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The Surrey White Rock Literacy Task Group helps you stay in the loop on literacy news, events, and resources. Please share with your colleagues and networks.

If you need referrals to local literacy and learning support, contact us.

## **PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

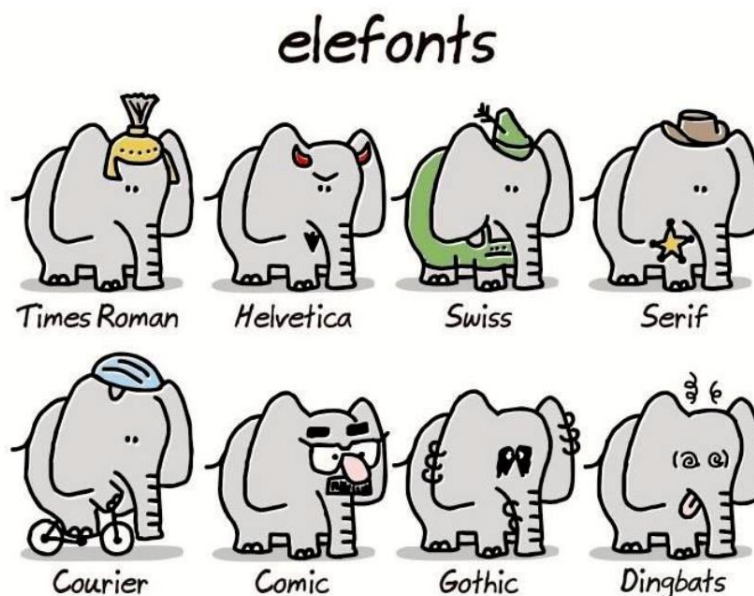
- Amnesty International's Write for Rights 2023 campaign begins today, October 24. By writing letters and signing petitions, this campaign uses the power of words to fight injustice and support people at risk of human rights abuses. [Learn more](#).
- [The AI Advantage: How Nonprofits Can Rise to the Top Using AI](#) Free Thursday, October 26, 10:00am PT (webinar is 1 hour in length).
- Focus group for Black caregivers/parents on trends/barriers they face with supporting their children with literacy. October 30, 6:00pm – 8:00pm, Vancouver. Poster attached.
- [Halloween Pyjama Storytime](#), October 31, 2023, 7:00pm–7:30pm, City Centre Branch
- S.U.C.C.E.S.S is offering Digital Literacy and English Language Skills classes. Next cohort October 31 to December 21, 2023. Poster attached.
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University's application deadline for Spring 2024 (January start) is November 1. [Apply here](#).
- READ is hosting a fundraising concert featuring the [Bergmann Duo](#) on November 4, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Mount Olive Lutheran Church. Entry by donation at the door. Poster attached.
- Douglas College Training Group is introducing a skills training for employment program for 2SLGBTQIA+ Young Adults, starting November 14, 2023 at the New Westminster campus. Full details at [Q+ Works](#).
- Prevent Frailty in Seniors is a free presentation on November 16, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at White Rock Community Centre. Posters attached.
- S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Family Literacy Program is a free program for parents/caregivers and their children aged 1-5. Poster attached.

## RESOURCES/PRO-D/NEWS

- [Introducing Halloween to ELLs](#)
- [TTSMaker](#) is a free text-to-speech tool that provides speech synthesis services and supports multiple languages. You can use it to read text and e-books aloud or convert text to speech and download the audio files.
- This is a recording of the [United for Literacy 2023 National Forum - The AI Revolution and Literacy: Threat or Opportunity](#)
- Surrey Libraries staff share songs, rhymes, and early literacy tips on [Start with Stories](#).
- Donate your used books (in good condition) to the [Rotary Club of White Rock](#). No magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, manuals, or damaged books, please. Donate 24/7 at the Blue Bin on the North side of the Rotary Fieldhouse, located at 2197 148 St, Surrey, south of the Surrey Eagles Hockey Arena. Large donations can be dropped off Monday or Thursday mornings 9-11. Contact [rotaryclub.booksale@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclub.booksale@gmail.com) for assistance.
- [Print and Web Design for Older Adults](#)

## FONTS CAN AFFECT LITERACY AND READABILITY

Choose carefully.





## CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS WITH CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18

We're looking for Black parents and/or caregivers to share their experiences with helping their children learn to read. Share your experience! Join our focus group and receive a \$50 gift card for up to 90 minutes of your time.

