

Twiddle Key Tips

The Principle to Learn	In God's Word
Speaking the same language.	Genesis 11:1-9.

Preclass



- Review the goals of ComputiVerse
- Review the Class Tips
- Review the Gospel Message

Process

Include the steps of the gospel throughout the lesson; so while student attention is fresh, the real lesson is being planted.

Begin with prayer.

Website Wacky!!

Flymekanikerl rling For Verdens Misjon

Creating web pages is so easy and so much fun.

UNTIL....

Until you create a **bilingual** (two-language) site for a missionary from Norway.

What do you capitalize? Where do you put the period? Your computer spell checker will go crazy! The language of Norway doesn't have as many words as English, but it does have more letters in its alphabet.

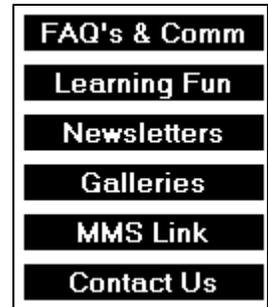
  So what is it called? It's a letter in the Norwegian alphabet. And don't ask me how to pronounce it!

Do you suppose God ever gets confused by language differences? Certainly not. Big or unusual words don't slow Him up, either. If someone said to **froblicate** your power switch, the meaning would be clear to God.

Froblicate
your power
switch!

Fakta & Komm	Fakta & Komm
Artig og lære	Artig og lære
Nyhetsbrev	Nyhetsbrev
Galleriet	Galleriet
MMS Link	MMS Link
Kontakt Oss	Kontakt Oss

Almost every computer keyboard has a Twiddle key. Do you know which one it is? If you knew that the Twiddle key is the same as the Tilde key, would that help? The Tilde (pronounced “till’-dee”) looks like ~ and is nicknamed the Twiddle¹. It’s located between the Esc and Tab keys on most keyboards. You’ll see some Twiddles if you’re using a computer that likes long file names. But a computer program that doesn’t like file names longer than eight characters (plus the dot and three letter extension) will change the name from **Goodiegoodie.doc** to **Goodie~1.doc**.



We all know that bunny rabbits like carrots. Did you know your computer likes carrots too? Actually, the computer carrot is not orange and green, and it’s spelled differently too...”caret”. The computer caret, ^, looks like an upside down v and lives just above the 6 at the top of the keyboard. The caret is used in real tough arithmetic problems. A V that lies on its side pointing left < is called the “is less than” symbol. The same V that lies on its other side is called the “is greater than” symbol. In arithmetic, you could write “4 > 3”. You’d read it as, “Four is greater than three”. Fun, huh?

Why bother with all this goofy word stuff?

Because it’s very important to be *careful* when we give directions to others. Also, we need to make sure that the instructions we understand are what were meant by those giving them. Leaders often ask others to repeat **in their own words**, the orders they’ve just been given.

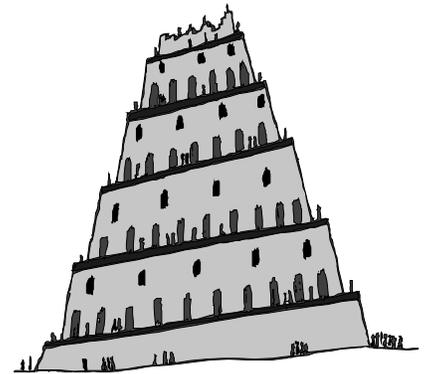
On the other hand, if you want to destroy a project and cause confusion, get people together who don’t understand each other or who don’t understand the words and terms being used. A great example of this is a part of Bible history.

¹ Bibli: A command in the UNIX programming language that means “the home directory”. Meet the Cast of Characters of ASCII - <http://lithos.gat.com/docview/characters.html>

We sometimes say someone is *babbling* when he talks in a manner we can't understand. Not only can we not make sense of what is being said, but also we certainly would not be able to work with that person. Only confusion and chaos would result.

God's Word clearly shows us this in Genesis 11.

There were a lot of people all working together to build a tower for a reason that God didn't like. The tower was being built to praise men, but God wants us to honor **Him** - not ourselves. The tower's name was "Babel". God stopped the project by scrambling the language so that the people couldn't work together. I wonder if that's where our word "babbling" comes from?



How wise is our God Who explains for us the meanings of words and principles in His Word, the Bible. Because of that, we can thank Him for all His gifts to us; along with others we can serve Him. His Word teaches us that sin is doing things we know God doesn't like. He's also provided parents, pastors, Sunday School teachers and the precious Holy Spirit to help us to further understand the wonderful truths relating to our lives and our computers. ☺

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Miss Yellow Eyes Didn't Understand

[Theme: Know the meanings of words as you work with others.]

Its two eyes continued to flash a yellow color.

Wake up! Go! Start! Begin!

Judy's verbal commands to the little robot kept getting louder and more stressed. But the robot remained motionless with both eyes still blinking yellow.

Beta, the little girl robot, was a gift from Judy's cousin in Denmark.

Very carefully, step-by-step, Judy followed her cousin's directions in hooking up Beta to her personal computer and loading all the needed commands for Beta to move her little arms. But it was the same as before... **Wake up! Go! Start! Begin!** No movement -- no anything.

