



## In Our Words Newsletter

### Classroom Writing

Please enjoy this group writing from our online, Low Intermediate English class that meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Students in the class worked together to create this story!

#### “Past Continuous Tense” Mystery Story: What were you doing and saying when something scary and funny happened at our English Class?

Marnie was teaching our English Class when Aml heard a loud noise. Aml was mute and Ane was laughing when it happened. While this was going on, Angy asked, “Ane, why are you laughing?” Ane said, “A balloon was popping with my kids.” Djorffre said, “Keep quiet everybody. Look outside. Someone is coming.”

When Emly saw an intruder, Haidy was really scared. Jenny said to them, “Come down everybody!” Then Martina went to the kitchen. She saw Mei Qiu there. While Martina was watching her, Mei Qiu was cooking some chicken and fried rice and she put the food in the bowl.

Meanwhile, Sharon was taking the class. Simon saw Sharon and asked, “What subject are you learning?” Sharon replied, “I’m learning grammar in Burlington English.” While Sharon was learning grammar, Tetiana made some flashcards. Djorffre said, “I like Burlington English, but I’m really busy because I work from 2 pm to 3 am. I wake up at 9 am. So I can do homework a little on Saturday and Sunday.” Then all the students explained to Marnie, “We were focusing on you when the intruder made a noise.”

The students called 911 and the police came. When the police arrived, the intruder was trying to escape. The police had a big dog who tried to catch the man. When the police caught up with him, the man said, “I didn’t do anything.”

The police took the man to a judge. The man explained, “I was trying to join the English class!”

#### Write About Yourself, by English Language Learner, Nga Pham

I used to live in Vietnam. I moved to the United States in 2019. My first year wasn’t easy. There were many things to learn. But I wasn’t alone. My husband, he is a American. He helped me find a school English class. Today, I live in Antioch Tennessee. I am working to hard. I saving money for my own age.

#### Kim and Crystal Hanging Out with David Grohl and the Care Bears, by Literacy Learner, Avery Whitehead

Crystal and Kim would sing on the Foo Fighter stage with David Grohl and the Care Bears, dancing, doing the robot, and drinking a milkshake.

**Footnote:** “There goes my hero. Watch [her] as she goes.” from “My Hero” by Foo Fighters

### NALC Announcements

Find news from staff and other updates here!



### The Banquet

Please join us for our first **Learner & Tutor Banquet** since 2019! We will be celebrating our 40th birthday!

**When:** Wednesday, November 2, 6 - 8pm

**Where:** Plaza Mariachi, 3955 Nolensville Pike

**What:** a potluck meal to celebrate students, volunteers, and staff!

This event is **free** for all to attend. Family is welcome!

Please bring a dish to share because this is a potluck meal!

Let us know if you plan to attend!

**Are you coming?**



### Submit Your Work

Do you have something to share? Please let your teacher or a NALC worker know OR submit work using the button below. You can also email your work to [mharding@nashvilleliteracy.org](mailto:mharding@nashvilleliteracy.org). We are here to help!

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