Aphasia Book Club

Crashing Through

Chapter 13 Questions

Worksheet A

1. On page 218, May has dinner with several vision researchers, Dr. Fine Ione, Geoff Boynton, and Don Macleod. May says, “It felt good to be among people who seemed, in ways, already to know him” (p. 218). Why do you think he says this? Do you think it is easier interacting with people who know and understand aphasia? Share some of your experiences and thoughts.
2. On page 224, Fine kept asking May if he was okay. What was May’s response? Do you think there are difficulties interacting with people who know about aphasia? Share some of your experiences and thoughts.
3. In chapter 13, we learn about May’s strengths and weaknesses with his vision. What were they? Are you aware of your strengths and weaknesses in speech or language? Do you use that knowledge to help you in your daily lives?
4. One of the biggest reasons that May participated in Dr. Ione’s study was to know if his vision would improve. If you had the chance to know if your aphasia were to improve, worsen, or not change at all in the future, would you want to know? Explain why or why not.