



## Transcript from December 11, 2010 to December 11, 2010

All times are Pacific Time

### December 11, 2010

- DeborahMersino:** Welcome to #gtchat! Our topic: Choice: Exploring Schooling Options for #Gifted. Join us now! #gtchat
- deepwaterscoach:** My tweets 4 next hr will be devoted to #gtchat: School Choice 4 #gifted. Please pardon heavy stream--or jump in! The water's fine! #gtchat
- DeborahMersino:** Please take a moment to introduce yourselves, your role (educator, parent, advocate, blogger) & share where you reside! TY! #gtchat
- 12:01 am **DeborahMersino:** I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, wife/mom to 2 girls, grad students, social media consultant to gifted communities. In CO. #gtchat
- 12:01 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @DeborahMersino: @ljconrad Using "Advocacy Without Borders" as name 4 r digital global gifted ed movement!! //LJC rocks! #gtchat
- 12:01 am **DeborahMersino:** While you're introducing yourselves, I'm going to put up some excellent articles/resources for later viewing! #gtchat
- 12:01 am **jofrei:** Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources Melbourne Australia - a fairly overcast 11.00 am Saturday here mum of 4 granma of 1 #gtchat
- 12:01 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat G&T Teacher in CTY Ireland for 16 years...mainstream teacher...
- 12:02 am **cybraryman1:** Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** Basic Educational Options for Gifted Students in Schools by VanTassel-Baska <http://bit.ly/h08t4p> #gtchat
- 12:02 am **deepwaterscoach:** I'm Lisa Lauffer, Chief Sanity Officer (life coach) to Gifted Grownups & Parents of GT Kids. Parent to 2 GT kids; 1 2e. #gtchat
- 12:02 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 12:02 am **devenkblack:** @cybraryman1 That Twain quote is my life story. #gtchat
- 12:02 am **ljconrad:** Hi from Pittsburgh! Gifted advocate/parent consultant, mom to 2 gt teens, blogger ... yada yada yada ... #gtchat
- 12:02 am **KimMcCollum:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** Finding a School for Your Child via NAGC Tips for Parents <http://bit.ly/hJUsWe> #gtchat
- 12:03 am **peter\_lydon:** @cybraryman1 #gtchat too much of what we do is instruction..not education
- 12:03 am **LisaDSB:** Another Lisa here -- parent of two GT kids in Ontario, Canada. Former lawyer, now homeschooling parent. #gtchat
- 12:03 am **DeborahMersino:** Questions Parents Should Ask (re to school choice) via NAGC <http://bit.ly/dMnwYs> #gtchat
- 12:03 am **Paige928:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 12:03 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @cybraryman1 #gtchat too much of what we do is instruction..not education//Oo! Interesting! Pls say more! #gtchat
- 12:03 am **ljconrad:** @deepwaterscoach @DeborahMersino Thank you! :D #gtchat

- 12:03 am **devenkblack:** Hi, I'm from NYC. Newly minted middle school librarian, father of gifted teen, accused of being gifted myself. My first #gtchat
- 12:03 am **DeborahMersino:** What Makes a Good School? A Guide for Parents Seeking Excellence in Education via @DavidsonGifted <http://bit.ly/hxuqdo> #gtchat
- 12:04 am **LoveKhrys:** RT @DeborahMersino: RT @RT @teachinghands: "Teachers inspire the smallest hearts to grow big enough to change the world." ~ Paula J. Fox #gtchat #edchat
- 12:04 am **shyj:** Hey everyone, I'm Julie. I am an educator as well as the parent of a gifted 13 yr old residing in southeast Missouri #gtchat
- 12:04 am **deepwaterscoach:** @devenkblack "Accused" of being #gifted! Love it! #gtchat
- 12:04 am **jofrei:** RT @peter\_lydon: @cybraryman1 #gtchat too much of what we do is instruction..not education #gtchat
- 12:04 am **DeborahMersino:** Choosing the Right #Gifted School for Your Child by by Hassel & Hassel via @DavidsonGifted <http://bit.ly/gj4Cba> #gtchat
- 12:05 am **cybraryman1:** Deven is gified! Please welcome him #gtchat
- 12:05 am **ljconrad:** @devenkblack Welcome!!!! #gtchat
- 12:05 am **devenkblack:** @deepwaterscoach I pled nolo contendere. #gtchat
- 12:05 am **DeborahMersino:** Specific schools for #gifted via @HoagiesGifted: <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/schools.htm> #gtchat
- 12:05 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat but that's how it is....how dare you be what...?
- 12:05 am **DeborahMersino:** Welcome everyone! It's great to see you all! #gtchat
- 12:06 am **deepwaterscoach:** @peter\_lydon I agree! I want to hear you rant about it--I know there's a rant in there somewhere! #gtchat
- 12:06 am **cybraryman1:** RT @DeborahMersino: Specific schools for #gifted via @HoagiesGifted: <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/schools.htm> #gtchat
- 12:06 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @devenkblack: @deepwaterscoach I pled nolo contendere.//If the shoe fits... #gtchat
- 12:06 am **peter\_lydon:** @devenkblack 'If you expect simple answers to complicated questions you are in the wrong place.'...love that #gtchat
- 12:06 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1:What do YOU think the most important factors are when considering the right school for a gifted child? #gtchat
- 12:06 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @devenkblack If you expect simple answers to complicated questions you are in the wrong place....love that/me too! #gtchat
- 12:07 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach I'm all rant....#gtchat
- 12:07 am **cybraryman1:** Q1 You have to find the right match for your child #gtchat
- 12:07 am **deepwaterscoach:** @devenkblack Welcome to the Island of Misfit Toys. We've all pled the same thing! #gtchat
- 12:07 am **devenkblack:** @peter\_lydon Thank you. I see that happening far too often. #gtchat
- 12:07 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1: Feel free to reference some of the challenges/considerations you've experienced (if you have). #gtchat
- 12:07 am **shyj:** Not much choice of schools where I live. k-8 with 52 kids or a k-12 without any real GT program #gtchat
- 12:07 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat @devenkblack probably a function of dumbing down...
- 12:08 am **deepwaterscoach:** @peter\_lydon I'm beginning to realize that--bring it on! Instruction vs. education--what's the difference in your eyes? #gtchat
- 12:08 am **cybraryman1:** RT @DeborahMersino: Q1:What do YOU think the most important factors are when considering the right school for a gifted child? #gtchat

- 12:08 am **devenkblack:** @peter\_lydon #gtchat
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- 12:08 am **peter\_lydon:** @devenkblack #gtchat would be interesting to compare high school text book 30 years ago with today for detail
- 12:08 am **jofrei:** Leunig cartoon figure pointing at hole Stick your head in there That's enough Now you are educated! #gtchat
- 12:08 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1: Educational programming for gifted, teachers' knowledge of giftedness, opportunities for acceleration, outlook, general spirit. #gtchat
- 12:08 am **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino Q1: Can you afford it? What does your child want? Is supplemental education better? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **DeborahMersino:** Hey folks. What do you think of Q1? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **devenkblack:** @peter\_lydon Perhaps. I think it is a side-effect of wishful thinking and sound-bite mentality. Complexity takes time. #gtchat
- 12:09 am **deepwaterscoach:** Q1: Does the school's charter/focus match my kids' needs? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **cybraryman1:** RT @ljconrad: @DeborahMersino Q1: Can you afford it? What does your child want? Is supplemental education better? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **deepwaterscoach:** Q1: Does the administration and faculty understand giftedness? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **shyj:** @DeborahMersino Does the school acknowledge that gifted kids need something different than traditional school? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1: Will my child be challenged? Supported? Seen? Understood? #gtchat
- 12:09 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat instruction is 'can you do tie your shoe lace' education is 'ncie shoes, how did you tie, any other way...
- 12:09 am **devenkblack:** @peter\_lydon I went to HS 40 years ago but didn't stay around long enough to see a textbook. #gtchat
- 12:09 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @DeborahMersino: Hey folks. What do you think of Q1?//Oh. You want us actually to participate & not just chat w/ each other? LOL! #gtchat
- 12:10 am **DeborahMersino:** @cybraryman1 - Excellent point about "Can I afford it?" So plays into decision making! #gtchat
- 12:10 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @shyj: @DeborahMersino Does the school acknowledge that gifted kids need something different than traditional school?<=YES! #gtchat
- 12:10 am **jofrei:** Q1Important to find school which gets gifted, teachers have training in gifted ed, prepared to match students needs to provisions #gtchat
- 12:10 am **LesLinks:** We went private as were looking for smaller class size. Primary was 34 in class, secondary was 18 (paid for it though... ) #gtchat
- 12:10 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat I 'subbed' for three year before qualifying....never saw an ea kid....
- 12:10 am **deepwaterscoach:** @peter\_lydon I get that distinction. Education = more Socratic method, interpretive learning. Instruction = rote learning of 1 way #gtchat
- 12:11 am **DeborahMersino:** @jofrei - Excellent! #gtchat
- 12:11 am **shyj:** Q1 Will my child feel like they are in control of their learning #gtchat
- 12:11 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat after one summer in CTYI, saw them everywhere...all about awareness...if school even had that...
- 12:11 am **LesLinks:** @jofrei would not really happen in Ireland... #gtchat
- 12:11 am **DeborahMersino:** @LesLinks - Hi! Yes, smaller class size is always advantageous when you can get it. #gtchat
- 12:11 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat yeah...from educare...drawing out...rather than putting in....

