

WinkWorld December 2007

Hello Friends,

This month in *WinkWorld*, I am sharing a few ideas, which have crossed my desk this month. In addition, I am sharing some materials, which I'm working on for my January foundations class. In addition, we have a glimpse into the literacy development of Garrett, 2, and Wyatt, 11, and I share a bit of prairie life, as I know it.

Featuring My Friends (FmF)

Next month, I will begin a new feature of *WinkWorld*. Each month I will shine the spotlight on what my friends and colleagues are reading and writing. My purpose in doing this is to encourage FVR, free voluntary reading. In this edition of *WinkWorld*, I have added just a hint: First, I am sharing the books which **family and friends** have mentioned to me this week; second, I share the **books lying around our house** in various states of being read; and third, I made a list of the **books scattered around my desk**.

For example, in the new category books, which **family and friends** are reading, I, of course, begin with my grandkids' favorites, and with my friend, Elliot's books of the week. I also asked the rest of my family what they are presently reading: Dawn is reading Julia Alvarez; Bo is reading the two wild animal books; Lisa is having fun with *Sisterchicks*; and Wink is reading Greenspan. Mary, my friend of 40 years, mentioned *Three Cups of Tea* to me, and Nancy, another friend of 40 years, talked to me about *The Book Thief*. **Books around the house** include any of the books, which I pick up when I sit down, and **books around my desk** are professional books, which I am reading.

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Next month, we'll begin **Featuring My Friends (FmF)** and I'll begin with (a) the new Crawford/Krashen book [Visit Bookstore](#) and (b) The Hurd Family FVR Log <http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/hurdfamlog.jpg>

The Book Whisperer

http://blogs.edweek.org/teachers/book_whisperer/

Professional Learning Communities

<http://www.edweek-chat.org/>

All things PLC, Richard DuFour

Peaking Into The Future

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pMcfRLYDm2U>

ELL PD Seminar

Rigby Professional Development (PD)

By Drs. Yvonne & David Freeman and Dr. Ann Ebe

This month I had an opportunity to do a review of this manuscript for Rigby. Excellent. If you ever get a chance to attend this professional development, don't miss it!

Critical Pedagogy: Where Are We Now?

Edited by Peter McLaren and Joe L. Kincheloe
Dawn and I are writing a review of this book - due this month.
Stay tuned.

www.TonyWardEdu.com

Critical Education Theory and Practice

A very generous website from New Zealand.
Tony has also just begun a Critical Education Newsletter.

Educator Roundtable

<http://www.educatorroundtable.net/showDiary.do?diaryId=427>

I am preparing for my **January foundations of education** class at CSU Stanislaus.
Enclosed are a few of the materials, which we will be using.

Two Big Ideas and 5 Ism's

A narrative:

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/TwoBigIdeas&5isms.pdf>

A graphic:

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/2Ideas&5ismsgraphics.pdf>

Two perspectives, an overview:

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/perspective1.pdf>

2, 3, and 4 Big Ideas, a graphic,

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/234bigideas.pdf>

The Gestalt

A narrative, **100 Years in a 1000 Words**

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/100years1000words113007.pdf>

Gardner's Multiple Intelligences

<http://www.joanwink.com/newsletter/2007/MIGardner.pdf>

I created this little summary for my January class.