

# ~ Scholarly Articles ~

Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade Young Journalists of Indian River and St. Lucie Counties, Florida

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# Our principles guide our work. They outline our mission and what we value.







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The Young Journalist is a high-quality after-school academic enrichment program offered to third, fourth and fifth graders, where students are mentored on how to become journalists.

According to a survey released in August 2022 by the Afterschool Alliance, the 2022-2023 academic year began with 24.7 million U. S. students not enrolled in after-school care programs, who otherwise would be if their parents could find a spot.

The Young Journalist is unique in that while offering a safe and nurturing after-school care program, it is an academic enrichment program on journalism, as a discipline, which extends way beyond in-school learning in third, fourth and fifth grade. The program focuses on curiosity, advanced reading, and writing.

The Program allows children to read and write about what they want to read about.

The Young Journalist instills the following skills:

- 1. Curiosity: Good journalism starts with curiosity: a desire to learn about the world, to ask questions about how it works. It is also a result of an attempt to imagine what the results might be. Curiosity inspires further research and research requires reading. Reading requires writing, especially when students are free to write about whatever they are curious about.
- 2. Keyboard Skills: Access Google and understand how to search. To access Word, copy, paste, select images, save a document, attach a document, and email it.
- 3. Non-fiction reading and writing: A child learning how to read with fiction texts alone misses a unique opportunity to pique an independent interest in reading. Nonfiction helps children develop critical thinking, and analytical skills, as well as the ability to read and understand complex texts. More so, nonfiction can help students develop knowledge of their environment and society crucial in later grades as students begin reading more content-specific textbooks.
- 4. Reading A loud: Our program believes the best way to help a child learn to read is to have them read aloud (as opposed to being read to). Reading aloud significantly helps struggling readers. When reading aloud regularly, children improve their word recognition and accuracy.



Our Goal

- 5. Grammar and vocabulary. Our textbook has sections with detailed instruction on grammar and vocabulary. Students learn the value of a semicolon or a parenthesis and sounding out and knowing the meaning of sophisticated words such as idiosyncratic.
- 6. Phonics: A good way to think of phonics is being able to easily see "chunks" in words to pronounce them and figure out what they mean. (e.g., sponsorship. = SPON SOR SHIP)
- 7. Learning retention: This is the ability to store new information in one's long-term memory so a person can easily recall it and put that knowledge to use in the future. Research shows that an average learner forgets 70% of what they learned within 24 hours and 90% of what they learned in a week if they don't try to retain it. Online games, such as Blookit and Kahoot! help our students retain their learning.

- 9. Complete the first draft of the article they are writing about. Mentor students on how to proof-read and revise the draft with the most effective title, first sentence, contextualization, and to ensure there is no plagiarism. Mentor students on sentence structure.
- 10. Students gain self-confidence from showing around their articles printed in a real magazine. Those who were correspondents in broadcast videos gain self-confidence from telling people that they are on YouTube.

Please click on our website, featuring student's classroom photographs and broadcast videos from students at Fairlawn Magnet, Liberty Magnet, and Indian River Academy at <a href="https://www.theyoungjournalist.com">www.theyoungjournalist.com</a> or The Young Journalist on Facebook.

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## **The Willow Project**

**Taylor Baudo** 



The Willow Project is a \$6 billion oil drilling proposal by ConocoPhillips to drill for oil and gas in Alaska.

ConocoPhillips has said they could produce 180,000 barrels of oil a day. Environmentalists say that would release 260 million tons of carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide has been the main cause of climate change for over 30 years. The Willow Project is a 30-year plan. Ben Jealous, Sierra Club, stated "the carbon pollution it will spew into the air will have devastating effects for our communities, wildlife, and the climate."

The Willow Project needs to be stopped. Their offshore oil exploration, drilling and production will harm the environment, the climate, the Arctic wildlife, and the people nearby who depend on the land to survive.

In March 2023, the Biden administration approved this project knowing that 9.2 million metric tons of carbon pollution would be released into the atmosphere each year.

In conclusion, The Willow Project will bring big bucks, but the world cannot handle the carbon pollution it will produce. You can help stop The Willow Project. Write or email the White House, contact advocacy groups, use social media, or contact your local representatives.

"Oil and gas development should not happen at the expense of our health and our survival. Our communities are not sacrifice zones," according to Nuiqsut Mayor Rosemary Ahtuangaruak, a Federal judge in Alaska.

Sources: CNN.com, Voanews.com, thehill.com, americanprogress.org, nrdc.org, en.as.com

# The Chick-fil-A Mystery!

#### Jasmine Borg

It all began with a chicken sandwich. It was a hand-breaded, perfectly seasoned, pressure-cooked chicken sandwich, served on a toasted, buttered bun with two pickles.

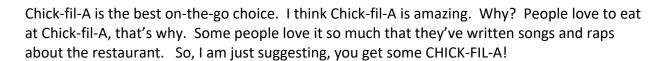
In 1946, S. Truett Cathy opened a tiny diner called the Dwarf Grill in Georgia. It was at this diner where the original Chick-fil-A chicken sandwich was created. The family-owned business has grown well. There are Chick-fil-As in 47 states and Washington, D.C. Chick-fil-A opened its first location in a mall in 1967. The first standalone restaurant was opened in 1986 in Atlanta. Now that they are so popular there are only 3 states without a Chick-fil-A restaurant.



#### **The Secret Chicks**

- The first 100 customers at a new Chick-fil-A restaurant get free Chick-fil-A for a year.
- Even though Chick-fil-A has lots of deep-fried fast food, they also offer healthier items like salads and grilled chicken options.
- The special Chick-fil-A sauce is just a combination of three sauces: honey mustard, barbecue, and ranch.

- The "A" in Chick-fil-A has a meaning: It's a play on the word "fillet." It also means grade A!
- To make sure no one finds the original chicken sandwich recipe, it is locked up in a safe at its headquarters in Atlanta.
- Chick-fil-A is the largest buyer of lemons in the world.
- Their website sells Chick-fil-A merchandise.
- Their waffle fries are the most ordered menu item!



Sources: YouTube, Enterepeter.com and Wikipedia



## **Louis Partridge**

Jasmine Borg and Adelie McClellan



Louis Partridge is an English actor. He has acted in movies and TV shows. He is best known for playing Lord Tewkesbury in both Enola Holmes films. He was born on June 3, 2003, in Wandsworth, London. He never thought he would be an actor; he always wanted to be a model. He became interested in acting when he was 10 and had a part in Robin Hood in school. Until a couple of years ago he thought of acting as just a hobby. He has never gone to drama school or had any formal acting training.

It all started in 2014 when he acted in two short films. In the next few years, he had small roles in films and a few TV episodes. He began to gain recognition from his role in Medici and Paddington 2. The role as Lord Tewkesbury in Enola Holmes brought him stardom.

Here are some cool facts about Louis Partridge: he is still in school and gets A's, he loves music and plays the piano, he is a Gemini, he is worth 1.5 million dollars, he played rugby and he was an Official Mascot at the Rugby World Cup 2015.

In conclusion, Louis Partridge is very cool and interesting. He is cool because he never had any training as an actor, but he's very good at it.

Sources: Wikipedia, imdb.com, tvovermind.com, nationaltoday.com, coolgirlcandles.com, famousbirthdays.com



### Grab a Pom Pom: It's Cheer Time!

Jasmine Borg and Isabella Vega

Cheerleading is a sport that many girls and a few boys' play. This sport can be dangerous and fun at the same time. Being on a cheerleading team teaches you many things. You learn physical endurance, strength training, flexibility, coordination, teamwork, leadership, enthusiasm, and skills like, cheering, jumping, tumbling, stunting, and dancing.



Cheerleading is more than jumping up and down waving pom poms while spelling out your team's name. Cheerleaders are the connection between the crowd and the team. Cheerleaders need to be pretty, strong, enthusiastic, and most importantly, confident in their ability to get the crowd to cheer.

#### Ready for try outs? How to make a cheer team:

- Research skill requirements as far in advance as possible
- Practice the tryout material at home
- Brush up on your basics
- Remember your performance during clinics are just as important as the actual tryout
- If your cheer tryout includes stunting, be a team player
- Take care of your body
- Hold a mock cheerleading tryout
- Dress to impress
- If you make a mistake, just roll with it
- Smile big and HAVE FUN



These tips will help you become a cheerleader, and don't forget, Be Safe!

Source: cheer-hg.com

# **Katy Perry**

Adelie McClellan



Katy Perry is an American singer, songwriter, actress and television personality. Katy is 38 years old and was born on October 25, 1984. Her music is a mix of disco, rock, and pop.

Katy's original name was not Katy Perry, but Katheryn Elizabeth Hudson. She changed her name in 2003 to avoid any mistakes with the actress Kate Hudson. She took on the stage name "Katy Perry," using her mom's name. Katy has two siblings named Davis Hudson and Angela Hudson.



When Katy was younger, she played the guitar and was looking for a career in Nashville with a Christian label, but her debut album *Katy Hudson* sold poorly. She then moved to L.A. In the beginning two separate record labels signed her, but then dropped her before any material was released.

In 2007 Capital Records put out a couple of her singles, and one of them, *I Kissed a Girl*, became a number one hit. In 2008 she released her first album, *One of The Boys*, which she wrote herself. Katy's most popular album is *Teenage Dream* which had five number one songs in a row on it. She was the first woman to achieve this milestone. *Dark Horse* is one of Katy's most successful songs. Her hit single, *Roar*, is one of the most streamed songs online.

She is regarded as the Queen of the 2010's. Her latest album, *Smile*, was released in 2020. Katy has released 6 studio albums, 1 compilation album, 39 singles, and 11 promotional singles.

Not only is Katy an American singer/songwriter she is also an actor. She has acted in nine films and has been on several television shows.



Currently, Katy is a judge on the talent show, American Idol. She has been a judge on the show for five years.

### Quick facts about Katy:

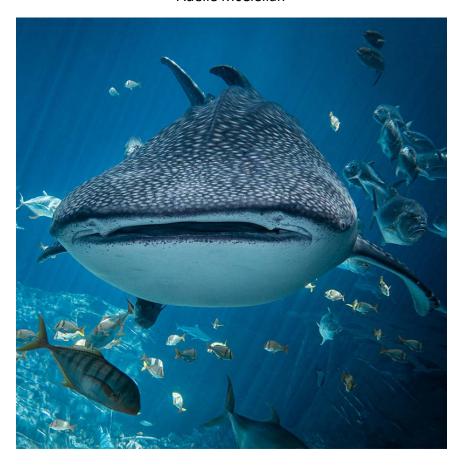
- She completed her GED after she left school at 15 years old.
- At age 17 she left her parents' home to pursue her music career.
- She has co-written songs for other famous artists.
- She is a Guinness World Record holder for reaching 100 million followers on Twitter.
- Her Super Bowl half time show was the most watched half time show.
- She was the voice of Smurfette in the Smurfs movies.
- Once done with her stage clothes she gives them away to her backstage crew.

Katy Perry is considered one of the greatest artists of today. She worked hard to become successful. In 2019 she is quoted as saying, "If you can believe in something great, then you can achieve something great." Check her out for yourself!

Sources: Wikipedia, bestevralbums.com, alexaanswers.amazon.com, youtube.com, mjsbigblog.com, lofficielibiza.com, uselessdaily.com

## Whale Shark World

Adelie McClellan



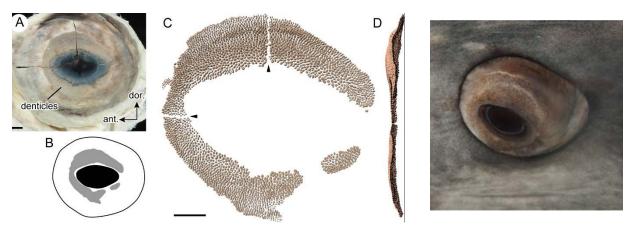
Whale Sharks are filter-feeding sharks and are the world's largest living fish. Only blue whales and fin whales are bigger than them. They can weigh up to 41,000 lbs. (about twice the weight of a school bus) and can be up to 18-33 feet long. They move at the speed of 3 miles per hour. They are slow swimmers but can migrate thousands of miles. They get hunted for their meat, liver oil, fins, and gills.

You do not have to worry about being bitten or eaten by a Whale Shark because they are not aggressive, and they do not threaten humans. You cannot touch them because it will damage the protective mucus layer that protects them against bacteria and parasites. They are also endangered which is another reason you are not allowed to touch them. They can live up to 100 years of age!

Whale Sharks have 3,000 very small teeth on each jaw which actually aren't used for feeding. They have a filtering structure, gill rakers, inside their mouth which allows them to eat shrimp and plankton, microscopic plants, and animals, by swimming with their mouths open. Their gill rakers strain out the food.

#### **FUN FACTS ABOUT WHALE SHARKS!**

They have teeth on their eyeballs and can retract their eyes into the sockets; all for protection.



They are ovoviviparous; producing eggs that hatch inside the mother.

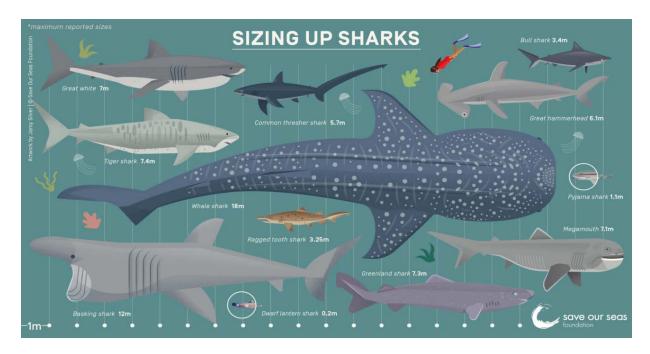
They are cartilaginous; their bodies are made from cartilage.

They are called "Gentle Giants."

They do not go to sleep because they have to keep moving but have times of deep rest.

The females are larger than the males.

#### WHALE SHARKS COMPARED TO OTHER SHARKS



Whale Sharks have a pretty pattern on their bodies. It's called a fingerprint and is unique to each shark. These spots and stripes are used for camouflage.





Fingerprints

In conclusion, I think Whale Sharks are fascinating because even though they are very big they are not aggressive and are harmless to humans.

Sources: britannica.com, a-zanimals.com, kids.nationalgeographic.com, shark-book.ai, worldwildlife.org, friendofthesea.org, barrierreef.org, fisheries.noaa.gov, pewtrusts.org

## **Michael Jackson**

Adelie McClellan and Taylor Baudo



Michael Joseph Jackson was born August 29, 1958. He is a famous American singer, songwriter, and dancer. He was one of the most entertaining pop musicians and is known for the moon walk, and he was nicknamed the "King of Pop."

Most of the Jackson family had music talent. The Jackson 5, also known as The Jacksons, was an American pop band. They performed together from 1964 to 1990. Their father, Joe Jackson, created the band and was their manager.

The Jacksons big break was when they performed and won a contest at Harlem's Apollo Theater. They got noticed by Gladys Knight and Bobby Taylor. Their next big break came in 1968. Motown Records' Berry Gordy liked them so much that he signed them a record label. Diana Ross helped introduce them to the world in concert and on TV.

In 1984 Michael Jackson announced he was leaving the Jackson 5. The other brothers continued to perform without him. Michael went solo because he wanted more stardom. He hired producer, Quincy Jones, to help him make and record his own solo album.



Jackson's first solo, "Got to Be There", was number four in 1971. His first number one hit was "Ben" in 1972. He made 10 studio albums, 3 soundtrack albums, 1 live album, 39 compilation albums, 10 video albums and 8 remix albums.



2009. There are a bunch of theories on how Michael Jackson died: 1) he took too many drugs that he was not supposed to, 2) his doctor killed him, and 3) he was buried alive. It is said that his last words were, "milk", which was his nickname for propofol. It was proven that propofol was the drug that caused his death. He overdosed the day that he died. His doctor was sent to prison for his death.

Michael Jackson's father, Joe Jackson, was extremely strict. He did not allow the kids to do a lot of stuff because he wanted them to stay out of gangs and bad trouble. When the Jackson 5 was practicing, their father would push them to work for hours. He would abuse them verbally if they made a mistake.

