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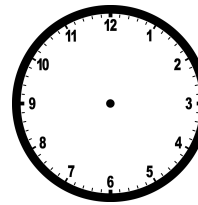


Third graders
read the book
Baby Monkey,
Private Eye from
the Monarch
2020 IL Readers'
Award book list.

SCHOOL PHENOMENON: CLOCKS MOVING AN HOUR

By Miles B. Andy S., and Connor M.

On Friday, January 10, 2020, at exactly 2:00 p.m., every clock in the school, analog clocks in the classrooms and the digital clocks in the hallways, moved an hour ahead to 3:00 p.m. Despite boisterous chants of "School's out!", class was continued for another hour before dismissal. The anomaly remained throughout the weekend and wasn't fixed Tuesday, Jan 14, some time between 9:00 and 9:30am, the clock moved ahead 12 hours. We regret to inform you that we have no media evidence as proof, but there are over 300 eyewitnesses.



(Rumor has it this all

started because Miles B. said he could make time go forward.) Our guess as to the reason for the 12 hour skip is that school officials moved the clock ahead 11 hours Monday night so the clock appeared to be correct. However, we think the bells weren't going off at Gurrie because the computer thought it was nighttime. This explains the 12-hour skip. Andy S., who was at Gurrie during the 12-hour skip, says he doesn't recall the 9:00 bell going off, but he says, "I wouldn't have remembered if [the bell] went off anyway." More investigation will be done, but for now, this is Spring News, over and out.

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU? VARIETY SHOW EDITION

By Emilee T., Nora F., Hannah F., and Carrie R.

Carrie: Hello, and welcome back to What's New With You?

Emilee: If you saw our last paper, we talked about the Science Fair.

This week we are talking about the

Variety Show.

Carrie: Today, our special guest is Hannah F. She was at the Variety Show.

Emilee: Over to you, Hannah!

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SCHOOL NEWS



WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU? VARIETY SHOW EDITION, CONTINUED

By Emilee T., Nora F., Hannah F., and Carrie R.

Hannah: Thanks for inviting me on the show guys!

Emilee: You're welcome. Tell us what your favorite act is.

Hannah: Well, there are so many it's hard to choose, but some I liked

were the Riptide Remix, Bucket Boys, and Ghostbusters!

Carrie: Who was the last performance of the night?

Hannah: The sixth graders! They were dancing to a song from

Grease.

Emilee: If you could choose one act to watch over and over again, which one would it be?

Hannah: The Bucket Boys.

Emilee: What did they do?

Hannah: They played a song on buckets with drumsticks. It was so cool!

Carrie: Well, that's it for our show! We'll see you next time when we talk about the school musical *Willy Wonka, Jr.*

UNIQUE TEACHER FEATURES

By Bridget G., Kaitlin OB, and Caroline M.

Ms. D. - She likes to take pictures.

Mrs. Walsh - She is a writer.

Miss Melone- She doesn't like bacon.

Mrs. Fuller - She can play piano.

Mrs. Coffey - She is afraid of monkeys.

Mrs. Daly - She is the

aunt of quadruplets.

Miss McGinnis - She ran up the Hancock building in 15min 19 seconds.

Mrs. Dahlin - She ran from Wisconsin to Chicago.

Ms. Kubilius - She just got a puppy.

Ms. Eck - She swam at Iowa.

Ms. Thomas - She was a hurdler in high school.

Ms. Folliard - She wakes up happy every day.

Ms. Huebner - She likes to go fishing and she loves bacon.

Ms. Waterston - Her grandma nickname is Mazama or Zama for short, which is also the

name of a mountain.

Ms. Marek - She can wiggle her ears.

Mr. Coffey - He can juggle.

Mrs. Kiley - She is a black belt in taekwondo.

Mr. Arneson - He was a state champion for wrestling in high school.

5TH GRADE VARIETY SHOW

By Nolan H.

At the 5th grade variety show, is that the boys sang the Pizza Hut and Taco Bell song. It was very weird but it was also very funny. The 5th grade boys are: Nolan H., Luke H., Niraj T., Becket M., Nolan F., Ethan P., Collin M., Harry K., and Jack E. There was much more but I can't say it because it's an overview so you will have to remember the Variety Show. My friend gave out Taco Bell, which was fun.





SCHOOL NEWS



TEACHER'S FEARS

By Reese C., Emilee T., Hannah F., Avery L., and Nora F.

We asked these teachers about their greatest fears, and here is what they said.

Ms. Folliard: ALL glaciers melting and losing to the White Sox

Ms. Thomas: Heights

Miss McGinnis: Driving in the snow

Mrs. Dahlin: Spiders

Mrs. Fuller: Airplane turbulence

Miss Melone: Mice in her house/room

Mrs. Walsh: Deep oceans

Ms. D: Insects with more than 6 legs

Ms. Waterston: Raccoons

Ms. Huebner: Getting stuck in an elevator and spiders

Mrs. Daly: Heights

Mrs. Tobin: Heights

Mrs. Coffey: Monkeys and deep belly buttons

Mrs. Wanta: Snakes

Ms. Eck: Heights

Ms. Kubilius: Snakes and spiders

Mr. Jinx: Claustrophobia (being in a super small room)

Mr. Coffey: Spiders

Mr. Jacobs: Roller coasters (going upside down)

Ms. Keillor: Yellow jacket wasp

Mrs. Podgorski: Falling off anything high up

Ms. Manganello: Spiders

Ms. Kay: Spiders

Mr. Lawson: Big spiders

Mrs. Polich: Spiders, rocking on a big boat

Mrs. Musillami: A home robbery

Mrs. Bato: Airplanes and oceans

Mr. B: Car crash

GUESS WHO? TEACHER EDITION

By Caroline C.

My favorite color is teal.

I went to North Central College.

My favorite book series is Divergent.

I love to bake and cook.

I know how to speak French.

I want to go back to Disney.

I like to craft.

I would love to travel to Europe.

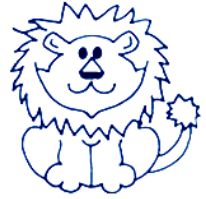
I have an adorable puppy named Alvin.

I have taught elementary school for two years.

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SCHOOL NEWS



LUKE AND DANIEL TALK SHOW, 3

By Luke H., Daniel K., and Nolan F.

Luke: Hey everyone! What up, peeps?

Daniel: Hey guys, we are just going to get a guest, and here he is.

Daniel: Our talented guest....
NOLAN F.!!!!

Luke: We are going to talk about the Battle of the Books.

Nolan: I was nervous before we started.

Luke: Same.

Daniel: Once we started, we were doing great!

Nolan: Yeah, we did very good as a team!

Luke: But we shouted out a couple answers.

Nolan: That was the only bad thing.

Daniel: So, we had 63 right in a row!!!

Luke: Until....

Nolan: We got one wrong.

Nolan: I thought we were finished!

Daniel: Yeah, I put my hands over my head like we lost.

Luke: But we got another one right.

Daniel: Then the most stressful moment of all was...

Nolan: Calculating the scores.

Luke: Then, Ms. Marek gave credits to the teachers.

Nolan: Then she said, "The winners are the Bookmarks!"

Daniel: We were so happy.

Luke: Let's interview some people about Battle of the Books:

Zoe S: "I thought it was fun, and I want to do it again. It was also stressful."

Maddy S.: "When you look at the list, you think, 'wow I would have never picked up that book'."

Beckett: "It was fun. I liked it."

Nolan: Two weeks later was the District Battle of the Books.

Daniel: We did a practice round at the public library to meet our new super teams.

Luke: It was stressful when we got into the books.

Daniel: All the students in the district who participated but didn't win Gurrie for the District Battle of the Books where there in the audience.

Nolan: They had their own Kahoot game, and they were looking at different screens.

Daniel: But, in the end, Nolan F. 's team won.

Luke: Yeah, so, Nolan, your team won! How did you feel when you won?

