



Transcript from February 13, 2010 to February 13, 2010

All times are Pacific Time

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- DeborahMersino:** Welcome to #gtchat! Tonight's topic "Discovering Passion: Helping #Gifted Kids Find Inspiration."
- RussGoerend:** RT @DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat! Tonight's topic "Discovering Passion: Helping #Gifted Kids Find Inspiration."
- 12:01 am **dreamwithmefilm:** RT @DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat! Tonight's topic "Discovering Passion: Helping #Gifted Kids Find Inspiration."
- 12:01 am **DeborahMersino:** Please take a moment to introduce yourself, your role (parent, teacher, advocate) and where you reside. Remember to include #gtchat hashtag!
- 12:01 am **cybraryman1:** Motivating Students sites for teachers & parents: <http://bit.ly/dhgPov> Have a great chat I have to run... #gtchat
- 12:01 am **CathRiordan:** RT @DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat! Tonights topic "Discovering Passion: Helping #Gifted Kids Find Inspiration." #gtchat
- 12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** I'm Deborah, moderator of #gtchat, gifted ed consultant, mother to 2 gifted girls & lifelong learner.
- 12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** @cybraryman1 - Thanks! #gtchat
- 12:02 am **hillarykwiatek:** What to do when your 2E gifted child has too much inspiration! Too many passions!?! #gtchat
- 12:02 am **MyGiftedLife:** this is @bwriter checking in. @danfearnley is also here, but he's kindly letting me represent MGL again #gtchat
- 12:02 am **laughingatchaos:** I'm Jen in CO, mom to one 2e son, one TBD son. #gtchat
- 12:03 am **DeborahMersino:** And I live in beautiful Colorado (moved a yr ago after being in Chicago for 22 years). #gtchat
- 12:03 am **aposedesse66:** Evening all from Karen, mum to 3 gifted kids. Up late in Dublin Ireland! #gtchat
- 12:03 am **CathRiordan:** Hello from Ireland. Parent/advocate. It's midnight here.... #gtchat
- 12:04 am **DeborahMersino:** @hillarykwiatek - Great question to start with: How do you discover THE passion, when #gifted kids naturally have so many interests? #gtchat
- 12:04 am **aspengers2mom:** Wanted to say hello not sure how long I can stay tonight. #gtchat
- 12:04 am **DeborahMersino:** Hello Ireland! #gtchat
- 12:05 am **hillarykwiatek:** Oh, sorry, I'm Hillary, mom to two great kids, 1 is 2E, Asperger's. #gtchat
- 12:05 am **Isoderman:** Leo - out in CA #gtchat
- 12:06 am **laughingatchaos:** Tough and expensive, but be open to new experiences. #gtchat
- 12:06 am **DeborahMersino:** Let's talk discovery. Dr. James Delisle notes is how often parents (as opposed to kids) hone in on a particular passion area. #gtchat
- 12:06 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino often THE passion is not necessarily something that is taught in elementary through high school. lots of exposure? #gtchat
- 12:06 am **jofrei:** Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources www.giftedresources.org in Australia joining in #gtchat
- 12:06 am **DeborahMersino:** @Isoderman - Welcome Leo. Glad you're here! #gtchat

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- 12:07 am **laughingatchaos:** I think we see the passion b4 they do. They see interest, we see the passion. #gtchat
- 12:07 am **DeborahMersino:** @MyGiftedLife - Correct. Often parents and/or teachers focus on noted #gifted strength areas, not necessarily passions. #gtchat
- 12:07 am **DeborahMersino:** Hello @jofrei and #AU! #gtchat
- 12:07 am **MyGiftedLife:** and often parents and teachers steer too much. oh you're good at that? let's capitalize on it. but we may be good at everything. #gtchat
- 12:08 am **DeborahMersino:** @laughingatchaos: Agree. Time gets lost when they're tinkering in a passion are. Eyes light up, etc. #gtchat
- 12:08 am **DanFearnley:** Happy midnight from the UK. I'm Dan Fearnley, from MyGiftedLife.org. Passion and inspiration -- different things to different minds #gtchat
- 12:08 am **MyGiftedLife:** the other thing is that intellectual pursuit is more attractive than non-intellectual, but that isn't the same as passion. #gtchat
- 12:09 am **aposseadesse66:** Passions in this house are not on the curriculum, more like computer and xbox games! #gtchat
- 12:09 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @MyGiftedLife: the other thing is that intellectual pursuit is more attractive than non-intellectual, but that isn't the same as passion. #gtchat
- 12:09 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino YES! When they're lost in the moment, that's the passion. And they can have so many passions. #gtchat
- 12:09 am **CathRiordan:** What do you do when they are teenage and have become switched off and have a "passion" only for video games? #gtchat
- 12:10 am **laughingatchaos:** @MyGiftedLife I think that was me growing up. And now I multiple music degrees and little current interest. LOL #gtchat
- 12:10 am **TeacherLori:** Hello! #gtchat Part-time teacher and full-time Mom of 6 - some gifted, the others just plain bright. ;-)
- 12:10 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @aposseadesse66 Passions in this house are not on the curriculum, more like computer and xbox games! #gtchat {You are not alone}
- 12:10 am **laughingatchaos:** 2e son is currently grounded off video games; this very minute I'm watching him direct bro & friend in intricate role playing game #gtchat
- 12:11 am **DanFearnley:** Without ANY guidance, interest can either fizzle out aimlessly or it can build and make new connections. Difficult decision. #gtchat
- 12:11 am **DeborahMersino:** Here's a @PrufrockPress interview w/ Dr. Delisle that speaks to passion & middle school students | <http://bit.ly/aqadV1> #gtchat
- 12:11 am **laughingatchaos:** No screen, imagination comes to life. Hard to balance the 2, esp. when *I* need some peace! #gtchat
- 12:12 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @DanFearnley: Without ANY guidance, interest can either fizzle out aimlessly or it can build and make new connections. #gtchat
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- 12:12 am **DanFearnley:** My greatest interest in school was a science research class where I felt I was producing and doing, not just following. #gtchat
- 12:12 am **DeborahMersino:** @TeacherLori - Welcome! We're discussing discovery of passions. #gtchat
- 12:12 am **tomjmassey:** Tom - here in WA. Can't stay for long #gtchat Working on blended education Public school and Online. Gr8 topic tonight!
- 12:13 am **aposseadesse66:** @DanFearnley Too true, can be difficult to find the line between guidance and push though? #gtchat
- 12:13 am **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino re parents/teachers focus on #gifted strengths, not passions. #gtchat we need to ensure not pushing our own agenda on them
- 12:13 am **laughingatchaos:** @DanFearnley Interest based learning! Sooo need more of that in school.

