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Room: TI_Reception

VanceS: greetings earthlings

SunN: well, this room is really popular!

VanceS extends antennae

SunN: lol, Vance, how can you do that?

MargaretD: Vance is in Abu Dhabi Sun

VanceS: Hi Sun, welcome

VanceS: well, I stick one antenna out like this ...

SunN: thanx vances

VanceS extends one antenna

VanceS: and then the other ...

VanceS replicates feat with other antenna

SunN: confused

ScottLo: I think the trick is done with a colon mark :

MargaretD: confusing to a 19 yr old student in China no doubt

VanceS: ok, if you write colon is confused, like this :is confused

SunN confused

SunN: good

SunN: I got it now

ScottLo is bubbling over with anticipation of another fun filled WiA session

VanceS: yes, you got it

VanceS claps and jumps up and down

ScottLo pats SunN on the back and says....

SunN bow to vances

ScottLo: Good Job

VanceS returns bow to Sun

VanceS: How is everyone else?

ScottLo: busy, busy, busy in Tokyo!!

SunN: Vances, you are from Japan?

ScottLo: how are things in Darmstadt, Margaret??

VanceS: no, I am an American living in the United Arab Emirates

JeanMC: Hola todos

MargaretD: hot Scott

MargaretD: Hi JM

SunN: i c. what are u doing there?

ScottLo: hot as in exciting or as in sweltering??

ScottLo: hiya JeanMC

MargaretD: sweltering and muggy

JeanMC: Salut tout le monde

VanceS: salut JM, tout va bien?
JeanMC: Tout va bien, et pour toi?
VanceS: I take care of computers here
ClaireB joined the room.
MargaretD: Hi Claire
JeanMC: Hi Claire
VanceS: moi, comme si comme ca
SunN: that's an interesting job, do u think so?
ClaireB hugs all
ClaireB: what's up?
ScottLo: hiya Claire
ClaireB: hiya scott
MargaretD: we wouldn't all be here without computers Sun
ClaireB: what is the topic of discussion?
VanceS: it is an interesting job, but I need to find another like it
ScottLo nods in solemn agreement with Margaret's statement about computers
ChungJuY joined the room.
ScottLo . o O (if it weren't for computers I'd have a social life...)
SunN blush
JeanMC: Hola ChungJuY
ScottLo: hiya ChungJuY
ChungJuY: Hi
ClaireB: But you can have a social life ****with**** computers
VanceS: Hi Claire, we are especially indebted to CMC (computer mediated communications) tools
ClaireB: hi chungJu
ScottLo: touche
MargaretD marvels to think of talking with students in China
MargaretD: Hi Chung
VanceS: Hi Chung
ChungJuY: Hi!
VanceS looks for source of echo
ClaireB: echo echo echo echo
SunN confused by Margaret's words
VanceS . o O (ahh, it's Claire)
VanceS: To 'marvel' means to be amazed
MargaretD: I studied Chinese in high school Sun when the cultural revolution was on in China
VanceS: so she is amazed that she can talk with people from China
SunN understand
ScottLo: it is pretty amazing
SunN: 1969--1979
SunN: which school did you study in Margaret?
MargaretD: I never thought then I would be able to chat with people in China then
MargaretD: In the US Sun
MargaretD: We didn't have computers then Sun

SunN: wow, i c, so how much can you speak Chinese now?
MargaretD: not much. no practice
SunN: can you write Chinese character?
MargaretD: and I learned Mandarin
MargaretD: yes, I can draw so it was fun
SunN: yes, Mandarin is the most popular language in China
SunN: draw?? so you treat it as drawing, that;s really funny
MargaretD: not really...I see it more as an art
DafneG joined the room.
ScottLo: hiya DafneG
DafneG: hi there everybody
MargaretD: Hi Daf
ClaireB hugs dafne
FernandaR: hi, Daf
DafneG hugs and kisses everybody on both cheeks
JeanMC: Hola Dafne
ClaireB kisses Dafne on both cheeks
SunN: hehe, so I am drawing everyday, and I'm a artist more than a student, lol
DafneG: Are you ready for your pres tonight, JM?
MargaretD: How long have you studied English Sun?
SunN: 3 years
VanceS: H Daf, what presentation?
RifGuest1 joined the room.
ClaireB: yeah, what presentation?
DafneG: JM is giving a pres tonight at the Eurolanguage session
VanceS: hi Rif
SunN: so my level is limited
ClaireB: is this arif?
MargaretD: you are pretty good then
DafneG: hello again, Arif
RifGuest1: hi everybody
JeanMC: yes, I think I am ready
JoaoF joined the room.
VanceS: really, when is that 20:00?
ClaireB: is it an online session?
DafneG: yes, Claire
MargaretD: on Eurolang Vance
DafneG: here at TI2
VanceS: in the ASO?
ClaireB: are we supposed to be there?
JeanMC: Hi Rif and Joao
DafneG: yes, ASO
SunN: what are u going to do ?
FernandaR: what time?
MargaretD: Hi Rif
JoaoF: hello

