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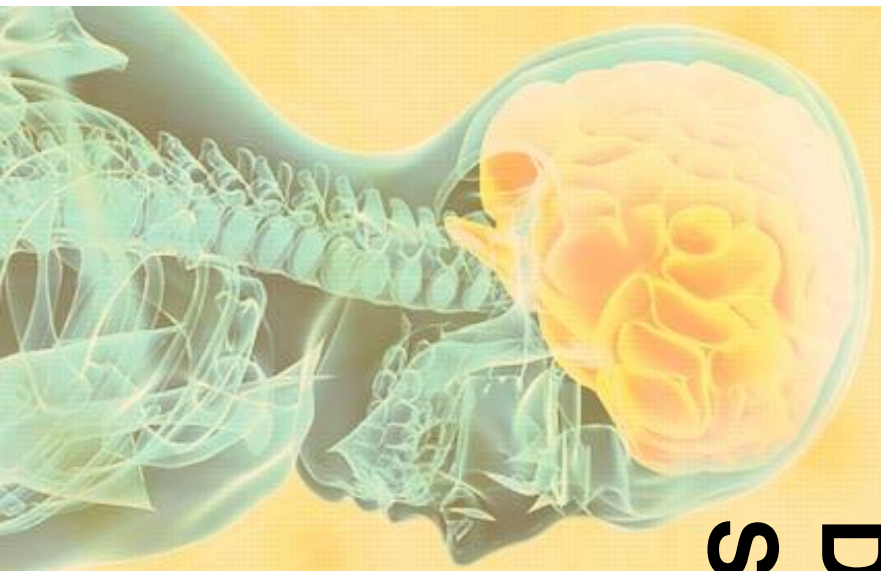
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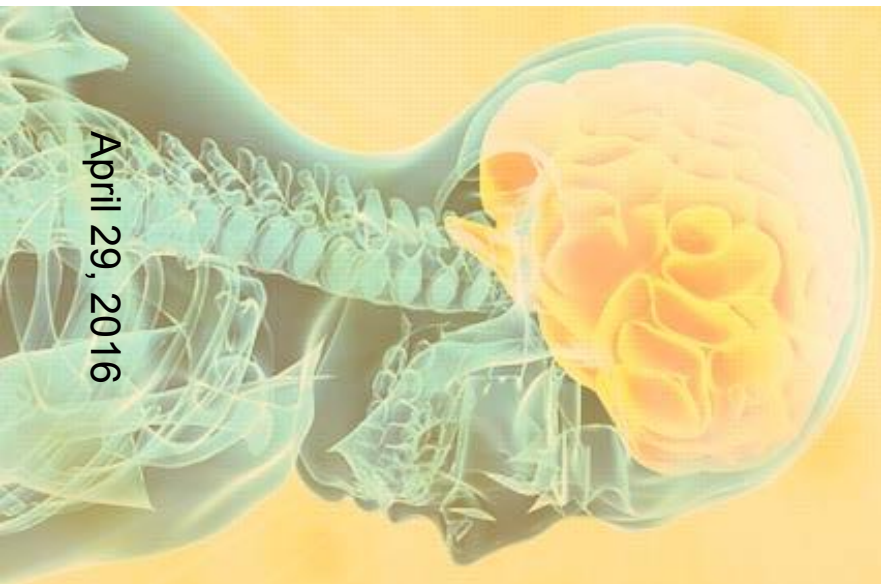
DAI - Empowering People with Dementia through Online Support Groups:

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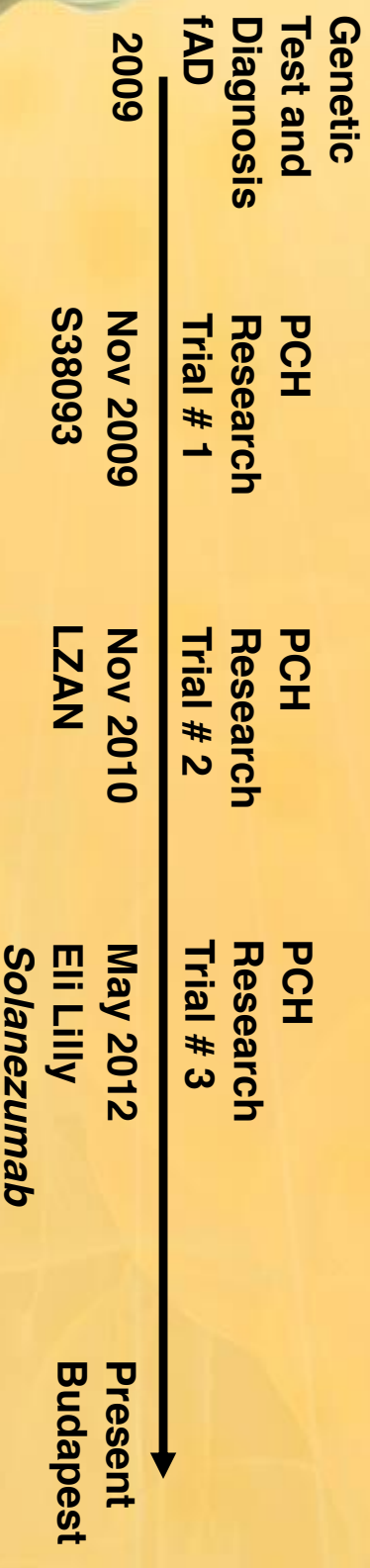


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My Dementia Story:

- **Eileen Taylor:**
 - Live in Brisbane with Husband of 46 years (Flash Drive – *Doug*) ;
 - Two Married adults sons, with Five grandkids;
 - Diagnosed with Familial Younger Onset Dementia in 2009:
 - My diagnosis ***reactions...***

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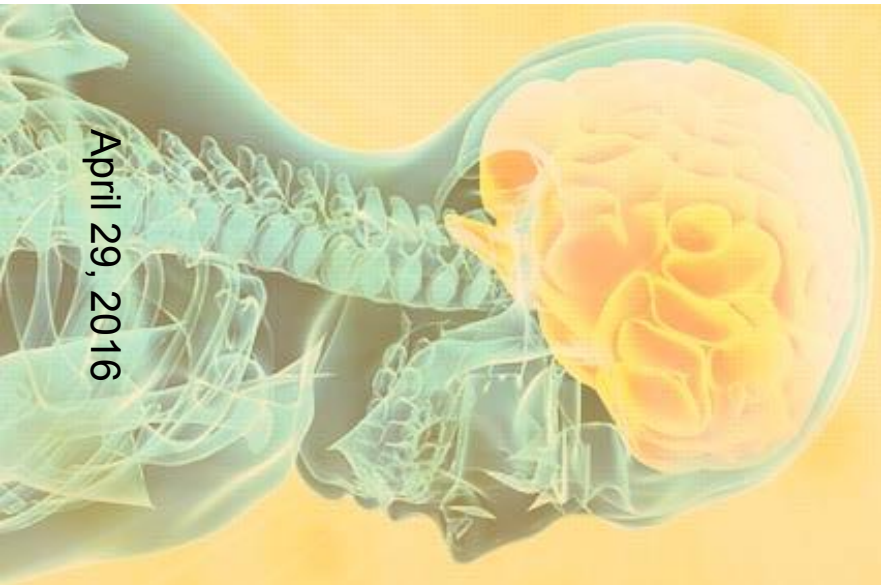
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Dementia Alliance International (DAI):

