



Transcript from March 18, 2011 to March 19, 2011

All times are Pacific Time

March 18, 2011

- 2:40 am **DeborahMersino:** "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" will be our #gtchat topic tomorrow at noon/EST tomorrow, 03.18. Join us!
- 3:28 am **asynschlrnsfnd:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" will be our #gtchat topic tomorrow at noon/EST tomorrow, 03.18. #fb
- 3:28 am **asynschlrnsfnd:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis" will be our 7pm/EST #gtchat topic tomorrow, 03.18. Join us! #gifted #fb
- 5:46 am **jofrei:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis" will be our 7pm/EST #gtchat topic tomorrow, 03.18. Join us! #gifted #parenting #edchat
- 5:47 am **jofrei:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" will be our #gtchat topic tomorrow at noon/EST tomorrow, 03.18. Join us!
- 8:31 am **Begabung:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" will be our #gtchat topic tomorrow at noon/EST tomorrow, 03.18. Join us!
- 10:48 am **cybraryman1:** RT @jofrei: RT @DeborahMersino: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" #gtchat topic Noon EST today!
- 10:48 am **cybraryman1:** RT @jofrei: RT @DeborahMersino: "Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis" 7pm/EST #gtchat topic
- 11:36 am **Begabung:** RT @DeborahMersino: "Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis" will be our 7pm/EST #gtchat topic tomorrow, 03.18. Join us! #gifted #parenting #edchat
- 2:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @asynschlrnsfnd: RT @DeborahMersino: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session" will be our #gtchat topic tomorrow at noon/EST tomorrow, 03.18. #fb
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- 3:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** @BarackObama - Thank you for the follow. #gtchat #edchat #gifted
- 3:44 pm **DeborahMersino:** @mareserinitatis @Begabung @Lisa_Rivero @jofrei @cybraryman1 @inkscrblr - Many thanks for the RTs and mentions. #gtchat
- 3:49 pm **Nodinsnest:** RT @DeborahMersino: @BarackObama - Thank you for the follow. #gtchat #edchat #gifted
- 3:53 pm **DeborahMersino:** My tweets 4 next hour will be devoted to #gtchat. Pardon heavy stream; feel free 2 unfollow/join in. Topic: Dear Mr. President #gtchat

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Transcript for #gtchat - What the Hasht...

- 4:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome to #gtchat! Our topic: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session." Join us now! #gifted #talentdev #edchat #STEM #gtchat
- 4:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** Please take a moment to introduce yourselves, your role (parent, educator, advocate) & share where you reside. TY! #gtchat
- 4:01 pm **teachagiftedkid:** RT @DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat! Our topic: "Dear Mr. President: An Advocacy Ideation Session." #gifted #talentdev #edchat #gtchat
- 4:01 pm **DeborahMersino:** I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, social media consultant/speaker w/Ingeniusus, wife/mom to 2 girls - living in Colorado. #gtchat
- 4:01 pm **SeaburySchool:** We're a school for #gifted students in Tacoma, Wash. #gtchat
- 4:02 pm **ericcole:** Eric Cole, Instructional Technology Facilitator with an interest in Global Education projects and connections. Marion, NC #gtchat
- 4:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome Washington and Texas! I'm moving over to TweetDeck. TweetChat seems to be slow today. #gtchat
- 4:02 pm **halleyrebecca:** Halley Griffin from @SeaburySchool for #gifted students in #Tacoma, Wash. Alumna and staff. #gtchat
- 4:02 pm **jofrei:** Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources in Melbourne Australia www.giftedresources.org 3.00am Saturday here #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome @ericcole. I like seeing new faces! #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **SeaburySchool:** Yep, regular Twitter doesn't seem to be loading tweets for us. #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome Australia! #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** Give me a moment...still working on getting to TweetDeck. #gtchat
- 4:04 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** Hello from wet, miserable England. Nearly got caught out by the time change. I'm a writer, consultant and parent on #gifted matters #gtchat
- 4:04 pm **cybraryman1:** Twitterbrarian who is an advocate of quality education that involves students in learning process #gtchat
- 4:04 pm **teachagiftedkid:** Looking forward to this #gtchat [Like it? <http://bit.ly/enO3FJ>]
- 4:05 pm **EclipsingX:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian who is an advocate of quality education that involves students in learning process #gtchat
- 4:06 pm **cybraryman1:** Try Tweetchat #gtchat
- 4:06 pm **ljconrad:** Hi from Pittsburgh! Gifted Parenting Support blog author, advocate, consultant to local parents, and parent of 2 gifted! #gtchat
- 4:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** All right! Ready to get started. I'm excited about today's chat. I've had an idea brewing and would like to get input. #gtchat
- 4:07 pm **teachagiftedkid:** I'm sure there are more gifted advocates out there - come on, introduce yourselves. #gtchat [Like it? <http://bit.ly/emPNg6>]
- 4:07 pm **SeaburySchool:** Let's go! #gtchat
- 4:08 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat Some of the UK/Eire contingent may be thinking they're not due to start for another hour? (time change your end?)
- 4:08 pm **FlyontheCWall:** RT @cybraryman1: Twitterbrarian who is an advocate of quality education that involves students in learning process #gtchat
- 4:08 pm **GaryBrannigan:** Child psychologist from upstate, New York #gtchat
- 4:08 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q1: What do you think of a new SM campaign in the US directed to emphasize need for talent dev/gifted ed support? Details to come. #gtchat
- 4:09 pm **halleyrebecca:** @GiftedPhoenix Good call - we did have Daylight Savings on Sunday here. It was confusing last time, too! #gtchat
- 4:09 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix yes - daylight savings...thank you for letting me know. #gtchat

- 4:09 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat As the sun isn't yet over the yardarm here, I'm beer free this evening - so extra alert!
- 4:09 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q1: This would involve all of us. Emails/posts/etc. would be directed at President Obama (yes US focus). #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **SeaburySchool:** Q1: I think we're all about the social media here! #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **DeborahMersino:** However, we could include an option to have emails/posts/etc. directed to Congress/Senate also. #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **SeaburySchool:** Q1: I wonder who/how many people run the @barackobama Twitter feed ... #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat I've been noticing the call for more support. May be too late for local districts. No money to keep programs going or build new.
- 4:10 pm **jofrei:** @GiftedPhoenix I alerted the Aussies to new times - will change again for us after 8 April #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **SeaburySchool:** Q1: Would messages get read? By the right people? How can we ensure someone sees us. #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** Q1. #gtchat Well we could help you by exemplifying how some countries are pulling ahead of the US by investing heavily in #gifted education
- 4:11 pm **DeborahMersino:** The idea would be that we would want to be coordinated in our messaging, in concert w/ work of NAGC and CEC. #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Love this. #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @jofrei We're also due to change on 27 March #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **DeborahMersino:** @SeaburySchool Great point. Related to Q2. #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **cybraryman1:** q1 A Blog Carnival is another way to spread the ideas #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **SeaburySchool:** @GiftedPhoenix I think that would send a clear message for sure. #gtchat
- 4:12 pm **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid Yes - Angie brings up a good point. Local school districts suffering as state cuts to ed have been dire. #gtchat
- 4:12 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat I've tried exemplifying other countries pulling ahead. Most I deal with are too involved in every day, local to see beyond.
- 4:12 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** RT @cybraryman1: q1 A Blog Carnival is another way to spread the ideas #gtchat
- 4:12 pm **DeborahMersino:** @cybraryman1 Can you say more about Blog Carnival? Do you mean a series of Blog Posts directed at the President/key const.? #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **Ron_Peck:** #gtchat Hi all, am lurking but very interested in the topic.
- 4:13 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @teachagiftedkid Yes - probably a more telling argument with federal government #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **DeborahMersino:** I want our efforts to be quite coordinated - and hopefully cull support from the CEC and NAGC. We need grassroots support/numbers #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **DeborahMersino:** @Ron_Peck I'm grateful you are here. I'm a fan. #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **familysimpson:** RT @cybraryman1: q1 A Blog Carnival is another way to spread the ideas #gtchat
- 4:14 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat is there an app to create a Twitter Petition?
- 4:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** Just so that everyone has the links, I'm going to post some of the more recent position papers/links to NAGC and CEC. #gtchat
- 4:14 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat I was just thinking 'grass roots' @deborahmersino But some feel their hands are tied by school district and/or state officials.
- 4:14 pm **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino This is a great idea, but message needs to be well controlled. Very respectful. #gtchat

- 4:15 pm **DeborahMersino:** Link to CEC The Association for the Gifted - includes position papers on Rtl, etc. <http://bit.ly/gTDgbq> #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **jofrei:** Q1 How would this work - does someone in the President's office follow or ??? #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **GaryBrannigan:** RT @ljconrad: @DeborahMersino This is a great idea, but message needs to be well controlled. Very respectful. #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix I'm not aware of one, but think it could be interesting. #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **Ron_Peck:** #gtchat Is there a way to get larger media's attention on gifted Ed? i.e. CNN, NBC, CBS, etc.
- 4:16 pm **DeborahMersino:** @ljconrad I agree wholeheartedly. Don't want abuse/naysayers/individuals w/negativity blasting the gov. Want this to be thoughtful. #gtchat
- 4:16 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @Ron_Peck: #gtchat Is there a way to get larger medias attention on gifted Ed? i.e. CNN, NBC, CBS, etc.<=Yes. #gtchat
- 4:16 pm **cybraryman1:** @DeborahMersino On road will get back to you about Blog Carnival #gtchat
- 4:16 pm **SeaburySchool:** @DeborahMersino That new STEM publication is great. One of the best arguments for #gifted funding. Let me see if I can find it. #gtchat
- 4:17 pm **DeborahMersino:** @Ron_Peck I think that may be the secondary outcome of a well-orchestrated campaign via SM. So many myths still exist. #gtchat
- 4:17 pm **SeaburySchool:** @Ron_Peck I routinely e-mail @nytimes @washingtonpost and others re: #gtchat but no bites yet ...
- 4:17 pm **DeborahMersino:** Recent NAGC response to Pres. budget: <http://bit.ly/gTDgbq> #gtchat
- 4:17 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat @SeaburySchool That might be the one I criticised on my blog for failing to include a costed action plan!
- 4:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** @SeaburySchool Agree regarding STEM - NAGC has a position paper on it as well. #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **SeaburySchool:** @GiftedPhoenix It may be - the arguments are great though! #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **Ron_Peck:** @DeborahMersino Good point. Need to push on all fronts! #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **SeaburySchool:** @DeborahMersino @GiftedPhoenix Maybe WE should make the action plan? #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** Regarding STEM, my question/issue centers on background of new teachers recruited in this area. Would like to have GT background #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **SeaburySchool:** @HoagiesGifted You coming to #gtchat today? Talking about national advocacy for funding.
- 4:19 pm **Ron_Peck:** @SeaburySchool @nytimes @washingtonpost We need more of that from more people. #gtchat
- 4:19 pm **ljconrad:** Appreciate GP's suggestions. Respect his UK govt experience. #gtchat
- 4:19 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat The STEM reference brings up the question of strategic policy alliances - or is it 'just #gifted'?
- 4:19 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q3: Outside of Javits push, I think we need more attn at Federal level regarding needs of high ability students. Do you agree? #gtchat
- 4:19 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @SeaburySchool Action Plans R Us! #gtchat
- 4:20 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @ljconrad: Appreciate GPs suggestions. Respect his UK govt experience. <=me too. #gtchat
- 4:20 pm **halleyrebecca:** Tweeting primarily as @SeaburySchool for #gtchat today. I have much to say and don't want to harass my other followers. :)
- 4:20 pm **ljconrad:** STEM is good, but it isn't gifted education. #gtchat
- 4:20 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino Arguments can be made that gifted is/should be primarily a

- 4:20 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Must be careful about contacting media. They tend to show only the prodigy cases, not the needs & struggles of moderately gifted.
- 4:20 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @ljconrad They won't necessarily transfer - we tend to under-emphasise the cultural difference sometimes I think! #gtchat
- 4:21 pm **SeaburySchool:** :) RT @GiftedPhoenix: @SeaburySchool Action Plans R Us! #gtchat
- 4:21 pm **DeborahMersino:** I know NAGC State Affiliates/leaders met with members of Congress this past week. What I want is to show upsurge of grassroots sppt. #gtchat
- 4:21 pm **ljconrad:** Nice to have Mr Peck aboard, today! #gtchat
- 4:21 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** Q3. #gtchat From this perspective I'd say you'd be better off transferring the Javits money into something more dynamic and immediate!
- 4:22 pm **SeaburySchool:** @geraldaungst The problem with local oversight is the huge discrepancies in funding/support from town to city to region , etc. #gtchat
- 4:22 pm **DeborahMersino:** My ideal goal regarding a Dear Mr. President campaign centers on drawing attn to this under-served population. #gtchat
- 4:22 pm **SeaburySchool:** @geraldaungst But agree that Federal oversight of educational programs has often been ... less than desirable. #gtchat
- 4:22 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaungst So much of our NCLB legislation, tho, winds up impacting how local districts spend/etc. #gtchat
- 4:23 pm **SeaburySchool:** @teachagiftedkid When I contact newspapers, etc., I focus on #gtchat as an innovative advocacy tool using social media. Can sneak msg in.
- 4:23 pm **geraldaungst:** @SeaburySchool But setting and environment has a huge impact on the need for support. What's gifted in Philly may not be in Iowa. #gtchat
- 4:23 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Odds are that our president & all previous presidents are/were #gifted and would have been identified if a program in place.
- 4:23 pm **DeborahMersino:** I see a positive, controlled campaign directed at highlighting research, needs of high-ability, need for public ed to embrace. #gtchat
- 4:23 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat I do think the question of whether you seek to influence the federal position or the states is key....
- 4:23 pm **cybraryman1:** @geraldaungst @DeborahMersino Good point. I feel more control needed at local level #gtchat
- 4:24 pm **DeborahMersino:** Regarding discrepancies/paradoxes in our gifted ed world, if you will, my hope is to simplify in order to move the mountain. #gtchat
- 4:24 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat Are there any US states that you could hold up as shining exemplars for the others to follow?
- 4:24 pm **SeaburySchool:** In WA, at least, #gifted ed advocates feel like they're fighting the same fight now that they fought 20 years ago. #gtchat
- 4:25 pm **geraldaungst:** @GiftedPhoenix Ohio, Mississippi for starters. #gtchat
- 4:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Something in my gut is telling me strongly that we need national awareness first. Even tho states control pursestrngs #gtchat
- 4:25 pm **SeaburySchool:** Manage to convince one round of legislators/policy-makers, then rookies come in and think "The smart kids don't need help." #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **ljconrad:** @teachagiftedkid They are for the most part - gifted parents as well! ;) #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchator even any districts that are protecting #gifted education against the cuts
- 4:26 pm **DeborahMersino:** Note re local control: Everyone currently dealing w/major cuts. GT first to go (looked upon as "extra". #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **teachagiftedkid:** @GiftedPhoenix May have to research certain areas within a state. Moved away from an excellent program 5 yrs ago in parish in LA. #gtchat