#gtchat

- 12:13 am **Jhotvedt2:** @aspergers2mom What is #gtchat?
- 12:13 am **MyGiftedLife:** and let's not forget that, with asynchronous development, it can take time for the necessary skills to develop to support passion. #gtchat
- 12:14 am **DeborahMersino:** Dr. George Betts (from CO!) promotes the Autonomous Learner Model relative to passions. #gtchat
- 12:15 am **DeborahMersino:** @MyGiftedLife - Good point. #gtchat
- 12:15 am **wgifted:** Signing in to #gtchat We have to help a child discover their passions, take it seriously, do what you can to support that interest.
- 12:15 am **DanFearnley:** @laughingatchaos Agreed. Too much premanufactured stimulus dulls the imagination. Given a blank page, there is the urge to fill it. #gtchat
- 12:15 am **laughingatchaos:** @MyGiftedLife HooBOY! Ain't that the truth! AD holds kids back; they can't DO what they know, and frustration ensues. #gtchat
- 12:15 am **laughingatchaos:** @DanFearnley But TOO blank of a page, and it's overwhelming. Give a starting point, and get out of the way! #gtchat
- 12:16 am **aspergers2mom:** @Jhotvedt2 discussion of how to help your gifted child. This week access ing thier passions. Lots of gifted with disabilites here #gtchat
- 12:16 am **DeborahMersino:** Dr. Delisle: Best piece of parenting advice - follow my son's lead. The more we try to pigeonhole, it becomes an artificial fit #gtchat
- 12:16 am **motherthinker:** Is there a school or teacher who would take my son's obsession with all things bmx and find a way to teach him thru that? #gtchat
- 12:18 am **DeborahMersino:** @motherthinker - Depends on the #gifted teacher. My dd's tchr makes suggestions all the time for how to nurture passions. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **laughingatchaos:** @motherthinker We're near a velodrome; going to search out lessons there w/a teacher I've heard is great w/2e kids. For you maybe? #gtchat
- 12:18 am **tomjmassey:** RT @DeborahMersino: Here's a @PrufrockPress interview w/ Dr. Delisle that speaks to passion & middle school students | <http://bit.ly/aqadV1> #gtchat
- 12:18 am **DeborahMersino:** My daughter is obsessed with animals and also is drawn to/has great empathy for people with disabilities. #gtchat
- 12:19 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino Humane Society? #gtchat
- 12:19 am **DeborahMersino:** Been thinking about asking her if she wants to volunteer at a horse farm devoted to helping disabled kids. But need to follow thru! #gtchat
- 12:19 am **DanFearnley:** @laughingatchaos Yes, room to create, something that most Xbox games and TV lack. Tho' My name is Dan and I'm a strategy gameoholic. #gtchat
- 12:20 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino PERFECT for her! Do it! :) #gtchat
- 12:20 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino oh, cool, she could be a counsellor at one of those horsebackriding camps when she's older. #gtchat
- 12:20 am **aspergers2mom:** @DeborahMersino if you need to find a hippotherapy barn dm me and I can help #gtchat
- 12:20 am **Doublelattemama:** @motherthinker I suspect it is much easier w/ younger kids-I helped ds learn colors, letters & #'s partly thru his train obsession #gtchat
- 12:20 am **DeborahMersino:** Here's a piece by @LorelShea | #Gifted Children & Passion Development | <http://bit.ly/aD4ynq> #gtchat
- 12:20 am **laughingatchaos:** @DanFearnley LOL! My son LOVES Spore and other thinking games, so no worries. ;) #gtchat
- 12:20 am **wgifted:** A great resource from Dr. Betts - The Journey of Life Long Learning #gtchat <http://bit.ly/9UMZSZ>
- 12:21 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino or she could help train assistance dogs. #gtchat

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- 12:21 am **motherthinker:** @laughingatchaos 2 afternoons DS volunteers helping kids build & fix bikes - very satisfying, but not tied to "educ". Should it be? #gtchat
- 12:21 am **DeborahMersino:** Feeling the power of community. Great suggestions everyone. #gtchat
- 12:22 am **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino PLIESE www.pliese.com.au/ uses projects in passion area to build motivation/achievement in 2E and disengaged #gifted #gtchat
- 12:22 am **MyGiftedLife:** @danfearnley and I share a love of strategy games. I could play Civilization for days. #gtchat
- 12:22 am **DeborahMersino:** @motherthinker That's fabulous! Doesn't need to be tied. I think that's the point Dr. Delisle makes. Who knows where it will lead? #gtchat
- 12:22 am **laughingatchaos:** @motherthinker Does he love it? Can he read/learn about it to advance/improve? Could that be enough? #gtchat
- 12:22 am **Isoderman:** Dd has so many interests - & wants to do them simultaneously - don't want to choose focus for her, but how to get her to focus? #gtchat #nfb
- 12:22 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @jofrei: @DeborahMersino PLIESE www.pliese.com.au/ uses projects in passion area to build motivation/achievement in 2E and disengaged #gifted #gtchat
- 12:23 am **DeborahMersino:** DANGER: When parents push kids to pursue their own passions vs. taking lead from child. #gtchat How honest are we w/ourselves?
- 12:23 am **laughingatchaos:** @Isoderman Pick 1 or 2 at a time (3 months or so) and focus on those, then change? #gtchat
- 12:24 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino Saw this SO MUCH as a flute teacher. Take lessons yourself! She's not interested! Hard for all involved. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **MyGiftedLife:** has anyone looked into the Barbara Sher books on life design for "scanners"? or the Renaissance Soul book? #gtchat
- 12:24 am **jofrei:** @motherthinker but not tied to "educ". Should it be? #gtchat I say the same about reading purely for enjoyment!
- 12:24 am **DanFearnley:** @motherthinker Depends on whether education is defined as acquiring knowledge and skills or as pertaining directly to academia. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **CathRiordan:** RT @DeborahMersino: DANGER: When parents push kids to pursue their own passions vs. taking lead from child. #gtchat #gtchat
- 12:25 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @DanFearnley: Depends on whether education is defined as acquiring knowledge and skills or as pertaining directly to academia. #gtchat
- 12:25 am **DeborahMersino:** @Isoderman - Great question. @JeniferFox 's book "Your Child's Strengths" is an excellent resource. Has ?s/surveys to help identify. #gtchat
- 12:25 am **Isbowtie:** @laughingatchaos #gtchat #nfb 1 or 2? heck I'm good if I'm down below a half-dozen - she really is a multi-tasker.
- 12:25 am **motherthinker:** @DeborahMersino I know it is wonderful. I don't see how too much literature is involved - that will always be his struggle. #gtchat
- 12:26 am **DeborahMersino:** This generation of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...let's let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:26 am **hillarykwiatek:** Aspie son keeps coming over and peeking over my shoulder. He HATES when I talk about him! #gtchat
- 12:26 am **laughingatchaos:** @Isbowtie LOL! In that case, maybe 4 or 5? ;) #gtchat
- 12:27 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: This gen. of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...lets let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **MyGiftedLife:** @hillarykwiatek then can we talk *to* him? hi! :) #gtchat

