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Welcome & Introductions

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Welcome!

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Look familiar?

Flat farm land, house in the middle of nowhere?
This is where I grew up.
In the middle of 1 sister & 3 brothers
I went to school in Arcola
EIU for my undergrad degree
Taught at Hutsonville
Back to EIU for a master’s degree
University of Kentucky, another master’s degree & Ph.D.
Visiting Position at Williams College, Massachusetts
Texas Tech, Lubbock
American Indian tribal college in Minnesota
And finally ended up back at EIU
I’ve gotten to travel... to France
England...
Belgium...
Puerto Rico... (Arecibo)
Mexico...
Canada...
Alaska...
I’ve traveled to many places,

met lots of people,

have a job that I love, and

a house with three (count ’em, 3!) bathrooms!
You can do this, too.

► Yes, you have to be smart, and

► it takes a lot of work, but

► mostly you have to be persistent.