

A Personal Reflection – July, 2021

Looking for You

Global Learning Partners arranged an appointment with a local photographer to do a photoshoot at my home. Mia, a young artist set up everything, got me in a chair and started taking pictures. Click, click, click! I heard almost one hundred clicks as Mia did her creative work. I finally had to ask: “Mia, why do you take so many pictures?” She smiled her response: “I am trying to find you.”

I was deeply touched by Mia’s genuine quiet response. I thought immediately of our essential Learning Needs and Resources Assessment. How can we take the time and find creative ways to show learners we are “trying to find them”?

Imagine the learning that might take place when a group of learners knew that the teacher had worked hard before the class or seminar or workshop to “find” each one.

Mia has given me a new perspective on the potential of such attention. Here is the result of her having “found “me.

-Jane Vella