What happened to Michael Jackson's skin? Michael Jackson was black, but he had a skin condition called vitiligo. Because of the skin condition his skin had loss of pigmentation. But some said he was bleaching his skin because his skin was very white, not just patches, which vitiligo causes. He wore a glove because the vitiligo started on his hand. He was covering it up.

How did Michael Jackson die? He died from a cardiac arrest. Cardiac arrest is a sudden loss of heart function. It is not the same thing as a heart attack. He died in

#### **Facts about Michael Jackson:**

- His height was 5'9".
- He was the seventh of nine children.
- He was cast to play Peter Pan but turned it down.
- His favorite color was red.
- He has a moon crater named after him.
- He had a pet chimpanzee called Bubbles.
- His favorite Disney character was Pinocchio.

In conclusion, even though Michael Jackson did some inappropriate things, he still was very popular for his music. He is one of world's favorite music artists of all time.

Sources: motownmuseum.org, andscape.com, kidsbrittannica.com

### The Yellow Banana Lovers!

#### Isabella Vega

A minion is a follower or underling of a powerful person. They are wired to seek out and serve the most terrible of villains. Here are a few of my favorite yellow guys!



#### The King - Bob

Bob is the King of the Minions, though he is the youngest. He is the only Minion to ever become king. He is also the only minion to become a court judge.

#### The Smartest - Dave

The smartest Minion is Dave. He is very intelligent, but sometimes accident prone. Dave is also kind, caring, and funny. He is also awesome at video games like his friend Stuart.





#### The Tallest - Tim

Tim is the tallest Minion with short hair. He is usually seen dressed as a father, wearing a mustache and a tie. Tim seems selfish and rude.

#### **Most Mischievous - Stuart**

Stuart is the most mischievous Minion. He is always in a lot of trouble. Such as, spraying Carl with a fire extinguisher, dressing up like Lucy, driving a car with Dave and being used as a glow stick.



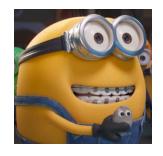


#### The Dumb One - Norbert

Norbert is the dumb one. He always comes out of the ocean naked. Then he runs back in and comes out wearing starfish or leaves. The narrator then says, "Norbert is an idiot."

#### **Braces Dude - Otto**

Otto is chatty, easily distracted and has a brace—induced lisp. He traded jewelry for a pet rock.





#### The Unofficial Leader - Kevin or Sir Kevin

Kevin is the only Minion to be knighted by the British Empire. He is usually seen wearing his golf apparel and also likes to play polo and cricket. He has a sense of humor and truly cares about all the Minions.

Everyone loves the Minions! We love how they look and how they talk! They are so silly and it's fun to watch them get in trouble and mess things up.



Sources: halloweencostumes.com/blob.com, rogerebert.com

### Meet Mrs. Watkins

#### Isabella Vega

Mrs. Watkins is my 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. She is my favorite teacher. She is kind and fun. It is so funny when she talks in different accents. She makes learning fun and easy. She explains everything in a way that we all understand. She is the best teacher ever. Interviewing her was so much fun.

Now, let's meet Mrs. Watkins.

Q: What is your favorite food? Corn dogs and fries

Q: What is your favorite color? Pink

Q: How long have you been teaching? 9 years

Q: Did you have a job before this if so, what was it? No, teaching was my first job.

Q: When is your birthday? February 10

Q: How old are you? 35 years old

Q: Do you like teaching? I love teaching.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do in your free time? Watch my kids play sports games.

Q: How many kids do you have and what are their names? I have 3 boys: Daegan, Roman, and Jameson.

I am so glad I got a chance to be in her class this year. I love her so much. She is the kind of

teacher that every student should have. Thanks for being a great teacher, Mrs. Watkins!



# This is Harry!

#### Isabella Vega

Harry Styles is a British singer, songwriter, and actor. He got his start on The X Factor. He auditioned solo with a Stevie Wonder song. He was 16 when he tried out. He did not win, but he was asked to be part of a boy band called One Direction. They toured the world and sold millions of albums. The band broke apart in 2015 because they really wanted to have their own singing career.



Harry went solo in 2016 and put together a small band. He is a very successful singer known for his many chart-topping singles and albums. He completed three single albums. His bestselling album was "Harry's House."

His music is a mix of classic rock, soft rock, and pop. He said he was influenced by the Rolling Stones, the Beatles, Pink Floyd, Fleetwood Mac, Harry Nilsson, and Shania Twain.

He also has started an acting career. These are the movies that he has been in: Dunkirk, Don't Worry Darling, and My Policeman.



#### **Facts about Harry Styles:**

- He has over forty tattoos, including a matching one with Ed Sheeren.
- He grew up in Holmes Chapel in England.
- He was working for a local bakery when he auditioned for The X Factor.
- He has been on an episode of iCarly.
- He has sold over 5.5 million albums.
- His best song is "Old Town Road" which was held for 19 weeks at #1.
- He is worth \$120 million.

- He is the first man to appear by himself on the cover of Vogue magazine.
- He plays the kazoo and can juggle.
- He had a hamster named Hamster.
- He was born February 1, 1994.
- He had a high school band named White Eskimo.
- He received a Grammy Award and the Brit Award for his song, "Watermelon Sugar."
- In 2022 he released his 3<sup>rd</sup> album. It broke world records and was the most streamed track on Spotify in 24 hours.



Despite his horrible clothing choices, I think Harry Style's is an amazing and talented songwriter and person. Check him out on YouTube.

Sources: Insider.com, Britannica.com, Last.fm.com

# Fairlawn Elementary



### The Perfect Low-Effort Pet

Katelyn Laster-Placko



Even if you think you can't handle or have the time for a pet, there's a pet out there for everyone. Let's start with the people who don't believe that. No matter how much you disagree, there is a pet out there made just for you.

If you think you can't take responsibility for a pet, you're wrong. There are millions of pets out there perfect for people who think like that.

One of them is a fish! Fish don't need you playing with them, walking them, or spending time with them. They are perfectly happy swimming in their tank and seeing you once a week; they'd probably see you more than once a week though.

If you are a student or just anything that takes up your mind and leads you to forgetting to feed or clean your fish's tank, that's fine! I mean you shouldn't starve your fish or leave them in nasty water but according to google, fish can last two to three days without food and at least ten percent of their tanks water should be changed once a week, so you can skip a few days of feeding and cleaning but try not to longer than three days at least for the feeding.

On top of that, they're super quiet and peaceful. While dogs are barking, and cats are meowing fish are just swimming in their tank enjoying their silent life. Imagine being stressed after a long day doing whatever you were doing and coming home to a loud barking dog. But instead, you get to come home to this little quiet fishie and watch it swim around minding its own business.

Fish are quiet, peaceful, independent, and beautiful!

## **Should We Have Driverless Cars?**

Charlie Lopez



Driver-less cars are not a very clever idea. In my opinion we should not have driverless cars because self-driving cars ignore traffic laws. They also have glitches, which is why we should not have them.

To begin with, driverless cars ignore traffic laws. For example, driverless cars cannot cross a double yellow line. What if there is a child in the road playing and the Tesla cannot cross the double yellow lines. The Tesla cannot cross over the double yellow lines because of its programming. According to imparker.com, From July 2021 to October 2022, the US Department of Transportation reported 605 crashes involving vehicles equipped with advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) – aka autopilot – and 474 of them were Teslas, that's three quarters of the accidents.

Wow that's just sad because what if they have families to take care of and they're in the hospital, hurt because of a Tesla. That's one reason why Tesla is bad.

In continuation, technology has many glitches so it might malfunction. Cars may malfunction at any time during the day. However, there are so many glitches in the self-driving cars that they might have a car crash or get hurt, or worse. If there are no glitches it might be a lot safer, and there will be less accidents.

In conclusion and to support my position, on February 16, 2023, CNN reported that Tesla is "recalling nearly 363,000 vehicles equipped with 'Full Self-Driving.' Tesla is a bad idea - a very bad idea because they have glitches, and they ignore traffic laws. So that's why a Tesla is a bad idea and why they shouldn't even exist, and Tesla would not be a very safe idea for a client.

## Why Oceans are Important?

#### Charlie Lopez



Vero Beach, Florida

We use the ocean every day like having fun at the beach. When you go to the beach you think Yay, I am going to have fun at the beach - but think of the other good it can do. Oceans are important because they hold many resources and habitat.

Initially, the oceans hold many resources like oil and salt. In *Valuable Ocean Resources* it said "salt comes from the oceans. Other minerals are mined from the oceans, also. They include copper nickel and iron." In other words, ocean resources are important because we need to use ocean resources every day. We use oil for our cars and iron for tools and if we had no oceans, we would not have almost half of the world's resources and, we will not be able to survive.

In *Home Sweet Ocean* it said, "kelp is a type of seaweed that is used to make many resources we use every day such as toothpaste."

If there were no more oceans there would be no more coral reefs. Like kelp, there would be no more resources because some of the resources are made from kelp. Coral reefs also give us air so without the oceans we would not even be able to breathe.

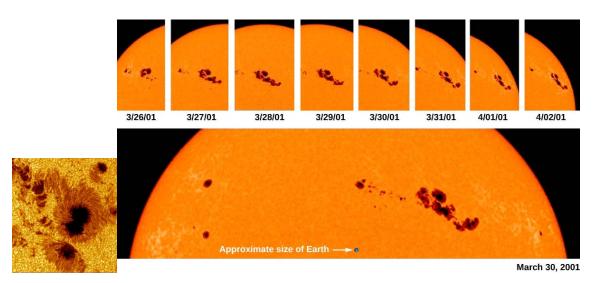
Moreover, many animals depend on the oceans. In *Home Sweet Ocean* it said, "thousands of sea creators live in or around coral reefs." Based on what I read, a lot of sea animals live in the oceans, and we need animals so they can give us protein and other thing that we need. So, we need the oceans to survive so habitats can keep the sea creatures safe. In *Home Sweet Ocean* it said, "kelp forest is home to many sea creatures including fish sea otter's urchins and some whales." In other words, the kelp forest is an important part of the oceans. It is home to many sea creatures like whales, fish, and other animals. So, if a habitat were destroyed a lot of fish would be endangered by now if there were no habitats.

Oceans are important it is home to many seas' creatures and other animals. And it holds a lot of resources that are a lot rarer than diamonds and gold.

### Should We be Concerned About the Sun?

#### Lakeisha Toussaint

Lately the sun has been acting weird. Usually, the sun goes through an Active calm Active cycle every 22 years. As it goes through these cycles it changes its magnetic fields. But for our planet earth, it has not changed its magnetic fields in the last 600,000 years. But the sun has gone through an active calm, calm cycle.



#### Sunspots

What are sunspots you may ask. Sunspots are black spots with raging storms inside the sun. Do not worry, the earth's atmosphere protects us from this radiation. The more sunspots the more active the sun is. During these last 44 years the sun has been calm. Most scientists predict that the sun has been getting angry. Also, scientists predict in 2025 we will feel some more active radiations.

#### What will we do?

We can put melatonin on. The more sunshine we get the more melatonin we need. What is melatonin you may ask? Melatonin is sunscreen, floppy hats, and other things we all use at the beach. If we do not use melatonin it may lead to cancer skin aging.

#### **SUN + WATER**

The sun is a gas Giant with plenty of hydrogen and other gases. If you were to use the whole earth's gas it would grow even bigger. It is because the chemicals inside the sun are multiplying, and it will make the sun live longer. Too bad we cannot see it because the sun has already eaten us.

### Autism, and ADHD. Reach Out and Help Disorders

Lakeisha Toussaint and Trinity Heinrichs

Tell me, have you heard this word: "Autistic"? Autistic means that something or someone has autism. But what is autism?

#### Autism is...

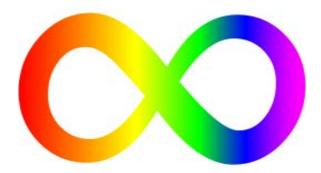
ASD or autism is a neurological disorder where one person thinks differently than the average person. It will cause someone to behave, communicate, interact, and learn differently. As someone ages it gets harder to identify autism in them. This makes it harder to diagnose older folk.

#### **Symptoms**

Autism causes restricted interests and repetitive movements or stimming. People with autism may have a tough time understanding others or have low/no empathy. They may interact and communicate differently by: Barely making eye contact, showing no interest to the words someone is saying, not responding to their name or any sign to attract attention, unusual tone of voice that may sound robotic, trouble understanding someone's intentions or thought process, and showing emotional signs not matching the present situation. Repetitive behaviors may include echolalia, a tough time letting go of an interest, getting upset with routine changes, and being more/less sensitive to light, sound, and/ or temperatures.

#### Where is the core of autism? Where does it come from?

Researchers have not found the primary cause of autism, but they theorize it is genetic. A sibling with autism may cause it or having older parents. Other genetic conditions such as down-syndrome may too. An exceptionally low birth weight could cause it too.



The neurodiversity symbol.

Neurodiversity describes the idea that people experience and interact with the world around them in many ways.

### **ADHD (Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder)**

#### **Trinity Heinrichs**

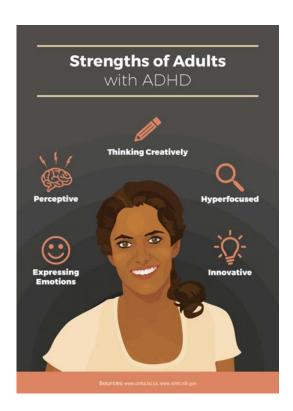
"She is ADHD." "He has ADHD." Have you ever heard that and never understood its meaning? Here, in this very article, you will learn much more than the definition of ADHD. So now, right to the question: What is ADHD?

#### ADHD is...

ADHD means attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, it is a neurological disorder that says itself, it causes a lack of attention. It starts early in childhood and moves along to adulthood. Males tend to have it more often than females and if a female gets it, its presentation is different from boys. It can be spotted in early school years. About 30% of children have ADHD. It cannot be cured or prevented; an education plan will get your child's education. ADHD can make you completely forget things as well as make you hyperfocus.

#### **Symptoms:**

ADHD has plenty of symptoms to it. Repetitive movements, or stimming, is one of these symptoms. Daydreaming may occur as well.



# Fellsmere Elementary



### **PokeRev**

#### Julius Gomez Castanon



Nick, better known as PokéRev, has been involved in the Pokémon community for over five years, but spans back to as early as the late '90s. The spark began at the age of nine with the original 151 Pokémon and has continued to grow ever since.

YouTube Star PokeRev was born on May 22, 1990, in United States (He's 32 years old now). In December of 2019, he joined YouTube. He is a Video creator who posts about Pokémon on his YouTube channel. He is a Pokémon card and other collectibles collector, investor, and speculator. Many of his movies contain information on collecting while also being humorous. He now has 580,000 subscribers.

PokeRev's income mainly comes from the work that created his reputation: a YouTube star. As of 11 January 2023, he is estimated to be worth over \$2.26 million.

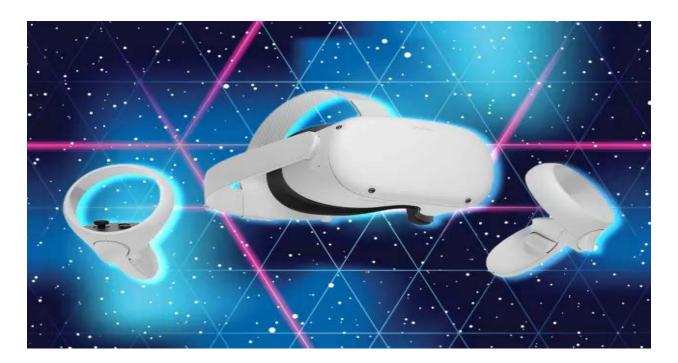
He is involved with many different aspects of the Pokémon TCG collection, from collecting to running an online collectibles store, to his newest passion, creating video content on YouTube.

After years of building up his collection and knowledge in the hobby, he decided it was Video creator who posts about Pokemon on his PokeRev YouTube channel. He is a collector, investor, and speculator of Pokemon cards and other related collectibles. Much of his content is comedic videos about collecting. He has amassed 1.5 million subscribers.