- 12:27 am **DeborahMersino:** @hillarykwiatek - Tender. At least you can say we're talking about finding out more about HE wants. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **MitchSquires:** RT @DeborahMersino: This generation of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...let's let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **Isoderman:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat #nfb Thanks for the suggestion... She's a big picture thinker... detail, not so much. Makes for challenge in focus
- 12:27 am **DanFearnley:** Finding out where the interests are means exposing the child to different things. Can be tough if stuck in a routine. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **laughingatchaos:** Let's teach them to THINK, more than anything. Passions lead to THINKING #gtchat
- 12:28 am **Doublelattemama:** @motherthinker i was like that. i had no balance. challenge is helping kids 2 pursue some passions deeply, but others more casually #gtchat
- 12:28 am **KathyLoh:** RT @DeborahMersino: This generation of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...let's let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:28 am **hillarykwiatek:** RT @DeborahMersino: This generation of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...let's let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:28 am **laughingatchaos:** @DanFearnley Cost can be a huge issue, too. #gtchat
- 12:28 am **DeborahMersino:** How many different things did you want to be? Me? Lawyer, author, educator, minister, poet, journalist, PR gal, the list continues! #gtchat
- 12:29 am **tomjmassey:** Dam - I need to go. Have fun. #gtchat
- 12:29 am **Doublelattemama:** @motherthinker fwiw, this will b a lifelong struggle - gaining edification from passions without burying yourself in it #gtchat
- 12:29 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino As a kid, or now? As a kid, not many...now, one of everything, please! #gtchat
- 12:29 am **tomjmassey:** RT @DeborahMersino: This generation of children will work in fields/jobs that haven't even been created yet...let's let them be innovative. #gtchat
- 12:29 am **DeborahMersino:** @tomjmassey - Thanks for stopping by! #gtchat
- 12:29 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino innovative *and* interdisciplinary. multipotentiality is a real asset here. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @MyGiftedLife: @DeborahMersino innovative *and* interdisciplinary. multipotentiality is a real asset here. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **wggifted:** Gifted kids come from gifted families who love their child for who they are, not who parents hope they'll be. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **motherthinker:** @DanFearnley I see it far more broadly, and have ds in a cyber blended school bc I know he needs time to explore his own interests. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **DeborahMersino:** Yes, that strategic mind mind allow @motherthinker's son to completely change the world of bmx. Who knows? #gtchat
- 12:30 am **Isoderman:** DD has passion for idea (ex: ice skating) but loses it when she isn't immediately good at it. Shortens the "passion" #gtchat #nfb
- 12:30 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino firefighter, horse rancher, librarian, teacher, psychologist. oh, and writer, of course. ;) #gtchat
- 12:30 am **KathyLoh:** @DeborahMersino I had no idea there were so many options when I was a child. Wanted to be actress/singer on Broadway #gtchat
- 12:30 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @wggifted: Gifted kids come from gifted families who love their child for who they are, not who parents hope theyll be.??AMEN!!! #gtchat
- 12:31 am **DeborahMersino:** When my dd was still 2, we turned over the digital camera to her. Has taken tens of thousands of photos. #passion #exploration #gtchat
- 12:31 am **laughingatchaos:** @Isoderman yeah, perfectionism can kill passions pretty quickly #gtchat

- 12:31 am **wggifted:** Encouraging your child means providing them with the means for them to feel confident in their talents & gifts, whatever that may be. #gtchat
- 12:31 am **TeacherLori:** RT @laughingatchaos @DanFearnley Cost can be a huge issue, too. #gtchat | I agree, esp. when there are lots of kids!
- 12:31 am **MyGiftedLife:** and I'd always loved the idea of being a dancer but didn't have the talent for it. but I took up martial arts when I was older. #gtchat
- 12:31 am **CathRiordan:** @Isoderman Have a dd just like that! #gtchat
- 12:32 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino We gave our non-2e kid a camera for XMAS. GREAT gift! #gtchat
- 12:32 am **DeborahMersino:** @Isoderm - Ahh...the ominous perfectionism rears its ugly head. #gtchat
- 12:32 am **DanFearnley:** My parents pushed me into piano, but it led me to typing and the computer. So even if started w/ a push, the child will steer. #gtchat
- 12:32 am **motherthinker:** @Doublelattemama He's content to bury himself in it. Luckily he has ambition & knows he needs decent grades 2 get in 2 school he wants. #gtchat
- 12:33 am **pamfr:** Quick hello to #gtchat - one of my favorite topics: starting fr what kid is passionate abt. To me, the key to educ for all ability levels.
- 12:33 am **laughingatchaos:** Perfectionism: so great for accomplished musicians, murder on all other areas of life. #gtchat
- 12:33 am **Isoderman:** @laughingatchaos #gtchat #nfb Less perfectionism than used to things being easy. Excels quickly at one, can't understand why not the other.
- 12:33 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DanFearnley my father promised me a rhinestone encrusted piano if I learned to play like Liberace. I don't play now. #gtchat
- 12:33 am **DeborahMersino:** Another important question to ask yourself, "Are YOU living/modeling passion discovery/love?" #gtchat
- 12:34 am **laughingatchaos:** @Isoderman Ah. Yeah, difference. Hard to explain some things are easier than others, and not everything transfers. #gtchat
- 12:34 am **Doublelattemama:** @motherthinker yes, that's when it can become a problem - pursuing 1 passion to the exclusion of all else. i know from experience #gtchat
- 12:34 am **KathyLoh:** @DeborahMersino early yrs 2B writer. Later, psychologist, raise dogs, film composer, teacher, computer programmer- have been most #gtchat
- 12:34 am **MyGiftedLife:** actually, that's a really good point. I think some of us, if hotheaded, struggle to find a passion we can truly call our own. #gtchat
- 12:34 am **jofrei:** @laughingatchaos Agreed so sad! laughingatchaos: @Isoderman yeah, perfectionism can kill passions pretty quickly #gtchat
- 12:34 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino Hard to model when in the thick of raising GT/2e kids. I try, though. #gtchat
- 12:34 am **motherthinker:** @DeborahMersino He's not an "I want 2 change the world thinker"-he wants 2 build, ride and talk about bikes 24/7. But he'll grow! #gtchat
- 12:34 am **DanFearnley:** @motherthinker And that kind of blending gives him a chance to connect his own knowledge net, supports innovation. Cool! #gtchat
- 12:34 am **CathRiordan:** My ds is 2e. Schoolwork takes forever. No time for passion outside curriculum. Just wants to chill and recover in front of a screen. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **DeborahMersino:** @PamFR - Welcome! Correct. He/she may be a math whiz, but LOVE art. It's not up to us to say, "Well, you're not very good at that." #gtchat
- 12:35 am **Doublelattemama:** @DeborahMersino shout out to all #gtchat tweeples-i so wish that i could join u guys but i have 2 hungry kids who need 2 b fed & put to bed
- 12:35 am **hillarykwiatek:** One thing I've tried to do is get Miles some time w/ inspiring figures in fields of interests: scientists, paleontologists, etc. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **KathyLoh:** @laughingatchaos as one who coaches musicians, I can say perfectionism

