

The Art of
Being Human

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TO BABY GEORGE

For reminding me that
falling and failing
is fun and fascinating.

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The following chapters were written to accompany the free and open Introduction to Cultural Anthropology course available at ANTH101.com. This book is designed as a loose framework for more and better chapters in future editions. If you would like to share some work that you think would be appropriate for the book, please contact the author at mike.wesch@gmail.com.

Praise from students:

"Coming into this class I was not all that thrilled. Leaving this class, I almost cried because I would miss it so much. Never in my life have I taken a class that helps you grow as much as I did in this class."

"I learned more about everything and myself than in all my other courses combined."

"I was concerned this class would be off-putting but I needed the hours. It changed my views drastically and made me think from a different point of view."

"It really had opened my eyes in seeing the world and the people around me differently."

"I enjoyed participating in all 10 challenges; they were true challenges for me and I am so thankful to have gone out of my comfort zone, tried something new, and found others in this world."

"This class really pushed me outside my comfort zone and made me grow as a person."

"I expected to learn a lot about other people in this class but I ended up learning a lot about myself, too."

"I came into this class with little understanding, and came out with a massive knowledge of the world, and myself."

"This class allowed me to rethink who I am, what I am, and what I want to be by looking at 'who we are' as people."

"It changed my way of thinking about life, situations, and others around the world."

"This class is absolutely life changing."

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