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Dear Thaddeus, Marvin, Betty and Joan,

On behalf of the children and parents at the Inglewood Main Library, I want to thank you and your organization for participating in our "Family Fun Time" on November 8, 2008. Your presentation was well planned and executed, with enough variety to keep our mixed age audience's attention.

We live in an ever shrinking world, where cultural understanding is of paramount importance if we are ever going to achieve peace. It was very evident in the faces and the enthusiasm of our multicultural and cross generational audience that you were able to transport them across the seas to Ghana.

Traditional storytelling is a treasure that needs to be shared; and as I looked out over the audience, I could see how wrapped up they were in Marvin's words. The drumming also helped underscore the dramatic moments in the stories.

As a personal note, this was the first time I had heard Anansi's wife mentioned in a story.

I wish you much success as you raise funds to build schools in Sampa. It was particularly good that you showed the children the project you have been working on. As you noted, American children do not realize how lucky they are.

Thank you, again for sharing your time, talents, and chocolate!

Sincerely,

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