- 12:35 am **laughingatchaos:** @CathRiordan MINE TOO! School couldn't believe he wasn't in many outside activities. NO energy after HW/school. :(Trying 2 fix that #gtchat
- 12:35 am **wggifted:** On perfectionism (L.Silverman) - Perfectionism manifests as dissatisfaction w/what is, & a yearning to become what one ought to be. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @hillarykwiatak: One thing I've tried to do is get Miles some time w/ inspiring figures in fields of interests: scientists, paleontologists, etc. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **TeacherLori:** @DeborahMersino Good question! And are we modeling how to fail and try again? Are we modeling patience and grace and mercy? #gtchat
- 12:36 am **giftedmum:** Hi Mary here from Sydney..both parent & advocate #gtchat my question is how 2 we nurture passion whilst trying 2 avoid obsessive thoughts?
- 12:36 am **motherthinker:** @DeborahMersino He's lucky he goes 2 a school full of kids like him (not bmx stuff). They undrstnd kids like him & embrace thm. Joy! #gtchat
- 12:36 am **DeborahMersino:** @Doublelattemama - The inspiration behind #gtchat! TY and good night!
- 12:36 am **AmazingAmma:** #gtchat hi everyone, sorry to crash in late. I'm a mother of 2 gifted boys in Australia
- 12:36 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @TeacherLori: @DeborahMersino Good question! And are we modeling how to fail and try again? Are we modeling patience and grace and mercy? #gtchat
- 12:36 am **laughingatchaos:** @KathyLoh Ohh, don't I know it! ;) LOL Still fighting that aspect of my life. ;) #gtchat
- 12:36 am **TeacherLori:** @DeborahMersino And are we modeling how to take risks? #gtchat
- 12:36 am **DeborahMersino:** @wggifted - Powerful. So powerful. #gtchat
- 12:37 am **AmazingAmma:** #gtchat on the topic of multidisciplinary - there's the danger of spreading oneself a bit thin and then losing oneself
- 12:37 am **DeborahMersino:** @TeacherLori - So true. So true. Are we modeling that it's okay to try/fail/try again? #gtchat
- 12:37 am **AmazingAmma:** #gtchat was a problem for me - was passionate about so much that I stopped knowing what to pursue with passion
- 12:37 am **DanFearnley:** @MyGiftedLife Yes, parents killed the piano for me, but empowering to me that I could transfer skills and make it lead somewhere. #gtchat
- 12:38 am **DeborahMersino:** @AmazingAmma - Happy to have you here! #gtchat
- 12:38 am **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino "Are YOU living/modeling passion discovery/love?" #gtchat I would like to think so but...don't know if others would see it
- 12:38 am **MyGiftedLife:** every parent should read Annie Dillard's essay "Handed My Own Life," from her book An American Childhood. looking for a link. #gtchat
- 12:38 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: @TeacherLori - So true. So true. Are we modeling that its okay to try/fail/try again?//trying to show that #gtchat
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- 12:39 am **motherthinker:** @wggifted May B sum pvrnsn of perfcntsm that drives obsessn w/evry part of bike-replacing, trading. Evry penny he gets is in bikes. #gtchat
- 12:39 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma Always OK to fail...as long as we learn from it and keep going #gtchat
- 12:39 am **DeborahMersino:** @jofrei - Doesn't matter what others see...what matters is whether your fire is lit and you're reveling. #gtchat

- 12:39 am **giftedmum:** @CathRiordan Hi same as my 2e son. He & my DH have just left 4 a few hours of cycling&exploring...I'm happy my 9yo is finding sport #gtchat
- 12:39 am **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino Pleased to be able to make it given logistics of timezones! :) #gtchat
- 12:39 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @pamfr: @CathRiordan - heartbreaking: "No time for passion outside curriculum" Let's apply passion IN curriculum. Really, apply cur 2passion #gtchat
- 12:39 am **DeborahMersino:** @CathRiordan - Couldn't agree more! #gtchat
- 12:39 am **laughingatchaos:** @pamfr Passion driven learning. I WANT this so badly for my sons, but it's all state testing these days #gtchat
- 12:39 am **TeacherLori:** @DanFearnley My parents allowed me to switch piano teachers & it made all the difference to me! Sometimes new inst. is all it takes. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **DanFearnley:** @motherthinker Few people change the whole world, rarely for the better. But some good people have changed their 1 part of it. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **AmazingAmma:** @laughingatchaos @laughingatchaos I agree, but I wonder if our kids feel it's ok to fail #gtchat
- 12:40 am **CathRiordan:** Great book: Love for learning. Motivation and the Gifted Child by Carol Strip Whitney. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **giftedmum:** RT @jofrei: @DeborahMersino "Are YOU living/modeling passion discovery/love?" #gtchat I would like to think so but...don't know if others would see it
- 12:40 am **KathyLoh:** @wggifted I find that (re perfectionism) intriguing. I think of perfect as what we already are. desire 2 return to Divine essence? #gtchat
- 12:40 am **DeborahMersino:** Let our #gifted kids become "Producers of Knowledge" vs. "Consumers of Knowledge." (Paraphrase) - Dr. Tannenbaum #gtchat
- 12:41 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @CathRiordan: Great book: Love for learning. Motivation and the Gifted Child by Carol Strip Whitney. #gtchat
- 12:41 am **AmazingAmma:** @laughingatchaos I feel like there's a lot of pressure for success for them (though a lot of the time it comes from them) #gtchat
- 12:41 am **wggifted:** Highly recommend The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything by K. Robinson <http://sirkenrobinson.com/skr/the-element> #gtchat
- 12:41 am **KathyLoh:** RT @DeborahMersino: {Poignant!} RT @AmazingAmma #gtchat was a problem for me - was passionate about so much that I stopped knowing what to pursue with passion
- 12:41 am **TeacherLori:** @AmazingAmma Absolutely ok to fail, as much as I hate it. It's a way to learn! => #gtchat
- 12:41 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma I don't think they do. Failure is now equal to bad, or permanent #gtchat
- 12:41 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @wggifted: Highly recommend The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything by K. Robinson <http://sirkenrobinson.com/skr/the-element> #gtchat
- 12:41 am **aposseadesse66:** We are very exam-focused in Ireland, esp. at 2nd level, so not much time left over for extra-curricular passions that are time-heavy #gtchat
- 12:41 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma "second place is first loser", that sort of thing #gtchat
- 12:41 am **CathRiordan:** Teaching to the test is a real passion killer #gtchat
- 12:42 am **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino Oh! I love this quote. #gifted #gtchat
- 12:42 am **DeborahMersino:** Forget projected salaries. Forget the safe path (which no longer exists). Tap areas of intrigue and let them play/run/explore. #gtchat
- 12:42 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @CathRiordan: Teaching to the test is a real passion killer//AMEN TO THAT! #gtchat