- 4:26 pm **SeaburySchool:** @geraldaungst What if there was a basic funding structure for providing teachers/ #gifted classrooms, then local control of content? #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **DeborahMersino:** This campaign would be more directed/focused on building long-term support for this population. #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **Ron_Peck:** @SeaburySchool In Oregon the support for gifted Ed has declined significantly in the past 20 years #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino Even if you risk federal control of gifted education - and the common core standards arguments repeated? #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino @GiftedPhoenix Problem is gifted doesn't have the sympathy factor that other awareness campaigns can play on. #gtchat
- 4:27 pm **DeborahMersino:** CO is often held up as an exemplar. Nevertheless, gifted programs are still being cut/not ideal. #gtchat
- 4:27 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat FYI My GT Specialist position is now being combined with Math Specialist. No money for extra person at my school.
- 4:27 pm **geraldaungst:** @SeaburySchool Is that realistic? Any federal money would be tightly controlled and used to dictate content, etc. #gifted #gtchat
- 4:27 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @geraldaungst: @DeborahMersino @GiftedPhoenix Where we can CHANGE mindsets. Messaging is critical and needs to be well-crafted. #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid Sad. #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **geraldaungst:** @SeaburySchool Just look at NCLB, RTTT, etc. #gifted #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **Ijconrad:** @DeborahMersino for some of us - we need to work with state politicians simultaneously. These are perilous times! #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat How about state standards for gifted education, building on NAGC's district-wide standards? Or start with a charter?
- 4:28 pm **SeaburySchool:** @geraldaungst Yes, I could see it going very badly too - but agree with @deborahmersino about the need for national awareness. #gtchat
- 4:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Not sure if I understand ?. I'm not looking for Fed control as much as awareness. Want support for growth models/prgm #gtchat
- 4:29 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat @DeborahMersino Most everyone's comment is "Well you have job security." Sad, but true. [Like it? <http://bit.ly/frUQpH>]
- 4:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @Ijconrad: @DeborahMersino for some of us - we need to work with state politicians simultaneously. These are perilous times!<=YES #gtchat
- 4:29 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat You could take a look at the #gtvoice charter and adapt/revise to meet US circumstances - something everyone can sign up to
- 4:29 pm **cybraryman1:** My advocacy for the gifted sites <http://cybraryman.com/gifted2.html#advocacy> #gtchat
- 4:30 pm **SeaburySchool:** Hard for us to watch cuts - as non-profit/private school we do not rely on state \$. But we want the best for kids who can't be here. #gtchat
- 4:30 pm **jofrei:** RT @cybraryman1: My advocacy for the gifted sites <http://cybraryman.com/gifted2.html#advocacy> #gtchat
- 4:30 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Well say they (the feds) become aware - what do you want them to do about it once they are?
- 4:30 pm **TPBookSeries:** What about positive/negative comparison: In program, great achievements, no program, increased high school drop-outs. #gtchat
- 4:30 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix - I've looked at GTVoice, but need to examine more carefully. #gtchat
- 4:30 pm **SeaburySchool:** We are on a very tight budget, supported mostly by tuition. Many kids can't afford, but need us all the same. #gtchat

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- 4:31 pm **THE_REAL_GIFTED:** Columbine? #HaltJoke #Seriously RT @Ron_Peck: #gtchat Is there a way to get larger media's attention on gifted Ed? i.e. CNN, NBC, CBS, etc.
- 4:31 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Fair/good ?. See what NAGC hopes to encourage: <http://www.nagc.org/>. I suppose this is what I'm after. #gtchat
- 4:31 pm **DeborahMersino:** @TPBookSeries Yes. #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Budget cuts put very experienced/skilled teachers of the gifted in difficult positions. Stay & teach outside of calling or leave.
- 4:32 pm **ljconrad:** RT @cybraryman1: My advocacy for the gifted sites <http://cybraryman.com/gifted2.html#advocacy> #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat You could also keep tally of the 'gifted education being cut' stories- a map of the districts making cuts would be visually powerful
- 4:32 pm **DeborahMersino:** To me, I know Fed has been focused on gap in gifted pops. I want them to see gap b/w public/private too. #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix LOVE this. #gtchat
- 4:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix - The paradoxes need addressing - they're like big elephants in the room suffocating advocacy efforts. #gtchat
- 4:33 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino Conversation also must focus on how strong gifted ed benefits *ALL* students and teachers. #gtchat
- 4:33 pm **SeaburySchool:** @GiftedPhoenix Powerful and horrifying. Good thought. #gtchat
- 4:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid This is what's tragic. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **cybraryman1:** RT @geraldaungst: @DeborahMersino Conversation also must focus on how strong gifted ed benefits *ALL* students and teachers. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **SeaburySchool:** RT @geraldaungst: @DeborahMersino Conversation also must focus on how strong gifted ed benefits *ALL* students and teachers. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaungst Agree. And even believe campaign would benefit from language of "talent development" vs. gifted ed. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **teachagiftedkid:** RT @geraldaungst: @DeborahMersino Conversation also must focus on how strong gifted ed benefits *ALL* students and teachers. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat the equity arguments are most powerful - but they don't seem to be influencing the Fed Ed Dept?
- 4:34 pm **jofrei:** RT @GiftedPhoenix: keep tally of the gifted ed being cut stories- map of districts making cuts visually powerful - sounds effective #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q5: Do any of you know of software/programs/apps that allow for email capture? #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **TPBookSeries:** Politicians need fear factor as well as the carrot to spur action. High school drop outs is currently an area of major embarrassment #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **cybraryman1:** @geraldaungst Great to have you here. I admire your expertise! #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Doesn't appear so... #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat We've gone for a 'broad church' approach since we think tight consensus is simply impossible at the moment...
- 4:36 pm **DeborahMersino:** Ideally, I would like a centralized spot where ppl (parents, educators, advocates) could input letters. (Want to approve first tho) #gtchat
- 4:36 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Wise. #gtchat
- 4:36 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino Yes, but also need to clearly define "talent." #gtchat
- 4:36 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @geraldaungst Yup - that rising tide argument is equally powerful - and something about changing from deficit model thinking...#gtchat
- 4:37 pm **DeborahMersino:** @TPBookSeries Agree w/you! We have some research tying drop outs and gifted. Don't know if it's strong enough tho. #gtchat

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- 4:37 pm **ljconrad:** @GiftedPhoenix has important presentation in Second Life coming up abt gifted worldwide. I have complimentary presentation as well. #gtchat
- 4:37 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @SeaburySchool It's hard currently to see anything else in my daily 'gifted news' sift.... #gtchat
- 4:37 pm **geraldaugst:** @cybraryman1 On the grand scale of expertise, I'm still pretty close to the bottom, but thanks. :) #gtchat
- 4:37 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaugst I'm right there with you! That's why this is a collaborative effort. #gtchat
- 4:37 pm **cybraryman1:** @DeborahMersino How about a google doc? #gtchat
- 4:38 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Wonder if there is a 'tie' between the # of prisoners who were frustrated gifted children in school? Any research on that?
- 4:38 pm **jofrei:** RT @ljconrad: @GiftedPhoenix has important presentation in Second Life coming up abt gifted worldwide. I have presentation as well. #gtchat
- 4:38 pm **DeborahMersino:** My feeling is that we need FAR more parents & ed who believe in suppting this population to write/email/post. Want to make it easy! #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Jumping in late from meeting, sorry; but I love these ideas! #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **geraldaugst:** @DeborahMersino So how do we create a national conversation around something that isn't sexy? #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **SeaburySchool:** @teachagiftedkid Ted Kaczynski ? #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q6: Believe collection of vlogs, emails, comments to blogs, etc. - all telling a story - could garner groundswell of support. Agree? #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @ljconrad Thanks - have you seen my lovely avatar courtesy of @begabungs ? #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **geraldaugst:** @DeborahMersino They do write/email/post. Constantly. They just do it on a local level. #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Agree - key is making it easy to do so => RT @DeborahMersino: My feeling is that we need FAR more parents & ed to write/email/post. #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **geraldaugst:** @AsynchSchlrFnd @DeborahMersino So what are you thinking of? A web site? Where would these emails/posts go? #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **SeaburySchool:** @DeborahMersino Argh, yes, #gifted language is rough to work with. Removed it from our ads for a while ... #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Yes! Re Q6: collection of vlogs, emails, comments to blogs, etc. - all telling a story - could garner groundswell of support. Agree? #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaugst We make it timely, powerful, CLEAR, easy-to-access, and touch upon what "speaks" to greater good. And BIG numbers. #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **SeaburySchool:** @SeaburySchool But then people searching for #gifted schools couldn't find us. #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Yes, that would make it easiest for others to contribute. RT @geraldaugst: A web site? Where would these emails/posts go? #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **ljconrad:** I would like to see more gifted comments include # for gtchat for continuity. Just sayin' ... #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaugst My point exactly. I'm imagining something HUGE. I know I may be crazy but hey, we have 2 think big. Stagnation rampant #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **geraldaugst:** @AsynchSchlrFnd @DeborahMersino Building a site with the basic capabilities is a relatively straightforward thing.... #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat You could combine a simple powerful online charter and a forum to comment on it, revise it. agree it
- 4:42 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Recently wrote a post: "There is no perceived loss" which addressed loss to human potential. Difficult to measure the loss in \$\$.

- 4:42 pm **DeborahMersino:** @ljconrad Will you say more? I don't know if I understand re #? Do you mean hashtag or numbers? #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **geraldaungst:** @AsynchSchlrsFnd @DeborahMersino The hard part is getting active users to participate. #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** Furthermore it should have some goal like main contributor(s) giving TED talks #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat Has there been another national education campaign you could learn from? Do you need a Gates?
- 4:42 pm **DeborahMersino:** @asynschlrsfnd LOVE<LOVE<LOVE re TED Talks. #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **SeaburySchool:** @geraldaungst @AsynchSchlrsFnd @DeborahMersino And sustain momentum after initial push ... #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **TPBookSeries:** #gifted are by definition right now is a minority. How do successful minorities gain government influence? #gtchat
- 4:42 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Not only do we need to connect with gov officials, but also heads of major corporations.
- 4:42 pm **geraldaungst:** @SeaburySchool @AsynchSchlrsFnd @DeborahMersino Even harder. #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaungst Don't think it will be hard. Just needs to be created - and then communicated broadly. I have faith it's possible. #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **jofrei:** RT @ljconrad: I would like to see more gifted comments include # for gtchat for continuity. Agree I avoid # for gifted often misused #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** Parents who see their kids' needs not being met would do a ton RT RT @geraldaungst hard part is getting active users to participate. #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid Agree/think this will make it even more powerful. Guest blogs, etc. #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** By being loud, having money, being determined, persuading RT @TPBookSeries: How do successful minorities gain government influence? #gtchat
- 4:44 pm **DeborahMersino:** I'm going to lay out an initial plan for Dear Mr. President - Talent Development Campaign in upcoming blog post. #gtchat
- 4:44 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** Agreed! RT @jofrei: RT @ljconrad: Agree I avoid # for gifted often misused #gtchat
- 4:45 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @ljconrad Is it a problem that we have #gifted #gtchat #gtie? Shame there isn't a way to nest hashtags beneath each other...
- 4:45 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** RT @DeborahMersino: I'm going to lay out an initial plan for Dear Mr. President - Talent Development Campaign in upcoming blog post. #gtchat
- 4:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** I hope you will all let me know if you have additional ideas. Want it to be well-orchestrated. #gtchat
- 4:45 pm **asynschlrsfnd:** Be happy 2. I'll read transcript for what I missed RT @DeborahMersino: I hope you will all let me know if you have additional ideas. #gtchat
- 4:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** The idea would be to direct efforts to address federal, but also encourage/find ways to share info w/states/local simultaneously. #gtchat
- 4:45 pm **TPBookSeries:** @asynschlrsfnd But there is a certain entitlement feeling generated with minority politics. It becomes automatic. How? #gtchat
- 4:46 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Nesting hashtags idea - Brilliant. Did you hear that @twitter? #gtchat
- 4:46 pm **geraldaungst:** @AsynchSchlrsFnd In my experience, they tend to focus mostly on just their child in the local school. Not a bad thing, understand. #gtchat
- 4:46 pm **DeborahMersino:** Right now, we're in an ideal position. Our students aren't being

- 4:47 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Happy to give a perspective but it sounds like you want this to be all about the US? Puzzled re shift from global?
- 4:47 pm **teachagiftedkid:** RT @DeborahMersino: We're in an ideal position. Our students aren't being supported/competing. We address Sputnik call head on. #gtchat
- 4:47 pm **cybraryman1:** We need a well developed mission statement #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **asynchschrfrnd:** Many don't recognize kids' status as minorities. RT @TPBookSeries: certain entitlement feeling generated with minority politics. #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **YanikFalardeau:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Love the idea of coming together to provide resources for everyone. Wiki, vlogs, comments, chats and more
- 4:48 pm **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino # = hashtag :p Agree with @jofrei #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **theboysstore:** Yes!! RT @cybraryman1: We need a well developed mission statement #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Not trying 2 shift entirely away from Global. We need this in US. Can't be global in this part. campaign. Make sense? #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino I look forward to reading your blog post about Dear Mr President Campaign #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino No reason a site couldn't have global content and more focused local sections also. #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **missybedell:** @DeborahMersino - has anyone raised a class action lawsuit? Isn't that how special ed got services legalized? #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **teachagiftedkid:** @DeborahMersino However, we can learn from what other countries are doing & implement what might work here for our mission. #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino Not sure. My starting point has always been that the global element is the bedrock on which to base all else... #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **DeborahMersino:** I'm hoping we can go 4 it w/o getting bogged down in trying to please every constituent. Prefer broader awareness/believe can work. #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **TPBookSeries:** Many #gifted can't function without a program during education. That qualifies globally under each one's disability act. #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **theboysstore:** So do I :-) RT @jofrei: @DeborahMersino I look forward to reading your blog post about Dear Mr President Campaign #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **geraldaungst:** @DeborahMersino Are you receiving my DMs? #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** Don't think lawsuits are going to be the way to go. Believe reality has given us an opening...we need to seize it. #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **ljconrad:** @GiftedPhoenix I think this is in addition to. Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **jofrei:** In Aus we had Senate Select Committee Inquiry into the Education of Gifted and Talented Children in 1988 and 2001 #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** @geraldaungst If you just sent, I'm not...but will certainly check! #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **theboysstore:** RT @TPBookSeries Many #gifted cant function without a program during education. That qualifies globally under each 1 disability act. #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @ljconrad: @GiftedPhoenix I think this is in addition to. Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D<=yes. #gtchat
- 4:51 pm **cybraryman1:** RT @ljconrad: @GiftedPhoenix I think this is in addition to. Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D #gtchat
- 4:51 pm **DeborahMersino:** I LOVE all that you are all impassioned visionaries. #gtchat
- 4:51 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino The broader argument is framed here within personalised education-that would give a broader set of alliances? #gtchat

