

Discovering Personal Genius

Considering Tips, Trends & Technology

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**“Genius? Nothing!
Sticking to it is the genius!
I've failed my way to success.”
--Thomas Edison**



- Welcome to the Assistive Technology revolution! The world around us is evolving at an astounding rate. This Keynote will explore the collective role each of us play in promoting student success beyond the educational environment and the powerful role of assistive technology in this process. We will examine outcomes that can occur when self-advocacy, inclusion, universal design for learning and appropriate assistive technology solutions are integrated into the lives of individuals with learning disAbilities. This session will provide participants with helpful tips, opportunities to explore emerging trends and identify specific AT strategies and solutions to promote success in the school setting and that can ultimately assist with smooth transitions into the workplace and community.

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We're here to help Georgians with disabilities gain access to and acquisition of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services so they can live, learn, work, and play independently in the communities of their choice.





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Welcome to Tools for Life

Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice.

Tools for Life and the TFL Network work collaboratively together to accomplish our mission through:

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TOOLS FOR LIFE APPFINDER



Guiding Principles

- We – Collectively – are Brilliant & Can find an Innovative Path and Create Brighter Futures
- We must Think, Live and Act from a place of Abundance – We have enough time, money, resources...
- We Must Focus on Abilities!
- YOU have the Power to make the Difference!
– Change vs. Progress (Bob Phillips)



Guiding Principle

- Disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes the right of individuals to—
 - (A) live independently;
 - (B) enjoy self-determination and make choices;
 - (C) benefit from an education;
 - (D) pursue meaningful careers; and
 - (E) enjoy full inclusion and integration in the economic, political, social, cultural, and educational mainstream of society in the United States.

Guiding Principles

TIP: To be Successful –

- We need to move from Transactional Relationships to developing **Transformational Relationships**.
- We need to moved from Independent to **Intrdependent**.





Discovering Personal Genius:

- A plan-full approach that reveals life themes;
- That presents a path of Discovery;
- That begs Investigation;
- That creates Options;
- That breeds Innovation & Success in personal, educational and career development

– Griffin - Hammis



“Sometimes I just cry”

“I hate being different!”

“My [mom, dad, brother] does my homework”

“I can’t do this!”

“I’m so frustrated”

“I hate school, its not fun for me “

“Why is this so hard for me?”

“I like Math and
Science- less reading”

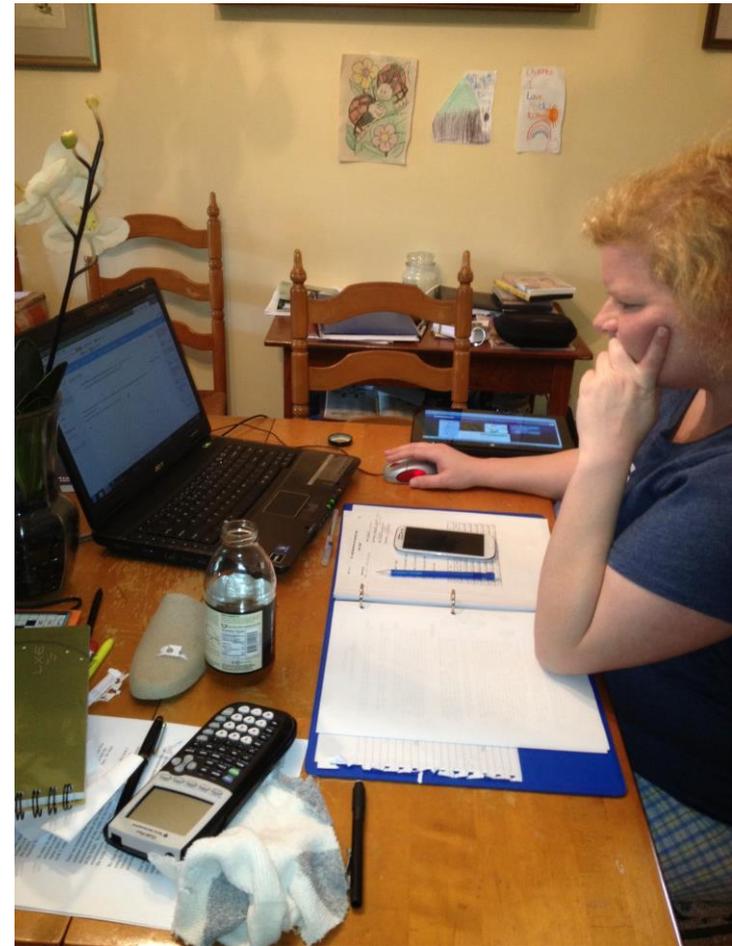
“Is there anyway that
homework doesn’t take
me 4 hours after school”

“I don’t
know
anyone
like me”

“I know what I want
to be when I grow up
but it doesn’t matter
because I can’t do
the schoolwork”

“I’m just stupid”

- Knows her study habits
- Completely quiet
 - Noise reducing headphones
- Laptop
 - Software
- Surface Pro
 - Software
- Samsung phone
 - Apps
- Scientific Calculator