- 12:12 am **mygiftedgirl:** Ugh hi all trying to #gtchat from Target! Understanding 2e for us was important.
- 12:12 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat education is lighting a fire, instruction is filling a bucket
- 12:12 am **peter\_lydon:** @devenkblack lol #gtchat
- 12:12 am **devenkblack:** @LesLinks By the time a kid is in HS he should be ready to grab control of his learning, #gtchat
- 12:12 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon @DeborahMersino Awareness is where I am at as well... every one teacher I reach.. is one more student that may survive #gtchat
- 12:12 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1: VanTassel-Baska points to nonnegotiable options (although I don't know if it's a reality for us all to find these). #gtchat
- 12:12 am **peter\_lydon:** @devenkblack #gtchat yes.
- 12:12 am **debmc3:** RT @LesLinks: @peter\_lydon @DeborahMersino Awareness is where I am at as well... every one teacher I reach.. is one more student that may survive #gtchat
- 12:13 am **shyj:** Q1 How much parental support is there #gtchat
- 12:13 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat education is lighting a fire, instruction is filling a bucket//great analogy #gtchat
- 12:13 am **cybraryman1:** Q1 Want to see children involved in the learning and being taught to problem solve & think critically #gtchat
- 12:13 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat education is lighting a fire, instruction is filling a bucket//& we're all pyros here... #gtchat
- 12:13 am **DeborahMersino:** @LesLinks - Powerful! And so true. The more teachers that we have who understand giftedness, the more hope we can all have 4 future. #gtchat
- 12:13 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat we need to light that fire under teachers as well...
- 12:13 am **LesLinks:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat yeah...from educare...drawing out...rather than putting in.... Oh ya!!!! #gtchat
- 12:14 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @shyj: Q1 How much parental support is there<=Also important! #gtchat
- 12:14 am **ljconrad:** Q1: Reality for many is few choices. #gtchat
- 12:14 am **cybraryman1:** @peter\_lydon Many teachers are burned out! #gtchat
- 12:14 am **LesLinks:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat we need to light that fire under teachers as well...talkin my language!! #gtchat
- 12:14 am **LisaDSB:** We never found good options for schools, at least for younger grades. May have to look again for HS. Not everyone has choice. #gtchat
- 12:14 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat parental support in No1....I'm hoping to generate a new organisation modelled on this in Ireland
- 12:15 am **jofrei:** Types of gifted programs made with DeBono's 6 Action shoes to plan  
<http://www.giftedresources.org/gr/files/gtprogsplannedwdebonoshoesb.ppt>  
#gtchat
- 12:15 am **DeborahMersino:** Q1: VanTassel-Baska - Acceleration options, Grouping, Differentiated Curriculum, Access to Advanced Opps. <= Again, in ideal world. #gtchat
- 12:15 am **shyj:** Q1 In a world of high stakes testing, is GT really a GT functioning program #gtchat
- 12:15 am **peter\_lydon:** @cybraryman1 #gtchat but often burning themselves out..
- 12:15 am **devenkblack:** @cybraryman1 The first thing gifted children should think critically about is their schooling, #gtchat
- 12:15 am **mygiftedgirl:** I've learned that just because they have a FT #gifted program, doesn't mean it's gifted #gtchat
- 12:15 am **DeborahMersino:** @LisaDSB - So true. In so many states/countries, legislation, let alone mandates for funding on behalf of gifted is non-existent. #gtchat

- 12:16 am **LesLinks:** RT @cybraryman1: @peter\_lydon Many teachers are burned out! Ya.. often given to many things to have to care for... #gtchat
- 12:16 am **cybraryman1:** RT @mygiftedgirl: I've learned that just because they have a FT #gifted program,doesn't mean it's gifted #gtchat
- 12:16 am **peter\_lydon:** @mygiftedgirl #gtchat how true!
- 12:16 am **LisaDSB:** "Gifted" at our public school means enriched, not accelerated, so it's hard to find a good fit. #gtchat
- 12:16 am **ljconrad:** Few choices should = opportunity for gifted parents to influence educators; make a difference in public ed for all! #gtchat
- 12:16 am **DeborahMersino:** @mygiftedgirl - Re Q1: Astute observation. #gtchat
- 12:16 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat we need to light that fire under teachers as well...//absolutely! #gtchat
- 12:16 am **shyj:** @cybraryman1 Burned out because they can't teach how they know they should #gtchat
- 12:16 am **LesLinks:** @DeborahMersino VT Baska... sigh... a favorite...;-D #gtchat
- 12:16 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat teachers can be energised by their role....
- 12:16 am **dmchugh675:** @peter\_lydon so loosen the reins then? #gtchat
- 12:17 am **peter\_lydon:** @dmchugh675 #gtchat develop further please...
- 12:17 am **DeborahMersino:** Q2: What has frustrated you the most about finding a school that "gets" the needs of gifted learners (socio-emotional & cognitive)? #gtchat
- 12:17 am **shyj:** Our GT program in elementary involved my son playing Risk for 1/2 a day 1x a week. We pulled him out #gtchat
- 12:17 am **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino Q1 secret weapon re grade- what year would they be in if their actual age matched their mental age? #gtchat
- 12:17 am **EvaMayla:** @cybraryman1 The first thing gifted children should think critically about is their schooling, #gtchat
- 12:17 am **sweetieberry:** RT @mygiftedgirl: I've learned that just because they have a FT #gifted program,doesn't mean it's gifted #gtchat/yes
- 12:18 am **devenkblack:** @LesLinks @cybraryman1 @peter\_lydon Teacher burnout is a management issue. Bad management causes it. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **LesLinks:** RT @shyj: @cybraryman1 Burned out because they cant teach how they know they should = this can be true too.. maybe need 2 BE ignited #gtchat
- 12:18 am **deepwaterscoach:** Q2: We've found a great school--ability grouping, STEM focus--but it's still a fight to help them understand gifted. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **DeborahMersino:** Q2: Biggest frustration by far in US in focus on state-standardized testing, which comes at cost of high-potential learners' ops. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @devenkblack: @LesLinks @cybraryman1 @peter\_lydon Teacher burnout is a management issue. Bad management causes it. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **shyj:** @ljconrad I've tried to influence change and have been shut down repeatedly. Very frustrating! #gtchat
- 12:18 am **LisaDSB:** Q2 So many in education have this notion of "everybody's gifted", so hard to get anyone to understand the real issues. #gtchat
- 12:18 am **rjay669:** RT @SweetieBerry: RT @mygiftedgirl: I've learned that just because they have a FT #gifted program,doesn't mean it's gifted #gtchat/yes
- 12:18 am **peter\_lydon:** @LisaDSB #gtchat yeah...the mis-application of Multiple intelligences
- 12:19 am **devenkblack:** In many classes gifted children are just given additional work, like a punishment for being gifted. #gtchat
- 12:19 am **cybraryman1:** Q2 I was not happy with the training & preparation of the GT teachers #gtchat

