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in education:*

1. Edcentric can introduce you to people like yourself: learners who are educators, educators who are learners, workers both inside and outside the schools whose interest in change extends beyond fashion. The names of the many authors published in **Edcentric** may already be familiar to you: Herbert Kohl, Paul Goodman, Miriam Wasserman, John Holt, China expert William Hinton, child psychologist Robert Coles, Berkeley activist Michael Rossman and Jose Angel Gutierrez, founder of La Raza Unida Party. However, many of our most important contributors have names that are no more renowned than yours. They are the organizers of local projects, people who are too busy to write for most magazines. They write for **Edcentric** because they know that it reaches other busy people, people like

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"Edcentric is a voice that no one concerned with education can ignore."—Jonathan Kozol

yourself who don't have time for random reading.

2.

Edcentric can help you view your frustrations in a broader context by offering you a provocative analysis of both the conventional schooling system and the movement for educational change.

A look at past issues shows that not only was **Edcentric** one of the first national magazines to investigate such outrages as the drugging of schoolchildren and the fatal shooting of two unarmed students at Southern University; it was also one of the first magazines to criticize the cloistered elitism of certain free schools. On the one hand, it has assailed the public school system's mystification of reading ("All you need to teach someone how to read is something to write with and something to write on," Herbert Kohl comments in a recent issue). On the other hand, **Edcentric** has little use for innovations that simply "spray airwick" over illiteracy ("Maybe in order to get kids taught reading or teachers taught teaching, we'll have to learn from effective people like the Marine Corps," writes Larry Cole, founder of New York's Lower Eastside Action Project and author of **Our Children's Keepers**). You may not agree: we don't promise that you'll always agree with statements printed in **Edcentric** — just that you'll find your disagreement of the sort that Jonathan Kozol calls "creative ferment."

3.

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