"What's the matter, honey?" her mom asked. She took Judy by the hand, led her over to the kitchen table, where she placed a small glass of milk and a cookie in front of her. Her mother soon picked up the frustration in her daughter's explanation about the robot that wouldn't move.

"Judy, remember the lesson I learned when I left the flour out of my Apple Sauce Cake recipe? I learned then to always check off each step of a recipe or list of instructions so that none is skipped or done out of order. And, Judy -- have you asked God to help you get Beta running? Let's us both ask Him right now."

Checking off each command in the instructions still did not get little Beta moving. Judy went out into the garage to ask her dad for help. She had always found him willing to really put his all into helping her when she asked. He listened as Judy related all the steps she had already taken, and then asked if she had any other toys or computer programs that used commands similar to those for Beta. He said that by making the comparison, she might get a hint of what was wrong. Probably the best advice she got though was when her dad suggested that the best way to get the little robot to work was to look into God's Word, and find direction there. He assured her that God's inspired Word is applicable to any and every need in our lives. He picked up his spare Bible lying open next to his toolbox, and showed her the verses: *"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."* Proverbs 3:5,6.



Two days later, with Beta's secret for working still not found, Judy emailed her cousin. It was hard for Judy to type the sentence stating that Beta had probably been damaged in the shipment all the way from Denmark. After all, that's on the other side of the earth.

The next day Judy was at her computer reading her email, when she suddenly let out a loud **"Yaaaahoo!"** It was so loud that her mom splattered the breakfast pancake batter into the two holes of the toaster, and onto the kitchen wall. After Judy's mom regained her composure, she learned that the reason for the yell was an email message from her cousin in Denmark, which Judy had just read. Judy held the printed-out message in front of her mom, and followed along with her finger as she read it out loud. Though most of the spoken commands were ones Beta would recognize in English, the wakeup command to start everything had to be said in DUTCH!

After a couple of trial pronunciations of the Dutch command, Beta began to respond, as Judy wanted her to.

Do you suppose language differences ever confuse God? Certainly not. Big or unusual words don't slow Him up either. He understands Apple Sauce Cake recipes and little girl robots. ☺

A Proper Missionary

[Theme: God can use for missions all the talents He gives us.]



DON'T YOU DARE WRITE THAT DOWN!!

That was what Duke yelled within himself. His youth leader was teaching Duke and the rest of the group about resumes and how important they are, even for young people, whether they're looking for a job or not.

"They're a wonderful way to help you organize your talents, experiences, and what you want to become," he'd say. That was the problem... He just couldn't. Duke couldn't make sense of it at all.

Later at home his printer shoved the latest revision of his "life plan" at him and just continued the frustration of having things in his life which did not fit together, whether in his mind or on paper. Duke thought he'd wear out his computer making changes in his resume, but it never came up with anything that looked as if it ought to fit into the same resume. The "Where do you want to land?" part of his life plan wouldn't be complete without stating that Duke wanted to be a missionary. He wanted to dedicate his talents to the God that had saved Duke from the penalty of all his sins.

But the problem was that Duke's experiences included, "Rebuilt and maintained my go-cart", "Added a go-cart seat for Peety (my dog)", "Replaced the start switch on my neighbor's lawnmower", "This year's secretary of the Flying High Model Airplane Club."

"See my problem?" he'd say. "Missionaries translate the Bible, build hospitals in Africa, and preach at new churches in India. That's got nothing whatsoever to do with sparkplugs and wheel bearings." More than once, Duke figured God had goofed when giving him the burden to be a missionary.

A couple of weeks later, Duke's youth leader asked him if he'd like to take some photos of a missionary school in a nearby town for the youth groups' bulletin board and website. With his dad's approval and offer to provide transportation, Duke accepted the project. That's when things really got mixed up. Duke and his dad double-checked the address with the one on the large building. How could this be a missionary school? It looks more like an aircraft hanger.

The student missionary assigned to give Duke and his dad the grand tour was Helge Estam a Norwegian with the usual blond hair, ready smile, and ongoing struggle with the English language. For the next two hours, Duke's eyes and ears took in the airplane propellers, landing flaps, cables, altimeters, assembly manuals, carburetors, and other training teams. Duke's dad had to remind him several times to take pictures, since "that's what we came for!" Duke knew that this visit was a trip planned in heaven... just what he needed! God **never** goofs nor does He let us flounder, as we trust in His leading.

It was hard for Duke to keep from getting teary-eyed as Helge told him that God needs missionaries that repair and maintain airplanes, trucks, websites, sewing machines, radio transmitters, farm tractors, computers, and hospital lighting. Helge picked up his Bible from his workbench and showed Duke and his dad the verse: "*Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might...*" Ecclesiastes 9:10a.