Poke Rev's net worth has grown exponentially over the last three years. His Pokemon revolution cards Instagram account features Pokémon content, family photos, and selfies. One of his most popular videos compares one cheap Pokémon deck with an expensive one. It has earned over 2 million views.

### Virtual Reality (VR)

Braiyan Escobedo



Everything that makes up our perception of reality is due to our senses. So, in theory, everyone's truth is unique to them. If you provide your senses with simulated or artificial information, your perception of reality changes – creating a new, virtual one.

Strapping on a virtual reality headset is a fantastic experience. In fact, it's so realistic that you almost feel as if you're visiting a location or taking part in an activity. However, the keyword in this sentence is "almost." Virtual reality isn't meant to replace real-life but instead enhance it. One of the best examples is how the travel industry uses virtual reality. For destinations and hotels, virtual reality is a research tool that enables potential guests to get a glimpse of what it would be like to visit or book a room.

Think you know virtual reality? We pulled together some of the most surprising VR facts out there. From virtual reality marketing to the technology itself, you're sure to find something interesting.

Virtual reality has come a long way in the last 50 years but is still considered an emerging tech. Funny how that works.

The first VR flight simulator was designed in 1929 and was known as a Link Trainer. Edwin A. Link, the inventor, used it to train pilots under dangerous flying conditions. This simulator emulated real flight windshields for them to practice flying an aircraft.

Some decades later, in 1961, Thomas Furness, a military engineer, developed the first flight simulator for the US Air Force. It sparked a lot of interest in VR technology.

Virtual reality is an end-to-end digital mechanism that mimics our natural surroundings through computer programming. In virtual reality, lifelike representations of humans react with virtual objects via mobiles or VR headsets to perform everyday tasks. These interactions are supplemented with cloud computing, AI, and multisensory human.

Modern-age gamers stream their content via VR projection from different geographical locations to expand their reach. However, the other industries are not far behind. Real estate, retail, supply chain, and logistics sectors are also eyeing VR for themselves.

The idea that virtual reality is expensive to produce comes up over and over from businesses interested in creating an experience. However, the truth is although virtual reality can be costly, it isn't always expensive. Like most things, virtual reality's price much depends on the scope of the project. Companies can spend hundreds of thousands of dollars investing in technology. Yet, other companies like YouVisit can create the same type of experience with costs ranging in the low to mid-five figures.



### **Jocelyn Martinez**

#### Darianna Gamez

Jocelyn is ten years old. Her favorite color Is pink. She loves anime. Her favorite anime character is Hatsune Miku and her favorite anime show is Komi Can't Communicate.



Jocelyn has three sisters, and she is the middle child. Her favorite ice cream flavor is bubble gum (no bubble gum pieces). Her favorite book is demon slayer volume 23 manga. It's about demon slayers fighting for from demons.



Jocelyn's favorite food is pizza rolls. Her favorite snack is pocky and her favorite flavor of pocky is strawberry. Jocelyn's favorite fast-food restaurant is chick fil a. She likes ordering grilled chicken nuggets 12 piece with a large waffle fry and a lemonade.



Jocelyn likes flamingo's because their cute and pink. She would like a chihuahua as a pet because they are cute and small. Right now, she has two birds, one's name is Lemonade, and the other is Blueberry.



Jocelyn's favorite show is hello kitty. Her favorite character is Pom Pom Purin. Her second favorite is My Melody. Her third favorite is Hello Kitty. These are her favorite because they are so cute.



Jocelyn was born in California 2012 December 6. She likes celebrating her birthday by going to dinner or having a small party with some friends. She likes to eat tacos or roman. She would like to get hello kitty or anime things.



Jocelyn has traveled to Mexico and to California. She likes going to the beaches and likes eating tacos or tamales. In California She likes to go to the food trucks and likes getting tacos but not with a lot of toppings.

### **Hatsune Miku**

Jocelyn Martinez



Hatsune Hatsune Mikus debuted at number one on the Japanese weekly Oricon album charts dated May 31, 2010, becoming the first Vocaloid album ever to top the charts. Mikus erupted into popularity and the blue-eyed vocalist got herself a great spot in pop culture internationally. Hatsune Mikus was focused on her music, but others enjoyed her cute voice and Moe appearance the more she propelled into the voice program into global stardom.

Mikus voice is based on the voice of the voice actor Saki Fujita to give greater reality to the vocals, a character was created with the photo of a 16-year-old girl, height 158 cm (about 5.18 ft) and weight of 48 kg, with the OG animation drawings by the Artist KEI.

Since being released in 2007, her popularity has erupted and led to her photo being licensed out for manner of character goods, games, figures, posters, and many other products. This includes her own music that she sings, which she performs vile in concert like other pop stars.

Well Known as the creator of Hatsune Miku, Sasaki Wataru is a software developer at Crypton Future Media, Miku is software developed to make a sing song, and Sasaki tells us the ideas that were behind the software he created.

She emerged as a 16-year-old singing android who reintroduced the skills to the world. Although there are other Vocalics, Hatsune Miku is perhaps the most well-known. She is a

singing voice synthesizer featured in over 100,000 songs released worldwide. Hatsune Miku means "The first Sound from the Future".

Her name is from the Japanese characters for first, sound, and future, so her name means "first sound from the future." According to her backstory, Hatsune Miku comes from a not-so-distant future where music was lost, she emerged as a 16-year-old singing android who reintroduced the skills to the world Her name is from the Japanese characters for first, sound, and future, so her name means "first sound from the future"

Many creators continued to post many edits or videos on social media they sometimes post videos of her singing. These type videos got tons of views and likes they also grew in popularity.

The SankeiBiz news website posted an article about the phenomenon of virtual pop star Hasutne Miku from a vision view, and in the article noted that the idol had created more than 10 billion Yen known in US \$120.28 Million dollars in revenue since she was first introduced in 2007.

### **Hello Kitty**

Jocelyn Martinez



Hello kitty was born November 1<sup>st</sup> of 1974. She is a personification of a Japanese bobtail cat. Her favorite colors are red, and she is a Scorpio.

#### Sanrio

Hello kitty is a fictional character created by Yuko Shizuku. Sanrio is known as hello kitty. Hello kitty fans have created games.

#### **Pompom Purin**

I love pompom Purin. He is a golden retriever who born on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

First introduced in 1996, he is golden with an acorn hat on his head; his star sign is an Aries; he loves cream caramel pudding.

#### My Melody

My melody is a pink and white rabbit. She is best friends with hello kitty and she is very honest, mature, and good-natured. She really loves her family and adores her hood, which her grandmother made.

#### **Cinnamon roll**

Cinnamon roll is a small shy chubby dog with white fur blue eyes pink cheeks and a plump and curly tail.

### **Soccer Legends According to Isidro**

Isidro Galvez Montes

#### Ronaldo

Ronaldo grew up in an impoverished Catholic Christian home, sharing a room with all his siblings. As a child, Ronaldo played for Andorinha from 1992 to 1995, where his father was the kit man, and later spent two years with Nacional. Ronaldo joined Clube Deportivo Nacional of Madeira and then transferred to Sporting Clube de Portugal (known as Sporting Lisbon), where he played for that club's various youth football (soccer) teams before making his debut on Sporting's first team in 2002. He signed with English powerhouse Manchester United in 2003.

Widely regarded as one of the greatest players of all time, Ronaldo has won five Ballon d'Or awards and four European Golden Shoes, the most by a European player. He has won 34 trophies in his career, including seven league titles, five UEFA Champions Leagues, the UEFA European Championship, and the UEFA Nations League.

#### Chicharito

The next player is Javier Hernández Balcázar, commonly known by the nickname Chicharito. He was born into a family of football players, as his father and grandfather both played for the Mexican national team. Javier's father was nicknamed "Chicharrons," or pea, for his green eyes. This is what landed Javier with the nickname "Chicharito", or little pea.

Born in the city of Guadalajara in northern Mexico, Hernandez cut his teeth in the game in the Chivas Guadalajara youth teams from the age of nine. He is known as 'Chicharito' (little pea) to distinguish him from his father, who was nicknamed 'Chicharo (pea) during his playing days. Play for Chivas real Madrid la Galaxy west ham.

#### Neymar

Early life: Neymar da Silva Santos Júnior was born in Mogi das Cruzes, São Paulo, to Neymar Santos Sr. and Nadine da Silva and had a Christian upbringing. He inherited his name from his father, who is a former footballer and became his son's advisor as Neymar's talents began to grow. As a child, he wanted to be everything – from Batman to Superman, and then, Power Rangers. Neymar was simply too hyperactive. Among all his childhood hobbies, football became the most cherished. Neymar's father recognized his son's incredible talent at a very young age and decided to help him pursue his dreams.

#### Neymar Jr

He played 230 professional games for his first club Santos FC, scoring 138 goals before moving to Barcelona in Europe, where he scored an impressive 105 goals in 186 games. Neymar's move from Santos also got Barcelona in trouble with Spain's tax office. In 2016, the Catalan club paid a fine of 5.5 million euros to settle a separate case brought by authorities. In that settlement, the club acknowledged it made "an error in the fiscal planning of the player's transfer."

Motivated to be a talisman at club level, Neymar transferred to PSG in 2017 in a move worth €222 million, making him the most expensive player ever. Amazingly, despite his distinguished career, Neymar has only won one trophy with the Brazil senior team, being the 2013 Confederations Cup.

#### Messi

Messi was born on June 24, 1987, in Rosario, Argentina. As a young boy, Messi tagged along when his two older brothers played soccer with their friends, unintimidated by the bigger boys. At the age of 8, he was recruited to join the youth system of Newell's Old Boys, a Rosario-based club. Growing up in a tight-knit, football-loving family, "Leo" developed a passion for the sport from an early age, playing constantly with his older brothers, Rodrigo and Matías, and his cousins, Maximiliano and Emanuel Bianucci, both of whom became professional footballers.

Messi played for Football Club Barcelona, where he first signed at age 13, until he joined the Paris Saint German (PSG) Football Club in August 2021 after spending more than 20 years in Barcelona. He also plays for the Argentina national team. By the age of 16, Messi made his first appearance for FC Barcelona, putting himself in the record books on May 1, 2005, as the youngest player to ever score a goal for the franchise.

The contract signed by Messi when he moved to Paris tied him to PSG until June 2023, while it also included a one-year extension option. Lionel Messi has won 42 trophies for club and country to date and is only behind Dani Alves in the list of most trophies won by a football player.

Lionel Messi ascended to new highs after recently lifting the FIFA World Cup 2022 with Argentina.

#### Pele

Pele childhood Pelé grew up in poverty in Bauru in the state of São Paulo. He earned extra money by working in tea shops as a servant. Taught to play by his father, he could not afford a proper football and usually played with either a sock stuffed with newspaper and tied with string or a grapefruit. Pelé began playing for Santos at age 15 and the Brazil national team at 16. During his international career, he won three FIFA World Cups: 1958, 1962 and 1970, the only player to do so. During his two-decade-long footballing career, Pele played only for two clubs, namely Santos and New York Cosmos.

#### **Diego Maradona**

Diego Armando Maradona, an Argentine soccer player, was born on October 30, 1960, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He was raised with his siblings — four sisters and two brothers — in a poor family. Maradona grew up in a shanty town in South Buenos Aires. At age three, he was given a soccer ball as a present.

Diego Armando Maradona was an Argentine soccer player and coach. He played for Argentinos Juniors, Boca Juniors, Barcelona, Napoli, Sevilla, Newell's Old Boys and the Argentina national

team. Maradona also coached Argentina, Textil Mandiyu, Racing Club, Al-Wasel, Fujairah, Dorados and Gymnasia de La Plata.

#### Kaka

Early life: Ricardo Izecson dos Santos Leite was born in Gama, Federal District, to Simone dos Santos, an elementary school teacher, and Bosco Izecson Pereira Leite, a civil engineer. He had a financially secure upbringing that allowed him to focus on both school and football at the same time.

1x Champions League winner				
06/07		AC Milan		
1x FIFA Club World Cup winner				
2007		AC Milan		

#### Ronaldino

Ronaldinho amassed several national and international trophies between Europe and America: he won 2 Spanish Championships, 2 Spanish Super Cups and 1 Champions League with Barcelona, while in America he won a Copa Libertadores and a Recopa Sudamericana with Atletico Mineiro. Born and raised in one of the most dangerous areas of Porto Alegre, his family would move to a prettier zone of the city when brother Roberto signed for Gremio. Unfortunately, their new home would also bring one of the most tragic moments in his life.

Ronaldinho started playing soccer when he was 6 years old. He was a very talented player and won many awards while playing for various clubs. In 2002, Ronaldinho joined Barcelona and became one of the best players in the world.

#### **MBAPPE**

As a child, Kylian Mbappé went to a private Catholic school in Bondy, where he was considered academically gifted but unruly. At 15, he began taking Spanish lessons and became fluent in the language. Growing up, his idols were Zinedine Zidane, Ronaldo Nazário, and Cristiano Ronaldo. Born in the capital in 1998 and raised in a sporting family in the Parisian suburb of Bondy, Kylian Mbappé first joined the French National Football Institution at Clairefontaine before moving to Monaco's academy. Also won a world cup in 2018.

#### SON

Son Heung-min was born in Chuanchen, Gangwon. His father, Son Woong-Jung, is a retired footballer turned manager who once played for the South Korea national B team. Son came through the academy at FC Seoul, the same club that former Spurs defender Lee Young-Pyo played for. His first club play for spurs also south Korea on has also represented South Korea at the 2018 Asian Games, where the team won gold, and the 2011, 2015, and 2019 editions of the AFC Asian Cup.

Team	Games	Goals
Hamburger SV	78	20
Hamburger SV II	6	1
South Korea	108	35
Total	635	225
Games	Goals	
2014 World Cup qualifiers	9	1
2018 World Cup qualifiers	12	7
2022 World Cup qualifiers	13	7
	34	15

#### **Lautaro Javier Martinez**

Lautaro Javier Martinez has scored 13 goals in 23 matches so far in the Serie A 2022/2023 season. 7 of the 13 goals were scored at home while he scored 6 goals at away games. Overall, Lautaro Javier Martinez's goals scored per 90 minutes is 0.65. Moreover, Martinez's total goal-contribution (goals + assists) is 16. Known as a lethal striker, Martínez leaves Atlanta as far and away the club's all-time leading goal scorer. In all competitions, Martínez has scored 111 goals for Atlanta United. Of those 111 goals, 103 were scored in MLS competition, including regular season and Audi MLS Cup Playoffs.

year	Goals	
	2019	8
Argentina	2020	2
Argentina	2021	6
	2022	4

### **Cristiano Ronaldo**

Isidro Galvez Montes



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#### First club

Ronaldo, at Sporting CP, is one of the few players to have made over 1,100 professional career appearances and has scored over 820 official senior career goals for club and country. Ronaldo began his senior career with Sporting CP, before signing with Manchester United in 2003, winning the FA Cup in his first season.

Personal information				
2002–2003	Sporting CP	(3)		
2003–2009	Manchester United	(84)		
2009–2018	Real Madrid	(311)		
2018–2021	Juventus	(81)		

#### **Trophies**

34 trophies

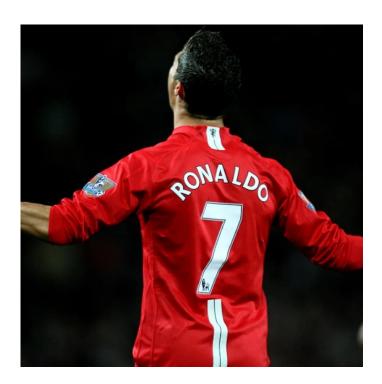
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#### **National goals**

Since October 2021, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has also been publishing an according list, but only of the top 10. Cristiano Ronaldo of Portugal holds the all-time record with 118 international goals.



### **Lionel Messi**

Isidro Galvez Montes



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Messi joined a team in 1995, Newell's old boys. His career goals total's goal he scored 234, 176 matches of the age 7 through 12 years. Then Messi joined FC Barcelona when he was 16-year-old. It was 2003 November 16; Messi won his first trophy the super Copa de Espana 4 to 0.