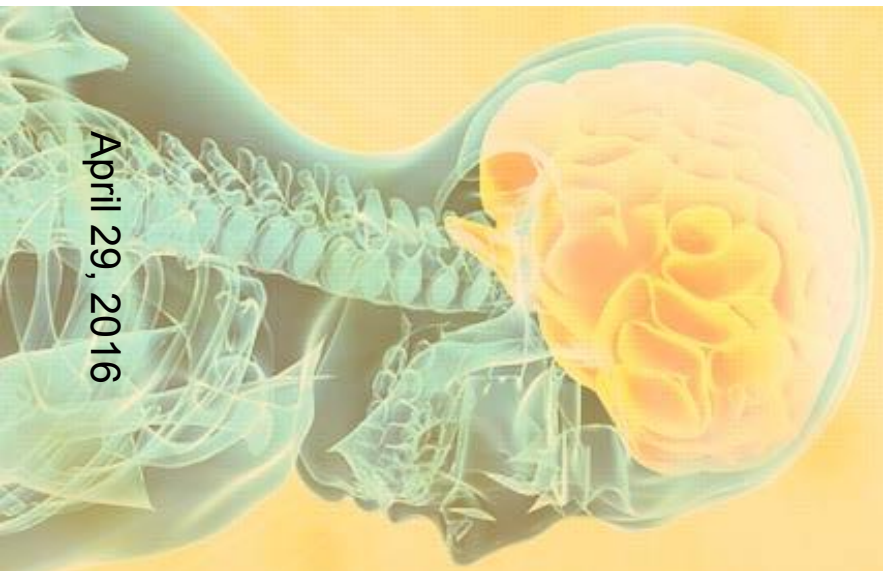
- Peak body for people living with dementia;
- History of only 2 years – 1500 members world wide;
- It is an Advocacy and Support Group;
- **DAI Vision is to eradicate:**
 - Stigma;
 - Isolation;
 - Discrimination; and
 - Enforce human rights for people with dementia.



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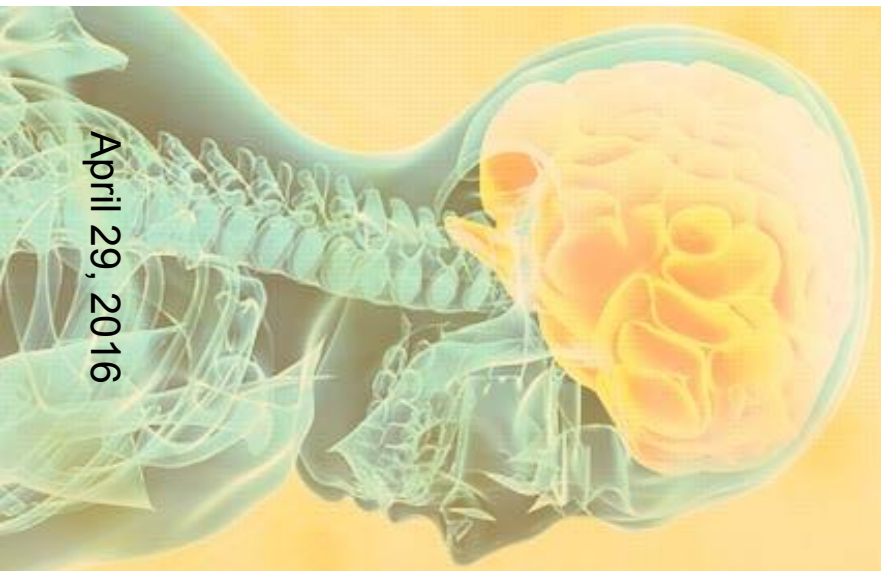
- DAI Vision:**
- ***"A world where a person with dementia continues to be fully valued."***