DafneG: 20 GMT
RifGuest1: hi
DafneG: hi Joao
ClaireB: so that is 8 hours from now?
JeanMC: 15h00 Colombia; 22h France and Spain; 21h Portugal
ClaireB: hi joao
MargaretD: Hi Joao
FernandaR: ola, Joao
ClaireB: I still have soooooo much trouble with GMT!
RifGuest1: what is this event about? sorry for repetition
RifGuest1: You are not alone Claire!
ClaireB: rif guest 1, are you arif?
MargaretD: Are you in Portugal Joao?
DafneG: it is one of the Eurolanguage sessions, Arif
JeanMC: Sun, I am going to present some experiences with technology in a third world country as Colombia, South America
JoaoF: yes
RifGuest1: I finally decided to put a GMT clock on my web site :=)
DafneG: JM is the guest speaker tonight
JeanMC: Claire, 16h00 Eastern Time
SunN: can I stay here?
DafneG: sure, Sun
MargaretD: sure Sun
SunN: thanx
VanceS: Of course, Sun you can stay here
RifGuest1: I was confused with the email. Is it going to be in Spanish or English
DafneG: or French?
JeanMC: in spanglish
MargaretD -)
DafneG: the babel tower
RifGuest1: that is even better :=)
JeanMC: 90% in English and the rest in Spanish, French, Portuguese...and a mixture of all of them
ClaireB: JeanMC, do you want people to be here? we can behave.lol
DafneG: of course he wants us to be there
ClaireB: if we behave
VanceS: how about in Spanglais
DafneG taking out her French dictionaries
ClaireB: cool, I love multilingual chats
JeanMC: you are all welcome...and if you are not here at synchronous time you will be able to get the transcript
JeanMC: franglais? in french we have "parler anglais comme une vache espagnole"
ClaireB: yes, I have heard that expression!
BjB . o O (if the transcript is in anything other than English, you'll have to do your own editing)
RifGuest1: and the translation says:

JeanMC: "to speak English as a Spanish cow" !!!!!
BjB: I have a question for this diverse group...including Sun...
RifGuest1: lol....
ScottLo: fire away BjB
DafneG listens to BJ
BjB: Following Maggi and Sun's discussion of language as art ...
JeanMC: ? BJ
BjB: I'm wondering if people that use drawn characters such as Chinese or Japanese or even Arabic are more visual learners
ClaireB: that is an interesting question, BJB
DafneG: good question for research
JeanMC: very interesting
ClaireB: I noticed that Sun was amused at Margaret's description of Chinese characters as art
SunN nods
BjB nods..but he takes the art of the characters for granted
ClaireB: exactly
RifGuest1: BJ, the research with learning styles do not over-generalize the learners based on their cultural background, but their personal differences...
DafneG agrees with Rif
VanceS: considering that there are visual learners in any language, how would you assess this with language being the independent variable?
ClaireB: I have been trying to learn some Arabic (using Arabic software), and I think the characters are really beautiful
RifGuest1: however, I would assume some cultures are more overt to oral learning
SunN: It's very difficult for a foreigner to write Chinese character
DafneG: I am a visual learner
ScottLo: is anybody a haptic learner?
VanceS: I never learned Haptic. I had enough trouble with French.
RifGuest1: A friend of mine doing art work using those arabic characters, Claire. I agree they look very pretty
SunN shake head
DafneG: I need visual inputs to concentrate and learn
BjB wonders what Haptic is? Forgive my ignorance
VanceS . o O (ok, what's a haptic learner ???)
DafneG joins BJ's group
ScottLo: I think some people call it kinesthetic but haptic is easier to type
MargaretD: I didn't find Chinese characters difficult
DafneG: yes, kinesthetic is the term
ScottLo: actually Howard Gardner was in Tokyo today, he said haptic in his presentation
ClaireB: I am a multi-sensory learner
SunN: Marr, really? you are the first person I ever met said this
MargaretD: it was learning to associate a concept with characters rather than letters
ClaireB: who is Howard Gardner? Pardon my ignorance
RifGuest1: Is he still working on his Multiple Gies Scott?
VanceS is a slow learner