In Barca Messi won the champion League. He won the champion League 3 times. In 2009 he his first Balloon d'or. He did them in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2016, 2019, and 2021. The manager of the team in Barca was Pep Guardiola. With this manager they work together to win a lot of trophies

in Barca.



Messi left Barca in 2021.So, Messi joined Pairs Saint German, but Messi has his old friend back together it is Neymar. In 2022 Messi won the world cup!

### **Nayvee Nelson**

Layla Montoya



Nayvee Nelson is one of the adopted kids from "Not Enough Nelsons." Nayvee is my favorite Nelson. She is 15 years old, and her birthday is November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007. She is in a family of 18 with 16 kids and the parents. Nayvees name before adoption was Unique Destiny Grace but now it is Nayvee Grace Nelson.

This is NayVee Grace Nelson adoption story: The judge asked NayVee Nelson, "do you want to be adopted by this family?" NayVee said yes because she finally feels safe with this family and for the first 10 years of her life, she got called baby girl

Now NayVee is safe and still doing YouTube with her adoptive family.

I also like NayVee because her outfits they are so pretty, and her sister has her own shop! The Just Kass Shop, which is where Nayvee gets outfits from.

NayVee rocks and I would really like to meet her in person. I am such a big fan. I also really like her fashion and her morning routine. She is a Scorpio my zodiac is a Gemini.



### **Dream**

#### Raul Perez



Minecraft YouTuber Dream, has quickly risen up the creator hierarchy, which became one of the fastest-growing YouTube channels of 2020 and the number two overall creator of the year, according to the platform. The faceless green avatar with a knack for uncovering "Minecraft's" cavern-filled secrets has managed to acquire over 16 million subscribers in under two years. But what exactly makes Dream so unique and popular when there have been thousands of content creators building worlds with Minecraft's characteristic blocks?

Dream's personal life and identity are still unknown, with the sleepy-named YouTuber choosing to keep his face private. His online avatar is a simple figure drawn with a neon-green background. The figure's aesthetics are iconic, and easily recognizable to the average "Minecraft" viewer.

Dream created his YouTube channel in 2014 but it doesn't appear that he uploaded regularly until July 2019. In his first video, he intentionally "triggers" those watching by playing the game as poorly as possible, doing things like placing blocks on top of chests, killing sheep for their wool, and eating rotten flesh.

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### **Prestonplayz**

Raul Perez



Preston "TBNRFrags," also known as "PrestonPlayz" Arsement, is an American YouTuber best known for his various gaming content, as well as his prank and challenge videos.

The famous YouTuber and entrepreneur, Preston Blaine Arsement , better known as PrestonPlayz, entered this world on May 4, 1994, in Texas. Growing up, Arsement never even considered becoming an online presence but rather dreamt of becoming a professional paintball player. The YouTuber started his YouTube channel on July 4, 2012, but it wasn't until January 15, 2013, that he uploaded his first — and career-launching — video. Arsement has since grown into one of the most well-known and highest-paid YouTube personalities, with his line of merchandise, sponsors, and millions of fans across all of his social media platforms.



He graduated from high school in 2010 and started his career-opening YouTube channel — "TBNRFrags." It wasn't long after the launch that Arsement caught the attention of the multimedia business Machinima, who offered him to join their team "Respawn Crew" in 2011. Arsement launched his second YouTube channel, "PrestonPlayz," on July 4, 2012, but it wasn't until January 15, 2013, that he uploaded the first video.

He often collaborates with his friends and fellow creators, such as Nathan "NoBoom" Neef, Ian "SSundee" Stapleton, and Nathan "UnspeakableGaming." The guy plays a lot of video games, mostly Minecraft.

Nearly 12 million people subscribe to that four-year-old channel. You should check him out!

### **Bloxburg**

#### Meleena Ramirez



What is Bloxburg: Players can build and design their very own dream house, work, hang out with friends, explore the city of Bloxburg, and more!

#### What is the point of Bloxburg?

The point of Bloxburg is to teach you responsibility. For example, earning money, and being humble. Also, by teaching you how to take care of yourself.

#### Was Bloxburg ever free?

Bloxburg is not free to play on Roblox. It is still 25 robux to get access and play the game, unfortunately. In my opinion, I think it WAS planned to be free, but after the community was established, it being free was thrown out.

#### How long is 24 hours in Bloxburg?

One day in Welcome to Bloxburg is about 24 minutes real time. An hour in Welcome to Bloxburg is about 60 seconds. The time goes faster if most players in a server are sleeping at night.

#### Can you build your own house in Bloxburg?

Bloxburg is one of the most popular home building games on the market, and for good reason. The game offers a high degree of customization and flexibility when it comes to designing and building your dream home.

#### Does it cost money to build your house?

This house is free when players start playing Bloxburg. However, this lovely home of Robloxia costs 7,500 cash the next time they try to purchase it.



#### Meleena Ramirez



When I was born my mom and dad were both 17. My mom's name is Lupe Zamarripa and my dad's name is Luis Ramirez, but he is known as Keke. When my mom got out of the hospital, we moved into my grandparents' house.

According to my parents I was a troublemaker. I would drop all the plastic bottles on the floor. I would then run around on my tippy toes in my baby walker and giggle. When I was four we moved into a new, one story house. One day I was dropped off at my grandparents' house. I saw two dogs, a wiener dog, and a Chihuahua.

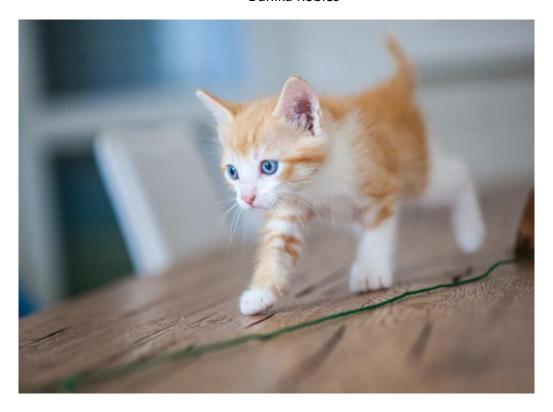
I was so happy and excited I froze with excitement. My mom and dad came back to pick me up.

On March 3, 2016, my mom had another baby. Her name is Adelynn Ramirez. I was so happy I was crying happy tears. But now I have lots of arguments with her. Now its 2023 and I am trying to be a better person because I have been with lots of mean people. They changed me but I have been doing better  $\mathfrak{S}$ . I love my life I have a lot of cousins, aunts, uncles, and lots of others.

My favorite cousin is Junee/ Rodolfo. He is hilarious! I love him as a cousin if he was never born, I don't know what I would do without him. I am now 11 soon to be 12 in four months. I love Everything and body in my life I appreciate everything in my life!!!

### **Things to Know About Cats**

Danika Robles



Cat, (Felis catus), also called house cat or domestic cat, domesticated member of the family Felidae, order Carnivora, and the smallest member of that family.

Cats have teeth and claws that adapt them admirably to a life of active hunting. Cats possess other features of their wild relatives in being basically carnivorous, remarkably agile and powerful, and finely coordinated in movement, finely molded heads, long tails that aid in balance, and specialized teeth and claws that adapt them admirably to a life of active hunting.

The house cat can revert to complete self-isolation.

The average weight of the household cat varies from 2.7 to 4.5 kg (6 to 10 pounds), although, among non-pedigreed cats, weights up to 12.7 kg (28 pounds) are not uncommon.

### **Chameleons**

Willow Roske



The chameleon is probably best known for the ability to change colors - but when the ancients named this lizard, they apparently had qualities in mind.

Chameleons mostly live in the rain forests and deserts of Africa. The color of their skin helps them blend in with their habitats. Chameleons that hang out in trees are usually green. Those that live in deserts are most likely brown.

Chameleons come in different sizes. The smallest ones can be as small as 2.5 centimeters. Larger ones can grow up to 68 centimeters. A chameleon can stretch out its tongue to make it as long as its entire body. The smallest chameleon has a special distinction. It is also one of the smallest vertebrates ever discovered. The leaf chameleon grows to just 0.5 inches (16 millimeters) and can sit comfortably on the head of a match.

Chameleons can change colors because of different light, temperature, and humidity. A chameleon eats insects, small birds, and other lizards. Chameleons in the wild live on trees but in places like Africa's Namib Desert, they live in holes to escape heat.



Most chameleons will lay eggs on the ground. They make nests for laying eggs. They go to the ground to lay their eggs. Once they are done, they bury the eggs. They then leave the eggs to incubate and hatch by themselves. Chameleons grow quickly and will mature within a year after hatching.

### Mexico

#### Ezmeralda Solis



Some facts about Mexico are that Mexico is home to the world's largest pyramid.

- 69 different languages are spoken in Mexico.
- Mexico City is the second city of the world with the largest number of museums.
- Mexico is the country with the largest number of taxi cabs in the world.
- Mexico is a big time Coca-Cola consumer.

#### What was México's real name?

The official legal name of the country is 'United Mexican States'. A federal republic organized in three powers: Executive Power, Legislative Power, and Judicial Power. It is made up of 32 federal entities, including Mexico City, which constitutes the capital of the country, and the three union powers reside.

#### How many people go missing in Mexico?

The latest update to the national registry of missing people kept by Mexico's attorney general's office shows that over the past two years, the number of disappeared has risen from 73,000 to more than 100,00.

#### How was Mexico created?

For 300-year Spain ruled the land until the early 1800's. At that time the local Mexicans revolted against Spanish rule. Father Miguel Hidalgo declared Mexico's independence with his famous cry of "Viva Mexico." In 1821, Mexico defeated the Spanish and gained full independence.

#### What are the meanings of the colors on the flag?

The red stripe represented the Spaniards that joined in the quest for Mexican Independence. Today, those meanings have shifted somewhat. In the modern age, the green represents hope and victory, the white represents unity, and the red pays tribute to the national heroes who have fought for Mexico over the years.

#### Who is the most famous person in Mexico?

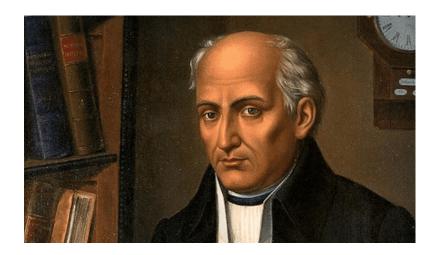
Magdalena Carmen Frida Kahlo y Calderón was a Mexican painter known for her many portraits, self-portraits, and works inspired by the nature and artifacts of Mexico.

#### When was Mexico founded?

September 27, 1821

#### Who found Mexico?

The first independence movement was led by radical Roman Catholic Priests, Father Miguel Hidalgo y Castillo and by Morelos y Pavan.



Father Miguel Hidalgo y Castillo



José María Teclo Morelos Pérez y Pavón

### **Disney**

Alan Vargas



Exactly 45 years ago, on May 30, 1967, the first ground was broken for the construction of the Walt Disneyland, amusement park in Anaheim, California, featuring characters, rides, and shows based on the creations of Walt Disney and the Disney Company. Though its central building, the Sleeping Beauty Castle, is modeled on Germany's Neuschwanstein Castle, it is an unmistakable icon of American popular culture. Disneyland is the only Disney theme park designed and built under the supervision of Walt Disney.

The Magic Kingdom opened on October 1, 1971. Costing approximately \$400 million over 18 months, the entire project employed over 9,000 construction workers. The property appraiser's office assessed the 2020 value of the Magic Kingdom at \$507 million, Epcot at \$553 million, Hollywood Studios at \$540 million, and Animal Kingdom at \$437 million, according to the newest round of lawsuits. Disneyland is just 500 acres — that means about 51 Disneylands can fit inside Disney World. Inside those 500 acres, Disneyland hosts two distinct parks the actors who played Mickey and Minnie Mouse were married.

Riverboat; and Tomorrowland, an optimistic vision of the future. Subsequent additions were New Orleans Square, based on the southern U.S. city of New Orleans; Bear Country, later renamed Critter Country, featuring the Country Bear Jamboree and the Splash Mountain ride; and Mickey's Toon town, a colorful world modeled on cartoon animation. A short-lived Holiday land existed from 1 Disneyland became a mecca for tourists from around the world. By the turn of the 21st century, more than 14 million people visited the park annually.

Interesting things you may not know about Disney are that you can't buy gum at Walt Disney World and Walt Disney never visited Walt Disney World.

### **All About Rabbits**

Esperanza Vargas



The European rabbit (Oryctolagus Cuniculus) has been introduced to many locations around the world, and all breeds of the domestic rabbit originate from the European Rabbit, any of 29 species of long-eared mammals.

The long ears of rabbits are most likely an adaptation for detecting predators. Each foot has five digits (one reduced); rabbits move about on the tips of the digits in a fashion known as digitigrade locomotion. The fur is generally long and soft, and its color ranges through shades of brown, gray, and buff. Exceptions are the black Amami rabbit (Pentalagus furnessi) of Japan and two black-striped species from Southeast Asia.

The tail is usually a small puff of fur, generally brownish but white on top in the cottontails (genus Sylvilagus) of North and South America. Rabbits are generally nocturnal, and they also are relatively silent. Other than loud screams when frightened or caught by a predator, the only auditory signal known for most species is a loud foot thump made to indicate alarm or aggression. A notable exception is the volcano rabbit (Romerolagus diazi) of Mexico, which utters a variety of calls.

The smallest rabbit is the pygmy rabbit (Brachylagus idahoensis), at only 7.9 inches in length and 0.9 pound in weight, while the largest grow to 19.7 inches and more than 4.4 pounds. Various native species of rabbit and hare are typical occupants of most other desert regions. The European rabbit occupies open landscapes such as fields, parks, and gardens, although it has colonized habitats from stony deserts to subalpine valleys. Rabbits make great pets, so the next time you're considering a pet, consider a rabbit!

### **Mexico Christmas versus United States Christmas**

Lizeth Zamora





n Mexico they celebrate Christmas by doing candlelit processions, elaborate nativity scenes, Spanish Christmas carols, dancing, and fireworks. In Mexico they also do posadas as a Mexican tradition. In Mexico they usually put "Nacimiento's" instead of putting up Christmas trees. In

Mexico they usually stay up till mid night on Christmas eve. They call it "Noche Buena." They stay up with families and friends celebrating. Tamales and pozole is something we eat on Christmas.

In the United States they decorate their trees with lights. They bake Christmas cookies and put them near their tree so when Santa comes, he can eat them. They write a letter to Santa so he can see it and bring them any toys they want. On Christmas they exchange gifts with friends and families.

Kids like to wear ugly sweaters on Christmas or for school on Christmas week. They also put Christmas lights outside their houses. They have Christmas dinner with friends and families. In the United States they eat turkey and mashed potatoes.





# **Glendale Elementary**



### **Dragons: Fire and Fury!**

#### Jared Gomez

The dragon is one of the most well-known mythological creatures. There are myths about dragons in many countries around the world such as Greece, Korea, and China. They can have powers related to nature such as ice, fire, lightning, earth, and water. Dragons can look and behave very differently from each other depending on which country the dragon is from.



One of the earliest dragon myths were created by the Chinese, though no one knows exactly how it was started. The Chinese dragons were believed to bring rain in the spring. The Chinese dragons are very fearsome. Chinese dragons were believed to be found throughout the land of ancient China.





The ancient Greeks also had dragon myths. It is said they found an alligator and thought it was a dragon. Dragons in Greek culture were freed, along with the titans, from Zeus by Typhon, one of the deadliest creatures in Greek mythology.

There are many different types of dragons in Greek mythology. The most famous of these is probably the Hydra, a giant serpent with nine heads that would produce two new heads if one were cut off. This beast was eventually destroyed by Hercules.

The Korean dragons were characterized by being benevolent rather than destructive like the European creatures. The dragon is very important to Korean culture as a part of mythology and in Korean art. Korean dragons in mythology were often portrayed as understanding complicated emotions and they could also speak. Dragons of Korea were similar in appearance to the dragons of China and Japan though the Korean dragons usually had longer beards.

