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RobertWB: There ought to be a blog word for "hello"....like "bloglo" or something.

PauloD: Hi Lee

RobertWB: Bloglo, Lee.

PauloD: lol at Robert

RobertWB: Bloglo, Paulo

LeeB: blogo!

PauloD: Blogo, Robert, let's create this new word here!

EmilyW joined the room.

PauloD: lol

RobertWB: Bloglo, Emily.

PauloD: blogo Emily

LeeB: Bloglo Emily

LeeB: You know Blogo - Hello hmmmm what do you think? Bloglo is nice too. Decisions decisions

RobertWB: or maybe it should have a gender in which case it might be "Blogla, Emily"

LeeB: Nice...

PauloD: like in Portuguese, the word we say for THANK YOU is OBRIGADO used by males and OBRIGADA used by females

RobertWB: Oblogado

PauloD: lol at Robert

LeeB: Oblogada... Emily

BeeD joined the room.

LeeB: Emily, we are working on a new Blog greeting..instead of hello.

BeeD: Hello everyone!

EmilyW: oh ok

RobertWB: Oblogado BeeD.

EmilyW: blogo

LeeB: Oblogada Bee

BeeD: Eu blogo, tu blogas, ele bloga

BeeD: Obligada

RobertWB: Sorry, that should be Oblogada, Bee.

BeeD: hehehe

BeeD: How are things with you? How was your week?

PauloD: cool, Bee. What about yourself

BeeD: Running to get my marks in...looking forward to my winter holidays

RobertWB: I was researching Cybrarians.

BeeD: but it was a very creative week as well...because I got my students to comment on some photos on Flickr

RobertWB: Bee your Flickr pics are so creative.

LeeB: Yes the photos are very nice. And I added the link for the photographer you are going to use to the delicious site.

BeeD: Thanks Bob...the students were choosing new headers for the Dekita.org site...and made some great choices

RobertWB: I look forward to seeing those Bee.

AaronPC joined the room.

BeeD: http://www.flickr.com/groups/topic/46976/

BeeD: Hi Aaron

AaronPC: Hello there.

BeeD: I was just showing the comments our students made

BeeD: on the Dekita Flickr group

BeeD: Aaron...have you seen the new headers for Dekita.org?

AaronPC: Not yet Bee...was going to take a look at them this morning.

BeeD: I think Rudolf, Josef and the kids did a wonderful job

GrahamS joined the room.

EmilyW: I have been trying to promote my blog though

BeeD hugs Graham

GrahamS: Hi everyone

AaronPC: Hey Graham.

TonyR joined the room.

LeeB says Oblogado to Graham.

BeeD: Hello Tony

TonyR: Hello!

BeeD: Is this your first time here?

RobertWB: Those are awesome Bee, I especially like that super close up of a Poppy, reminds me of Georgia Okeefe

TonyR: First time at the BlogSalon, yes.

ScottLo joined the room.

BeeD: Where are you from Tony?

GrahamS: Welcome Tony

BeeD: Hi Scott!

GrahamS: Hi Scott

AaronPC: Hi there

TonyR: I'm from London but I live in Naples, Italy.

PauloD: Hi Tony, Scott, be welcome to The BlogSalon

BeeD: Wonderful city Naples...

ScottLo: good morning all

TonyR: thank you...

RobertWB: That spider web looks great too....they are all good choices.

BeeD: Let me send you to the site I was projecting

BeeD: http://www.flickr.com/groups/topic/46976/

BeeD: Aaron's students and mine gave some suggestions on the new headers they wanted to see on http://dekita.org

RobertWB: These photos are inspiring.

StewartK joined the room.

BeeD: The kids loved doing the activity...and now during the holidays I have asked them to become photographers as well...let's see what comes out of it

BeeD: Welcome Stewart

RobertWB: In this morning's Worldbridge podcast, Nick Noakes in Hong Kong, briefly touched on Visual Language...I thing these are representative of that line of thought.

ChinChiC joined the room.

RobertWB: I think that is why kids love Flickr so.

BeeD waves to Chin

AaronPC: Yes...nothing like imagery to communicate.

ScottLo: I failed to wake up for the Worldbridge session, ;(

RobertWB: You are so right Aaron, and they translate into any language.

ChinChiC waves too

GrahamS: What's the URL of the Worldbridge podcast Bob?