BjB: Gardner is the multiple intelligence guy\
DafneG: right
ClaireB: ahhh
GeorginaN joined the room.
DafneG: hello Georgina
ScottLo: he's still peddling the same snake oil, but now it's the 20th anniversary edition - collector's item
JeanMC: Hello Georgina
ClaireB: hahahah Scott
RifGuest1: hehee... I liked the way you put it Scott
JoaoF: Sorry, go to go, family lunch awaits me, take care
BjB: I associate drawn characters like Chinese and Japanese with not only drawing but also with movement (dance)
DafneG: bye Joao
ScottLo: see ya joaoF
JeanMC: Salutacoes Joao
BjB waves bye to Joao
GeorginaN: Hi Dafne
MargaretD: and Michael Bergman has applied them to learning English
ClaireB: bye joao
ScottLo: we've got a HG bio up on the Teacher College Tokyo website
RifGuest1: I thought he gave it up ..
ScottLo: <http://tc-japan.edu>
SunN: have anyone ever seen Chinese calligraphy before?
ClaireB: yes
ScottLo: you can also download some of his work if you wish
DafneG: yes
MargaretD: I used to do it
DafneG: I have used MI inventories with my architecture students
RifGuest1: did it work Daf?
MargaretD: I use it and NLP
DafneG: yes, Arif
MargaretD: it goes with how the brain learns
DafneG: they are mostly spatial oriented
DafneG: kinesthetic
MargaretD: like my son
DafneG: I did it for a couple of years with different groups
ScottLo: I'm intrigued with the idea that teachers usually teach in a manner that corresponds to their own learning style
DafneG: apart from those two, the other intellingsences varied a lot
MargaretD: the first thing I do with a new group is find out how they learn
ScottLo: An auditory teacher will connect with auditory students, but will leave the visual learners in the dust
MargaretD: true Scott
SusanneN joined the room.
ScottLo: hiya SusanneN

RifGuest1: most teachers are reported to be using the way they were instructed, as well
MargaretD hugs Sus
DafneG hugs Sus
SusanneN: Hi all you webheads!
ClaireB hugs sus
VanceS: Hi Sus
ClaireB: yes, Rif, I have seen such reports
JeanMC: Hello Susanne
MargaretD: it takes a n awareness not to Rif
BjB thinks it's important to present lessons with a variety of learning styles ...because the mi theory includes the fact that there is a dominant intelligence, but the others can be developed and should be addressed
DafneG: I try to design different kinds of activities, that is why I work with contracts
ScottLo: So if Gardner has at least raised teachers awareness of this deal then he has made a worthwhile contribution, methinks
DafneG: so each student will select the activities they wish for each objective
MargaretD agrees with BJ
SusanneN agree with BJ about the multiple intelligence idea, too
ScottLo: I've just started working with a group of learning disorder (LD) Japanese junior high school students for English as foreign language
DafneG: I agree, but after so many years, I still find difficult to concentrate on lectures if I do not have visual stimuli
ScottLo: I've no experience or clue about special ed
MargaretD: same goes with giving a presentation
DafneG: I even draw while on the phone
ScottLo: the common suggestion I've heard is to present the material in as many modalities as possible, especially with LD students
DafneG: hi Elsa
JeanMC: Hello Elsa
MargaretD: Hi Elsa
Elsa_IGuest2: hi. everybody.
DafneG: if you work in Inclusive Schools you need to plan for each kind of student
SusanneN: Hello Elsa and Sun
DafneG: blind, deaf, etc
Elsa_IGuest2: hello.i am new
AidenCY joined the room.
MargaretD: welcome Elsa
AidenCY: hello
DafneG hugs Aiden
ScottLo: hiya aiden
MargaretD: Hi Aiden
ScottLo: hiya Elsa
SusanneN hugs Aiden, too
RifGuest1: hi Aiden
AidenCY: thanks Daf
JeanMC: Hello Aiden, long time without "seeing" you

SusanneN: welcome Elsa
VanceS: Hi Aiden
DafneG: Welcome Elsa
AidenCY: yes, Jean, been absent for a while
JeanMC: Elsa, from where are you?
DafneG: I am Dafne in Spain, Elsa
AidenCY: Elsa, I'm in Taiwan
SusanneN: this gathering of people are the Webheads who meet here every Sunday, Elsa, and I am Sus in Denmark
Elsa_IGuest2: i am from china.:)
JeanMC: and I am in Colombia
AidenCY: Ni hao, Elsa
GeorginaN: This is only my second time here, Elsa..I'm Georgina from Australia
Elsa_IGuest2: ni hao.:)
AidenCY: hello there, Georgina
VanceS is in UAE and has been talking with Claire in another window
MargaretD: Sun is in China, too!
JeanMC: the 5 continents are well represented here
AidenCY: Ni hao is hello/how are you in Mandarin
SunN: yes, Marr, she is my friend
VanceS: where in China, it's such a big place
SusanneN: a pretty international group
GeorginaN: truly wonderful
SunN: Aiden,where are u now?
Elsa_IGuest2: hehe, yeah. he is my friend.:) he introduced me the room first.
MargaretD: nice Sun!
AidenCY: kaohsiung, Taiwan
SunN bows to marr
AidenCY: just came back from the new appt
AidenCY: am moving out in a couple of weeks
AidenCY: with Miki, of course:-)
SunN: to where?
VanceS: congratulations
MargaretD bows to Sun
AidenCY: Kaohsiung, 30 minutes from here
AidenCY: I live in the countryside (Ping-tung)
SunN: not far at all
VanceS wonders where Sun and Elsa are from
MargaretD: do you enjoy city life Aiden?
AidenCY: pretty convenient
Elsa_IGuest2: i am from the east south of china.
SunN: Vances, Gaungxi Province, China here
RitaZ joined the room.
DafneG hugs Rita
JeanMC: Hola Rita
MargaretD: Hi Rita

