



Reflections

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The stories in this publication were written by MCLC students whose tutors have encouraged them to write & experience the thrill of seeing their words in print. Reflections provides motivation for the improvement of their writing skills.

**Meet the MCLC Learner
of the Month: Darien**



It is my privilege to nominate Darien as the Student of the Month. Darien is a young man to admire. He has a wonderful, kind and gentle spirit. He works at Wal-Mart. Darien enjoys the Marvel Comics movies and hopes to write professionally. He has the support of his parents, siblings and extended family as he works hard to better his literacy skills. I have learned a lot from him and his example of hard work. As he is a fan of Stan Lee, I am definitely a fan of Darien.

-Debra Gray, MCLC Program Specialist

Ana

By Ana

Hi, my name is Ana. I am from Mexico. I have been married for 11 years to my wonderful husband. We have three intelligent and curious children aged 10, 7 and 3. The reason I am in this program is because my friend, Rocio, told me about it. I was looking for some place where I could improve my speaking and writing in the English language. In this place, I met my teacher, Chuck Minichiello. Thanks to him, I have reached some of my goals in a short time. Thanks MCLC for supporting me. Thank you.



Guatemalan Volcano

By Rosalma

I came from Guatemala four hours from the volcano. My family in Guatemala is all safe. I feel bad for the people who live near the volcano. Children are dying, and people are suffering. Most of the people have no place to live anymore because their homes have been destroyed by the volcano.



I Love Art

By Jeffrey

When I was in high school, my favorite class was art. I liked to use the potter's wheel and make vases and bowls. I enjoyed coloring them with exotic glazes. The art teacher was always showing me new ways to create new shapes on the wheel.

A place I really like to visit is the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh, North Carolina. My dad and I are members. The most enjoyable part of the museum to me is the modern art section. Some of the pictures are really off the wall. Art can open up exciting and new views of our world.



Fridays

By Maribel

Every Friday my whole family eats in the restaurant after my son plays soccer. My favorite restaurant is *San Felipe*, because they make fajitas. The fajitas remind me of my mom.



Banquet for Senior Games

By Emma

The Senior Games Banquet was for the winners of the games. It was held at the Fair Barn in Pinehurst at 6:00 pm on May 15. The people were participants in the Senior Games and their guests. We ate BBQ, then we talked. Next, they gave out the awards. At the end, they raffled the flowers on the tables. They, also, took pictures. We felt that we had a good time.



Grandchildren

By Hwa Soon

My name is Hwa Soon. I come from Seoul, Korea. I have two daughters and two grandchildren. My grandchildren live in Texas and Utah. They are 24 and 10 years old. I miss my grandchildren. They will come here for Christmas.



Natural Riches of Chile

By Claudia

Chile is a country with many natural riches. Currently, it has 36 national parks, 49 national reserves and 16 natural monuments. One of the best known and visited parks in Chile is Torres del Paine National Park. It's a national park located in the south 312 km north of Punta Arena's city. The park averages around 252,000 visitors a year, of which 54% are foreign visitors from many countries all over the world.



This beautiful park has mountains, glaciers, lakes, rivers and beautiful vegetation. Eighty-five native plant species have been recorded. There are also many protected animals like the cougar, huemul, guanaco, foxes, condor, eagle, black-necked swans and others.

The park has been elected as the fifth most beautiful place in the world by *National Geographic*. It's a beautiful place to go to visit.

