

Words Worth Reading Ltd

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Welcome to the May edition of the Words Worth Reading Ltd newsletter. This is the month that exams come to an end and some students head off on their summer break. In the Words Worth Reading Ltd office we have been helping students to finalise their dissertations. We have also been busy working with clients, new and existing, to update their policy documentation and submit their requirements to the Information Governance Toolkit.

UK Universities are not value for money

As the student year draws to a close, more headlines are hitting the news about the high tuition fees.

A third of students in England, who pay up to £9,000 in tuition fees, say their degree course is poor or very poor value for money. A survey of 15,046 UK students found they have just 10 minutes extra with university lecturers despite the rise - for the majority - in fees since 2012.

The findings are revealed by the Higher Education Policy Institute (Hepi) and the Higher Education Academy (HEA).

The government said students, "quite rightly", had higher expectations. When asked what their top three priorities would be for institutional expenditure, 48% of UK students polled said "reducing fee levels", followed by having more teaching hours and reducing the size of teaching groups (both 35%).

The disappointment felt by students is not helped by the regional differences across the UK. Scottish students pay no fees if they study at a university in Scotland. Students in Wales pay a maximum of £3,685 towards their tuition, regardless of where they study in the UK, with the remainder of the fee covered by a grant funded by the Welsh government and local authorities.

(Source: BBC News)



Information Governance Toolkit Version 12 due for release in June 2014

At the beginning of the year the HSCIC External Information Governance Delivery Team asked for your comments and requested feedback on the Toolkit to help them with the development of the Information Governance Toolkit (IGT) V12.

Version 12 is due for release by the end of June 2014 and will include changes in relation to functional / technical improvements or enhancements to the IGT website, based on your feedback.

Please note: This request for feedback relates to functional / technical improvements or enhancements to the IGT website only. It does **NOT** include amendments to requirement sets or content / guidance.



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We have the first-ever look at the original Disneyland prospectus.

<http://boingboing.net/2014/05/20/disneylandprospectus.html> ...
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Nursing Times.net

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Big question - The big question: would you be tempted to leave the NHS to work in the US?

<http://bit.ly/1h9OjNv>



The Script Lab @TheScriptLab

Archetypal characters and much more in this screenwriter's dictionary: <http://tsl.cm/1nes55d>
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Publishers Weekly

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Literature Still Urgently Needs More Non-White, Non-Male Heroes | The Atlantic <http://pwne.ws/1vHL49G>

Experts call for a 'new strategy' in Alzheimer's Research



Animal welfare campaigners are calling for a shift in medical research priorities to meet the challenge of fighting dementia.

Campaigners are arguing that animal research into new therapies has failed to deliver after years of experiments. Instead, labs should focus on human-based models such as brain scanning or studies of cells grown from patients.

Alzheimer's Research UK said no single approach could provide answers to such a complex disease. Some experts have said that animal studies are not producing the breakthroughs we are hoping for.

Dr Gillian Langley, a scientist and consultant for the animal welfare charity has said that research is "lagging behind" areas such as toxicology, which is using research based on molecular disease pathways within cells and new tools such as genomics.

"We need a new framework so we can use these 21st Century tools." Other scientists say human-based methods of research - once regarded as experimental - are already yielding results.

[Professor Paul Lawrence Furlong](#) of Aston University carries out brain imaging to try to develop methods for early diagnosis of dementia in patients.

"We're supportive of initiatives to move forward the human model for good scientific reasons," he said.

"In Alzheimer's, at the cellular level, many animal models are valuable. When we move up the model of complexity, there's a point at which the animal model becomes less valid."

The number of those affected by dementia is set to triple over the next 30 years, so it is vital that all research approaches are examined if the UK is going to fulfil Jeremy Hunt's promise of transforming the country into a 'global leader' in fighting dementia.

Source: BBC News

inspected earlier this year using CQC's new approach must provide safer services for patients, the chief inspector of hospitals says

The Mental Capacity Act 2005: Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and you

[Download](#) the easy to read article to find out about the new rules from the Department of Health.

Things that we like this month



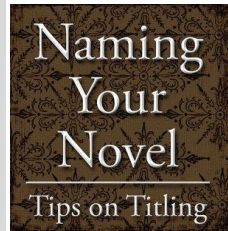
Book Club

Richard & Judy have released their Spring Reads this month. Take a look [at what made the short list here.](#)



Essential Garden 'Must Haves' for Summer

Each week, check out some of the essential [garden must haves](#) this year.



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