SunN: how i envy you!! Aiden,I love country life very much
RitaZ: Morning, Webheads!
MargaretD: me too
SunN shakes hand with Rita
ClaireB hugs rita
VanceS: Hi Rita
RitaZ hugs you all
DafneG is happy to see Rita
SusanneN: Hello Rita! we are a very international group today!
AidenCY: I've lived in the city all my life, Maggi, then when I came to Taiwan, that's
when I started living in the country, now am moving back to city
AidenCY: hello Rita
DafneG smiles
SusanneN: Our new friends Sun and Elsa are in South east China
MargaretD: I saw the new dam project on the Yangze River on TV here Sun
SusanneN: and Rita is in Argentina
MargaretD: really big!
RitaZ takes pride in belonging to so a great international group
SunN: Good, Marr, my home is on the bank of YzRiver
RitaZ: yes, in the south of the world...
MargaretD: will you be affected Sun?
JeanMC: 16 participants from 12 different countries!
RitaZ: Chinese Webheads, nice to meet you!
AidenCY: it's truly amazing, Jean
SusanneN: Do you live at the banks of the Yangtze river? Will that be flooded because of
the project, Sun?
SunN nods sadly
MargaretD: so many people need to move....whole cities will be flooded
MargaretD: when will you need to move and where Sun?
JeanMC: 13 countries; I forgot Rif
SusanneN: I cannot imagine how that would feel like, Will they build new homes for you
nearby, or do you have to move far away?
SunN: my home have to move to a higher place, and our old city will be submerged
completely
RitaZ: sorry, why because of the project, Sun?
VanceS: what city is that?
VanceS: and when?
VanceS: and will the gov't pay for the relocation?
SunN: actully, some of us have to move to other province, but most of them just move to
a higher place nearby
SusanneN: They are changing the river because of a huge energy project
JamesGuest3 joined the room.
AidenCY: hello James
JeanMC: Hi James
VanceS: you found us
ScottLo: they call it progress with a capital P

SusanneN: Hello James
MargaretD: Hi James
DafneG: that's the problem with overpopulation
VanceS: James was in TI classico for a while
JamesGuest3: Hello all. Yes, here now.
RifGuest1: baby is awake. and I need to leave for babysitting. see you later everybody
bye for now
DafneG: Hi James
ScottLo: Hiya James
DafneG: bye, Arif
ScottLo: bye bye Rif
JeanMC: Bye Rif
MargaretD: bye Rif
AidenCY: bye, Rif, thanks for joining us
JamesGuest3: I'll be doing all that joining stuff ASAP... but for now I seem to be James
Guest 3. Has a certain ring to it.
ScottLo: what's gonna happen to all the cool office furniture in the original TappedIN??
DafneG: James, we are eager to hear about your research with Webheads
GeorginaN: that will be good..it's kind of lonely over there by yourself, eh?
BjB: Scott, the Ti1 objects will be sucked into cyberspace
ClaireB: that is good to hear about the TI address
VanceS: I'll leave the URLs as they are then
SusanneN: Scott, dunno -we would have to place it in a MOOmuseum
BjB smiles...good idea, Sus
MargaretD: Do you think the project is a good idea Sun?
AidenCY: I was wondering, James, are you the James in efiwebheads who went to
Canada for a conference?
ScottLo appreciates the Pun
VanceS laughs at Sus's joke
JeanMC: Dafne, we can program an auction
SusanneN: a MOOseum, of course
ClaireB: we are having a launch festival? whooppee!
GeorginaN: launch of T12 Susanne?
JamesGuest3: Daf I've been using some old logs of chat sessions with Wheads to say
some general things about computer-mediated discourse
VanceS . o O (the same James, Aiden)
SusanneN: yes, Georgina
AidenCY: i like that, Sus, MOOsuem
DafneG: yes, we heard you had a presentation in Canada
JamesGuest3: That's me Aiden
SunN: pardon my ignorance, i just wondered if i could record what we talked here
JamesGuest3: Canada was great, but I felt a bit lost amongst all those EXPERTS
VanceS: You are a member, right Sun?
SunN: yes
DafneG: I am very interested in the findings
AidenCY: it could be intimidating, eh?

