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1

Be absolutely grateful for everything day and night

Thankfulness

Thanks for everything
Thanks for everyday
I'm thankful for the sun
I'm thankful for the Earth
I'm give thanks to my parents
I'm thankful for my children
I give thanks to the community who give me the opportunity to learn English.

Grateful for the help in New Zealand

I immigrated to New Zealand with my husband in 2000. At first, I could not speak English. It was not very convenient in daily life. My family, friends, community and government help me to study, speak, read, listen and write English. I am very grateful to them for that

Another Reader is grateful

I came here on July last year. At first, I was depressed because it was windy and rainy. I couldn't speak English well so I didn't have any friends and I was bored. But now because I go to community centre and library, I met nice Volunteers who read to me. I have made a few friends. Also the best part is that my English has developed.

Expressing gratitude

I come from China. I like N.Z. It is beautiful country. I live in West Auckland. My English is not good so I go to the library to learn. My Reading Volunteer is very helpful so I can learn English from her. I find it very interesting. I'm very, very thankful for the Volunteer Readers. We gave a donation to the church and thanked God for this. I am grateful and happy in N.Z.

Words from Taiwan

I immigrated to New Zealand with my wife in 2000 from Taiwan. At that time, we had Permanent Residence of USA, Canada, Australia and N.Z. but we chose N.Z. because it was said that N.Z is the only one country of the last pure land in the world. Since 2001, we have travelled over the whole of New Zealand including Auckland, Hamilton, Taupo, Rotorua, Wellington in the North Island; Picton, Nelson, Christchurch, Queenstown, Milford Sounds, Arrowtown, Omahu, and Dunedin in the South Island. They are all beautiful and pure lands, suitable to live in. But in the end we chose Auckland for its convenience.





咏鹅

鹅 鹅 鹅 ，
曲项向天歌 ，
白毛浮绿水 ，

Ode to goose

Goose goose goose,
Sing to the sky with a flexed neck,
White feather floating in the spring river,
Red palms driving in the green water.

I love China and I also love New Zealand.

I hope that New Zealand and China maintain relationship. I will never forget the experience I have in this class and I will remember all my wonderful classmates and every dedicated Volunteers here. Thank you all my friends and all the Volunteers!

N.Z. is good

NZ's sky is blue
NZ's weather is nice
The people are very kind and the Volunteers are very patient with the Readers.

Composting makes me grateful

I always collect peel, vegetable and leftover in the kitchen when I cook, then put them around the root area of plant of flower and fruit. In the next morning, these plants grow very well, it makes me absolutely grateful.

Thanks for everything

I'm thanks for the Sun.
I'm thanks for the Earth.
I'm thanks for my parents.
I'm thanks for my children.
I'm thanks for the community who gives me the opportunity to learn English.



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Hello Everyone

I am very happy to study English with you.
Thanks to my read aloud Volunteer.
Thanks for the encouragement from everyone.
I am now more confident.
We are all friends.
Thanks for the help from everyone.
I am very happy.

大家好

我很高兴和你们一起学习英语。
感谢Dave老师不厌其烦教我英语。
感谢大家的鼓励，
让我有自信。
我们是好朋友。
感谢大家的帮助，
我很开心。





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People from every walk of life need to join hands and work on cleaning up the environment. We need to establish a society whose foundation is recycling (repeating)

What we do to recycle

- I save the laundry water to wash my toilet.
- I put left over fruit and vegetables—put in compost for fertilizing the garden. I recycle glass bottles, newspaper, magazines, tins and plastics.
- I put the paper into the recycle bin everyday.
- Cans and bottles can be recycled. I use empty cans and bottles to make garden border instead of timber.
- I collect vegetable peels and leftovers in the kitchen when I am cooking then I put them around the roots of the plants, the flowers and the fruit trees the next morning to improve their growth. I get an immense satisfaction doing this.



一片净土 空气清新，
蓝天白云 鸟语花香，
环境优雅 自然风景
无可挑刺 一切美好，
在中国是难以享受。

Clean land, clean air,

Blue sky and cloud for bird language, a flower fragrant,
Environment is beautiful , nature scenery,
Everything are good , beautiful.
It is hard to have these things in China.



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A day begins with greetings. By exchanging greetings we can go through each day cheerfully



Smiling

Babies always smile just like they are always shining.
 Sometimes babies cry just like it sometimes rains.
 Babies love smiling lots. Their smiles are so beautiful it touches our hearts.
 Sometimes babies love to cry but this soon goes.
 When we grow up, we smile little and cry less.
 Most of the time we are so busy it becomes hard to express our feelings we become numb.
 In fact, people are so lucky, because we can make the choice to smile all the time.

Greeting

Welcome to my home! Please come and have a cup of tea.

It started with "Hello!"

I saw her for the first time when I picked up my children from her tutor. At first, we just said "Hello" to each other. After a while I found out that she was interested in

Korean food. She asked me to teach her how to make Korean food, so now, I visit her house once a week and make a lunch for us. it is a good time for us to do some catching up.

Smile please

Let me see you grin. Do not let me see you frown.
 Laugh and grow fat.