### **Lady Liberty Shines Her Torch Upon the World**

Stephanie Tinawin

Did you know that the Statue of Liberty has another name? The Statue of Liberty is a giant copper statue that stands 305 feet tall and is made of copper. She was originally called *Liberty Enlightening the World*. The sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi designed the statue and Gustave Eiffel helped him with the metal framework.



The Statue of Liberty is very strong. In fact, she gets struck by lightning struck 600 times a year! There is a secret room in the flame of her torch which was closed after an explosion during World War I. It was said to be caused by German agents during the war. Unfortunately, you can't go inside the room because it has never been reopened. The Statue was completed in 1876 and has stood for almost 150 years.



## **Imagine Schools at South Vero**







# **Megalodon Monster Truck**

Cooper Applebee

Megalodon is a monster truck that's body is the shape of a shark.



This is a photo of my own shirt!

You can go on amazon and buy a megalodon t-shirt.

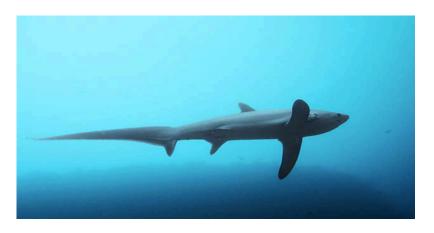
### Megalodon

This giant shark concept was developed into a Monster Jam truck in 2016. The monster truck made its Monster Jam debut on Jan. 7, 2017. The newest member of the monster truck family was an instant success in the Monster Jam competition. The megalodon inspired truck won the 2017 Monster Jam Triple Threat Series Central Championship. This larger-than-life truck quickly became a favorite at pit parties. Fans of all ages can enjoy an up-close look at this menacing monster truck at those parties.



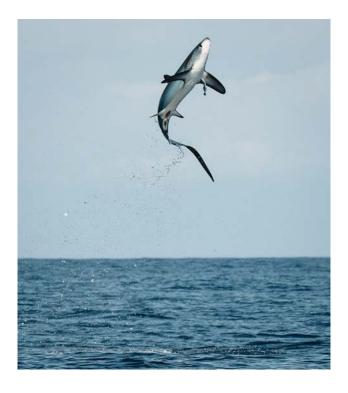
# **Threshing About**

Cooper Applebee



More than just a tail

Thresher sharks use their tail for more than just swimming. They also use their tails to kill or stun their prey. They whip the fish with their long tail and then swim in and have their meal.



**Thresher fact** 

Thresher Shark is found in tropical and temperate seas all over the world. They are highly migratory.

## **Donuts Daily**

Cameron Deleon



"Welcome to Dunkin', may I have your order?" the cashier says.

"Can I have a..." you pause. You were about to order a vanilla sprinkle donut but, you start to doze off thinking about the donut itself, and how it came to be.

Ever wondered how donuts are made? How about when they were invented? There might be a whole story about donuts that you don't know about; and there is. It even goes back to ancient eras. Here, let me tell you!

"Excuse me, are you going to order?"

### **Inventing the Donut**

Now, who do you think invented the donut? A person who needed ideas. A lazy chef? Nope, a captain. Specifically, a Maine sea captain, Hanson Gregory (1832 to 1921) invented the olykoek ("oil(y) cake"), or donut/doughnut as you would recognize it. (These olykoek were first brought to early New York (or New Amsterdam) by Dutch settlers.)

### So, what made him invent it?

It happened in 1847, as he sailed across the seas with his crew. He discovered the donut hole when he worked as a 15-year-old crewman on this lime-trading schooner.

The food that was regularly served was a little weird. Nobody liked it. The teenage sailor, Gregory, thought of a wonderful idea to fix the food problem amongst the crew. He would fry a blob of dough! He then made multiple blobs, so it was enough to feed the entire crew. Although, he wasn't the best at cooking.

### "Captain, they're raw!"

The olykoeks he fried were very undercooked. They had crispy edges but, the still-raw center was naturally disgusting to eat. Sailors even called them "sinkers." Youch!

So, Gregory, just at the age 15, thought of a solution. He took the lid off a water-tight, tin can that was used to store pepper in the ship's galley. Then, he used it to cut out the middle of the dough. This made it an "O" shape. These well fried doughs were delicious. The crew loved them.

News quickly spread across many ships, until this doughnut idea finally got put into a bakery shop. Then the idea spread again.

Before you knew it, the olykoeks, now called donuts, were just a common dessert item.

More people started inventing more flavors and types of donuts, and the ideas skyrocketed. Then the cutout holes were fried and enjoyed too. It is strange to think that a simple dessert item has such an interesting backstory.

Now, look at donuts today!

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# **Sour Snack Saga**

Cameron Deleon



Just imagine this, okay? You come home from a long day of school and grab your favorite snack from the pantry, Sour Patch Kids! But have you ever questioned how that got there? Not how it got in THAT exact place in your pantry, but how did it get in this position of a famous snack? Wouldn't people think that sour snacks aren't good from their first impressions? Well, get ready, because the story is a little crazy.

### **Rough Beginnings**

It all started somewhere before when companies started getting strange with their food to beat others. They put ingredients like Citric Acid on candy to make them sour. The companies thought it would be a good move, but they were wrong. Sour snacks weren't that big of a hit at all, and nobody cared for them. You would be called weird if you were seen eating something like that. But one day, something changed.



Around the 1950s, sour snack manufacturers had the genius idea of linking sour snacks with Halloween. This caused lots of children to get them from trick and treating and they didn't hesitate to try them out. It was no surprise that they loved it. This caused a huge spread of snack favorites which could mean companies can make more flavors, models, etcetera. That was amazing for them.

### **Sour Snacks Nowadays**

So, what about sour food today? Business is booming more than ever. Want proof? A source says, "Nearly 120 sour non-chocolate candy items were introduced during the past year, which added more than \$105 million in sales to the category." There are so many sour things that people regularly buy. Sour candy, gummies, spray, and more are bought daily, not even because of Halloween! Isn't that insane? So, that's how the Sour Patch Kids got there.

According to Candystore.com, the most popular type of Halloween candy are Sour Patch Kids. The runner-up favorites are Butterfinger and Dubble Bubble gum.

### How much money does Sour Patch make?

Euromonitor International estimates U.S. sales of Sour Patch Kids—one of the country's best-selling gummy-or-chew candies—were \$184.9 million last year, while sales of Swedish Fish were \$111.4 million.



# **Lana Del Rey**

Khloe Grant



Elizabeth Woolridge Grant is a music artist/actor born on June 21, 1985. She is mostly known as Lana Del Rey. People also call her Lizzy Grant. People say she is the Queen of "Sadcore". She started music when she was 17 years old. She became famous when she released a song called "Video Games" in 2011. Her song "Video Games" made the Billboard 100 in 2012. That was her first time making the Billboard charts. She has received multiple awards. She has also been in movies such as *Ride*, *The King*, and *Tropico* and many more. Her first ever movie was *Poolside* in 2010.



She started to make albums and get into music after singing in her church choir. We do not know for sure if she has any children. We only know that she might, and that perhaps her daughter's name is "Clementine" from Del Rey's song "Dance till We Die."

Del Rey is now 38 years old. Lizzy has many albums. She has eight studio albums, 32 single songs and many unreleased songs, and she is releasing a new album on March 24, 2023, called "Did You Know There is a Tunnel Under Ocean Blvd?"



Del Rey was born in Manhattan, New York, and has lived in many places. Her most streamed song is "Brooklyn Baby". It has 390 million views on Spotify. Her most streamed album is "Born to Die" from 2012.



To date, Del Rey has sold 6.4 million copies of the Born to Die album. Lana Del Rey has collaborated with many music industry people including Taylor Swift, Stevie Nicks, Gucci Guilty, The Weekend, and others. Del Rey is a very well-known music artist.

After reading this article, I hope it inspired you to further investigate this amazing song writer.

# **Extending Lives of Hamsters**

Zoey Hessler



There are many breeds of domesticated hamsters. The two most common kept for pets are Roborovski Dwarf hamsters and Syrian hamsters. Syrian hamsters are the number one choice of the two, but all other breeds will make a wonderful furry friend.

### Roborovski

The Roborovski hamster is one of the smallest hamsters you can keep. They are fast running hamsters with one of the most rapid heartbeats of any small rodent. A steady diet is extremely important for their wellbeing.



These furry friends eat pellet-shaped dry food you can buy from the pet store. I've found a good brand at Petsmart.

When buying dry food be sure to buy a brand with lots of fruits and vegetables and with 5% protein. This is very crucial for hamsters. If they do not get the proper share of nutrients they could get amyloidosis, Polycystic Disease, Pseudotuberculosis, Tularemia, or the worst disease of all – 'wet tail'. This disease is also known as watery diarrhea.

Once an animal such as a Robodwarfski hamster gets wet tail they most likely will pass away. Aside from the nutrient-rich dry pellets, hamsters need many fresh cuisines including lettuce, carrots, tomatoes, and seeds. This diverse diet is required each and every day. It doesn't matter if you give them dry food pellets, both diet assortments are necessary for a healthy hamster's life.

#### **Syrian Hamster**

There are many different names for this hamster such as the Golden hamster, Teddy Bear hamster, and many other labels.

Surprisingly, this hamster is known to be the largest breed of hamster. Syrian hamster is the most docile and able to be tamed.

You may have a hamster. Now, I want you to think to yourself what type of hamster it is and where you adopted it. These are important questions which could determine the personality of your pet.

I'm not saying all Syrian hamsters are the perfect pet, but they are amazing animals who deserve to be loved and cherished. If you do decide to get a hamster, make sure to give him or her plenty of chew toys.

Here's a little-known fact: hamsters' teeth never stop growing!

Something that may surprise you as well, so-called "pet safe" or "vet approved" hamster cages and products are not as safe as they may seem. A good life for your hamster requires much more than a simple wiry cage with a mesh wheel inside.



Brands like "Crittle Tail" cages are not necessarily a safe haven and home for your furry friend. These type cages can seem more like a prison instead of a roomy hacienda. The types of cages you should not buy look like this one.

For a normal happy hamster life, climbing through a conundrum of rainbow tubes is not very beneficial to this pet.

At first glance, this cage may definitely seem big enough for a small hamster. I mean, just look at its size! But sadly, it is not. Many companies that produce these products want people to believe that these inferior cages are good for our best hamster friends, but sadly they aren't. Just as harmful to the well-being of a pet hamster is a treadwheel that's too small. At the least, hamsters need an 11-inch wheel to avoid harming their spine. With a smaller wheel spine damage could occur over time. This can be deadly to them.

As you can see hamsters are amazing and wonderful pets, but like any cherished pet they need lots of quality care to survive.



Does this set-up give the hamsters an ideal home?

## Ken Burns: Real Life

Zoey Hessler



Ken Burns is a famous cinematographer, born Kenneth Lauren Burns, in 1953, in Brooklyn, New York.

Burns began his career in Brooklyn, until he could no longer afford his apartment, since its rent had risen from \$235 to \$335. He then moved in 1979 to Walpole, New Hampshire.

Walpole was, and is, a very special place for Ken Burns. He began his career there. Burns says that he "Does his best work, and is his best self in Walpole," where he met Amy Stechler, his soon-to-be wife. Burns also met his filming team in Walpole about three years into his career. Burns has four children: all girls. Their names are Sara, Lilly, Olivia, and Willa. "The acronym for my daughters is SLOW, which is the opposite of my life," said Burns. I completely agree, Ken Burns has done many amazing things.

In Walpole, Burns helped found his own market called "Burdick's." The store stocks many local meat, cheeses, and breads, along with organic fruits and vegetables. The market serves the community as well as Burns himself.

When burns had to stay in his editing room for days at a time, he would subsist solely on the restaurant's "Ken's salad." This dish consists of lettuce, grilled salmon, avocado, shaved parmesan, and lemon vinaigrette created by Burns himself. Many people have asked him if he checks his mercury levels frequently because he eats his fill of salmon.

The town of Walpole has seemingly transformed Mr. Burns into a humble, kind, and hardworking man. Always careful when using his celebrity fame, he has hosted a few meals at his diner/cafe, and once had agreed to display his Emmy awards, yet he has never used his popularity to snag a free meal. Most definitely a humble person, he has often stated: "I am a very small part in creating a wonderful thing.

### **Later life**

As you might be able to tell, Ken Burns stayed in Walpole to live and fulfill his life. He still makes guest appearances at his cafe and inspires many people daily. His latest project is the American Buffalo. It is a four-hour film about the herd tracking and life of the common American Buffalo. Ken Burns has and is living a fulfilling life and has contributed to our society through his documentaries and his cinematography. This contribution has improved not just his life, but all our lives.



Ken Burns: America's Storyteller

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## **Four Amusement Parks You Should Visit**

Zoey Hessler



Can you imagine after many days of waiting or driving, you can finally set foot on the world's greatest theme park? The excitement flows through you like a rushing river, yet where is this dreamy amusement park?

High quality theme parks can be key to enjoyment for children, yet which ones are worthwhile and which ones should you skip. According to Google, the top four amusement parks in 2023 are:

- \*Magic Kingdom
- \*Six Flags
- \*Universal Studios of Orlando
- \*Disney's Animal Kingdom

This does not imply that all other theme parks are not worth visiting, it just means these could be more engaging. Now, let's find out which parks will give you this incredible feeling.



### **Magic Kingdom**

Magic Kingdom consists of many rides, attractions, food, and shows. It is by far the most beloved park in the U.S. This park is more of a family friendly Disney attraction so there are not as many thrill rides as other parks. The more kid friendly attractions include, The Seven Dwarfs, Under the Sea Journey, Dumbo the Flying Elephant, It's A Small World, Prince Charming, Magic Carpets of Aladdin, and many more. If you are around age 10 and up (and of course meet the height limit) you may enjoy a ride like Space Mountain! Many people do have motion sickness or a fear of fast-moving rides so this park may be the way for you to enjoy it more slowly.

### Six Flags

When it comes to extreme parks Six flags might not be the one you think of because it is not in Disney or Universal, but it is home to some of the most terrifying rides in the world. Kingda Ka is the most frightening ride there is, according to a 2006 worldwide poll on amusement park rides. This ride has speeds up to 128 miles per hour, and standing at 456 feet, enough to scare even the bravest of your friends.

If you're adventuring at this amusement park you experience something like this: You finally stretch your legs and get out of the everlasting bus ride, you're quivering with excitement, fingers snatch up your back while your feet send you flying. Thinking the wait would be over, yet you still have to stand in a line for a good twenty minutes, boredom builds up until you finally set foot in one of the world's greatest amusement parks. The cold fast moving air chills you, immobilizing your entire body. You cannot bring yourself to try the tallest and fastest roller coaster there, maybe next time but overall, you believe it would be worth the wait!



#### **Universal Studios**

Universal is a popular place for schools or youth group trips. In result, it is one of the world's greatest parks. Universal is not just about thrilling rides. It has many shows, attractions, performances, and last but not least, food! Stomach rumbling and all, you will never go hungry at Orlando's Universal because you will always be surrounded by the aroma of delectable dining. These delicious restaurants include, Italian Kitchen, Hard Rock Cafe, Cowfish, and lastly Antojitos Authentic Mexican Food. It is a very important thing for these popular theme parks to always have food available.

There are many iconic rides at Universal including: The Hollywood Rip Ride Rockit, E.T. Adventure, Men in Black, the Pteranodon Flyers, and lastly the most iconic ride of them all, The Revenge of the Mummy.

When you enter the Hollywood Rip Ride Rockit you load into the cart, and it spirals slowly to the top, then suddenly it DROPS!!! Falling at speeds of 65 miles per hour and 167 feet down. E.T. adventure has a very special experience such as: you ride in a cart with a seat that appears to be a bicycle. Around you are projected screens of the area that you would see if you were in the actual E.T. movie.

Men In Black, or also known as MIB, is a ride that has you sit in a cart with a laser beam cannon in front of you. You actually blast the laser at targets of aliens that appear on a wall.

Pteranodon Flyers is one of the newest rides at Universal. Your experience will most likely play out like this: Your quivering legs step up the final step, hair flowing from the wind, you try to convince yourself to back out, but you waited too long. No, you will do this. You shake your head and load into the chair while faking a smile to the safety guard. Then, you take off! Eyes slammed shut, you feel the wonderful breeze flow up and over your body. This was undeniably the ride of your life.

