

Debra writes: Something for you and your *WinkWorld* subscribers:

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(www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2008/news0308-intro.html

<http://www.joanwink.com/sched.html> Scroll down to March 12, scroll down) and the information on Right and Left brain modes reminded me of this powerful talk by Jill Bolte Taylor, a brain scientist describing HAVING A STROKE. Here's how the conference notes describe it: **“One morning, she realized she was having a massive stroke. As it happened -- as she felt her brain functions slip away one by one, speech, movement, understanding -- she studied and remembered every moment.”** You can find it here:

<http://www.ted.com/index.php/talks/view/id/229>

TED Talks are a great source. Now, you might be thinking, “What makes you think I have time to watch long-winded talks?!” The annual TED conference brings together 1000 people from the worlds of Technology, Entertainment, and Design (hence the name). It's 4 days, 50 speakers, 18 minutes each. Many of the talks are available to watch in their entirety, online. And only 18 minutes long. I can usually find 18 minutes a month to check out at least one of these great talks. You can subscribe on the website to receive an email when new talks are put online.

If you want to learn more, but would like advice about what to take time to see, here are my recommendations:

See this one, Dave Eggers about his writing center at 826 Valencia in San Francisco, if you want to see someone inspired to help public schools in ways that are completely respectful of teachers and their students:

<http://www.ted.com/index.php/talks/view/id/233>

And this one, which will dispel many myths about the so-called developing world, while introducing you to some great technology to deal with statistics. And you'll also hear a brilliant and very funny medical professor from Sweden:

<http://www.ted.com/index.php/talks/view/id/92>

Thank you, Debra.