Smiling from a Chinese point of view

If you smile every day and greet everyone you meet, you will encourage a gentle, peaceful atmosphere. Smiling attracts kindness from others. This is the way to make to prosperity when everything go smoothly. In Chinese culture, smiling makes money in business, smiling creates harmony in the family and the classroom, smiling attracts help from your colleagues.





Greetings with a smile

You can smile with your mouth open. Compared to crying, smiling is good. You can use a smile to make your own heart happy. You can share your smile with others too.

“Hi! Are you having fun? How’s everything with you? How are you feeling today? What’s happening in your life?”

The poetry of smiling

When the mouth sits open ordinarily it carries a smile
 Compared to crying what could compare to a smile
 What makes peoples' hearts happy, a smile
 How can we meet each and every person? With a smile

Smiling we say

“Hi! Are you having fun?”

“How are things with you today?”

“How are you feeling today?”

“What's happening in your life?”

Smile

Baby always smiles just like it is always shining.

Baby sometimes cries just like it sometimes rains.

Baby always loves smiling and their smile is so beautiful to strike our heart.

Sometimes baby lives crying, but it will go fast.

When we grown up, we smile little and cry few.

Almost of time, we are so busy, maybe dead to touch something and so hard to express our feeling in a right way.

In fact, people are so luck, because we can choose smile all the time.

Greeting

I took my grandson to playground. We met grandpa and grandma, they said “good morning” to us with smile, and also we saw a lots beautiful houses and flowers in the road.

我带孙子去游乐场，遇到了爷爷和奶奶，他们向我们微笑问好，我们也看到很多漂亮的房子和美丽的花草。





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It's a challenge to train ourselves. Cultivate self-reliance

A lesson from Sumizu on the attitude to cultivate when training ourselves

Once upon a time there was a handsome mouse whose name was Sumizu. He was a very clever mouse but he worried all the time because he lacked courage. He set about looking for someone who was brave already to teach him. Sumizu wanted to learn how to get courage.

Sumizu had the thought that because the sun is so hot that anything that gets close to it will melt, that the sun must be the bravest thing in the world. So he went to find the sun. When he found the sun he was up in the sky and noticed that as the cloud flew over it blocked the sun. Sumizu then started to run after the cloud. Then he saw that the wind blew the cloud. Sumizu then started to chase the wind. But the wind was stopped by a wall. Ah thought Sumizu, the wall must be the bravest of all. Sumizu decided to talk to the wall. Just then he saw a hole in the wall and from that hole came out a little mouse. The little mouse ran through the hole to make another hole.

Sumizu realised at last that at the end of the day nothing is the bravest of all, that bravery and courage comes from within.



How to get a library card

I went to the counter centre of the Henderson library last Thursday and asked the receptionist "Excuse me, how can I apply for a library card?" she answered "You must supply two documents to make an application: an I.D and statement or letter with your address on it." Then I presented to her my passport and bank statement with my address on it. She made the application online. She also entered my home address, phone number and PIN number into the computer. After it had been all done, she gave me my own new library card.

Thank goodness for Chinese librarians

I went to the community library because I wanted to apply for a library card to borrow some books. In the small amount I English I have I greeted the librarian "Hello I would like to apply for a library card." But I didn't have any more English to ask more questions so





a Chinese librarian came and helped me.

Training ourselves by asking questions

- Could you tell me how long have you been here?
- How can I go to the city centre?
- Can you tell me the way to the swimming pool in Henderson?
- May I help you?
- Would you tell me the way to Henderson Library?
- Do you like these books?

More questions

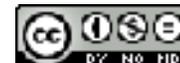
- Do you want to do homework every day?
- Do you learn more in the English club?
- Do you like your job?
- Are you going to the Cinema tomorrow?
- Have you ever been to China? Did you like it?
- How does the television work?
- How can I improve my English the right way?

Living in Ranui

We like living in Ranui. My house is not in city centre, but it is close to the train station. There is a lake nearby. I take a walk beside the lake every day. I like looking at the lake. There are many ducks and ducklings swimming in lake quacking to each other. They are very talkative. They come and go flying in the sky. They are very interesting. I can see many big and small fish swimming in the water. Every day is a joy here.

Voting with the help of the CAB

Last Friday I went to the Citizen's Advice Bureau in New Lynn and asked the staff one question. "Ho do I cast my vote on election day 26/11/2011 ?" She answered "When you go to the polling place, give your Easy Vote card or a letter to the issuing officer. If you haven't got one tell him your full name and address. Then he will give you the ballot paper. Take your ballot paper to a private booth. On your ballot paper place a tick by the name of the political party you want represented in Parliament and a tick by the name of the candidate you would most like to represent your electorate." I understood very well the answer and know how to cast my vote on the election day.





Asking for directions

In April 2009, I went to Orewa for a driving test.

Because I didn't know how to get there, I had to ask someone.

I stopped to ask the way "Excuse me. Please tell me how to get on the motorway to Orewa."

Dialogue

How are you?

I'm fine thank you.

How was your week been?

Good, thank you.

What did you do?

I went shopping.

What time is it?

Ten thirty o'clock

How is it going?

Very good, thank you.