BeeD: They were gasping at Josef's shots...they wanted to know more about him

RobertWB: Scott, that was a podcast so it should still be available at www.worldbridges.com

LeeB: Very outgoing... they are excellent quality but evoke dissonance as well surreal peace.

LeeB: Did Jeff's Worldridge session begin after the Webhead session today?

BeeD: I like the rotating scheme Rudolf adopted

RobertWB: Ed Tech Talk #4 is today's.

RobertWB: Jeff has added a text chat to his page, so that you can now listen to the live cast, and chat in the text area....I'm gonna have to ask him to save the text chat and also archive it with the podcast.

RobertWB: There were some good links this morning.

GrahamS: Looks great

RobertWB: Bee, when you say "Rotating Scheme" are you talking about the round objects in his photos.

BeeD: where are you Bob? On Dekita?

RobertWB: Oh, I'm sorry, you're back to the Dekita page....I was looking on the Josef Flickr page.

GrahamS: Scott, how is your bandwidth problem now?

RobertWB: Yes, I like the program on Dekita...you can hit refresh and each time get a different header...nice touch.

LeeB: Yes, Bob, I think it would be good to have the chat as well.

BeeD: yes...the kids will appreciate it as well

RobertWB: Lee, that chat program he offered allows you to copy the chat and move it over to another document and save it, but I think he ought to routinely do that and file them with the podcast....I also noticed that the software that he used for the text chat has a button for audio interactivity, but I didn't have a chance to try it.

LeeB: ooh . that is something I will have to check out also.

BeeD: Teresa mentioned she had recorded both sides of her interview on the Ym platform with Aiden on Audacity

BeeD: I had tried to do it with Aaron...but somehow it did not work

RobertWB: I saw that Bee, but I haven't had a chance to listen to it yet.

RobertWB: I'm surprised that both sides came out equal.

BeeD: she said she did not do any editing

RobertWB: However, I have tried that on the built in recorder in INEEN, and it comes out really well.

BeeD: both sides of the conversation?

RobertWB: You know the truth is that all of these softwares are so very much in their infancy.

RobertWB: Give them three years...and they will be gone or incredible.

ScottLo: Graham, I'm hobbling on toward the end of month

ScottLo: moving files changed daily usage from 600mb to 40 mb

RobertWB: Yes, Bee, in INEEN there is a built in recorder that records both sides of the conversation and it saves it as MP3.

GrahamS: Hope you get it sorted out - I enjoy the comprehensible input podcasts

BeeD: must download the beast then

BeeD: Have you podcasted anything this week Graham?

RobertWB: I am crossing my fingers that since it is open source, it will outlast all the others.

GrahamS: Nothing Bee - I've been away, in Andalucia on holiday for four days

RobertWB: and be more responsive to little folk like us.

LeeB: I would like to start something listing all the iNEEN, YM, and Skype addresses, names... numbers. etc. So we can find one another through the week.

BeeD: oh..how wonderful Graham! My niece is in Barcelona now...visiting my son

RobertWB: You know, Lee, I tried to find something similar to GAIM or Trillium that would do that with VOIP, but so far, I have found nothing.

RobertWB: I am a trillium member, I may just suggest a program like that to them.

GrahamS: yes, it was a welcome break - especially I start an intensive summer course tomorrow morning

RobertWB: I think that the problem is that they are on different codecs.

LeeB: Bob, what is VOIP.. sorry I don't know.

RobertWB: The INEEN is on the old SPEEX program.

RobertWB: Sorry, that is Voice Over Internet Protocol.

RobertWB: It's sort of like email only in voice.

RobertWB: Audio information is sent in packets just like email.

RobertWB: Regular phone is different because the message is not broken into packets.

BeeD: What level Graham?

LeeB: Thanks Bob....

RobertWB: I'll be back in just a minute, daughter just walked in.

GrahamS: Upper-Intermediate / Advanced teenagers

LeeB: and my son just walked in... be back soon...

GrahamS: I'm going to see if they'd like to do some podcasting

BeeD: If you need me...I will be around until July 7th...

BeeD: we could plan sthg...

GrahamS: that sounds great Bee

BeeD: if we manage to record both sides of the conversation...it would be fun

GrahamS: I'll find out tomorrow if I've been assigned an interactive whiteboard too...which would mean access to the Internet, etc

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GrahamS: I'd love to try it out

BeeD: Tony...have you done any weblogging?

ScottLo: well, all the daughters have woken up. Time for breakfast mayhem.

ScottLo: cheers all

BeeD: When do holidays in Asia start?