- 12:42 am **giftedmum:** @jofrei lovely..the inquisitive gifted child still bubbles inside of me... I think my kids ask questions abt everything because I do #gtchat
- 12:42 am **DeborahMersino:** You can say that again. RT @CathRiordan Teaching to the test is a real passion killer #gtchat
- 12:43 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @giftedmum: @jofrei lovely..the inquisitive gifted child still bubbles inside of me... I think my kids ask questions abt everything because I do #gtchat
- 12:43 am **AmazingAmma:** @laughingatchaos Yes! Exactly. That concerns me greatly. How do we learn if not through failure? #gtchat
- 12:43 am **laughingatchaos:** What's the obj. of edu? Learn to think? Or learn to test? Which do we want? #gtchat
- 12:43 am **TeacherLori:** RT @pamfr: @CathRiordan - heartbreaking: "No time for passion outside curriculum" Let's apply passion IN curriculum. Really, apply cur 2passion #gtchat
- 12:43 am **DanFearnley:** @TeacherLori My blue-collar parents were obsessed with ensuring I got a lucrative white-collar career. Piano was part of failed plan #gtchat
- 12:43 am **jofrei:** RT @DeborahMersino: Forget projected salaries. Forget the safe path (which no longer exists). Tap areas of intrigue and let them play/run/explore. #gtchat
- 12:43 am **DeborahMersino:** Share our own mistakes/failures and embarrassments with kids re to work, life, friendships. #gtchat
- 12:43 am **jofrei:** RT @CathRiordan: Teaching to the test is a real passion killer #gtchat
- 12:43 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma And therein lies the problem. They're not letting themselves fail, learn, and keep going. :(#gtchat
- 12:44 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: Share our own mistakes/failures and embarrassments with kids re to work, life, friendships. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **motherthinker:** @DanFearnley It's vastly better than trad model of sitting in 8 periods a day/5 days a week and then 2-4 hours homework/night. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **Isoderman:** @TeacherLori #gtchat #nfb Try to reframe failure as learning how NOT to do something... Small shift, but huge perception change
- 12:44 am **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Hi all. Waiting at the airport. Looks like I get to participate after all. I'm a GT specialist in Houston TX
- 12:44 am **giftedmum:** RT @DeborahMersino: Forget projected salaries. Forget the safe path (which no longer exists). Tap areas of intrigue and let them play/run/explore. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **AspieTribe:** <http://aspieTribe.com> RT @hillarykwiatek Aspie son keeps coming over and peeking over my shoulder. He HATES when I talk about him! #gtchat
- 12:45 am **aposseadesse66:** RT @laughingatchaos: RT @DeborahMersino: Share our own mistakes/failures and embarrassments with kids re to work, life, friendships. #gtchat
- 12:45 am **KathyLoh:** RT @Isoderman: @TeacherLori #gtchat #nfb Try to reframe failure as learning how NOT to do something... Small shift, but huge perception change
- 12:45 am **DeborahMersino:** We live in immediate-gratification type world. All the more reason to talk (probe with interest/delight) about what makes them tick! #gtchat
- 12:45 am **giftedmum:** RT @laughingatchaos: @pamfr Passion driven learning. I WANT this so badly for my sons, but it's all state testing these days #gtchat
- 12:45 am **motherthinker:** @Doublelattemama I guess he does that-he has some friends, plays Ultimate w/ school, goes to a games club after school. He's okay :) #gtchat
- 12:46 am **laughingatchaos:** @Isoderman Was that Edison? Found another way the lightbulb won't work? Son LOVES that story. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **giftedmum:** RT @DeborahMersino: Share our own mistakes/failures and embarrassments with kids re to work, life, friendships. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **aposseadesse66:** I AM a failure and embarrassment to my teen! #gtchat