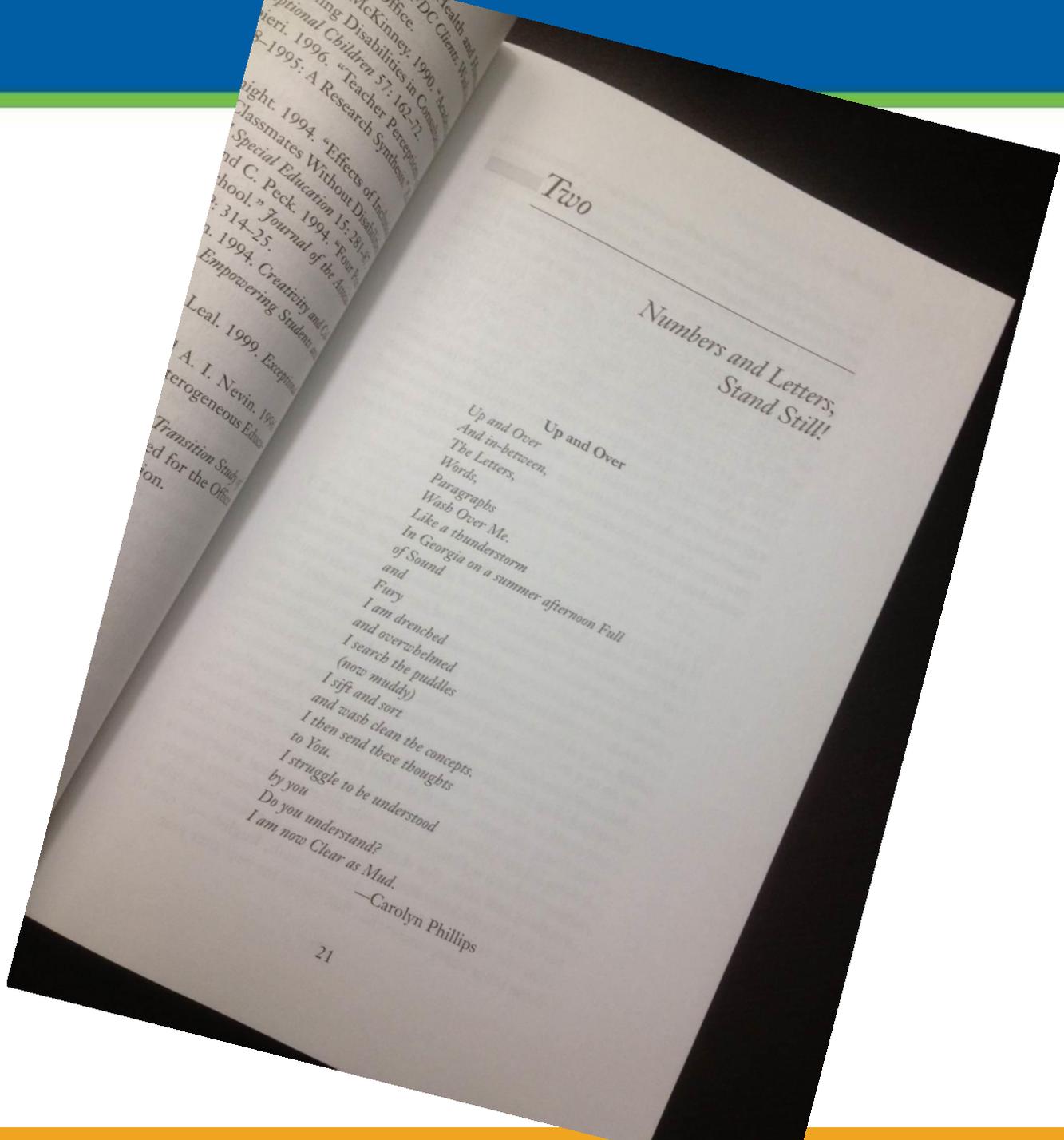
Kevin



- Has Cerebral Palsy
- In 2nd Grade
- Dysgraphia
- Used a laptop
- Used a Communication Device
- Heavy!
- Lots to carry !

L. J.
VS.
Frances V. Phillips





Why Am I Here Today?

- Master Our Skills!
- Expand Our Knowledge and
- Build Stronger Schools to Creat



Begin with the End in Mind!





Looking Back to See Forward...

In 1990, the internet was something used by fantasy baseball fanatics on CompuServe and mobile phones were the size of toddlers — a luxury for those who could afford to not use pay phones. Satellite TV meant having a massive dish on your property; millions struggled with programming their VCRs to tape L.A. Law; bills were paid by check... in the mail.

By Chris Morran

Emerging Trends

Knowledge transfer is the practical action of transferring knowledge from one organization to another. Like knowledge management, knowledge transfer seeks to organize, create, capture or distribute knowledge and ensure its availability for future users.

TIP: Universities & Colleges are becoming more agile and actively seeking avenues for Knowledge Transfer.



Emerging Trends



To realize the potential of learning technology, Digital Promise will work with leading educators, researchers, technology firms, and entrepreneurs on three key challenges:

- 1) **Identifying breakthrough technologies**
- 2) **Learning faster what's working and what's not**
- 3) **Transforming the market for learning technologies**

“Digital Promise” started Sept. 2011 – White House, Congress & DOE

For more information, go to:

www.digitalpromise.org.

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Find What Works!

Intervention	Topic	Improvement Index	Effectiveness Rating	Direct of Evidence
Fast Forward® Language	English Language Learners	40	++	++
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Based on the research evidence, find what works to...

- improve literacy skills in 3rd graders,
- increase math achievement in preschoolers,



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E-Readers Can Make Reading Easier for Those With Dyslexia

Sep. 18, 2013 — As e-readers grow in popularity as convenient alternatives to traditional books, researchers at the Smithsonian have found that convenience may not be their only benefit. The team discovered that when e-readers are set up to display only a few words per line, some people with dyslexia can read more easily, quickly and with greater comprehension. Their findings are published in the Sept. 18 issue of the journal *PLOS ONE*.

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An element in many cases of dyslexia is called a visual attention deficit. It is marked by an inability to concentrate on letters within words or words within lines of text. Another element is known as visual crowding--the failure to recognize letters when they are cluttered within the



In the paper condition students read passages from the Gates-MacGinitie Reading Tests and answered multiple choice questions as shown. In the iPod condition the reading passage was displayed on the iPod (scrolled vertically using a finger on the touchscreen) and questions were answered on

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App Factory (D1)

The overall purpose of this project is to advance universal design in the wireless community. The objectives of this project are development, deployment, and adoption of software applications (“apps”) to enhance the utility and usability of wireless products and services for wireless customers with and without disabilities.