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- 12:19 am **cybraryman1:** Q2 I was not happy with the training & preparation of the GT teachers #gtchat
- 12:19 am **peter\_lydon:** @devenkblack #gtchat annoying
- 12:19 am **shyj:** @EvaMayla My son always states, "I just want to learn Mom." #gtchat
- 12:19 am **DeborahMersino:** @LisaDSB - True re Q2 - myths still promulgate. #gtchat
- 12:19 am **LesLinks:** RT @devenkblack: @LesLinks @cybraryman1 @peter\_lydon Teacher burnout is a management issue. Bad management causes it. Aaaa ;- ) #gtchat
- 12:19 am **deepwaterscoach:** Q2: Sometimes when a school has a little knowledge abt #gifted, they think they get it all. Not open to more info. #gtchat
- 12:19 am **DeborahMersino:** @devenkblack yes. sad, but true. #gtchat
- 12:19 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @LisaDSB: Q2 So many in education have this notion of "everybodys gifted", so hard to get anyone to understand the real issues. #gtchat
- 12:20 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @cybraryman1: Q2 I was not happy with the training & preparation of the GT teachers #gtchat..none in Ireland..or very little!
- 12:20 am **DeborahMersino:** Q3: How many of you have found, currently participate in &/or know of inspiring schools? What sets them apart? #gtchat
- 12:20 am **jofrei:** Q2 We ended up homeschooling the two younger ones to give us freedom to move at pace and level we needed #gtchat
- 12:20 am **ljconrad:** @shyj I faced that, too! I do understand & I'm familiar with your part of the country. Consider supplementing ed on your own. :) #gtchat
- 12:20 am **shyj:** @DeborahMersino In our rural area there are no choices, that's what frustrates me the most at times #gtchat
- 12:20 am **cybraryman1:** RT @jofrei: Q2 We ended up homeschooling the two younger ones to give us freedom to move at pace and level we needed #gtchat
- 12:20 am **LesLinks:** @devenkblack Given extra pull out time work during break or lunch, or class that they are good at and love = punishment #gtchat
- 12:20 am **mygiftedgirl:** Q2 I better stay away from q2..toooo much to say #gtchat sigh...
- 12:20 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @devenkblack: In many classes gifted children are just given additional work, like a punishment for being gifted.//Too true. #gtchat
- 12:20 am **peter\_lydon:** @dmchugh675 #gtchat need to give kids opportunities to learn rather than giving them everything...let them explore....
- 12:20 am **LisaDSB:** We have an "inspiring school", but it's so private you have to be born into it, lol. #gtchat
- 12:21 am **peter\_lydon:** @dmchugh675 #gtchat unfortunately the dictates of state exams spoil it a bit
- 12:21 am **DeborahMersino:** Q3: I've been delightfully surprised by the public school system here. W&M curriculum, Socratic methods, Caesar's English, EPGY! #gtchat
- 12:21 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @LisaDSB: We have an "inspiring school", but it's so private you have to be born into it, lol. #gtchat lol
- 12:21 am **LisaDSB:** RT @jofrei: Q2 We ended up homeschooling the two younger ones to give us freedom to move at pace and level we needed// Us too! #gtchat
- 12:21 am **padgets:** #gtchat Hi everybody! Sharon here, I am a HS science teacher in SE Iowa
- 12:21 am **shyj:** @ljconrad We do supplement with online courses. School refused to allow him to do online at school <heavy sigh> #gtchat
- 12:21 am **deepwaterscoach:** Q3: Our school is the best fit we've found. Ability grping rocks! My kids can go at their own pace in all subjects! #gtchat
- 12:21 am **LesLinks:** @DeborahMersino Lucky duck!! #gtchat
- 12:22 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @LisaDSB: We have an "inspiring school", but its so private you have to be born into it, lol.//ours was lottery--luck of the draw #gtchat
- 12:22 am **deepwaterscoach:** @LesLinks \*waving!!!\* #gtchat

- 12:22 am **LesLinks:** @shyj @ljconrad aah.. !!! silly school!! #gtchat
- 12:22 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon You mean Inquiry...at school??? Huh?? Am I missing something! LOL #gtchat
- 12:22 am **mygiftedgirl:** Feel like a lot of tchrs in our district don't stay engaged with their specialy..get certified and that's it.. #gtchat
- 12:22 am **ljconrad:** RT @deepwaterscoach: @LesLinks \*waving!!!\* #gtchat
- 12:22 am **DeborahMersino:** @shyj Regarding rural options, I believe/hope we're entering an era where digital learning might make it more opportune for gifted. #gtchat
- 12:22 am **peter\_lydon:** Most Irish schools don't have a G&T programme...awareness is quite poor. #gtchat
- 12:22 am **LesLinks:** @deepwaterscoach @LesLinks frantically waving back..!!! #gtchat
- 12:23 am **peter\_lydon:** @mygiftedgirl #gtchat there should be a consistent CPD programme requirement for teachers
- 12:23 am **LisaDSB:** @DeborahMersino -- you're really lucky to have found that -- good for you (and your kids)! #gtchat
- 12:23 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @LesLinks: @deepwaterscoach @LesLinks frantically waving back..!!!/I see you! #gtchat
- 12:23 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon Ya.. this is why... even ONE teacher at a time.. helps... ;-D #gtchat
- 12:23 am **peter\_lydon:** @shyj lol #gtchat yeah...imagine that
- 12:23 am **cybraryman1:** I also feel that Blended Learning could really help rural as well as urban schools #gtchat
- 12:23 am **DeborahMersino:** @mygiftedgirl - That's what I experienced in IL - except in private gifted schools. Cost upwards of \$18 grand/year at elem level. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon Same in the part of Missouri USA where I live #gtchat
- 12:24 am **dmchugh675:** @peter\_lydon That's the key .Tchrs love to let kids express & explore but in evry country govts want to measure educ by scores. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **GiftedHF:** RT @DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat! Hi - popping in late & briefly for a topic near and dear to my <3!
- 12:24 am **jofrei:** Q3 Have found some great schools here - across several different systems - it is important to check out the schools for yourself #gtchat
- 12:24 am **ludabelle1981:** RT @ljconrad: Q1: Reality for many is few choices. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **peter\_lydon:** @dmchugh675 #gtchat hence deborah's blog link at the start was interesting....
- 12:24 am **deepwaterscoach:** @GiftedHF So good to see you! #gtchat
- 12:24 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon @mygiftedgirl am working on this.. #gtchat
- 12:24 am **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedHF - Welcome! Of course, it's near and dear. Homeschooling is certainly an option that works extremely well for many #gifted! #gtchat
- 12:25 am **demom2gifted:** @Deborah Mersino Q3 my son's school has a GATE program and the teachers are gifted themselves or have gifted certification #gtchat
- 12:25 am **peter\_lydon:** @dmchugh675 #gtchat what education system would we design for OUR children if we could?
- 12:25 am **padgets:** #gtchat speaking from teaching in a small school, we use Apex to supplement advanced classes and I have been working with our GT teacher
- 12:25 am **devenkblack:** America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 12:25 am **cybraryman1:** RT @DeborahMersino: @GiftedHF - Homeschooling is certainly an option that works extremely well for many #gifted! #gtchat

- 12:25 am **DeborahMersino**: @jofrei - yes. I was surprised. Didn't expect choices to be there. #gtchat
- 12:25 am **shyj**: @DeborahMersino I would hope digital learning would take off 2, but we don't have the backbone in place to support it (connectivity) #gtchat
- 12:25 am **peter\_lydon**: @dmchugh675 #gtchat...we would want our kids to be happy AND achieve their potential...
- 12:26 am **GiftedHF**: So where are we and what did I miss?? #gtchat
- 12:26 am **padgets**: #gtchat however I still have staff that think gifted means the student does not need direction, they can work on their own
- 12:26 am **LesLinks**: @peter\_lydon @dmchugh675 would be lovely to explore.. #gtchat
- 12:26 am **cybraryman1**: @shyj You will have to make those connections at home #gtchat
- 12:26 am **tfteacher**: RT @devenkblack: America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 12:26 am **DeborahMersino**: @shyj You're not alone. Even in our district (fairly forward-thinking), the broadband connection is slow as molasses. Hoping 4 impr. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **deepwaterscoach**: RT @devenkblack: America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **LisaDSB**: Homeschooling kids can learn at own pace and take control of education early on; downside is it can be isolating for whole family. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **GiftedHF**: @DeborahMersino The thing is, "homeschooling" covers so much more than it used to. At GHF we think of it as an umbrella term #gifted #gtchat
- 12:27 am **ljconrad**: RT @cybraryman1: @shyj You will have to make those connections at home #gtchat
- 12:27 am **chrstinef**: Just sneaking in to say hi! Sorry to miss the chats this week. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **devenkblack**: @peter\_lydon Is it even possible for gifted children to "achieve their potential"? Only those of limited potential can do that, no? #gtchat
- 12:27 am **peter\_lydon**: #gtchat school destroys kids creativity...give my 12 & 17 years olds the same project....'Adopt a volcano'....
- 12:27 am **DeborahMersino**: For those who are in the process/may be in the process of choosing/evaluating, I recommended looking at links posted at beg. of chat #gtchat
- 12:27 am **GiftedHF**: @DeepWatersCoach: @GiftedHF So good to see you! #gtchat // Waving back!
- 12:27 am **dmchugh675**: @peter\_lydon agree. Think happy comes first. #gtchat
- 12:27 am **cybraryman1**: @LisaDSB Good point #gtchat
- 12:27 am **LesLinks**: @peter\_lydon @dmchugh675 We would want our kids to have achieved through effort, and transformed that effort into tangible feel good #gtchat
- 12:27 am **msorice1**: RT @devenkblack: America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 12:28 am **shyj**: @DeborahMersino Most of the people where I live have dial up. I am "fancy" and have a satellite connection for work #gtchat
- 12:28 am **peter\_lydon**: #gtchat....12 year old jump in with enthusiasm...17 year olds ask 'what?'...'oh, you mean a research project....'
- 12:28 am **ljconrad**: PISA results prove that learning how to take a test doesn't mean you've 'learned' anything! #gtchat
- 12:28 am **DeborahMersino**: Let's change it up a bit. We agree that options are limited; schools aren't providing consistently. However, WE are the advocates. #gtchat
- 12:28 am **shyj**: @LisaDSB Kids still need social activities. I would love to homeschool but work schedules just don't allow for it. #gtchat
- 12:29 am **deepwaterscoach**: RT @ljconrad: PISA results prove that learning how to take a test doesnt mean youve learned anything! #gtchat