Nolan: Awesome!

Luke: You might have been in the La Grange Doings newspaper!

Daniel: We also saw a good friend who used to go to Spring named Alex A.

Nolan: His team got 2nd in his school battle.

Luke: Well, I hope you liked our special edition of our article!

Daniel: Bye

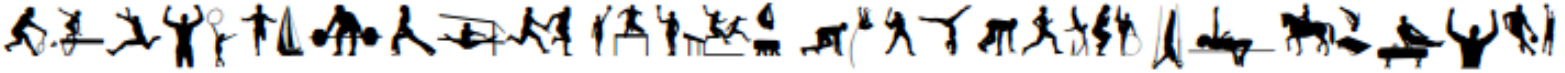
Luke: Bbbbbbbyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyy!

THE END

Answer to Guess Who? Teacher Edition, page 3

Ms. Kubilius

SPORTS PAGE



KOBE BRYANT AND GIANNA BRYANT TRIBUTE

By Daniel K.



Recently Kobe Bryant and his daughter passed away in a helicopter crash with seven

others. They were on their way to a travel basketball game for Gianna. Her team was called Mamba, and Kobe was the coach for the team. Kobe was 41, and Gianna was 13.

Some of you might be

wondering who Kobe Bryant is? The basketball shot where people say "KOBE!" after they shoot a basketball is named after him. He was on the Lakers and won five championships.

Since there's a lot of traffic in Los Angeles, some people take helicopters. Three of the other people also on the helicopter were Gianna's teammates. If you follow basketball, you might have seen

teams pay tributes by running out the shot clock or doing an eight second violation. Those were both of his numbers. Many people were sad when they heard about the tragedy. The crash was in Calabasas, California. At Gianna's school they retired her jersey number at her memorial.



TOP FIVE NCAA BASKETBALL TEAMS

By Colin B., Declan D., and Will P.



1: Baylor: We put Baylor at number one because they have a pretty good chance of making it to the final four, or maybe even the finals. Jared Butler is the best scorer on the team averaging 15.8 points a game. Freddie Gillespie averages the most rebounds at 9.1. Davion Mitchell averages the most assists with 3.9. In steals, Mark Vital has 1.8 per game. Last, Freddie Gillespie has a 2.2 average in blocks. That is why we put the Baylor Bears at number one on the list.



2: San Diego State: San Diego State is number two on the list because their team is really good. They have

barely lost any games. They once scored 92 points in a single game. That is a lot. Their leaders are Malachi Flynn with 17.6 points per game. For rebounds, Yanni Wetzell has 6.4. For assists, Malachi Flynn has 5.1. Her also has 1.8 steals.

Yanni Wetzell has 0.6 blocks.



3: Gonzaga: Their team is called the Gonzaga Bulldogs. We chose them at number three because Filip Petrushev averages 17.4 points and 7.8 rebounds per game. Ryan Woolridge averages 4.4 assists and 1.6 steals. Drew Timme averages 1.0 blocks. That turns out to be a pretty good team.



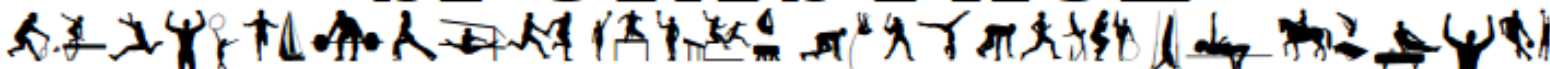
4. The Dayton Flyers

are number four on our list. Their leader in points is Obi Toppin with 19.7 points. Their leader in rebounds is also Obi Toppin with 7.7. Their leader in assists is Jalen Crutcher with 4.9. The leader in steals is Rodney Chatman with 1.3. The leader in blocks is Obi Toppin with 1.4. GO FLYERS!



5. Kansas Jayhawks: Their best player, in our opinion, is a guard named Devon Dotson. He averages 18.5 points per game, 4 total rebounds, and 4.2 assists. His field goal percentage is 47%. The Kansas Jayhawks are a great team. They are one of the top prospects to make it to the final four, and they are number 1 on the Top 25.

SPORTS PAGE



TOP SEVEN MLB FREE AGENT TEAMS

By Daniel K.



7. The Yankees did not have the best off season, but they did sign Astros ace RHP Gerrit Cole and re-signed OF Brett Gardner. Overall, they spent a lot of money on Gerrit Cole and will have a good season next year.



6. The Miami Marlins had a great offseason by signing outfielder Corey Dickerson, infielder Jonathan Villar, first baseman Jesus Aguilar, and Francisco Cervelli. The Marlins will probably have a good season next year.



5. The Arizona Diamondbacks had a pretty good off season, signing left-handed pitcher Madison Bumgarner and outfielder Kole Calhoun. They also picked up Starling Marte.



4. The Reds had an amazing off season, signing third baseman Mike Moustakas and

outfielder Nick Castellanos and Wade Miley. This is a great team.



3. The Braves signed left-handed pitcher Cole Hamels, Outfielder Marcell Ozuna, catcher Travis d'Arnaud, and they re-signed Will Smith and signed Chris Martin.



2. The Dodgers didn't really sign any free agents, but they did pick up Mookie Betts and David Price. That's a great duo to have on your team.



1. The White Sox had an awesome off season, that's why I chose them as number one. They signed designated hitter Edwin Encarnacion, left-handed pitcher Dallas Keuchel, left-handed pitcher Gio Gonzalez, catcher Yasmani Grandal, and left fielder Nomar Mazara.

NFL STANDING PREDICTIONS, 2020-2021

By Sean M.

AFC East

1. Patriots 8 - 8
2. Jets 7 - 9
3. Bills 7 - 9
4. Dolphins 5 - 11

AFC West

1. Chiefs 12 - 4
2. Raiders 12 - 4
3. Chargers 7 - 8
4. Broncos 4 - 12

AFC North

1. Ravens 11 - 5
2. Steelers 10 - 6
3. Browns 8 - 8
4. Bengals 6 - 10

AFC South

1. Titans 10 - 6
2. Texans 8 - 7 - 1
3. Colts 4 - 11 - 1
4. Jaguars 3 - 13

NFC East

1. Cowboys 7 - 9
2. Eagles 7 - 9
3. Giants 3 - 13
4. Redskins 1 - 15

NFC West

1. Seahawks 12 - 4
2. 49ers 9 - 7
3. Rams 9 - 7
4. Cardinals 5 - 11

NFC North

1. Packers 13 - 3
2. Vikings 11 - 5
3. Bears 10 - 6
4. Lions 7 - 9

NFC South

1. Saints 14 - 2
2. Buccaneers 8 - 8
3. Falcons 8 - 8
4. Panthers 3 - 13

Playoff Predictions:

AFC

Seeds

1. Chiefs
2. Ravens
3. Titans
4. Raiders
5. Steelers
6. Patriots

NFC

Seeds

1. Saints
2. Packers
3. Seahawks
4. Vikings
5. Bears
6. Cowboys

W	L	L	W
Wild card: Steelers vs Raiders		Wild card: Bears vs Vikings	
W	L	W	L
Wild card: Titans vs Patriots		Wild card: Seahawks vs Cowboys	
L	W	L	W
Divisional: Steelers vs Chiefs		Divisional: Vikings vs Saints	
W	L	W	L
Divisional: Titans vs Ravens		Divisional: Seahawks vs Packers	
W	L	W	L
Conference: Titans vs Chiefs		Conference: Saints vs Seahawks	
W	L	W	L
Super Bowl: Titans vs Saints			

STAR WARS FANDOM

THE TRUE STORY OF GENERAL GRIEVOUS

By Beckett M., Maddy S., and Niraj T.

(Just a quick note)

For all you Star Wars fans that don't know the stories of the Old Republic, or the origin stories of your favorite character, this is the place for you.



their home planet by the Jedi and were left to starve.

