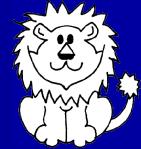
dignity

the state or quality of being worthy of honor or respect.



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Welcome to A Lion's Life Newspaper

By Ms. Marek and Mrs. Richardson

A Lion's Life Newspaper staff is pleased to present the first issue of A Lion's Life this school year!

A Lion's Life Newspaper/Journalism club officially started during the 2008-2009 school year. Since then, dedicated student writers have put together newspapers filled with school news, features, reviews, and creative, quality writing.

This year Ms. Marek, Mrs. Richardson, and Mrs. Webb are excited to welcome back last year's student writers and greet new faces.

This is our biggest year so far!

A Lion's Life newspaper club teaches students about journalism skills, such as how to write a detailed. factual article. Students are learning about photography and how to use digital images. There are also layout/design jobs where students learn to format the newspaper and edit articles to make sure they read fluently and fit appropriately. Some students have also become editors, in which they strengthen their writing skills to help fellow students write

the best articles possible. Most importantly, the newspaper club accomplishes tasks as a team!

If you are interested in joining newspaper club or submitting articles as a guest writer, please contact Ms. Marek. Fourth-sixth grade students are always welcome! Newspaper club meets Tuesdays after school.

You can find all our past issues online on the Spring Avenue website under the "About Spring" link. Continue to look for new topics and additions to *A Lion's Life*.

Celebrate Odd Day!

By: Mrs. Wiegand

Three consecutive odd numbers make up the date – this only happens six times in a century. 11/13/15 marks the end of this century's parade of Odd Days.

The simplest way to celebrate Odd Day? Share it with a friend. Greet them with the news of the day (they'll be awed), and they, in turn, can tell another. It's kind of like a secret that you can't help sharing! A little math, a little smile, a little fun---that's Odd Day!

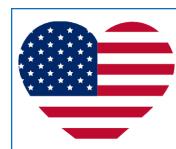
Some math questions you can consider on Odd Day:

• What were the other five Odd Days this century?

- How do we know that this is the last Odd day this century?
- Why will it take 90 years to have another Odd Day? What will the dates be?
- When was the last stretch of Odd Days? How long ago did it occur?
- How many even days have we had this century?
- Are there any more this century or are they over?

And get ready to mark your calendars for another fun math day:

Square Root Day! It's almost here again! 4/4/16.



With Respect, Honor, and Gratitude

Spring Avenue celebrates the Veterans in our school and community.



40 Developmental Assets® for Children Grades K-3 (ages 5-9)

Search Institute* has identified the following building blocks of healthy development—known as **Developmental Assets***—that help young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible.

Support

- Family Support
 —Family continues to be a consistent provider of love and support for the child's unique physical and
 emotional needs.
- **2. Positive Family Communication**—Parent(s) and child communicate openly, respectfully, and frequently, with child receiving praise for her or his efforts and accomplishments.
- **3. Other Adult Relationships**—Child receives support from adults other than her or his parent(s), with the child sometimes experiencing relationships with a nonparent adult.
- 4. Caring Neighborhood—Parent(s) and child experience friendly neighbors who affirm and support the child's growth and sense of belonging.
- 5. Caring School Climate—Child experiences warm, welcoming relationships with teachers, caregivers, and peers at school.
- **6. Parent Involvement in Schooling**—Parent(s) talk about the importance of education and are actively involved in the child's school success

Empowerment 7.

External Assets

- 7. Community Values Children—Children are welcomed and included throughout community life.
- 8. Children as Resources—Child contributes to family decisions and has opportunities to participate in positive community events.
- 9. Service to Others—Child has opportunities to serve in the community with adult support and approval.
- 10. Safety—Parents and community adults ensure the child's safety while keeping in mind her or his increasing independence.

Boundaries & Expectations

- 11. Family Boundaries—The family maintains supervision of the child, has reasonable guidelines for behavior, and always knows where the child is.
- 12. School Boundaries—Schools have clear, consistent rules and consequences and use a positive approach to discipline.
- **13. Neighborhood Boundaries**—Neighbors and friends' parents help monitor the child's behavior and provide feedback to the parent(s).
- **14. Adult Role Models**—Parent(s) and other adults model positive, responsible behavior and encourage the child to follow these examples.
- 15. Positive Peer Influence—Parent(s) monitor the child's friends and encourage spending time with those who set good examples.
- **16. High Expectations**—Parent(s), teachers, and other influential adults encourage the child to do her or his best in all tasks and celebrate their successes.

Constructive Use of Time

- 17. Creative Activities—Child participates weekly in music, dance, or other form of artistic expression outside of school.
- 18. Child Programs—Child participates weekly in at least one sport, club, or organization within the school or community.
- 19. Religious Community—Child participates in age-appropriate religious activities and caring relationships that nurture her or his spiritual development.
- 20. Time at Home—Child spends time at home playing and doing positive activities with the family.

Commitment to Learning

- 21. Achievement Motivation—Child is encouraged to remain curious and demonstrates an interest in doing well at school.
- **22. Learning Engagement**—Child is enthused about learning and enjoys going to school.
- 23. **Homework**—With appropriate parental support, child completes assigned homework.
- **24. Bonding to School**—Child is encouraged to have and feels a sense of belonging at school.
- **25. Reading for Pleasure**—Child listens to and/or reads books outside of school daily.

Positive Values

nternal Assets

- **26.** Caring—Parent(s) help child grow in empathy, understanding, and helping others.
- 27. Equality and Social Justice—Parent(s) encourage child to be concerned about rules and being fair to everyone.
- **28. Integrity**—Parent(s) help child develop her or his own sense of right and wrong behavior.
- **29. Honesty**—Parent(s) encourage child's development in recognizing and telling the truth.
- 30. Responsibility—Parent(s) encourage child to accept and take responsibility for her or his actions at school and at home.
- **31. Self-Regulation**—Parents encourage child's growth in regulating her or his own emotions and behaviors and in understanding the importance of healthy habits and choices.

Social Competencies

- **32. Planning and Decision Making**—Parent(s) help child think through and plan school and play activities.
- **33. Interpersonal Competence**—Child seeks to build friendships and is learning about self-control.
- **34. Cultural Competence**—Child continues to learn about her or his own cultural identity and is encouraged to interact positively with children of different racial, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds.
- 35. Resistance Skills—Child is learning to recognize risky or dangerous situations and is able to seek help from trusted adults.
- **36. Peaceful Conflict Resolution**—Child continues learning to resolve conflicts without hitting, throwing a tantrum, or using hurtful language.

Positive Identity

- 37. Personal Power—Child has a growing sense of having influence over some of the things that happen in her or his life.
- **38. Self-Esteem**—Child likes herself or himself and feels valued by others.
- 39. Sense of Purpose—Child welcomes new experiences and imagines what he or she might do or be in the future.
- 40. Positive View of Personal Future—Child has a growing curiosity about the world and finding her or his place in it.

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Principal's Corner

By Mrs. Webb

Dear Families,

Taking care of students is a fulltime job! It really does take a whole village. In helping students thrive, we remember that there are external and internal factors. Many of these factors, or "assets" as listed on the document on page 2 of this issue of *A Lion's Life*, are considered crucial to prepare students for the future in a healthy and confident manner. With this recent research, we have been able to identify how parents and staff can work together to keep students motivated, to take care of themselves and to make positive choices. The Search Institute recognizes these developmental assets to help students use time constructively and gain a positive identity. Those are topics we discuss all the time!