Cultivating self reliance reading the Wildlife of Antarctica

I look this book "Wildlife of Antarctica" as my teacher. I asked four questions and got four answers. They are described as follows.

Q1: Would you mind to introduce the environment of Antarctica?

A1: the continent of Antarctica approximately twice the size of Australia lies within the Antarctica Circle. It is the windiest and coldest place on Earth. Line the Arctics, its winters are dark day and night, and its summers are filled with continuous sunlight.

Q2: How to form the iceberg of Antarctica?

A2: iceberg start when snow (fresh water) falls onto land ice. The snow is compressed into more ice over many years and eventually flows into the sea. Roughly 75% of the world's water (fresh) is found in Antarctica.

Q3: What wildlife live in the wilderness of the snow, ice and rock?

A3: there are no terrestrial mammals native to Antarctica. Millions of marine animals including whales, seals, fish, penguins, and many other bird species make this unique environment their home.

Q4: What are the threats and how to protect from them?

A4: Antarctica faces numerous threats such as climate change, overfishing and unsustainable tourism. We must act now to help ensure the protection of Antarctica. To find out what you can do, write to the Antarctica and Southern Ocean Coalition (A.S.O.C), 1630 Connecticut Avenue, N.W 3rd floor, Washington, D.C. 2009 or visit their website at www.asoc.org





Cultivating the self

In Taiwan there are more earthquakes, typhoons and floods than in New Zealand. In Taiwan I used to eat gruel-congee for breakfast but in New Zealand I eat bread and milk. In China there is a famous book called "University (Da Xue), written by Confucius for personal cultivation. His keywords are:

1. Great Wu: study everything thoroughly
2. Xhi Zhi: practice your knowledge
3. Xiu Shen: cultivate one's characteristics
4. Qi Jia: harmonize one's family
5. Zhi Guo: rule one's country
6. Ping Tiam Ziu: to have the proper control of world affairs

This is the way to cultivate one's ability from the inside to the outside.

An English Post Office

My friends live in an old house in an English Village. She is a secretary. She drives five miles to work every day. He works at home. The village post office is one room in their house and he works there. The people in the village buy their stamps at my friend's house! The post box is there too. It is a lovely house. The living room is yellow. There are two big blue sofas. There is an antique table and chairs. There is a picture of my friend and her daughter. My friend's mother is a painter. There are usually flowers there. She likes yellow and white flowers. The kitchen and bathroom are new. They are very happy in their house and I like visiting them.





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Words have the power to express a person's innermost attitude

Thank you to our Programme Deliverer

During the holidays, my friends and I went to a place called West Lynn Gardens. None of us had ever been there before. We asked our PD to take us there. West Lynn Gardens is situated in West Auckland near New Lynn. Our PD showed us around and taught us various names of flowers and trees like Kauri, Tawa, Macadamia, Hibiscus, Begonia ... also we took many photos. Then it started to rain. We took shelter in the butterfly house. However, despite its name, there were no butterflies. By this time, we were all starting to get hungry, so we went to a Chinese restaurant to have lunch.

It was a fun and enjoyable day. And we had the opportunity to speak and learn English.

About my neighbour

Ann is from Canada but she lives in Auckland. She isn't married. She works in a hospital. Ann has a car, usually drives to work. She leaves home at half past eight and arrives at the hospital at nine o'clock. She likes her job but she likes the weekends too. On Saturdays, she sometimes goes shopping. She goes to the centre of Auckland by train. On Saturdays, she eats in a restaurant with friends. She never cooks on Sundays.

Positive words

Good morning Gently. How are you? Cute. Excellent. Sincere. Good job. Happy. Very nice. Congratulations. You are the best. Favourite

Celebrate. Encourage. Wonderful Greet. Diligent. Happy. Good luck. Lucky. Comforted. Glad. Good news. Kind hearted. Nice. Fine. Good looking. Good morning. Good afternoon. Good evening. Come in please. Sit down please. Yes, please. To be fond of. To like. Joy. To love. Good. I love you. Wonderful. Lovely. Nice. Perfect. Have a good day. Smile. Brave. It's funny. Don't give up .

My thanks to you all

Hello everyone.

I am very happy to study English with you.

Thanks to my Reading Volunteer.

Thanks for the encouragement from everyone.

I am now more confident.

We are all friends.

Thanks for the help from everyone.

I am very happy.





My best friend

My friend's name is xxx. She is a soft and open minded lady. She is always optimistic and passionate about what she does.
It's always my great pleasure to be with her.
I love my friend.

Book review

When I came here at first, we read a book about the 1980's. I'm there. There was a man who built an airplane company. He was a naughty boy, when he was a child but as he grew up, he challenged himself to build a company. My Volunteer told me "If you really want to do something, the dreams come true. You can do it." I was inspired by what my Volunteer said. And I'm trying to improve my English.

