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[Reachable Moments: What's at the Heart of the matter...](#)

By: Dr. Jamie "JC" Chambers



Raphi, age 16, is running wild, sneaking out late at night, drinking and using pot. His parents and five other siblings are worried and beleaguered, they feel hopeless to stop his present course. He arrives at my office smug, indolent and with that look in his eyes-"what do they think coming to this _____ place is gonna do? So, I asked him the ugly question, "what do you suppose your parents brought you here for?" With surprising honesty and boldness, he proclaimed, "They're freaking out cause I'm partying and staying out late, but this is my life and it ain't none of their concern, besides I ain't hurting them."

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Last Chance to Register for Victoria Seminars!

Reclaiming Youth International returns to the beautiful Pacific Northwest as we offer the 2010 Spring Seminars in Victoria, British Columbia. In addition to the workshops offered, Drs. Martin Brokenleg, Larry Brendtro, and Steve Van Bockern, developers of the Circle of Courage™ Model, will co-present each morning for all attendees, all events. The Victoria Seminar is a rare opportunity to hear all three youth-care experts in one setting!

Space is limited and events are filling quickly. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required. Don't miss this opportunity to take part in some of the world's most effective training sessions for individuals who work with youth and families.

To give you a taste for the beauty of Victoria, we've included a slide show of photos taken by our own Mark Freado! Come experience the exceptional training and beautiful, rejuvenating location for yourself!!

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[We need your help!](#)

To our readers,



One of our colleagues who works in a day school is looking for help. She would like to know if there is a curriculum that is skill-based and connected to appropriate pre and post assessments. The school is an alternative setting with about 250 kids who have all sorts of behavioral challenges. The kids come and go because of life circumstances, so it is difficult to connect them to traditional school curriculum. If you have suggestions, please contact Steve Van Bockern at bookstore@reclaiming.com.

Thank you!

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Experience the beauty of the Black Hills of South Dakota!



We are excited to welcome you to the 17th Annual Black Hills Seminars in Rapid City, South Dakota, gateway to the beautiful Black Hills! This year's Seminar will be an exceptional training opportunity. We will be celebrating the 20th Anniversary of "Reclaiming Youth at Risk: Our Hope for the Future"; the book that started it all!

And we are pleased to announce that Dr. Temple Grandin, world-renowned autism advocate and animal behavior expert, and Dr. Sandra Bloom, acclaimed trauma expert will be key-noting; along with a host of other distinguished

presenters. Come experience for yourself this exceptional training and unique, re-energizing environment!

Our Vice President, Mark Freado, has captured the beauty of the Black Hills in the following photos. We hope you enjoy these images and we look forward to meeting you in Rapid City, South Dakota this June!

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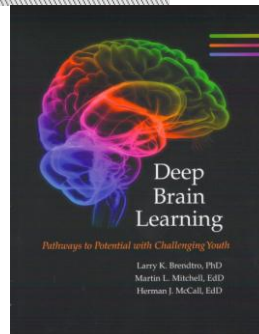
[Deep Brain Learning ~ Book Review](#)

A book review of

[Deep Brain Learning: Pathways to Potential with Challenging Youth](#)

Larry K. Brendtro, Martin L. Mitchell,
Herman J. McCall

2009, Starr Commonwealth



Reviewed by: Mark Freado

Deep Brain Learning, published in 2009 by Starr Commonwealth, is the most recent contribution to the field by Larry Brendtro, founder of Reclaiming Youth International. Larry was joined in this effort by Martin Mitchell and Herman McCall, who have provided executive leadership at Starr Commonwealth for many years. This well-researched book examines familiar concepts from another perspective and promotes new ways of looking at

the challenges faced by youth in trouble and those who work with them.

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Our latest discussion topic is "At what point in the year do you most feel you need a boost?"

We are excited to be able to interact with each of you in this way. Tell your friends and co-workers about us & check back often to share ideas and connect with others in the field!

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