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To Whom It May Concern,

I, Sandra Hasleby, am currently employed as the Home Economics Teacher in a rural West Australian District High School. Child Care is taught to Year 8, 9 and 10 students, predominantly female, as part of the Home Economics curriculum.

Christina Self (Red Ginger Services) provided me with fantastic information on her Baby Think It Over program. Due to distance and financial costs, we were unable to have Christina deliver the program personally; however, she was more than happy to email me her program notes and information and to hire out enough Virtual Babies for my class. She went through the information with me and explained how the babies worked as well as helping me set them up. When I returned the babies, Christina downloaded and printed the reports for me. The advice and information provided to me was of a very high quality.

The students involved in the program found looking after the Virtual Babies to be an invaluable experience. They have all agreed that although they would like to have a baby one day, they definitely need to be older and more mature and responsible. Some of the parents indicated that it made them think about their role as Grandparents in the future which was a good discussion point.

I am hoping to utilise Christina and her program in the coming years. Next time I would hope to include more students, including the boys, in the program and to have the babies in the school community for a greater period of time.

I would definitely recommend Christina and the Baby Think It Over program to all students as it provides the students with very relevant and real information. Christina is very professional and very easy to deal with and I look forward to future contact with her.

Sincerely,

Sandra Hasleby
Home Economics Teacher
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