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Conversation Friends Notes

Class # 63

In attendance:

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Rainbow

Jing Sun

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Debra

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Reading: (Page 7 of January newspaper)

How did the United States Grow?

Removing Indians

Jon began the class with shadow reading, one sentence at a time. Jing Sun shared with the group a method of shadow reading she had learned about, wherein the group reads along just one word behind the leader, in order to practice cadence and pronunciation, so we read again following this method as well.

We listed synonyms for the vocabulary words, Quick, Territory and Trail, and used these words in sentences.

Following the reading about the Trail of Tears, we discussed events throughout history when large groups of people might have been forced to leave their homeland and migrate to other areas. We talked about ways that people learned to adapt to these new environments.

After break, the group learned some idiomatic phrases from a song (George Burns rendition of ***I Wish I was 18 Again***). Then we listened to the song as a group, followed by reading the lyrics. This prompted a discussion on perceptions of aging, and what we liked, and didn't like, about various ages.