Why am I telling you this? I believe that our students deserve the absolute best in all aspects of their lives, as do you. This part of the job is one we must continue to do together. On this flyer, you'll see that the boundaries you are setting, the modeling you are doing as a parent and so many other factors are all in line for our students! We found it interesting that reading for pleasure and bonding to school are under the internal assets portion, but they have a lot to do with our own goals and dreams for our students. We have the responsibility to help students with their learning engagement, their homework and their enthusiasm for coming to school. We continue to strive for the "just -right" match of engagement and activities for each individual student. One of the best parts of working at Spring Avenue School is the teamwork by all stakeholders, including all students. As you think about the 40 assets, know that your role in this developmental process is paying off. You ARE the individuals who are taking time at home, providing high expectations and boundaries. I know this resource will make sense to you and that you will be able to relate with many of the assets.

We will always have goals and helping students continue to bond with school, have personal power and advocate for themselves in social situations will be an ongoing one. Please look for a new plan (secret project coming up) for helping students present a special message about our bully-free efforts. This will be a key area as we move forward, especially in the area of inclusion and acceptance, as well as celebrating our differences.

As always, THANK YOU for all you do to support our students in learning to be the best they can be! Thank you for being a part of the team!

Respectfully,

Mrs. Webb

The Ten Most Famous Soccer Players

By Ivan V. and Charlie F.



10. **Roberto Carlos** is one of best soccer players of all time. He has scored some amazing goals in his career. One notable moment was when he scored a screamer against France!!! (A screamer is a goal shot from outside the goal box.) The biggest club he played for is Real Madrid.



9. Neymar da Silva Santos Júnior, or commonly known as Neymar, at 23 years old, is playing for one of the best teams in the world, Barcelona. He has been at Barcelona for two years and has scored 34 goals so far for his club. He is one of the world's best.



8.**Paul Pogba,** at 22 years, is one of the best in his position as a central midfielder. He has scored 21 goals for his club Juventus, and for his national team he has scored five. He has a bright future ahead of him.



7. **James Rodriguez** is one of the best players at the moment. He won best goal for the FIFA World Cup! He is playing for one of the biggest clubs in the world, Real Madrid.



6. **Marco Van Basten** is one of the best players in history. He scored one of the best goals of all time!! He lobbed the keeper to score a magnificent goal. He played alongside some of the best players of the generation.



5. **Ronaldo Luís Nazário de Lima**, the Original Ronaldo, was one of the best Brazilian players of all time. He played for some of the best teams in the world. He was also one of the biggest trades of all time, moving from Barcelona to Real Madrid!



4. **Zlatan Ibrahimović** is probably the best player, in our opinion, playing some of the biggest clubs like Barcelona, Inter Milana, and AC Milan. He scored an absolute screamer for his national team.



3. **Cristiano Ronaldo** is one of the best players of his time. He has played for Manchester United then moved to Real Madrid. He is only 30 years old, and he still has a bright future ahead.



2. **Lionel Messi**, like Cristiano Ronaldo, is one of the best players in the world. The major club he has played on is Barcelona, which is a rival with Real Madrid.



1. **PELE** is the best player of his generation scoring a whopping 650 goals in total in his career as a professional soccer player. There is nothing else to say about this legend.

Just Do It! Motivational Speech

By Garrett R.



"Just Do It" is a motivational speech by Shia LaBeouf. In this motivational speech, he really wants you to be motivated by saying "don't let your dreams be dreams," and "yesterday you said tomorrow." Shia LaBeouf is an American actor who was in many films, and one of them was *Transformers*. He is 29 years old right now. Shia LaBeouf's upcoming movie is *American Money*. "Just Do It" has been edited, remixed, and memed. Shia LaBeouf has gotten even more popular after making this video. With your parent's permission you can watch the video on YouTube. I hope that you have learned about "Just Do It" and Shia LaBeouf.

SPORTS PAGE A本文字和今人子科(為自然是其代文本人)

Chicago Cubs Postseason Review

By Emmett D. and Patrick E.

The Chicago Cubs haven't won a World Series since 1907. One reason some believe is because of a curse called the Curse of the Goat. The story of the goat is a man always brought his goat to the games and one time they wouldn't let his goat in, so he cursed the Cubs. And the Cubs haven't won a World Series since.

This season the Cubs made it to the National League Finals. They played against the New York Mets. Whoever won four games first won that series and moved onto the World Series to

Image Source: http://blog.necaconvention.org/2014/04/

play against the Royals. But sadly, the Cubs lost to the Mets with a four game losing streak. Also, the Cubs lost without their starring shortstop Addison Russell.

In the postseason game against the Cardinals, the Cubs hit seven homeruns, and set the record of hitting the most homeruns in one Postseason game. Kyle Schwarber hit a homerun that landed on the video board. The Cubs put the ball in a case and sealed it on top of the video board where it landed.

Wrigley Field has been around for over 100 years. They also rebuilt Wrigley Field in 2014 and added two new video boards/ score

The Kansas City Royals just won the World Series in a shutout against the New York Mets. The KC Royals haven't won a World Series since 1985.

Gemini vs. Flying High: Two Local Gyms

By Rayna A. and Hannah K.

If you want to take gymnastics classes you should read our article. In this article you will see the comparisons of these two places. From our experiences, both places are amazing!

Gemini	Flying High						
Located at 330 Washington Ave, La Grange, IL 60525	Located at 5400 East Ave, #1, Countryside, IL 60525						
Bars-The bars at Gemini are great, and there are lots of different sizes of bars. They have a high bar for level five and up.	Bars-Wow, these bars are also amazing for all different ages, but the little kids have a small bar because they can't reach the big bars.						
Floor-We love the floor here, it is amazing because it is big, very big!	Floor-Flying High's floor is very big. Big and blue and very bouncy for tumbling.						
Vault-Gemini has a great vault and nice spring boards so you can fly high to do your vault.	Vault-Flying High has three vaults and a lot of cool spring boards so you can go very high on the vault.						
Beam-The beams are a nice cream color and sturdy, so the beam does not tip over as you do your beam routine.	Beam-Flying High has four different sizes of beams two are high and low beams.						
Trampoline-Gemini has a long trampoline also named a Tumble Track. This helps you learn new skills.	Trampoline-Flying High has different tramps in different places and a Tumble Track to practice your skills.						

SPORTS PAGE

Go Blackhawks!

By Amaris W.



Do you like the Blackhawks or not? I asked everyone in the library during Newspaper Club, and they all like the Hawks, or are obsessed with them! If anyone in this whole entire school does not know them, they should try watching a game on TV.

Also, you should like the Cubs because they had a really good year. I hope they win the World Series next year!

Juju Smith and Cody Kessler vs Deshone Kizer and Will Fuller

By Garrett R.

Between Juju Smith and Cody Kessler from University of Southern California (USC) vs Deshone Kizer and Will Fuller from Notre Dame (ND), it's pretty obvious that USC wins in that matchup.

That's because USC's players Juju Smith and Cody Kessler combine for a total of 26 touchdowns, while ND's combine for a total

Also, USC's players combine for a total of 3224 yards, while ND's combine for a total of 2147 yards. Now you should know that USC's best players are better than ND's in my opinion



Image Source: http://www.chicitysports.com/2013/10/18/notre-dame-vsusc-is-still-a-big-rivalry/

Myths BUSTED!

