

WELCOME TO TRIPTYCH CITY – NB

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A: Hey, so what about this “Dictation Triptychs” workshop we’ve signed up for? Think we’ll be in for more trick than treat?

B: [FILL IN BY DICTATION]

A: [FILL IN BY DICTATION]

B: But the spelling’s weird, like pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcano something, but not as long.

A: Awww, pfft. There’s no need to exaggerate. I’d betcha the etymology’s interesting.

B: Do you think we’ll learn anything useful?

A: Good question. That’ll teach me to pick out workshops without a background check!

B: Bahahaha. At least we’re not out there baling hay today.

A: Oh, sorry, by the way, my name is _____.

B: Nice to meet you! Me no English!

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A: [FILL IN BY DICTATION]

B: Who knows? This could really hurt the reputation of TESL Sask.

A: Weird, I’d say! You don’t get to see words like *trptych* every day. What’s the deal with SK TEAL?

B: [FILL IN BY DICTATION]

A: Whatever. It would be great to finally find out the background of the word.

B: So what all will those guys be talking about?

A: I can see some breakout rooms coming up—you know, shuffle us around with jigsaws.

B: O well, too late! Here we are. Maybe we’ll learn something anyways.

A: Hey, nice talking to you! I’m _____ . What’s your name?

B: O hi! You can call me _____ .

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A: How about this “Round-Trip Ticket” thingy eh? What a hoot! Did you get it? ‘Trip Tick’ as in Triptych? Is this a joke or what?

B: It’s anybody’s guess. Only God knows. But it had better be good or I’m voting with my feet.

A: Strange choice of a word, I’d say. What on earth is a triptych? A medieval gadget to make students speak?

B: Pretty sick pronunciation for sure—so it rhymes with “Round-Trip Ticket”?

A: Honestly. Let’s see if they’ll explain the term later.

B: Think we’ll get anything out of this?

A: Who knows? I hope we don’t wind up doing any Krashenesque TPR exercises like sweeping the floor.

B: Ouch. Guess we’ll just have to make ourselves some lemonade, eh?

A: By the way, I really like your hair (or teeth, if missing the former). (A’s name)!

B: (B’s name)! How now brown cow?