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- 4:52 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** RT @jofrei: In Aus we had Senate Select Committee Inquiry into the Education of Gifted and Talented Children in 1988 and 2001 #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **DeborahMersino:** I agree w/personalized education argument/believe it's aligned closely w/benefits/research relative to programming ben. gft learns. #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** RT @TPBookSeries: Many #gifted can't function w/o a program during education. That qualifies globally under each's disability act. #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **ljconrad:** Must maintain global perspective. This is why STEM being emphasized in US. They want to stay competitive. Better PISA scores. #gtchat
- 4:53 pm **DeborahMersino:** While incredible progress has been made, honest truth is - many gifted students dramatically under-served in US. #gtchat
- 4:53 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Wasn't that what the buzzword "differentiation" was supposed to do. Meet individual needs. Too difficult for teachers to implement
- 4:53 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Agree positive worth trying 1st. cheaper! RT @missybedell: class action lawsuit? Isn't that how special ed got services legalized? #gtchat
- 4:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** I agree w/maintaining global perspective in campaign. It's an absolute must. Didn't mean to mis-state. #gtchat
- 4:54 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat It wouldn't be beyond the skills of a Hanushek to quantify the loss to the US economy
- 4:54 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Agree! RT @ljconrad: Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D #gtchat
- 4:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** We have just a few minutes left. #gtchat
- 4:54 pm **theboysstore:** How can we not be "our" children should get the best!! RT @DeborahMersino: I LOVE all that you are all impassioned visionaries. #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **SeaburySchool:** @teachagiftedkid Agreed. Buzzwords can be more harmful than helpful! When people latch on to a concept they don't fully understand.. #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Yes RT @GiftedPhoenix: The broader argument is framed here within personalised education-that would give a broader set of alliances? #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **DeborahMersino:** Idea includes having 2-3 main message points that guide parents, educators, gifted specialists, 21st Century learning adv w/campn. #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **TPBookSeries:** If #gifted can even be remotely attached to disabilities act, compelled funding would happen tomorrow. #gtchat
- 4:56 pm **YanikFalardeau:** RT @asynschlrfsnd: Agree! RT @ljconrad: Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D #gtchat
- 4:56 pm **DeborahMersino:** Campaign will also be directed at Arne Duncan. #gtchat
- 4:56 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** RT @DeborahMersino: 2-3 main message points that guide parents, educators, gifted specialists, 21st Century learning adv w/campn. #gtchat
- 4:56 pm **SeaburySchool:** @DeborahMersino I like it - need short, simple messages that are easy for parents/teachers/advocates to remember/pass on.. #gtchat
- 4:56 pm **missybedell:** @teachagiftedkid - why is it diffclt 2 implement differentiation in classroom. I hear that a lot, but see it in Montessori w/ease #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** #gtchat The trick will be to prepare specific messages that everyone - even the old dinosaurs - can sign up to
- 4:57 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** An easy "out"! RT @TPBookSeries: If #gifted can be remotely attached to disabilities act, compelled funding would happen tomorrow. #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** Not squandering talent. #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **missybedell:** @TPBookSeries right! #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **HoagiesGifted:** @GiftedPhoenix in past 1 country watched another & copies what worked. Why not continue that? That way we get to success sooner #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino No mis- statement! We are just elaborating! :D #gtchat

- 4:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @GiftedPhoenix: The trick will be to prepare specific messages that everyone - even the old dinosaurs - can sign up to<YES!!! #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **SeaburySchool:** @missybedell @teachagiftedkid Class sizes! Gets harder and harder as class sizes increase ... #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **jofrei:** RT @YanikFalardeau: RT @asynschlrfsnd: Agree! RT @ljconrad: Global must remain a major thrust for all of us! :D Yes! #gtchat
- 4:57 pm **YanikFalardeau:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Under-served in Canada as well.
- 4:58 pm **DeborahMersino:** Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat
- 4:58 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Exactly! RT @SeaburySchool: need short, simple messages that are easy for parents/teachers/advocates to remember/pass on.. #gtchat
- 4:58 pm **teachagiftedkid:** RT @DeborahMersino: Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat Like this!!
- 4:58 pm **DeborahMersino:** @HoagiesGifted Hi! #gtchat
- 4:58 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Nice! RT @DeborahMersino: Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat
- 4:58 pm **DeborahMersino:** Which countries are doing it best? #gtchat
- 4:59 pm **TPBookSeries:** Positive benefits if in program, fewer dropouts, success of people who might be disabled otherwise, sounds like a bill. #gtchat
- 4:59 pm **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino you need to cc Bill Gates #gtchat
- 4:59 pm **HoagiesGifted:** @GiftedPhoenix definitely. Those discuss run congress #gtchat
- 4:59 pm **missybedell:** @SeaburySchool @teachagiftedkid - #gtchat - point well taken differentiation w/18-20 looks much different than with 30. Thx.
- 4:59 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @HoagiesGifted #gtchat Coincidentally I'm in the middle of a big blogpost about the risks of international ben? (cont) <http://deck.ly/~YqBFk>
- 4:59 pm **HoagiesGifted:** RT @DeborahMersino: Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat Nice!
- 4:59 pm **DeborahMersino:** I can't thank you all enough. You all have pertinent/varied experience that benefits us all so powerfully. You.make.it.possible. #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **FrazzIld:** Oh...did the clocks change somewhere?! #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **HoagiesGifted:** @DeborahMersino sorry so late. #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **cybraryman1:** RT @HoagiesGifted: RT @DeborahMersino: Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat Nice! #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **jofrei:** RT @HoagiesGifted: RT @DeborahMersino: Building talent. Building futures. Building hope. #gtchat Nice! #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** This is just the beginning. Thank you all for today's discussion. Will keep everyone updated. #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix - Can't wait to read your post. #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **asynschlrfsnd:** Same 2 you. RT @DeborahMersino: You all have pertinent/varied experience that benefits us all so powerfully. You.make.it.possible. #gtchat
- 5:00 pm **cybraryman1:** @DeborahMersino It takes a global village #gtchat
- 5:01 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Now there's a big question. which I can't answer in the space of a Tweet!
- 5:01 pm **DeborahMersino:** Hope you all join us again at 7pm/EST! Thank you all again. Feel free to continue directing questions, recommendations, thoughts! #gtchat
- 5:01 pm **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino Singapore, Hong Kong, South Korea, Finland to name a few. #gtchat
- 5:01 pm **HoagiesGifted:** @GiftedPhoenix learn from others. Hopefully! #gtchat

- 5:01 pm **jofrei:** @Frazzlld Yes US went on to Daylight Saving #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **YanikFalardeau:** #gtchat So when do we begin? A blog? Wiki? Looking forward to getting started.
- 5:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** @Frazzlld So sorry! I tried to put out an alert an hour ago. We had Daylight Savings time. It's now 1:00 p.m./EST here in the US. #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino Do you remember the three polarities in my first blogpost? Important to cover all acceptable positions on those...#gtchat
- 5:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** @ljconrad Always grateful for your presence. #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **HoagiesGifted:** @Frazzlld U.S. Daylight savings time #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** I'll forward you an inaugural post when it's up. Then we can begin!! ;-) #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix Absolutely! #gtchat
- 5:02 pm **asynschlrfrnd:** Thank you for another wonderful and inspiring #gtchat! RT @DeborahMersino: Hope you all join us again at 7pm/EST! #gtchat
- 5:03 pm **HoagiesGifted:** RT @DeborahMersino: @GiftedPhoenix - Can't wait to read your post. #gtchat Me too!
- 5:03 pm **SeaburySchool:** @missybedell @teachagiftedkid We can do it here because we have class sizes capped at 15. #gtchat
- 5:03 pm **Frazzlld:** @jofrei Damn...missed what looks to have been a great chat :(Will catch you all later, for the next one! #gtchat
- 5:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** Must run - need to photograph two 13-year-old gifted students for upcoming Global #gtchat eNews. Thank you all again! :-) #gtchat
- 5:04 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @DeborahMersino For UK and Eire the late #gtchat will this week be at 11pm! (But I'll still probably be fast asleep!) Thanks Deborah!
- 5:04 pm **HoagiesGifted:** RT @DeborahMersino: Hope you all join us again at 7pm/EST! #gtchat No, EDT daylight time!
- 5:05 pm **internet4classr:** #History with a Twist! - Using current songs, recreated lyrics, set to the events from history. <http://ow.ly/4hjxq> #sschat #gtchat
- 5:05 pm **ljconrad:** For an excellent review of global gifted, read ALL of @GiftedPhoenix 's blog. #gtchat
- 5:05 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat @DeborahMersino Thanks for bringing this topic to the forefront. [Like it? <http://bit.ly/fUn3l9>]
- 5:05 pm **jofrei:** @Frazzlld I have added link to your great Tweet chat help in my post about changing clocks for gtchat #gtchat
- 5:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @HoagiesGifted RT @DeborahMersino: Hope you all join us again at 7pm/EST! #gtchat No, EDT daylight time!<=YES, TY Carolyn!
- 5:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @ljconrad: For an excellent review of global gifted, read ALL of @GiftedPhoenix s blog. #gtchat
- 5:07 pm **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino Thank you for an interesting session #gtchat
- 5:08 pm **SeaburySchool:** Look forward to reading the blog post! #gtchat
- 5:08 pm **jofrei:** RT @ljconrad: For an excellent review of global gifted, read ALL of @GiftedPhoenix s blog. #gtchat
- 5:10 pm **Frazzlld:** @jofrei Thanks Jo. Pity I didn't read it!! Was out all day and only "plugging in" now. #gtchat
- 5:12 pm **momtold_me:** #Moms: RT @DeborahMersino: Hope you all join us again at 7pm/EST! #gtchat No, EDT daylight time! <http://dvr.it/KkqrY>
- 5:16 pm **Trichick17:** RT @internet4classr: #History with a Twist! - Using current songs, recreated lyrics, set to the events from history. <http://ow.ly/4hjxq> #sschat #gtchat

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- 5:25 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @YanikFalardeau You're very welcome - I'm very proud of my new look (though I am now irredeemably male) #gtchat
- 5:31 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @ljconrad I bet you're the only person in the world who HAS read all of it! #gtchat
- 5:32 pm **GiftedPhoenix:** @jofrei Now, you guys are lining me up to post the URL and I'm not going too, so there! #gtchat
- 6:31 pm **geraldaungst:** Researching online/software world language learning programs. What's best? What's most cost effective? #langchat #edchat #gtchat
- 6:50 pm **bsaunders:** RT @jofrei: RT @cybraryman1: My advocacy for the gifted sites <http://cybraryman.com/gifted2.html#advocacy> #gtchat
- 7:08 pm **DeborahMersino:** Renzulli's Multiple Menu Model, Tomlinson's Parallel Curriculum...the more I learn, the more I'm in awe of GT educators. #gtchat #edchat
- 7:24 pm **DeborahMersino:** @HoagiesGifted You're such a force. I'm delighted WHENEVER you come. Love collaborating w/you. #gtchat
- 7:28 pm **DeborahMersino:** @shelisrael #edchat, #gtchat, #scichat, #ntchat, #mathchat, #elemchat : teachers + administrators + parents + change agents= connecting.
- 7:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GiftedPhoenix - Thank you for posting this! Regarding Google Science Fair. #gtchat <http://bit.ly/eLcjRT>
- 7:35 pm **peter_lydon:** #gtie Chat Topics for Sunday 9pm GMT- Choose ONE topic - <http://bit.ly/e6iAJJ> #gtchat #edchatie #gtstoogies #ukedchat
- 7:59 pm **peter_lydon:** #gtie Sometimes things happen that seem small but later on reveal themselves to have been ENORMOUS! #gtchat #edchatie #gtstoogies
- 8:06 pm **KTVee:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Sometimes things happen that seem small but later on reveal themselves to have been ENORMOUS! #gtchat #edchatie #gtstoogies
- 8:20 pm **DeborahMersino:** In honor of our discussion today, reposting this inspiring 3-min TED video <http://bit.ly/dV98u2> #gtchat #edchat #change #future <=goosebumps
- 8:20 pm **jrwolfe:** RT @DeborahMersino: In honor of our discussion today, reposting this inspiring 3-min TED video <http://bit.ly/dV98u2> #gtchat #edchat
- 8:33 pm **FrazzIId:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Sometimes things happen that seem small but later on reveal themselves to have been ENORMOUS! #gtchat #edchatie #gtstoogies
- 8:34 pm **FrazzIId:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Chat Topics for Sunday 9pm GMT- Choose ONE topic - <http://bit.ly/e6iAJJ> #gtchat #edchatie #ukedchat
- 8:35 pm **YanikFalardeau:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Sometimes things happen that seem small but later on reveal themselves to have been ENORMOUS! #gtchat #edchatie #gtstoogies
- 8:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Sometimes things happen that seem small but later on reveal themselves to have been ENORMOUS! #gtchat #gtchat
- 9:00 pm **ljconrad:** The Future of Gifted Education through Technology by @CFertig1 <http://goo.gl/Fq6zm> #gtchat #gtie #gifted #edtech
- 9:07 pm **FrazzIId:** RT @ljconrad: The Future of Gifted Education through Technology by @cfertig1 <http://goo.gl/Fq6zm> #gtchat #gtie #gifted #edtech #edchatie
- 9:11 pm **ljconrad:** RT @DeborahMersino: In honor of our discussion today, reposting this inspiring 3-min TED video <http://bit.ly/dV98u2> #gtchat #edchat #change #future <=goosebumps
- 9:17 pm **ljconrad:** @GiftedPhoenix The very best source for global gifted news ---> <http://giftedphoenix.wordpress.com/> #gtchat
- 9:18 pm **ljconrad:** @GiftedPhoenix Indeed I have read EVERY word of your blog and I'm a better person and advocate today because of it! #gtchat
- 9:42 pm **Begabung:** RT @ljconrad: The Future of Gifted Education through Technology by @CFertig1 <http://goo.gl/Fq6zm> #gtchat #gtie #gifted #edtech

- 10:00 pm **Begabung:** RT @ljconrad: @GiftedPhoenix The very best source for global gifted news --> <http://giftedphoenix.wordpress.com/> #gtchat
- 10:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @Frazzlld: RT @ljconrad: The Future of Gifted Education through Technology by @cfertig1 <http://goo.gl/Fq6zm> #gtchat #gtie #gifted #edtech #edchatie
- 10:13 pm **DeborahMersino:** Less than an hour 'til #gtchat. Our topic @ 7pm/EDT: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. NOTE: U.S. Now on Daylight Savings #gtchat
- 10:24 pm **ljconrad:** RT @DeborahMersino: Less than an hour 'til #gtchat. Our topic @ 7pm/EDT: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. NOTE: U.S. Now on Daylight Savings #gtchat
- 10:27 pm **fboss:** RT @Frazzlld: RT @peter_lydon: #gtie Chat Topics for Sunday 9pm GMT- Choose ONE topic - <http://bit.ly/e6iAJJ> #gtchat #edchatie #ukedchat
- 10:40 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @DeborahMersino: Less than an hour 'til #gtchat. Our topic @ 7pm/EDT: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. NOTE: U.S. Now on Daylight Savings #gtchat
- 10:42 pm **giaimojosephine:** Less than an hour 'til #gtchat. Our topic @ 7pm/EDT: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. NOTE: U.S. Now on Daylight Savings #tmnj11
- 10:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** Global #gtchat starts in less than 20 minutes. We'll be talking about "Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis." #gifted #edchat
- 10:54 pm **HoagiesGifted:** #gtchat Sorry I'll miss the chat. For Grief resources, <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/grief.htm> Hope this helps!
- 10:55 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @HoagiesGifted: #gtchat Sorry I'll miss the chat. For Grief resources, <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/grief.htm> Hope this helps!
- 10:56 pm **HoagiesGifted:** #gtchat and for bullying resources <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/bullies.htm> Have a great chat!
- 10:56 pm **DeborahMersino:** @HoagiesGifted TY for the resource! Hope you have a good weekend and post-14th birthday celebration. :-) #gtchat
- 10:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** My tweets 4 next hour will be devoted to #gtchat. Our topic: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. Pardon heavy stream. #gtchat
- 10:58 pm **deepwaterscoach:** My tweets 4 next hour devoted to #gtchat, topic: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. Pardon heavy stream--or jump in! #gtchat
- 10:59 pm **tbbrown:** RT @readingrockets: Coping with natural disasters. <http://ow.ly/4fJIM> Timely! #gtchat
- 10:59 pm **peter_lydon:** My tweets 4 next hr will be devoted to Chat on Gifted Children Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. Lurk, Listen or Lob in. #gtchat
- 10:59 pm **laughingatchaos:** My tweets 4 next hour will be devoted to #gtchat. Our topic: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. Pardon heavy stream. #gtchat
- 10:59 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @tbbrown: RT @readingrockets: Coping with natural disasters. <http://ow.ly/4fJIM> Timely! #gtchat
- 11:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome to #gtchat. Our topic: Emotional Support 4 Kids in Times of Crisis. Join us now! #gifted #edchat #parenting #gtchat
- 11:00 pm **laughingatchaos:** Hi all! I'm Jen in CO, soon IL. Mom to 2 (sigh) 2e boys, writer/blogger/advocate. Need this; anxiety high here. #gtchat
- 11:00 pm **DeborahMersino:** Please take a moment to introduce yourself, your role (parent, educator, blogger, advocate, other) & share where you reside). TY! #gtchat
- 11:00 pm **peter_lydon:** #gtchat Peter Lydon Dublin, Ireland, <http://bit.ly/gP8IZ1> Gifted Awareness in Ireland took another big step today. #gtie #edchatie
- 11:01 pm **mareserinitatis:** My tweets for the next hour devoted to #gtchat topic, Emotional Support for Kids in Times of Crisis. Pardon heavy stream.