Lastly but not least, The Revenge of The Mummy. In this ride you are in a cart with about 10 other people. The ride jolts you forward, lifting off your seat, then plopping you back down. You ride through the important stages of the movie before coming to an end. Boy you wish this experience lasted longer.



### **Disney's Animal Kingdom**

Finally, Disney's Animal Kingdom has many wondrous attractions proving it to be one of the world's favorite theme parks. At this amusement park the rides consist of Avatar Flight of Passage, Kali River Rapids, Na'vi River Journey, and for the extreme amusement park ride experience - Expedition Everest.

Some people don't have that rushing feeling for having the wind flowing through their hair with a mild stomachache propelling them onto a whirlwind ride, but theme parks are a key memory in many people's hearts, including mine. That said, you can experience any amusement park depending on your personality and interests, but I think we can all agree that amusement parks are just too fun!

# **Pollution: A Big Problem**

Gage Jaffe and Cooper Applebee



There is an island in the Pacific Ocean three times the size of France, and twice the size of Texas.

It's called the *Great Pacific Garbage Patch*. It was discovered in 1997.

Scientists estimate it is made up of 3.6 trillion pieces of plastic.

Approximately 1.15 to 2.41 million tons of plastic trash enter the ocean from rivers.



Garbage patch

#### **Ocean Pollution**

There are 2,204,304,000 pounds of trash produced each year or 5,250,000,000,000 pieces. There are more than 8 million tons of plastic entering the ocean each year. Marine animals will accidentally eat plastic waste which then breaks down into microplastics. Microplastics are worse for the animals. They're so small; they fill up the animals' tiny cells.





There are 1,400,000,000 pounds of trash produced on land each year or 2,600,000,000,000 pieces. Although there is not as much trash on land as there is in the ocean trash can go from the land into the ocean because it rolls off the land into the water. Waves suck the trash off beaches as well.

There are over 2,600 landfills across America. That's 52 per state. And that's why we are one of the biggest trash contributors in the world.

**Space Pollution** 



There are over 1 million manmade items in space. China is the biggest contributor to the trash in space. They have satellites that break down and stop working which creates debris in space; although satellites do breakdown, some trash comes from sending rockets filled with trash into space. Although space is seemingly endless, for all we know it is still bad to send garbage-filled rockets into space because this garbage can disconnect working satellites.

As you can see pollution is becoming a big problem in the world and very few avenues are trying to get rid of pollution. #Team Seas is trying to clean up the ocean. They have robots that clean the ocean as well as volunteers. Also, cub scouts and other civic organizations are trying to clean the roads and beaches.

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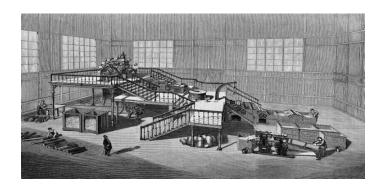
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# **How Paper is Made**

Gage Jaffe

Paper is made in two steps: cellulose fibers are put together to form pulp. Pulp is mixed with water and is placed on a special paper squishier that turns it into a paper by extracting all the liquid.

As you can see, paper has a very fascinating way of being made.









## The Bygone Days of Piano

Hannah McLaughlin



Picture this: Being in your home from the first day of school (or any day) and you enjoyed music class; it was amazing and brought you to your interests. You wonder if you could someday be great at something like that too.

Then it hits you.

There are so many instruments! Drums, guitars, flutes, and so on...

So which instruments would you like to play? I bet you have so many ideas and forgot about one.

Many people think the piano is a boring instrument. Well, they could be wrong! The piano is an amazing thing to play - though it takes lots of practice. Students take years to learn but people who were meant to play only take a couple. The thing is the piano can be tough. Giving up is a high percent chance of happening.

Though the point is that the piano can be life changing. There're so many reasons why you should play the piano. This article was brought to you to make you realize that the piano is worth a try. Don't just ignore it or give up. The bygone days of piano can still be current and fresh.

#### **Ludwig Van Beethoven**

Beethoven was a known piano player and composer. When he was five years old his father would wake him up in the middle of the night and make him play. If Ludwig stopped his father would beat him and make him play nonstop until he cried. His father wanted him to be a great musician; though he wasn't really a good dad as you can tell.

Beethoven was also known to have a bad temper. As he gets older and older, he starts to go deaf, and in one of his shows as a composer he shouts at the musicians because he thought his audience was disappointed. Then Caroline Unger turns him around to show him everyone was really cheering. He also had so much music going on in his head as he was deaf. It was mostly all he could hear, as he could only hear a few things.

His life was hard, and it wasn't fun. What would you do if you were forced to do the career that your *parents* picked out for you. No decision, no choice. Though he was known as one of the most experienced musicians, and many people came to his shows.

Anger was something that would happen a lot. He shouted and yelled. Perhaps he got it from all his frustrations of life, or maybe his father who wasn't a nice guy. We learned a lot of things from him on piano and other instruments, and he made many songs such as Fur Elise, Moonlight Sonata, Epilogue, IV. Presto, I. Allegro Con Brio, II. Prestissimo, and so much more...

One of his most popular songs is *Fur Elise*. It was not his song, but one of the most popular songs in the world of piano! When most people look up great piano songs to practice playing, *Fur Elise* is one of the most common to see. Though many others think it is too common and basic, it is pretty difficult and loved.

But on March 26, 1827, sadly, he died. New test results claim that it was because of lead poisoning. He was born on December 16, 1770, which means he lived fifty-seven years long. A lot of people honor him for his work and will keep doing this for many years. The cause of his deafness is unknown, but unfortunately it caused much difficulty in his life. Great things still come to our piano-paying and its future and many reasons are because of his inspiration.

#### **RUSH E**

Rush E was never really meant to become a song for everyone to play. It was meant to be a joke. Andrew Wrangell created and posted on the internet, "Rush E." Little did he know how popular it would become.

On YouTube, a channel called, "Music Sheet Boss" was trying to make a video. He was just trying to play around. This all happened four years ago according to YouTube, "How the song 'Rush E' came to be." The song was made because a piano channel on YouTube was trying to go viral with meme videos and boy did it work. It became the hardest piano song to play, and a song IMPOSSIBLE to play solo. Now "Rush E" is a fun and popular song to play!

#### How pianos were made

This amazing instrument with its beautiful sound has a lot of history behind its layers. One important thing to remember is that all instruments were made in some way. Thus, sometimes it's made in particular ways, but others are sometimes like each other. Yet the way the piano is made is unfolded in front of your eyes, right now, sparking your very interests.

The types of wood you use when you make piano are spruce, maple, mahogany, rosewoods, Brazil woods, or ebony woods. This isn't the end of our piano making ways, though. We also have other steps into it, as you didn't expect to just have the wood and be done with it, did you? Well, if you did you are far from correct.

"The soundboard is assembled from many small planks that are glued together edge-to-edge. The large sheet is cut into the desired shape and planed down to the proper thickness. It is then seasoned (dried) specifically to match the climate conditions where the buyer of the piano lives." This is explaining what to do with the wood to process the creation. Without using the steps, you might as well be lost if you are making the wonderfully talented instrument called the piano.



### The Way of How to Play

The Piano starts out with the basic keys: C, D, E, F, G, A, and B. On the Treble Clef and the Bass Clef you must learn many sayings to help you find your way around the notes. Easy sayings to remember are "Every Good Boy Does Fine" which contains the notes E, G, B, D, and F, which is on the Treble Clef and is for the lines and "Face" which as F, A, C, E, which has the spaces for the Treble Clef.

These are simple ways to remember piano notes.

Quarter notes are quick. You only must count once. Half notes take two counts. And the whole note uses four beats. This is what you learn when you first start. Other notes that are learned (but are tricky and you learn later) are Cicada notes, and eighth notes.

Cicada notes are fast, quicker than quarter notes. In order to play a cicada note you have to press quickly on the notes on the piano, almost so fast you barely touch it-but not too fast.

Eighth notes, however, are much harder. You must keep up the beat like this: One and two and three and four and... Better ways to help do this is to clap along. It gets faster and slower (or in the rhythm slower and faster, either way works.)

The piano has a lot of ways, hard or difficult, but once you play it and accept it into your life for a bit of years, you can start to understand it.

### **Perhaps Give Piano A Chance**

The piano may be difficult to learn, as you have discovered in this article, but as mentioned at the beginning, you should try this many-keyed instrument, as it may surprise you. The piano has the way to bring things to life. You do not need to be afraid that it might be difficult, because if you practice, it will not be hard, but you will achieve and succeed, and your talent will grow like plants. Maybe this will be your future, your job, or what lies in front of you. If you find it is for you, there is no doubt that you will not fail. You can do anything if you put hard work into it.

Give piano a chance; learn it on YouTube, or even try piano lessons! Or maybe use *Simple Piano*, the app.

Try it out and if you like it, you'll see, it is great.

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## The Eternity of Guinea Pigs

### Hannah Laughlin

Guinea pigs. The squeaking. The purring. Their week-week sound. You *never* get tired of it. These friendly pets can pop their little nose through the cage bars and let out excited sounds when their food bag gets shaken. Or they place tiny paws on the cage door in anticipation. They can even chew on the door before they jump right back in after they have been held. At least this is what my piggy does. She loves to do these things, in fact.

My guinea pig's full name is Ginger Snap Laughlin. Ginger Snap has a sassy attitude and lovable look (with her messy fur, cute popped out eyes and chubby body). Her eagerness for food delights me.



Ginger Snap Laughlin showing all her loveable qualities.

When you first get a guinea pig as a pet, you may not hold or touch it for three days or else it will cause stress to the animal. The guinea pig might get sick and die. Guinea pigs are social animals. They are better off with other guinea pig friends, but it's okay to have just one. More people actually prefer one guinea at a time, because these pets can make a lot of noise.

### **Feeding Your Guinea Pig**

Once you get your guinea pig, educate yourself to the proper food this pet needs to thrive. First, be cautious when feeding them fruits. It's toxic to feed them too much. Only certain fruits are safe. Berries, pineapple, and kiwifruit are okay to feed occasionally.

Next, feed your guinea pig plenty of vegetables. Your guinea pig loves veggies. Ever wondered which ones they can have? It's better to feed only green vegetables – like plants. They love

lettuce, and lettuce, and lettuce, AND LETTUCE, **AND LETTUCE**. Well...you get the point. They also enjoy carrots and Bell pepper and so many more!

Lasty, guinea pigs need hay and pellets. For my guinea pig's daily food basis, she has lettuce in the morning, hay all day, with pellets at night. Maybe give a treat for dessert. It will not make a big difference if you decide on another diet regime, but this is my pet's daily feeding schedule.

### **Keeping a Guinea Pig Happy and Healthy**

Guinea pigs need some type of bedding. This helps to keep them from scraping their paws and claws against the hard floor of their cage. Without bedding it's hard for them to walk around the cage.

They also like coverings for their cage. As prey animals, they like a small little hiding spot. They do not like to be out in the open. Without hiding spots, the guinea pig can worry and become stressed.

My guinea pig's home has a top floor. She uses that as a place to hide. When she's on the bottom of the cage this top floor is her shade. If you get a cage with a top floor (or platform) make sure to get a ladder for access.

Even though Ginger jumps up to get on her platform, your guinea pig might need an easier route. They also need wooden toys to chew on because their teeth grow long and fast. My guinea pig has a toy that is looped around with wooden circles, which she likes to num on.

Guinea pigs don't enjoy loud sounds. They get frightened. If you are playing video games or watching a movie, please use headphones or keep the volume low. Vacuuming or blending to make a smoothie can cause scary sounds too. Keep your guinea pig at a far distance form this. Guinea pigs like to be in little cubby carrying bags.

Speaking of carrying your guinea pig, when you try to pick them up, be careful not to frighten them. Remember, they are prey animals and easily scared when grabbed. Once they are safe in your arms, they will be calmed down. After you are done picking up and petting them, they like to get in their cage themself, so set them down and open the door and let them leap in. Ginger likes to chew on her door before she gets back in. This is to announce her arrival of returning home.

### **About My Guinea Piggy**

Ginger Snap Laughlin has a funny personality, and even popcorns when she's happy. Popcorning is a way guinea pigs show they are happy by running around and hopping. When it came time for me to hope to get a pet, I had one choice. Take a guinea pig...or get nothing. I had always wanted a dog. Yet would I pass on my one chance? No. Well, I didn't really *know* that I'd get a guinea pig, but I did beg anyways.

But there are many reasons why Guinea pigs make good pets. They have many fun things to do with you.

Ginger likes to listen to podcasts with me! Our favorite podcast is called *Six Minutes*. It's the world's most downloaded family podcast. *Six Minutes* is about a girl who wakes up in the icy waters of Juneau Alaska, not knowing even a bit that was left of her memory. Throughout the podcast you get to follow along with Holiday (the girl) and discover her past. It's a mix of mystery and sci-fi.

I have listened to every episode about a million times. I *still* listen today! Big news. Finally, there's season three. Even bigger news - I emailed the podcast. I asked them if I could be part of this new season. They actually said maybe! Now, I know, I know, I shouldn't be *too* excited, but I think I would be a GREAT asset to this podcast. Also, my little Gingy will be happy to hear her mama's voice on their favorite podcast.

Ginger Snap is super cute and funny. She has a hay bag she likes to stick her head in. Once she put her head up so high, she stuck it to the other side. Ginger also likes close-up photos.





**Guinea Pig Appreciation Day** 

Who knew that there was such a thing? I didn't! But I am glad about it. Guinea pigs deserve this special day. They do a lot for you as a pet. Guinea pigs are your alarm clock and your cutest pet. Guinea Pig Appreciation Day celebrates the love of these cute and cuddly creatures. They deserve a day. Guinea pigs make my world a better place. They can do this for you too.

## My Last Young Journalist Class: A Goodbye

### Hannah Laughlin

In my time with journalism, I have learned the importance of writing. It is even more important than I thought it was. I love writing. That was the main reason I joined this club. I want to be an author when I grow up so I can share my writing skills with many people.

I have hoped every day that I could do something important about writing. I am glad I have done this for two years (4 and 5 grades) of journalism. And my writing is on a google docs' paper. I love it so much; so, I am sad to leave it. Why am I leaving? Well, at my school the club is not available for middle school grades. I am going into sixth grade soon.

It makes my heart heavy to leave such a great experience, but I shall do what must be done. I only have a couple more minutes to type this, so I hope everyone who can read it will find inspiration through it.

For this semester, I've had a couple more ideas to write about that I didn't have the time to do. For example: the podcast *Six Minutes* (which I have included a bit in my Guinea pig article) and baking cakes. Lastly, my unfinished article titled, *Unjust Things*.

I do have some information to share about that last article. In it I talked about Publix's Free Cookies. To me, it seems that is unfair for the Publix workers who make them. Also, I talked about the unfair treatment from Whites and Blacks.

On that note, I must give a heart-felt shoutout to my friend from church who died this year in the shooting at the Martian King Luther parade in Fort Pierce. I pray that she is happy and safe in heaven.

Thank you all for your time. And, if at some time you do join the Young Journalist's Club, know that it will change your world.

## **Skate Factory**

Isabel Picaro-Dowd



Have you ever fallen on your butt while trying to learn how to skate? Do you know how to skate? Where do you skate? If your answer is that you go to Skate Factory in Vero Beach, then you'll probably want to hear this passage.

There are some perks to being at Skate Factory. One: You get to bring your own skates. Second: Free pizza on Friday. And third: Free candy when you win a game. There are a lot of fun things at Skate Factory.

Skate Factory can teach you how to skate. You can also be self-taught, take other lessons, or have been taught by family, friends, trained professionals, or even kind strangers.

You'll probably ask who invented skates that made places like Skate Factory exist. The inventor, M. Petitbled made 3-wheeler skates in Paris in 1819. And Skate Factory was invented in the 1860's when Plimpton opened the first Skate Factory in America



### A few facts about skates and skating:

- Roller skating is practiced by many Olympian athletes
- Many couples make their wedding vows on roller skates
- ➤ Roller skates brought the first meals on wheels
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- Amish youth used roller skates despite elder disapproval

While these communities have traditionally avoided cars, motorcycles, and even bikes, Amish youth took hold of rollerblading in the 1990s as a regular mode of transportation. Many of the elders disapproved of the new activity, but the sport and transportation mode remain in many Amish communities today.

