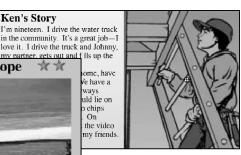
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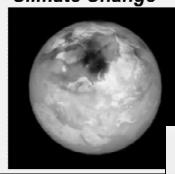
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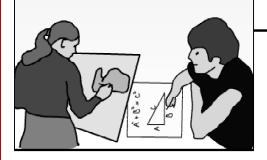


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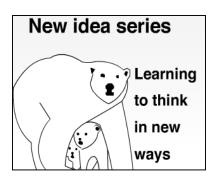
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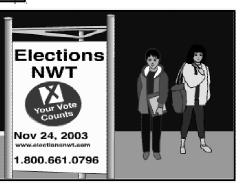
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Introduction

The NWT Literacy Council produced this **Study Guide** for adult educators and adult learners. It offers learning activities for fifteen stories from the first five issues of **The Northern Edge**.

Issue #1: Ken's Story

Grizzly Bear Research

Issue #2: Voices from Fort Good Hope

Learning Doesn't Stop Once You Get the Job

Elections NWT

Issue #3: Consumer Math

Wolverine Research

New Idea Series

Issue #4: Learning in Action

Multiple Intelligences

Bathurst Caribou Project

Issue #5: Climate Change

Before I Was Born

Ecology North Energy Saving Quiz

Money Issues

The Northern Edge is an on-line newspaper for adult learners. It covers stories about the north and celebrates our lives North of 60. Each issue of **The Northern Edge** has several stories and most stories have interactive learning activities on-line.

The NWT Literacy Council produces **The Northern Edge**. Look for the stories and activities on our website www.nwt.literacy.ca

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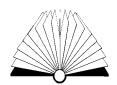
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Contact the NWT Literacy Council to get copies of the Study Guide. You can also download it from our website.



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How to use the Study Guide

The Study Guide starts with two writing resources for adult learners.

- ✓ Writing Skills for lower literacy students
- ✓ Writing Process Guide

Copy them and hand them out. Post them in the classroom. Review the writing process with learners before they begin a writing activity. Encourage learners to use the process as they write.

The Study Guide has one section for each story.

- 1) Ken's Story
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Each section includes the written text for the on-line story and a list of learning activities. Each learning activity has separate instructor notes and handouts. We use the following symbols to show story text, instructor notes, and handouts.



Story text is the written version of the story you'll find on-line at the Northern Edge at www.nwt.literacy.ca. The Northern Edge stories are also on the CD that comes with this Study Guide.

We encourage you to go on-line to read the stories and do the interactive activities.



Instructor notes give basic information about each learning activity and any necessary details about how to do it.



Handouts are the pages you can copy for learners to use during the learning activities. Some activities have no handouts. Some have up to five.

Pick and choose the activities you want. Use them as they are or change them to suit the learners' needs or yours.



For each story, the first four learning activities focus on vocabulary, language skills, questions, and writing.

- 1) **Vocabulary**: For example: alphabetizing, contextual clues, underlining the best meaning, matching, using more than one word to write a sentence
- 2) Language skills: For example: cloze procedure, filling in the blanks, sequence of events, word search, inserting punctuation in a paragraph, true and false, past and present tense
- 3) **Questions**: For example: factual, drawing conclusions, inference and reflective questions
- 4) **Writing**: For example: journal entries, letters, research, mapping, sentence combining, writing a paragraph, compare and contrast, narrative, memo, summary, essay and similes

Other learning activities explore different issues related to the story's topic.

At the end of each section you'll find a list of a few key resources.

Please feel free to copy any handouts or other information in this Study Guide that you need for education purposes.

Writing Skills

- 1) **Begin** with a topic the learners are interested in.
- 2) **Talk** over what they want to write. Help the learner write ideas or words they may need.
- 3) **Write** a rough draft. Explain to the learners that all writers use a rough draft.
- 4) **Encourage** learners to proof read their work. Underline words they are not sure of. This is a good time to practice dictionary skills.
- 5) **Read** over the piece of writing together. A piece of writing can always be changed or you can add more information.

Writing Process Guide

The writing process guide describes eight basic steps:

- 1) Plan
- 2) Organize
- 3) Draft
- 4) Share
- 5) Revise
- 6) Edit
- 7) Prepare final copy
- 8) Print
- 1) Plan Think about what you want to write. Read. Talk to others. Brainstorm. Collect your ideas.

Make a topic list. Choose a topic.

- **2) Organize** Make an outline, a mind map, or a web. What ideas go together? What order makes sense?
- 3) Draft Write your thoughts down. Don't worry too much about spelling or punctuation. Take your time.

Read over what you've written to help you write more. Talk to someone if you get stuck.



4) Share

Read your writing out loud to someone. Ask for feedback: 'How does this part sound?' or 'Which sounds better, this or this?'

Talk to other students about grammar, spelling, etc. Take notes about any feedback you get. Give polite feedback to others.

5) Revise

Does the story make sense? Do the parts fit together? Are the transition words clear?

Move parts of the text around. Add words or sentences. Take words out of sentences. Try different words.

- **6)** Edit Check grammar, spelling and punctuation.
- 7) Prepare final copy Proofread and make changes.

8) Print

Use a word processor to make a final hard copy. Where possible, use a word processor to compose, revise, and publish.