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### To Share With Others is a Gift of Inspiration

As my daughter would say, “Mom, this math homework is so easy!” But to get to that level of confidence was so challenging. In this reflection I will be discussing my tutoring experience this semester, and what I learned and what I received is so rewarding!

When I started as a tutor in January, I was nervous because I didn’t think I had enough knowledge in the subjects I was tutoring. In our three class lessons, the information that was given to us through web access, were the tools that made my understanding about the different learning abilities and how to help others help themselves. Having the students showing me what kind of notes they were taken and having them explain to me the notes that they took, this allowed them to remember it even more. If it was something I didn’t understand I would have them explain it to me what they understood about the subject. We would refer to the book to get the further explanation, and then we were able to reiterate it again. Being a math problem, or a biology question, they would be able to re-create the steps and sometimes get a grasp out of it. The “awe haw” moment.

The best part about tutoring is that I was able to show my excitement about the subject and see the student get excited about it. It is great that we are both students, and can share this experience together, maybe one day they will be inspired to become tutors as well. And that they will be tutoring me in exchange.

With the skills that I have gain, I have been able to work with my daughter for the first time in math. She is usually a very difficult person to tutor, but we had a breakthrough. Once she realized that my only objective is for her to break down her walls, and not allow the challenge to sink in, her little brain started soaking up this information like a sponge. To conclude, nothing in the world makes me happier than to hear the words “Mom, this math homework is so easy!”

Thanks to all of you for giving me the tools, to allow me to give the gift of sharing and in return giving me the gift of inspiration.