By Annie P.



Carrots Don't Actually Help your Eyesight

Carrots are a good source of Vitamin A, which is important for healthy eyesight. People who have too little vitamin A

can have trouble seeing or even go blind! But, if you have too much vitamin A it can cause nausea, blurred vision or even turn your skin orange!!



Vikings Didn't Wear **Horned Helmets**

In the 1800s, archaeologists at several sites found horned

headgear. Those artifacts are too old to be Viking helmets though. But, the headgear was thought to be Viking helmets and the idea stuck. Today it can be found in everything from How to Train Your Dragon to the mascot of the Minnesota Vikings.

Orange Does Have A Word That **Rhymes With It**



The little known word sporange" (spores are formed in plants) rhymes with orange.



Blood Inside Your Body Is Not Blue

Your blood is red, inside your body and out. Many people think that blood in your body is blue but when it touches oxygen

it turns red, but that is untrue. Also the veins on your body look blue because of your skin.

P.S. You can read more cool myths by getting the Myths Busted books by National Geographic.



Spring Avenue Reveal By Scott B.

Imagine a place no student has ever gone before: Like the Teachers' Bathroom. It is nice and has a toilet and a sink. I wish the student bathroom was this nice! The next article is in your hands.



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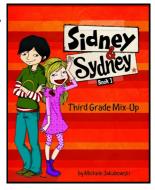


Sidney and Sydney, Third | Cookie **Grade Mix-Up**

By Jeanne M.

Sidney and Sydney, Third Grade Mix -Up by Michele Jakubowski

Sidney Fletcher, a boy, is the new third grader in school. Sydney Greene, a girl, is a small, spunky third grader. Sidney loves sports. Sydney loves fashion. Yet, somehow these two opposites have one thing in common, Galaxy Conquest. It is this video game that they are both really good at. They play it together for hours until they have to stop. The



story is about their friendship. There are two other books in the series. These books are for 1st through 3rd graders.

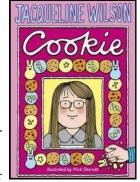
By Jeanne M.

Cookie By Jacqueline Wilson

How would you feel if your name was Beauty but

everyone called you ugly? Well, that is how Beauty Cookson feels. She has no real friends. One girl though is always kind to her and will always defend her, Rhoana.

Rhoana is good friends with Skye, who is one of the girls that gave Beauty the mean nickname. Beauty's mother, Dilly, tries to give her a new nickname like Cookie by making cookies for the mean girls. This is a story about a girl at a time when her parents get a divorce, she moves away with her



mother, and makes new friends along the way.

This book is recommended for 4th through 6th grade.

Cinema Songs: Hunchback of Notre Dame

By Aidan N.

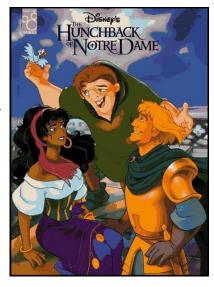
Welcome to Cinema Songs, where we study the history of songs in movies so you don't have to! In our first issue, we look at Hellfire, the song sang by the Hunchback of Notre Dame villain, Judge Claude Frollo. The song as a whole is very controversial; as the mad monk's deathly song is very relatable to "The Seven Deadly Sins," most commonly, Lust. It features Frollo slowly drifting into madness, due to his duties as a "judge" and his love for the main heroine, Esmeralda.

Along with it's 50-year controversial reign, it also has interesting trivia. It's right after the song sang by Quasimodo, the movie's main hero, which is also about the gypsy dancer.

Also, in the ending parts of Hellfire, one of the shadow-monks can be seen with horns and a pitchfork. The song is used as a theme for mostly all villain appearances in plays in Disneyland and Disney World, well, at least an instrumental one. However, mostly unknown to the audience, Walt Disney, Inc. was almost sued by angry parents because of this one song.

Fast Fact: In the popular YouTube series, The Frollo Show, there is a "parody" of the song, showing Frollo singing the song to a TV, showing popular cartoon heroes such as Mickey Mouse, SpongeBob Squarepants, and the girl from Brave. Also, Lemongrab from Adventure Time is one of the characters featured in the series.

Well, that's all the time we have today! Goodbye to you, and don't throw a Frollo!



Brain Eating Amoeba

By Sammy K.



I just want to warn you that this is an extremely rare parasite, and I doubt that you'll even come into contact with it.

Where It Is Found? The brain eating amoeba which is sci-

entifically known as N. fowleri can be found in any warm water, in fact, it can thrive in waters up to 113° F. This includes many lakes, ponds, rock pits, mud puddles, slow flowing rivers, untreated pools, untreated well water, hot springs and aquariums. I know it's a lot of places but there really aren't that many in the places they are found. This parasite can-

not survive in saltwater, and most cases are in the southern states of the U.S.

How Do People Get Infected With the Brain Eating Amoeba?

The brain eating amoeba enters a human being through the nostrils. This means the most common ways to get this amoeba is by freshwater diving, water skiing and performing water sports in which water might be forced up the nose. Infections can also occur by dunking your head in a hot spring and by cleaning their nose with the neti-pot and using unfiltered and untreated water. A person infected by this amoeba cannot pass the amoeba to anyone else.

How Do Amoebas Get Into the Brain?

The amoebas are attracted to chemicals that nerve cells use to communicate with one another. Once they are in the nose, the amoebas travel through the olfactory (the nerve connected with sense of smell) to the frontal lobe of the brain.

How Do Amoebas Dissolve Brain Tissue?

One study shows that the brain eating amoeba produces two protease enzymes that dissolve proteins such as a mammal's brain.

This is a very rare amoeba, and there are only about zero to eight cases that occur every year. Don't be frightened by this rare amoeba because doubt that you will ever come into contact with it.

The Powers of the MARVEL Superheroes

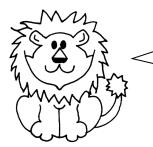
By Michael B.

Do you like marvel superheroes? Well I do, and my 2 favorite heroes are Spider-Man and Iron Man. And I want to tell you some of their powers.



Iron Man's Powers	Spider-Man's Powers
1 His greatest power is his brain, he is probably the smartest person on Earth!	1 He has the strength of an entire spider! (But is not easily squashed.)
2 His 2nd power is the repulsors in his suit, they are handy for blasting stuff!	2 He invented his own web shooters that can shoot sticky webs!
3 His unibeam is another one of his powers, it is a really strong beam that can destroy almost anything!	3 He can adhere stuff to his back without anything.
4 His missiles go BOOM!	4 He can crawl on walls with ease!





Check out past issues of A Lion's Life
Newspaper in the archive on the Spring
Ave website!

Cub Scouts

By Landon N.

Cub Scouts is a group of people who enjoy outdoor activities such as go-

ing on hikes, camping, and shooting bows and arrows.

Events

In Cub Scouts, we will do a lot of interesting things! For example: we make and race wooden cars, boat race, sell popcorn, and have food races. We have many more events, but I can't list them all!

"Scouts are a really cool experience that teaches you how to be a good citizen," says Sammy K., a fifth grader who has been in Scouts for five years.

Echoes Emmett D., who has also been in Scouts for five years: "Scouts are a great experience for kids who like the

environment while also teaching you how to take care of it."

Cubs Scouts are a fun and enjoyable experience. Feel free to ask a Cub Scout to learn more!

