

# First full day of the year!

And only day this week, partly thanks to my connection issues which are unfortunately still ongoing. I had no internet at all for yesterday afternoon and evening, while today it's been intermittent. I wonder if the signal is now too powerful if that's possible? I mean, it was going through a cable that was chewed or worn to the center wire, so it's possible that in the past they have had to increase it to compensate (the cable didn't get that way overnight after all) and now that it's fixed, the signal may be too strong. Just throwing a guess out which is probably completely off. The tech who was here was unable to measure it as his portable reader needed recharging. Since the connection was up and I was getting nice speeds (around 19000kbps on [speakeasy.net](http://speakeasy.net)), he just let it go.

Still in special ed on Friday, but not due to meetings this time. Apparently the teacher had a bad case of bronchitis on Thursday so he wisely opted to take Friday off. It was actually a rather easy day. Four classes (well, three really-one was a typical two-period-long language arts class) were team teaching, meaning that a sub just takes the role of a teaching assistant while the other teacher takes over the teaching part. The other two classes were resource periods. I just gave them a topic to write about in their journals and once finished they just worked on homework. There was also a teaching assistant in these classes (a sub too, by the way) so as you can imagine it was a pretty light day. Next Thursday and Friday I have a job lined up for ELL in another district. This is a teacher I refused to work for last year or most of the year before. I am hoping things have changed since most of the students from that problem class have gone on to high school. I will let you know how it goes, hopefully with other stories throughout the week.