VanceS: you will receive a log in the email
VanceS: a log, or transcript, of this chat
SunN: really?
KyokoI joined the room.
RitaZ: yes, Sun, don't worry
SunN: that's tight!!!
JeanMC: Hi Kyokol
ScottLo: this is a tight ship, Sun
DafneG: hi kyokol
SunN jumps upside and down, claps hands
ScottLo: hiya kyokol
MargaretD: hi Kyokol
RitaZ: hi, Kyokol
JamesGuest3: I had a couple of beers with Phil Hubbard in Banff, Vance, and he asked me to pass on my regards
KyokoI: Hi everyone!
SusanneN: Hello Kyoko, I'm Sus in Denmark
AidenCY: hello Kyoko
GeorginaN: When we're in Yahoo, as we were the other week, is it possible to get a record of text type in that at the end of the conversation...obviously not through Tapped In?
JamesGuest3: I should have the PhD finished in the summer, Daf. I'll try to get it on the web as soon as I can after that.
JamesGuest3: Hi Kyoko
AidenCY: yes, Georgina
RitaZ: yes, Geor, but you have to configure that in advance
SunN: Marr, i am writing a paper these days, could you do me a favor, 'cos it is mainly about foreign teacher's actions during classes
ClaireB: is this james sampson?
SusanneN: Georgina, yes, and you can set Yahoo Preference to do so
AidenCY: DAF is your page ready for this yet, on how to save chat logs from YM
RitaZ: Daf sent us the instructions
GeorginaN: great, thanks for that
SusanneN: Sounds really nice, James
KyokoI: This is my first time here. Is this the Writing to webhead chat?
MargaretD: sure Sun, what do you need?
SusanneN: Yes, Daf has a page just for that process with saving Yahoo conferences and messages
ScottLo: yes it is Kyoko
AidenCY: yes, it is, Kyoko
JamesGuest3: James Simpson, Claire. How are you??
RitaZ: where are you from, Kyokol?
KyokoI: Okay, thanks.
GeorginaN: can I get hold of that Dafne?
AidenCY: Kyoko, I'm Taiwan. Where are you from?
ClaireB: sorry I didn't really say goodbye to you -- you sort of disappeared

SunN: many questions, eg::what will you do if your students late for school.
RitaZ greets Clarita
AidenCY: is that question addressed to all, Sun?
DafneG: just a second, let me get the url
VanceS: what kind of course are you in Sun?
KyokoI: I am originally from Japan, studied in US and working in US. I am taking an Educational Technology class from San Diego State U online. I learned about this site from the course.
ScottLo: it depends on their explanation Sun
GeorginaN: ok thanks
SunN: if you are interested:)
ScottLo: If they have a good reason then I will just give them a stern warning
AidenCY: nice to meet you then, Kyoko
VanceS: Two guys are late for school
MargaretD: I have business students and I ask them if they would come to a meeting late Sun.
VanceS: Teacher asks why
BjB wonders if Kyoko is in Bernie Dodge's class
ScottLo: If the reason is not a good one then I send them to the headmaster
DafneG: http://dygonza.bravepages.com/wia/savinglogs_ym.htm
VanceS: One says he lost ten dollars and was looking for it
SunN bows to all
VanceS: teacher says ok, you can go
VanceS: to the other one, what's your excuse
VanceS: He says, I was standing on his ten dollars
AidenCY: lol, vance
SunN: If they say ""because of the traffic jam", will you believe?
VanceS doesn't know that many clean jokes
GeorginaN: thank you Dafne
KyokoI: BjB, Yes I am in Dr. Dodges class, Are you also
DafneG smiles
JeanMC: Millones de gracias Dafne, muy util
MargaretD: when a student comes late it is his responsibility and he only hurts himself
ScottLo: I don't believe such excuses Sun, I tell them they should have planned on traffic!! and send them off to the headmaster
AidenCY: i check attendance regularly, but seldom ask Ss why they're late
MargaretD: why make the effort Scott?
VanceS: different schools have different policies
SunN nods
VanceS: about lateness, some you can just ignore it
BjB goes to fix breakfast
SunN: Vances,just like my teachers
AidenCY: sometime, if they're 40 minutes late, I'd make a slight comment, saying that they're early for the next class
VanceS: ideally, students will come on time because they want to be there
ScottLo: good point Margaret...