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- 11:01 pm **jofrei:** Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources in Melbourne Australia
www.giftedresources.org sunny 10.00am Saturday here #gtchat
- 11:01 pm **deepwaterscoach:** Lisa in CO, Chief (In)Sanity Officer to Gifted Grownups and Parents of GT Kids. Mom to 2 GT kids, 1 2e. #gtchat
- 11:01 pm **DeborahMersino:** I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, wife/mom to 2 girls, middle-age grad stdnt, talent dev. advocate&consultant In CO! #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **laughingatchaos:** @peter_lydon Big step? How? :) #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @DeborahMersino: I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, wife/mom to 2 girls, middle-age grad stdnt, tal? (cont) <http://deck.ly/~ohsEL>
- 11:02 pm **mareserinitatis:** Cherish, North Dakota, parent and blogger. #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome Australia, Ireland, Colorado, and others! #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **deepwaterscoach:** @peter_lydon Oo! Can't wait to hear! #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **tbbrown:** Toby in Oklahoma--phd student in edtech with secondary focus on GT. Howdy! #gtchat
- 11:02 pm **DeborahMersino:** {Pause chat} @Peter_Lydon - You have to share! #gtchat
- 11:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** Hi Oklahoma and North Dakota! #gtchat
- 11:03 pm **giaimojosephine:** Josephine Giaimo in NJ, gifted advocate, life transitions spiritual care-giver, and member of a multi-generational gifted family #gtchat
- 11:03 pm **laughingatchaos:** @tbbrown We should talk; DS9 is HUGE into tech. Love that you're focusing on that! #gtchat
- 11:03 pm **DeborahMersino:** When I posted this topic, I originally intended to discuss Coping with Earthquake/Tsunami, but realize it encompasses much more. #gtchat
- 11:04 pm **lovemyboyos:** Happy 14th Anniversary Hoagies' Gifted Education Page!<http://fb.me/Ehu1Pbl9> #gtchat #gifted #homeschool
- 11:04 pm **DeborahMersino:** Let's start with each of you though. #gtchat
- 11:04 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @lovemyboyos: Happy 14th Anniversary Hoagies Gifted Education Page!<http://fb.me/Ehu1Pbl9> #gtchat #gifted #homeschool #gtchat
- 11:04 pm **ljconrad:** Hi! Lisa from Pittsburgh Blogger, advocate, consultant to gifted parents, and parent of 2 gifted young adults! #gtchat
- 11:04 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q1: How have you been impacted by recent world events? #gtchat
- 11:04 pm **OCCGATE:** #gtchat Hello! This is OCC GATE, a group of gifted educators and administrators. Glad to be here again!
- 11:05 pm **sweetieberry:** She's awesome! @DeborahMersino, moderator of #gtchat, wife/mom to 2 girls, grad stdnt, talent dev. advocate&cnslt In CO! #gtchat
- 11:05 pm **jaltmark:** #gtchat Hi! Julie in Alabama - GT elementary tchr
- 11:05 pm **DeborahMersino:** Hi Pennsylvania, California, New Jersey and others! Glad you're all with us tonight! #gtchat
- 11:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** And Alabama too! Glad to see you here Julie. #gtchat
- 11:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @DeborahMersino: Q1: How have you been impacted by recent world events? #gtchat
- 11:06 pm **jofrei:** Sprite's site posts re topic <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=2002> and <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=2008> #gtchat
- 11:06 pm **OCCGATE:** #gtchat Q1: In an increasingly globalized world, it's hard not to be impacted by a major event anywhere on Earth.
- 11:06 pm **mareserinitatis:** I've been trying not to say much because I don't know well enough what is going on and I don't want to worry my kids. Stressful. #gtchat
- 11:06 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q1: Feel saddened. And a bit numb. Feel a bit helpless. Grateful for our own

- 11:07 pm **momtold_me**: #Moms: #gtchat and for bullying resources <http://www.#Moms.org/bullies.htm>
 Have a great chat! <http://dlvr.it/Km8d6>
- 11:07 pm **DeborahMersino**: @sweetieberry :-D #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **sweetieberry**: #Gtchat Stress and emotional anguish is one battle many gt learners self impose
- 11:07 pm **tbbrown**: Q1--Lots of thoughts/concern about #jpeq lately...consuming/overwhelming.
 Making its way into dreams (& i don't sleep much!). #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **LesLinks**: Hi! Leslie from Ireland via Miami tonight, Blogger, Lecturer, advocate, Parent of two gifted teens... living the sandwich years.. #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @OCCGATE: #gtchat Q1: In an increasingly globalized world, its hard not to be impacted by a major event anywhere on Earth.<=Agree #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **peter_lydon**: @OCCGATE #gtchat although there is a greater commonality evident in this...way forward to a better future
- 11:07 pm **jofrei**: RT @OCCGATE: Q1: In an increasingly globalized world, its hard not to be impacted by a major event anywhere on Earth. Agree #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **ljconrad**: Q1: Reminded that the world is an all too often fragile place. Little control over what's happening in world. #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **laughingatchaos**: Q1:Sad. Friends lost friends. Realized MY stressors are so minor and insignificant. #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **bfwriter**: #Japan is too reminiscent of Katrina, so I've largely been avoiding the news on it. #gtchat
- 11:07 pm **DeborahMersino**: Q1: Particularly recognizing how much access we have to this tragedy - seeing it unfold via video, news, some of it streaming live. #gtchat
- 11:08 pm **MaryStGeorge**: #gtchat Hello Everyone, Mary St George here in New Zealand, where this topic is very timely.
- 11:08 pm **giaimojosephine**: RT @ljconrad: Q1: Reminded that the world is an all too often fragile place. Little control over what's happening in world. #gtchat
- 11:08 pm **OCCGATE**: Q1: For example, I know people personally who live in Japan, New Zealand, Egypt and Chile (sites of some of the recent tragedies). #gtchat
- 11:08 pm **jaltmark**: @DeborahMersino #gtchat Thanks! So much going on in the world - too much to absorb! can't imagine being in any of those places .
- 11:09 pm **DeborahMersino**: @LesLinks @MaryStGeorge So glad you made it, Leslie and Mary. #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **LesLinks**: Q1= Shivery and shaky, reliving similar event was present in in Mexico city.. nightmares and visuals relived.. empathy for victims.. #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **ljconrad**: @LesLinks SO glad you could make it and you're right on time! :D #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **KTVee**: Q1: Realize that every day is a gift. (no pun intended) #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **tbbrown**: @MaryStGeorge great post earlier, Mary. indeed, very timely! #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **DeborahMersino**: Welcoem New Zealand and other Irish tweep. #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **sweetieberry**: #gtchat Sweetie in AL Twice Gftd Cons mom and stepmom of 4 homeschooler and ps former tchr
- 11:09 pm **giaimojosephine**: RT @tbbrown: @MaryStGeorge great post earlier, Mary. indeed, very timely! #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **mareserinitatis**: Trying to learn from my mistake when I let my then 5 year old see news on 9/11. Really upset him. #gtchat
- 11:09 pm **MaryStGeorge**: #gtchat I teach children who were in the Christchurch earthquake, so sensitivity is called for.
- 11:09 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @DeborahMersino: RT @DeborahMersino: Q1: How have you been

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DeborahMersino: RT @DeborahMersino: RT @DeborahMersino: Q1: How have you been impacted by recent world events? #gtchat

11:10 pm

LesLinks: RT @ljconrad: @LesLinks SO glad you could make it and youre right on time! :D Happy to see you too!! Here for a bit anywas.. #gtchat

11:10 pm

DeborahMersino: @mareserinitatis Makes sense. #gtchat

11:10 pm

jofrei: Q1 Floods in Queensland and Victoria, then hurricane in Queensland, then earthquakes in NZ and Japan #gtchat

11:10 pm

DeborahMersino: @MaryStGeorge I missed your post. Could you provide a link here and share what it's about? #gtchat

11:11 pm

OCCGATE: @mareserinitatis Hard to know what to do right in the middle of devastating tragedy like that. :(#gtchat

11:11 pm

jaltmark: #gtchat I'd like to have kids share about Japan, Egypt/mideast, etc, but worried about emotional impact on elementary age...

11:11 pm

DeborahMersino: Q2: What about your kids, students & those youngsters you know? What have you noticed about their reaction/inclusion/thoughts/fears? #gtchat

11:11 pm

Parentella: RT @sweetieberry: #Gtchat Stress and emotional anguish is one battle many gt learners self impose

11:12 pm

jofrei: RT @laughingatchaos: Q1:Sad. Friends lost friends. Realized MY stressors are so minor and insignificant. Yes exactly! #gtchat

11:12 pm

KTVee: @jaltmark exactly. we talked about rarity of events because it was heavy on kids minds #gtchat

11:12 pm

tbbrwn: odd-I feel more concern about weather patterns in the pacific b/c of #nzeq and Australian typhoon than OK's upcoming tornado season #gtchat

11:12 pm

laughingatchaos: DS9 is VERY sensitive. Thankful I dropped TV several wks ago. He hasn't seen much, tho he knows it happened. #gtchat

11:12 pm

giaimojosephine: Q1: sensitivity called for...after 9/11, Dr. Clarissa Pinkola Estes encouraged sensitives to limit media watching <== helpful! #gtchat

11:12 pm

bfwriter: the beauty of Twitter is that you don't have to view it all. you can tell from the headlines what will be too much. #gtchat

11:12 pm

MaryStGeorge: @jofrei Jo, are you happy with the way I referred to your page on <http://j.mp/f7PKpy>? #gtchat

11:12 pm

ljconrad: We never, never, never talk about this in school! #gtchat

11:12 pm

laughingatchaos: He talks about the Ring of Fire & is more focused on the geological interest. No news has helped. #gtchat

11:12 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @Parentella: RT @sweetieberry: #Gtchat Stress and emotional anguish is one battle many gt learners self impose<Sensitivities #gtchat

11:12 pm

KTVee: Q2: kids pick up more than ppl give them credit for; I think many quietly internalize fears #gtchat

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deepwaterscoach: RT @bfwriter: the beauty of Twitter is that you dont have to view it all. u can tell from the headlines what will be too much.//true #gtchat

11:13 pm

laughingatchaos: I, however, have been following thru the Japanese news app. Heartbreaking. #gtchat

11:13 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @KTVee: @jaltmark exactly. we talked about rarity of events because it was heavy on kids minds #gtchat

11:13 pm

LesLinks: Q2: We live near the coast/sea.. my dd has been biting nails and wondering... #gtchat

11:13 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @ljconrad: We never, never, never talk about this in school! <=Do you think that's a good thing? Bad thing? #gtchat

11:13 pm

jofrei: @MaryStGeorge Yes that is good -thank you Mary #gtchat

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- 11:14 pm **mareserinitatis:** I was told that when kids see stuff on TV, they don't realize they're watching old tapes. Think disaster is happening over and over. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **deepwaterscoach:** Q2: Having a teenager, in some cases he has known things before I have. Can't protect him. He seems fine tho. DD knows little. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **MaryStGeorge:** OK, I think this is what I tweeted earlier <http://ow.ly/4fJIM> #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **KTVee:** Q2: sensitive kids silently worry "Could that happen here to?" So it's a grt time to explore how to b prepared, ease fears #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @KTVee: Q2: kids pick up more than ppl give them credit for; I think many quietly internalize fears=<=Well said. Well said. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **familymoms:** RT @momtold_me - #Moms: #gtchat and for bullying resources <http://www.#Moms.org/bullies.htm> Have a great chat! h... <http://bit.ly/hU77XB>
- 11:14 pm **LesLinks:** RT @KTVee: Q2: kids pick up more than ppl give them credit for; I think many quietly internalize fears= Yes ur right.. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **ZJonesSpanish:** Hi, I just noticed this. What is #gtchat ? Could someone explain? Thanks!
- 11:14 pm **ljconrad:** Try to take an analytical approach with older gifted kids. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @KTVee: Q2: sensitive kids silently worry "Could that happen here to?" So its a grt time to explore how to b prepared, ease fears #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **laughingatchaos:** CO is fortunate in that we're not really prone to natural disasters. IL gets tornados & I expect THAT will be an issue. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **MaryStGeorge:** q2 very varied responses from over it to still anxious #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **deepwaterscoach:** @ZJonesSpanish We discuss issues for Gifted and Talented kids and grownups. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **DeborahMersino:** @ZJonesSpanish It's a weekly chat on issues impacting gifted/talented students worldwide. We're discussing Emotional Impact of News. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **21stprincipal:** Remember teaching the day after Columbine, had whole class of students who wanted to talk. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **tbbrwn:** @ljconrad Is there a reason you guys don't chat about nat. disasters? we talk about tornadoes often here in tornado alley #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **KTVee:** @ZJonesSpanish gifted education chat! :) #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **OCCGATE:** @KTVee Also a good time to discuss the science of it (e.g. how faults work, how radioactivity spreads, etc.). #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **mareserinitatis:** Definitely try to talk about the rarity of events and comfort them, let them know they're safe. #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **LesLinks:** RT @ZJonesSpanish: Hi, I just noticed this. What is #gtchat ? Could someone explain? Thanks!= Gifted & Talented Chat.. #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **KTVee:** @laughingatchaos yes--unfortunately (Missouri) has that issue #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **ljconrad:** @ZJonesSpanish We are chatting about gifted children and their education. Tonight - about dealing with world crisis. Join us! :) #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @21stprincipal: Remember teaching the day after Columbine, had whole class of students who wanted to talk.<=! sigh. tender. #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **jaltmark:** #gtchat currently working on making public svc anncements. could have students focus on how to help Japanese disaster victims.
- 11:16 pm **deepwaterscoach:** @21stprincipal That was so devastating and, in my opinion, still echoes through our community. #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **peter_lydon:** @DeborahMersino very tough #gtchat
- 11:17 pm **KTVee:** @OCCGATE exactly; a science perspective can help them understand that why and how #gtchat

11:17 nm **laughingatchaos:** @KTVee Will be tough as DH lost his house to a tornado when he was 12.

