

# Virtual Learning for Low Level Learners

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#### **Meet the presenters**





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A refugee is a person outside his or her country of nationality who is unable or unwilling to return due to a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion.



#### **Student Needs Assessment**

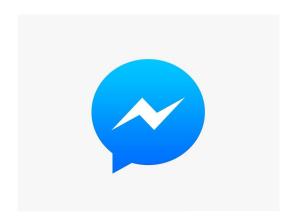
- Have you or anyone in your family been tested for Covid-19?
- Are you in need of masks?
- Does your family need food?
- Would you like a food pantry list provided to you?

















#### **Teacher Jean**





#### **Teacher Sally**





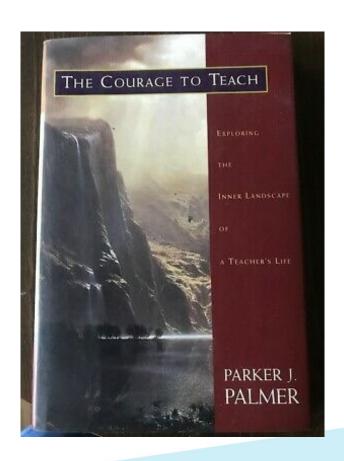
# Parker Palmer on The Courage To Teach

I encourage teachers to speak in their own voices.

Good teaching cannot be reduced to technique; good teaching comes from the identity and integrity of the teacher.

As I teach, I project the condition of my soul onto my students, my subject, and our way of being together.

The personal can never be divorced from the professional. We teach who we are.









#### **Teacher Sally: Week 1 Lesson**







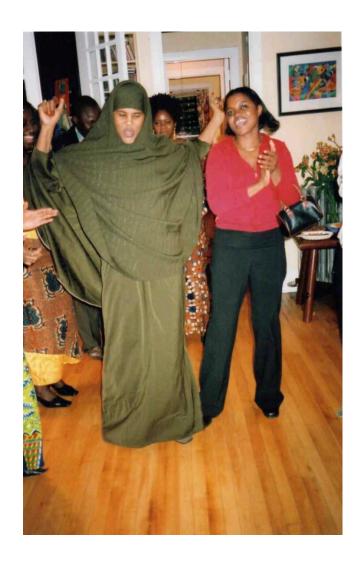


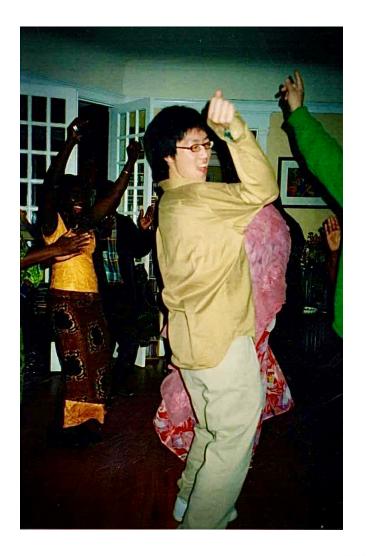














# First time voters! Bar Soa Gay & Too Paw





















### Virtual Classrooms for Low Level Learners International Learning Program



#### First Attempt

- Calling Students
  - Works well for small class sizes
  - Student's get to practice phone skills
  - Didn't work for large classes
- <u>Digital Literacy Website</u>
  - Google Forms & Quizzes
  - Keep track of attendance
  - Asynchronous activities only
- Facebook Page





#### Second Attempt - Zoom **Classrooms**

- Zoom Classes (first try)

  - Big thanks to Htee Paw!
    16 out of 22 students in the first class
  - Family members assisted
- Benefits
  - Community student's felt connected, took way less time than calling
- Drawbacks
  - Background noise, Mute button issues, poor connection





#### **Zoom Classrooms**







#### What We Learned

- On site outdoor demonstrations for students
- Created picture based instructions for students to take home
- Text students the link each week
- Recurring Meetings so ID # does not change



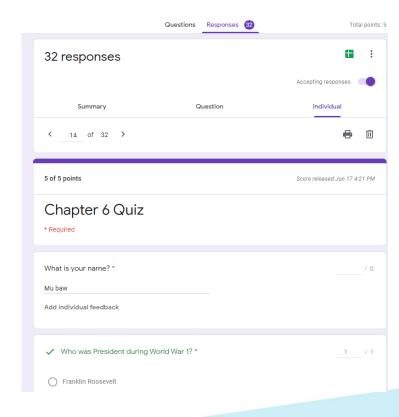
1. Click the link your teacher sent.





# **Zoom & Digital Literacy Website Expansion**

- Learning curve, more time needed in the beginning
- Collaborative effort with other teachers
  - Sally Kuzma & powerpoint videos
  - Jennifer Zuperku & Google Forms
  - Jean Ritchie & Google Website
  - Volunteers & YouTube Videos
- YouTube Channel
- <u>Digital Literacy Website Now</u>





#### **Benefits of Online Learning**

- Hser Nay Moo Success Story
- Families have to be home with their kids right now because of virtual learning
- Record classes on Zoom
- Increased digital literacy skills
- Finally created a YouTube Page





#### Where We Are Right Now

- Zoom classrooms
  - Volunteers in breakout rooms
  - Great way to get students talking
  - Downside: time consuming to train
- Onsite small group sessions
- Continued virtual learning through the end of Fall, possibly Spring
- Outside student meetings, weather permitting.







#### Where We Go From Here

- Moving our elder Citizenship Classes to Zoom
  - (Htee, family member, student, and teacher)
- Continued expansion of a variety of mediums
- Continued efforts to center our students in classroom activities





#### One Last Secret to My Success









# Thank you to our presenters today for all of their helpful information.

Thanks for joining us for our Fall Virtual Conference.