



## March 2018 Newsletter

This month we are excited to talk about scenario-based learning, hear about our Job Ready Gypsy's adventures in Thailand, and share our new tutoring schedule. As always, we want to congratulate all of you who earned certifications over the last 30 days and we are here to tutor, mentor, and help motivate all of you to continue to work toward those valuable industry certifications.

Speaking of certifications did you know that in a [2012 survey conducted by Certiport](#) 85% of supervisors say that Microsoft Office Specialist certified employees are more productive because of their certification. These skills are in demand and valued by employers.

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### LearnKey Uses Scenario-Based Learning Providing Learners with Employability Skills

If you have watched our CompTIA A+ training, you know that the course is presented from the point of view of a computer repair company. This is an example of scenario-based learning. We build our course material around real-life scenarios that will improve the employability prospective.

**What is scenario-based learning?** Scenario-based learning (SBL) uses interactive scenarios to support active learning strategies such as problem-based or case-based learning. It normally involves students working their way through a storyline, usually based around an ill-structured or complex problem, which they are required to solve. In the process students must apply their subject knowledge, and critical thinking and problem solving skills in a safe, real-world context. Scenario-based learning may be self-contained, in that completing the scenario is the entire task, or it may be the first part of a larger assignment requiring the student to complete the scenario, and then provide a written or oral reflection and self-assessment on the process.

**What theory supports SBL?** Scenario-based learning is based on the principles of situated learning theory (Lave & Wenger, 1991), which argues that learning best takes place in the context in which it is going to be used, and situated cognition, the idea that knowledge is best acquired and more fully understood when situated within its context. (Kindley, 2002)

[Student Resource Center](#)

[Student Forum](#)

[Job Ready Resource Center](#)

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#### Certification Corner

- Diena R. FL Word 2016
- Walter B. OH Word 2016
- Wendell D. TX Word 2016
- Michael T. TX CDFE
- Joshua T. TX Linux+ Part 2
- Shawn S. OH A+ 901
- Aj P. TX CCENT
- Steven D. OK Word 2016
- Brandon T. CO Word 2016
- Yolanda J. WA Word 2016
- Brandon T. CO Excel 2016
- Kateri S. MI PowerPoint 2016
- Yolanda J. WA PowerPoint 2016
- Kateri S. MI Outlook 2016
- Drew L. MT A+ 901
- Nolan V. ID Excel 2016
- Paul M. KY Word 2016
- Eve G. TX PowerPoint 2016
- Charles M. TX Word 2016
- Kemonty H. OH PowerPoint 2016
- Ron P. MT Excel 2016
- Thomas H. OH PowerPoint

**Why scenario-based learning?** Because it drives better learner engagement when learning key employability skills.

To learn more about scenario based learning read about what Jason Manibog, our Senior Instructor has to say. [CLICK HERE](#)

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### **Job Ready Gypsy: Just a Little Unsure About Kuala Lumpur**

The walk from the accommodations to the work space was an interesting one as you had to cross through the jungle known as bar street. The marketing tactic for the bars and restaurants was to shout at you profusely claiming they had the best drinks, food, Wi-Fi, air con (air conditioner), really anything to get to come inside. I walked down bar street nearly every day for one thing or another and thought every time, umm don't they remember me? I walk here nearly every day. Finding a new normal did not include that walk so often I worked late nights from my apartment which was productive but could be a little lonely. Good thing I had amazing food to keep me company on those late nights.

Working night shift was an easier transition than I could even imagine. I enjoyed having my days free for exploring and had incredible support from others that had to work the same shift. It was tough as I did not see many of those who work days and could not make full use of the work space as it would require an Uber as I did not feel safe walking home alone.

Adjusting to the culture, location, weather (mainly humidity coming from AZ where there is none), all while getting to know 34 strangers and performing the duties and functions of a full-time job. Often, we refer to time as RY time, as one mentioned is a pressure cooker. Feeling after a month of knowing our RY family, many have already become close enough to be real family. How has this only been a month? Speaking in time-space continuum, it is amazing how much you can fit into a day while working 40 hours. Sleep, optional. While I was living my best life in KL, I didn't feel like I was doing too much, however now that I am reminiscing through the photos... I do not know how I did it all. Month one, in the books.

To read more about Beth's adventures in Kuala Lumpur [CLICK HERE](#)

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- Andrew G. TX Word 2016
- Dee P. NY 70-411
- John H. OH Security+
- Michael F. FL ICND1
- Paul M. KY PowerPoint 2016
- Jessica A. NY Word 2016
- Barney J. TX A+ 901
- Denzel B. VA PowerPoint 2016
- Brandon T. CO PowerPoint 2016
- Yolanda J. WA Outlook 2016
- Richard L. TX A+ 901
- Chris E. ID CCNA
- Jared M. ID Excel 2016
- Andrew K. OH Dreamweaver CC
- Calvin G. CO Security+
- Gregg C. MI CCENT
- Harold S. OH Word 2016
- Joey B. ND CISSP
- John P. OH A+ 901
- Jon H. OH Excel 2016
- Keith T. NJ Excel 2016
- Nia T. OH Dreamweaver CC
- Raymond L. WA Security +
- Robert H. MN A+ 902
- Ron R. ND PowerPoint 2016
- Joshua T. TX Python
- Mark H. OH A+ 901
- Paul M. KY Outlook 2016
- Anthony P. HI Excel 2016
- Sarai A. GA Excel 2016
- Michael S. AZ A+ 901
- Yolanda J. WA Excel 2016

### **LearnKey Tutoring Sessions**

We want to make sure everyone has access to our tutoring session information. We highly recommend that all of our students attend the sessions that correspond with the certification they are working on. See info below for all available sessions.

**Microsoft Monday - Every Monday**

11:00 a.m. (MST)

Tutor: Grace Rollins

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/401814461>

**Tutor Tuesday - Every Tuesday**

11:00 a.m. (MST)

Tutor: Tristan Roberts

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/728689101>

**Tutor Thursday - Every Thursday**

3:00 p.m. (MST)

Tutor: Tristan Roberts

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/728689101>

**Job Readiness - Third Tuesday of Each Month**

11:00 a.m. (MST) & Thursday at 4:00 p.m. (MST)

Tutor: Tristan Roberts

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/728689101>

**New Student Orientation - Last Thursday of Each Month**

3:00 p.m. (MST)

Tutor: Tristan Roberts

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/728689101>

**Wednesday Open Session**

First and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. (MST)

Tutor: Jason Manibog

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

[Join this Skype Tutoring session](#)

**Network+ Workshop**

Second and fourth Friday of every month at 11:00 a.m. (MST)

Tutor: Tristan Roberts

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

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**LK TUTORING SURVEY**

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Please join me in congratulating all those who obtained certifications this month and send best wishes to those who are preparing to take an exam in the upcoming month. Don't forget to take advantage of our [weekly tutoring sessions](#) or [practice labs](#).

Our team is here to help you succeed. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

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