- 12:46 am **TeacherLori:** RT @Isoderman: @TeacherLori #gtchat #nfb Try to reframe failure as learning how NOT to do something... Small shift, but huge perception change
- 12:46 am **laughingatchaos:** @aposseadesse66 Every parent is! LOL #gtchat
- 12:46 am **DeborahMersino:** Daughter talks about not getting married, going to "animal school" and having snow leopards in her backyard. I smile and ask more...#gtchat
- 12:46 am **pamfr:** @DeborahMersino Yes, producers of knowl. I have 2b careful 2let go my grand ENTP notions of "production" & c what 7yo ISTP invents #gtchat
- 12:46 am **CathRiordan:** LOL. I'm certainly an emabrassment! RT @aposseadesse66: I AM a failure and embarrassment to my teen! #gtchat
- 12:47 am **DeborahMersino:** Does frighten me. Do still want her to have safe path. But I certainly haven't lived it and know from experience - passion rocks. #gtchat
- 12:47 am **giftedmum:** #gtchat my 9yo derives so much excitement & thrill through his passions.. also possessing a long term life view..what he will do, marry etc
- 12:47 am **graingered:** @laughingatchaos Authentic emotions, personal dynamics #gtchat
- 12:47 am **TeacherLori:** @Isoderman Excellent advice! #gtchat
- 12:47 am **laughingatchaos:** RT @wggifted: wggifted Heres Silvermans article - The Crucible of Perfectionism <http://bit.ly/7PRT05> #gtchat
- 12:47 am **wggifted:** Here's Silverman's article - The Crucible of Perfectionism <http://bit.ly/7PRT05> #gtchat
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- 12:48 am **DeborahMersino:** @pamfr - Oh, my ENTJ rears its ugly head too! :-)) #gtchat
- 12:48 am **Isoderman:** @laughingatchaos #gtchat #nfb 1000 attempts - 1000 ways NOT to build a lightbulb. Same kind of story for Col. Sanders - keep trying.
- 12:48 am **graingered:** @DeborahMersino Authentic emotions, personal and interpersonal dynamics- be real- totally agree #gtchat
- 12:48 am **AmazingAmma:** @laughingatchaos So how do we encourage our kids to take risks that are reasonable? #gtchat
- 12:48 am **giftedmum:** #gtchat if U remember back 2 ur childhood... remember the intensity in which we held our passions....mine was exploring, animals & nature
- 12:49 am **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid - Hooray. Glad you're here. Talking about passions - our own and our students/kids. #gtchat
- 12:49 am **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino Sorry, should have read - how do we encourage our kids to be both passionate and risk takers? #gtchat
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- 12:49 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma One step out of comfort zone, not 20. Fail(?), learn, move on. World keeps spinning. And ice cream. ;) #gtchat
- 12:49 am **giftedmum:** RT @teachagiftedkid: #gtchat I'm a parent of 2. Each approach life differently. One is passionate about learning and knowing, the other about learning and doing
- 12:50 am **AmazingAmma:** @teachagiftedkid That's brilliant! How do you encourage/sustain their passion? #gtchat

- 12:50 am **laughingatchaos:** Never give up. Never give up. Never give up. #gtchat
- 12:50 am **AmazingAmma:** @laughingatchaos Hahaha... icecream always works a treat! #gtchat
- 12:50 am **DeborahMersino:** @JeniferFox book, "Your Child's Strengths" offers interesting suggestions re: how he/she learns, interest areas, strengths. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **DeborahMersino:** @wggifted - Yes, thank you! #gtchat
- 12:51 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @laughingatchaos: Never give up. Never give up. Never give up. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **pamfr:** #gtchat I love when my boys r "fantasy island" chatting & think to include what my husband and I are each passionate about. Feel seen as ppl
- 12:51 am **jofrei:** RT @giftedmum: @jofrei lovely...the inquisitive gifted child still bubbles inside of me... I think my kids ask questions abt everything because I do #gtchat
- 12:51 am **Struggle2Learn:** RT @teachagiftedkid: #gtchat I'm a parent of 2. Each approach life differently. One is passionate about learning and knowing, the other about learning and doing
- 12:51 am **DanFearnley:** There will always be risks, too much at once allows "catastrophe", trauma and fear. Too little drives recklessness in rebellion. #gtchat.
- 12:52 am **DeborahMersino:** Talk to our kids about our own own journeys, trials/tribulations, failures, successes & where joy lives. #gtchat
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- 12:53 am **giftedmum:** RT @laughingatchaos: Never give up. Never give up. Never give up. #gtchat
- 12:53 am **TeacherLori:** Must get dinner started. Thx for reigniting MY passion for nurturing my kids' passions & inspirations! #gtchat
- 12:53 am **KathyLoh:** I am retweeting these for my followers...sorry to create extra tweets for the #gtchat
- 12:53 am **Isoderman:** #gtchat #nfb Must depart - thanks for great chat!
- 12:53 am **DeborahMersino:** Relationship strengths/discussions will also aid them in exploring their passions, fulfilling their promise. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **AmazingAmma:** @TeacherLori Sorry, meant to reply earlier. Agree failure is good, but hard to convey to kids with fear of failure #gtchat
- 12:54 am **BrendonWalker:** @DeborahMersino Hiya. Sorry I missed it...errands to do. Will catch up on the transcripts :) #gtchat
- 12:54 am **DanFearnley:** I think the trick in building any confidence is to help line the risks up so inevitable failures are bumps in line of successes. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **laughingatchaos:** @KathyLoh No worries! Get the word out! :) #gtchat
- 12:54 am **mommyperks:** RT @DeborahMersino: Relationship strengths/discussions will also aid them in exploring their passions, fulfilling their promise. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat First, I had to listen to them and watch for their cues. Not put my desires onto them.
- 12:54 am **DeborahMersino:** Heard Dr. Linda Silverman speak. Topic, "So What if I'm Gifted? Am I Too Fat?"

- 12:54 am **mommyperks:** RT @DeborahMersino: @JeniferFox book, "Your Child's Strengths" offers interesting suggestions re: how he/she learns, interest areas, strengths. #gtchat
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- 12:55 am **KathyLoh:** wonder if fear of failure is more about fear of loss of love. Focus on knowing they are loved rather than the failure or rightness? #gtchat
- 12:56 am **DanFearnley:** When training or mentoring at work, I have always tried to get trainees to start with some successes to build on & a safe failure #gtchat
- 12:56 am **DeborahMersino:** Appreciating the energy tonight. Two thoughts: What can YOU do to move toward your passion (modeling)? #gtchat
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- 12:57 am **laughingatchaos:** @DanFearnley You're a good mentor. Ed. needs more of those. #gtchat
- 12:57 am **MyGiftedLife:** @DeborahMersino I am! I'm back in school. :) #gtchat
- 12:57 am **giftedmum:** RT @teachagiftedkid: #gtchat let them explore - even at the cost of sometimes failing. I like what one said here: you learn more thru mistakes.
- 12:57 am **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino heehee... hope #LEGO are still hiring designers. My youngest destined for that! Much joy to be found in #LEGO #gtchat
- 12:57 am **DeborahMersino:** Your final thoughts? #gtchat
- 12:57 am **Struggle2Learn:** RT @teachagiftedkid: #gtchat let them explore - even at the cost of sometimes failing. I like what one said here: you learn more thru mistakes.
- 12:57 am **laughingatchaos:** Model the behavior/life I want them to lead. I'm their first teacher. #gtchat
- 12:57 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @laughingatchaos: @DanFearnley You're a good mentor. Ed. needs more of those. #gtchat
- 12:58 am **giftedmum:** @teachagiftedkid #gtchat So true I know many of the poignant life lessons I have learnt came in the shape of a tear & a mistake...
- 12:58 am **laughingatchaos:** @AmazingAmma #LEGO rocks! Hours of love here. #gtchat