Ranks

In Cub Scouts we have ranks, which go like this: **Bobcat** (only a few meetings)

Tiger (grade one) **Wolf** (grade two)

Bear (grade three)

Weblos (grades four & five) (I'm here) Boy Scouts (grades six, seven, eight) (At Blue and Gold ceremony, you leave Cub Scouts and become a Boy Scout!) Eagle Scout (the highest and most difficult rank. Only about seven percent of all Boy Scouts earn Eagle Scouts).





Have you ever gotten a text and not know what it means? This article can help you!

Faces

- The first face to show is: XD as you can see in the title. It's very common. It means that you are happy or laughing.
- Next is: X3. It is like a cat smile. It's about as common as XD.
- Another is: XP or :P. They are both basically the same. They show a silly face.
- Also, some people may have XPP or :PP to say that they are really happy or silly.

Words

Slang Words are easier to type.

- First off, "people" can be said as "ppl" or "pplz" for a slang word.
- "Please" can be said as "plz."
- "Really" can become "rlly."
- "Are" will often become "r" and "you" can often become "u."
- "Got to go" turns into "gtg."
- "Be right back" would become "brb."
- "Your" will become "ur."

Six Flags Great America

By Abby M.



Go to the fabulous Six Flags! Six Flags is great for every age such as teens, kids, toddlers and even babies! You can ride any type of roller coasters, thrill rides, and even any scary rides. There are also different celebrations for different holidays!

You can also ride any rides you want. If you like water more than you like rollercoasters, there is also a waterpark with many water rides you can choose from! You can choose from many rides at Six Flags. I hope you enjoyed learning about Six Flags!

Roller Coaster Review: Goliath at Six Flags

By Jackie K.

Have you ever zoomed down a 255 foot drop at 85 miles per hour? The Goliath Roller Coaster at Six Flags Great America is one of the tallest, steepest, fastest wooden roller coasters in the whole world.

Now let me tell you about my first and only time I went on the Goliath. My dad, Sammy (my older brother), his friend, and I decided we wanted to do the Goliath so we got in line.

Suddenly we were almost done waiting in line, and I was so nervous I had

a chill down my spine. Then it was our turn to get on the roller coaster cars.

Finally, we went on the steep hill going up, and I said to my dad "Hold me!" Then we went on the terrifying drop. I blinked then opened my eyes the drop was over.

After the ride I was so happy I rode a ginormous roller coaster. I think you should try the Goliath, too.

If you'd like something a little less powerful, Six Flags is meant for every person such as babies, toddlers,



big kids, and even adults. The Demon roller coaster is a lot less intense, or the giant carousel is fun for everyone!

Spring Avenue Secrets—Clubs

By Emily S.

Spring Avenue School has a dark secret. So dark, it creeps among us like a shadow. Spring Avenue is now being abducted by clubs.

Clubs (or their code name, 'groups') are excluding, cliquey bands of kids who decide to play together every day.

Clubs can have huge effects on your life. And no, I'm not being dramatic. Normally, clubs will try to make you do whatever they say in order to accept you. Or you have to be "like them." If you join a club, sometimes they will prevent you from establishing new friendships outside the clique. This can lead you to a daily routine of playing with the club members every day, and that routine will become disrupted if bro-

ken. If, for example, the members of the club were absent one day, you might feel lost and struggle to reach out to other peers.

The role of each club member leads me to my next point. Often, clubs have ranks or titles that either make you seem better than everybody or the outcast of the group. In clubs, there is usually a "leader." This person takes charge of the group and attempts to control its actions. Leaders are the ones who start showing their high ranking, sending a chain reaction to the rest of the group. Also, there may be a "second-in-command." This person is often just the leader's best friend and is not demanding at all. If the group gets too crazy, and is

not showing respect to the leader, there may be a thirdin-command who tries to promote loyalty toward the leader. The rest of the ranks of more organized groups include the "high position" people and the "low position" people. The lowest rank of all in any club is often thought of as an omega, as there are in wolf packs. This person probably either feels the most left out, controlled, or weak. Omega people are who I usually feel the most sorry for.

Clubs have become uncontrollable for the past three years. And I am ready to put a stop to them! You can help, too!

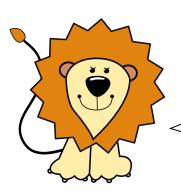
What we need to do to stop clubs is to mix up the people we hang out with.

This teaches us the importance of mingling, and not limiting ourselves to a small ring of people.

The second thing to do is to avoid *starting* clubs. If you feel friendless and lonely, just find people you want to play with and ask to join them. Choose your friends wisely. If they seem like the less in-charge people, don't just randomly start controlling them! This is often the start to clubs

The third and final thing we can do is to TREAT OTHERS HOW YOU WANT TO BE TREATED!

By expanding our group of friendships, we will all get to know each other a little better, and may even enrich our lives in the process.



ROARING RECIPES!

How To Make A Walking Soda

By Caroline F.



Walking Soda is a delicious treat for just walking around!

What You Will Need

An Orange A Cookie Straw (available at Starbucks) A Chopstick

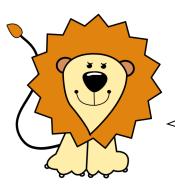
How To Make It

1. Take your orange and roll it around on a hard surface for

about 5 minutes.

- 2. With the chopstick, poke a hole in the orange that's big enough to fit the Cookie Straw in.
- 3. Stick the Cookie Straw in the orange.
- 4. Enjoy!

This is a great treat for hiking, biking, or just being outside in general. After drinking the juice, you can eat the orange and the cookie straw.



ROARING RECIPES!

Carmel Apple Cobbler

By Gabby L. and Margaret P.

Do you need a festive treat to warm you up on the inside and cheer you up? Well this cobbler is the thing for you then! Work with an adult on the cutting and baking.

Ingredients:

8 apples peeled, cored and cut into ½ inch wedges (tastes best with Granny Smith apples)

1/2 cup heavy cream
1 cup brown sugar
3/4 cup granulated sugar
3/4 cup unsalted butter, chilled
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, chilled (separate from other butter)

1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract

3/4 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted

Directions:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375°
- 2. Grease a 9 by 13 inch baking dish
- 3. In a saucepan, bring the heavy cream, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup granulated sugar, brandy, 2 tablespoons butter, the vanilla and 1/2 teaspoon salt to a boil, whisk.
- 4. Lower the heat to medium and cook until thickened, about 5 minutes;



- pour over the apples.

 In a bowl combine the flour, remaining 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/4 cup granulated sugar, 1/4 teaspoon salt and the cinnamon.
- 6. Cut the remaining 1 1/2 sticks butter into 1/2-inch pieces; add to the flour mixture and mix with your hands (clean);
- stir in the nuts.
- 7. Scatter the topping over the apples and bake until golden, 1 hour.
- 8. Let cool for 10 minutes.
- 9. Serve with whip cream.

I hope you enjoy this fun fall treat!

Caramelized Banana Shake

By Paige K.

A yummy treat to brighten your day!

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons of unsalted but-
- 2 tablespoons of brown sugar 3 small or 2 large ripe bananas cut lengthwise
- 1 cup of ice
- 1 cup vanilla ice cream
- 1 cup of milk
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla extract
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

Directions:

Work with an adult for cutting and cooking.

In a non-stick pan over medium heat, add butter. Once the butter melts add the brown sugar and let it melt until it bubbles. Add the bananas and cook until the "frosting" covers the bananas, about 2 minutes per side. Let cool slightly.

