

# The Semantography Trust Fund

A non-profit scientific educational public Institution devoted to helping handicapped and healthy Children and Adults to communicate by the use of Blissymbols (see below)

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### AN INVITATION TO TEACHERS, THERAPISTS, SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS AND OTHERS WORKING AND HELPING HANDICAPPED CHILDREN IN THE SCHOOLS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION OF AUSTRALIA.

Dear Friends,

You may have heard of me and my symbols now called Blissymbols all over the world. You may even work with them already. It's a new idea in education, a new idea in human thought, a new idea that will soon be taught to all handicapped and healthy children of mankind. This is an invitation to acquire a new knowledge and a new skill which will help you in your advancement and will help the children under your care. It is a new way to change the use of languages by all mankind. God has given me the strength and the help of a loving wife and brother to perfect a tool that can be taught to children of 3 and even to brain-damaged children.









Some of you who know of my work know too that I had to fight for recognition of my work for many years. My only support was my loving wife and my younger brother. Claire died 17 years ago and Henry died 7 months ago and I am now over 80 and beset with work and worries about the future of my work.

Now the Australian Federal Minister of Education, the Hon. Senator J.L.Carrick and the leading persons of the Federal Schools Commission have given me a modest sum for teaching the correct use of my symbols to the teachers of handicapped children in the schools of special education in Australia.

I have therefore written to the Principal of your school. I am calling for volunteers who are willing to use some of their free time for participation in a correspondence course. You will acquire a new skill which will enhance your own advancement in your profession. If you are willing, please write to me. Let me greet you as a co-worker and a pioneer of mankind. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am,

Yours sincerely,  
*Charles Bliss*

Here are samples of the 'picture alphabet' of "Semantography-Blissymbolics" which, in combination, form all meanings needed by mankind divided by thousands of languages

The earth  and the heaven above  form our World  The pen  (in inclined writing position) between heaven and earth  means "One Writing for One World." This is a human being  this is a human being in need (of support)  and this means "I need you and you need me"  and together the Blissymbol for human co-operation and mutual aid 