Joy

To meet the old friend (acquaintance) in the foreign country
To emerge successful from a competitive examination
To be happy in the wedding night
To become famous overnight
To succeed in all trades as one's wishes
Congratulations! You are accepted for the employment
Lucky
Well done

Happy----快乐

Good luck----幸运
Comfortable----欣慰
Glad----高兴
Good news----好消息
Kind hearted---好心
Good , nice, fine---好
Good looking---好看
To be fond of---喜好
To like---喜欢
Joy---喜悦
To love---喜爱





To meet the old friend in the foreign country.
他乡遇故知。

To emerge successful from a competitive examination.
金榜题名。

To be happy in the wedding night.
洞房化蠋夜。

To become famous overnight.
一夜成名。

To be succeed in all trades as one wishes.
心想事成。

Congratulation , you are accepted for the employment.
恭喜，你被录用了。

Lucky
好运。

Well done
作的好。



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The way you project words has tremendous power to change not only your own destiny but also the destiny of others

Watching the world go by

The weather fine day today. There are some clouds in the sky but the sun is shining. Mr. Tom is with his family who are walking over the bridge. There are some boats on the river that Mr. Tom and his wife are looking at. Sally is looking at a big ship going under the bridge. Tim is looking at an aeroplane flying over the river.

Home

I have just been in Auckland for 5 months. A few days ago, I found a house with 3 bedrooms to rent in Henderson. This is a lovely house with beautiful view. I like to sit on the deck without doing anything, just looking the blue sky and letting the sun shine on me. Every day I can sit and relax and enjoy my new home.

A family outing

Last year in the summertime, my daughter brought her son and daughter to Auckland. They came from Taiwan. We were very happy to meet. One day, we drove to Botany Garden in my car. It was a warm summer. Even though the sun shone in the sky it was also usually very windy. When we got there my grandson wanted ice cream. My husband bought ice cream for everyone. It was very nice. We were taken by Travel car around the park. There were many trees and flowers. The red roses look like fire, they were very beautiful. We could see the river under the bridge. There were many ducks playing in the lake. We really enjoyed the Botany Garden Park. We drove back and got home by about 3:00pm. This was a fun filled happy experience for me.

Watching the movies

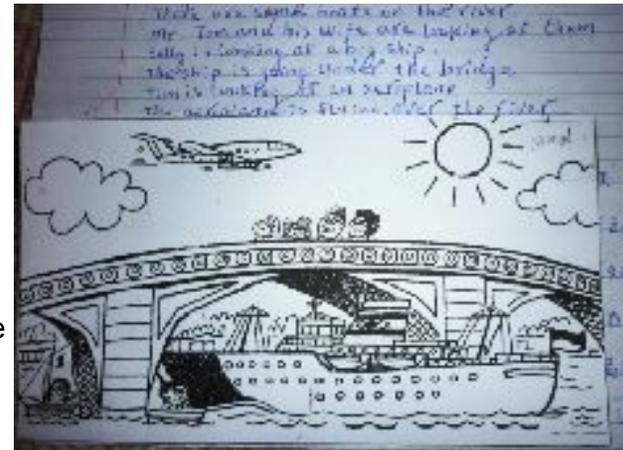
On Saturday it was a very clear still day.

I played tennis in the morning, then I went to the movies with my son. We saw "White Nights". It was an excellent movie. Of all the songs I liked "Say you, Say me." the best. I'm enjoy watching musicals with their beautiful dancing and wonderful music.

Enjoying the neighbourhood

I took my grandson to the playground. Along the way we met grandpa and grandma. People were smiling at me and saying "Good morning!" on the road we looked at magnificent houses set in beautiful gardens of flowers and plants.

My neighbour and I sometimes go to walk together after dinner.





My schnauzer

I have a lovely schnauzer puppy. Her name is "Ella." She is lively, cute and very clever.

One day, I took her for a walk. On the way home, she picked up a bone. I asked her to drop the bone, but she held it in her mouth, and looked at me. She pretended not to have anything. All the way home she tried to fool me. She was almost successful. What a clever dog.

Swimming happy

I go to the swimming pool in Henderson on the weekends. Sometimes, I use free style. Sometimes butterfly. Whatever the swimming style I am very happy.

Lost and found

I went to the Clinic Centre of Auckland Hospital in Greenlane at 15th July, 2011, to attend the appointment for an abdominal ultrasound. After finishing the examination, I returned to car parking area but could not find my car. "Oh! My God! My car is stolen!" I cried, then went to the police station in the hospital and filled all the necessary report papers for the police. One week passed, I suddenly received the telephone from the police. "..... Your lost car was found in the car park area of Margaret Park of Griffin Park Road, Mt Roskill South. You can go and pick it up." I went to there and drove it home. "Thanks my God." This was truly a funny and lucky experience for me. A story of "Lost and Return."





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“Do your best” is a golden rule to cherish

Jingles and nursery rhymes helping us do our best

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Now I know my ABC

Next time won't you sing with me

I love Peking tian an men. Tian an men on sun hoist

Little rabbit came to town came to town came to town A

Little rabbit eats his eggs eats his eggs came to town A

Thank you for the Easter eggs eats his eggs eats his eggs We

Little rabbit came to town hop hop hop He

Little rabbit eats his eggs hop hop hop on

Thank you for the Easter eggs hop hop hop

Carried a basket in his hand in his hand in his hand He

Easter day we found the eggs found the eggs found the eggs on

Carried a basket in his hand hop hop hop A

Easter day we found the eggs hop hop hop

Hop hop hop hop hop hop we

I remember a nursery rhyme when I was young. It goes like this

A group of ducks is fed in our village

Every morning, I push them forward into lake

The ducks cheered when they saw me

Goodbye little ducks. I am going to school.