App Factory output will include apps designed specifically to address barriers to wireless access and use by people with cognitive, physical, sensory, and/or speech disabilities. Wherever practical, these apps will incorporate features useful to all customers, with or without disabilities.

A complementary objective of this project is development of a practical model for consumer participation in the process of app development. This process engages the community of people with disabilities throughout the process of envisioning, designing, testing, refining, and disseminating applications.

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Neuroplasticity Research:

Our brain is a dynamic system that has the capability of significant growth.

Rudraprosad Chakraborty, M.D.
Med Assoc 2010



Emerging Trends

Neuroplasticity research has established, beyond doubt, that instead of being a static cell mass, our brain is actually a dynamic system of neural networks that has the capability of significant growth under favorable circumstances.

Rudraprosad Chakraborty, M.D.

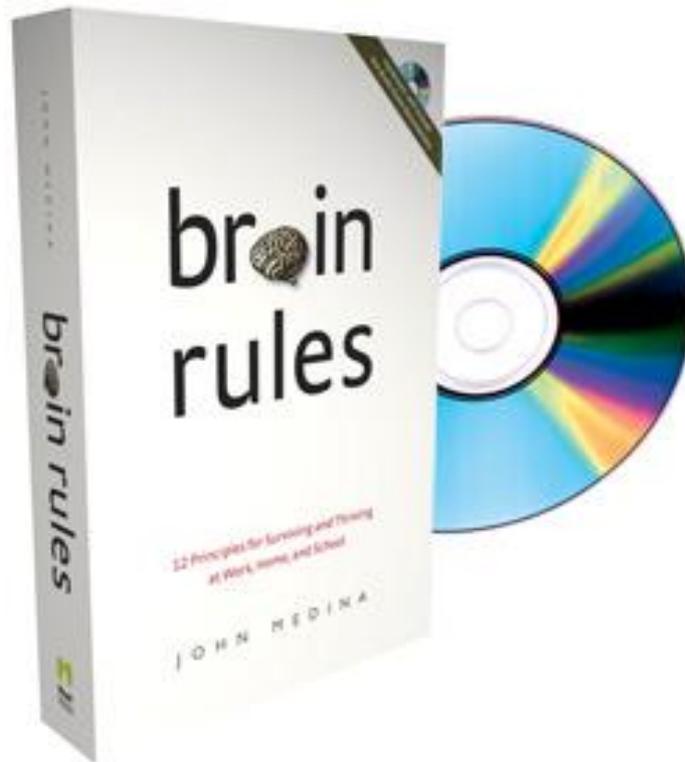
Neuroplasticity

- When the action is repeated, the more dendrites sprout to connect new memories to old ones, stronger the connections become, the more efficient the brain becomes at retrieving that memory or action.



- **TIP: Repeat to Remember!**

Emerging Trends



The brain is an amazing thing. Most of us have no idea what's really going on inside our heads. Yet brain scientists have uncovered details every business leader, parent, and teacher should know.

Dr. John Medina- Developmental
Molecular Biologist

TIPS: 12 Brain Rules!

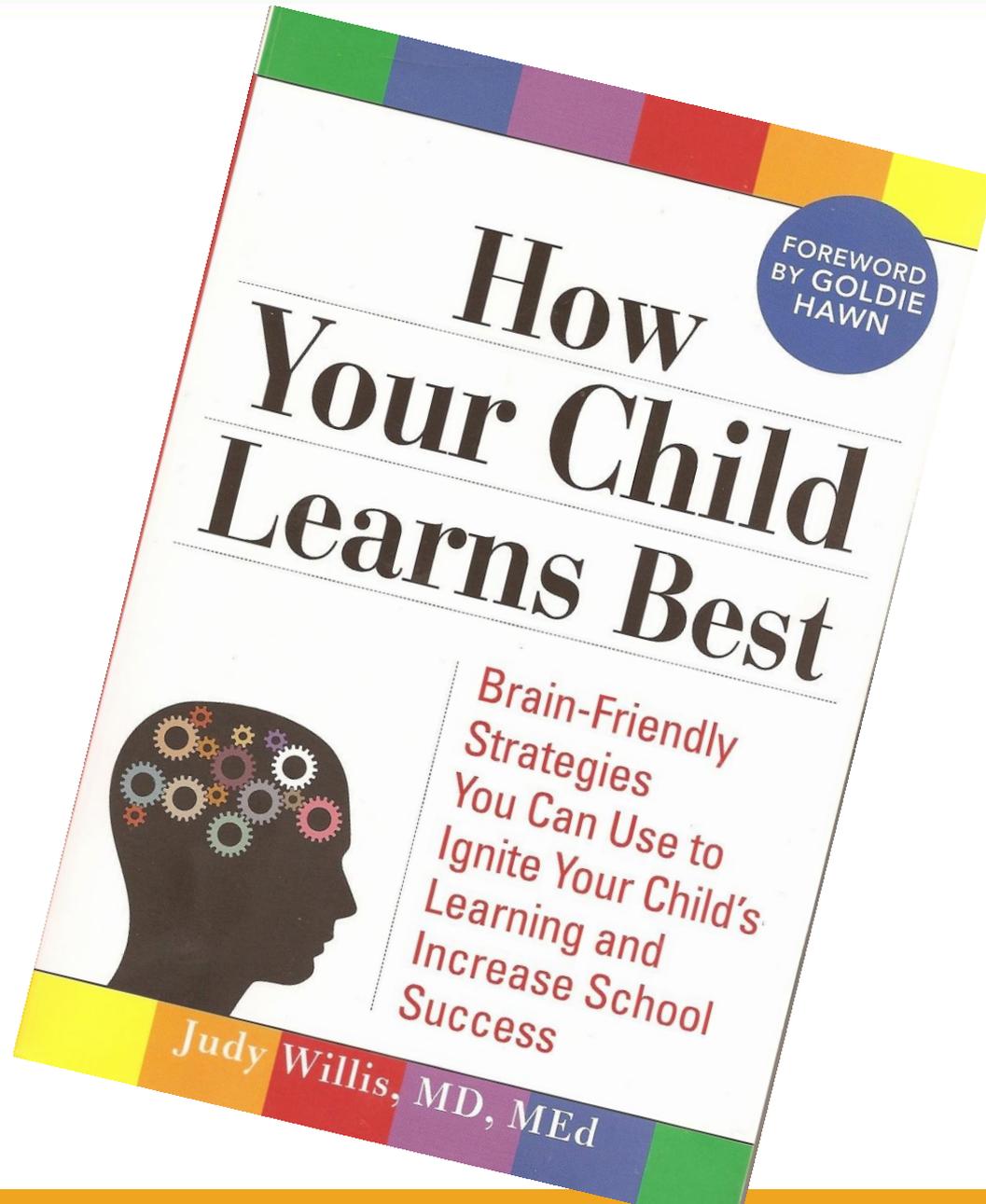
1. Exercise boosts brain power
2. Human brain evolved
3. Every brain is wired differently
4. We don't pay attention to boring things
5. Repeat to remember
6. Remember to repeat