I love skating and I hope you do too.

In closing, here are two more fun facts: While it took 100 years to come up with trucks, the inventor of roller skates made an unforgettable entrance.



John Joseph Merlin

John Joseph Merlin, an entrepreneur in the late 18th century, debuted his latest invention (which had already been invented 50 years earlier) at a grand masquerade party. Unfortunately, he hadn't quite got the hang of the skill, and he went crashing into the floorlength mirrors that lined the ballroom.

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# **Patriot's Opinion**

Isabel Picaro-Dowd

Hey, did you think the British were right during the Revolutionary War?

A book called *The Scarlet Stocking Spy* by Trinka Hakes Noble is about a girl named Maddy Rose who worked as a spy for the patriots.

A book called *Woods Runner* by Garry Paulsen is about a boy named Samuel who tried to save his ma and pa after being kidnapped by the British.

In a patriot's opinion, the American patriots were justified in fighting for freedom against the British.



In the story *The Scarlet Stocking Spy*, Maddy and her family were justified in fighting for independence against the British because the British killed Maddy's brother. The text says," Then Seth spoke softly. 'I have come to take Jonathan's place.'" This shows that Jonathan, aka Maddy's brother, is dead because the British killed him.

In the story *Woods Runner*, Samuel was justified in fighting for independence against the British because they kidnapped his parents. The text states," Samuel ran from body to body, but did not find his parents. They had been taken away." This shows that his parents were kidnapped.

If we didn't fight for freedom against the British, we'd still be controlled by them.

Do you think the American patriots were justified in fighting for freedom against the British?



# Cheetos

#### Parker Riddlehoover



Have you ever wondered where the orange sticky stuff on your fingers comes from when you get a certain puffed or crunchy snack? I am going to talk about these messy snacks.

Back during the Second World War time the military tried to make dehydrated foods, especially cheese. The cheese powder that was created was a smash hit because of its longer shelf life and lightweight properties.

Frito-Lay developed their cheesy snack cracker in 1948. They used this invented cheese for coating and flavoring. It was named "Cheetos".

Cheetos comes in different varieties and flavors. Varieties can be crunchy, puffed, popcorn, mac n cheese, fantastix, simply, or baked. Cheetos flavors include cheddar, cheddar jalapeno flamin' hot lime, flamin' hot tangy chili, white cheese, and chili cheese. These are just some of the flavors. There are actually 126 flavors of Cheetos!



What would be your favorite style and flavor of Cheetos?

My favorite is white cheddar puffs. My mom says she likes the baked Cheetos because they're healthier that the normally fried varieties.

Here's an interesting fact about Cheetos: it takes 5,000 cows to make a year's supply. I'm talking about producing the milk that's made into dried cheese. Why might you ask is it so much?

According to Kimberly Scott, Director of Communications at Pepsi Co. (parent company of Cheetos), a year-long production of Cheetos amounts to 11,000,000 million gallons of milk. This milk amounts to 10,000,000 pounds of cheddar cheese that's then used for the Cheetos dried-cheese seasoning.

So, the average cow produces 2,200 gallons of milk each year.

Whew. That's a lot of mooing.



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# **The Miami Dolphins**

Parker Riddlehoover

The Miami Dolphins is my favorite team.



The Miami Dolphins were really good back in the old days.

The three people I know on the current Miami Dolphins team are quarterback Tua Tagovailoa and wide receivers Tyreek Hill and Jaylen Waddle.

During a game on Christmas Day 2022, Dolphins' quarterback Tua Tagovailoa was thrown to the ground by a Cincinnati Bengals defender. He hit his head hard. It had a significant impact. He was taken off the field on a stretcher. The week before this injury, he suffered a severe concussion in that game.

Dolphin fans were devastated. Now with Tua gone, what would happen?

"Dolphins QB Tua Tagovailoa has cleared the concussion protocol after meeting with "several medical professionals," according to NFL Network's Ian Rapoport."

It seemed they were headed for a winning season. Tua was cleared, but it was too late to save this season.

### **Those Amazing 1972 Dolphins**

No pro football team ever improved more rapidly.

Starting from that first year of heartache in 1966, the Dolphins kept improving. That first year, the first game also got off to an amazing start. Running back Joe Auer returned the kickoff for a 95-yard touchdown. They were playing against the Oakland Raiders. But the Miami team didn't continue that tough playing. Oakland rallied to win. The Dolphins finished their first season with a 4-10 record.

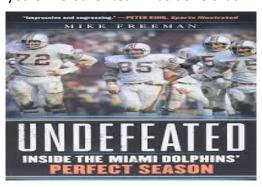
They were the ninth expansion team in the American Football League. In 1970 both leagues – the NFL and the AFL – joined together to become one league.

The Dolphins' athletics improved drastically in the six-year period from mid-1966 to 1972. The team was originally built by Joseph Robbie. Their stadium was named for him. In those six short years, Miami turned into the only National Football Federation team ever to record an amazing undefeated season.



The 1972 Miami Dolphins received the AFC Eastern division and the AFC challenge. The team defeated the Washington Redskins 14-7 in Super Bowl VII. They ended their 1972 season with an unblemished 17-0-0 record.

That record has stood for 51 years. No other team has done that.



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# **Teachers: A Career in Teaching**

**Ashley Riley** 



Have you ever wondered what it would be like if you chose to be a teacher? According to EDUCATION WEEK, "Only 12% percent say they're 'very satisfied' with their jobs..."

So, I asked my Homeroom, ELA, & S.S (Social Studies) teacher Mrs. Fritz how satisfied she was with her job. She says, "Oh yes. I love my job. Some people just don't know the struggles of teaching children, or it is too much for the teacher."

"So, you are one of the only 12% percent of teachers who enjoys teaching and doing your job?" I asked Mrs. Fritz.

"So, it's true? Yes."

Stats showed that 60% of teachers enjoyed their jobs. And according to EDUCATION WEEK, the number dropped down to 12%! Why? Find out in the coming article because most teachers do not enjoy teaching and are not satisfied with their jobs.

#### The Main Reason

"Most Teachers are unsatisfied with their jobs because **they feel burdened by a constantly growing workload**, especially with more students having greater academic and social-emotional needs than ever before. They don't feel like they're paid appropriately for all the work they do," says EDUCATION WEEK.

How can we fix this problem? Well, some teachers go on strike, causing more commotion than needed. And in the United States, "From 1968 to 2012 there have been over 839 teacher

strikes," says Twitter. And soon there will be more if we don't fix this problem. So, if schools know this problem exists, why aren't they doing anything about it?

#### The Cause of This Problem

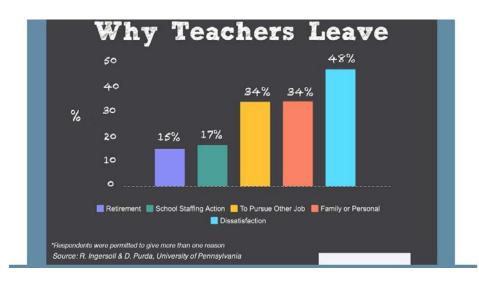
It seems this issue started because of the U.S. government. Apparently, the government decided that education should (and currently is) be underfunded in the USA because "funding inequities at the local school level are a result of local property taxes," according to Parents4PublicSchools.org.

"It's Inadequate and inequitable," as found on the epi.org website.

And the government affects a student's education. According to the website findlaw.com, "Each state's Constitution requires it to provide a school system where students may receive an education."

In my opinion, it's a stupid decision to underfund the education system in America because education is worth EVERYTHING! Suppose if you didn't have any chance at your education, you wouldn't get anywhere in life.

Education is everything to everyone.



# A.S.M.R: Finding Your Inner

Lauryn Riley



magine you are just silently minding your own business, or you're mindlessly on your phone, or just quietly doing your homework. Then you hear nails tapping out a rhythmic sound, or you hear scratching on a board, or maybe hear some soft crinkling sounds, or perhaps you perceive some lulling voices. These sounds create a satisfying moment for you. They make you peaceful.

Well guess what, it's so peaceful you want more. You can get more. But first we want to be specific. Different types of autonomous sensory meridian response (A.S.M.R.) create healthy, satisfying moments for people. Mostly the types of these soothing methods, including the Meridian Tapping, are whispering, blowing, crinkling, chewing, humming, scratching, and lastly, finger tapping and page turning. It's a lot of information to know about. By having all of these options, you can create special moments for yourself with a specific, tingly experience that you especially like.

A.S.M.R. does have many positive effects. And helps by improving mood and pain symptoms. Studies also show A.S.M.R. may help get you and your brain into the right state for deep, healthy sleep by promoting relaxation and theta brainwaves.

#### Some Reactions of A.S.M.R.

Lots of people say A.S.M.R. is creepily relaxing, or calmly satisfying. But showing people's reactions tells the full truth.

"The kind of music I like at night. A.S.MR. sounds! Anyone else?" YouTube.

"His sound was like A.S.M.R. to her." Moon on YouTube.

These statements show a few things that may be true about you as well.

For example, people who experience A.S.M.R. may exhibit greater levels of neuroticism. And many people with high anxiety levels may experience heightened A.S.M.R. effects.

If someone is addicted to A.S.M.R. they balance and manage the experiences. It could be they deal with this stress or anxiety better. And they are also relieved from anything else they must deal with.

According to studies, people across the globe report A.S.M.R. as being helpful for reducing stress and falling asleep, with benefits for anxiety, insomnia, and depression.

So, you like A.S.M.R.

Now, let's find out your special type of A.S.M.R. The one that gives you a soothing connection away from reality. Here are a few examples:

**Typing:** It can send you to sleep or assist with concentration.

**Crinkling:** Can produce relaxation, helping the person de-stress.

**Humming:** For some humming acts like a nighttime lullaby.

**Eye contact:** This is all about long lasting eye contact giving viewers a sense of intimacy and companionship.

**Eating and Chewing:** It can focus the viewer's attention on a sound coming from someone's mouth. This can be loud and crunchy or soft and slurpy.

**Kissing:** This seems to be the one that people like the least.

So really, what type are you? What's your A.S.M.R. preference? Try giving A.S.M.R. a chance! After all, I believe we all need a little Zen in life.

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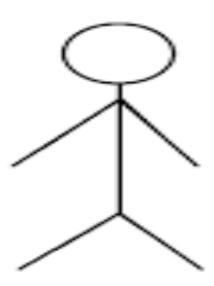
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# **Indian River Academy**



# **Stickman**

Ernesto Garcia



A stick figure, also known as a stickman, is a very simple drawing of a person or an animal, composed of a few lines, curves, and dots. A circle most often represents the head of a stick figure, which can be enhanced by the addition of decorative details such as eyes, a mouth, or hair.

They are easy to draw, and I like to draw them when I am bored or want to be creative.

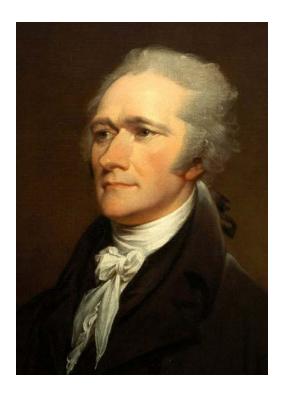
First you draw the head and then the body and then the legs and then the arms. Be creative! Give it a face, put a hat on it, clothes; make it big, make it small.

Sometimes you can cut out the stickman and play with it as a figure.

The stick figure is recognized all over the world tracing back its roots for almost 30,000 years. Its simplicity and versatility led to the stick figure being used for a variety of purposes: infographics, signage, comics, animations, games, film, and storyboards. Many kinds of visual media all employ the stickman.

# **Aaron Burr Killed Alexander Hamilton**

By Rebecca McGriff





Alexander Hamilton

Aaron Burr

Who was Alexander Hamilton? To begin, Alexander Hamilton was not born in the United States. He was born on January 11, 1757, in Charlestown, St. Kitts Nevis.

Alexander Hamilton was born to an abusive dad and when he was 13 his mom died of Yellow Fever. Then just two years later (at 15) his dad left him poor, and he went and moved in with his cousin, but then left when the cousin committed suicide.

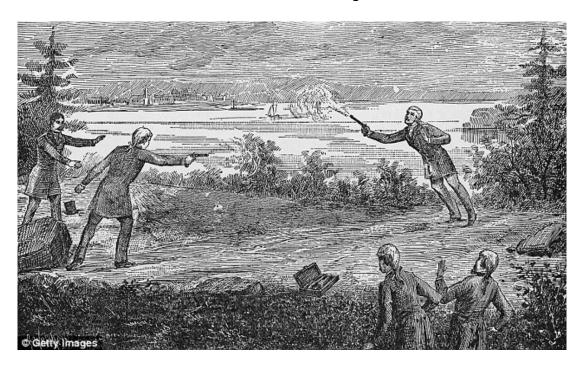
In 1780 Hamilton met Eliza Schuyler at a winter ball. They were both around 20 years old and had eight children, Philip, James, Angelica, Eliza, Alexander Jr., John, and William.

In 1801 Hamilton's first child, Philip, was shot and died in a dual with New York lawyer John Ecker. Research does not indicate if Ecker went to jail. The duel took place in Paulus Hook, New Jersey (today Jersey City), a few miles from where the elder Hamilton died the same way...in a dual with Aaron Burr, which is the most famous duel in American history. The immediate cause of the duel was offending remarks Hamilton had allegedly made about Burr at a dinner.

Federalist Alexander Hamilton supported Thomas Jefferson over Aaron Burr as the presidential election of 1800 played out in the House of Representatives. It took 36 ballots in the House before Jefferson, with help from his rival Alexander Hamilton, defeated Burr.

Alexander Hamilton became a leading voice of Federalists, who believed that the federal government needed to be strong. On the other side, Thomas Jefferson, a Republican, argued that too much power in the hands of the federal government would to tyranny.

The election only added to the conflict between Hamilton and Burr, leading in part to the 1804 dual that left Hamilton dead and Vice President Burr charged with murder.



## Who was Aaron Burr?

Arrest warrants were issued for Burr, whom many now viewed as a murderer, and he fled to Philadelphia.

Although dueling was illegal, Burr was never tried, and all charges against him were eventually dropped. Nevertheless, Hamilton's death ended Burr's political career.

He never recovered from killing Hamilton. His reputation and career took a major hit, especially when his term as vice president came to an end in 1805. Two years later, Burr was arrested on charges of treason after the plan of the secession of a few western states.

Aaron Burr was born in Newark, New Jersey on February 6, 1756. He was the third vice president of the United States (1801-1805).

In 1778 Aaron met Theodosia Bartow while she was married to Jacques Marcus, who was a British Army officer.

But Burr had two children with Mary Emmons: John Pierre Burr and Louisa Charlotte Burr.

During the Revolutionary War Aaron Burr was a lieutenant colonel who fought off raids into New Jersey and defended a pass into Valley Forge during the winter of 1777-1778.

In 1801 (just three years before Alexander Hamilton died) Aaron Burr became vice president with Thomas Jefferson was President.



# **Liberty Magnet**



# **How Was McDonalds Invented?**

## **Heath Todd Bryant**

In 1954, Ray Kroc visited a restaurant in San Bernardino, California operated by Richard and Maurice McDonald. He found it to be a small but successful restaurant and was stunned by the effectiveness of their operation. The McDonald's brothers, concentrated on just a few items – burgers, fries, and beverages – which allowed them to focus on quality and quick service.

Dick and Mac McDonald had moved to California to seek opportunities they felt unavailable in New England. Failing in the movie business, they subsequently proved successful in operating drive-in restaurants. In 1948 they took a risk by streamlining their operations and introducing their Speedee Service System featuring 15 cent hamburgers. The restaurant's success led the brothers to begin franchising their concept.



Historic site of the world's first McDonald's restaurant.

The McDonald brothers were looking for a new franchising agent and Ray Kroc saw an opportunity. In 1955, he founded McDonald's System, Inc., a predecessor of the McDonald's Corporation, and six years later bought the exclusive rights to the McDonald's name and operating system. By 1958, McDonald's had sold its 100 millionth hamburger.