- 12:58 am **motherthinker:** These talks simply convince me more that we nd program options 4 kids. When will we stop pretending trad school is best 4 all kids? #gtchat
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- 12:58 am **KathyLoh:** thanks for letting this newbie be present at the party #gtchat
- 12:58 am **AmazingAmma:** RT @DeborahMersino: Appreciating the energy tonight. Two thoughts: What can YOU do to move toward your passion (modeling)? #gtchat <= Gd Q!
- 12:58 am **Principal20:** RT @graingered: Please join the discussion on better teaching and learning @ <http://karegivers.blogspot.com/> #edchat #gtchat # edreform #BetterLearning
- 12:58 am **graingered:** The objective of ed is 1. Serve individual (Jung) in support of collective democracy & 2. Help discover purpose (Frankl) #gtchat
- 12:58 am **aposseadesse66:** I'll be turning off the TV, computer and Xbox during our half-term next week... #gtchat
- 12:58 am **laughingatchaos:** Model overcoming perfectionism. THAT'S huge for me and my 2e son. #gtchat
- 12:59 am **TeacherLori:** RT @KathyLoh: wonder if fear of failure is more abt fear of loss of love Focus on knowing theyre loved rather than failure #gtchat |so true!
- 12:59 am **motherthinker:** @DeborahMersino HAH No trouble there. Help me understand how to motivate him to finish The Great Gatsby!! #gtchat
- 12:59 am **AmazingAmma:** RT @laughingatchaos: Model the behavior/life I want them to lead. I'm their first teacher. #gtchat <= YES YES YES!!
- 12:59 am **DeborahMersino:** @AmazingAmma - Perhaps you'll find a mentor at #LEGO Corporation. Seriously. If not now, down the line. You never know. #gtchat
- 1:00 am **wggifted:** It's clear from #gtchat that we are all passionate about our work and lives with gifted kids.
- 1:00 am **CathRiordan:** RT @aposseadesse66: Ill be turning off the TV, computer and Xbox during our half-term next week../ Good luck with that! #gtchat
- 1:00 am **TeacherLori:** RT @motherthinker: These talks simply convince me more that we nd program options 4 kids. When will we stop pretending trad school is best 4 all kids? #gtchat
- 1:00 am **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino #Lego camp last summer was heaven for him. Highly recommend. #gtchat
- 1:00 am **KathyLoh:** @laughingatchaos around these parts, we use "ta da!" (smiling and celebrating) for "failure" - possible part of modeling #gtchat
- 1:00 am **giftedmum:** @laughingatchaos The same for me... I also need 2 get over issues with perfectionism myself.... b4 I can trully model it effectively #gtchat
- 1:00 am **laughingatchaos:** @wggifted It is my life, and has become my passion. Not just my kids, but all. #gtchat
- 1:00 am **DeborahMersino:** Excellent #gtchat everyone! Pat yourselves on the back. I'm inspired by you all!
- 1:00 am **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino Gd suggestion. You've got me thinking! My favourite thing to do :) #LEGO #gtchat
- 1:00 am **giftedmum:** RT @laughingatchaos: @AmazingAmma #LEGO rocks! Hours of love here. #gtchat
- 1:01 am **laughingatchaos:** @TeacherLori It's hardly "best" for non-GT kids! :(#gtchat
- 1:01 am **laughingatchaos:** @KathyLoh OH! Like that. Celebrating finding another way that doesn't work! #gtchat
- 1:01 am **DeborahMersino:** It's my husband's birthday, but I'll work to have transcripts up this weekend! Thank you again everyone, including newbies! #gtchat

- 1:01 am **DeborahMersino**: RT @KathyLoh: @laughingatchaos around these parts, we use "ta da!" (smiling and celebrating) for "failure" - possible part of modeling #gtchat
- 1:01 am **teachagiftedkid**: #gtchat I like to get kids talking and engaged. There just isn't time to do that in the school day. Above all, build trust!
- 1:01 am **AmazingAmma**: @wggifted Oh, good point well made. Here's a passion we share. #gtchat
- 1:02 am **CathRiordan**: Thank you @DeborahMersino. Off to collapse into bed now. #gtchat
- 1:02 am **laughingatchaos**: @DeborahMersino Have a great weekend w/fam! Thanks for your work here! :) #gtchat
- 1:02 am **TeacherLori**: RT @giftedmum: @laughingatchaos The same for me... I also need 2 get over issues with perfectionism myself... b4 I can trully model it effectively #gtchat
- 1:02 am **aposeadesse66**: @DeborahMersino Thanks for a great chat, great ideas to take away as usual. #gtchat
- 1:02 am **AmazingAmma**: #gtchat thanks everyone for the passionate discussion! Have much to think about and action now.
- 1:03 am **laughingatchaos**: @TeacherLori Perfectionism is painful for all involved. :(#gtchat
- 1:03 am **hillarykwiatek**: Miles started a friendship w/producer of NOVA after mtg her . RT @DeborahMersino: @AmazingAmma - Perhaps you'll find a mentor @ LEGO #gtchat
- 1:03 am **laughingatchaos**: Alrighty, I have kids to feed and Olympics to watch! Have a great weekend, all! #gtchat
- 1:04 am **DeborahMersino**: My pleasure everyone! So long. #gtchat
- 1:04 am **Principal20**: #gtchat the Greeks said "Good, True.Beautiful" translation Morals, Knowledge, Appreciation.
- 1:04 am **jofrei**: #gtchat Connection between autonomy self awareness motivation <http://generallythinking.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2009/04/sdt-cont.gif>
- 1:05 am **MyGiftedLife**: thanks again, @deborahmersino #gtchat
- 1:05 am **hillarykwiatek**: Thanks! @DeborahMersino and everyone #gtchat
- 1:05 am **jofrei**: @DeborahMersino Thank you for a great chat #gtchat
- 1:06 am **TeacherLori**: @laughingatchaos Yes, it is but I'm learning 2 let so much go & my kids are too. =) #gtchat (sometimes, they let TOO MUCH go! LOL!) Balance!
- 1:07 am **laughingatchaos**: @TeacherLori LOL! So hard to find that perfect balance, eh? ;) #gtchat
- 1:19 am **graingered**: @Principal20 Hail Plato! With ya... #edchat #gtchat #BetterLearning
- 1:22 am **gutzywoman**: RT @KathyLoh: @laughingatchaos around these parts, we use "ta da!" (smiling and celebrating) for "failure" - possible part of modeling #gtchat
- 1:35 am **graingered**: @Giftedmum Teaching is past (story I need to discover) present (story I help write) & future (aspiring to story with happy ending) #gtchat
- 1:38 am **KathyLoh**: @laughingatchaos do you do this every Friday afternoon? the #gtchat
- 1:39 am **graingered**: @GiftedmumPlease see Personal Learning Stories @ <http://tinyurl.com/yjggtwo> <http://karegivers.blogspot.com/> #gtchat #edchat #educhat
- 1:39 am **giftedmum**: @graingered Teaching is not the book. but how we take the book..understand..learn..think..question & give the book value in our life #gtchat
- 1:43 am **graingered**: @Giftedmum Yes, teaching is writing the book- the most important plot element is our purpose (see V. Frank!) #gtchat #edchat #betterlearning
- 1:47 am **graingered**: @Giftedmum As teachers and learners, we all need to be the author of our own outcomes (destiny) #gtchat #edchat
- 1:52 am **giftedmum**: @graingered Yes.finding the balance of being both introspective & exospective

