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the international educational and social movement based in Melbourne, offers

- **open and friendly discussion**
- **personal assistance in speaking & writing English**
- **a highly-praised repeatable examination in reasoning and expression**
- **a magazine, *Learningguild Letter***
- **a monthly seminar in philosophy**
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Membership is open to everyone who wants to go on learning and help others learn.

In Second Term 2018, Sunday Meetings are scheduled for April 15, May 6 and 20, and June 3 and 17, at 23 Fallon St, Brunswick (Melway 29 F8). Come any time from 2.30: the meeting begins at 3, and we start afternoon tea at about 4.30. Jewell station is nearby, and so are the tram routes 19 and 58.

This term our meetings have a common theme: “Character and Identity”. We shall be asking such questions as what we are to mean, and what we may think of, when we use such expressions as ‘of good character’ and ‘character-building’; in what ways character is best developed; and what concerns may underlie and justify asking “What am I?” and “What would I call myself?”.

Some of our discussion will be related to David Brooks’s book *The Road to Character* (Random House 2015). Most chapters are biographical, portraying, e.g, the novelist George Eliot.

The President of Learningguild is John Howes. His main areas of work are philosophy and the writing and speaking of English. In guiding his students individually, he aims to locate just the right materials for each person. Among these are often his booklet *Sentences to Study and Change*, used with the example-sentences in the *Oxford Essential Dictionary*, and his booklet-and-CD *Sounds, Words, Sentences*. Books are lent or may be given from Learningguild’s extensive collection. John may be emailed at learningguild@gmail.com or phoned at 9380 5892.

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