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- 12:29 am **LesLinks:** RT @dmchugh675: @peter\_lydon agree. Think happy comes first. = Happy means kids more open to new exploraiton and effort, agreeable #gtchat
- 12:29 am **ljconrad:** @chrstinef Hi! Thinking of you! Received 2 more copies of your book! Yea! #emotionalintensity #gtchat
- 12:29 am **cybraryman1:** RT @ljconrad: PISA results prove that learning how to take a test doesn't mean you've 'learned' anything! #gtchat
- 12:29 am **DeborahMersino:** @demom2gifted That's wonderful! #gtchat
- 12:29 am **LesLinks:** RT @ljconrad: PISA results prove that learning how to take a test doesnt mean youve learned anything! = Irish Education.... #gtchat
- 12:30 am **dmchugh675:** @ljconrad Yeah...google Danny Dorling...he has some strong views on PISA in his book "inequality" #gtchat
- 12:30 am **Nate\_Merrill:** RT @devenkblack: America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **DeborahMersino:** Let's change it up a bit. Complaining alone won't systematically change things. WE are the advocates. #gtchat
- 12:30 am **GiftedHF:** @LisaDSB School can be isolating, too, when you're different and misunderstood. Same for family! #gtchat
- 12:30 am **jofrei:** @LisaDSB Hsing does not need to be isolating - groups of hs ers have science sessions at the uni,field trips camps social activities #gtchat
- 12:30 am **shyj:** @ljconrad Exactly, but "the test" is what provides funding for the schools #gtchat
- 12:31 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat USA needs to be careful about comparing USA with other countries..need to compare STATES with other countries then ask what's hapnin
- 12:31 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @GiftedHF: @LisaDSB School can be isolating, too, when youre different and misunderstood. Same for family!//True! #gtchat
- 12:31 am **DeborahMersino:** Q4: What CAN we do? In the absence of a pro-gifted school, how can we best support these high-potential learners? #gtchat
- 12:31 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @deepwaterscoach: RT @GiftedHF: @LisaDSB School can be isolating, too, when youre different and misunderstood. Same for family!//True! #gtchat
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- 12:31 am **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino WE are Advocates Without Borders!!!! #gtchat
- 12:31 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat schools, like most organisation, don;t value diversity...nature of human institutions perhaps
- 12:31 am **demom2gifted:** @DeborahMersino it hasn't always been that way. Especially before 4th grade #gtchat
- 12:31 am **sweetieberry:** #gtchat/ Engage with where students are... So often they have had no community so take time to deal with outloud concerns@LesLinks
- 12:32 am **padgets:** #gtchat I think asking for PD on teaching the gifted might be a good start
- 12:32 am **GiftedHF:** RT @shyj: @ljconrad Exactly, but "the test" is what provides funding for the schools #gtchat / Not the test - people too invested in test
- 12:32 am **shyj:** So who is up for started a new school just for gt kids :) #gtchat

- 12:32 am **ljconrad:** @shyj Those days are numbered. ;) #gtchat
- 12:32 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat make schools pro-gifted....along with pro-diversity etc
- 12:32 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: USA needs 2 b careful abt comparing USA with other countries.compare STATES w other countries then ask whats hapnin #gtchat
- 12:32 am **shyj:** Make that "starting".... <blush> #gtchat
- 12:32 am **DeborahMersino:** Yes, we're officially adopting "Advocates Without Borders" as our digital global gifted education movement name! :-) Go @ljconrad! #gtchat
- 12:32 am **GiftedHF:** RT @LisaDSB: Oh, we do socialize with other hs'rs but it's hard to find a good fit -- would be same problem at school tho'. #gtchat // Yup!
- 12:32 am **devenkblack:** @tfeacher Going downhill is almost always speedier than going uphill. #gtchat
- 12:32 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @ljconrad: @DeborahMersino WE are Advocates Without Borders!!!! #gtchat
- 12:32 am **LesLinks:** @LisaDSB You should talk to @SusanneWith3 great homeschooling mom.. #gtchat
- 12:33 am **shyj:** @ljconrad Keeping my fingers crossed! #gtchat
- 12:33 am **deepwaterscoach:** @peter\_lydon Excellent point. And it's too bad, b/c diversity is so beautiful. And real life. #gtchat
- 12:33 am **dmchugh675:** @LesLinks we've gotta negotiate with each kid..gifted r otherwise. All have special ed needs...good teaching recognises this. #gtchat
- 12:34 am **LesLinks:** RT @devenkblack: @tfeacher Going downhill is almost always speedier than going uphill. Is.. and easier to slip slide away too... #gtchat
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- 12:34 am **LisaDSB:** @LesLinks - I should! There are lots of online contacts though, b/c of great groups like GHF; locally it's more problematic. #gtchat
- 12:34 am **shyj:** I have tried "sharing" ideas with Ts to encourage more inquiry in classrooms. Not well received #gtchat
- 12:34 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @DeborahMersino: Q4: I believe current gifted advocacy movement needs major overhaul.//Pls say more. What does it need? #gtchat
- 12:34 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat every year there is an international teachers day 5th Oct....
- 12:35 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @ljconrad: Shameless plug ... my next blog post will be about PISA results! :)//Can't wait for the brilliance! #gtchat
- 12:35 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat let's have an international gifted awareness day
- 12:35 am **jofrei:** @LisaDSB Yes that is true -they will probably still be the odd ones out in any group! #gtchat
- 12:35 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @ljconrad: Shameless plug ... my next blog post will be about PISA results! :)<=can't wait! #gtchat
- 12:35 am **shyj:** @DeborahMersino I think the overhaul needs to extend to our whole educational system here in the US. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat maybe TED.com could do something on it...
- 12:35 am **jofrei:** RT @deepwaterscoach: RT @ljconrad: @DeborahMersino WE are Advocates Without Borders!!!! Love it! #gtchat

- 12:35 am **devenkblack:** @ljconrad Shanghai PISA results show how easy it is to game the exams and how little they have to do with anything real. #gtchat
- 12:35 am **tfteacher:** Every kid deserves an IEP (Ira Socol said it, and I agree) #gtchat
- 12:35 am **LisaDSB:** Advocacy sounds great, until you're sitting across from a bunch of educators who won't budge from their positions, despite evidence. #gtchat
- 12:36 am **deepwaterscoach:** @jofrei Oh, hi there! Didn't see you! \*waving\* #gtchat
- 12:36 am **peter\_lydon:** @tfteacher #gtchat agree...but so much time so much workload on top of everthing
- 12:36 am **mygiftedgirl:** RT @LisaDSB: Advocacy sounds great, until you're sitting across from a bunch of educators who won't budge from their positions, despite evidence. #gtchat
- 12:36 am **padgets:** #gtchat It is too bad gifted kids do not have the same protections Sped kids do
- 12:36 am **GiftedHF:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat let's have an international gifted awareness day / maybe Levels of Giftedness Day -too many see gifted as one size
- 12:36 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat lets have an international gifted awareness day//YES!!! @DeborahMersino--did you see this??? #gtchat
- 12:36 am **msoricel:** RT @tfteacher: Every kid deserves an IEP (Ira Socol said it, and I agree) #gtchat
- 12:36 am **LesLinks:** @dmchugh675 @LesLinks True.. Just Teachers are overloaded with needs, & not confident cause not given time to train/assimilate skill #gtchat
- 12:36 am **jofrei:** @deepwaterscoach @jofrei \*waving back\* Hi!!! #gtchat
- 12:36 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @shyj: @DeborahMersino I think the overhaul needs to extend to our whole educational system here in the US.<=Couldn't agree more! #gtchat
- 12:36 am **GiftedHF:** RT @shyj: @DeborahMersino I think the overhaul needs to extend to our whole educational system here in the US. #gtchat //Amen.
- 12:37 am **shyj:** @LisaDSB Or who get upset with you because you are evening questioning things. Been there-done that! #gtchat
- 12:37 am **peter\_lydon:** @GiftedHF #gtchat keep it simple...countries can work out their own arrangements
- 12:37 am **deepwaterscoach:** @jofrei :D #gtchat
- 12:37 am **shyj:** RT @padgets: #gtchat It is too bad gifted kids do not have the same protections Sped kids do
- 12:37 am **DeborahMersino:** Like idea of International Gifted Awareness Day! Trick is - beginning to understand how implicit views of "gifted" impact #gtchat
- 12:37 am **ljconrad:** @devenkblack Perhaps, but I don't think 24 other countries 'gamed' the tests. ;) Invite you to comment on my blog when I post. :) #gtchat
- 12:37 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat issues in US re; teaching..better provision costs money but people want tax cuts..same in Ireland!
- 12:38 am **padgets:** #gtchat you know with tech, I have on lesson I change 29 times thanks to tech, it is not that difficult :-)
- 12:38 am **LesLinks:** @deepwaterscoach @peter\_lydon @DeborahMersino-- Hungarians are planning one of these for I think March .. European Talent day/week?? #gtchat
- 12:38 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @msoricel: RT @tfteacher: Every kid deserves an IEP (Ira Socol said it)//Our state mandates Advanced Learning Plans for GT kids #gtchat
- 12:38 am **GiftedHF:** @peter\_lydon JThe big idea of gt awareness is nice, but what are you going to DO about it? what do you want ppl to be aware of? #gtchat
- 12:38 am **shyj:** @LesLinks Exactly....not given the training they need - hit the nail on the head! #gtchat
- 12:38 am **DeborahMersino:** The international education on gifted needs to address implicit views on