Grievous was desperate to help his people, so he took a job as an enforcer in the InterGalactic

Banking Clan. However, he learned that Kaleesh had been attacked by the Huk and sought vengeance. IGBC Chairman San Hill, after consulting with his ally, Separist head Count Dooku, arranged for a bomb to be placed on Grievous' shuttle, the Martyr. Grievous was critically injured but lived. Hill arranged for the final stage of his plan to be executed. The final stage was to have Grievous reconstructed as a cyborg. Once Grievous was reconstructed as a cyborg, he was presented as a weapon to be used in the upcoming Clone Wars. After Grievous was promoted to Supreme Commander he wreaked havoc on the Galactic Republic's forces, A.K.A. the clones. Grievous defeated lots of Jedi and clones and was trained in the light saber arts by Count Dooku. He was later killed by Obi Wan Kenobi during the events of Revenge Of The Sith.

Information from
<https://star-wars-galaxy-divided.fandom.com/wiki/Grievous>

THE STORY OF GENERAL GRIEVOUS

General Grievous is a Kaleesh male. His real name is Qymaen jai Sheelal, and Qymaen lived there for his early life. He quickly learned the art of war from the Huk, an alien race in a war against the Kaleesh, Qymaen's species. He specialized in a slugthrower rifle and quickly eliminated lots of Huks. He became a demigod among his people. He eventually met a female Kaleesh, Ronderu Iij Kummar, who was a master with a sword. The two were very close when Ronderu died at the hands of the Huk. Qymaen was heartbroken. He then renamed himself Grievous and turned all his anger toward the Huk. He was aided by his elite and drove the Huk off Kalee. His people then swarmed the Huk homeworld and conquered it. The Huk then turned to the Galactic Republic for help. The Kaleesh were forced back to

YOUR ANIMAL NAME

By Caroline C. and Hannah F.

Take the first letter of your first name, middle name, and last name and make your animal name

- A. Alligator
- B. Butterfly
- C. Cow
- D. Dog
- E. Elephant
- F. Fly
- G. Gorilla
- H. Hippo
- I. Iguana
- J. Jaguar
- K. Koala

- L. Lion
- M. Monkey
- N. Narwhal
- O. Octopus
- P. Platypus
- Q. Quail
- R. Rhino
- S. Snake
- T. Turtle
- U. Unicorn
- V. Vulture
- W. Whale
- X. X-Ray fish
- Y. Yak
- Z. Zebra

YOUR LEPRECHAUN NAME

By Zoë C. and Camille S.

Take the second letter of your name and the first letter of your last name and put them together. Then you get your leprechaun name!

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|-------------|------------|---------------|
| A- Adorable | K-Kind | U-Up Beat |
| B- Bold | L- Lucky | V-Vibe |
| C- Clover | M-Money | W-Wild |
| D-Daring | N-Naughty | X-X-tra Irish |
| E-Emerald | O-Orange | Y-Youthful |
| F- Fortune | P-Patrick | Z-Zany |
| G- Gold | Q-Quick | |
| H- Hat | R-Rainbow | |
| I-Irish | S-Shamrock | |
| J-Jolly | T-Tiny | |



15 THINGS TO DO OVER SPRING BREAK

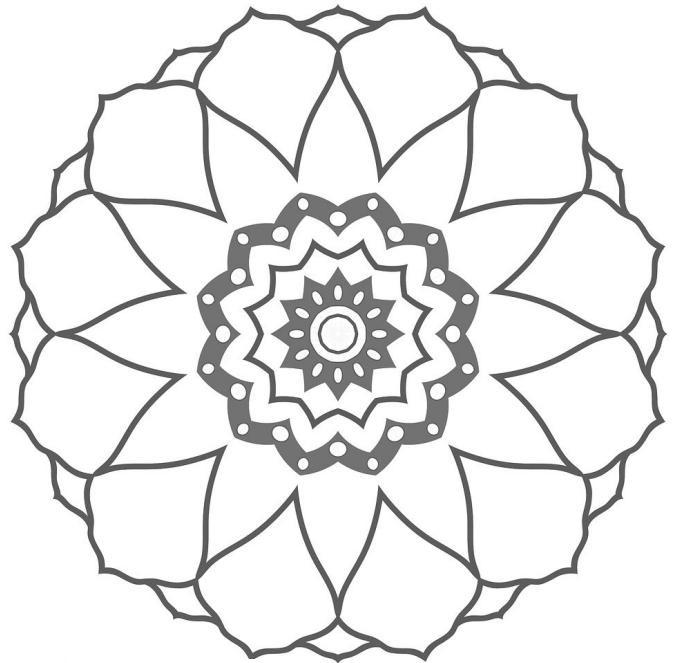
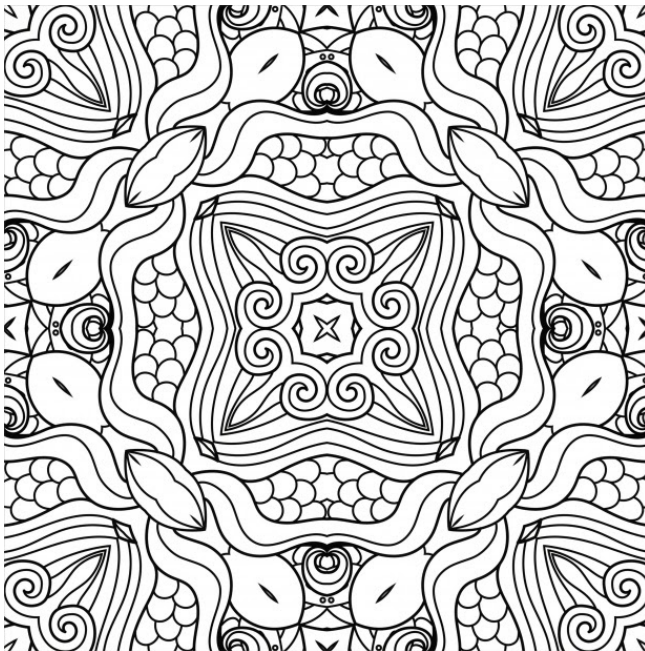
By Emilee T.

These are just a few ideas that you could do for Spring Break. .

1. Watch a movie
2. Hang out with friends
3. Have a sleepover
4. Go to the beach
5. Swim
6. Go camping
7. Make a fort
8. Read a book
9. Play outside
10. Try something new
11. Travel
12. Go on a road trip
13. Clean your room
14. Go to a sleepover
15. Stay-cation

COLORING PAGE

By Zoey G.



80 THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

By Blake M. and Jimmy K.

1. Bang your head against the wall (gently!) 
2. Go to the pool with friends
3. Get a tan
4. Brag to your friends about your tan
5. Join swim team
6. Brag about being on swim team
7. Get a coloring book
8. Rage at the coloring book
9. Say sorry to the coloring book
10. Talk to your friends
11. Ride your bike (not into cars, especially not parked cars!)
12. Clean your room 
13. Write letters to your friends
14. Get letters back
15. Go to the pool
16. Smile at a friend
17. Make a movie
18. Clean your house
19. Plant flowers in your yard
20. Play a prank on your family
21. Draw someone's face on a paper without looking at the paper
22. Facetime your friends
23. Go to the park and sit alone
24. Listen to music
25. Get a ping-pong table
26. Crush your friends in ping-pong
27. BE A BIRD (CACAW! CACAW!) 
28. Try to fly
29. Get smart (read books, for example)
30. Make presents for your friends and family
31. Go on vacation!
32. Research someone interesting
33. Look up your name on the internet.....you'll never know what you'll find
34. Stalk your family
35. Take notes on your parents
36. Search through your siblings/friend's room
37. Paint your nails
38. Play outside 
39. Play inside
40. Play in your room
41. Play in your sibling's room
42. Play in your parent's room
43. Play in your attic
44. Play in your basement
45. Play in your bathroom
46. Play in your kitchen
47. Play in your front yard
48. Play in your backyard
49. Play in your living room
50. Play in your dining room
51. Write a story
52. Try to get in touch with an old friend 
53. Write a hand-written letter to them
54. Try a new sport
55. Binge-watch Bill Nye
56. Binge-watch something on Netflix
57. Play at the Spring Ave playground
58. Bang your hands against the computer keys, then do spell check
59. Write an essay on why you should get whatever you want
60. Try to write an autobiography
61. Prank call your friends
62. Eat food 
63. Try to plan out your life
64. Lay out in the sun and soak up all the vitamin D
65. Write an argumentative paper about whether Generation Genius or Bill Nye is better
66. Read a long book
67. Get mad at the book because your favorite character dies (You'd be surprised how much that happens.....)
68. Learn something new about the school
69. Sleep in until 12 o'clock every day
70. Listen to new songs
71. Create a new style and dare your friends to wear it
72. Make your own list of stuff to do
73. Ignore everything we have just said and look up on google 'what to do over summer break'
74. Learn a new language
75. Talk to your friends about the new language
76. Learn how to say "I'm the best!" in a different language and dance around your house saying it
77. Dance and loudly sing throughout your house
78. Memorize the song Into the Unknown
79. Don't recycle this article (in 100 years, this will probably be worth a fortune)
80. Try to do everything on this list