Mix the ice cream, milk, vanilla, and bananas in a blender until smooth, yet still thick.

For best enjoyment, find a sunny spot outside with your friends and pour shake into 4 chilled glasses, also put a small amount of cinnamon on the top of each shake for an extra flavor! Enjoy!

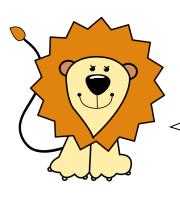
Total time: 35 minutes 4 servings

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Level: Easy

Recipe by: Melissa d'Arabian

For more yummy treats, go to foodnetwork.com



ROARING RECIPES!

Chocolate Malt Milkshake

By Paige K.

All you need to know to make a delicious shake to cool off your day!

Ingredients:

1 ½ cups of chocolate ice cream ½ cup of original flavor malted milk powder ½ to 1 cup of whole milk Sweetened whipped cream (optional) Any type of candy (optional)

Directions:

In the container of a blender, combine the ice cream and malted milk powder.

Add the milk, a quarter cup at a time, blending between each addition, until the desired consistency is reached.

Add whipped cream and your favorite candy on top!

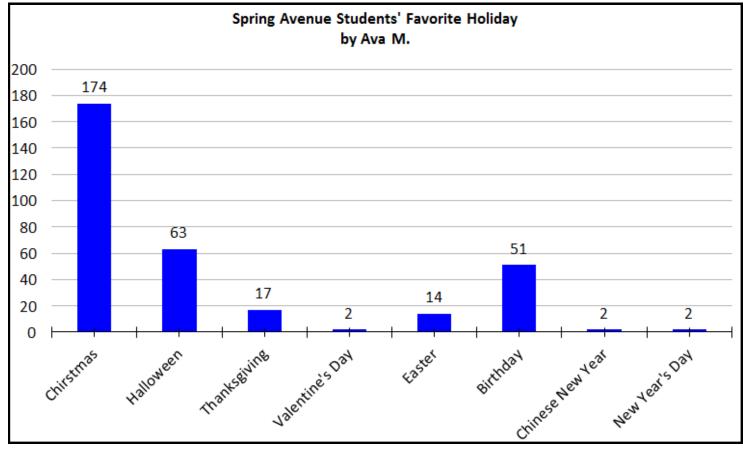
Recipe by: Paula Deen For more yummy treats, go to foodnetwork.com

Total Time for this sweet treat: 10 minutes

This treat makes up to 2 to 3 servings

Level: Easy







New Mario Games

By Charlie R.



Super Mario Maker

In this game you're allowed to make your own Mario levels! This game got released on September 11th,

This game has amiibo Nintendo characters! Amiibo is a game statue that you can put on your Wii U pad.



Mario 3D World

The game includes five different characters in the game! Mario, Toad, Luigi, Princess Peach, and Princess Rosalina. Instead of just 2D Mario, its 3D Mar-

io!!! A little, harder but fun!



New Super Mario **Bros 2**

The next Game is called New Super Mario Bros 2 For the 3D! This is a one player game only if you're on CO-OP

game with someone else.

There are three new powerups: The first one is called the Raccoon/

Tanooki power! With this one you have a Raccoon tail. You can hit enemies with your tail using the y and x buttons! You can also fly with it, not for the whole level, but for like four or three seconds!

There's another called the Golden Flower! This one your suit is golden and when you shoot it's a big golden fireball! Also when you hit a brick block it makes it all COINS!!!!!!

Now the third new item is a golden mushroom! It is in mostly on the coin rush mode. It gives you 50+ coins!



Super Smash Bros Brawl

This game is on the Nintendo 3Ds and Nintendo Wii U - the newest one! The older one is on the Nintendo Wii. You can play as Samus, Megaman,

Pac-Man, etc. On the newest one you can do something called eight player Smash! Where you can play with eight players on the Wii U!

Alright, alright, now it's time for some things about the 3Ds version. There is a campaign map you have to beat! Same as the Wii U version and the old version, there's a campaign!

Thanks for reading!

Goat Simulator

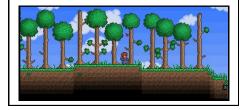
Terraria

By Roland C.

Terraria is one of over a million of my most favorite video games. Some people say it's a lot like Minecraft. Let me point out the difference.

- So many mobs/vs. Boss one mob is the slime and a course zombies
- 2D instead of 3D
- 3. Huge variety of weapons (guns like the minishark and swords like the night egde).
- 4. More types of blocks
- You can fly with angel wings and

Download the game to find out more.



Squid vs. Ender Dragon

By Aidan D.

Squids are awesome! In Minecraft, they defeated Godzilla! Now it is time to beat the Ender Dragon! Squid goes to the end in a shocking



surprise: the Ender Dragon can heal itself. Squid went home. Squid grabbed its sword and armor to get materials!

First he went to beat the wither! Squid went home and got his materials now he is in the end... Squid is ready to save the day! The ender dragon hit squid! Squid is fighting back! Squid forgot to destroy the pillars and now he is climbing. He finally destroyed them! Squid defeated the Ender Dragon!

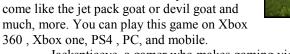
Squid realized something... When he grows up, he wants to be a potato!

Goat Simulator

By Aidan C.

Goat simulator is a video game where you play as a goat and try to cause the most destruction as possible. There are two cities you play in, Goat City Bay and Goatville.

There are lots of Goats you can be-



Jackspticeye, a gamer who makes gaming videos on YouTube, states "This game was made for me."



Animal Jam

By Ashlyn G.

Animal Jam is a fun game that came out five years ago. It may be kinda old but, it is still very fun. You can pick a fun and cute animal avatar.

There are many cool features: it has weekly news, fun places to shop (to get clothes and den items), and fun dens to buy and to decorate. You can also meet friends to meet and you can put them on your buddy list, you can become a member to extend your fun too, and there is a lot of places you can



go to (they might add more).

So that it how Animal Jam works basically.
Hopefully I can see you in Jamaa (where Animal Jam takes place)!

Xbox Controllers

By Michael F.

Xbox controllers are now about \$60. If you get one that has different colors and patterns on them, they can be about \$100.

To turn on the controller just press the Xbox sign in the middle. The very bottom button is A, and the one on the side is X, the top one is Y, and the other one on the side is B. All of these buttons can be pressed on every single game.



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You need to have a controller to play an Xbox game. You can use any controller to play a game. You can collect controllers.

Three Types of Video Game Electronics

By David J.



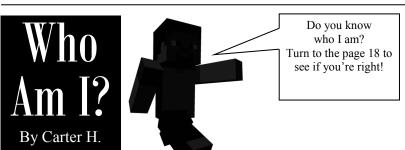
The PS4 a gaming console that most people love. Brought to us by SONY Entertainment is said to be the most futuristic console in the world.



One of the PS4s greatest rivals is the Xbox ONE.



Alienware is a gaming company for hightech computers. A lot of them are used for gaming, some are used for work, but barely any are for used for school work.



- ? I love to build.
- ? My friends join me on adventures.
- ? I fight dragons.
- ? I make portals.
- ? I fight monsters like zombies, skeletons, and spiders.

Gemstone Word Search

ANSWERS: On Last Page

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Creative Writing: The Beach

By Sophie I.