- 12:38 am **padgets:** #gtchat I ment a lesson :)
- 12:38 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat idea is to alter implicit views...make giftedness explicit...open for all to understand
- 12:38 am **GiftedHF:** RT @DeborahMersino: Like idea of International Gifted Awareness Day! Trick is - understanding how implicit views of "gifted" impact #gtchat
- 12:38 am **LisaDSB:** I'm a lawyer, so I martialled my evidence -- IQ scores, bell curve, gifted literature, a solid proposal for acceleration -- no go. #gtchat
- 12:38 am **mygiftedgirl:** We will make real progress when more teachers become advocates, not just the parents. Many wont for fear of their job. #gtchat
- 12:38 am **devenkblack:** @shyj Many say they want a total overhaul of edu system but when faced with change they feel threatened and suspicious. #gtchat
- 12:38 am **LesLinks:** RT @shyj: RT @padgets: #gtchat It is too bad gifted kids do not have the same protections Sped kids do =Now your talking, shouldo #gtchat
- 12:39 am **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedHF - That given the right opportunities, #gifted thrive (i.e. DITD, @GattonAcademy). #gtchat
- 12:39 am **shyj:** @padgets So many teachers wouldn't have a clue to even know where to begin anything like that. #gtchat
- 12:39 am **peter\_lydon:** @LisaDSB #gtchat organisations, esp. schools don;t operate on evidence..they operate on who is in and who is not
- 12:39 am **ljconrad:** I don't believe individual differentiation is feasible in a classroom inclusive of all abilities. Must begin to teach how to learn. #gtchat
- 12:39 am **padgets:** #gtchat maybe look at asking for change in the teacher training programs? New teachers could be the start
- 12:39 am **sammorra:** Wanted to participate in #gtchat but got "stuck" making animation with little dude. Trying to catch up.
- 12:39 am **LesLinks:** @devenkblack @shyj scared of the unknown, as could be worse... ya.. #gtchat
- 12:39 am **peter\_lydon:** @ljconrad #gtchat can work towards it
- 12:40 am **DeborahMersino:** @LisaDSB - Sad. Know you're a force to be reckoned with too. Please join us in continuing the work/needs realignment. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @sammorra: Wanted to participate in #gtchat but got "stuck" making animation with little dude. Trying to catch up.//sounds fun! #gtchat
- 12:40 am **GiftedHF:** @DeborahMersino But not all fit even in those places. Giftedness is diverse - that's impt, too. #gifted #gtchat
- 12:40 am **shyj:** @devenkblack And I think there is such a huge lack of trust that nothing will happen. I see it happen in individual schools. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat...dam..the buzz is kicking in.....
- 12:40 am **DeborahMersino:** @sammorra - Glad you're with us! Love that you're little dude is so creative! #gtchat
- 12:40 am **devenkblack:** @ljconrad I'll look for it and do so. I love to comment, hate to write my blog. #gtchat
- 12:40 am **LesLinks:** RT @padgets: #gtchat maybe look at asking for change in the teacher training programs? New teachers could be the start=wud love 2see #gtchat
- 12:40 am **ljconrad:** @peter\_lydon must re-think education, first! ;) #gtchat
- 12:40 am **dmchugh675:** @LesLinks agree. We tchrs r burdened by law & standards. Give us freedom 2 teach and we can meet all needs but do you trust us? #gtchat
- 12:41 am **cybraryman1:** @tfeacher I started putting together an ILP (Individualized Learning Program) page: <http://bit.ly/caZQ2E> #gtchat

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- 12:41 am **devenkblack:** @snyj People want the schools they went to, no matter how bad an education they got. #gtchat
- 12:41 am **GiftedHF:** RT @ljconrad: I don't believe indiv differentiation is feasible in a classroom inclusive of all abilities. #gtchat Agree. See Bow Tie Theory
- 12:41 am **sammorra:** @DeborahMersino I'll share it once it renders. It is too funny. #gtchat
- 12:41 am **shyj:** @ljconrad How to learn, how to problem solve, how to question #gtchat
- 12:41 am **peter\_lydon:** @ljconrad #gtchat that's a big ask....might oaks from little acorns grow
- 12:41 am **ljconrad:** @shyj How to be a critical thinker! #gtchat
- 12:41 am **DeborahMersino:** Challenge to all: Recognize that we have power in spite of overwhelming obstacles. One child, one change, one reform at a time. #gtchat
- 12:42 am **shyj:** @devenkblack I hear that ALL the time..."When I went to school....blah, blah, blah" Exasperating! #gtchat
- 12:42 am **peter\_lydon:** @GiftedHF #gtchat have outline idea but would need usual refinement through discourse
- 12:42 am **jofrei:** RT @cybraryman1: @tfeacher I started putting together an ILP (Individualized Learning Program) page: <http://bit.ly/caZQ2E> #gtchat
- 12:42 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @cybraryman1: @tfeacher I started putting together an ILP (Individualized Learning Program) page: <http://bit.ly/caZQ2E> #gtchat
- 12:42 am **shyj:** @ljconrad AMEN!!!! #gtchat
- 12:42 am **DeborahMersino:** Recognizing the inherent problems, challenges is only first step; we must be willing to seek out/drastrically challenge/create. #gtchat
- 12:42 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat yeah @leslinks...European Gifted awareness week or something
- 12:43 am **devenkblack:** I don't think problem-solving can be taught, it can only be learned. #gtchat #edchat #spedchat
- 12:43 am **GiftedHF:** @peter\_lydon Of course! #gtchat is a good sounding board.
- 12:43 am **ljconrad:** RT @DeborahMersino: Challenge to all: Recognize that we have power in spite of overwhelming obstacles. Amen! :D #gtchat
- 12:43 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon Some are looking for the acorns. I've got a huge pile of them if anyone was just willing to take them. #gtchat
- 12:43 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @shyj: @peter\_lydon Some are looking for the acorns. I've got a huge pile of them if anyone was just willing to take them.//LOL! #gtchat
- 12:44 am **peter\_lydon:** @shyj #gtchat don't know what to say....
- 12:44 am **GiftedHF:** @DeborahMersino It seems to me we need to decide what the goals are - and getting agreement is virt. impossible b/c diff values #gtchat
- 12:44 am **LisaDSB:** I give advice on local gifted board to many frustrated parents. All advocating is currently done on individual basis - ineffective. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **sammorra:** I thought I knew something about teaching gifted students. Trying to parent one through school is harder. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **DeborahMersino:** Q5: What can YOU commit to as a potential member of Advocacy Without Borders in terms of supporting high-potential learners? #gtchat
- 12:44 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack True...but the learning of Problem Solving can be facilitated by the teacher. #gtchat
- 12:44 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat I have this pathological distaste of wasted potential
- 12:45 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon Want to grow some trees? #gtchat
- 12:45 am **GiftedHF:** RT @devenkblack: I don't think problem-solving can be taught it can only be learned. #gtchat / Disagree. Sometimes kids need steps explained
- 12:45 am **padgets:** #gtchat I can advocate an appropriate pace that a child can go through the