ScottLo left the room (signed off).

AaronPC: Around mid to late July here in Japan.

BeeD: this is a short holiday

BeeD: when do they get long ones...or they don't?

AaronPC: Well...for university students, the holiday is six to eight weeks long

AaronPC: There is another holiday period in February/March.

BeeD: We get 30 days of winter holidays now in July

AaronPC: When do the holidays start Bee?

BeeD: and then about 8 weeks from mid December to beginning February

BeeD: We start on 1st July

BeeD: Hi Emily...how is your blog going?

EmilyW: well, I haven't updated it much in awhile

EmilyW: I added a new entry last week

EmilyW: I am too busy job searching and trying to figure out how my blog can help me

with that

BeeD: hmmm....have you been blogging about your experience of job searching?

EmilyW: not really

EmilyW: my last entry was about job searching

BeeD: My sons are also in the same process...but here in Sao Paulo

EmilyW: I've been searching for a year and not getting anywhere

EmilyW: what type of jobs are they looking for?

BeeD: one of them has just finished biology

BeeD: and is studying hard to do a phd in biotechnology....

EmilyW: wow

BeeD: but I think it would be nice if he could work a bit in the area before that

AaronPC: I used to work in that area.

EmilyW: before what?

BeeD: You did?

AaronPC: Sure

BeeD: Biotechnology?

AaronPC: Well...genetic engineering...

BeeD: well...this is what he wants to do

AaronPC: DNA..RNA...I was a research assistant.

BeeD: what made you change

GrahamS: Got to go everyone - goodnight!

BeeD: Ciao Graham?

AaronPC: It is very stimulating work....but I didn't enjoy the lifestyle so much.

BeeD: Let me know Graham

GrahamS: I'll do that tomorrow Bee - ciao!

GrahamS left the room (signed off).

BeeD: What kind of lifestyle does it entail?

AaronPC: Oh...for me I was spending too much time in the lab....I wanted to interact more with people on a daily basis.

AaronPC: I quit and went to Asia.

BeeD: right

AaronPC: Fascinating area of work though.

BeeD: Yes...he is quite passionate about it

BeeD: but then he likes life outdoors

AaronPC: Well...perhaps he will find a nice balance.

BeeD: I hope he does...but this transition from university to work is so difficult

EmilyW: it is difficult

EmilyW: when did he graduate from university?

BeeD: last December

EmilyW: I graduated last May

BeeD: or was it July?

BeeD: I do not know anymore...because he took on courses after that

BeeD: on biochemistry and all

EmilyW: so is he working on another degree now?

BeeD: yes...but I feel he must go out and face the world out there

BeeD: studying is all very nice

EmilyW: that is exactly what my parents think

EmilyW: I want to go study and get a masters in instructional tech or educational tech

BeeD: I think that by working you get to see the world from a different perspective

BeeD: which helps you in your studies

EmilyW: and they think I am making an excuse for not finding a job

EmilyW: which I agree

AaronPC: It can be a difficult transition from school to work life.

EmilyW: but everything that interests me in those areas requires a masters degree or years of experience

BeeD: I started working first

EmilyW: so I am falling back to web design, which is even harder

BeeD: then went back to school

BeeD: worked again...then studied again

EmilyW: what did you study first?

BeeD: Anthropology...lol

EmilyW: and then what did you study?

BeeD: did two years of Political Sciences but dropped out...

BeeD: then worked for ten years as an EFL Teacher at a language institute

BeeD: it was easier at that time

BeeD: then went back to the university and did EFL

BeeD: just to get the paper

EmilyW: oh ok

EmilyW: what type of work did you do before efl?

BeeD: I was a secretary, a translator and a clown...lol

AaronPC: A clown?

BeeD: well...the clown bit was not really a job

BeeD: but voluntary work

AaronPC: Sounds interesting!

BeeD: it was great

EmilyW: I have been volunteering for a year

EmilyW: and now it is time to move on

AaronPC: Got to be off to class now.

EmilyW: bye Aaron

AaronPC: See you next week.

BeeD: Ok...I have to go as well

BeeD: Have a nice day Aaron

AaronPC: Bye Emily...Bye Bee.

AaronPC: Thanks....you too.

BeeD: ciao

AaronPC left the room (signed off).

JeffC joined the room.

BeeD: Hi Jeff

JeffC waves

BeeD: I must be leaving as well...see you next week

BeeD waves bye