TIPS: 12 Brain Rules



7. Sleep well, think well
8. Stressed brains don't learn the same way
9. Stimulate more of the senses
10. VISION trumps all other senses
WE SEE WITH OUR BRAINS
11. Male and female brains are different
12. We are powerful natural explorers





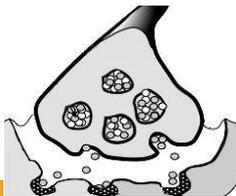
How Your Child Learns Best

- Everything we learn comes to the brain through our senses
- Brain can't process billions of bits of info every sec.
- Equipped with filters to protect from overload & focus on the data most critical for survival.

How Your Child Learns Best

- Stress, boredom, frustration or confusion block the flow of info through amygdala to the thinking brain.

TIP: When learning is associated with pleasure, the amygdala “stamps” that info with increased memory impact



How Your Child Learns Best

TIP: You need brain-friendly strategies to empower your students to respond to the most useful sensory input from the environment and turn that data into retained knowledge





Discovering Personal Genius:

Self-advocacy

Consider this -



- My Success relies on
 - Knowing Myself
 - Self-Exploration
 - Who Are You?
 - Learning Style
 - What is Your Learning Style?
 - Honestly Exploring –
 - What do I want to Do When I Grow Up?
 - What Assistive Technology do I need to accomplish my Goals?

Consider this -

- My Success relied on
 - Communication about My disAbilities
 - Understanding My disAbility
 - Language is Powerful
 - Talking with Housemates, Partners, Professors and Employers about my specific disAbilities
 - And Listening
 - Understanding My Weaknesses
 - Understanding My Strengths





Critical Conversations: Questions to Consider

- How did You see yourself?
 - Strengths
 - Areas of weakness
- Talk with me about your disability.
- Where are You Headed?
 - Got a Map?
- What do You Consider to be Success?
- What is Your Vision for Your Future?
- What is Our Collective Vision for the Future?
- Who is in/needs to be in Your Circle of Support?



You are Among Greatness!

- Business executives who pay great sums for consultants to teach them to “think out of the box” would do well to observe the habitually creative thinkers in their midst – people with disAbilities.

- *Excerpted from: “The Inclusive Corporation” by Griff Hogan*



You are Among Greatness!

- The necessity of addressing mundane problems with creative solutions has prepared many people with disAbilities to be innovative in more complex areas, including the challenges faced by business.
 - *Excerpted from: "The Inclusive Corporation" by Griff Hogan*



Innovations - “Curb-Cuts”

Technological innovations and modifications originally intended for people with disabilities, but that end up benefiting many more, are often called “electronic curb-cuts”. Examples of these are almost endless:

- One of the most famous is the **telephone**. Alexander Graham Bell, as many know, was a teacher of deaf students (his wife also had a severe hearing impairment), and the research that led to the invention of the telephone was directly related to his concern for them.



Innovations - “Curb-Cuts”

- The development of early computer protocols led to what is now called the **Internet**. Dr. Vinton Cerf, who was hearing impaired, was married to a woman who was deaf, and frequently corresponded with her using text messaging. His familiarity with this format was key to his work with ARPANET, the precursor of the World Wide Web.

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Innovations - “Curb-Cuts”

- Inventor Dean Kamen, known for a series of disability related inventions, was working on a wheelchair capable of climbing stairs and putting its occupant in a standing position.
- In the process, he and his team realized that they could build a device using very similar technology that could impact how *everybody* gets around. The **Segway HT** (for human transporter), a high- tech scooter-like device was born!

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Discovering Personal Genius:

**Assistive Technology,
Universal Design for
Learning
and related areas...**



Why Assistive Technology?

- For a person without a disability, technology makes things easier....
- For a person with a disability, technology makes things possible.
- **TIP: USE AT. I have yet to meet a successful student who doesn't use Any AT.**



Consider this -



- My Success relied on
 - Assistive Technology!!
 - Try before you buy – Explore!
 - Training
 - Think across environments –
 - Laptop – Still Need!
 - iPhone – I used 13 apps yesterday and today!
 - iPad – use everyday
 - Organization – Learn Your Style
 - efficiency brings peace
 - Evaluations – Hot Button
 - Working from No/Old/Incorrect info
 - Don't trust everything you read & hear
 - Advocate for an AT Evaluation/Assessment



Discovering Personal Genius through...