**Date: Monday October 30, 2023**

**Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**Location: South Vancouver Neighbourhood House  
6470 Victoria Drive, Vancouver**

Contact Monet or Covey by phone or email to register:

Monet:  604-324-6212 ext. 159

 [monet.yabut@southvan.org](mailto:monet.yabut@southvan.org)

Covey:  604-324-6212 ext. 125

 [covey.po@southvan.org](mailto:covey.po@southvan.org)



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SERVICES TO SUPPORT IMMIGRANTS



S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

*Free English Language Training*

# Digital Literacy and English Language Skills

September 07, 2023 ~ October 26, 2023



**8-week in-person English language beginner course to help you learn how to use technology at home, school and work.**

**Contents** Class meets twice per week in-person ,  
2 hours per class

including:

- ⇒ How to use a computer keyboard
- ⇒ How to log on to Moodle
- ⇒ How to use Zoom
- ⇒ How to stay safe online

Surrey-Delta Service Centre  
#100-15117 101 Ave, Surrey, BC

**Tuesday and Thursday  
12:30pm to 02:30pm**

To join us, please call  
604-588-6869 or email to:  
[navneet.dhot@success.bc.ca](mailto:navneet.dhot@success.bc.ca)

**\*Eligibility:** A BC resident and **one** of the following:

- Permanent Resident ■ Convention Refugee
- Protected Person ■ Live-in Caregiver

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# A Celebration of Joy in Music & Song

A fund-raising concert  
for READ Surrey/White Rock  
featuring  
*the internationally renowned Bergmann Duo*



[www.bergmannduo.com](http://www.bergmannduo.com)

*with Mount Olive Lutheran Church's  
Pastor Lori-Anne, singer/songwriter*

**November 4, 2023 at 3:00pm**  
**Mount Olive Lutheran Church**  
**2350 - 148 St. South Surrey**

Doors open at 2:00pm.  
First come, first served.  
Donations gratefully accepted at the door.

• All proceeds support READ Surrey/White Rock Society's literacy programs.



[readswrs@gmail.com](mailto:readswrs@gmail.com) / 778.242.7323

# AVOID FRAILTY

TAKE CONTROL

ACTIVITY	
VACCINATE	
OPTIMIZE MEDS	
INTERACT	
DIET & NUTRITION	

## PREVENT FRAILTY IN SENIORS

Prevention & Supports -  
Research Study Project  
OPPORTUNITY

**NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

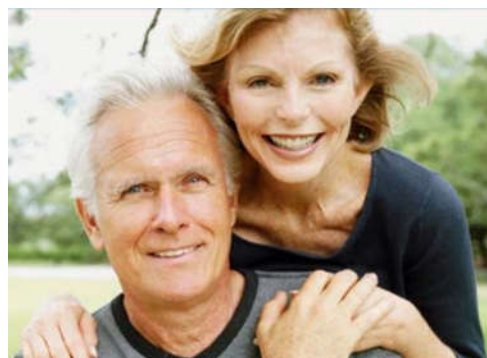
**Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM**

**(Doors open at 1:00 PM)**

**Location: White Rock Community Center -**

**15154 Russell Avenue, White Rock**

**Free parking below off of Russell, City  
stalls as marked.**



**Registration: Free + lunch will be  
provided**

**Register: 604-541-8653**

**Email:**

**[admin@comfortkeepersvancouver.ca](mailto:admin@comfortkeepersvancouver.ca)**



**Semiahmoo Seniors**  
Planning Table

To play our part in  
protecting the  
environment, please  
bring your own  
refillable water bottles.  
Water fountains are  
available at the  
recreation centre



**University  
of Victoria**

Institute on Aging  
& Lifelong Health

**Self-Management**  
*British Columbia*



**BRITISH  
COLUMBIA**

# FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM



**STORIES, SONGS,  
AND INTERACTIVE  
LEARNING**



**A FREE PROGRAM IN ENGLISH FOR  
PARENTS OR CAREGIVERS  
AND THEIR CHILDREN (AGES 1-5) TO  
PLAY AND LEARN TOGETHER**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
PLEASE CONTACT:  
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ANGELA.LEE@SUCCESS.BC.CA  
604-335-5605



**SESSIONS RUN ON:**  
**MONDAY/WEDNESDAY &  
TUESDAY/THURSDAY**  
**FRIDAYS ARE DROP IN**  
**10:30AM – 12:30PM**

**LOCATION: #100-15117  
101 AVE SURREY**



OUR STAFF SPEAK MANY LANGUAGES TO SUPPORT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY  
INCLUDING:

**MANDARIN, CANTONESE, KOREAN, FARSI, DARI, PASHTO, SPANISH, TAGALOG,  
VIETNAMESE, ARABIC, SPANISH, UKRAINIAN, RUSSIAN AND MANY MORE..**

FOR REGISTRATION PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW OR SCAN THE QR CODE.

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