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Snapshot: Logo Vignettes: Early Teachable Moments

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In this snapshot, Wally Feurzeig, one of the originators of Logo, and an innovative designer of mathematics education learning environments, recalls some compelling vignettes from the early history of Logo (including activities with the first Logo-controlled wireless turtle), with children ranging in age from pre-schoolers to fifth-graders. Wally passed away this past year. Wally was a long-time member of the IJCML/TKL board and a highly valued contributor to the field. We at TKL as well as the wider field miss him.

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