EASTER WORD SEARCH

By Peter K. and Ben S.



COTTONTAIL	COLORFUL	BASKET
CHOCOLATE	PARADE	SUNDAY
JELLYBEAN	SEARCH	DRESS
BUTTERFLY	CARROT	PALM
DECORATE	RABBIT	HARE

Answers on page 21

ST. PATRICK'S DAY WORD SEARCH

By Maddy S.



Word List

LUCKYCHARMS	RAINBOW	SNEAKY	LUCKY	GOLD
LEPRECHAUN	CLOVER	COLORS	GRASS	POT
FOURLEAF	CLEVER	GREEN	BEARD	HAT

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Answers on last page



ROARING RECIPES!

BUFFALO CHICKEN FOOTBALL PIE

By Zoë C. and Caroline M.

Ingredients

Recipe makes 24 servings
8 oz rotisserie chicken, cooked and shredded
Salt and pepper to taste
½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese
1 cup sliced green onions
¾ cup buffalo sauce
¼ cup ranch dressing (plus more for serving, if desired, for dipping)
4 premade pie crusts, 9 inch (23 cm) diameter (thaw if frozen)
Egg wash for brushing

Preparation

Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C) and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

In a large bowl, mix chicken, salt, pepper, mozzarella cheese, green onions, buffalo sauce, and ranch dressing.

Roll out the pie crusts on a lightly floured surface to about ¼-inch (6 mm) thickness.

Using a paring knife, cut thin strips of dough from your crust to resemble



football laces. Then, cut out small football shapes from the remaining dough. Reroll any excess dough and cut out more

shapes. You should have about 48 footballs total.

Transfer 24 football shapes onto the prepared (greased) baking sheet.

Spoon a heaping tablespoon of chicken filling onto the center of each football, leaving about a ½-inch (1 cm) border around the edges.

Brush the edges with egg wash and place another football on top, pressing the edges with your finger. Crimp the edges with a fork to seal.

Arrange the lace cutouts on top of the footballs. Brush more egg wash over the tops.

Bake for 15-20 minutes, or until golden brown.

Let cool for 5 minutes before serving. Serve with ranch dressing if desired.

Enjoy!

(Do not have to be footballs)

APPETIZERS IN THE KITCHEN

By Bridget G., Kaitlin OB, and Caroline M.

Mozzarella Sticks

By Bridget G.

Ingredients:

String Cheese
Eggs
Flour
Bread Crumbs

Instructions

Peel open the string cheese, cut them in half

and freeze.

Dunk the string cheese first in beaten egg, then a flour mixture, back into the egg and finally in the bread crumbs.

Press the breadcrumbs into each string cheese to ensure even coating.



Be sure to follow the order of – Egg – Flour Mix – Egg – Bread Crumbs –

Freeze for later or place each in hot oil and cook until just browned.

Serve immediately.

To bake cheese sticks spray cheese sticks with cooking spray. Preheat

oven to 400°F. Bake 9-11 minutes or until crumbs are crisp and cheese is melted.

To cook cheese sticks in the air fryer, preheat air fryer to 400°F. Cook cheese sticks in small batches for 4-6 minutes or until crumbs are crisp and cheese is melted.

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ROARING RECIPES!

APPETIZERS IN THE KITCHEN, CONTINUED

By Bridget G., Kaitlin OB, Caroline M.



Stovetop Cocktail Smokies

By Kaitlin OB.

Ingredients

2 packages of miniature smoked sausage links

1 (8 ounce) jar of grape jelly

1 (12 ounce) bottle barbecue sauce

Instructions:

To cook on the stovetop, combine little smokies and barbecue sauce in a pan and cook until hot, about 10 minutes.

To cook in a slow cooker, combine little smokies and barbecue sauce in a crock pot. Cover and cook on HIGH for 1 to 2 hours, until sausages are hot.

Nachos

Ingredients

2 bags corn tortilla chips in 2 colors or different flavors, such as blue corn, red corn, yellow corn,

lime flavored, chili flavored or black bean chips -- pick 2 favorites

Pico de Gallo Salsa:

4 vine ripe tomatoes, seeded and chopped

1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and finely chopped, for medium to hot heat level

1 small white onion, chopped

1/4 cup, 2 handfuls, cilantro leaves, finely chopped -- substitute parsley if cilantro is not to your liking

Salt

Beef and beans topping

1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

1 pound ground sirloin

2 cloves garlic, chopped

1 small onion, chopped

1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped

1 teaspoon salt

1 1/2 teaspoons dark chili powder

1 1/2 ground cumin, half a palmful

2 teaspoons to 1 tablespoon cayenne pepper sauce, giving you

medium to hot heat level

1 can black beans, 15 ounces, drained

Cheese Sauce: 2 tablespoons butter

2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

2 cups milk

3/4 pound pepper jack cheese, shredded, about 2 1/2 cups

Additional toppings to choose from, optional:

Sour cream

Chopped scallions

Chopped black olives

Diced pimento

Sliced avocado, dressed with lemon juice

Hot pepper sauce

Directions

Arrange a mixture of 2 varieties of corn chips on a very large platter or use your broiler pan as a platter.

Combine salsa ingredients in a bowl and set aside for flavors to mix together.

Heat a medium nonstick skillet over medium-high



heat. Add oil, garlic, onion, and peppers to the pan and saute for 2 minutes, then add meat and crumble with a wooden spoon. Season meat with salt, chili powder, cumin, and cayenne pepper sauce. Cook meat 5 minutes, then stir in beans and reduce heat to low.

In a medium saucepot, melt butter and add flour to it. Cook flour and butter 1 to 2 minutes over moderate heat, then whisk in milk. When the milk comes to a bubble, stir in cheese with a wooden spoon. Remove cheese sauce from the heat.

