

## Real English 41 - Parnelle & Esther

Interviewer: Well, Hi, what is your name ?

Esther: Esther.

Interviewer: Esther? I have an aunt Esther. And what's your name?

Parnelle: Parnelle.

Interviewer: How do you spell that?

Parnelle: P – A – R – N – E – L – L – E.

Interviewer: So where are you from originally?

Esther: I'm from Haiti.

Interviewer: And where are you from?

Parnelle: Likewise, Haiti, as well. Yeah. I'm not fluent in French , but, I can get by.

Interviewer: What is the best decision you've ever made?

Esther: Uhm, I don't know.

Parnelle: I have two.

Interviewer: Oh!

Parnelle: The first one I think which really turned my life (sic – missing “around”), is going to sound very strange, it's a little religious, but becoming a Jehovah's Witness was the first one because before then, I had no direction in my life, and I think now, I have more of, a straight path, and I kinda know where I'm going and what my goals are. And I think the second one, was going back to school for, to get my Masters degree. So, I think that's also helped me to be a little more focused as well, in terms of changing my career , and just having more control over my life and doing what I want to do.

Esther: I would change the field, actually I took, because I took Computer Programming, but before, (sic) I would change it (sic) to be a massage therapist. But right now, I'm going to school for massage therapist.

Interviewer: So you want to be a for massage therapist!

Esther: Yes.

Interviewer: How would you explain to French people what a massage therapist is?

Esther: Well, it's actually, when your muscles, your muscles or your back are hurting you, some people get hurt in certain areas. Usually the doctors prescribe them to see a thera' a massage therapist. So, you givem them massages, relax the muscles, and make them feel good, actually.

Parnelle: She's a good massage therapist.

Interviewer: She is?

Parnelle: Yeah.

Interviewer: Good.

Parnelle: Yeah, she's good.

Interviewer: Good luck, because we're all going to be rooting for that one. Thank you very much.