A group of ducks is fed in our village.

Every afternoon when I come back from school,

I push them forward into shed

The ducks cheered when they saw me.

Goodbye, little ducks.

The sun is fallen.



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Every time when I am homesick,

I remind myself of one popular poem I learned in my middle school age, written by the poet LIBAI in Tang dynasty of China.
It goes like this

The light of the bright moon outside the window
Is suspected just like the hoar frost on the ground
I raise my head to look the bright round moon,
And bow to remember my home town.

窗前明月光，
凝是地上霜，
抬头望明月，
低头思故乡。

I remember

some old songs and nursery rhymes but my English it is very poor. I don't know how translate but I love reciting them in Chinese. I remember these old songs that spiced up my life.

What's the weather like today?

It's cloudy outside today
It's cloudy outside today
It's cloudy outside today

It's sunny outside today
It's sunny outside today
It's sunny outside today

It's rainy outside today
It's rainy outside today
It's rainy outside today

It's snowy outside today
It's snowy outside today
It's snowy outside today



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It's windy outside today
It's windy outside today
It's windy outside today

A baby song, a lullaby in China

Swing the cradle to and fro,
Sleep, sleep and sleep my lovely baby,
It can let you grow up,
One inch one night!





Different people

A man and his wife wanted to buy a house. After a lot of searching, they saw one they liked. It was a pleasant tree lined street and it was for sale.

As the man and his wife walked up the driveway a large black dog came round the corner of the house. The dog approached barking loudly. It looked fierce. The man and his wife stood still. Should they keep walking or should they retreat?

The owner of the house opened a window. "Don't be frightened" he shouted. "The dog's very friendly."

The man and his wife eyed the barking dog.

"Come on", said the woman taking her husband's arm.

Together, they walked quickly down the driveway to the street

Taiwan and N.Z. are different

- The average temperatures of four seasons usually higher in Taiwan than in New Zealand.
- In Taiwan, the steering wheel of the car is located on the left side, so you must drive the car on the right side of the road. That is the difference in New Zealand
- There are more frequent earthquake, typhoon (hurricane) and flood disasters in Taiwan than in New Zealand.
- I used to take congee (gruel) as my breakfast in Taiwan, but now, it must be changed to bread and milk in New Zealand.

In England

In the summer holidays, Mike Green and their children, Josh and Edwina go to the beach for two or three weeks. They always go to Hasting in the south of England. They usually stay in a small house or a flat by the sea, but sometime they stay in the hotel.

Every morning they go to the beach. Joshua goes swimming, but he doesn't stay in the water very long, because it is very cold.

Edwina never swims, she plays on the beach. They usually have sandwiches for lunch or sometimes they go to small café, In the afternoons, they walk in the old town or in the park. In the evenings they often go to the cinema or the theatre.





Learning

上周三,我和老师在图书馆里学习对方的语言。在学习中,我知道英文在每天生活中越来越重要,这是我们为什么要必须把英文学好的原因。Last Wednesday, the teacher and I were studying each other language at the library. When I was studying, I knew that English was right now becoming more important in our daily life. That is why we have to learn English well, the reason behind this was

China

I was born in China. China is an old country. It is a big and beautiful country. That country has very many nice people. It has a very nice leader and very many brothers and sisters, of teachers and students, and very many friends.

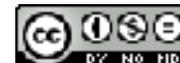
I went to China in May-July. I went to Nan Jing. I was very busy and tired but I was very happy. But in China, because there are very, very many people, so there are many tall building. In the big city, the air is not good. But food is cheap. People are very friendly. I want people to go to China to have a look around. Now, I live in N.Z. Auckland. N.Z. is a small country but Auckland is a big city. It's very, very beautiful. Climate is pleasant. The people here are really friendly. The weather is nice not cold, not hot. There is plenty of food, very, very good. It is a good place for people to live.

Changing

It is not an easy thing to change one's life circumstance and join a new one. When I first came to New Zealand, I knew that I would start a new different life. I felt nervous and a little frightful. But, just a moment, I find that all the faces are friendly and kind. They smiled to me and I did it in return. I looked at the sky. It was blue and clear. It is a beautiful country with kind people. I believe that I will love it here.

Poetry

Clean land. Clean air.
 Blue sky. Hundreds of clouds
 Bird language, flowers fragrant
 Environmental elegant
 Nature scenery
 Everything good. Beautiful and wonderful
 In China, it is hard to have these things





Book reviews

I read a book called "Pete's Street Beat" and I realised that music knows no boundaries.

The title of the book is "Holes". Stanley Yelnates is the main character in this book. He went to Green Lake Camp. He had to dig a hole everyday. Finally he found out that the camp was made to find treasure illegally. After all the treasure was really Stanley's. The book was especially interesting because if I read Stanley's name backwards it is Yelnates!

I love China and I also love New Zealand

I hope that New Zealand and China can maintain a good relationship.

