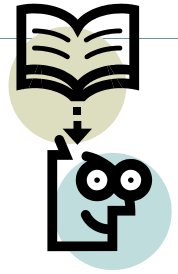


Mr. Meeker's

Monday Message



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SPELLING WORDS

1. fortunate
2. prompt
3. narrative
4. persuasive
5. visualize
6. Greek
7. railroad
8. native
9. cattle
10. Pony Express
11. tradition
12. profit
13. hexagon
14. trapezoid
15. rhombus
16. informational
17. telegraph
18. century
19. chicken
20. field

Increase your vocabulary
serendipity

Week 14

The one thing that you can say about life is that it is not always predictable. At least, not my life. Things change at a rapid pace. Sometimes for the better and sometimes not. My wife's new job was definitely for the better. And with a fair amount of serendipity, the timing of the job and a little more money coming in to the household was fortunate.

This weekend, my niece and her family were involved in a tragic head on collision. Another vehicle had already been reported to the police for driving with excessive speed and erratically. Unfortunately, they arrived in the area too late. The other van veered into the lane that my niece was in, hitting them head on, destroying the front of their van and causing it to roll and end up upside-down. My niece and her husband are both in critical condition. They both suffered massive head injury. He is still in a coma and the damage is severe to both his head and body. In what is truly a blessing, her two children were not injured at all. Sadly, there were children in the other van that were not as fortunate. A 16 year old died immediately and 5 others are in the hospital in critical condition.

I am sharing this with you because of the impact that it is making on my life. Her two children, a beautiful 6 year old girl and a rambunctious 2 year old boy, will be living with my wife and I until my niece and her husband are able to care for them again. This brings me up to 6 kids and will obviously require some rearranging of time.

For the next couple of weeks, at least, I will not be able to offer the Open Classroom at all. I hope that you realize what a difficult decision this is for me. Open Classroom is something that I created and love to offer to my students. I would love to at least have it back in place in January and go until the end of the year. That decision will have to come then and will depend on where things are.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

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