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- 11:17 pm **laughingatchaos:** @KTvee I'll be tough, as I'll not be able to attend when he was 12. So I'll 2 over-freaked guys here. :(#gtchat
- 11:17 pm **ZJonesSpanish:** @DeborahMersino @DeepWatersCoach @KTvee @LesLinks @ljconrad Thank you for explaining! #gtchat I'd love to talk about this topic
- 11:17 pm **MaryStGeorge:** #gtchat I think a lot of NZ kids have been helped by the whole community response - it feels as if we can all help.
- 11:17 pm **jaltmark:** #gtchat :Q2 good time to look at disaster preparedness plans! what can kids do?
- 11:17 pm **ColinTGraham:** Can't join tonight but: Nuclear Boy - <http://bit.ly/esVrV6> one way of reassuring young children in Japan... not as daft as it looks. #gtchat
- 11:17 pm **DeborahMersino:** Excellent article by @DavidsonGifted "Straight Talk: Talking to Teens About Tough Times: <http://bit.ly/evF57v> #gtchat
- 11:17 pm **laughingatchaos:** @deepwaterscoach @21stprincipal Not just echoes, reverberates and will still for years to come. :(#gtchat
- 11:17 pm **ljconrad:** @tbbrwn It's all about the parents. ;) Say the wrong thing and you're on your way to the principal's office. ;) #gtchat
- 11:17 pm **KTvee:** @21stprincipal that had to be difficult. I can remember the day of 9/11. Kids didn't know WHAT to think...tchrs didn't either. #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @MaryStGeorge: #gtchat I think a lot of NZ kids have been helped by the whole community response <=comforting to hear. #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **LesLinks:** RT @jaltmark: #gtchat :Q2 good time to look at disaster preparedness plans! what can kids do? = That is good.. feel empowered.. #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @jaltmark: #gtchat :Q2 good time to look at disaster preparedness plans! what can kids do? #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **jofrei:** RT @MaryStGeorge I think a lot of NZ kids have been helped by community response - it feels as if we can all help < so important #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **tbbrwn:** @ljconrad sadly, yep. #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **laughingatchaos:** @KTvee @21stprincipal SO thankful DS9 was a newborn for 9/11. That would have been impossible to explain to him. #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q3: What about ages? We know gifted kids are perceptive/sensitive. How does age impact what we share? What's your experience? #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **OCCGATE:** RT @ColinTGraham: Can't join tonight but: Nuclear Boy - <http://bit.ly/esVrV6> one way of reassuring young children in Japan... not as daft as it looks. #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **Ron_Peck:** I have to say that my youngest son worries a lot about global events. Sometimes obsessing about things like earthquakes. #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **mareserinitatis:** RT @jaltmark: #gtchat :Q2 good time to look at disaster preparedness plans! what can kids do?
- 11:19 pm **tbbrwn:** @DeborahMersino @jaltmark Yes! talk about "jump bags" and (here in US) National Weather Service updates, emergency radios, etc. #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **KTvee:** @laughingatchaos @21stprincipal I had 4th graders – 11 days into my 1st yr of teaching...and no clue what to say or do. #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **MaryStGeorge:** q3 I think the child's questions are more important than age #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **deepwaterscoach:** @laughingatchaos @KTvee @21stprincipal My kids were too young then too, but they have questions abt 9/11 now. Still scary. #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **DeborahMersino:** Another article by @DavidsonGifted: Fostering a Philanthropic Values (re disasters) <http://bit.ly/f5MjKj> #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **laughingatchaos:** @Ron_Peck Mine does too. Obsess is a good word for it. #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **laughingatchaos:** @KTvee OMG. They don't teach how to react to that in college. :(#gtchat
- 11:20 pm **tbbrwn:** Q3 Like everything, it has to be age appropriate. #gtchat

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snyj: Q3 Like everything, it has to be age appropriate. #gtchat

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deepwaterscoach: RT @MaryStGeorge: q3 The child's questions are more important than age//

11:20 pm

ljconrad: agree. & what they're exposed to via TV, Internet, friends #gtchat
@DeborahMersino no comment. #gtchat

11:20 pm

KTVee: Q3: the rules about ages change when kids are adv read and taking in the news around them and relating to it, need more explanation #gtchat

11:20 pm

laughingatchaos: @deepwaterscoach We finally discussed it last fall. NO PICTURES (he's too VSL), but he knows it now. #gtchat

11:20 pm

DeborahMersino: @Ron_Peck He's not alone. Often these perceptive kids internalize, worry, hold in fears. #gtchat

11:21 pm

jaltmark: #gtchat too many photos overwhelming for younger kids... more discussion, filter images carefully! Use literature when possible!

11:21 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @MaryStGeorge: q3 I think the child's questions are more important than age <=poignant #gtchat

11:21 pm

tbbrown: @KTVee I think it's imp to ask Ss what they know/how they feel...get them talking to each other--peer support and peer relating #gtchat

11:21 pm

OCCGATE: Q3 More than age, I think it's working with what knowledge kids have and building off of that. #gtchat

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laughingatchaos: Q3: I think emotional age is more important to consider than chronological age. #gtchat

11:21 pm

mareserinitatis: Definitely limit information for the younger ones, more frank with older but try to get them to talk about feelings. #gtchat

11:21 pm

KTVee: Q3: You have to be very careful not to over-scare kids; consider their sensitivities #gtchat

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LesLinks: Q3: age can be a factor cause although can imagine vividly, haven't the world experience to know, things move on and get better #gtchat

11:21 pm

Ron_Peck: @laughingatchaos yes, and not old enough to process impacts. Just enough to worry for the safety of others. #gtchat

11:21 pm

MaryStGeorge: When we need kids to understand, we make it visual. With scary things, don't show pics unless you have to. #gtchat

11:22 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @jaltmark: 2 many photos overwhelming for younger kids... more discussion, filter images carefully! Use literature when possible! #gtchat

11:22 pm

deepwaterscoach: RT @KTVee: Q3: rules about ages change when kids r adv read & taking in news around them and relating to it, need more explanation #gtchat

11:22 pm

giaimojosephine: Q2: Parents on a homeschooling elist I'm on are sharing resources, clips, and suggestions for helping children to cope #gtchat

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DeborahMersino: RT @OCCGATE: Q3 More than age, I think its working with what knowledge kids have and building off of that.<=Excellent point #gtchat

11:22 pm

deepwaterscoach: RT @laughingatchaos: Q3: I think emotional age is more important to consider than chronological age. #gtchat

11:22 pm

21stprincipal: @DeepWatersCoach Had class of 8th graders during 9/11, great opportunity to teach students to keep perspective & compassion #gtchat

11:22 pm

shyj: @OCCGATE and making sure you address misconceptions. #gtchat

11:22 pm

RMMul: RT @laughingatchaos: Q3: I think emotional age is more important to consider than chronological age. #gtchat

11:22 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @laughingatchaos: Q3: I think emotional age is more important to consider than chronological age.<=yes. #gtchat

11:22 pm

mareserinitatis: Guess that's why I don't have a TV hooked up to network. Limits what they see until they're ready for it. #gtchat

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- 11:22 pm **KTvee:** @jaltmark yes-- we discussed Japan, but I would not share the images. too much for my young students. #gtchat
- 11:22 pm **tbbrown:** @LesLinks very very true...great point!--things do get better...move on... #gtchat
- 11:22 pm **laughingatchaos:** @Ron_Peck He tends to make mountains out of tiny little hills. Then it affects everything in his life. #gtchat
- 11:22 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @MaryStGeorge: When we need kids to understand, we make it visual. With scary things, dont show pics unless you have to. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **shyj:** RT @RMMul: RT @laughingatchaos: Q3: I think emotional age is more important to consider than chronological age. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **deepwaterscoach:** @21stprincipal Those are excellent lessons for all kids, incl GT ones, to learn. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **ljconrad:** Older gifted are incredibly insightful. Excellent convos with them about world events. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @KTvee: Q2: kids pick up more than ppl give them credit for; I think many quietly internalize fears ...yes, often unconsciously. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @MaryStGeorge: When we need kids to understand, we make it visual. With scary things, dont show pics unless you have to. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **Ron_Peck:** @DeborahMersino I'm seeing it a lot with recent events in the Middle East and now Japan. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **KTvee:** @laughingatchaos yes - sometimes people think they're "smart enough" to handle it, but in reality, they're even more sensitive #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **MaryStGeorge:** If sharing images, share to explore positive response. How are people helping? How could we help? #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @ljconrad: Older gifted are incredibly insightful. Excellent convos with them about world events. <=I love those. :) #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **mareserinitatis:** Have to be careful not to overestimate what child can handle based on emotional age. Easy to think they can handle it when not ready #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **DeborahMersino:** 20 Ways to Teach about the Disaster from NY Times: <http://nyti.ms/fGbjNb> #gtchat {interested in your thoughts}.
- 11:23 pm **laughingatchaos:** @KTvee Exactly. That's the case with mine. #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **ZJonesSpanish:** #gtchat I've used comic strips to start conversations about emotional impact of news, ex: <http://is.gd/9ionj4> and <http://is.gd/KiYwDC>
- 11:24 pm **DeborahMersino:** @MaryStGeorge You make an excellent point. Many of the recommendations for support include focusing on "good" -compassion of others. #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **giaimojosephine:** Q2: At the NJ gifted conference, attendees crowded around the hotel lobby's CNN news feed...surreal counterpoint #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **jaltmark:** #gtchat Maybe let kids draw their own pics, share worries in a story? Discuss out how kids can take action to help...
- 11:24 pm **Ron_Peck:** @laughingatchaos I'm living with the same person! Wow! #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal @DeepWatersCoach I have an 8th grade teacher who is teaching about Japan to teach compassion as well. #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **OCCGATE:** @MaryStGeorge Really like that idea! If kids see others helping, and the impact they have, it can help to assuage their fears. #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **peter_lydon:** @21stprincipal #gtchat but not needlessly expose them to too harsh view of the world
- 11:25 pm **laughingatchaos:** @DeborahMersino Quick skimmed NYT art: looks like it could give kids an overview, perhaps more perspective? #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @jaltmark: Maybe let kids draw their own pics. share worries in a story?

Discuss out how kids can take action to help<=like #gtchat

- 11:25 pm **ljconrad:** @ZJonesSpanish good example, good strategy. :) #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **MaryStGeorge:** @DeborahMersino Mapping the scale, human face on disaster in that article have huge potential to overwhelm! #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **mareserinitatis:** GT kids have vivid imagination, think of all the bad things that could go wrong, so they may be more easily frightened. #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @OCCGATE: @MaryStGeorge Really like that idea! If kids see others helping, and the impact they have, it can help assuage fears. #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **peter_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Art therapy is very effective
- 11:25 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @KTvee: Q2: "Could that happen here to?" ... explore how to b prepared, ease fears ...been talking about kelp, iodine tablets #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **laughingatchaos:** @Ron_Peck LOL! These complex kids! :) #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @Ron_Peck: @laughingatchaos Im living with the same person! Wow! <=This is one of the reasons I love this community. #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @ZJonesSpanish: Ive used comic strips to start convos abt emotional impact of news, ex: <http://is.gd/9ionj4> & <http://is.gd/KiYwDC> #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **KTvee:** @shyj @21stprincipal @DeepWatersCoach it's so important because many kids aren't learning those lessons at home #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **21stprincipal:** We do kids no favors shielding them from the suffering world, learning to accept & show compassion important. #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **laughingatchaos:** @MaryStGeorge @DeborahMersino But could also be more, I dunno, clinical about it? :/ #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **jaltmark:** RT @OCCGATE: If kids see others helping, and the impact they have, it can help to assuage their fears. #gtchat I agree!
- 11:26 pm **tbbwn:** @DeborahMersino Good ideas ala NYTimes.-love the "put a personal face on it" project: postcards of prayers/thoughts/etc to survivors #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **Ron_Peck:** #gtchat I use facts and reason to talk about the events, how they happen and whether they can impact us here.
- 11:26 pm **LesLinks:** @DeborahMersino @jaltmark Drawing pictures, art therapy is good... #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @21stprincipal: We do kids no favors shielding them from the suffering world, learning to accept & show compassion important!! #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **laughingatchaos:** @mareserinitatis Yup. See that vivid imagination here EVERY DAY. #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **Ron_Peck:** RT @DeborahMersino: 20 Ways to Teach about the Disaster from NY Times: <http://nyti.ms/fGbjNb> #gtchat {interested in your thoughts}.
- 11:26 pm **KTvee:** @mareserinitatis yes - the imagination becomes an enemy when it comes to "What could happen..." #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @KTvee: @shyj @21stprincipal @DeepWatersCoach it's so important because many kids aren't learning those lessons at home #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @21stprincipal: We do kids no favors shielding them from the suffering world, learning to accept & show compassion important. #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **MaryStGeorge:** I had about 12 windows open before #gtchat started, now about 20. Soon browser will explode.
- 11:27 pm **DeborahMersino:** Talking to students about Japan's earthquake and tsunami <http://bit.ly/e48LJt> #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: 20 Ways to Teach about the Disaster from NY Times: <http://nyti.ms/fGbjNb> #gtchat {interested in your thoughts}. #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **shyj:** @Ron_Peck Scary thing for kids here is that we live close by a major fault line. #gtchat

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- 11:27 pm **ColinTGraham:** Japan <http://pdscompasspoint.com/?p=4342> is also a short, thoughtful post about traumatic events and dealing with children's ?ns #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **laughingatchaos:** @MaryStGeorge LOL! Me too. I also have multiple windows open. And I wonder why Mac can't keep up. ;) #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **Ron_Peck:** RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to students about Japan's earthquake and tsunami <http://bit.ly/e48LJt> #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to students about Japans earthquake and tsunami <http://bit.ly/e48LJt> #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **DeborahMersino:** Global Disasters: Helping Kids Cope <http://bit.ly/ecyvK3> #gtchat via National Association of School Psychologists.
- 11:28 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino:Global Disasters:Helping Kids Cope <http://bit.ly/ecyvK3> #gtchat via National Association of School Psychologists. #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **peter_lydon:** @LesLinks #gtchat yes...although exposure should be age appropriate
- 11:28 pm **ljconrad:** @21stprincipal Hopefully this happens in the home. Sadly, it often does not. #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **MaryStGeorge:** Balance shielding and creating opportunities for pragmatic, compassionate response #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal Agree that we should allow kids to see how others live. Need to see how fortunate we are and how to help others. #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **OCCGATE:** #gtchat For MUCH older kids Great film by Japanese filmmaker Kurosawa; illustrates cultral response 2 nuclear disaster <http://bit.ly/eP2qUb>
- 11:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** @ColinTGraham Thank you for posting. Will check out. #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **Ron_Peck:** @shyj luckily we live far enough away that we were able to reason that fear away.:) #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **LesLinks:** RT @peter_lydon: @LesLinks #gtchat yes...although exposure should be age appropriate= goes without saying.. true #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **OCCGATE:** RT @ColinTGraham: Japan <http://pdscompasspoint.com/?p=4342> is also a short, thoughtful post about traumatic events and dealing with children's ?ns #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** Talking to Kids about Natural Disasters <http://bit.ly/eWZBza> #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **ColinTGraham:** If your students want to send messages to Japan, @barbsaka (teachs kids EFL) has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @MaryStGeorge: Balance shielding and creating opportunities for pragmatic, compassionate response<=yes. #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Kids about Natural Disasters <http://bit.ly/eWZBza> #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **21stprincipal:** True lessons in character arise from tragedy & suffering. Teaching compassion, true altruism is found there. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **Ron_Peck:** @DeborahMersino Excellent resources! Thank you. ;) #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Kids about Natural Disasters <http://bit.ly/eWZBza> #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **tbbrwn:** @ljconrad @21stprincipal Ts can help prep Parents with relevant links: how to talk to your child about _____. Good use of wiki/blog #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **shyj:** @Ron_Peck Very real for us so have to be careful how things are explained. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **MaryStGeorge:** I think some kids in quake coped better - they can take action, they can see improvement. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @ColinTGraham: If students want 2 send messages 2 Japan, @barbsaka has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> <=TY. #gtchat