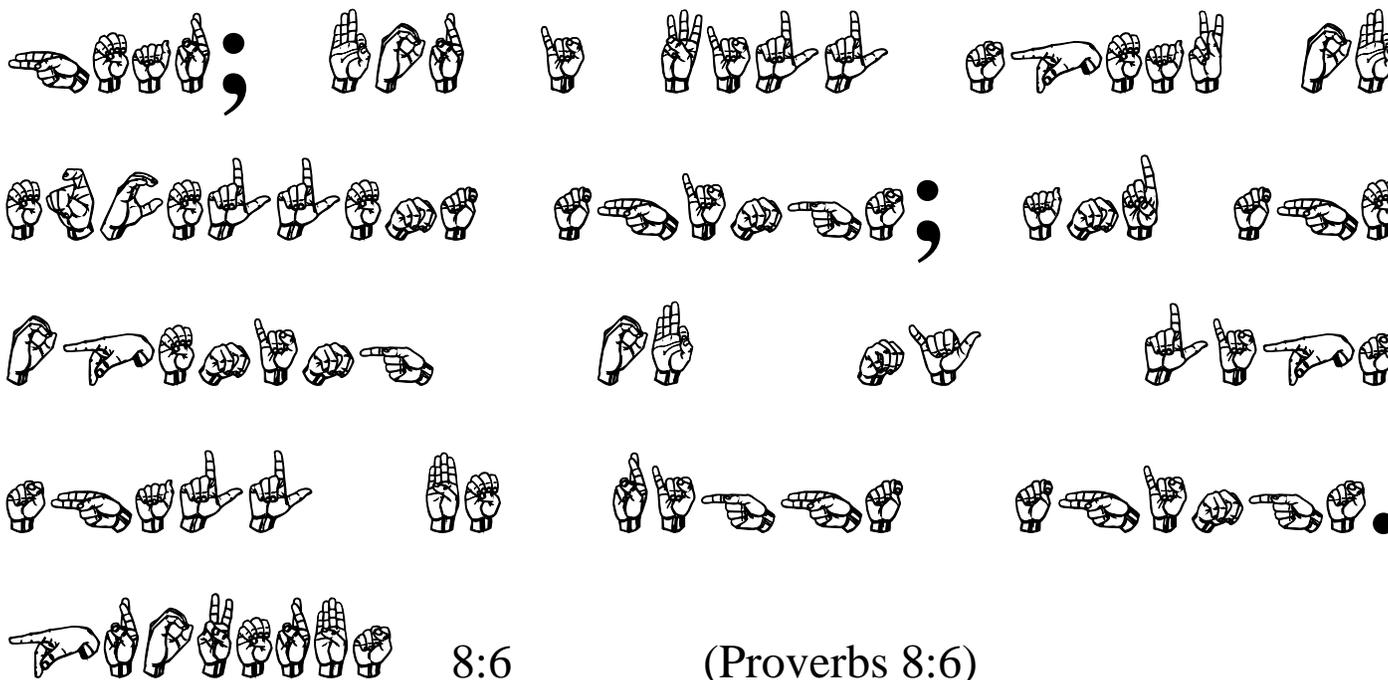
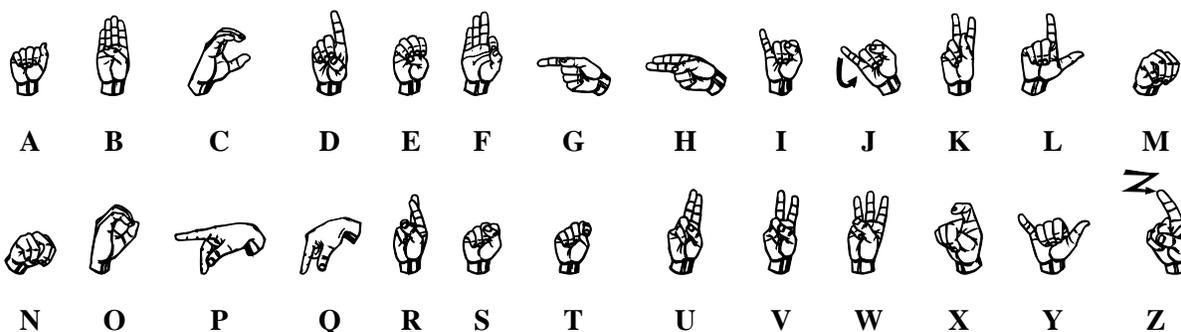
Duke's resume-changing computer would finally get a rest, along with his heart since he now knows that God is **always** in control, He never goofs, and He proves over and over that we are important to His plans as we dedicate our talents to His leading.

Only in God's magnificent plan for those that love Him can a proper missionary also be a propELLer missionary. What's your talent? ☺

Hand-Talk - Friends Fun

The three smallest bones in our body make it possible for us to hear beautiful songs and God's Word being read aloud. For the hearing-impaired, a language has been created just for them. It is called, Sign Language. Finger Spelling is a portion of this exciting language. If you have the Sign Language Font installed on your computer, you can create fun games using fingerspelling symbols.

On the left of your keyboard, press the Caps Lock key so you'll be typing all capital letters. Type out a Bible verse in regular English. Then change the FONT of the verse to sign language symbols, or Morse code, and have fun with a friend.



God gives us all sorts of fun ways to use our talents to tell others how much He wants them to love and praise Him for all His goodness to all of us. ☺