I will never forget the experience I have had in the Repeat Read Aloud Programme and will remember all my wonderful classmates and each and every dedicated Volunteer. Thank you, you are all my friends. Thank you to the Volunteers.

New Zealand

NZ's sky is blue

NZ's weather is nice

The people are very kind

and the Volunteers are very patient with the Readers





Conversation

Nice to meet you.

Nice to meet you too.

Where are you from?

I come from Shen Zhen, China. And you?

I'm kiwi.

How long have you been in New Zealand.

I have been in New Zealand for three months.

Which city do you like (the best) in New Zealand?

I like Auckland.

Why do you come to New Zealand?

I am visiting my son and travelling.

Who do you live with?

I live with my son.

How many children do you have?

I have one child.

What's your hobby?

My hobby is gardening and learning English. And you?

My hobby is running and learning Chinese. Can you teach me Chinese?

No problem. We can learn from each other.

Your English is very good. Should be able to make something

My favourite recipe: Tofu, tomato and egg flower soup

Cooking method for one person

1. Boil 500 mls water
2. Put the following ingredients into the boiling water
 - cut one cube of tofu into pieces
 - cut one tomato into pieces
 - egg flower and one egg
 - pinch of salt or sauce
3. After a couple of minutes put all the ingredients into a large bowl for eating. Delicious!





Taiwanese fried rice noodles

1. Soak 300 grams of rice noodles in water for 10 minutes, then drain till dry
2. Quickly fry your favourite ingredient e.g. mushroom, onion, chilli, with a little salt and flavour
3. Boil 500 mls of water, add one spoon of black vinegar, then put the other ingredients above into the boiling water, stir. Cover the pan and cook on a low heat stirring every now and then until they all become dry.
4. Serve on a large plate

Beef with hot pepper

1. Cut the beef into thin slices
2. marinade the beef with salt, sugar, soy sauce and pepper
3. heat wok and add oil. When oil is ready put in the thick broad bean sauce, ginger, garlic hot pepper and stir fry for a few minutes. Add water. When the water is boiling add the beef. Bring them both to the boil again and turn off the hear
4. At the same time put some vegetables into water bring to the boil then drain into a bowl
5. Put the beef into the bowl with the vegetables
6. Serve and garnish with capsicol

Red bean pancake: sticky rice cake with red bean

Ingredients

- 500 grams of sticky rice powder
- 200 grams of read bean paste from the supermarket

Method

1. Mix 500 grams of sticky rice powder with cold water into a dough
2. Roll the dough into egg sized balls
3. Flatten each ball into a pancake and put a small amount of the read bean paste into the middle
4. Wrap it up gently and press.
5. Pre heat the pan with a teaspoon of oil and lightly fry each side of the cake until golden brown
6. Enjoy!





Making personal progress

In China, there is a very favourite book for personal cultivation named “University (da xue)” described by Confucius. The key words are:

- a. Ge Wu study thoroughly for everything
- b. Zhi zhi Monetomo, to practice your knowledge
- c. Xiu Shen to cultivate one’s characteristics
- d. Qi Jia to harmonize one’s family
- e. Zhi Guo to rule one’s country
- f. Ping Tian Xia to control the world

These are the procedures of cultivating one’s ability from inside to outside

A nursery rhyme in China “Home sweet home”

How lovely my home is!

My parents are so kind and healthy, my brothers and sisters are harmoniously friendly

Although our home is not luxurious nor rich like a palace

It is warm in the winter and comfortably cool in the summer.

Home sweet home how I love you!

The high-jumper

The man is dressing, now he is stretching. Then he is jogging into a run.

Back to a jog again, the high-jumper is twisting. He has landed. He has won!

I love sport!

My favourite book

“Tao de Chi” is my favourite book. It is an old philosophy about a idea of Ying & Yang Taolism. This book is only 5000 words, but it contains a profound culture.

“keep the country small with small population “ is LaoZi’s social idea of political philosophy. LaoZi was fond of small not big. He also said “the highest level of kind is like water”, because water is always good for everything.





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Whether your journey in life is fortunate or unfortunate is greatly determined by the way you use words

I remember

I remember one of the most famous children songs names as "Brother and Papa"

Father and brother how great are you
Your honour brighten our home
Go to fight for our country
Happy to be a soldier
Go, go brother and papa
Don't worry about the work at home
Just only wait my growth

Learning together

Last Wednesday, the Volunteer and I were studying each other's language at the library. When I was studying, I knew that English was right now becoming more important every day. That is why we had to learn English well.

On Monday morning, my husband and I got up early. We climbed out of bed and got dressed to drive to school. The day was warm, and the sun shone in the sky. We parked the car in Westfield car park. We passed through the Westfield, through the Great North Road to come to the library. We were to learn English in the library. Thanks to my Volunteers for reading for me



对一个人的了解通常即可从他读什么样的书获得，也可以从他与什么人交往获得，一本书就是一个好友，这一点过去如此，现在如此，将来也会如此。青年时给我们乐趣和教诲，老年时给我们安慰和快乐。

Companionship to Books

A man may usually be known by the books, he reads as well as by the company he keeps.