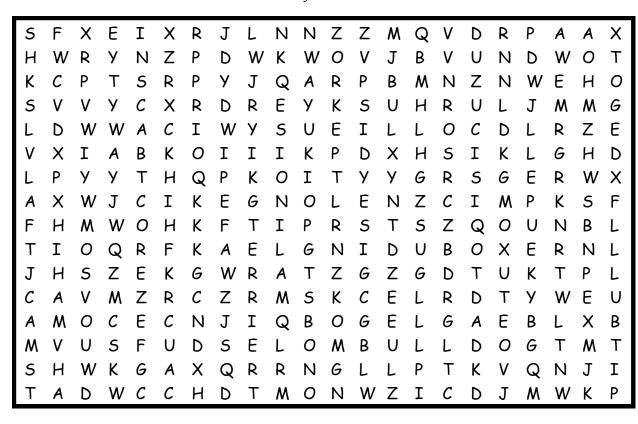


I was sitting on the ivory sand that was ground so fine it felt like powdered sugar. I watched as the sapphire ocean waves swirled in front of me. I lay down and fell asleep to the sound of the gentle waves. All the children around me were playing in the sand. The leaves of the emerald palm trees shaded me as I dreamed of a water show. I woke up to the gorgeous sight of the pearl clouds.

I took a last look at all the beautiful things around me. Then it was time to leave. So I said goodbye to everything and walked away.

Word Search

By Emme M.



AKITA BOXER PITBULL PUG HUSKY **TERRIER POODLE COLLIE BEAGLE CHOWCHOW BULLDOG GREYHOUND MALINOISE**

ANSWERS: On Last Page

Quiz: What Type of Dog Are You?

By Maggie K. and Ava M.

What is your favorite animal?

- lion a.
- b. snake
- bird c.
- d. anything that sleeps

What best describes you?

- brave
- b. goofy
- crazy c.
- always tired d.

What is your favorite color?

- blue a
- b. rainbow
- c. green
- other

What is your favorite meal of the day?

- dinner
- breakfast

- lunch
- all of the above plus snacks

When is your birthday?

- September-November
- March-May b.
- June-August
- d. December- February

What is your favorite food?

- interesting foods
- desserts b.
- anything with lots of sugar
- I'll eat anything

What is a hobby of yours?

- sports
- b. crafts
- cooking c.
- d. video games

and friendly person. Keeping being a great, fun, can get you into trouble. sometimes your goofiness and are the class clown. But you are friendly, loveable, You are a Spaniel,

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yourself and others. care for. Keep sticking up for atick up for the people you your family. You always friend and never forget about loyal, you make a great you are strong, tearless, and You are a Pitbull,

If you were mostly a's...

berson. sleeping and being a great you are a bad person. Keep you sleep a lot doesn't mean The Longest." Just because contest of "Who Can Sleep How person, and can win a easily. You are a go with the love to sleep and get tired You are a Pug, you

If you were mostly d's...

and a great friend. Keep being outrageously silly silly but great friend to have. about others a ton. You are a you are very hyper, but care You are a Retriever,

If you were mostly c's...

Hogwarts Quiz

WHICH HOUSE ARE YOU?

By Grace K. and Ella R.

- 1. What are your favorite colors?
- a. green and black
- b. red and gold
- c. purple and yellow
- d. blue and gold
- 2. What is your favorite animal?
- a. snake
- b. lion
- c. badger
- d. d. raven
- 3. What character trait best describes you?
- a. cunning
- b. brave
- c. loyal
- d. wise

- 4. Your elderly neighbor has dropped her cane you...
- a. push her over
- b. help her grab the cane
- c. get somebody to pick it up
- d. hide
- 5. Your friend has a cheat sheet to a quiz you...
- a. ask to use it
- b. tell the teacher
- c. ask them to throw it away
- d. don't say anything



Mostly d's: You are Kavenclaw. You are wise and always lead the class.

Mostly c's: You are Hufflepuff. You are loyal and are a great friend.

venture.

Mostly b's: You are Gryffindor. You are brave and are always looking for an ad-

rouble.

Mostly a's: You are Slytherin. You are cunning and unique, always looking for

Answers:





Which Emoji Are You?





By Niko S.

- A. You are very nice and generous
- B. You don't like to get into other people's business
- C. You are very easy going
- D. You are very lazy
- A. You always want to help people
- B. You don't go to many events
- C. You are very relaxed
- D. You never like doing hard things
- A. You can keep a secret
- B. You dislike meeting new people
- C. You are a bit of a showoff
- D. It's hard for you to wake up

- You always are cheering on for someone, even if you don't know them well
- B. You do not talk much
- C. You want to be ahead of everyone
- D. You don't like to travel
- A. You are very energetic and happy
- B. You get scared easily
- C. You do a LOT of activities
- D. You like to stay in your room



If you got mostly d's, you are the lazy emoji!



If you got mostly c's, you are



If you got mostly b's, you are the shy emoji!



If you got mostly a's, you are the kind emoji!

Answers:



Recycle This, Not That

By Zoe C.

Have you ever seen grapes or paper towels in your classroom recycle bin? What about paper in the garbage can? These items are in the wrong place. It's important to recycle, so let's do it right!

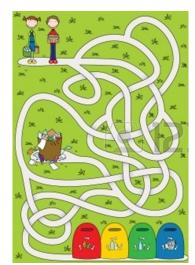
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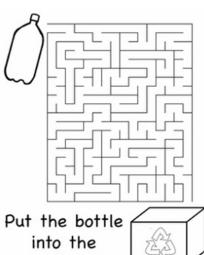
- Newspapers
- Paper and post-its
- Magazines
- Cardboard
- Glass bottles and jars
- Metal containers
- Empty milk and juice cartons
- Plastic containers (with #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7 symbols on them)
- All other items -- including food, wrappers, straws, and plastic bags -go in the garbage.

If you put recyclable items with food or oil on them in the recycle bin, they can not be recycled. For example, cardboard pizza boxes with oil can not be recycled and pizza boxes without oil can be. The grease attaches to the cardboard fibers and can not be removed during the recycling process. Also, you should always empty milk cartons and juice boxes before recycling them.

Why is this important? Items that are recycled, can be turned into new items. Recycling saves energy, conserves resources, reduces air and water pollution, and makes less landfills. Recycling helps everybody!

For more recycling practice try the mazes below.





recycling bin.

Water Found on Mars

By Shea W.

This is one space breakthrough we won't soon forget. NASA has found evidence that Mars has liquid water. If you are asking yourself why this is such a big deal, I mean we are already fine on Earth. But we're not fine on Earth, we have trash that is breaking the atmosphere. This process is called global warming. There are others problems too, like fossil fuels. We are losing them, and they create a lot of waste so if global warming doesn't get to us, let's hope we find new energy soon because too much pollution will ruin our environment.

So the possibility of Mars having water is a big deal. I am calling it our crimson hope. Water is the most vital thing we need as humans, next to oxygen, and even then they have very similar elements.

The few problems are big ones: Mars is 54.6 kilometers away or 33.9 million miles away, even though Mars is the closest planet. It would take 260 days to get there, almost a whole year, and we don't know if Mars is someplace where humans could live.

Also, Mars has an atmosphere 100 times thinner than ours . If this isn't a big enough problem, Mars is only half the size of Earth. There would not be enough room for everyone now, not even thinking about the future. Still while the chances are slim of getting there, staying there, and thriving are slim, we still have a chance we can pull this together. More facts about Mars: The radius is 2106 miles. There are 687 days in a Mars year.



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All About the Blobfish

By Adam K. and Emma K.