Differentiated instruction (also known as **differentiated learning** or, in education, simply, **differentiation**) involves providing students with different avenues to acquiring content; to processing, constructing, or making sense of ideas; and to developing teaching materials so that all students within a classroom can learn effectively, regardless of differences in ability.

Discovering Personal Genius through...

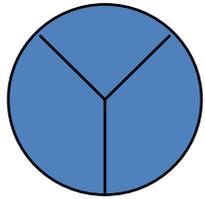
"Research indicates that many of the emotional or social difficulties gifted students experience disappear when their educational climates are adapted to their level and pace of learning."

TIP: Differentiation in education can also include how a student shows that they have mastery of a concept. This could be through a research paper, role play, podcast, diagram, poster, etc.



TIP: The key to differentiation is finding how your students learn and displays their learning that meets their specific needs.

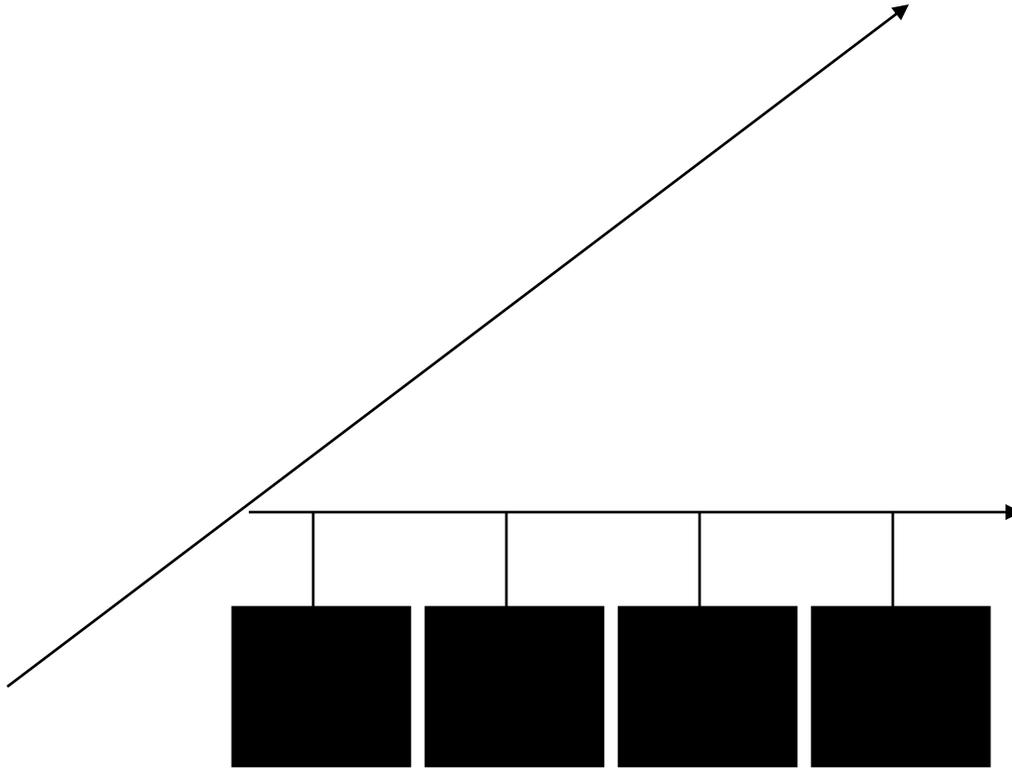
SETT & Human Activity Technology (HAAT) Model



- Human: represents the skills and abilities of the person with a disability
- Activity: a set of tasks to be performed by the person with a disability
- Context: the setting or social, cultural and physical contexts that surround the environment in which the activity must be completed
- Assistive Technology: devices or strategies used to bridge the gap between the person's abilities and the demands of the environment

- Developed by Cook & Hussey
 - SETT – Joy Zabala

Promoting Strengths & Managing Weaknesses & Stress!



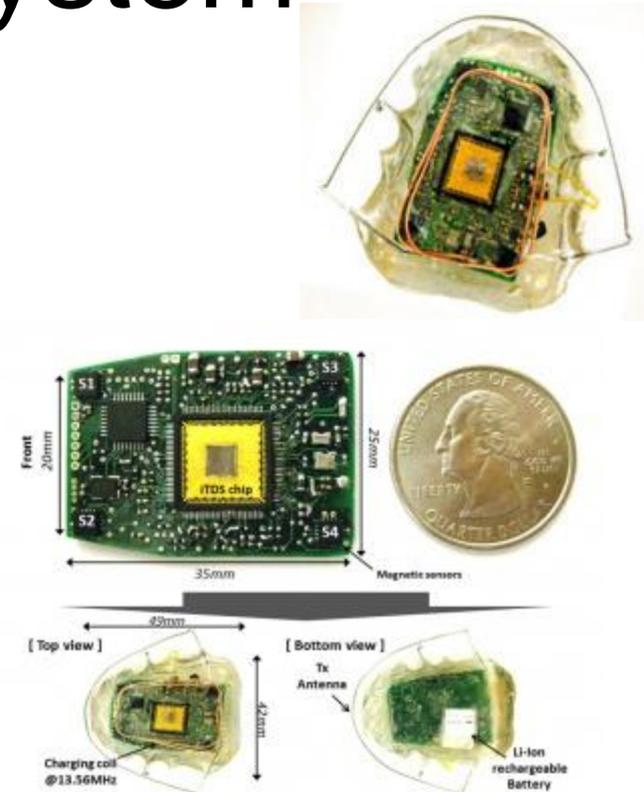
TIP: Use Multi-modal Input Supports

- Communication breakdowns
- Reduce anxiety and behavioral meltdowns
- Teach functional skills
- Help with transitions
- Teach instruction, organization & expression
- Teach independence