A good book may be among the best of friends, it is the same today as it always was, and it will never be changed, amusing and instructing us in youth, and comforting and consoling us in age.





We are proud to acknowledge with triple thanks the many cooperating working hands:-

1. **Our Libraries:** with their warm space, helpful staff and wonderful range of quality books. Special thanks for the Migrant Services Manager, Head Librarians and staff from top to bottom that enable our programme to run smoothly.
2. **The Reading Volunteers:** with their precious time and open spirit offering one-to-one intensive tutoring and care, opening their hearts to learning about other cultures & **Language Learning Readers:** with their enthusiasm to embrace the English language and New Zealand culture.
3. **Our Funders:** with their cooperation and generosity: including Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS); McKenzie Trust; The Charitable Trusts, Massey Matters (Waitakere City).

With the funds to print

- The Community Journal-Kete we print every term
- Manuals and workbooks for the Library, the Volunteer Readers and Language Learners
- All other printed supporting material that we produce and photocopy such as attendance sheets, read aloud sheets, training documents, information sheets etc.

More funding allows us to set up a new library with name badges, cameras, audio equipment and library bag AND room rental where there is no library space for us to work in.





Culture Company Reading4U Incorporated (CCR4U)



CCR4U Kete-Community Journal

For four terms (of seven weeks) in a year, a small team of up to twenty adults come together for a few hours in a library to repeat read aloud together. To celebrate this community the Culture Company Reading4U Incorporated offers the Reading Volunteers and Language Learning Readers the opportunity to contribute to the CCR4U Kete-Community Journal which through photos, reflections, recipes, comments and stories pass on in some small way the cultural learning and cultural pleasure that takes place during this special term time. The Kete contributions are triggered at the beginning of each Session by repeat reading aloud together one of the twelve themes. This Kete-Community Journal gives the participants of the 1,2,3 programme a platform to express their initiative, offer their opinion or leave a memento behind of their work. It also gives us a resource to photocopy for repeat reading aloud as a group without infringing copyright law.

Culture

Culture is a way of doing things.

Culture of working together

The Culture Company Reading4U Incorporated, CCR4U, facilitates inter-cultural communication by bringing a team together to work on the project of repeat reading aloud one-on-one and in a group. **1.** It's easy. **2.** It's fun. **3.** Read lots.

Culture of reading aloud

CCR4U brings cultures together through reading aloud. By combining computer literacy, communication - language literacy and community literacy, CCR4U creates a culture that allows us to fill the CCR4U on-line Kete-Community Journal which publishes the outcomes of working together. Reading aloud is one way to combine our traditional oral knowledge with written words. When we bring cultures together, when we combine the written and the oral, the oral and the written, we can recycle old stories and create new stories





Culture of recycling books

CCR4U encourages a culture of treasuring books, especially the quality books collected by libraries. Libraries are a wonderful way of recycling books which are like our cultural 'baskets'. Books are written by connoisseurs of language, authors. The authors of books are like language teachers ready and waiting to be read. CCR4U promotes reading lots of books to reinforce language learning.

Culture of recycling CCR4U Kete themes

The second of the CCR4U Kete-Community Journal themes we repeat read aloud together is "*People from every walk of life need to join hands and work on cleaning up the environment. We need to establish a society whose foundation recycling.*" CCR4U recycles words through repeat reading aloud. From its incorporation CCR4U recycles twelve Kete-Community Journal themes that encourage recycling words through language learning by cooperation. With so many languages in the world moving from their place of origin the Kete themes encourage us to help each other as adults even though we are still learning like children. Recycling library resources in this new way of the **1,2,3 Repeat Read Aloud Programme for Adults** supports literacy (communication literacy literacy, computer literacy, community literacy) even when we are limited by other material restraints.

Culture of recycling Reading Volunteers

To read aloud CCR4U uses audio books but values the most the word spoken through a living person – Reading Volunteers! To recycle Volunteers CCR4U has compiled three kete-folders to manage a Team of Reading Volunteers working with Language Learning Readers.