A blobfish is the one of, if not,

the weirdest thing on Earth. Blobfish live in waters around Australia. Blobfish have no muscles. They are made from a material just a little bit lighter than water. Blobfish can live 2,700 feet below sea level. Blobfish have no bones, unlike other animals. Blobfish are shorter than 30 cm.

2013, the blobfish was voted the "World's Ugliest Animal." The blobfish's shape out of water is very different. Blobfish live at depths between 2,000 to 3,900 feet under water. Blobfish sit with their mouths open. Blobfish are a rare creature to see anywhere. They are very hard to

find. Blobfish are one of the animals

that can float, which is surprising because they have no muscle and a lot of fat on their body.

Scientists are thinking about making the blobfish an endangered animal because of deep sea trawling. Trawling is when big fishing boats bring nets to rake up large groups of fish.

Blobfish are endangered because when the fishermen cast out the nets, blobfish get caught in them, and they can't get out. Some experts believe that the blobfish population may be from zero to very few. So save the blobfish!

Archelon **Sea Turtles**

By Camille W. and Milana P.



Imagine if you were staring at a sea turtle that was the size of a car! That would be an Archelon

sea turtle.

They were a giant sea turtle who lived in the ocean, and now they are extinct. Archelon sea turtles weighed 4,850 lbs. They were the largest prehistoric turtles to ever live. Archelon sea turtle's front feet were 12 feet long, and were extremely powerful.

They were alive 100 million to 66 million years ago. Archelon sea turtles were different from other sea turtles because they didn't have a solid shell. If you want to help sea turtles who are alive in our oceans today, here are some tips:

- Don't use really bright lights on the beach.
- Use less chemicals in your every day
- Make less trash and clean up the garbage at the shore.
- Stay away from turtle nesting areas.

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Who Am I Answer:

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Steve From Minecraft

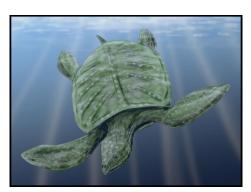


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Top 10 Most Dangerous Animals

(some you thought were harmless) By Cano R.

Plenty of animals roam the world, and we would either love them or hate them but you cannot deny the fact that some animals have a dangerous side to them, and some of them you actually didn't know were harmful. So now, I list ten of the most Dangerous Animals out there.



10) Monkeys Some of you may be surprised to see that monkeys can be dangerous. Some of you

thought their relatives like gorillas or chimpanzees were more harmful, but here's the thing: not only do these little critters have dangerous diseases, but also the fact that these creatures have very good aim, so them throwing a coconut in your skull is very easy for them, so yeah... they ain't no Stormtroppers.



9) Moose Some of you thought moose were just these cartoonish creatures, but if you

get one angry you're in for a very bad surprise... These things will trample and kick you breaking nearly all of your bones. Yeah, think next time before crossing paths with a moose. (Also I heard moose kill more people than bears.)



8) Catifsh You may think Catfish are just these ridiculous looking creatures, but be warned. These

creatures have razor sharp stingers that actually have potent toxins that could lead up to swelling or weakness for several days.



7) Platypus These creatures may just look like the weird

mix of both a duck and a beaver, but vou better stay sharp because these creatures have a venom that is actually a mix of at least nineteen pesticides that could easily kill you.



6) The Leopard Seal These creatures are actually one of the most dangerous arctic animals next

to a polar bear since the bite force is enough to cause internal bleeding, and also these things are VERY fast.



5) Cassowary What would happen if you mixed together a turkey and a velociraptor? You get this thing, a cassowary. It has razor sharp claws that can easi-

ly cut through someone's flesh. It will also knock you down and even sever your limbs. Now THAT I don't want to mess with.



4) Slow Loris These things may look like cute and cuddly bear like creatures, but really it's an evil

monster. The creature has a dangerous poison in its elbows that go in its fangs, and when it bites you, it's game over! So, remember kids! Never hug a slow loris! Or else.....



3) Pandas You thought grizzly bears were dangerous, you haven't met it's cute vet

MORE dangerous cousin the panda bear. This creature is known for being cuddly, but if threatened they will violently maul you to protect themselves.



2) Hippos You thought hippos were safer than gorillas or crocodiles? WRONG. Hippos are known for

killing multiple people with their sharp teeth and they have wide mouths, so devouring a human whole would be easy for them, and not only that, but they also can charge very fast so be expecting for that.



1) Chimpanzees They look all funny looking and they are goofy having those cute faces and big ears. But behind it all,

they can be dangerous. They are known for violently mauling people. Not only that, but they are known for using tools so that might be a prediction for when the Apes take over the world.

And tragically, in 2009, a woman was violently mauled by chimpanzee in Connecticut.



CREATIVE WRITING

Trapped In Jamaa, Volume 1

By Emily S. and Ashlyn G.

Ever wondered what it would be like to be inside your favorite video game? What if you were trapped in there? I bet you'd be constantly regenerating life when

failing a level. Or you could be hacked! Well, this is the story of two kids who play Animal Jam. And they were stuck inside it... for eternal life...

One day, Emily and her friend Ashlyn were playing on Spring Avenue School's playground. Emily was twirling her hair, waiting anxiously for Ashlyn to come up with a game to play.

"What about Real Life Minecraft? Or freeze tag? Or... I don't know," Emily sighed.

"How about Animal Jam?" Ashlyn suggested. So, we asked Mrs. Madeup if we could go into the Computer Lab and play Animal Jam. She said "Absolutely not!"

Emily and Ashlyn sank to their knees.

"NOOOOOO!!!!!!" they yelled in unison.



me send you two to a psychologist," Mrs. Madeup warned. Ashlyn dashed to the field, and Emily

"Please don't make

Madeup just stood and wilted.

followed. Mrs.

Suddenly, in the field was a broken down HP computer. A vortex seemed to glow inside it.

"Huh?" Emily said.
Ashlyn said "Oh
no..." and gasped.

Just then, the vortex opened. It grew larger and larger until it was the size of an Adventure Portal! Emily and Ashlyn felt themselves being sucked into the void... They had a feeling they'd never see a playground in a very long time...

Life was timeless in the vortex. The two felt like they were being sucked in by a cyclone.

"Are we in a computer, and we are in Animal Jam?" Ashlyn asked.

"I.... don't know...
maybe..." Emily said.

And just then, the two were in Jamaa. Ashlyn was her favorite bunny Flora Prettyflower. She changes looks but her normal look is white with raspberry ears and green eyes. Emily was her favorite animal, a stormy grey fox (with the classic fox pattern, of course) with bear brown eyes. The fox's name was Infinity Windyfox. She carried a Rare Freedom Sword strapped across her back, wore red leaves around her paws, and a purple-andblack Infinity Necklace (look in the Summer Carnival) dangling from her neck.

Ashlyn shifted her feet... Except when she

looked down, they were paws! Rabbit paws!

Emily was going to sit down when all of the sudden, her tailbone expanded. Emily looked

over her shoulder. It was a grey fox tail!

"Pinch me," Ashlyn pleaded. "Please! I want to

get out of here!"
Emily took the risk. She lifted
her paw and gently poked Ashlyn with her index claw.

"Ouch!" Ashlyn, now Flora, squealed.

"Now I know this isn't a dream." Emily, now Infinity, sighed. She had always wanted to enter a kids movie or something, but not without an exit.