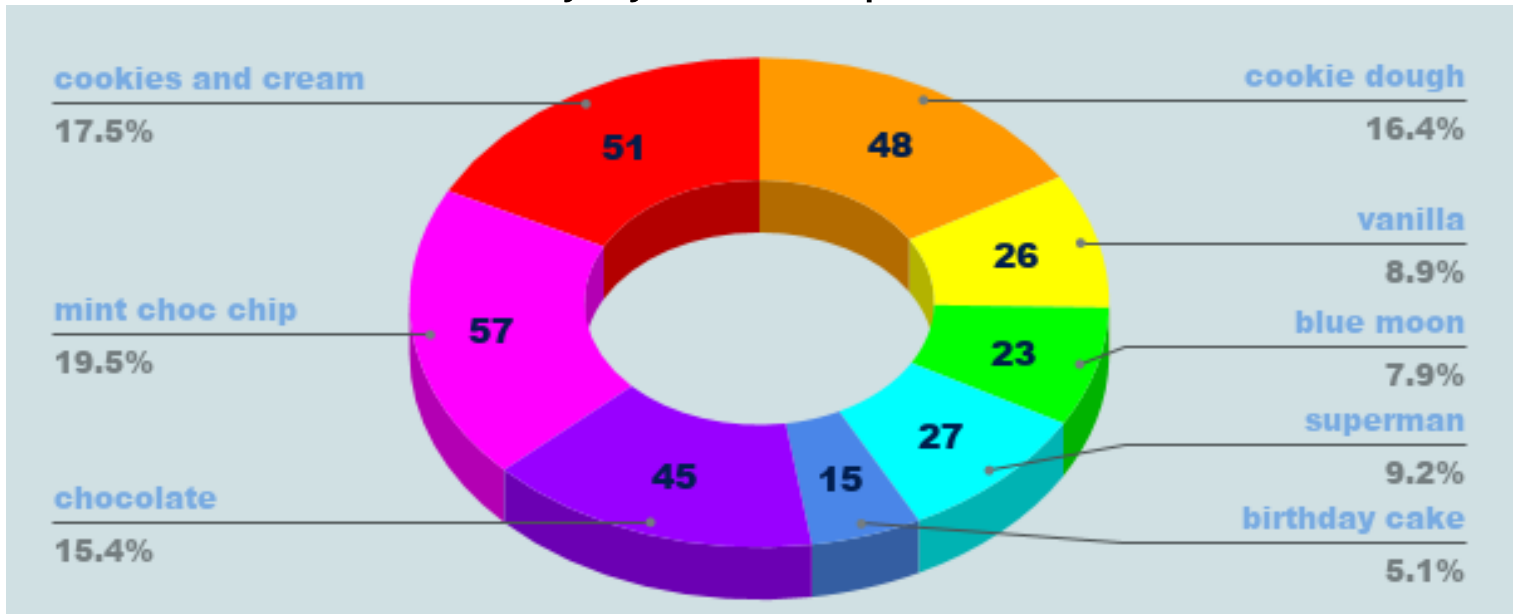
Pour cheese sauce evenly over the massive spread of chips and top evenly with beef and beans and the pico de gallo. UBER NACHOS! Serve immediately as is or, and sprinkle your favorite ingredients on top.

- A) ☒
- B) ☐
- C) ☐

STUDENT SURVEYS

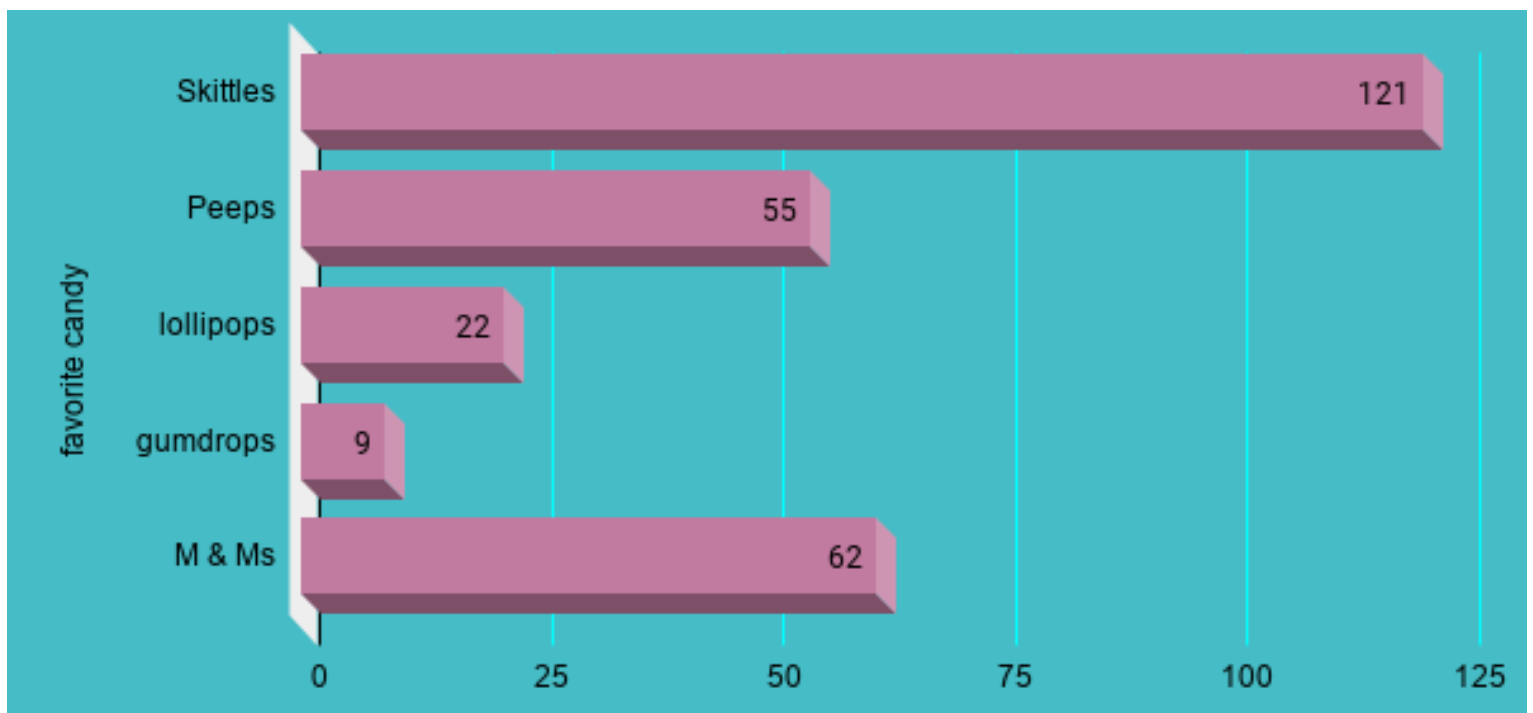
FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR SURVEY

By Payton M. and Sophia M.



FAVORITE CANDY SURVEY

By Sophia M.





DEAR 2045

By Vivi K.

We should all be informed that our Earth is dying. It's a really sad topic, but really important. The song Dear 2045 (ON TIKTOK) talks about a lot of the following problems: Our forests are burning down, people are losing their homes, global warming is melting everything amazing, factories are emitting toxins into the air, the ozone is disintegrating, we are putting chemicals in the air, sea levels are rising, coral reefs are dying and animals are going extinct. All of this information is told to the listeners in only a 58 second song!

You know about Australia burning down, and that is causing the animals to die, and that will lead to them going extinct. People are losing their homes because they are suffering, or they are making bad choices. We are putting toxins and chemicals into the

air, and some places people have to wear masks because of the air quality. Icebergs are melting because of global warming.



Many people think that there are enough pigs, and cows and what-not and that we can just go eating them all while they are abused to die, or reproduce when they don't want to. Soon enough, all of the animals will not be here, and we will not be able to survive because the food chain will be off so much that everything will be chaos.

A couple things you can do include use less plastic, reuse stuff you usually don't, don't waste. And those are just a few, if you want more talk to me (Vivi K. in 6th grade, Huebner) or search it up on Google, or YouTube.

POLLUTION ATTACK

By Matthew B.

I am here today to tell you about pollution worldwide and how it affects the Earth and us. Pollution is sorted into two categories: Air and Waste. When water is affected it is water pollution (it is called water pollution because pollution is defined as harming an area in a way that affects things in or around it). We contribute to water pollution by throwing plastic items into the water (plastic bottles, wrappers, etc.). Aquatic animals see the plastic and think it is food and then eat the plastic item. After it is eaten

the plastic can not be digested and will hurt the animal's internal organs, which can be fatal to many sea animals (dolphins, turtles, etc.).