- 12:45 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @sammorra: I thought I knew something about teaching gifted students. Trying to parent one through school is harder.//wow! #gtchat
- 12:45 am **devenkblack:** @dmchugh675 True, but it is so much more effective when the learning of problem-solving is facilitated by life. #gtchat
- 12:45 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat gonna set up a page on my website www.geography.ie and perhaps focus my blog in that direction too
- 12:45 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat I have this pathological distaste of wasted potential//GT attribute. In this case, we're all pathological #gtchat
- 12:45 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat not a great website i might add but there none theless...;
- 12:46 am **LesLinks:** I find, when I share with teachers giftedness, and a few strategies, most r eager for more, sadly it's all Uni allows them..& me ;-( #gtchat
- 12:46 am **GiftedHF:** @sammorra #gtchat Yes - when you've met one #gifted kid, you have met ONE gifted kid!
- 12:46 am **shyj:** I find myself getting more and more discouraged lately. My son WANTS to learn everything and no one is willing to take him up on it. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **DeborahMersino:** Q5: Stop complaining. Start acting. Find small thread of consensus - work from that point. Stay upbeat/real. Think like a linchpin. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **devenkblack:** @GiftedHF The steps can be explained, but it is better if they are discovered. That's the difference between teaching and learning. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat thanks...don;t think I am but there you go...
- 12:46 am **LisaDSB:** So many gifted kids get labled as behaviour problems in K-3 b/c they NEED to learn, but are bored. Need to advocate for early ID. #gtchat
- 12:46 am **GiftedHF:** @devenkblack Depends on the kid and how their brain works. One they 'get' it, they #gtchat
- 12:47 am **LisaDSB:** Not even sure what we're discussing now -- I've just gone off on a rant, lol. #gtchat
- 12:47 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: @DeepWatersCoach #gtchat thanks...don;t think I am but there you go...//it's sometimes how we're viewed... #gtchat
- 12:47 am **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino Have researched ed systems of top countries for past 6 months! Plan to share presentation online. Eye opening result #gtchat
- 12:47 am **jofrei:** Q5 My contribution to Advocacy without Borders would be what I am doing now with Gifted Resources website newsletter Sprite's Site #gtchat
- 12:47 am **DeborahMersino:** Not sure why I feel a bit disappointed in this chat. Seems to me that we're not identifying possibilities/more interested in blaming #gtchat
- 12:47 am **GiftedHF:** ... I hate when I hit 'send' too soon by accident! #gtchat
- 12:47 am **PrydeAndJoy:** @awl0307 whatchu think? RT @tteacher: Every kid deserves an IEP (Ira Socol said it, and I agree) #gtchat
- 12:47 am **DeborahMersino:** Is it just me? #gtchat
- 12:47 am **LesLinks:** @shyj He needs a mentor or mentors.... you must search for this.. either in community or on line, what are his interests? #gtchat
- 12:47 am **peter\_lydon:** @ljconrad #gtchat been meaning to look at Finland given recent press coverage here...
- 12:48 am **sweetieberry:** Simply connecting GT teachers via Skype & streaming has done wonders #gtchat/ @LesLinks
- 12:48 am **deepwaterscoach:** @DeborahMersino What are you wanting? #gtchat
- 12:48 am **shyj:** @DeborahMersino I do keep looking for one ray of hope in our school, one T who is willing to step out of the box for the kids #gtchat

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- 12:48 am **padgets:** #gtchat Do you all know about the dancer?
- 12:48 am **DeborahMersino:** Of course, I understand the need to vent/want this to be a safe place but this doesn't seem as productive as other chats #gtchat
- 12:48 am **peter\_lydon:** @shyj #gtchat get on the PTA....
- 12:48 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack I agree...nothing beats the "university of life". That said....we can tailor education to address real life issues. #gtchat
- 12:48 am **GiftedHF:** @DeborahMersino Not blaming, but identifying problems. Gotta identify before you can propose solutions. Big picture. #gtchat
- 12:48 am **shyj:** RT @LisaDSB: So many gifted kids get labled as behaviour problems in K-3 b/c they NEED to learn, but are bored. Need to advocate for early ID. #gtchat
- 12:49 am **ljconrad:** @peter\_lydon Have notes on Finland sitting on my desk ... :) #gtchat
- 12:49 am **DeborahMersino:** I take responsibility for that. Please remember, the goal of these chats is to stay focused, on purpose and find creative solutions #gtchat
- 12:49 am **cybraryman1:** @DeborahMersino Need a strong mission statement for AWB #gtchat
- 12:49 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat international gifted awareness day is a suggestion...I will draft something on this maybe for another day?
- 12:49 am **deepwaterscoach:** @DeborahMersino Chat's gone awry--we've had them hijacked before! Take the wheel--guide the plane! What do you want? #gtchat
- 12:49 am **padgets:** #gtchat when one person starts to dance then someone joins in and soon all join in , we could all be that 1st dancer
- 12:49 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon @shyj School Board better.... #gtchat
- 12:49 am **shyj:** @LisaDSB Early ID and have an action plan for them. That would be a great place to start. #gtchat
- 12:49 am **sweetieberry:** Isolation brings frustration I think so many feel unsupported #gtchat/  
@DeborahMersino
- 12:50 am **devenkblack:** @dmchugh675 The question is whether those real-life simulations have consequences beyond the assessment. #gtchat
- 12:50 am **peter\_lydon:** @ljconrad #gtchat what do they have by way of ea?
- 12:50 am **shyj:** @LesLinks He is interested in absolutely everything! We've had him take 2 online courses so far and are investigating more. #gtchat
- 12:50 am **DeborahMersino:** Let's wrap up early. I agree we must identify problems before they can be solved. Hope that in the future we can stay on course w/?s #gtchat
- 12:50 am **mygiftedgirl:** in FL..we have more in place for #gifted, but we're barely holding on with state \$issues -scared we're going to lose it! #gtchat
- 12:50 am **sweetieberry:** Tweeting enroute to a dinner via cab tonight in DC #gtchat/ time to go!
- 12:50 am **devenkblack:** @dmchugh675 Lessons should come from problems, not problems from lessons. #gtchat
- 12:50 am **shyj:** @LesLinks Also had him take the ACT test to see what doors that will open for him. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **peter\_lydon:** RT @devenkblack: @dmchugh675 Lessons should come from problems, not problems from lessons. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon Our PTA is by "invitation." They won't ask me..... #gtchat
- 12:51 am **DeborahMersino:** Feel free to continue chatting. If you plan to participate next week though, I'd like to ask that you avoid one-off chats #gtchat
- 12:51 am **sammorra:** Assess needs. Prioritize. State vision. Act. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **ljconrad:** <--- placing self in time out! :( #gtchat

- 12:51 am **GiftedHF:** @DeborahMersino Letting parents know they are not alone... letting them know of options... brainstorming. ..All are positive. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **LesLinks:** @DeborahMersino So.. What is one proactive thing everyone is going to do to try and make their school situation more positive.. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **deepwaterscoach:** @DeborahMersino We were talking abt school choice. Seems we're talking abt diff between learning and teaching--more global. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **DeborahMersino:** We're here to collaborate, but need focus. Otherwise, we're just awry. #gtchat
- 12:51 am **jofrei:** RT @ljconrad: @DeborahMersino Have researched ed systems of top countries for past 6 months! Plan to share presentation online Great! #gtchat
- 12:52 am **peter\_lydon:** @jofrei #gtchat useful to be able to go to one's school with best international practice
- 12:52 am **dmchugh675:** @devenblack Totally agree...which is why we have to allow students some freedom to choose what they learn. #gtchat
- 12:52 am **LesLinks:** @shyj @peter\_lydon You could contest that... hold an election.. not democratic... #gtchat
- 12:52 am **dmchugh675:** RT @devenblack: @dmchugh675 Lessons should come from problems, not problems from lessons. #gtchat
- 12:52 am **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino I answered Q6. :( #gtchat
- 12:52 am **deepwaterscoach:** @DeborahMersino I think we're also building community, & for so long, many of us have not had this. We need each other to move ahead #gtchat
- 12:52 am **DeborahMersino:** Also, a huge value of mine is positivity. Please bring it with you in the weeks ahead if at all possible. Thank you all. #gtchat
- 12:52 am **peter\_lydon:** @LesLinks #gtchat don't follow...
- 12:53 am **devenblack:** @dmchugh675 Why some? #gtchat
- 12:53 am **ljconrad:** Part of the problem may be that so many people simply do not have choices. Frustrating. #gtchat
- 12:53 am **DeborahMersino:** That's it for this week, folks. Please use #gifted tag for one-off convos. Use #gtchat for topics pertinent to the subject at hand. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **devenblack:** @dmchugh675 Let me clarify that. Why only some? #gtchat
- 12:54 am **shyj:** @LesLinks I am going to our Superintendent to get approval for son to take online courses at school. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **jofrei:** @peter\_lydon @jofrei I just report the good things I hear and hope they will be useful to some people #gtchat
- 12:54 am **dmchugh675:** @devenblack I did add the "some" in after some thought! #gtchat
- 12:54 am **devenblack:** RT @ljconrad: Part of the problem may be that so many people simply do not have choices. Frustrating. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **DeborahMersino:** @ljconrad - Agree. But with that comes responsibility. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **GiftedHF:** @LesLinks maybe the question shouldn't be making school sit. more positive, but making learning environment more positive. #gtchat
- 12:54 am **LesLinks:** @DeborahMersino We've gone off on tangents.. sorry.. ;-( #gtchat
- 12:54 am **padgets:** #gtchat bye everyone, thanks for the chat, take care and have a great week :-)
- 12:55 am **DeborahMersino:** @devenblack - I appreciate your being here, but hope you'll review past transcripts to see how we best function as a group. #gtchat
- 12:55 am **DeborahMersino:** Night. #gtchat
- 12:55 am **peter\_lydon:** @shyj #gtchat yes...must be diplomatic and patient I'm afraid
- 12:55 am **devenblack:** @dmchugh675 I dropped out of HS, twice, so I would have the freedom to

