would like this to happen to me now because I would like to start getting out and meeting people now so I can have a lot of fun like all the rest of the other people I see.

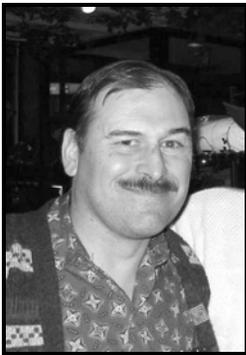
I find this even harder to see because:

1. I have not had too many friends in my life time.
2. I cannot hear well or see well and that is hard for a lot of people to understand.

I have been going to my church for a long time and I think that's where the power will start coming from. I have been going to my coffee shop's and the hard rock café.

I have been on the church Internet to see if I can find a nice woman that would go to church with me and care for me and would know what to do if something has happened. I would like to meet this person in Toronto at my church . I would like to take this nice kind woman out for dinner & dance.

I hope this nice lady will like to go to cottage country. I hope she will like country music and going for boat rides.



Craig

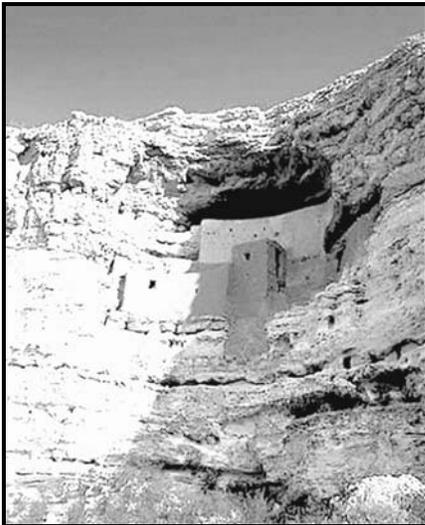
My Trip to Arizona by Kirsty Hill

Day one

I arrive in Arizona. The first day we went to the evolution mountains and then we went to a Mexican art exhibit.

Day two

Today we went swimming and then we went to a barbecue and I had a chicken burger. All four of us relaxed. There are a lot of cactuses and mountains.



Kirsty

Day three

Yesterday we went to an old town that was there for a very long time.

Day four

Today I went for a bike ride and I went to the gym and now I am relaxing.

Sidney's Toy Drive Report by Sidney Cohen

I had an idea to have a Toy drive for Christmas.

I made a Flyer to send to every one at Frontier College.

I used email to send the Flyer to everyone.

I decorated a box to hold the Toys.

We collected 68 toys and delivered them to CHUM.

After New Year I sent an email to tell everyone how well the drive went.

I attached pictures of the toys to the email.



Sidney

What did I learn from this project?

I learned how to turn on a computer

I practiced typing

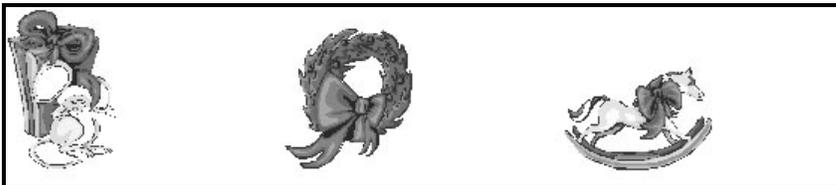
I learned how to use email

I learned a little bit about Word

I learned that it feels good to help other people



Thank you to everyone who helped **Thank you to the I.S. tutors, students and Frontier College staff who helped**



Matt's New Business by Matt Macdonald

The Person Behind the Product

Building on a unique Christmas gift with positive feedback, **Matt's Organic Worm Compost** is now for sale. Matt has been an active neighbour in the Parkdale community for six years. For instance, the organic produce used to feed the worm composter is picked up locally. Help your community and plants grow with **Matt's Organic Worm Compost!**

Quotes

"I used some of Matt MacDonald's worm compost on some indoor geraniums that I was hoping would live through till Christmas if they had a bit of extra care such as food. Well it is mid-March and the geraniums are not only still thriving but they are blooming -- and have been all winter."

David

Find Out More . . .

Composting is a fascinating activity enjoyed by people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Worm composting is ideal for home and office use or when you don't have a backyard.