Air pollution is produced by gases escaping into the air (methane, CO2 etc.). This affects the world by warming the Earth and making the air harmful for many creatures and people. When this happens the glaciers, snow caps, and icebergs begin to melt. For humans, this is relatively fine, but for the many species that are sensitive to heat it can mean death

or extinction. The water from melting glaciers can then go on to create worse than ever before storms, which can, in turn, be very bad and harmful for us.

To help protect the earth and many species from extinction, ask to walk before being driven. It seems like a little but collectively becomes a lot. Also, use the following websites:

- Esosia.org
- Oceanhero.com
- Donate to 4Ocean



VIDEO GAME REVIEWS

MINECRAFT NETHER UPDATE

By James L.

Many long time Minecraft veterans like me would find it absurd that Microsoft would update the long unchanging Nether, and even less believable in an update as in-depth as 1.13, but it did happen! The first snapshot of the revolutionary 1.16 Nether update has been released as a snapshot on Java Edition. It includes things from a new material, netherite (stronger than diamond) to warped forests and a new mob, the hoglin. Here I will delve deep into the Nether update. Starting with the new biomes, three new ones have been added (Though the original Nether waste still remains), the Soul Sand Valley, the Crimson Forest

and The Warped Forest.

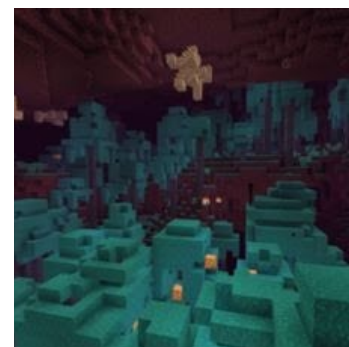
First, the Soul Sand Valley has bones and fossils protruding from the ground, and also contains the new soul soil block, which, unlike soul sand, does not slow you down. Ghosts tend to spawn here. The Warped Forest has one of the new types of wood, warped stems and wood.

You can do anything you could with oak with this new wood. There are also Nether fungi (which also acts as saplings for the trees), Nether sprouts, along with Nylium, a type of Netherrack. The crimson forest is similar, but also includes vines (the other type of wood is also

located here). The hoglin also inhabits this area. It is relatively similar to the warped forest. There is also new material: netherite. It can be found at Y 15 in the nether. It comes from the ancient debris block, which can be smelted and combined with four gold to make an ingot. You can then combine a diamond tool or armor piece with the ingot and make the stronger, more durable netherite tools and armor.

Another notable updates are: the Shroomlight, a block similar to glowstone growing on the Nether's trees. There is also the soul fire lantern and torch, which is dimmer than the overworld

variants. There are also new vines and plants, along with Netherite not burning and floating in lava. Also, there are piglins, mobs that are hostile unless you are wearing gold and will barter for it. If you want to try this for yourself, go to Java Edition and set your game to snapshots to view all these amazing and groundbreaking changes.



The Warped Forest Biome

FIND THE GRAMMATICAL ERROR

By Payton M

i bought too cucakes from the bakery and shared tem with anastasia.. (6 errors)

|john wanted his moom but she were At work (5 errors)

Answers on last page

VIDEO GAME REVIEWS

BEST STEAM GAMES

By James L. and Matthew B.

Steam is a great platform and allows you to buy the best games at reasonable prices, while having the most recent updates. In this sea of great games there are a few that are really outstanding in quality and experience. Here we have made a list of some exceptional games you can purchase and enjoy on this convenient platform. We're proud to present to you our continuation of this article.



1. Amazing Frog

Amazing Frog is a game where you can explore places like Swindon, the home

of the "Amazing Frog," the mountain, where you can find them, and much more. You follow the "Amazing Frog," a hero in the city of Swindon. There is no specific goal, and I think this is a flaw in the game. It is open-world, you can go to the moon through a series of quests, fly a blimp and much more. It is priced well at fifteen dollars.

2. Robocraft



Robocraft is a game where you can build your own Robot and take it into battle against other players or AI. By winning battles, you can earn Robits, which you can then use to upgrade your weapons to improve your robot. To unlock new parts, you will need tech points, which are obtained by winning games. You can purchase parts from the tech tree. You can also buy CPU upgrades with robits (larger robots). You can make your robot fly, hover, and drive. The sky's the limit. It is a free game.

CREATIVE WRITING

PIZZA PIZZA

By Alejandro V.

I work at my family's pizza place. I love it! Pizza is amazing, you can choose so many toppings and that crust mhmh mhmh! Yesterday at work the funniest thing happened. My friend slipped on tomato sauce and he had tomato sauce all over his clothes and face.



Well, gotta make some pizzas because today is a really big day. The mayor is throwing a party and we gotta make like a bajillion pizzas! All different flavors.

"MARKO, HURRY UP, MAKE SOME PIZZAS!" My boss Francesco said.

"Coming!" I say.

"Marco, how's Amore?" Louis said.

Amore means love in Italian. She's also my puppy. She is three weeks old. I got her as a Valentine's Day present from my parents.

"She is doing fine, and eating as much pizza crust as she can," I say.

"CINQUE MINUTI," My boss said. (It means five minutes.)

Okay, time to actually start making pizzas. First step, get dough. Second, roll the dough. Third, put tomato sauce on it. Fourth, put cheese on it. Fifth, add any toppings you want or none. And sixth, put it in the oven and you're done. I made 16 pizzas in five minutes.

New record.

We put the pizzas into 30 Pizza Pizza Cars and drove to the mayor's office. It's really nice. We placed them on a big table. It was a big party, and of course I ate a pizza, but we don't need to talk about that. Anyways, the party was very nice, and I hope the mayor invites us to the party again.

CREATIVE WRITING

GRASSHOPPER

By Helena E.

Hi, I'm Bee, my real name is Gabbi. Only my parents know that, and my closest friends of course! I live close to a school, but I am homeschooled, and I pursue my career as a digital artist. I'm 16. When I found out I was going to a public school, I almost screamed.



"MOM! You know I am super nervous about starting something new."

"Hon, you're just scared of meeting new people. How about a

makeover before school starts!"

"What-The mall?"

"The mall and hairdresser and Amazon"

"Whoop, Whoop, mom!"

August 25, 7:30 am

I'm nervous about how I look. My purple shoulder length hair is held back in hair clips, and I am dressed and ready to go.

8:40 am

I'm walking to my new classroom.

"Now class, we have a new student. Treat her with respect."

"New student?" everyone whispered.

"Come on in!"

I walked in, and silence greeted me.

"My name is Bee! I like to draw!" I announced.

"Hello!" the class said.

Lunch was great. I met really nice people. Maybe the outside world isn't so bad?



ABBY'S CORNER

By Abigail S.

Hey y'all. It's Abby. Sorry for missing last month, but I'M HERE NOW!!!! And I want to talk about something VERY serious and VERY important. Marshmello vs. Alan Walker!!!!!! BUM BUM BUM!!!

I like them both, but maaaaaaaybeeeeeee I like Alan Walker a little bit more. :) If you don't know who Alan Walker or Marshmello are, they are both DJs. They are famous because they write songs.

Second, this year's district musical is in production!!! Yay!!!! This year it is Willy Wonka and the Chocolate

Factory!!!! Playing Willy Wonka is GMS student Naomi K!!!

Finally, I would like to ask you to please submit some 'tea' for Da Gossip Gazette. There is a white basket in the library. If no one sends in any tea, Da Gossip Gazette may close down. Thank you, I'm sure the writer will appreciate it greatly.

That's all for this month. Thanks for reading, and I hope you read the next issue!!!

CREATIVE WRITING

TWO WRITTEN LETTERS

By Nolan H. and Zoe S.

To Goldy Locks,

Hi, my name is King Arthur. I know that you broke into the bear's house, so I am going to put you in my dungeon. If anyone, I mean anyone finds you, I will contact the people and tell them that you are wanted in jail. So in a few days, my team of police are going to find you.

Sincerely,

King Arthur

P.S. You will have to do the bear's dirty work for a month.

