

Destination Imagination

Meeting 5: January 8, 2007

Note to Parents: Where has the time gone? We hope you all had a good break and are ready to get back together. Over the past several weeks, we've done a lot of team building activities, creative activities, song writing, storytelling, acting, and prop making. As I said when we had our first parents meeting, I wanted to spend our 2007 times getting some basic skills and getting to know each other. I think we accomplished that well. Now it is time to move on to our central challenge. A summary of it is in your Parent's Guide that I handed out when we first met. Depending on how things go, we may eventually up our meeting time to 4-5:30. Let me know if that will be a problem. It probably won't be for a couple of weeks. I want to see how things go first.

I've put up a website for our DI team. It's at www.stowmusings.net/di/.

Check it out. I will update it as regularly as I have time. I've put up all the past meeting summaries as well as the other information we've handed out, pictures, and relevant links to things I've found on the Web that you may want to do with your children at home.

Today's plan:

1. *While we wait...* "Simon Says". This is a fun game. It's not very creative, but I do this with the kids while we are waiting for everyone to get here and they seem to like it and I try my hardest to get them to mess up. They like to try to beat me and win. They never do!
2. *The Central Challenge.* The challenge is called TwisDId History! For this meeting I'm going to spend the bulk of our time going over what the challenge is and making sure the kids understand it. You should review page 4 of the Parent's Guide—if you don't have it, it's on our website.
3. *Instant Challenge.* Many of our activities from here on out will be designed to help with the central challenge. This week our challenge is to work individually to come up with at least three things that "happened in the past". Normally we don't work individually, but I wanted to see what level everyone was at and what the kids are thinking.

Our next meeting will be January 15th from 4-5 PM.