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**Searching for meaning in the year that was**

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*Excerpts:*

Meaning. Give us meaning. Give us meaning now.

The year hasn't even left us. It hasn't packed its bags. How could anyone possibly know what 2007 MEANS?

**A REAL HEAD START: A big leap in literacy, a high-school graduation rate like middle-class kids': That's what NYU researchers have found among some "at risk" 2- and 3-year-olds in Westbury, Freeport, Farmingdale, Brentwood and Central Islip. What makes the difference? Moms and dads committed to the Parent-Child Home Program, now in its 43rd year of actually helping kids. Congrats, all.**

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