- 12:55 am **dmchugh675:** @devenblack we r adults after all and we need to pass on some of our experience which is why we need to set some parameters. #gtchat
- 12:55 am **peter\_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat thanks Deborah
- 12:56 am **devenblack:** @dmchugh675 Sometimes kids to better ignoring the lessons adults teach. In fact, that's often true. Adults ignore meta-lessons. #gtchat
- 12:57 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon @LesLinks @shyj said had to be 'invited' onto pta, I said should hold election... ;-) #gtchat
- 12:57 am **deepwaterscoach:** @DeborahMersino Thanks for leading! #gtchat
- 12:57 am **amandamichelle:** but it \*can\* be modeled RT @devenblack: I don't think problem-solving can be taught, it can only be learned. #gtchat #edchat #spedchat
- 12:58 am **peter\_lydon:** @LesLinks yeah..missed that...obviously a bit different in Ireland..#gtchat
- 12:58 am **GiftedHF:** @LisaDSB Thanks for the plug! :- ) #gtchat
- 12:58 am **devenblack:** @AmandaMichelle Absolutely, but that also should happen in life more than in the classroom. #gtchat #edchat #spedchat
- 12:58 am **LesLinks:** Thanks Deborah, I hope you have a good evening and night... your the prit stick that keeps our pages together.. !!! #gtchat
- 12:58 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat off to jot down ideas of gifted awareness day...
- 12:58 am **LisaDSB:** @GiftedHF @LisaDSB Glad you spotted it :- ) #gtchat
- 12:59 am **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon @LesLinks Ya it is different..;-) #gtchat
- 12:59 am **peter\_lydon:** @shyj #gtchat yeah, it's tough...but your children have a righ to an education befitting there needs...difficult balancing act to ask
- 12:59 am **deepwaterscoach:** All are invited to the #gtstooxies lobby for post-chat. #gtchat
- 1:00 am **LesLinks:** #gtstooxies for a few minutes?? #gtchat
- 1:01 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon I'm trying to convince our school of just that. I keep hitting brick walls so I'm getting bigger sledgehammer! #gtchat
- 1:01 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat @shyj eventually they'll get the message you're not going away..good for you
- 1:02 am **peter\_lydon:** #gtstooxies night all #gtchat
- 1:02 am **dmchugh675:** @devenblack Ok...we have google...u learn what u want ... no need for teachers? #gtchat
- 1:02 am **deepwaterscoach:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtstooxies night all #gtchat//g'nite! Lovely chatting w/ you! #gtstooxies
- 1:04 am **0Quest0:** Sorry to have missed this one - fascinating topic. Looking forward to transcript #Gtchat
- 1:04 am **shyj:** @peter\_lydon They only have to deal w/ me for 5 more yrs,son graduates. Of course I will keep challenging them though, 4 other kids #gtchat
- 1:06 am **shyj:** Time for me to shut down for the night. Thanks everyone. I always appreciate hearing from other passionate educators. #gtchat
- 1:06 am **amandamichelle:** @devenblack ennh... problems are all around & kids spend most of life in the classroom, why not there most of all #gtchat #edchat #spedchat
- 1:11 am **devenblack:** @dmchugh675 Everyone needs teachers, but I'm not sure they need school. #gtchat
- 1:13 am **doctorjeff:** YOu mean .... I missed #gtchat???
- 1:14 am **barefootglenda:** Everyone needs teachers, but I'm not sure they need school. Via @devenblack I couldn't agree more! #gtchat
- 1:16 am **dmchugh675:** @devenblack ..or are ready for it. I agree that a 'one size fits all' aproach is

- 1:22 am **doctorjeff:** @DeepWatersCoach @LesLinks @ljconrad Ok I get #gtchat, but what are #gtstooxies? Are they those that #gtchat?
- 1:25 am **jofrei:** @doctorjeff Some people call #gtstooxies the crazy ones -we prefer the term creative! We chat about general stuff after the #gtchat
- 1:25 am **doctorjeff:** @jofrei so it always follows #gtchat..... you mean you are at this very moment #gtstooxie -ing?
- 1:27 am **devenkblack:** @dmchugh675 Schools and flexible are hardly ever in the same paragraph, much less the same sentence. Schools can't be flexible. #gtchat
- 1:29 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack I agree...but what's the alternative? #gtchat
- 1:39 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack at what age should they leave? I agree that school doesn't suit many but I'd rather adapt school than do away with it. #gtchat
- 1:43 am **Hope4MeToo:** I think it is the teacher that makes the difference - not the school. #GTchat
- 1:45 am **JeanneBernish:** #gtchat Heads up to Jay Matthews (WaPo) on why urban schools don't need gifted programs: <http://tinyurl.com/394sjxc>
- 1:49 am **deepwaterscoach:** @doctorjeff You can join us for #gtchat too on Fridays @ Noon & 7 p.m. ET, and stooxies nonsense takes place before & after #gtstooxies
- 1:49 am **JeanneBernish:** Matthews seems gleeful at underachieving gifted not having all the answers. So wrong on so many levels. #gtchat
- 1:50 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack ..but u graduated. Where im from if ur kicked out/ drop out at 13 ...youre out and u dont graduate. U end up hating ed. #gtchat
- 1:51 am **CaliFather:** RT @devenkblack: America was much more successful when we measured learning by accomplishments instead of by test scores. #gtchat
- 1:51 am **devenkblack:** @dmchugh675 I hated HS & only graduated b/c I came back & took all the finals. I got schooled on my terms mostly. #gtchat
- 1:52 am **doctorjeff:** It just doesn't seem right that a post #gtchat chat should be topicless. Where's the gt in that? #gtstooxies
- 1:54 am **padgets:** #gtstooxies @doctorjeff sometimes you have to #gtchat out, de-stress, take a load off, roll with the flow man, groovy
- 1:55 am **doctorjeff:** @DeepWatersCoach ok, I'll hang on to that branch for the moment....what was the #gtchat topic? #gtstooxies
- 1:57 am **dmchugh675:** @devenkblack Fair play to ya. U had a drive. #gtchat
- 1:57 am **tkraz:** @LesLinks Thanks! Don't mind if I do. Is it okay to do this chat first and spill over to #gtchat some other time? :) #gtstooxies
- 2:01 am **doctorjeff:** @LesLinks @deepwaterscoach @DeepWatersCoach yes, but you are fondly looking back with the experience of tonite's #gtchat #gtstooxies
- 2:23 am **DeborahMersino:** ATTN #gtchat - ers. Methinks I had a lack of patience tonight 4 sure. My apologies for letting that spill over. You all matter!! #gtstooxies
- 2:25 am **GiftedHF:** @DeborahMersino Even you can't always be perfect :) #gtchat #gtstooxies
- 2:27 am **LisaDSB:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat No worries. It's like trying to keep 40 people all talking at once to keep the convo flowing in 1 direction. Hard!
- 2:32 am **berganknights:** RT @cybraryman1 PISA results prove that learning how to take a test doesn't mean you've 'learned' anything! #gtchat
- 2:38 am **EvaMayla:** @DeborahMersino Sorry I couldn't be here tonight, but I read part of the conversation. Don't worry. You have a good and valid point! #gtchat
- 2:41 am **EvaMayla:** Q5: As an advocate without frontiers I attend this events and pass knowledge and advice to other parents here. Demystify+educate #gtchat
- 2:45 am **teachgiftedkid:** Long day tomorrow. Up at 5:45 for an academic meet. Feeling prepared for it but wish I could get going on Christmas plans instead. #gtchat