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- 11:30 pm **deepwaterscoach**: RT @ColinTGraham: If ur students want 2 send msgs @ Japan, @barbsaka (teaches EFL) set up child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **LesLinks**: @ColinTGraham @barbsaka Excellent idea... sending messages from kids to kids.... really good.. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **ljconrad**: News coverage in US is often very different than in rest of world. Appreciate BBC Worldnews service. More comprehensive. Less bias. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **DeborahMersino**: Talking to Your Child About the Earthquake in Japan <http://bit.ly/g25euc> #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **jaltmark**: #gtchat older kids may be(come) worried about nuclear power plants... could happen anywhere! Me too, actually!
- 11:31 pm **RMMul**: RT @ColinTGraham: students want send messages Japan, @barbsaka (teachs kids EFL) has set up child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **OCCGATE**: RT @DeborahMersino: RT @ColinTGraham: If students want 2 send messages 2 Japan, @barbsaka has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> <=TY. #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @Ron_Peck: @DeborahMersino Excellent resources! Thank you. ;) It's a privilege serving this community. #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **21stprincipal**: By ignoring the tragedy & hurt in Japan & other places, do we not send the message that the world does not matter? #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **laughingatchaos**: @ljconrad I agree. I'm starting to stream more world news. #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **LesLinks**: @MaryStGeorge Ya.. if they feel involved 'doing something' positive.. good #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **jofrei**: RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Kids about Natural Disasters <http://bit.ly/eWZBza> #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **laughingatchaos**: RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Your Child About the Earthquake in Japan <http://bit.ly/g25euc> #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **GiftedBooks**: RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Your Child About the Earthquake in Japan <http://bit.ly/g25euc> #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **michaelbathurst**: RT @ColinTGraham: If your students want 2 send messages 2 Japan, @barbsaka has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **shyj**: @MaryStGeorge Also good for kids 2 see how the Japanese people r reacting, w/ civility & patience. Not sure that would happen here #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **mareserinitatis**: @21stprincipal I think we need to be careful because we don't want kids to feel responsible for something they can't help. #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **ljconrad**: @tbbrwn Good idea. I don't disagree. It's just not possible here. #gtchat
- 11:32 pm **Ron_Peck**: @shyj Focus on safety drills, building codes, etc. Ease their fears a little I would hope. #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **laughingatchaos**: @shyj @MaryStGeorge Katrina was evidence of that. :(#gtchat
- 11:33 pm **shyj**: RT @21stprincipal: By ignoring the tragedy & hurt in Japan & other places, do we not send the message that the world does not matter? #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **21stprincipal**: @mareserinitatis Not teaching them to feel responsible, but to feel compassion for others. #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **MaryStGeorge**: @shyj Yes, much is said about the calm dignity of Japan's response #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **mareserinitatis**: @21stprincipal Hard enough for adults to deal with tragedy, but kids don't have sense of their role and expect a lot from themselves #gtchat

- 11:33 pm **DeborahMersino**: Q4: How many of your kids HAVE talked about the tragedy at their schools? What worked well? What ?s came up? #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **giaimojosephine**: RT @ColinTGraham: Nuclear Boy - <http://bit.ly/esVrV6> one way of reassuring young children in Japan... <== I love this video! #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **shyj**: @jaltmark This has caused my 8th grader son to research nuclear reactors. #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **peter_lydon**: RT @shyj: @jaltmark This has caused my 8th grader son to research nuclear reactors. #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **MaryStGeorge**: @Ron_Peck @shyj Yes the Japanese focus on safety procedures seems to have a calming effect #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **DeputyMitchell**: RT @ColinTGraham: If your students want to send messages to Japan, @barbsaka (teachs kids EFL) has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **shyj**: @ljconrad All kids should have access to BBC, IMHO #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **laughingatchaos**: Q4: No discussion at school, it's state testing time. Grr... #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **DeborahMersino**: Q4: I asked my dds if they had discussed it at school. Both said, "Oh yes. We talked about it a lot. Seemed to help them." (3rd/4th) #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **21stprincipal**: @mareserinitatis Maybe we need to show them having compassion doesn't mean being responsible. #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **laughingatchaos**: @shyj @ljconrad Is there a "lite" version of BBC for kids? #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **RMMul**: @DeborahMersino I find facts and logic work #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **shyj**: @21stprincipal Excellent point! Don't we want our kids to feel compassion for all human beings? #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **peter_lydon**: RT @laughingatchaos: Q4: No discussion at school, it's state testing time. Grr... #gtchat...what's the point of education!!!!
- 11:35 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @peter_lydon: RT @shyj: @jaltmark This has caused my 8th grader son to research nuclear reactors. <=excellent. #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **LesLinks**: @shyj @MaryStGeorge Ya I have been admiring their level headness and community support of each other.. no rioting/looting sofar #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **MaryStGeorge**: q4 all of them. Kids not in quake want to know what it was really like. Kids in q deepen passion for subject they love to move on #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **jaltmark**: RT @MaryStGeorge: @shyj Yes, much is said about the calm dignity of Japan's response Great discussion of pers. responsibility! #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @DeborahMersino: Q4: How many of your kids HAVE talked about the tragedy at their schools? What worked well? What ?s came up? #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **laughingatchaos**: @peter_lydon Don't get me started. Sigh...DS9 wants to be homeschooled. Can't say I blame him. #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **Ron_Peck**: #gtchat In my classes we looked at the historical context of similar events. Good discussion of global response and impact.
- 11:35 pm **21stprincipal**: @mareserinitatis Kids take their cues on how to deal with tragedy from us. If we ignore it, then they see is as unimportant. #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **peter_lydon**: RT @laughingatchaos: @peter_lydon Don't get me started. Sigh...DS9 wants to be homeschooled. Can't say I blame him. #gtchat..annoying!
- 11:36 pm **shyj**: @LesLinks @MaryStGeorge Great example for everyone #gtchat
- 11:36 pm **BobToms100**: RT @ColinTGraham: If your students want to send messages to Japan, @barbsaka has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGYz> #gtchat
- 11:36 pm **DeborahMersino**: RT @peter_lydon: RT @laughingatchaos: Q4: No discussion at school, its state testing time. Grr..whats the point of education!!!!<! #gtchat

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- 11:36 pm **ljconrad:** @laughingatchaos I think of it as a 'light' version; as in enlightened. :) #gtchat
- 11:36 pm **kmhmartin:** RT @ColinTGraham: If your students want to send messages to Japan, @barbsaka (teachs kids EFL) has set up a child-friendly page: <http://bit.ly/e5TGZy> #gtchat
- 11:36 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @mareserinitatis: Definitely limit information for the younger ones, more frank with older but try to get them to talk about feelings. #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **LesLinks:** RT @shyj: @LesLinks @MaryStGeorge Great example for everyone, Ya I think so too! #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **MaryStGeorge:** I work with what comes from the kids in these discussions #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **mareserinitatis:** @21stprincipal Agreed, but it's a very fine line, and different for each kid. If my younger one knew, he'd cry for days. Emotional. #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **ZJonesSpanish:** #gtchat Thanks for welcoming me! Very interesting! Is there a place where this will be archived? Does it occur the same day each week?
- 11:37 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @mareserinitatis: @21stprincipal Agreed, but it's a very fine line, and different for each kid. If my younger one knew, he'd cry for days. Emotional. #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **tbbrwn:** @LesLinks @shyj @MaryStGeorge @ jaltmark Yes.-calm/level-headed/trait's been discussed--respectful/steadfast (no riots!) citizenry #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal @mareserinitatis Which is why it's import. that my own kids see hubby & I showing interest &compassion. Start at home #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @mareserinitatis: Guess that's why I don't have a TV hooked up to network. Limits what they see until they're ready for it. #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **Ron_Peck:** #gtchat Lower grades have discussed ways to help. Seems to ease their anxiety knowing they can help.
- 11:37 pm **ljconrad:** For Japan it can be summed up in one word - respect! Something lacking in a lot of the world. #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q5: Re compassion, have any of you shared stories/heroic measures? powerful selflessness? collaboration? Teaching momnts 4 some ages #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **21stprincipal:** @shyj And teachers at school too. So many kids have no models of compassion and empathy at home. #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **MaryStGeorge:** #gtchat Christchurch quake has deepened community values - interesting to observe
- 11:38 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @ljconrad: For Japan it can be summed up in one word - respect! Something lacking in a lot of the world.<=True. #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **LesLinks:** RT @ljconrad: For Japan it can be summed up in one word - respect! Something lacking in a lot of the world. #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **KTVee:** Q4 my stdnts biggest questions were about things they saw in newspapers, on tv, on internet - so it was good to open lines of comm #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @shyj: @21stprincipal @mareserinitatis Which is why its import.my own kids see hubby&I show interest &compassion. Start at home #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **camillaelliott:** RT @jofrei: RT @DeborahMersino: Talking to Kids about Natural Disasters <http://bit.ly/eWZBza> #gtchat timely article #austl
- 11:39 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj And teachers at school too. So many kids have no models of compassion and empathy at home.<=great point. #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **ljconrad:** @ZJonesSpanish Yes. Link posted at end of chat. Chats are at Noon and 7 PM EDT. #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **laughingatchaos:** Q5:My sons LOVE the Boys Life article Scouts in Action (or something like that). About boys their ages & their heroics. #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **jofrei:** RT @MaryStGeorge:Christchurch quake has deepened community values - interesting to observe #gtchat

- 11:39 pm **shyj**: @jaltmark @MaryStGeorge and teamwork, sense of community, etc #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **DeborahMersino**: The Mean & Scary World Syndrome <http://bit.ly/eP7v7Y> Article by @micheleborba of TODAY Show. #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **RMMul**: Great chat going on in #gtchat tonight. Sorry I had to leave it early.
- 11:39 pm **giaimojosephine**: 20 Ways to Teach about the Disaster from NY Times: <http://nyti.ms/fGbjNb> #gtchat ...seems to focus on the mental not the emotional..Hm...
- 11:39 pm **ZJonesSpanish**: @ljconrad Thanks! #gtchat
- 11:39 pm **MaryStGeorge**: Q5, kids share some of these stories, but as we are immersed in quake, I haven't added stories, just responded #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **KTVee**: a student handed me a self-made flyer that said "Dance for Japan" and said she wanted to help Japan. She's 8. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **DeborahMersino**: @KTVee Your students are fortunate to have you. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **tbbrown**: @MaryStGeorge Good to hear...my friend from NYC said the same thing after 9/11--changed the city and its citizens. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **MaryStGeorge**: RT @KTVee: a student handed me a self-made flyer that said "Dance for Japan" and said she wanted to help Japan. She's 8. #gtchat Gorgeous!
- 11:40 pm **shyj**: @21stprincipal Hate to throw more responsibility on teachers, but sometimes there is no one else to teach kids these things. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **DeborahMersino**: @giaimojosephine Interesting observation. Thank you. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **21stprincipal**: Those things learned out of tragedy & suffering are often deemed irrelevant by those whose faith is in testing. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **laughingatchaos**: RT @DeborahMersino: The Mean & Scary World Syndrome <http://bit.ly/eP7v7Y> Article by @micheleborba of TODAY Show. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **peter_lydon**: RT @KTVee: a student handed me a self-made flyer that said "Dance for Japan" and said she wanted to help Japan. She's 8. #gtchat...nice!
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- 11:41 pm **giaimojosephine**: RT @jaltmark: Let kids draw their own pics, share worries in a story? Discuss how kids can take action to help<=like <= me 2 #gtchat
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- 11:41 pm **shyj**: @DeborahMersino @KTVee Believe me...they ARE fortunate to have Krissy! #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **BallerinaX**: RT @KTVee: a student handed me a self-made flyer that said "Dance for Japan" and said she wanted to help Japan. She's 8. #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **tbbrown**: @KTVee That's awesome! be sure to share--we can ALL help. :) #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **DeborahMersino**: Q6: How does your country's educational trajectory right now allow 4 real-life learning/growing/character building? Esp for #gifted? #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **mareserinitatis**: RT @DeborahMersino: The Mean & Scary World Syndrome <http://bit.ly/eP7v7Y> Article by @micheleborba of TODAY Show. #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **peter_lydon**: @DeborahMersino NONE! #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **Ron_Peck**: #gtchat Great idea to share heroic stories when disaster strikes. Modeling is important in these times of need.
- 11:42 pm **DeborahMersino**: @21stprincipal Just saw this as I was writing Q6. Exactly. #gtchat
- 11:42 pm **ljconrad**: Don't forget Middle East/ Africa where people are willing to risk their lives 4 freedom. Our kids take freedom for granted sometimes #gtchat
- 11:42 pm **DeborahMersino**: @peter_lydon @KTVee Wow. Poignant. Touching. #gtchat

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- 11:42 pm **21stprincipal:** @jvincentsen Of course, you don't teach understanding of tragedy & suffering without considering maturity. #gtchat
- 11:42 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal Not to mention the opportunity to break down ethnic barriers and preconceptions about another culture. #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @ljconrad: Dont forget Middle East/ Africa where ppl r willing 2 risk lives 4 freedom. Our kids take freedom 4 granted sometimes #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **KTVee:** @shyj @DeborahMersino thanks guys - but I am the lucky one to work with such great kids everyday! #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **LesLinks:** Think I have to go.. but final thought here is amazing how living thru disasters, geological, or economies etc. rekindleskindness #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **laughingatchaos:** Q6: Well, if it can't be tested...sigh... #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **peter_lydon:** #gtchat Very little self-discipline taugh in schools any more - anything goes!
- 11:43 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @shyj: @21stprincipal Not to mention the opportunity to break down ethnic barriers and preconceptions about another culture.<=YES #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **shyj:** @ljconrad Our kids do not know what lack of freedom is; they've never experienced it. #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **jaltmark:** @ljconrad #gtchat there was gr8 video on Youtube? about Egypt Google exec's role in Egypt. Great to share with kids!
- 11:43 pm **peter_lydon:** @LesLinks #gtchat Cos when we have nothing left, we have only ourselves.
- 11:43 pm **tbbrwn:** @ljconrad True...we discussed middle east w/ my undergrads. we liked this video: <http://youtu.be/XyYMBk2zHg> #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **21stprincipal:** If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat
- 11:43 pm **DeborahMersino:** Q6: I'm grateful that my dds were able to discuss - even amid state testing. Was impressed and grateful. DDs had lots of ?s. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **MaryStGeorge:** q6 our national curriculum is organised around key competencies like self-management - relevant #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **DeborahMersino:** @LesLinks Well said, Leslie. So glad you were with us for a bit! #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **Ron_Peck:** @ljconrad My students lead their own discussion about the courage being displayed in Middle Eastern countries right now. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **jofrei:** RT @tbbrwn: @KTVee Thats awesome! be sure to share--we can ALL help. :) YES #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **ljconrad:** @LesLinks Good thoughts coming your way. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **LesLinks:** @peter_lydon @LesLinks Ya... #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **DeborahMersino:** @21stprincipal Agree regarding global emphasis. We're all connected. Humanity. Compassion. Learning. #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **MaryStGeorge:** q6 our organisational curriculum has a strong social-emotional-ethical component - even better #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @MaryStGeorge: q6 our national curriculum is organised around key competencies like self-management - relevant<=excellent. #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **giaimojosephine:** RT @DeborahMersino: <http://bit.ly/g25euc> #gtchat turn off the TV and talk to their children in order to combat feelings of helplessness.