Tongue Drive System

- Wireless device that enables people with high-level spinal cord injuries to operate a computer and maneuver an electrically powered wheelchair simply by moving their tongues
- dental retainer embedded with sensors
- detect movement of a tiny magnet attached to the tongue
- Testing with iPods and iPhones

- ~ Rust



- Ga Tech
- Shepherd Center and Rehab Institute of Chicago

Microsoft Surface

- Windows 8
- Slim and has a USB port
- Moveable Tiles
- Built-in Accessibility
 - Speech-to-text
 - Narrator
- Thin pressure sensitive cover that doubles as a keyboard
- Starts at \$499





Samsung Galaxy Tab 3



- Android System
- 7, 8, or 10 in screen
- Camera
- Micro card
- Wi-Fi
- USB for computer
- Some built-in accessibility app
 - Download others
- Starts at \$199.99

Nook HD

- eBook Reader and mobile tablet
- No Camera
- Access to shop both Google Play Store and Barnes and Noble
- Purchase apps
- Starts at \$129



Kindle Fire HD

- eBook Reader and mobile tablet
- Front facing camera
- Access to Amazon apps
- Free cloud storage for Amazon purchases
- Purchase Apps
- 7inch or 8.9 inch screen
- Starts at \$199.99



Apple iPad/ mini/ Touch

- Multi - touch screen
- New iOS 7
- Millions of apps
- Surf web
- iTunes
- Videos
- Organization
- Accessibility
- Books
- Photos
- Speakers
- 5.0 megapixel camera



Refurbished Tablets

- If you do not need the latest and greatest consider an older models for a discount
- Want to make sure that refurbish tablets have been certified
- Look for at least 1 year warranty
- Many places now sell
 - Apple
 - BestBuy
 - Amazon



CONSIDERING ACCESSIBILITY





Comparing Tablets

Property	Android	iOS	MS Windows	Amazon Kindle	Barnes and Noble Nook
Number and variety of Tablets	Over 11,000	iPad and iPad mini	Several	Kindle Fire and Fire HD	Nook HD
Operating System	Android (Jelly bean)	ios7 (Sept 18, 2013)	Microsoft Windows 8	Modified version of Android ICS	Modified version of Android- Microsoft bought 2013
Apps	860,815 (AppBrain.com updated 9/13/13)	900,000 with 375,00 optimized for iPad/mini (mobileburn.com updated June 2013)	104,917 (winbeta.org updated July 4, 2013)	50,000 in Amazon App store also shop in Google Play Store (theverge.com updated August 2013)	10,000 in Barnes and Noble and have access to Google Play store (barnesandnoble.com updated August 2013)
Software Updates	As it becomes available on Google	Apple releases updates	MS releases updates	Amazon releases updates	Barnes and Noble releases updates
Interface	As designed by manufacturer	Icons and widgets designed by Apple	Metro style designed by Microsoft	Modified version of regular Android	Modified version of regular Android

Built-in Accessibility Features

- VoiceOver
- Zoom
- Large Text
- Invert Colors
 - (white on black)
- Speak Selection
- Speak Auto Text
- Mono Audio
- Assistive Touch
- Guided Access
- Home-Click Speed
- Incoming Calls
- Braille Displays



Assistive Touch

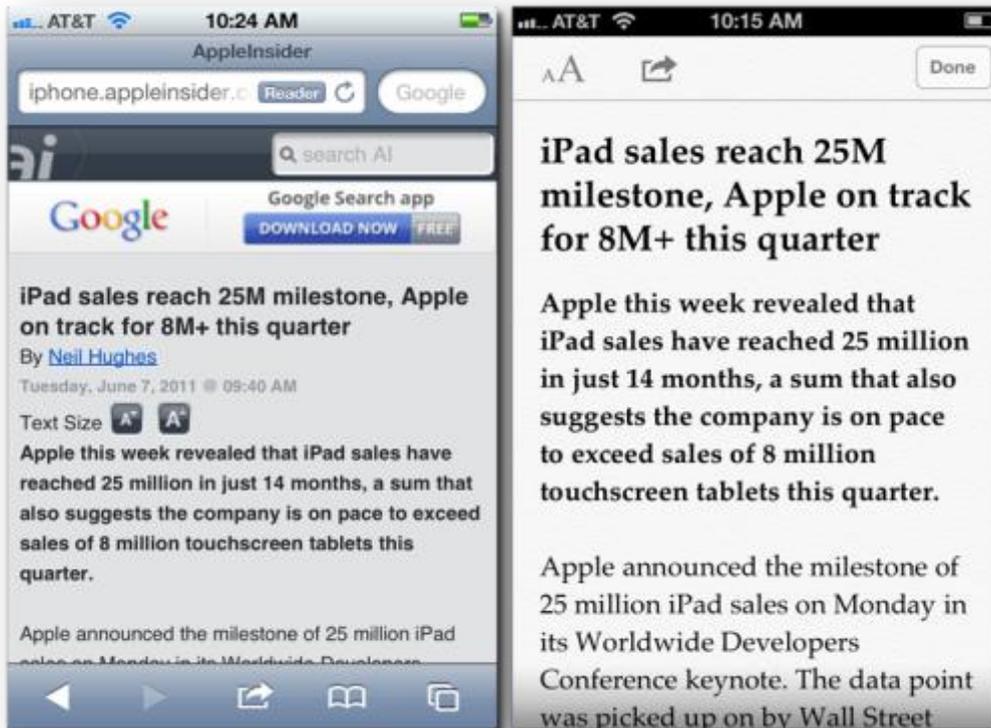
- Lets you enter Multi-Touch gestures using one finger or stylus
 - Create custom gestures
- Supports the use of adaptive input devices
 - Headsets and switches
- Change Tracking Speed



Creating Keyboard Shortcuts

- Go to General => Keyboard and make sure Shortcut is turned on
- Go to Add New Shortcut
- Put in your Phrase
- Create Short Cut
- Example:
 - Phrase : Martha E. Rust, MS CRC ATP
 - Shortcut is: MER
 - So when MER is typed it will put in the above Phrase
 - OMW => On My Way!