Dear King Arthur,

I didn't break into the bear's house. I mean, I did, but I thought it was abandoned! I know I broke the bear's chairs, and ate the porridge, and slept in the bed, but I was hungry and wanted to sit after the long walk. I was so tired!

Also, I will find Sasta, my child, and tell her to protect me from you. She takes karate and is a black belt for the King of Jumanjack, the Wonder City, only found on a block of gold, under a tree, in a chest. So well hidden only the worthy can find it. Just because you have a sword and a wizard, doesn't make you our king! Also, you're only like 40, how can you call a 40 year old a king?!

Sincerely,

Goldy Locks C.

P.S. Actually, I will find you.

THE SUPER SEVEN, PART 2

By Tony F.

Tony, Josh, Caiden, Daniel, Conor, Jacob F., and The NEW PLAYER Nathan W. (he was not on a team yet). All the guys wanted Nathan on their team. He picked Tony's team, the Chiefs. The Chiefs kept winning the Super Bowl after Nathan started playing with the team. One year, Jacob's team, the Bears, went to the Super Bowl, and it was a tie game 40 to 40. Tony's team got a touchdown, and Tony's team won again! The Chiefs won \$1,000,000! Nathan and Tony split it two ways, \$500,000 each.

Nathan got a Ferrari and Tony got a mansion

and a cyber truck. Then Tony got his own aquarium and added all the types of sharks and different types of fish, and it was beautiful. Tony even let people see his aquarium and charged \$5 per person. He earned \$10,000 for just one day, and he had \$100,000+\$10,000 because of his aquarium, and so he had \$110,000 and Nathan saved up his \$500,000.



CREATIVE WRITING

CAT POEMS

By Mary S.

Self reflection

I am kind
 I am sweet
 I am generous
 I am neat
 I have hope
 I have love
 I HDJFBDJFHDZAWVIKL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
 That was a hairball
 I am a cat
 And what just happened,
 I am fine with that.

Litter box

I see that comfy chair, I could pee
 on that
 I see your open laptop, I could pee
 on that
 I see your fresh empty lap, I could
 pee on that
 I'm sitting on your brand new coat,
 I could pee on this.
 I could pee on your pile of clothes
 I could pee on your turkey
 sandwich
 So be thankful and be glad that we
 have enough money for
 Litter boxes.

Let me IN!!!



Let me in let me in
 Let me in let me in
 Let me in let me in
 I have been scratching on this
 door for so long
 And you still won't let me in
 Wait, is that what I really hear?
 You getting out of your chair?
 You walking to the door?
 You opening the door?
 Yay, you let me in!
 Oh, it's kind of boring in here
 Goodbye.

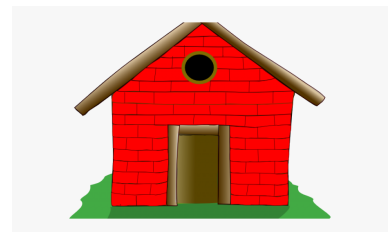
THE THREE LITTLE PIGS

By Josh C.

I'm the little piggy
 that made that brick house.
 Yeah, you should know me.
 The house that the wolf
 could not blow down; that's
 mine. I put a lot of work into
 that. On the other hand, my
 two brothers made their
 houses out of sticks and
 straw.

"That's trash!" I said.

I am over here in my
 brick mansion livin' like a
 king, and my brothers are
 running for their lives. I was
 thinking about why I picked
 brick. I picked it because it's
 better quality and more
 strong and stable.



CREATIVE WRITING

THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE 4: REIGN ON CHICAGO

By Isabella D., Niraj T., and Nolan H.

We were running to the monster truck shop. Then I saw it: the best monster truck ever. A lime green monster truck, with black stripes. It's perfect.

"AHHHHHHHHH! NOLAN, STOP DRIVING LIKE A MANIAC!" I yelled.

"Ok, Ok," said Nolan.

We were driving to the Willis Tower. Suddenly, Blueberry started barking at some zombies coming from the sewer. Nolan stopped the truck. There were zombies everywhere.

"What are we going to do now?" asked Niraj.

"ATTACK!" yelled Luke.

Luke grabbed a metal bar, Niraj went on Blueberry, and I pulled a pipe that was on the road. Nolan went back in the car to drive

over the zombies. Everyone was trying to finish off the zombies.

"GUYS, THERE'S TOO MANY ZOMBIES, FALL BACK!" I commanded.

We hopped in the truck and sped off to the Willis Tower...

MEANWHILE IN THE WILLIS TOWER...

"Sir... we didn't get them."

"AHHHH, IF YOU DON'T GET THEM, I WILL ELIMINATE YOU! You don't want that, RIGHT!?"

"No sir... I'm very sorry. I will do it right away."



"Great.. the plan is working."

Back with Izzy.

"So, do you know how much longer we have to go until we get to the Willis Tower?" asked Luke.

"About 10 to 20 minutes," replied Nolan.

When we got to the Willis Tower, the building was surrounded by zombies. We decided to stay in an abandoned building to get some rest and ambush the zombies at night.

"Guys, let's go," I whispered.

It was midnight, and we were tiptoeing through the maze of sleeping zombies. We were almost to the truck when I heard something snap.