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Transcript for #gtchat - What the Hasht...

11:45 pm

peter_lydon: #gtchat I am a Kiwi. I am Japanese.

11:45 pm

shyj: @21stprincipal Our view of "global" is a bit misconstrued at times herre in the US #gtchat

11:45 pm

tbbrown: #gtchat timely video here about steadfastness of Japan's citizenry:
<http://yhoo.it/g6HGwX>

11:45 pm

LesLinks: RT @DeborahMersino: @LesLinks Well said, Leslie. So glad you were with us for a bit! = I Try...;-D Thoughts to all...;-D #gtchat

11:45 pm

deepwaterscoach: RT @21stprincipal: If we boast abt being "global" community, what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat

11:45 pm

ljconrad: @Ron_Peck Wish I could have been a fly on your wall! ;) #gtchat

11:45 pm

DeborahMersino: @Ron_Peck @ljconrad Wow. Impressive. Powerful. Again - relevant. To me, connecting concepts/learning to life is vital. #gtchat

11:45 pm

KTVee: hope someone from gov't is reading - state testing is preventing us discussing Japan w/r students #gtchat (realize that's whole other topic!)

11:46 pm

DeborahMersino: @MaryStGeorge Makes me want to move there... #gtchat

11:46 pm

21stprincipal: Teaching the "global perspective" means teaching kids "We're all in this together, whether in Japan, Libya or Egypt. #gtchat

11:46 pm

shyj: @Ron_Peck @ljconrad Excellent opportunity to learn about bravery! #gtchat

11:46 pm

laughingatchaos: @KTVee State testing is preventing a LOT, not just this. ./ #gtchat

11:46 pm

DeborahMersino: @ljconrad @Ron_Peck Me too. #gtchat

11:47 pm

ljconrad: RT @21stprincipal: Teaching the "global perspective" means teaching kids "Were all in this together, in Japan, Libya or Egypt. #gtchat

11:47 pm

Ron_Peck: @shyj @21stprincipal I think older students feel more connected to the global community today. More than ten years ago. #gtchat

11:47 pm

DeborahMersino: To close us out, I'm going to share some of the tips offered by Delisle, Ruf, Sinclair, Webb and Webb. Feel free to keep sharing. #gtchat

11:48 pm

jaltmark: #gtchat :@KTVee if someone from gov't is reading this, they ought to see there's a whole lot more to teaching than focusing on testing!

11:48 pm

21stprincipal: @shyj perhaps our view of "global" is skewed because we allow it to be #gtchat

11:48 pm

LesLinks: @ljconrad @LesLinks Ya..pls give my best to all the gtstooxies..sorry to have to screech on le ol'cyber bike.(handspieover) ;-D #gtchat

11:48 pm

peter_lydon: RT @jaltmark: #gtchat :@KTVee if someone from gov't is reading this, they ought to see there's a whole lot more to teaching than focusing on testing!

11:48 pm

DeborahMersino: These tips relate to tough times (not directed at recent events, but relevant nonetheless). #gtchat

11:48 pm

DeborahMersino: TIP Open communication by asking if your teen has any ?s or thoughts on the subject at hand. If they don't, volunteer any. (Webb). #gtchat

11:48 pm

shyj: @Ron_Peck @21stprincipal I agree. I think SM has a lot to do with that. Kids are so much more connected now than ever before. #gtchat

11:49 pm

DeborahMersino: TIP Allow your child to experience feelings, including anger and fear when coping with loss or tragedy. Be open to listening. (Ruf). #gtchat

11:49 pm

shyj: @21stprincipal And I always wonder why we allow it to be that way. Any answers? #gtchat

11:49 pm

21stprincipal: @shyj They are connected more, & perhaps educators need to help them understand this connectedness. #gtchat

11:49 pm

ljconrad: @Ron_Peck dd is spending weekend w/ @Begabungs whom I met at gtchat! This is a truly global community. Next, she'll visit @LesLinks #gtchat

11:50 pm

Ron_Peck: @DeborahMersino @ljconrad It was prettv cool! Powerful is a good word when

you facilitate 28 gifted students. #gtchat

- 11:50 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @Ron_Peck: @DeborahMersino @ljconrad It was pretty cool! Powerful is a good word when you facilitate 28 gifted students. #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **KTVee:** @jaltmark ur so right -- this is about teaching kids to care about the world (ummm...not many lessons THAT important!) #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **21stprincipal:** @shyj Matter of perspective, You have to get someone to walk in another's shoes to change perspective. #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** TIP: Encourage tolerance and acceptance. (Webb). #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj Matter of perspective, You have to get someone to walk in another's shoes to change perspective. #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @Ron_Peck: @DeborahMersino @ljconrad It was pretty cool! Powerful is a good word when you facilitate 28 gifted students.<PlsBlog! #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **Yismehu:** RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj Matter of perspective, You have to get someone to walk in anothers shoes to change perspective. #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **21stprincipal:** @shyj If we can get our students to experience through others, goes long way to expanding global perspective. #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal And maybe embrace the connectedness instead of trying to prevent it. #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **jofrei:** RT @KTVee: this is about teaching kids to care about the world (ummm...not many lessons THAT important!) #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **laughingatchaos:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj If we can get our students to experience through others, goes long way to expanding global perspective. #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **DeborahMersino:** TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **KTVee:** if we don't bring up the topic of Japan in class at all, are we modeling to kids that it's not important to care about ppl globally? #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **tbbrown:** @21stprincipal If we can get our students to experience through others, goes long way to expanding global perspective. #gtchat well said!
- 11:52 pm **21stprincipal:** @shyj And use that connectedness for good: compassion & empathy for others. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **Ron_Peck:** @shyj @21stprincipal That is very true! SM and the Internet in general have helped to pull students into global awareness. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal Another thing that should begin at home but doesn't always. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **DeborahMersino:** We have just a few minutes left. I can't thank you all enough for your thoughtful insights and perspectives. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @Ron_Peck: @shyj @21stprincipal That is very true! SM and the Internet in general have helped to pull students into global awareness. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **21stprincipal:** @shyj Alas, Home is the one demographic we have no control over. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal Leads back to compassion and exposing kids to what is happening all around them. #gtchat
- 11:52 pm **Ron_Peck:** @ljconrad How cool! #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **DeborahMersino:** FINAL THOUGHTS: Any final tips/suggestions/ideas/hopes/aha moments you would like to share on this subject? #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj Alas, Home is the one demographic we have no control over. #gtchat..need to get parents more involved.

- 11:53 pm **21stprincipal:** @Ron_Peck Yes, and that's the best argument for letting students engage in SM I can think of. #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @tbbwn: @21stprincipal If we can get our students to experience through others, goes long way to expanding global perspective. #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **MaryStGeorge:** @21stprincipal @shyj Yes, blogs and news sources from other countries help #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **jaltmark:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj And use that connectedness for good: compassion & empathy for others, locally & globally! #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **MaryStGeorge:** My feed has stalled sorry #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **laughingatchaos:** FT: So glad we dropped TV. Still can learn, but don't have the sensationalism. #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **OCCGATE:** #gtchat Comment re several: Seems to me like basic HTML + web skills + being a citizen of the net should be required learning.
- 11:53 pm **shyj:** @21stprincipal Unfortunately, but hopefully, at some point in the school day, we can offer them insight and perspective. #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **ljconrad:** RT @21stprincipal: @Ron_Peck Yes, and that's the best argument for letting students engage in SM I can think of. #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** @KTvee I personally think so. Need to model compassion/reality/hope/science/help/empathy/concern. #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** @MaryStGeorge So sorry! #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **21stprincipal:** @peter_lydon Of course, always try to get parents involved, but when they don't go to plan B and C. #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **peter_lydon:** #gtchat Dinner table is so important for teasing out events.
- 11:54 pm **Jeff_shoemaker:** New Post: gifted children learn differently <http://t.co/5qIRg9F> #gtchat #edchat #gifted comments welcome
- 11:54 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @21stprincipal: @peter_lydon Of course, always try to get parents involved, but when they don't go to plan B and C. #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **ljconrad:** Children imitate their parents. Time to set a good example! :) #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **MaryStGeorge:** @DeborahMersino Final #gtchat thought - make compassion empowering, not overwhelming, for our kids.
- 11:54 pm **Ron_Peck:** RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 11:55 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @MaryStGeorge: @DeborahMersino Final #gtchat thought - make compassion empowering, not overwhelming, for our kids.<=Yes. Like! #gtchat
- 11:55 pm **peter_lydon:** RT @MaryStGeorge: @DeborahMersino Final #gtchat thought - make compassion empowering, not overwhelming, for ou? (cont) <http://deck.ly/~KGRzN>
- 11:55 pm **KTvee:** we gotta show kids that caring about and helping others is more than just the word "CARING" hanging on a poster in a school. #gtchat
- 11:55 pm **tbbwn:** @DeborahMersino wrap=up: dialogue with students. listen. let them talk to you/each other. Show them we can all help in our own way #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @peter_lydon: #gtchat Dinner table is so important for teasing out events. <=Absolutely. And walking the dog. Talking bf bedtime. #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **DeborahMersino:** @KTvee Well said. #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **laughingatchaos:** @peter_lydon Dinner table is wonderful for teaching moments. #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **deepwaterscoach:** RT @MaryStGeorge: @DeborahMersino Final #gtchat thought - make compassion empowering, not overwhelming, for our kids.

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11:56 pm

snyj: @KTVee I'm afraid so. Can't be afraid 2 discuss tragedy b/c we don't want to make anyone feel bad or sad. It is life, & it happens #gtchat

11:56 pm

laughingatchaos: RT @ljconrad: Children imitate their parents. Time to set a good example! :) #gtchat

11:56 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @tbbwn: wrap=up: dialogue with students. listen. let them talk to you/each other. Show them we can all help in our own way<=like #gtchat

11:56 pm

peter_lydon: @DeborahMersino #gtchat sometimes the most important stuff comes out just as they are about to tuck in

11:56 pm

laughingatchaos: RT@KTVee:we gotta show kids that caring about & helping others is more than just the word "CARING" hanging on a poster in a school. #gtchat

11:57 pm

laughingatchaos: @peter_lydon And right before bed too. #gtchat

11:57 pm

shyj: Final thoughts: Talk about what is happening in the world and don't be afraid to model compassion for others. #gtchat

11:57 pm

DeborahMersino: @peter_lydon It's like they hold it all in and then it spills out as they're ready to slumber. Agreed. #gtchat

11:57 pm

peter_lydon: @laughingatchaos #gtchat like i said..tuck in at bedtime!

11:57 pm

Ron_Peck: @DeborahMersino Thanks for the encouragement. I'll blog about that this weekend. I want to share their current events Animotos also #gtchat

11:57 pm

peter_lydon: @DeborahMersino #gtchat could just be what seems like an off the cuff remark....

11:57 pm

jofrei: RT @KTVee: show kids that caring about and helping others is more than just the word "CARING" hanging on a poster in a school. #gtchat

11:57 pm

DeborahMersino: If any of you come across new resources throughout the next few weeks (re to this topic), please feel free to share w/ #gtchat. #gtchat

11:58 pm

laughingatchaos: @peter_lydon LOL! I thought you meant tuck in, to dig into food! LOL #gtchat

11:58 pm

shyj: @KTVee Just because it is hanging on a wall does not mean it is taught or learned-think X tables on walls. #gtchat

11:58 pm

ljconrad: @Ron_Peck Please post when ready. :) #gtchat

11:58 pm

DeborahMersino: @Ron_Peck Great. Looking forward to it. #gtchat

11:58 pm

peter_lydon: @DeborahMersino <http://bit.ly/gS3mrc> #gtchat

11:58 pm

Ron_Peck: #gtchat A final thought...I really missed chatting with all of you! Have a great weekend.

11:59 pm

peter_lydon: #gtchat @laughingatchaos I know..I realised this after I pressed send!

11:59 pm

MaryStGeorge: #gtchat My NZ Earthquake page again <http://j.mp/f7PKpy>

11:59 pm

KTVee: @shyj yes - it's that saying "Actions speak louder than words." We gotta model it! #gtchat

11:59 pm

shyj: @peter_lydon @DeborahMersino Or for my 17-yr old when we are in the car :) #gtchat

11:59 pm

DeborahMersino: NOTE: Re transcripts, wthashtag has been unreliable recently. I'm working with Tweetdocs as an alternative. Hope to resolve soon. #gtchat

11:59 pm

vivianto: RT @laughingatchaos: RT @ljconrad: For Japan it can be summed up in one word - respect! Something lacking in a lot of the world.#gtchat

11:59 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @MaryStGeorge: #gtchat My NZ Earthquake page again <http://j.mp/f7PKpy> <=TY Mary. #gtchat

11:59 pm

peter_lydon: RT @shyj: @peter_lydon @DeborahMersino Or for my 17-yr old when we are in the car :) #gtchat

11:59 pm

giaimojosephine: Think globally, act locally... Love, Serve, and Remember. #gtchat

11:59 pm

OCCGATE: #gtchat Wonderful resources and ideas again. Glad to be here! Thanks

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ljconrad: Another remarkable chat! Kudos to @DeborahMersino and our entire community! #gtchat

tbbrwn: good chat all. have a great weekend--cheers! #gtchat

peter_lydon: @shyj #gtchat yeah..when they're not really talking to anyone..just stream of consciousness talking

shyj: @Ron_Peck Can't wait to see them! #gtchat

DeborahMersino: Thank you all. I appreciate this chat - and all of the collaboration that continues to take place. It's an honor to dialogue w/you! #gtchat

ljconrad: RT @giaimojosephine: Think globally, act locally... Love, Serve, and Remember. #gtchat

MaryStGeorge: @DeborahMersino Good luck with Tweetdoc :) #gtchat

DeborahMersino: RT @peter_lydon: RT @shyj: @peter_lydon @DeborahMersino Or for my 17-yr old when we are in the car :) <=YES #gtchat

12:01 am **peter_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Thanks Deborah..say Hi to Barrack for me!

12:01 am **OCCGATE:** Happy weekend to one and all. :) #gtchat

12:01 am **laughingatchaos:** @peter_lydon :) Ahhh, the differences of language! Love it! ;) #gtchat

12:01 am **jofrei:** RT @ljconrad: Another remarkable chat! Kudos to @DeborahMersino and our entire community! I second that! #gtchat

12:01 am **shyj:** @peter_lydon My favorite time to connect #gtchat

12:01 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @ljconrad: Another remarkable chat! Kudos to @DeborahMersino and our entire community! <=Your encouragement means so much! #gtchat

12:01 am **giaimojosephine:** RT @DeborahMersino: Thank you all. I appreciate this chat - and all of the collaboration that continues to take place. It's an honor to dialogue w/you! #gtchat

12:01 am **laughingatchaos:** A great weekend to all of you! I get to winter camp w/Cub Scouts. In the mountains. Whimper... ;) #gtchat

12:02 am **shyj:** @KTVee Which can be very difficult for many adults. #gtchat

12:02 am **peter_lydon:** @laughingatchaos #gtchat...Hiberno-English...try that for a language to love!

