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Changing Lives: Tammy Porter



Tammy Porter has been studying with a Project Read tutor on and off for the past year and has seen many accomplishments. First and foremost, she and her daughter Cassandra (also a Project Read student) both found jobs recently (this is Cassandra's first job ever!). Tammy also completed several homework assignments and received a candy prize for keeping these commitments. She is a third of the way through *Tuck Everlasting*. Tammy is also working on a poem about a piece in the art exhibit in the library.

Tammy has exhibited a much more conversational and social attitude since she started working with a tutor. It's been great to see how this has encouraged her to engage much more in lessons, conversations and assignments. Tammy took the initiative to find an online phonics program she wants to use, and she is improving her word recognition and is better able to break down syllables. This helps her with reading and pronunciation.

Calendar

December

3 – Provo's Parade of Lights, 5:30 pm, Center Street and University Avenue. Free to the public. Ends at the City Center where Santa will turn on the lights of the City and kickoff a month-long holiday celebration.

6, 13, 20, 27 – Karaoke Tuesday, 7– 9:45 pm at Provo Beach Resort (4801 N. University Ave.). Free! Strut your stuff at Karaoke night! Grab your friends and come sing your heart out.

Happy Holidays!

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Student Writing: "Reading To Kill a Mockingbird"

Nicolas Mandujano recently read *To Kill a Mockingbird* and is halfway through *Jonathan Livingston Seagull*. Nicolas also loves to read about American History and is currently reading about John Quincey Adam's childhood years. Nicolas has consistently improved his reading comprehension and vocabulary and he always has great discussions with his tutor about his reading. Here is an essay Nicolas wrote after reading *To Kill a Mockingbird*:

"The first time that I heard about this book; I perceived, because of the title, that the story contained something about a crime against an innocent person; probably a kid. Never thought that it was about racism.

The readers can learn like and Jem Finch; that there are in the world, good people and bad people, doesn't matter if they are poor or rich, black or white. Evilness and innocence are in every people. They received good treatment from Calpurnia. They were badly treated by their friends at school. They were pointed at, and insulted, because of their father's work. But they understood that the world works that way.

Antagonism exists in every place, in every thing and every heart. Understanding the difference we can keep our innocence."