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## **GRADUATION!**



Thirty-three graduates of the GED and External Diploma programs participated in the Adult Education commencement ceremony held May 16, 2010. Featured graduate speakers were Catrice Davis and Guillermo Perez (pictured above). More photos on page 4.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

\*Father's Day is June 20th.

\*Summer begins June 21st.

\*Independence Day is July 4th.

How much does it cost for a pirate to get his ears pierced?



A bucc-an-eer!

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#### HELPFUL GED WEBSITES

http://www.gogedgo.org

This website takes you to the Maryland Adult Literacy Resource Center. Click on the GED tab, and you will have access to a printable GED application, retesting information, testing dates and centers, and links to GED practice sites.

http:// www.gedpractice.com

This is a site created by the publisher Steck-Vaughn, the company that publishes the practice books used in our GED classes. On this site, you can find sample practice questions for all areas of the GED test except the essay portion.

# ESL CLASS WRITES ABOUT VARIOUS TOPICS

Wes Hoover's High Intermediate/Advanced level class (pictured on opposite page) wrote about their countries, vacations, holidays, things they enjoy, and more. Here are some excerpts:

I move to Hagerstown in 2005... Now I learn more and more English read and write good. I happiness live in Hagerstown, teacher Hoover very good and nice... My family is go vacation in July 4. The children is finish school, I took them go to the beach.

—John Phan.

My country is one of the smallest countries in South America... My country has volcanoes, mountains, jungles, rivers, and tropical rain forests. In Ecuador we also have different traditions, folklore, and variety of art... I like to go to the beach with my kids. I like to swim and play ball. I get a suntan. — Monica Espinoza.

I really enjoy to visit my father to the Salvador and has a family days. Also I play with my kids in City Park. —Jose Romero.

I really enjoy to play music because I start long time ago... Also, I like to play soccer. It's a second hobby what I do in my time. Between music and soccer this combination make me feel excellent. —George Nutu.

I came to the United States

because...I was very excited to see the U.S. country. My country and U.S. are too much different... The U.S. people are very helpful and all peoples live in freedom... I know and learn more English and progress is here. — Sumedha Nakrani.

I coming to United States because I like United States and I want to learn doctor. Heart doctor as soon as helping poor people. —Ehab Mazloum.

Last year I went to Virginia Beach with my family. We have fun with my daughters and my sister. That was the first time that we went together. Probably we go this year again. —Maria Giron.

I really enjoy with my family when we are together. We can share everything when we are at home, we are listening to music, watching TV, or planning some different recipe... I really enjoy too, when we take time to go anywhere; could be to the beach, to the park, to shopping, or just visiting... —Maria Espinal.

I like to do new recipe, especially to make cake, enjoy decorating. I love share recipe with my friend and family...—Norma Medina.

I really enjoy to can to know different culture, to share food, tradition... I married here, he is from United States, my family is multicultural, my children to speak two language. Only thanks for opportunity. —Libia Bautista.

I like my work cabinet maker... I work for 12 years... I make cabinet and install the cabinet... Use drill and many machine. I like install laminate and finishing cabinet. —Hector Fabian.

My favorite holiday is New Year. I really enjoy good work because I like America. I like my country because I have good friends... My favorite vacation when I go to Russia... —Dilbar Gaydarova.

I coming this country for many reason... My favorite vacation was in NY last summer. I went to Coney Island with my friend... I really enjoy spend time with my friends and family. —Fausto Mejia.

I enjoy play with my baby, watch TV with him and my niece. I like to go to the lake in the summer with my family. I also like to eat and try different dishes from different countries... I like to have many friends. —Wendy Vasquez.



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### WES HOOVER'S HIGH INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED ESL CLASS.



Tips by Jessica Snyder's ABE Beginning Class.

Come to class prepared and on time.

Attend class regularly

Have a positive attitude and an open mind.

Don't give up. Keep Trying.

Encourage your neighbor.

**Share** your **knowledge and skills** with the other students. (Show & Tell)

**READ** anything you can get your hands on.

Always be respectful.

Study. Study. Study.

Ask for help, when you need it.

**Give help**, when the time is right.

Have fun. Learning should be fun.

## **Interesting GED Facts:**

- 1. 98% of Colleges and Universities accept the GED
- 2. 96% of Companies accept the GED
- 3. Over 17 Million people have earned a GED since 1943
- 4. In 2008 776,728 candidates took the GED, 679,861 of those completed all 5 sections of the GED, and 493,490 people passed the GED that's 73%!

Facts obtained from the American Council on Education.® For more information go to

www.GEDtest.org



