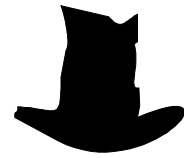


From Student ... To Student

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Really the Odyssey Generation?

In class, we read an article about the "odyssey generation". An American researcher highlighted that these days, people in their 30s still behave like children, they don't want to grow up and don't feel 'adult'. They don't want to take responsibility; they change their jobs often, still live with their parents, don't get married and don't want to have children.

We wanted to check if this researcher was right and therefore did a survey at Cape Studies. We went to four classes to interview the students about their ages, if they were married, if they still live with their parents, etc.

Out of a total of 19 people (only 5 men) between 19 and 53 years, only 2 are married and 3 have children. Half of them are students, living with their parents, and only one

person has been working at the same place for more than 3 years.

A surprising result is that the only person who wants to 'tie the knot' and have children is a 24 yr. Old man.

Most of the students plan to study for the next 3 years. 2 want to get a job, one person wants to go travelling, 2 hope to find a nice boyfriend and one would like to become the owner of a house.

Contrary to the researcher's opinion, only 4 of the students don't 'feel adult'.

The conclusion of our survey is that we agree with the research, because most of the people interviewed are not married, still live with their parents and haven't had a job for a long time.

Do Cape Studies Students reflect global trends?

However, with respect to the question of 'feeling adult', we found that our students do, in fact, feel 'adult'.

We would like to thank the students who so willingly took part in our survey.

**Class of Room 7: Carolina,
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Restaurant Review:

If you are not vegetarian, and you like to eat meat, I recommend you go to the **Hussar Grill** on Main Road, Green Point.

It is a small and cosy restaurant, and at the entrance, a smiley bell-boy in a red jacket welcomes you.

The young and happy waiters are very helpful in choosing a good meal and the right wine to fit your dinner.

The prices are rather expensive, but if you want to enjoy a delicious dinner in a nice atmosphere, the **Hussar Grill** is a must!

By: Sibylle

The Aquarium

Are you in Cape Town - the weather is awful – fog and rain, you can't go to the beach or Table Mountain, and the whole afternoon is waiting for you? There is nothing easier than to visit our well-known **Two Oceans Aquarium**.

For only R70, you can see almost everything the ocean can offer you. Wonderful sea life in a whole spectrum of colour lies before you; secrets of the deep will be revealed before your eyes. Sometimes it seems you're on a different planet, but believe me, everything there is purely earth-made.

Your kids can enjoy feeding seals and penguins every Sunday at 14.30. There is a special kids play place with playing seals in front of the big aquarium. You and your partner can enjoy watching the huge sharks, and their feeding every Sunday at 15.00 am.

Experts on marine life guide you on your trip through the watery wonders.

In short, **the Two Oceans Aquarium** provides a whole afternoon of excellent entertainment for you and your family.

Don't miss it!!

By: Jan

Ten Tips for New Students

- Don't be shy to speak English – speak as much as possible
- Make as many friends as possible, so that you can learn the language and find out about the place.
- Speak only English with your compatriots
- Don't walk alone as a tourist, because you could be mugged.
- Visit as many places as you are able to with your friends.
- Enquire about the best rates before you change your money. Don't change it at the shop, because they don't give good rates.
- Look after your finances
- Try to write, read and listen – and watch movies ... in English.
- Take a lot of photos to show your family and friends back home.
- ENJOY THE SCHOOL!!

By: Orlando



Hermanus

I can really recommend a trip to the city of **Hermanus**. It is only about one and a half hours from Cape Town, and a beautiful route to drive.

If I were you, I would drive on the motorway – the N2 – till Strand/Gordon's Bay, then take the road near the sea which takes time, but is really amazing. With some luck, you might also see whales on the trip.

On the way to **Hermanus** is the *Harold Porter Botanical Garden*, which is beautiful. This Botanical Garden has animals and two waterfalls, besides the wonderful plants and flowers. The scenery is awesome, and I can recommend a stop there.

Hermanus is a nice little town, with a lot of restaurants and bars. You can have lunch in a restaurant near the sea, and enjoy the view of the whales.

On the way back, you should take the motorway directly, it is even faster and you drive over a mountain pass – stop at a place to see the view of the whole landscape., the cities of Gordon's Bay, Somerset West, Stellenbosch ... and some more.

It is an amazing trip and I hope you enjoy it!!

By: Carolina



The Meat Factory

Two years ago, I worked in a meat factory near my hometown.

I decided to work there because there was a good possibility of earning a lot of money in a short period of time. I had finished school some weeks before, and had free time to work. Furthermore, I needed the money for a holiday in Spain, which I had planned to visit with my two best friends.

Back to the factory ... I worked there for three weeks – eight hours a day on an assembly line.

The first day was horrible. I crossed the different sections and everywhere I looked I saw hanging pieces of raw meat, big vats filled with intestines standing on the ground and blood flowing on the floor to the drains. Some areas were very dark and noisy because of the huge machines and the screaming workers. I felt in the middle of a horror movie.

On the last day, when I opened the door to leave the factory, I smelled the fresh air and listened to the birds singing. I felt free – really free – and I couldn't eat meat for a long, long time.

By: Theresa