AidenCY: sometimes
ClaireB: I mostly ignore lateness
ScottLo: it seems like wasted energy at times
SusanneN: http://dygonza.bravepages.com/wia/savinglogs_ym.htm
SusanneN: here you will find instructions on how to save YM logs, Georgina
ScottLo: but they are seldom late a second time, or they come up with better excuses
VanceS: I didn't know you could set prefs to log YM chats !
GeorginaN: thanks Susanne, that's great
MargaretD: just say they defeat their own purpose and ignore it and get on with those who were there on time Scott.
JamesGuest3: Can you detach the text box in the new improved lo fat TI2?
SunN: My teacher said nothing when i was late for school
ScottLo: I think that is part of my reasoning, it is real English communication to make a good excuse under pressure
AidenCY: I agree with Maggi
RitaZ: yes, James
GeorginaN: it's just as well you don't know everything Vance!
SusanneN: yes Scott, scroll down the Actions menu
VanceS agrees with Aiden and Maggi
ClaireB: I thought that Vance knew everything
VanceS: life is too short
RitaZ: go to Actions and scroll down
SunN: And here is another:::Does teachers touch their students in classes?
AidenCY: touch?
AidenCY: what do you mean?
VanceS: I would say no to that one
JamesGuest3: Thanks to Sus and Rita (from James)
ClaireB: I don't touch them, I just hit them lol
SusanneN: jit or caress, Sun?
MargaretD: physically?
RitaZ: lol
AidenCY: lol, claire
JamesGuest3: Claire's just pulling your chain
RitaZ: pat them, you mean?
ClaireB: no, I hit them with the biggest book I can find lol
SusanneN: kick them out of class if they are too noisy?
DafneG: I pat them on the shoulder while I walk around if I see they are engaged in their work
RitaZ: that's what I also do, Daf
ClaireB: if they are noisy, I just stop and stare at them
VanceS: middle easterners in the USA have told me of problems with teachers standing too close, let alone touching
JamesGuest3: The wonderful thing about online learning ... you can just invent a power cut.:-))
MargaretD: not everyone likes to be touched
AidenCY: or smack them on the head when they're not, Daf?

SusanneN: Lol, James

VanceS: the community language learning guy on the other hand recommends what Dafne does

ScottLo: I've taught the Junior High kids, "Give me five" and high fives so we have to touch hands for that

SusanneN: I am late for class because my computer is acting up!

VanceS . o O (who is that CCL guy?)

ScottLo: They seemed to enjoy it

RitaZ: but i know in some places it can be a legal thing

ClaireB: it has seemed to me that some middle easterners stand too close, at least by American standards

JamesGuest3: I used to have big problems with students falling asleep in my classes. Must have been my stimulating lessons

MargaretD: in Japan Scott?

DafneG: I even let my students know I see they have a new haircut, or a new hairdo

ScottLo nods in Margaret's direction

SusanneN: I always take care not to snore too loud when I fell asleep during a boring lecture

AidenCY: sleeping, that's another issue

ClaireB: I teach a night class, and in that class, it is sometimes hard to keep people awake no matter what I do

RitaZ: lol, Sus

ScottLo: anybody have a problem with students using cell phones during a lesson??

SunN: jokes sometimes will work

DafneG: my architecture students come to the early classes after having spent the night drawing

ScottLo: It is a huge issue in Japan.

MargaretD: not any more

JeanMC: Breakfast time in Colombia! Be back later.

SunN hands up

VanceS: Charles A Curran <http://members.fortunecity.com/nadabs/communitylearn.html>

SusanneN: but it IS true that I often have a hard time keeping awake when I have to listen and do nothing myself

AidenCY: they're not supposed to, Scott

ScottLo: they read and send email with the cell phones during a lesson

ClaireB: can't you just tell them to turn off the cell phones??

JamesGuest3: sounds ominous Maggi

RitaZ: its terrible disappointing when you see stds yawning.

ClaireB: bye jean

SusanneN: Listen to Sun! He is so polite and raises his hand

SusanneN: polite guy, what's up?

DafneG: I have my students move around the class for different activities, so they remain active

ScottLo: A colleague teaching at a university here solved that problem by tossing an offending students cell phone out the window, from the third floor.

AidenCY: what happened?