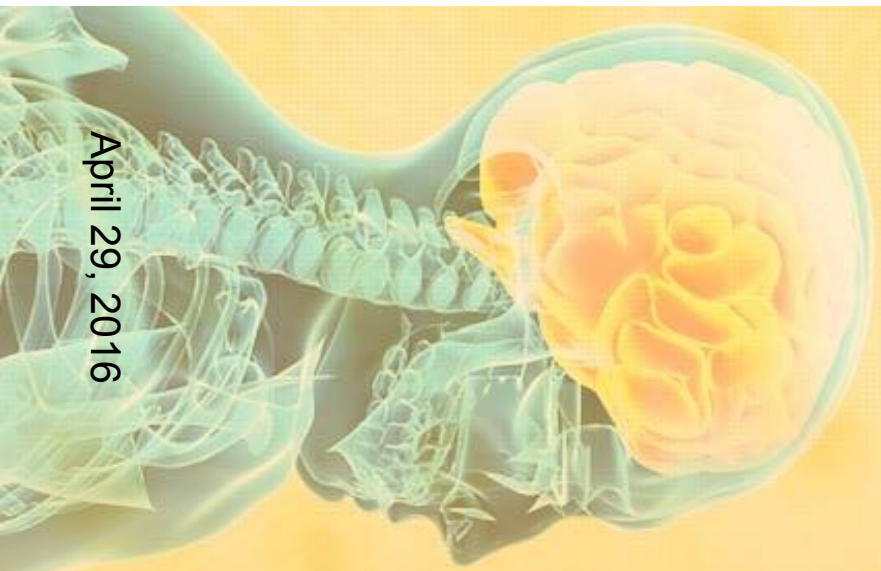
DAI Online

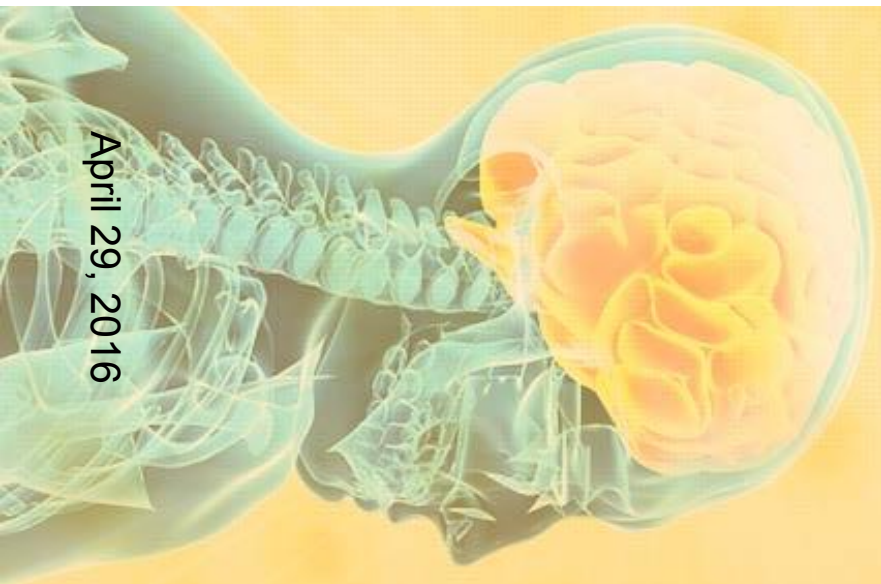
- **Support Groups:**
 - People in stressful circumstances often turn to support groups.
 - **These groups are in:**
 - Australia,
 - UK,
 - USA,
 - Canada, and now
 - Nigeria.



DAI Online Support Group:

- Usually 90 minutes;
- Understanding and emotional support;
- Personal experiences;
- Social comparisons;
- Helper “Therapy” Principles; and
- No Medical advice is given; and
- Plans are being made to expand the groups.