The **City of Toronto** is an excellent source for all composting information. To start your own worm compost or find out more call: 416.392.4689 or visit the City's Web site: www.toronto.ca/compost/wormbed.htm

Matt buys his organic fruits and vegetables from **FoodShare's Good Food Box**.
416.363.6441
www.foodshare.net

Matt's Organic Worm Compost is available at the **Parkdale Farmer's Market**.
416.516.8301
Saturdays June till October, 9 am - 1 pm,
corner of Queen W. and Cowan Avenue

Contact Matt

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Matt's



Organic Worm Compost

Matt's Organic Worm Compost is a fertilizer as nature intended.

Worm compost is the digestive product of hungry worms.

Organic fruits and vegetable scraps are buried in a simple bedding of fiber and eaten by hundreds of worms and turned into a bed of worm castings. These castings are known as worm compost.

Matt's Organic Worm Compost is part of a natural process that increases plant growth and conditions and fertilizes the soil.

It is non-toxic and replaces plant and soil chemicals unhealthy for children, adults, and animals.

Matt's Organic Worm Compost is odour-free and simply smells like rich and healthy soil.

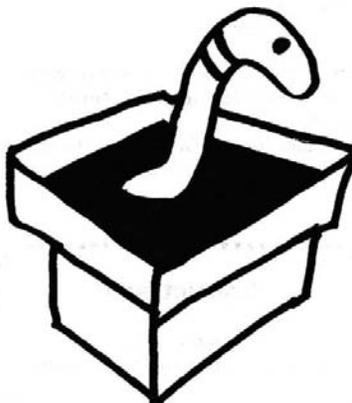
Composting is an effective and environmental solution to recycling our waste. It turns food scraps into valuable plant food.

Prices

... *environmentally friendly* ...

... *helps to suppress diseases* ...

... *plant growth promoter* ...



How To Use

Matt's Organic Worm Compost can be used in 3 ways:

- sprinkling it on top of potted plants
- mixing it with plant soil
- brewing 'compost tea'

Use worm compost as a mulch and spread a thin layer of it on top of the soil.

Use worm compost to condition the soil. When starting a new plant or re-potting a favorite one, mix 1 part compost with 4 parts soil.

Use worm compost to make a 'compost tea' or natural liquid fertilizer. Add 1 part compost to 8 parts water, shake and let sit overnight. Then pour into soil when watering plants.

... *100% Organic* ...

... *provides beneficial organisms* ...

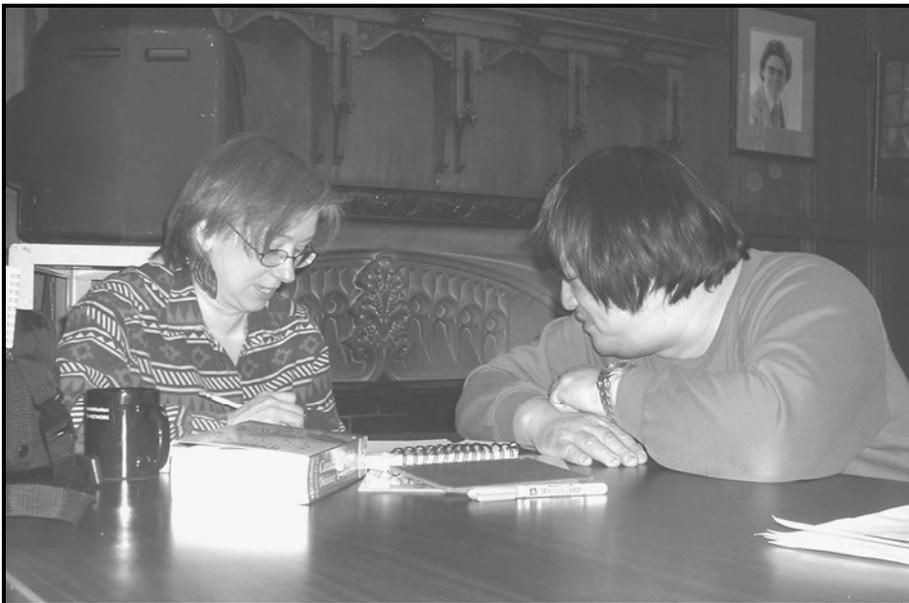
... *100% Non-Toxic* ...

Student and Tutor Self-Evaluations

Progress report from Mary and Edward

Edward and I are working on writing and speaking together. We are writing down what we say to each other. This is called written conversation. We are paying attention to how and what we say in a written format. Small words, like, "and" and "the" help make our sentences understood. Edward says reading and writing is difficult.

Practicing writing, and reading what was spoken helps with understanding words that are hard to say and spell.