Reader for Websites



- Read articles and web pages without distractions
- Clutter disappears
- Add link into Reading List and finish later

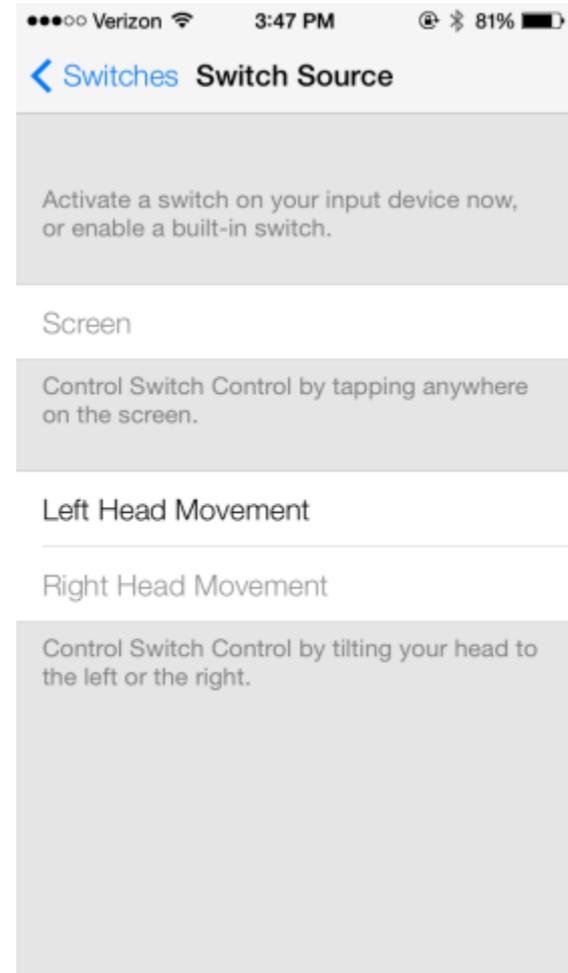
Guided Access

- Helps remain on task and focus
- Limit to one app / turn off home button
- Restrict touch input on certain areas of the screen



New iOS 7 Features

- September 2013
- Automatically turn on captioning and subtitles
- Fingerprint Security
 - iPhone 5
- Switch Source under Accessibility
 - Allows user to control devices by head movement



Surface



- 2 types
 - RT
 - PRO
- RT
 - Cannot download software
 - Does not support digital pen
 - Built in MS Office
 - Word, Powerpoint, Excel
- Pro
 - 30 day trial of MS Office
 - Ability to download software
- Open 3 Windows
- Tiles
 - Start screen
- Charms
 - Right hand side

Accessibility of Surface

- Uses Windows 8
 - Ease of Access
- Narrator
- Magnifier
- On-Screen Keyboard
- Windows Speech Recognition



Nook HD

- Download Books and Movies
- Access to Barnes and Noble Store
- Access to Google Play Store
- No Camera
- Does not read books out loud
- Note taking features
- Can Change:
 - Font
 - Line Spacing
 - Text Size
 - Background color