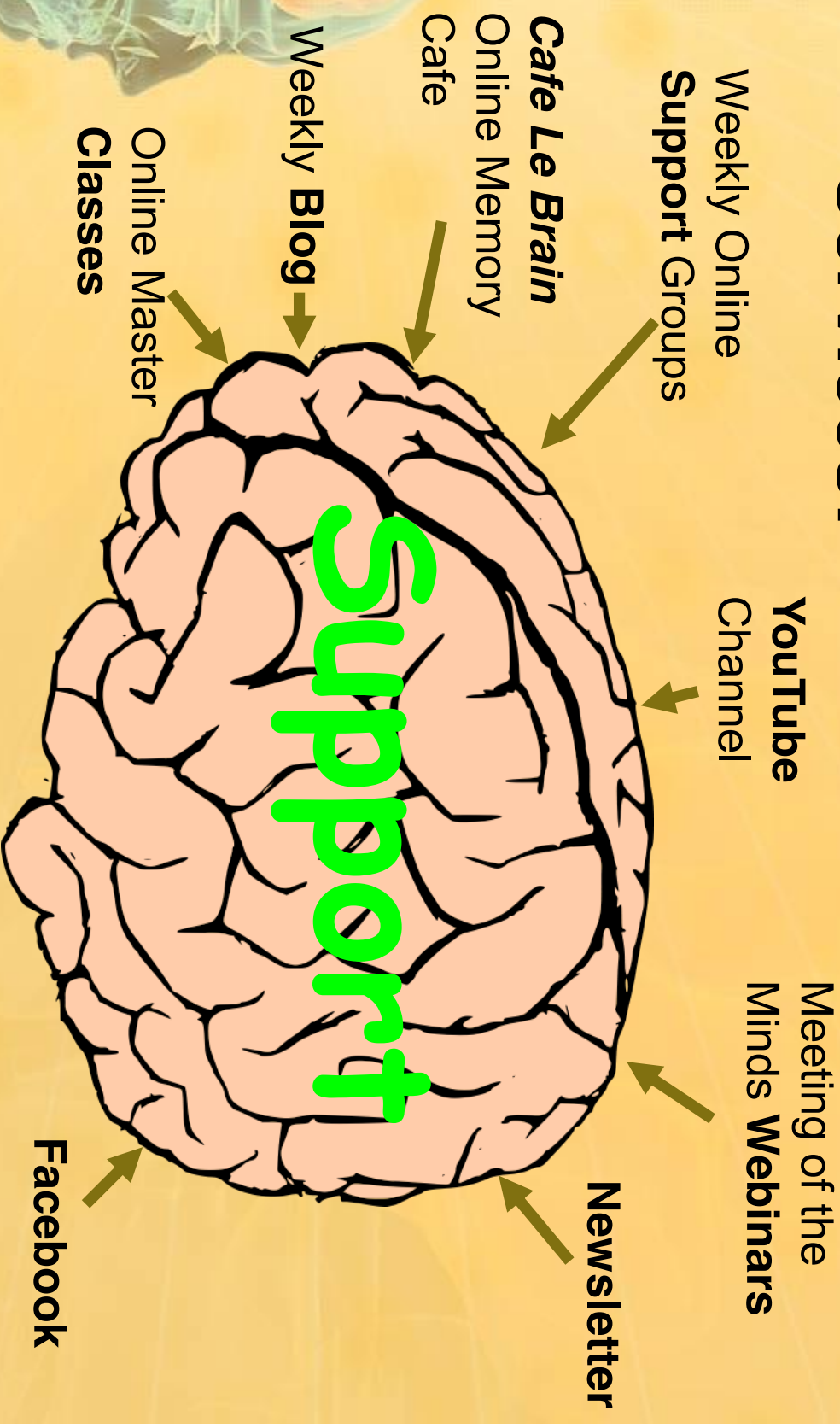


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DAI Online Support:

- *"All that is needed is a computer or tablet with an internet connection, camera and speaker as well as a downloaded program called Zoom and people can meet together face to face online".*
 - **Mick Carmody – Australian DAI Online Support Facilitator**

DAI Expanding Digital Online Services:



DAI Dementia Friendly Campaign:

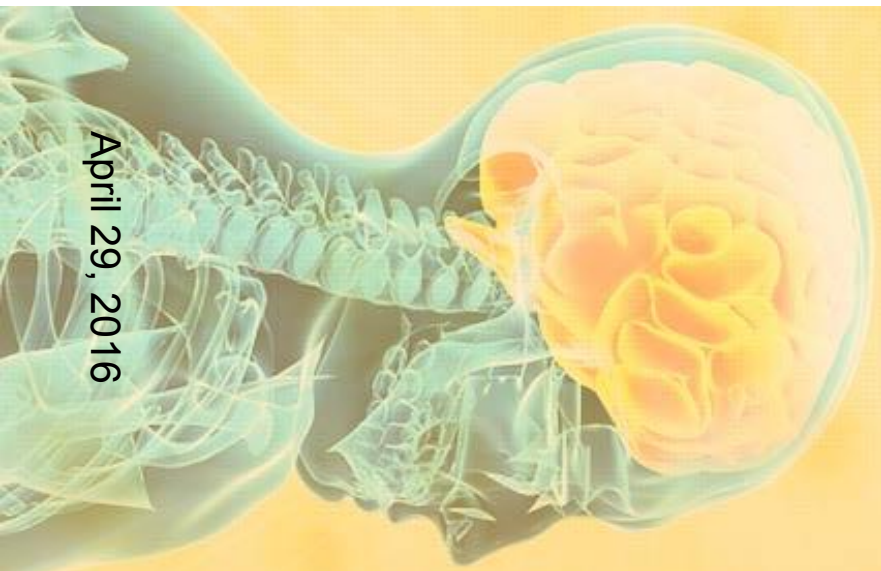
- **Focus on:**
- **Advocacy;**
- **Education;**
- **Improving quality of life;**
- **Living well with dementia; and**
- **World Wide.**



Conclusion:



- **DAI Online Support Groups are an empowering experience!**



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Conclusion / Resources:

- We invite those with Dementia to join DAI's growing global community – check out www.joindai.org
- Email us at: info@infodai.org
- www.facebook.com/DementiaAllianceInternational
- [twitter@DementiaAlliac](https://twitter.com/DementiaAlliac)

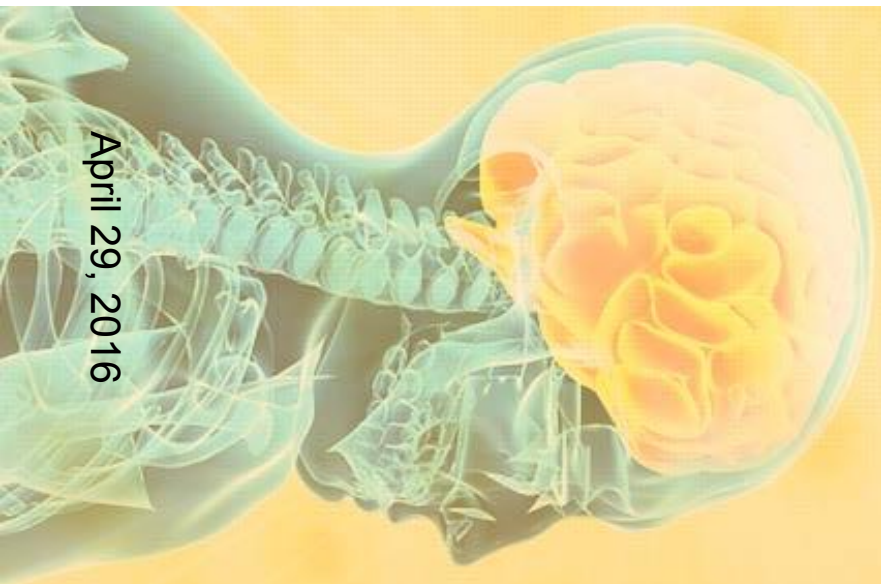


*Support and
Advocacy: Of, by
and for People with
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Thank

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Questions and Answers:



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