- 5:06 am **LFimlaid:** RT @cybraryman1: I also feel that Blended Learning could really help rural as well as urban schools #gtchat
- 5:59 am **shannonej:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 6:53 am **armadillosoft:** @DeborahMersino Wish I could have participated. I totally failed my older daughter in re: school. W/younger, I did much better. #gtchat
- 7:22 am **louwins:** Join us for #elemchat Saturday 6pm US EST;10pm GMT; Sunday 9am Sydney; Topic-Differentiating Assessments #edchat #ntchat #ukedchat #gtchat
- 8:54 am **chriscattaneo:** RT @louwins: Join us for #elemchat Saturday 6pm US EST;10pm GMT; Sunday 9am Sydney; Topic-Differentiating Assessments #edchat #ntchat #ukedchat #gtchat
- 11:36 am **LesLinks:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." Mark Twain #gtchat
- 12:33 pm **doctorjeff:** A child ... will be overcome with learning something new, so why is so much education devoid of emotion? #edchat #gtchat #cpchat #NSTA
- 12:34 pm **Susannewith3:** Ugh, trying to find out if schooling choices will be carried over to next Friday. Anyone know? #gtchat?
- 1:14 pm **LisaDSB:** @dayswmd #gtchat is every Friday at noon and 7 p.m. EST (guess that's 9 and 4 for you in BC). Feel free to join in!
- 1:23 pm **Ijconrad:** RT @GiftedPhoenix Emerging concerns about Vietnam's immense investment in #gifted ed <http://bit.ly/hQDRLW> #gtchat
- 1:36 pm **Ijconrad:** RT @GiftedPhoenix Finnish explain #oecdписа success <http://bit.ly/hi5lz0> My blog:Finns have cause 4 concern: <http://bit.ly/hzowjK> #gtchat
- 1:52 pm **louwins:** #elemchat is Saturday 6pm US EST, 10pm GMT, Sunday 9am Sydney; Topic 'Differentiating Assessments' #ukedchat, #gtchat, #ntchat #edchat
- 1:56 pm **Ijconrad:** RT @GiftedPhoenix A new blogpost by Peter Lydon from Ireland A great idea for all #gtchat members! <http://bit.ly/i4cRR1> #gifted
- 1:58 pm **LesLinks:** RT @Ijconrad: RT @GiftedPhoenix A new blogpost by Peter Lydon from Ireland A great idea for all #gtchat members! <http://bit.ly/i4cRR1> #gifted
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- 1:59 pm **LesLinks:** RT @doctorjeff: A child ... will be overcome with learning something new, so why is so much education devoid of emotion? #edchat #gtchat #cpchat #NSTA
- 2:05 pm **Ijconrad:** @GiftedStudies the mythology of giftedness is dispelled, awareness is raised, and the importance of #gifted education is recognized! #gtchat
- 2:08 pm **Ijconrad:** @Susannewith3 Highly doubtful! There is a slight chance if hell freezes over! ;) #gtchat
- 2:40 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino Last night shows we need to divide #gtchat into 2: a. global + strategic (the big picture) and b. parents' sharing problems
- 2:46 pm **cpoole27:** Turn texting teens into published novelists <http://bit.ly/hVdDNU> #edchat #engchat #vanmeter #elemchat #cpchat #gtchat
- 3:02 pm **unigsuseq:** RT @cpoole27: Turn texting teens into published novelists <http://bit.ly/hVdDNU> #edchat #engchat #vanmeter #elemchat #cpchat #gtchat
- 3:02 pm **Ijconrad:** Read The #gtchat Daily on <http://bit.ly/fcvi5>
- 3:25 pm **educguess:** RT @Ijconrad: Read The #gtchat Daily on <http://bit.ly/fcvi5>
- 3:29 pm **educguess:** RT @doctorjeff: A child ... will be overcome with learning something new, so why is so much education devoid of emotion? #edchat #gtchat #cpchat #NSTA

- 3:37 pm **\_\_fury:** Twitter: Current Twitter hashtags for Educators #mathchat #elemchat #ntchat #gtchat (gifted) #ukedchat #edchat #... <http://bit.ly/gfPEgH>
- 4:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Will be announcing a holiday #gtchat break later today. We can think about this during break. Perhaps begin new chats in Jan.
- 4:08 pm **debmc3:** RT @doctorjeff: A child ... will be overcome with learning something new, so why is so much education devoid of emotion? #edchat #gtchat #cpchat #NSTA
- 4:28 pm **Begabungs:** RT @ljconrad: Read The #gtchat Daily on <http://bit.ly/fcvi5>
- 4:28 pm **Begabungs:** RT @ljconrad: RT @GiftedPhoenix A new blogpost by Peter Lydon from Ireland A great idea for all #gtchat members! <http://bit.ly/i4cRR1> #gifted
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- 4:29 pm **Begabungs:** RT @sweetieberry: Isolation brings frustration I think so many feel unsupported #gtchat/ @DeborahMersino
- 4:56 pm **doctorjeff:** Daddy, how far is "Outer Space"?? It must be really really far! <http://bit.ly/glvGM> #SSEP #teacher #science #space #gtchat #scichat #ecosys
- 4:56 pm **doctorjeff:** WE COLLECTIVELY BURY OUR HEADS IN THE SAND: The Address of a Self-Important World <http://bit.ly/cDHZ8H> #gtchat
- 4:58 pm **doctorjeff:** TEACHERS - HAPPY HOLIDAYS A thank you to teachers everywhere, if you've not read: @Huffpost <http://huff.to/AWvTw> #ecosys #gtchat #SSEP
- 5:26 pm **SciFiAdventure:** RT @doctorjeff: WE COLLECTIVELY BURY OUR HEADS IN THE SAND: The Address of a Self-Important World <http://bit.ly/cDHZ8H> #gtchat
- 6:21 pm **DeborahMersino:** @DazzlId - My transcript source, wthashtag is down. Will post as soon as it's back up. Sorry! We missed you/hope you are well! #gtchat
- 6:41 pm **DeborahMersino:** Hi all! TY for all of your support relative to #gtchat. I'm going to brainstorm varying options for our 2011 chat schedule. Stay tuned!
- 6:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** ATTN: While brainstorming best approaches for 2011, I'm going to declare the remainder of 2010 a #gtchat holiday! #gifted #edchat #break
- 6:46 pm **DeborahMersino:** ATTN: #gtchat fans. I hope you'll continue to converse, post articles, blogs and the like in the next few weeks. #gifted
- 6:47 pm **DeborahMersino:** ATTN: #gtchat fans: My hope is to get caught up on posting transcripts to the Ingenious site & determine strategies for 2011! TY all again!
- 7:08 pm **peter\_lydon:** #gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies I said I'd jot ideas on a Wrld Gifted Aware.Day here's my thoughts <http://bit.ly/ggKnxq>.feel free to feedback+
- 7:18 pm **LesLinks:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies = ideas on a Wrld Gifted Aware.Day heres my thoughts <http://bit.ly/ggKnxq>. =feedback+ #gtchat
- 7:58 pm **DazzlId:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies I said I'd jot ideas on a Wrld Gifted Aware.Day here's my thoughts <http://bit.ly/ggKnxq>.feel free to feedback+
- 8:07 pm **peter\_lydon:** :#gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies sample Website WGAD here <http://bit.ly/hOAppc> feedback welcome
- 8:14 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Indeed, and right back atcha! => RT @DeborahMersino: ...@AsynschlrfsFnd Many thanks for RTs & mentions. Collaboration.rocks. #gtchat
- 8:38 pm **LesLinks:** @peter\_lydon Looks fantastic!!! love the blue green too... ! #gtstoogies #gtchat #gifted
- 9:12 pm **LesLinks:** RT @peter\_lydon: :#gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies sample Website WGAD here <http://bit.ly/hOAppc> feedback welcome
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- 9:15 pm **HHG:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies I said I'd jot ideas on a Wrld Gifted Aware.Day here's my thoughts <http://bit.ly/ggKnxq>..feel free to feedback+
- 9:35 pm **gret:** Join us in 25 min for #elemchat: Topic-Differentiating Assessments #edchat #ntchat #ukedchat #gtchat #yam
- 9:36 pm **grade1:** RT @gret: Join us in 25 min for #elemchat: Topic-Differentiating Assessments #edchat #ntchat #ukedchat #gtchat #yam
- 9:38 pm **louwins:** RT @gret: Join us in 25 min (5pm US EST) for #elemchat: Topic-Differentiating Assessments #edchat #ntchat #ukedchat #gtchat #yam
- 9:52 pm **tcash:** Join us in 10 minutes for #elemchat topic: How do we differentiate assessments for learners at varying levels of understanding? #gtchat
- 10:43 pm **jofrei:** RT @peter\_lydon: #gtchat #gifted #gtstoogies I said I'd jot ideas on a Wrld Gifted Aware.Day here's my thoughts <http://bit.ly/ggKnxq>..feel free to feedback+
- 10:49 pm **MaryStGeorge:** @peter\_lydon Looking good, have commented further at [http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group\\_156128687756927&ap=1](http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group_156128687756927&ap=1) #gtchat
- 11:05 pm **AudreyFG:** A well deserved break. Thx for all you do! @DeborahMersino #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **doctorjeff:** Daddy, how far is "Outer Space"?? It must be really really far! <http://bit.ly/glvGM> #SSEP #teacher #science #space #gtchat #scichat #ecosys