12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** Off to explore Tweetdoc. Will post transcript as soon as I figure it out! #gtchat

12:02 am **KTVee:** Scholastic News for current events; Japan
<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3755883> #gtchat

12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** @peter_lydon We're just beginning! :) #gtchat

12:02 am **DeborahMersino:** @laughingatchaos Bless you, my friend! #gtchat

12:02 am **ljconrad:** @DeborahMersino ;) #gtchat

12:02 am **MaryStGeorge:** RT @jofrei: RT @ljconrad: Another remarkable chat! Kudos to @DeborahMersino and our entire community! I second that! #gtchat

12:03 am **peter_lydon:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat Great Journeys begin with a single step!

12:03 am **shyj:** RT @ljconrad: RT @giaimojosephine: Think globally, act locally... Love, Serve, and Remember. #gtchat

12:03 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @KTVee: Scholastic News for current events; Japan
<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3755883> <=TY! #gtchat

12:03 am **shyj:** @DeborahMersino Thanks to you too Deborah! #gtchat

12:03 am **laughingatchaos:** @peter_lydon I do not know that language! ;) #gtchat

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12:03 am

laughingatchaos: @peter_lydon I do not know that language! :) #gtchat

12:03 am

Ron_Peck: #gtchat You all are an amazing group of people. Thanks so much for the opportunity to collaborate.

12:04 am

peter_lydon: @laughingatchaos #gtchat Ah sure tis grand, have a read, you'd be on the pigs back!

12:05 am

laughingatchaos: @DeborahMersino LOL! If nothing else, great photo ops! ;) #gtchat

12:05 am

laughingatchaos: @peter_lydon Ok, where do I find it!? :) #gtchat

12:05 am

DeborahMersino: RT @Ron_Peck: #gtchat You all are an amazing group of people. Thanks so much for the opportunity to collaborate.<We're grateful 2 u! #gtchat

12:06 am

MaryStGeorge: #gtchat Thanks everyone :) If You're new and you facebook, search for Mary's gifted contacts. GT advocates r welcome to join.

12:06 am

jofrei: @peter_lydon What was your news? #gtchat

12:07 am

ljconrad: RT @jofrei: @peter_lydon What was your news? #gtchat

12:08 am

DeborahMersino: RT @MaryStGeorge: Thanks everyone :) If Youre new & you facebook, search for Marys gifted contacts. GT advocates r welcome to join. #gtchat

12:08 am

shyj: Thanks everyone, this was inspiring #gtchat

12:09 am

DeborahMersino: 03.18.11 #gtchat 7pm/EDT: <http://www.tweetdoc.org/View/10409/03.18.11-#gtchat-7pm/EDT> (test)

12:09 am

__Quest: Oh - have I just missed #Gtchat

12:10 am

DeborahMersino: RT @__Quest Hi! Oh - have I just missed #Gtchat <=We moved to Daylight Savings Time. Sorry! Working on transcript now.

12:10 am

MaryStGeorge: I came out of #gtchat and looked at what is trending on Twitter, and I am pretty glad about which conversation I joined! u guys r tops!

12:11 am

__Quest: Ah right! Will check out transcript so. #Gtchat

12:13 am

POWERORGmath: RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat

12:14 am

jofrei: RT @DeborahMersino: 03.18.11 #gtchat 7pm/EDT: <http://www.tweetdoc.org/View/10409/03.18.11-#gtchat-7pm/EDT> (test) #gtchat

12:16 am

jofrei: @DeborahMersino That format looks attractive - I guess you do not know how many extras are just reading? #gtchat

12:16 am

DeborahMersino: @jofrei Actually I don't think the test version worked. Showed just noon chat, right? Still working on it. #gtchat

12:16 am

peter_lydon: #gtchat liking this TweetDoc thing

12:16 am

POWERORGmath: RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat

12:17 am

shaylprice: RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat

12:18 am

shyj: What Does Watson Mean To You?
-<http://ideacnect.edublogs.org/2011/02/18/what-does-watson-mean-to-you/>
#edchat #gtchat

12:18 am

DeborahMersino: ATTN: #gtchat folks - Still working on Transcripts. Last test appears to show both chats mumbled. Will work on post-dinner. TY for patience!

12:19 am

ljconrad: @DeborahMersino {{tapping fingers; twiddling thumbs}} #gtchat

12:21 am

vilsrip: RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat

- 12:21 am **shaylprice:** RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 12:22 am **DeborahMersino:** @ljonrad DD08 having sleepover/must prep/if u want 2 try 2 capture via www.tweetdoc.org. I'd b delighted. Otherwise I'll do it ltr! #gtchat
- 12:23 am **jofrei:** @DeborahMersino @jofrei It is all there as far as I can see 21 pages long both chats in it #gtchat
- 12:24 am **j_allen:** RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 12:27 am **JoHart:** Post <http://bit.ly/ebA7NI> w o'view & rec link recent Edublogs Serendipity webinar - Mind mapping #edchat #edtech #serendiped #gtchat
- 12:29 am **jofrei:** RT @JoHart: Post <http://bit.ly/ebA7NI> w o'view & rec link recent Edublogs Serendipity webinar - Mind mapping #edchat #serendiped #gtchat
- 12:30 am **chrstinef:** Workday finally done! Missed #gtchat. But, fab Cave time planned for tomorrow! #amrevising soon
- 12:32 am **DeborahMersino:** @jofrei TY for letting me know. Must re-look at it. Appreciate knowing that! #gtchat
- 12:32 am **adelebrice:** RT @KTvee: Scholastic News for current events; Japan <http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3755883> #gtchat
- 12:34 am **DeborahMersino:** @MaryStGeorge Just out of curiosity, which topic was trending? Do you see the same trending topics in NZ as I see here? #gtchat
- 12:47 am **Elle_Gifted:** Thought I was just late to #gtchat, but looks like I missed it!
- 12:49 am **DeborahMersino:** @Elle_Gifted We switched to Daylight Savings Time this past weekend. Tried to alert. So sorry we missed you! #gtchat
- 12:50 am **DeborahMersino:** @Elle_Gifted See you're in US. Sorry...#gtchat is at noon/EDT and 7pm/EDT. Hope you come next week!
- 12:57 am **MaryStGeorge:** Test transcript ran bottom to top and ended as 7pm chat started, I finally figured out. #gtchat
- 1:20 am **giaimojosephine:** RT @Gift_Ed_Aus: Congratulations to #gtchat now being followed by President Obama
- 1:23 am **KTvee:** Pls finish: If I had magic wand, 1st thing in edu would chg... #SPNChat #edchat #gtchat
- 1:28 am **DeborahMersino:** @MaryStGeorge TY for letting me know. I'm still working on it. Funny that @jofrei could see both chats. Will hopefully figure out! #gtchat
- 1:33 am **MaryStGeorge:** @DeborahMersino I have saved a transcript myself from Chomedeck if all else fails - formatting odd but all there #gtchat
- 1:34 am **teachernz:** @KTvee If I had magic wand, 1st thing in edu would chg would be to make it about people - not numbers #SPNChat #edchat #gtchat
- 2:21 am **micheleborba:** RT @DeborahMersino: The Mean & Scary World Syndrome <http://bit.ly/eP7v7Y> Article by @micheleborba of TODAY Show. #gtchat <TY hug
- 2:22 am **tbbrwn:** @DeborahMersino #gtchat transcript worked perfectly for me, Deborah...thanks so much for the awesomeness of your moderation-ness. :)
- 2:28 am **MaryStGeorge:** @tbbrwn Do I appear in your transcript? If not, you see what I see, and it is not complete. #gtchat.
- 2:34 am **tbbrwn:** @MaryStGeorge oh no...you are missing! ack! #gtchat
- 2:36 am **MaryStGeorge:** @tbbrwn It's in reverse order and ends just as the chat starts. I have made a transcript myself, in case Deborah has no luck. #gtchat.

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- 2:45 am **DeborahMersino:** RT @tbbwrn: @DeborahMersino #gtchat transcript worked perfectly for me, Deborah...thanks so much for the awesomeness of your moderation-ness. :)
- 2:47 am **tbbwrn:** @DeborahMersino thx :) turns out it's incomplete. @MaryStGeorge is missing...anti-En-Zed filter on? :) #gtchat
- 2:49 am **DeborahMersino:** @BarackObama Re NCLB fix, critical to ensure our highest potential students receive support via best practices in #gifted education. #gtchat
- 2:50 am **MaryStGeorge:** @tbbwrn No, it just stops an hour too soon, it will be to do with the change of Daylight saving. #gtchat
- 3:32 am **MaryStGeorge:** #gtchat I had a play with tweetdocs bcs the docs look so good. We talk too much! 500 tweet limit.
- 3:51 am **lpapplegirl:** RT @KTVEe: Scholastic News for current events; Japan <http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3755883> #gtchat
- 4:15 am **KellyNLily:** RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 4:50 am **asynschlrnsfnd:** High IQ Linked to Prenatal Testosterone Exposure? <http://bit.ly/gqOELd> #gifted #gtchat
- 5:03 am **Begabung:** RT @asynschlrnsfnd: High IQ Linked to Prenatal Testosterone Exposure? <http://bit.ly/gqOELd> #gifted #gtchat
- 5:28 am **Begabung:** RT @DeborahMersino: 03.18.11 #gtchat 7pm/EDT: <http://www.tweetdoc.org/View/10409/03.18.11-#gtchat-7pm/EDT> (test)
- 6:03 am **MaryStGeorge:** #gtchat people, are there tags already in use for twice exceptional? Started using #2ekids as #2e seems to be something else.
- 6:07 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: Remember teaching the day after Columbine, had whole class of students who wanted to talk. #gtchat
- 6:08 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: We do kids no favors shielding them from the suffering world, learning to accept & show compassion important. #gtchat
- 6:08 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: By ignoring the tragedy & hurt in Japan & other places, do we not send the message that the world does not matter? #gtchat
- 6:08 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: @mareserinitatis Kids take their cues on how to deal with tragedy from us. If we ignore it, then they see is as unimportant. #gtchat
- 6:08 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: @shyj And teachers at school too. So many kids have no models of compassion and empathy at home. #gtchat
- 6:09 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: If we boast about being part of a "global" community, then what happens in Japan is as relevant as what happens down the street. #gtchat
- 6:09 am **ZERUDAH:** RT @21stprincipal: Teaching the "global perspective" means teaching kids "We're all in this together, whether in Japan, Libya or Egypt. #gtchat
- 6:44 am **kimkimvn:** Are there anyone researching on international policies in gifted education? We could share the views and opinions #gtchat
- 8:41 am **tbbwrn:** @kimkimvn i'd love to do research on int'l GT policy but will prob have to wait until after dissertation. hope i can be part of it #gtchat
- 8:45 am **tbbwrn:** @kimkimvn i'd love to do research on int'l GT policy but will prob have to wait until after phd. hope i can be part of the convo #gtchat
- 10:18 am **RMMul:** RT @DeborahMersino: TIP: Write your son/daughter a note to read (when they're going through tough time). Let them know you're there for them. (Delisle). #gtchat
- 10:40 am **_mindblue_:** RT @ColinTGraham: Can't join tonight but: Nuclear Boy - <http://bit.ly/esVrV6> one way of reassuring young children in Japan... not as daft as it looks. #gtchat
- 11:07 am **MaryStGeorge:** @kimkimvn Yes, @ljconrad and @GiftedPhoenix are very knowledgeable

- 1:03 pm **MaryStGeorge:** RT @HPTeachExchange: Who Among Us is Explicitly Tasked with Helping Children Learn to Teach Themselves? <http://bit.ly/hXk7t6> #edtech #gtchat
- 1:05 pm **atxteacher:** <http://ow.ly/1sckqk> Symposium on Adult Giftedness - very exciting! #gifted #gtchat
- 1:29 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @atxteacher: <http://ow.ly/1sckqk> Symposium on Adult Giftedness - very exciting! #gifted #gtchat
- 1:32 pm **DeborahMersino:** Transcripts from both 03.18.11 #gtchat sessions. <http://bit.ly/dFISX3> {Scroll to 4pm for our Dear Mr. President: An Ideation Session}.
- 1:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** Transcripts from both 03.18.11 #gtchat sessions: <http://bit.ly/dFISX3> {Scroll to 11pm 4 Emotional Support 4 Children During Times of Crisis}
- 1:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** Thank you @FrazzIld for seeing that wthashtag was working! So appreciate your help. #gtchat
- 1:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** @MaryStGeorge - TY also for ardently working on Tweetdoc. I appreciate your efforts! #gtchat
- 1:37 pm **DeborahMersino:** Worth checking out: First Symposium on Adult Giftedness <http://bit.ly/dGliJ7> {TY @atxteacher}. #gtchat #gifted
- 1:58 pm **ljconrad:** RT @DeborahMersino: Worth checking out: First Symposium on Adult Giftedness <http://bit.ly/dGliJ7> {TY @atxteacher}. #gtchat #gifted
- 1:59 pm **KTVee:** Is it just me or are there LOTS new principals/teachers coming to Twitter? Welcome to all of the new educators! #edchat #SPNChat #gtchat
- 5:24 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @KTVee: Is it just me or are there LOTS new principals/teachers coming to Twitter? Welcome to all of the new educators! #edchat #SPNChat #gtchat
- 6:17 pm **HEROESgifted:** #Rutgers 3-credit #Writing courses for #gifted teens| HEROESgifted <http://t.co/kBBkgCa> via @HEROESgifted #gtchat
- 6:33 pm **ljconrad:** RT @HEROESgifted: #Rutgers 3-credit #Writing courses for #gifted teens| HEROESgifted <http://t.co/kBBkgCa> via @HEROESgifted #gtchat
- 6:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** @MomCongressPA Sending them to the Summer Enrichment Program at the University of Northern Colorado: <http://bit.ly/aG1N26>. #gtchat #gifted
- 8:19 pm **DeborahMersino:** US launches strikes on Libya <http://on.wsj.com/gSAHAf> #gtchat
- 8:20 pm **mareserinitatis:** RT @DeborahMersino: US launches strikes on Libya <http://on.wsj.com/gSAHAf> #gtchat
- 8:25 pm **dylanfern:** Can my gifted ed people point me to some model programs in terms of diversity? Anyone doing a really good job of ID? #gtchat
- 8:27 pm **jasontbedell:** RT @DeborahMersino: US launches strikes on Libya <http://on.wsj.com/gSAHAf> #gtchat
- 8:59 pm **Begabung:** RT @DeborahMersino: Transcripts from both 03.18.11 #gtchat sessions. <http://bit.ly/dFISX3> {Scroll to 4pm for our Dear Mr. President: An Ideation Session}.
- 10:24 pm **chrstinef:** Signed copy of 101 Success Secrets + 30-pg MS critique up for bid for Japan relief fund. Ends Sunday. #gifted #gtchat <http://bit.ly/eX33Ee>
- 10:25 pm **marylindsey:** RT @chrstinef: Signed copy of 101 Success Secrets + 30-pg MS critique up for bid for Japan relief fund. Ends Sunday. #gifted #gtchat <http://bit.ly/eX33Ee>