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Transcript for #gtchat - What the Hasht...

.Creating our life's story. Making choices & learning #gtchat

- 1:57 am **laughingatchaos:** @KathyLoh Yes, #gtchat is every Fri., noon EST and 7EST. Topics voted every week!
- 2:18 am **KathyLoh:** @laughingatchaos oh thanks - good to know there is a topic and protocol of sorts. Want to play by the rules (tongue in cheek) #gtchat
- 2:20 am **KathyLoh:** @DeepWatersCoach hey - did you know about the gifted chat on Fridays? check out #gtchat
- 2:21 am **cafemercury:** @KathyLoh Thanks for RT'ing #gtchat. I clicked on the hashtag -- interesting. (Think I have two of them, and allegedly I'm one myself.)
- 2:24 am **laughingatchaos:** @KathyLoh You can get details here: <http://tinyurl.com/d3ntja> and follow@DeborahMersino for more info. It's a great #gtchat
- 2:54 am **tjredbird:** RT @wggifted Gifted kids come from gifted families who love their child for who they are, not who parents hope they'll be. #gtchat
- 2:55 am **graingered:** @averyteach Welcome to the best PD you can get 140 charac. at a time. Check #edchat #gtchat, #betterlearning #edreform #edtech 4 good stuff
- 2:56 am **fiteach:** RT @graingered: @averyteach Welcome to the best PD you can get 140 charac. at a time. Check #edchat #gtchat, #betterlearning #edreform #edtech 4 good stuff
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- 3:06 am **cstanleyart:** RT @graingered: @averyteach Welcome to the best PD you can get 140 charac. at a time. Check #edchat #gtchat, #betterlearning #edreform #edtech 4 good stuff
- 7:31 am **ShapingYouth:** RT @pamfr: @CathRiordan - heartbreaking: "No time for passion outside curriculum" Let's apply passion IN curriculum. Really, apply cur 2passion #gtchat
- 11:42 am **Giftedkidsie:** @DeborahMersino Great #gtchat last night as usual!
- 3:36 pm **DeborahMersino:** Transcript from 02.12 noon/EST #gtchat, "Homework: Battles or Bliss?": <http://bit.ly/b7yua4> #gifted {starts halfway down}
- 3:37 pm **DeborahMersino:** Transcript from 7pm/EST #gtchat "Discovering Passion: Helping #Gifted Kids Find Inspiration" <http://bit.ly/91qqyG>
- 3:37 pm **Jeff_shoemaker:** @DeborahMersino how did the #gtchat go last night. I got caught up in watching olympics coverage. Will you post the transcripts?
- 3:39 pm **DeborahMersino:** @Jeff_shoemaker Hi! I just posted the transcripts. Search #gtchat. I'll post them to the Ingeniosus blog shortly!
- 3:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** Excellent TY! RT @TheNextMartha @DeborahMersino I wrote about the Linda Silverman talk at <http://jenniferhajer.blogspot.com/> #gifted #gtchat
- 4:00 pm **AmazingAmma:** RT @DeborahMersino: Excellent TY! RT @TheNextMartha @DeborahMersino I wrote about the Linda Silverman talk at <http://jenniferhajer.blogspot.com/> #gifted #gtchat
- 4:02 pm **AmazingAmma:** @DeborahMersino How timely this blog on Linda Silverman's talk is! Well done. #gifted #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **TheNextMartha:** RT @DeborahMersino: Excellent TY! RT @TheNextMartha @DeborahMersino I wrote about the Linda Silverman talk at <http://jenniferhajer.blogspot.com/> #gifted #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **DeborahMersino:** New Ingeniosus Blog Post (includes global #gtchat transcript links) <http://bit.ly/cAjs2w> #gifted
- 4:42 pm **DeborahMersino:** Ideas for next week's global #gtchat? Send them to me: @DeborahMersino, DM or innovate@deborahmersino.com. TY!

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4:43 pm

DeboranMersino: Hats off to all of our new global #gtchat participants! It's just the beginning... #gifted

4:57 pm

DeborahMersino: @micheleborba Referenced your wisdom during #gtchat yesterday. Here's link to Dr. Borba's book: <http://bit.ly/cAjs2w> {must-have 4 parents}

5:07 pm

laughingatchaos: RT @DeborahMersino: New Ingenious Blog Post (includes global #gtchat transcript links) <http://bit.ly/cAjs2w> #gifted

6:50 pm

graingered: @tjredbird Gifted children are all children, for children live in the moment, and its in the moment that discovery is made #gtchat #edchat

8:45 pm

graingered: @Aaron_Eyler A response to Things Educatsr Need To Stop Saying @ <http://tinyurl.com/ycy4axt> <http://karegivers.blogspot.com/> #edchat #gtchat

8:56 pm

graingered: Why do we label web 2.0, 3.0 etc. Will it ever stop evolving? Why not just refer to the infinite web? #edreform #edchat #gtchat #edtech #yeg

9:19 pm

Swanny203: RT @graingered: Why do we label web 2.0, 3.0 etc. Will it ever stop evolving? Why not just refer to the infinite web? #edreform #edchat #gtchat #edtech #yeg

9:20 pm

janwebb21: RT @graingered: Why do we label web 2.0, 3.0 etc. Will it ever stop evolving? Why not just refer to the infinite web? #edreform #edchat #gtchat #edtech #yeg

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