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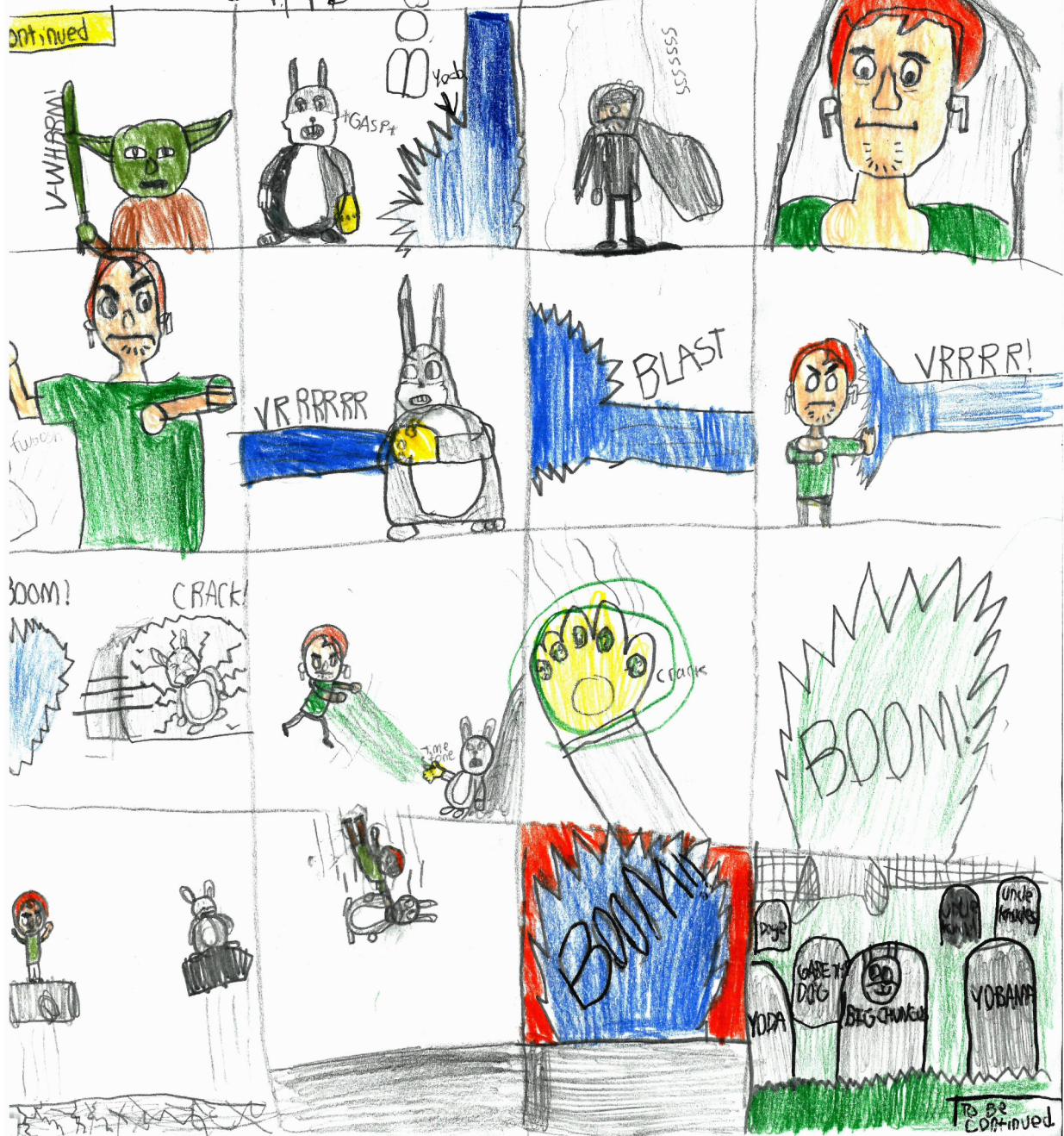
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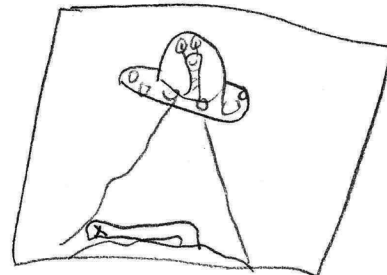
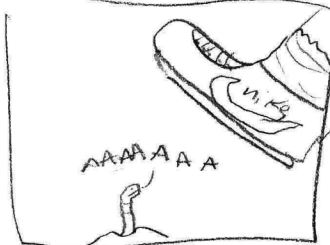
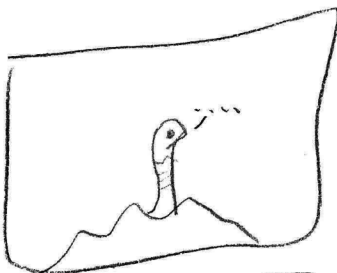
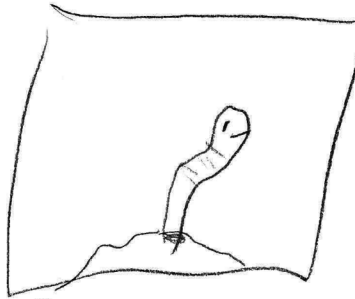
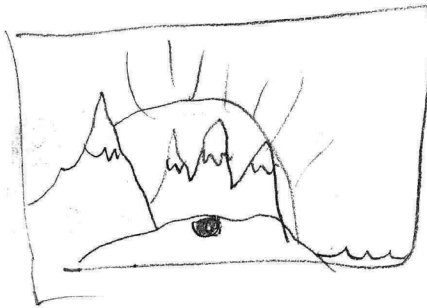
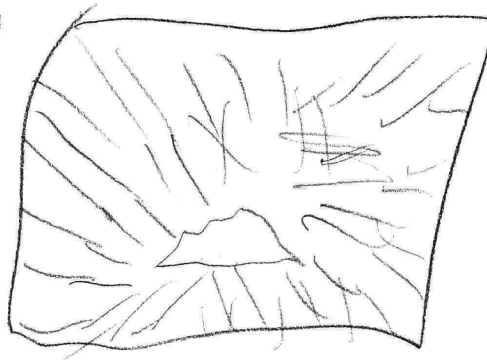
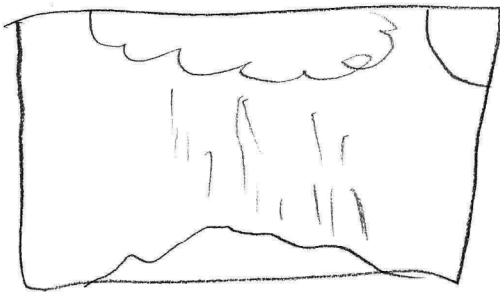
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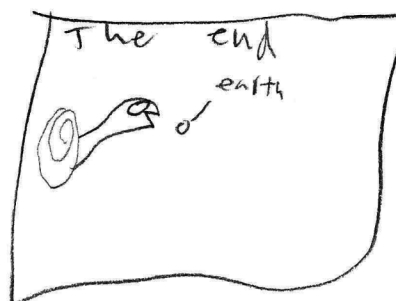
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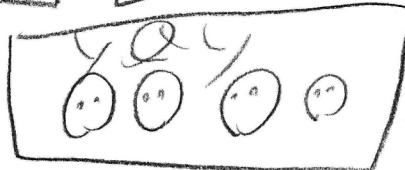
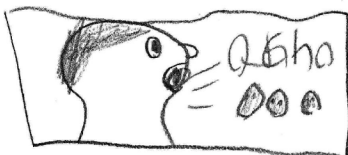
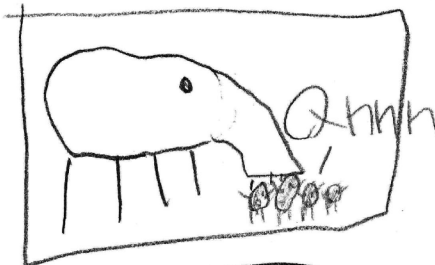
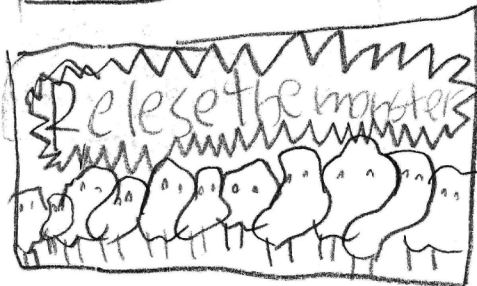
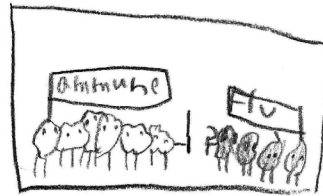
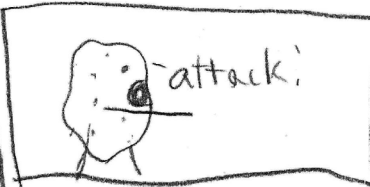


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Germ Wars

By: Luc G.

When someone gets sick



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Ever song way

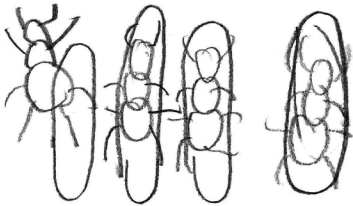


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the beetles come together

By Luke H

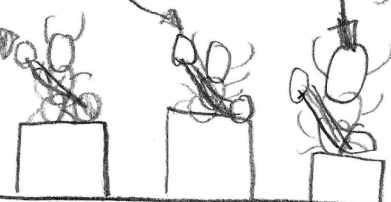
These are the
beetles



this is Bingo



this is Bohn,
Bawl and Beorge

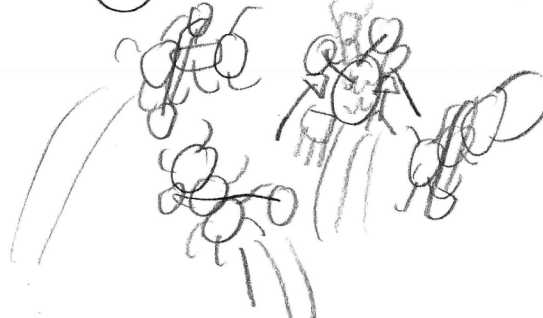


Whenever they
Play **come together**
this happens

♪ **come together**



♪ **Over me**



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The Great Easter Egg Hunt

By: Zoey G. & ...

The Great
Easter Egg
Hunt



yes! I found
the last egg.



RUN!!!



I will win
this!



I will win
this!



I will win
this!



WHAT?!



Sorry kid. I won't
actually give you
1 million dollars.



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