Gayle and Sharon

Gayle and Sharon have worked together for over one year.

Last year we were part of a group. We sat around a table and took turns doing exercises in reading, grammar, spelling, writing and games of different kinds. It was fun!

Gayle learned how to use a dictionary. She made her own personal dictionary with words she had trouble understanding or spelling.



This year we began to learn how to use a computer. AlphaRoute is the program we use for learning math skills, putting items in their correct sequence, using money, telling time, and many other useful skills. We enjoy the computer. Gayle now understands how to use the mouse and keyboard. These help to improve her reading, spelling and

comprehension skills and also her hand-eye co-ordination. For fun we play games, like puzzles and word games on the computer.

Gayle created and wrote out on the computer a story about her family, which is very interesting and has lots of funny parts. It then was printed out and now we are doing word games, using words from Gayle's story. For example, words are separated into syllables, using a card for each one. Gayle finds the correct parts and puts them together to spell the word. Then she spells the word using a special marker and a white board which can be erased and reused. The whiteboard has been a big help when learning to spell difficult words. Gayle can then write the word again without looking at the cards. This process really works for Gayle because she can now remember how to spell these words with ease.

Mary Anne and Fiona

Mary Anne has been doing math.

"I like getting the answers right without my calculator."

Mary Anne has been working on the concept of "tens" using plus and minus.

The concept of place value has been difficult for Mary Anne to grasp but after a little practice and repetition, Mary Anne can get into the swing of the exercise.

Rob and Emma

- Checked emails/sent emails
- Checked weather in Houston, Texas
(He is going on vacation to Houston.)
- Played word games in AlphaRoute

Rob showed a great improvement with his navigation around hotmail. Thanks to his family sending him digital photos via email, he has learned the skill to upload the photos so he can view them on the screen. It has been a pleasure to assist Rob write emails to his family and see the growth of his valued role within his family. Rob also is fantastic at word searches on AlphaRoute, especially the tricky diagonal ones. This is something he enjoys doing independently.



Rodney and Emma

- Computer
- Checked emails/sent emails
- Use internet to do research (Black History, St. Patty's day , etc.)
- Played word games in AlphaRoute
- Work towards driver's license
(practiced test online, emailed daily questions, and looked over manual)

Rodney is very keen to learn all about the computer and the learning opportunities it can provide. For most classes, Rodney came with a topic he would like to research and learn about. Rodney's main goal this term was to learn about driving. We did this using the on-line practice test, driving manual, etc.



Ross and Peter

In this term Ross worked on improving his writing skills on the e-mail. He has done very well in putting sentences together with proper punctuation. His vocabulary and spelling are very good. In this term he has achieved some new words and learned about conjunctions.

Ross' computer skills have improved:

- using the arrows
- scrolling

He has had an ongoing e-mail correspondence with Roy (a previous tutor) and Clare (his niece who is studying in India).

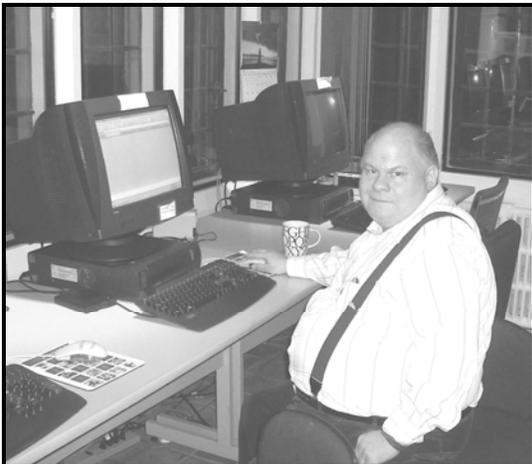
It is a pleasure to work with Ross.



Monday Night Group!



Monday Night group (Susan and Angela are taking the picture)



Danny is a Monday Night regular!

Discovering how we learn differently.
(Debra)

I like working/learning from different
people. ^{with} - using the computer. (Danny)
- researching numbers on the computer

Writing a story with my tutor (Christine)

Working on the computer and writing about
the Christmas Toy Drive (Sidney)

fun, excitement and wonder of the class!
(Dan)

I like all the people and it is fun
(Jackie)

Monday Night evaluation by students and tutors



Susan and Sidney ham it up with tutors



Monday Night group



There's always a reason to celebrate on Monday Nights!

Independent Studies Party June 2004

All Welcome!