"We have to find the logout button! It's our only way out of Animal Jam," Infinity barked. She swished her thick tail proudly.

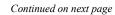
Flora sighed. "Look, Em - excuse me, Infinity. We are in our own animal's eyes in a three-dimensional screen. And the outside area of the

> game is unavailable to us. No animal can reach the logout," she explained.

"If only we could use a mouse and send it up to click the button..." Infinity wondered "That's it! We

can-"

Suddenly, the formerly empty Jamaa Township was full. Jammers with mostly arc-





CREATIVE WRITING

Trapped In Jamaa, Volume 1, continued

By Emily S. and Ashlyn G.

tic wolves crowded in the center, dancing with no exhaust.

"Trade me spike!"

"I have wrist-

bands! Trade me!"

"Surprise my

den!"

Flora and Infinity scampered to the Zios bridge and watched.

"We're in Aldan," they said in unison.

After a while sitting on the bridge, the two decided to move on. Just as they took their first steps to Zios, a black wolf blocked them. He wore nothing, and he had a nonmember nametag floating beneath him.

"Stop or die," he growled.

"How did you say that?!" Infinity snapped. "AJ doesn't let you!"

The black wolf snickered and opened his eyes wide. They were white rings!

"The Lost Jammer!
He's back!" Flora screamed.

All the traders in Jamaa turned to her. They all froze in fear, a look of horror frozen on their faces. Except

one.

"I'm gonna record this," the brave wolf growled.



Flora pictured a camera filming the screen. Infinity pictured Screencast-O-Matic.

The Lost Jammer laughed sinisterly. "That's fine! Just call me your worst nightmare!"

"Or Awesome Sunnybrave, copy of Fman," Flora snickered. It really was his name.

"Okay, Awesome! What business do you have here!?" Infinity barked. Her stormy grey fur bristled high.

Suddenly, Flora's---- was gone! So were nine of
her rare items! Twelve of
Infinity's rares disappeared!
When they looked up, Awesome was nowhere to be seen.

"Dun dun duh!"
Flora said and started to cry.
"I may have been scammed
or hacked well... not hacked
but... NOT LIKE THIS!"

Infinity looked at her back "Oh thank goodness I still have my-" and in a second her rare freedom sword was gone!

"MY RARE FREE-DOM SWORD IS GONE!" howled Infinity.

"He must still be around." said Flora and suddenly she got a jam-a-gram.

"Do you think I should open it?" asked Flora "There is a gift in it.". "Who is it from?" asked

Infinity, and exactly then she

BE KIDDING ME!!!!!!" Flora said

"WE CAN BE GONE FOREVER BECAUSE.... you know why."

Infinity said "I might know-" but got stopped by Flora.

"I- pot." Suddenly, the earth rumbled beneath the two. Infinity's paws were practically wagging against the ground! She glanced around to find that the other jammers were calmly dancing around.

> Flora turned black with white eyes, blood red veins crackling in them.

Flora said
"PLOOOOOOOT!!!".
she meant to say

AHHHHH!!!! but the virus stopped her. Just then, a wide crack with green acid in it erupted from the ground. It shuddered and snaked towards Infinity and Flora. nfinity went wide eyed and looked to the ground.

"We have no choice," she gasped. "JUMP!!!!"

also got a jam-a-gram.

The two opened their jam-a-grams in unison. Infinity's paw was sweating as she reluctantly opened the gift. Inside... WAS NOTH-ING!!!!!

When Flora opened hers, a popup said "Virus received. Please shut down immediately."

"YOU'VE GOT TO

To be continued...

CREATIVE WRITING

Mr. P. Bunny Vs. The Evil Tacos

By Landon N.

nce upon a time there was a bunny, named Peanut Bunny, but you know him as Mr.P.Bunny. So, our "hero" (not really) was walking in Micro City (his home) when he heard a noise, no wait that was just a car.

Then heard the noise! There, right in front of him was.... A LIVING TACO!!!! He ran away from the taco but more came at him, he was still running until a giant taco tackled him. The taco was so big he couldn't breathe!

But just then, his best friend Jake saved him! Jake is a fluffy talking dog. So of course Jake pushed the taco off Mr. P. Bunny and they started fighting the tacos. Mr. P. Bunny was kicking and squishing them. Meanwhile, Jake was plain out eating them. After defeating all the tacos, they faced the 2,000,000,000,000,000,000 feet tall and 5,000,000,000,000,000 feet

wide taco. But the taco ate

them (what else could it do?). It wasn't hard after that. They just ate the taco from the inside out. (what else would they do?)



Mr.P.Bunny was walking in Micro City when he heard a noise, more tacos! He tried eating them, but they wouldn't go down. 400

years later he's still fighting them.... maybe I should go in.

"TACOS! HALT!" I say! "NOW GO AWAY FOR EVER!!!"

Ok, problem solved!

Puzzle: Find the Capital I

By Brady B.

Font Song A Parody of Fight Song

By Aidan N.

like a small Font,

On the blank space...

...sending big words, into motion...

...like how a single pic...

...could put a brain in trauma...

...i may be bad at grammar...

...But I have my Fonts!

All those things, I need to write!

Using Google, to expand my Brain!

I will use CAPS LOCK TO-NIGHT!

Are you blinded by my love of white?

This is my FONT SONG!

Writin' newspapas song!

Prove I'm alright with computes song!

My computer's power (is turned on!)

Startin' now I'll only use Fonts!

I'll play my Font Song! I don't care if my Boss disagrees (disagrees)

'Cause there still a lot of Fonts to use!

Losing Followers on Twitter (They say "Your ridic!")

And I'm chasing new jobs (I got fired...)

Nobody wants to be around me!

New Font

Hey, New Font (New Font!)

Now it's been three years,

No new fonts...

But I tattooed the word "Fonts" to my bones

Neat! New font!

(Good thing!) I still believed!

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Important Dates

November 10 — Spring Ave music program and open house Grades K-3 6:00 – 7:30

November 11 — Veterans Day – Honor a Veteran today! School is in session

November 12 — Spring Ave music program and open house Grades 4-6 6:00 – 7:30

November 13 — School Picture Retakes

November 16-18 — Vision and Hearing Screening

November 17 — Run/Walk Club Turkey Trot 7:45 – 8:15

November 18 —Spring Ave PTO meeting 8:40

November 19 — Variety Show dress rehearsal 6:30

November 20 — Variety Show 7:00

November 25-27—Thanksgiving Holiday – No school

November 30-December 1 — Vision and Hearing Rescreening

Spring Ave In The News!

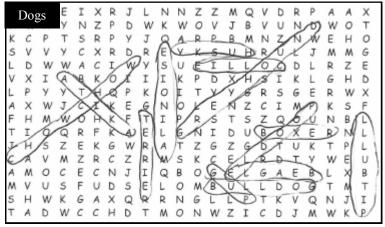


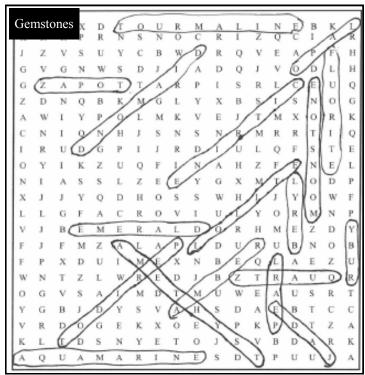
Kindergarten students celebrated the 50th day of school Friday, November 6.

Students traveled to Seventh Avenue school for a big celebration.

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