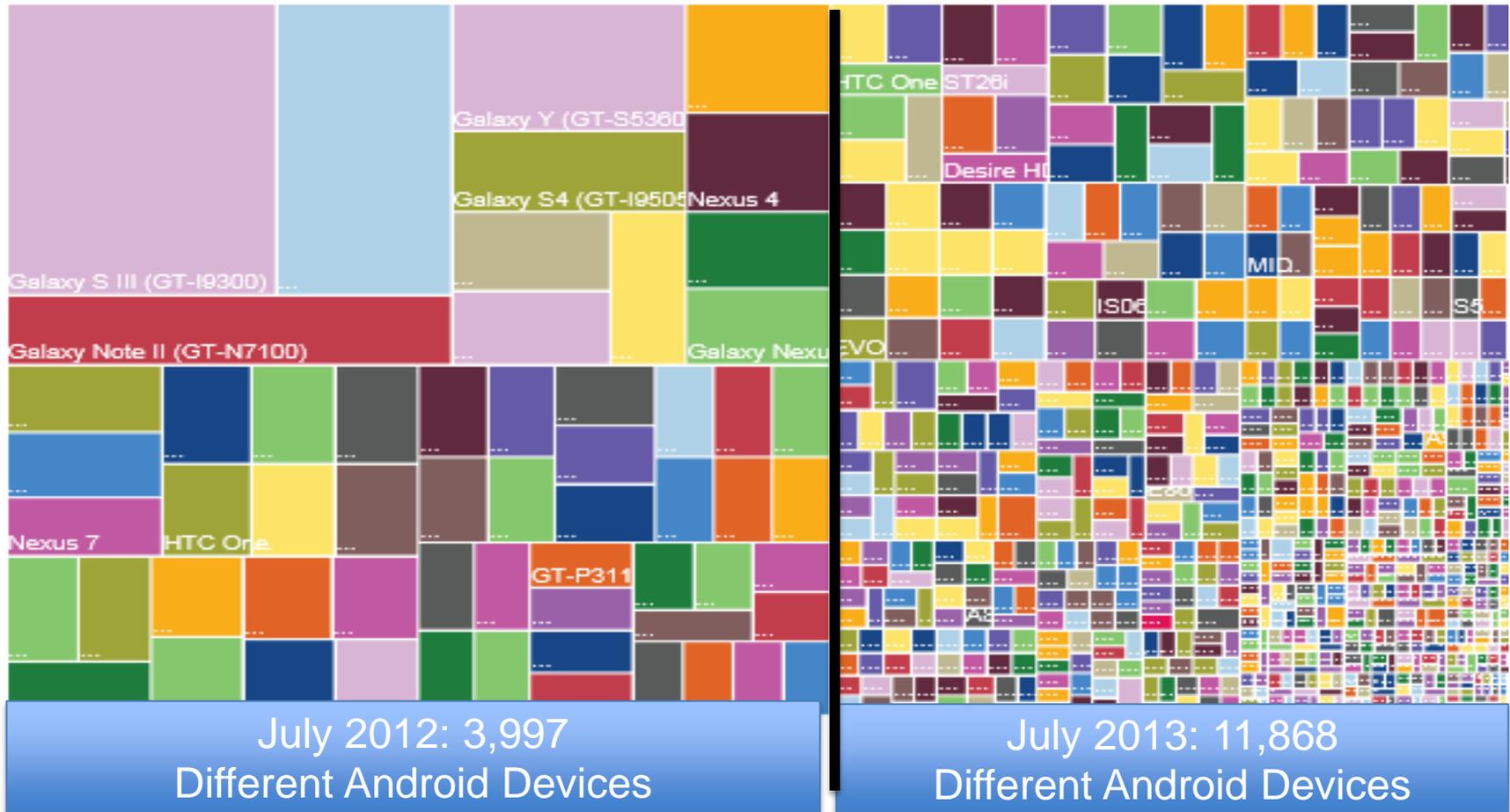
Kindle Fire HD

- Download Books and Movies
- Access to Amazon
- Front Facing Camera
 - Skype
- Can Read Books out loud
 - If book has this feature enabled
 - Check on product details page
 - Whispersync for Voice
 - Immersion Reading
- Can Change:
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Android Device Fragmentation



Android Version History

- Android 1.5 Cupcake
- Android 1.6 Doughnut
- Android 2.0 Eclair
- Android 2.3 Gingerbread
- Android 3.0 Honeycomb
- Android 4.0 Ice Cream
Sandwich
- Android 4.1 Jelly Bean

- Android 5.0 Key Lime Pie ???



Android Tablets

- Accessibility features are not built in
 - Talkback, Kickback, and Soundback
 - Gesture Feature in Jellybean
 - Eyes - free keyboard
 - IDEAL Web Reader for internet
 - No zoom or contrast right now
- What operation system is tablet running
 - Jellybean, Ice cream sandwich, Honeycomb, Gingerbread
- Google Play Store to buy apps
 - Must have Gmail address
 - Can use Amazon gift cards
- www.androidaccess.net



Samsung Galaxy S4

- Air Gesture
 - sensor at the top of the device, allows you to answer calls just by waving your hand
 - browse through photo albums and web browser tabs by using left and right hand gestures
- Air View
 - preview photos in an album, for example, by hovering any one of your fingers a few centimeters above the screen
- Smart Stay and Smart Scroll
 - Uses your eyes
 - Pauses when you look away or continues to scroll following your eyes



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Search by:

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✓ Categories

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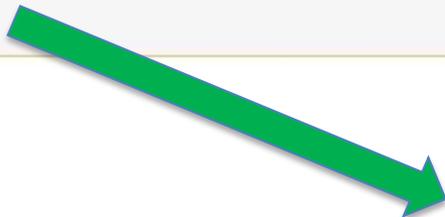
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Future

- Evening out the playing field
- More schools Bring Your Own Technology
- The Future is Contextual
 - GPS apps
 - Ads on Internet
 - Smart watches
 - Social Media
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Consider this -



- My Success relies on
 - Actively Participating in all aspects of my Life Journey
 - AT helps make this possible!
 - Discovery Process
 - Create a Map
 - Plan for Progress!

Consider this -



- My Success relies on
 - Building win-win relationships
 - Establishing a solid circle of support
 - Receiving and providing support
 - Diversify your Circle of Friends and Acquaintances
 - It sometimes is “Who you know”
 - BALANCE - Social Life and Studies

Consider this -



- My Success relies on:
 - Developing a Vision for My Future
 - Created a “Map” and “Vision Board”
 - Personal Goals
 - » Strong Relationship with my Family
 - » Build a Habitat House (12)
 - » Climb the Great Wall of China (2004)
 - » Adopt a Child (2! Tucker and Meera)
 - Educational Goals
 - » BA from UGA (Took 10 years...)
 - » Masters Degree (2005 – M. Ed. UK!)
 - Career Goals
 - » Help people through technology (Director of Tools for Life @ Georgia Tech)

Consider this -



- My Success relies on
 - Failing
 - Dignity of Failure
 - I learned More from My “Failures” sometimes than my “successes”
 - Give yourself room to fail – and Grow from the experience
 - Learn to Laugh...a lot!
 - Be Optimistic...
 - Evaluate & Evolve!



Discovering Personal Genius

Creating a Successful Life Journey

Tell & Help Students to:

- Get to Know Yourself
- Plan for Your Success – in school, work, Life!
- Begin with the End in Mind
- Be able to tell Your Story
- Listen & Learn
- Try – Fail & Try again...
- When things get off track - Evaluate and Evolve
- Explore & USE Assistive Technology
- Laugh Much!
- Celebrate your Successes!
- Continue to Grow and Discover your Personal Genius!

When it is obvious that the goals cannot be reached, don't adjust the goals, adjust the action steps.

Confucius

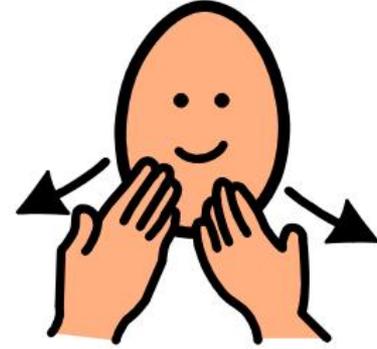




**Our Question to You:
What have You Learned today?**

Thank You!

thank you





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