SusanneN: Oh no, Scott, poor phone
AidenCY: did the student complain?
JamesGuest3: Was the student still attached?
MargaretD: not really James...the initial interest has worn off and they no longer want to disturb each other
ScottLo: the university supported the instructor all the way
SusanneN: complain? should he have his cell phone open in the classroom?
ClaireB: good for the university!!!
ScottLo: It was never a problem in his class again that semester
SunN: Here's an amusing one::where do teachers look when teaching???
SusanneN: I can imagine
RitaZ: good solution
AidenCY: it depends on what cellphone was thrown away (just kidding)
ScottLo: BTW, he's from Brooklyn, NY (the instructor)
DafneG: Once student's a cell phone rang during the class, and I answered it, saying the student was busy that it was his secretary and that I would take the message
AidenCY: really you did, Daf
DafneG: yes
ClaireB: I love it, daf
MargaretD: that depends Sun
VanceS: Speaking of cell phones, just got a call
AidenCY: how did your student react to that?
SusanneN: do they look at the students, or out of the window?
ElizabethH joined the room.
SusanneN: Cool way of reacting, Daf
ClaireB: Hi elizabeth
DafneG: he laughed and apologized
SusanneN: Hi Elizabeth!!
ScottLo: good response, Daf
ElizabethH: Hi all--I'm trying out Safari.
RitaZ: hi, Elizabeth, welcome!
DafneG hugs Elizabeth
MargaretD: I have a tendency to look more to the left so I do make an effort to look around.
ClaireB: cool; my husband uses Safari
RitaZ loves Daf's response
ScottLo: Hiya elizabeth
AidenCY: I told my student (whose phone rang while I was having a lecture) to tell his girlfriend to call back later
SusanneN: And the Safari browser works with Tapped In, 2, cool
ScottLo: I used to use Safari till my powerbook died again, this week
GeorginaN: may I ask about Safari?
JamesGuest3: I have to go as well. The demands of the growing family... Good to talk to you all again. and I'll keep the email list posted with research stuff as and when it happens.
ScottLo: later James

ClaireB: bye hames
ClaireB: james
SusanneN: James, how is your baby doing?
DafneG: thanks, James
AidenCY: cool James
ScottLo: good luck with the dissertations
FernandaR left the room (signed off).
ElizabethH: Georgina--pls do
AidenCY: ciao!
RitaZ: bye, James, have a nice week
DafneG confesses her ignorance about Safari
SusanneN: We'll look forward to your dissertation, James
GeorginaN: I've not heard of it..can you briefly say what it is?
AidenCY: oh, hello there Elizabeth, I didn't know you were here
ElizabethH: It's the new browser that comes with Mac OS X
JamesGuest3: Baby Daniel is fine, Sus. 14 weeks old and getting fatter. He usually laughs But crying right now.
SusanneN: Safari is a mac OS x browser
ScottLo: Safari is Apple's web browser
GeorginaN: I feel better now Dafne
JamesGuest3: Cheers all
MargaretD: Looking to the left or right and sitting on the left or right makes a difference in different subjects Sun.
AidenCY: time to babysit, then, James
SusanneN: Go cater for wee Daniel, James
JamesGuest3 left the room (signed off).
DafneG smiles to Georgina
ElizabethH: It's super fast. and one good feature is that you can organize bookmarks into folders as you add them.
GeorginaN: thank you..that's be why I don't know...my son has the Mac
VanceS: hi, off phone now
MichaelAC joined the room.
ScottLo: hiya michaelAC
MargaretD: Hi mc
SusanneN: Hi Michael!
AidenCY: hello there, Michael
SunN: Do you usually have eye contact with ur students? Marr?
MichaelAC: Hi everyone - lots of people here!
RitaZ: hi, Michael, great to CU!
ClaireB: guys, I got to meet James in person at the WorldCALL conference last month. we became well acquainted because we sat next to each other on the bus on the way to the airport
AidenCY: I haven't posted my reactions yet
GeorginaN: HI Michael
DafneG: hi Michael
ClaireB: hi Michael!

ElizabethH: I have my WebCam set up and would like to try it, but I guess that isn't for TI2?

GeorginaN: inundated with welcome you'd have to say!

MargaretD: Here eye contact is expected Sun...it is cultural.

VanceS: Hi Michael, nice to see you

AidenCY: that's great Claire

MichaelAC: Yes!

ScottLo: are you on the Yahoo Messengers Elizabeth?

SusanneN: Sun, would that be intimidating to have eye contact with your students? Here in Denmark It would be pretty weird if you did not

DafneG: Eye contact is fundamental

DafneG: around here

ElizabethH: Scott--yes, I have it here somewhere...

SusanneN: no webcam and no voice in TI2

ClaireB: eye contact depends on the culture, right?

ScottLo: many of the webheads are on Yahoo Messengers and could look at your webcam if you fired it up, I think

SusanneN: meet me in YM Elizabeth

MariaJ joined the room.

SunN: Susan, i'm a student:::and most of my teacher would not have eye contact with us

MargaretD: yes Claire

MariaJ: Hi

DafneG: hi Maria

AidenCY: are they Chinese teachers, Sun?