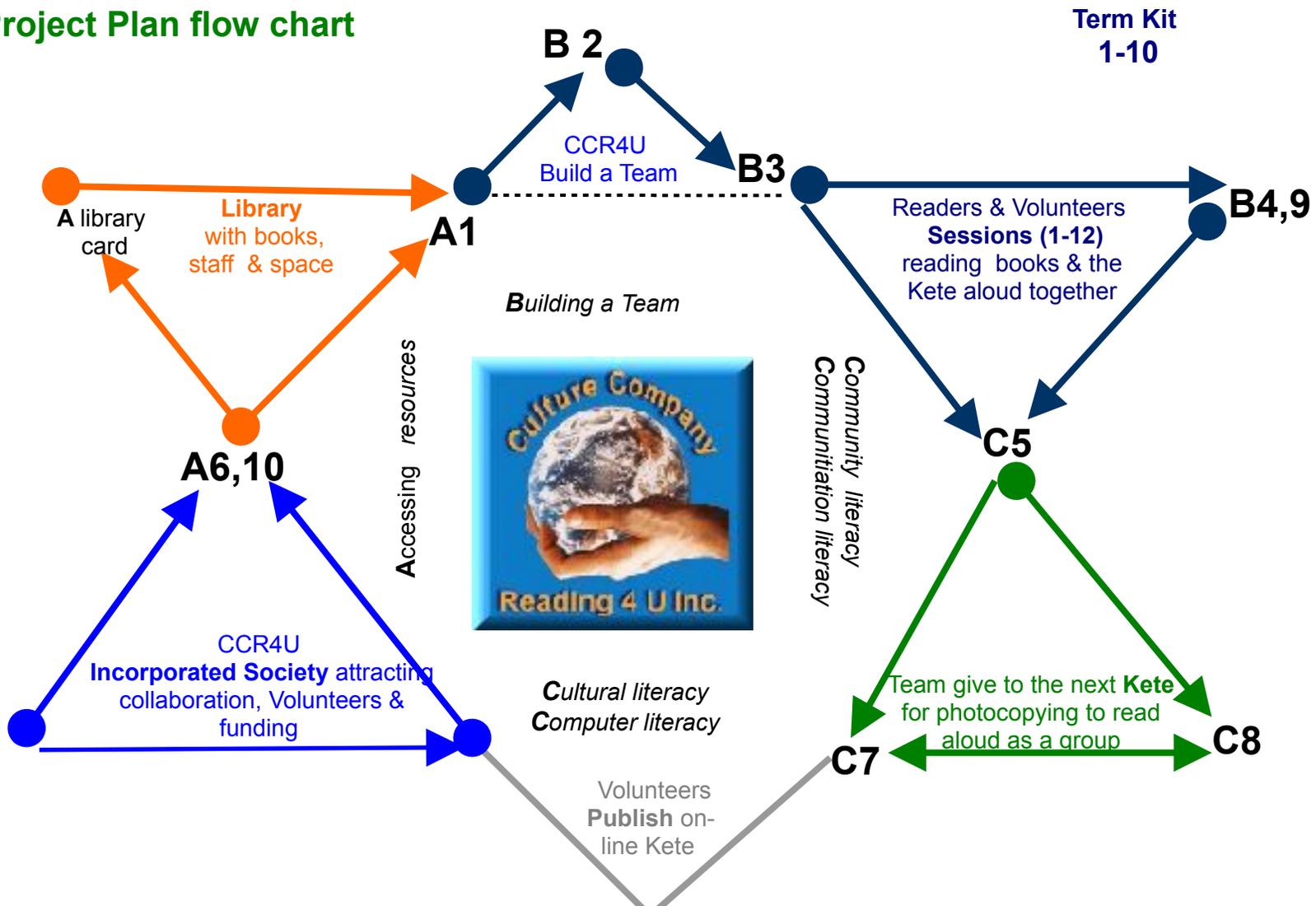
1. A folder-kete of **Library Manuals**, published on-line, explain the way we repeat read aloud in different languages so that the Language Learning Readers can "Think Like an Adult. Learn Like a Child".
2. A folder-kete **Term Kit** holds papers (1-10) which allow Language Learning Readers and Reading Volunteers to organise a group for a term. The Term Kit gives the Team the flexibility to re-set up from the beginning each term, taking up roles to suit the Team at that time for the time. Every term the Kit is new and every term the Team starts afresh.
3. A folder-kete holds a selection of pages chosen and photocopied as suits the group from the **CCR4U Kete Community Journals** so that the group can easily read aloud together and learn from other groups.

Let the true worth of everyone shine throughout the world





Project Plan flow chart



1,2,3 ABC Accessing & Building Community Repeat Read Aloud Programme for Adults





About the language CCR4U uses when adults repeat read aloud together

We do not teach we read together (we learn from each other)

Adults repeat reading aloud together is essentially a community project. We can repeat read aloud even when we cannot speak the same language! Repeating after someone can be easy. Reading aloud to someone is easy.

For this reason we are very careful about the language we use to describe what we do. For example we do not teach, we read. Because the basic skills we use are repeating and reading /speaking we can open up our people resources to more people than what we could provide if we were looking only for teachers.

Reading Volunteers and Language Learning Readers coming together to learn from each other

So you can see that the 1,2,3 Programme brings **Reading Volunteers and Language Learning Readers** together, we do not call them teachers and students because we are all learning about each other and our cultures in this shared reading process.

Learning is a dynamic vibrant activity. To keep learning as adults is like prolonging our time as children when learning was fun and effortless. As children we may have played by ourselves but more often than not we came together to play. Coming together in our differences is unpredictable and exciting. When we repeat read aloud together the Reading Volunteers enjoy learning about people from another culture just as much as the Language Learning Readers like reading the books.

By working together we can ABC: Access and Build Community, 1,2,3:have fun, be relaxed & learn lots

Through books, through library we can access and build community. CCR4U promote community, sustainable communities. Sustainability is about setting up a continuous process of growth and learning. Sustainability means something that we can continue doing at no extra cost. Sustainability means for us being able to use the resources we already have in a more productive way. By bringing people together to share reading we can make better use of our library resources. By bringing people into the community through the library we can build our community even when we are strangers. Through repeat reading aloud together in the structured way we promote, people can come together in a constructive way to come to understand each other and build better community relationships.

