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I was unsure about my future. I joined Vermont Adult Learning to work on my English writing Skills along with my Math Skills. I am learning how to write creative, persuasive and a Term paper which have already helped my writing. My family has told me that my writing skills have improved. When my friends and family read my emails they told me that they could understand my messages for the first time. I am also in a band called Diamond. I write songs
And my mind has opened up to new ideas since working on my writing skills.

My math skills have also improved. I have gone from Pr algebra to algebra which makes me happy. I'm glad because I was sick of Pre algebra. I wanted to try algebra. My Math teacher Lyss has helped me with my Math confidence which has greatly improved. When I first started my brain could not handle looking at a problem without being scared. Thanks to my Math teacher I am slowly getting less scared. My math improvement has come in useful when Shopping because my confidence has reached a higher level. My ability to understand
The intense rhythm of advanced drumming has improved greatly too.

My goals in the future are to either to go to Trade School or to return to college and get
My BS degree. No matter what the next step,all of the learning that Vermont Adult Learning is helping me learn will teach me the skills for my next step.