MariaJ: I got it! I'm here! I don't know why I couldn't enter before...

MariaJ: Hi all

ScottLo: Here in Japan it seems that many adult ESL/EFL learners shun eye contact - maybe a culture thing

SunN: it seemed that they preferred to look at the ceiling

RitaZ: why, Sun, is that the ordinary behaviour in China?

MargaretD: it is cultural Scott

DafneG: it is not polite to talk to a person and not have eye contact

SunN: not really, ritaz

DafneG: in our culture

VanceS: HiMaria,

AidenCY: nice to 'see' you claire

KyokoI: People don't do eye contact in Japan, it is perceived as charging

VanceS: Eye Contact in Arab countries, definitely

SusanneN: I see Elizabeth and Claire, but my webcam is on strike

MargaretD: not in all cultures Daf

SunN: my teacher like looking at his books, or the blackboard behind the classroom

MariaJ: Elizabeth, I have you as a contact in Yahoo but you never reply me... I think you don't see me

ElizabethH: You gotta realize it's 6:00 am here.

MariaJ: Hi Vance

FernandaR joined the room.

AidenCY: and Elizabeth, too, nice to 'see' you up early in the morning
ScottLo: That's why I wear Elvis Presley Sunglasses in my classes
DafneG: lol
VanceS going for dialup so as to see EHS at 6 a.m.
ScottLo: They can't tell if I'm looking in their eyes or not
ElizabethH: Maria--I just allowed you this moment.
KyokoI: good idea Scott
MargaretD: lol at Scott
SunN: Kyokol. The same here(China).maybe because of both of us are oriental
AidenCY: lost your cam, claire
ClaireB: i will check to see what happened
KyokoI: Who are in Japan? Do you teach English in a school or after school setting?
ScottLo is in Japan teaching across a range of ages and abilities
DafneG: and Michael's
SunN: ??How do teachers sit when they having class??
MichaelAC: Yes it does
ClaireB: I do not sit usually. I walk around
DafneG: I never sit down while teaching, I am walking around all the time
AidenCY: yes, this time around
ScottLo: NEVER SIT
RitaZ: I hate teachers sitting at a table or desk all the class
AidenCY: me too, I walk around
RitaZ: I NEVER sit
DafneG: we belong to the same group of walking teachers
AidenCY: the only chance I get to sit is during the 10-min break
SunN: well, that's different .so if you feel tired, will u take a sit?
ClaireB: i might sit down if they are taking an exam
GeorginaN: the only time i might sit is during an assessment,,,then walking is a bit intimidating
ScottLo: John Dewey said, "you'll have plenty of time to sit in the teacher's lounge"
DafneG: right, Scott
AidenCY: so I make sure to put my legs up (while lying down) the moment i get back home (to avoid varicose veins)
SunN: ??how do teachers show their anger??
DafneG: I just speak up what is bothering me
AidenCY: from standing?
DafneG: and discuss it with students
RitaZ: by expressing it through explanations, Sun.....
AidenCY: it depends on the situation, Sun
SunN: is there corporal punishment?
RitaZ: NO, Sun!!
ClaireB: no corporal punishment -- just electrocution
AidenCY: no
AidenCY: lol, claire
DafneG: lol
RitaZ: lol

SunN: lol,
ElizabethH: How do I get to see your Webcams????
MargaretD: I don't get angry Sun
DafneG: we do not use corporal punishment, Sun
SunN: Marr, good-tempered teacher
RitaZ: is it used anywhere?
DafneG: I would hope not, Rita
MargaretD: are you punished in China Sun?
SunN: i was once beated by my headteacher when i was in junior school
MargaretD: what did you do Sun?
SunN: I couldn't finished my assignments
ClaireB: that is terrible, sun.
DafneG: didn't you complain to the principal?
RitaZ: wow, Sun, and could you complain to the authorities?
SunN: no,i can 't,never
DafneG: here a teacher and the school could be sued if that happens
ClaireB: sued or arrested maybe
SunN: Never, Dafne
MargaretD: culture differences again
RitaZ: but this difference is quite big, people
SunN: yes, but teachers like that is not so many
GeorginaN: ok
DafneG: and parents can be separated from their kids if they hit them
MargaretD: good thing Sun
MargaretD: we can go to my office to chat Sun if you like
SunN: and your :Icon is very coooooool
SunN: good, marr, let's go
SunN: I'll join you
MargaretD: ok
AidenCY: ok
DafneG: where did you see my pic, Sun?
MargaretD: follow me
SunN: ur office
AidenCY: scott
DafneG: I know, you are looking at my profile here at TI2, Sun
SunN: yes
SunN: brb,
SunN left the room.