He purchased the fast-food company McDonald's in 1961 and was its CEO from 1967 to 1973. Kroc is credited with the global expansion of McDonald's, turning it into the most successful fast-food corporation in the world. Wikipedia .



Richard McDonald



Maurice McDonald



Ray Kroc

At the San Bernardino location, Dick and Mac McDonald perfected their Speedee Service System featuring a limited menu including fifteen cent hamburgers, shakes and fries. The brothers sold 14 franchises of which 10 became operating restaurants not including their original location in San Bernardino.

They did not flex their money to poor people, they gave the poor money. And this was before families became enchanted with the thrill and convenience of popping TV dinners into the oven; before preservatives and GMOs allowed food in mass quantities to be processed, preserved, and transported in refrigerated trucks and served up in disposable packaging at fast-food franchises for quick consumption on the go to harried ballet; before families became enchanted with the thrill and convenience of popping TV dinners into the oven; before preservatives.

## **Early History**

It originally was a drive-in that offered a wide selection of items. However, in 1948 the brothers decided to revamp the business, and after a three-month renovation, a newly envisioned McDonald's opened. The small restaurant was designed to produce huge quantities of food at low prices. Ray Kroc wanted to build a restaurant system that would be famous for providing food of consistently high quality and uniform methods of preparation. He wanted to serve burgers, fries and beverages that tasted just the same in Alaska as they did in Alabama.

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# **How Were Planets Made?**

#### Cameron

The Sun and the planets formed together 4.6 billion years ago, from a cloud of gas and dust called the solar nebula. Solar nebula is defined by Britannica as "a gaseous cloud gaseous cloud from which, in the so-called nebular hypothesis of the origin of the solar system, the Sun and planets formed by condensation."

A shock wave from a nearby supernova explosion probably initiated the collapse of the solar nebula. Wikipedia defines a supernova as "a powerful and luminous explosion of a star." The Sun formed in the center, and the planets formed in a thin disk orbiting around it.

The American Museum of Natural History has on its site that: "In a similar manner, moons formed orbiting the gas giant planets. Comets condensed in the outer solar system, and many of them were thrown out to great distances by close gravitational encounters with the giant planets. After the Sun ignited, a strong solar wind cleared the system of gas and dust. The asteroids represent the rocky debris that remained.

Every scrap of matter in the solar system was part of a gigantic nebula - a floating interstellar cloud Before it was molded into a neat set of planets - a floating interstellar cloud. This giant cloud was made up of dust, hydrogen, and other gases."

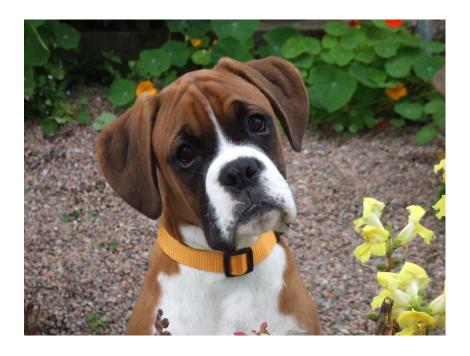
According to the National History Museum, "It began to collapse in on itself after becoming gravitationally unstable. This was possibly because of a nearby supernova - an exploding star - sending shock waves rippling through space. Gravity then caused dust and gas to be continually tugged to the center of the cloud, making its core very hot and dense.

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# The History of Boxers

Cameron



Boxers are descendants of extinct bullenbaiser breeds crossed with mastiff, bulldog, and Great Dane and even a terrier. They were developed in Germany in the 19th century, initially as bull baiting dogs and later as butcher's helpers, controlling cattle.

As the bravery trait started to stand out, boxers started to be used as guard dogs and police dogs in Germany. Within just a few generations, the focus from hunting faded (more and more terrier type dogs were used for that) and the breed began to interact more with families as they stood guard at owner's homes.

The Boxer was one of the first dogs used for military and police service. In WWI, the Boxer was valued as a messenger dog, pack-carrier, attack dog, and guard dog.

According to Wikipedia, the first Boxer club was founded in 1895, with Boxers being first exhibited in a dog show for St. Bernard's in Munich the next year. Based on 2013 AKC statistics, Boxers held steady as the seventh-most popular breed of dog in the United States for the fourth consecutive year.

Boxers lean to communicate that they love you and want to be close to you. They have affectionate natures and a tendency to bond firmly with their human families.

While the Boxer breed may not be listed as the most intelligent dog in the world (and this is debated), they are most certainly very smart.

As all dogs, they bond strongly to their owners and can be trained to disregard strangers if that's what you prefer. Some Boxers display a clear preference for men over women or vice versa. Without proper training or socialization, boxers may exhibit fear-based aggression, particularly with strangers and children.

If your dog follows you everywhere then it's most likely a sign that they love and adore you. When dogs interact with someone they like, the hormone oxytocin is released. Oxytocin is often referred to as the 'love hormone' and makes you feel that warm glow when you're around someone you like.



# **Facts About Salt and Vinegar Chips**

#### Sienna McNeal

Why Were Salt and Vinegar Chips Invented?

As reported in theguardian.com, when she was a little girl in Essex in the 50s, Linda Miller would go over to her neighbor Barbara's house every Friday night and together they would sit on the front step eating crisps. One Friday night, the two friends struck upon an idea. "We thought we'd invented a new crisp," says 68-year-old Miller. Inspired by their weekly fish and chip takeaway, the pair "saturated" their plain crisps with a bottle of vinegar. "It was lovely, lovely – very tasty," Miller says. "When salt and vinegar crisps came out, I remember thinking: 'They're not as good as what we do.'"

Who developed the salt and vinegar chip?

Potato chips weren't flavored until the 1950s when Joe "Spud" Murphy, the owner of an Irish chip company called Tayto, developed a technology to add seasoning during the manufacturing process. He developed several flavors that took off in Ireland, including Cheese & Onion and Salt & Vinegar.



What do salt and vinegar chips do to your body?

Unfortunately, eating snacks like salt and vinegar chips means that you're essentially just consuming lots of empty calories. Eating chips regularly can consequently contribute to weight gain. The saturated fat found in chips can also increase your cholesterol levels.

Why does my tongue burn after eating salt and vinegar chips?

It's not something you're going to notice right away. Salt and vinegar chips are coated with powdered vinegar that, when mixed with saliva, creates a very acidic environment in the

mouth. When the powdered vinegar dissolves in your saliva, it creates a pH of about 4.5. Normally a neutral pH is around 7.

Are salt and vinegar chips good for a sore throat?

Sour, pickled, or brined foods: Foods made with vinegar or salt, such as pickles, can worsen the inflammation of a sore throat.

What percent of the population likes salt and vinegar chips? According to aytm.com **16%** enjoy salt and vinegar. And 7% named other favorite flavors like spicy, onion and garlic or dill pickle.

Why do salt and vinegar chips help with nausea? Salty foods are often tolerated well with nausea and can replenish sodium lost from vomiting and diarrhea.

Are Lay's Salt & Vinegar Potato Chips vegan? Yes, the salt & vinegar variety appears to be suitable for plant-based eaters. The only ingredients listed for these chips are potatoes, vegetable oil, and salt & vinegar seasoning, none of which seems to be derived from animal products.

Are salt and vinegar chips Gluten Free?

Kettle Brand Potato Chips - Sea Salt and Vinegar - 1.5 oz - case of 24 - Wheat Free - **Gluten Free** - Non-GMO.

# How much sodium is in salt and vinegar chips? LAY'S Salt & Vinegar Flavored Potato Chips

Nutrition Fact and Amount	Daily Value Percentage
Cholesterol Omg	0%
Sodium 220mg	9%
Carbohydrates 15g	5%
Fiber 1g	5%

What brand of salt and vinegar chips are vegan?



## **Kettle Brand Potato Chips**

Backyard Barbecue, Jalapeño, Maple Bacon, Pepperoncini, Red Curry, Roasted Garlic, Sea Salt, Sea Salt & Vinegar, Sea Salt & Cracked Pepper, Spicy Thai, Sriracha, and Unsalted varieties are also vegan-friendly, so consume wisely.

What personality is salt and vinegar chips?

Capricorn: Salt & Vinegar

How old are salt and vinegar chips?



Salt and vinegar chips were first produced in the 1950s (thanks Tayto brand!) and it's easy to assume that these dry vinegar technologies were born out of the same era—the one that delivered us boxed cake mixes and Cheez Whiz.

What goes with salt and vinegar chips?

Someone on TikTok recommended mixing Worcestershire sauce into sour cream as the perfect pairing for salt and vinegar chips. I tried it last night and my life will never be the same...it creates basically a fish-n-chips flavor experience like the full umami (the taste of food) of a good thick fry with vinegar and maybe a little tartar sauce.

How many calories is a whole bag of salt and vinegar chips?

The bag below says there are nine calories per potato chip. If you eat 20, that's 180 calories. Adult females need anywhere from 1,600 to 2,400 calories a day and adult males need anywhere from 2,000 to 3,000 calories a day, according to the USDA's latest "Dietary Guidelines for Americans" report released in 2020.



The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet.

Do salt and vinegar chips have iron?

31.8 g of Lay's salt and vinegar potato chips 1.125 ounces by Frito Lay contains 6.0 mg vitamin C as well as **0.36 mg of iron**, 0.00 mg of calcium, 360 mg of potassium. How much protein is there in salt and vinegar crisps?

Walkers Salt and Vinegar Crisps Calories and Nutrition per Serving (1 Serving=1 Bag/35g)

Calories	184
Grams of Protein	2.3
Grams of Carbohydrate	17.5
Grams of Fat	11.6
Grams of Fiber	1.4

Pringles Salt & Vinegar

These chips are high in carbs and low in fiber, which is not an ideal snack combination. There are the 180 milligrams of sodium, proving this is yet another overly salty snack option. Why did Lays discontinue salt and vinegar?



Potato chip makers like Lays do their research and sometimes flavors do not perform - and they must discontinue the flavor. We must listen to our customers, and we made the decision, said Chetty.

What happened to the salt and vinegar?

When an acid reacts with base it forms salt. Vinegar is acetic acid CH 3 COOH, and simple salt is sodium chloride. The reaction between acid and the salt takes place as follows: Hence from the above reaction, we can say that when vinegar reacts with salt hydrochloric acid is produced.

When was lays salt and vinegar discontinued?

Chip lovers were heartbroken in February 2020 when Lay's announced its decision to drop its salt and vinegar chips due to weak sales.

What goes first? Salt or vinegar on chips?



John Molnar of the Cod's Scallops in Nottingham added: "Vinegar should always be applied first to your fish and chips. This allows the salt to stick evenly to the product creating that iconic taste of hot fish and chips with lashings of Sarson's (a curry) and salt!"

Why is my salt and vinegar chip green?

When potatoes are exposed to too much light in the field or factory or even on the shelf at home, they begin to form chlorophyll. Hence, they turn green. Sometimes these green potatoes make their way into the chip making factory, which is how they also end up in our chip packets.



# Who is Ariana Grande?

By Helayna Smith



How did Ariana Grande get so famous and when did she start her career?

Ariana Grande-Butera (born June 26, 1993) is an American singer, songwriter, and actress. She rose to fame for playing Cat Valentine in the Nickelodeon television series *Victorious* (2010–2013) and *Sam & Cat* (2013–2014).

Since then, the former Nickelodeon star has evolved into one of pop music's biggest artists.

She was born in Boca Raton, Florida, on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Her mother's name is Joan Grande. She is a producer, actress and CEO of a production company.

Her husband is Delton Gomez, an American luxury real estate agent.

According to Wikipedia, "Often regarded as a pop icon and triple threat entertainer, Grande is one of the world's best-selling music artists; she has sold over 90 million records globally and all of her studio albums have been certified platinum or higher."

Ariana Grande currently has 10 dogs that live with her – and a pot-bellied pig.

As for songwriting, Ariana has been candid about the fact that she did not write her own songs. From "Thank U" to "Next to Positions," Ariana has an entire team of talented songwriters who put together all her hits.

Here are her houses, from Hollywood Hills to the Big Apple, according to fancypantshomes.com:

- \$ 16 million Chelsea apartment
- \$ 13.7 million Hollywood Hills mansion
- \$ 9.1 million Tudor-Style Montecito home
- \$ 8.9 million Birds Streets cottage
- \$ 4.9 million Hollywood Hills Mid-Century house

According to thepopsmarts.com, "Grande's vocal qualities have changed over time. In her youth she used a Broad-way style technique, carrying support up to C5 (A common vocal range for female singers is Soprano. Vocal range for Soprano goes from C4 (middle C) to A5.) with a chest dominant and projected sound, but this has dissipated since. Now, she approaches her belts with a more head-reliant mix, which better preserves her voice at the cost of some power.

Belting (or vocal belting) is a specific technique of singing by which a singer carries their chest voice above their break or passaggio with a proportion.



Now, I think we know how interesting and talented this popstar is.

# Why I Want to Own a Black Panther

By Helayna Smith



Black Panthers inspire me, and I want one when I grow up. They are Native to the fictional African nation of Wakanda t'challa and some melanistic leopards also live in Africa.

What does T'Challa mean? According to dictionary.com, "In 2018, Marvel Comics clarified that, in the fictional language of Wakanda, the name T'challa means "he who put the knife where it belonged." Perhaps a source of inspiration, Tchalla (without the apostrophe) is a common last name among people of the West African nation of Togo."

Black Panthers are also common in Asia, where, just as in Africa, they are mostly found in dark, dense, and wet jungle habitats, such as along African mountain ranges and in tropical forests in South and Southeast Asia.

In contrast, melanistic jaguars, in primarily live in wet lowlands, savannas and rainforests across Central and South America, such as along the Amazon River basin.

Black Panthers have retractable claws, "a remarkable mechanism for retracting the cat's claws when they are not in use." (Encyclopedia Britannica)



Black Panthers are Leopards or Jaguars... The term Black Panther is most frequently applied to Black-coated leopards) of Africa and Asia and jaguars of Central and South America. Different species are also called Black Leopards and Black Jaguars, respectively.

- The cats are native to three different continents...
- A male Panther can weigh up to 150 pounds, but that is a BIG male Panther. Females are much smaller weighing 70-75 pounds.
- They are nocturnal cats and hunt by stealth...
- Black Panthers have extraordinary eyesight....
- Males measure nearly seven feet long from the tip of their nose to the end of their tail.
- They have an incredible sense of smell...

What do Black Panthers eat? It has been documented that nearly 70 percent of a panther's diet comes from deer, wild hogs, and raccoons. Domesticated animals such as goats, sheep and calves are taken by panthers in areas where this prey is available. Such attacks have become more common as the Florida Panther population has grown.

Some people even take the risk of owning one of these beasts.

I wondered where you can buy a Black Panther. According to Exotic Wild Cats you can get a fully grown black panther or a baby. Wild Animal Pets lists a little baby black panther for \$1,450.00. According to https://www.thegreatdebatersmovie.com, "Black panthers in zoos typically cost between \$5,000 and \$15,000. The price for a black panther cub can be as high as \$30,000." And then consider the cost of their food.

I wonder if black panthers are smart? The Panther is an incredibly intelligent and an animal able to move quickly and easily. They are very seldom seen by people in the wild and generally difficult to find and catch. Its dark brown fur camouflages the Panther both into the surrounding forest and makes it almost invisible in the darkness of night.

Here is an interesting fact. There are Black Panther movies and comic books but before the movie there were just comic books. They basically copied the comic book and made the movie. You can also buy a black panther comic book at ebook, Walmart, target, thriftbooks.com, amazon.com, and books-A million.



# **Green Sea Turtles**

**Chastity Williams** 



One day you were wondering what green sea turtles are and what they do, and you didn't know where to find the information. Well, this is the right place for you! Today I'm going to tell you about green sea turtles. There are seven species of sea turtles: green turtle, loggerhead, flatback, hawksbill, leatherback, olive ridley. I'm going to tell you about the green sea turtles.

The green sea turtle was given its name because of its green color of the fat underneath its shell. They are found in all tropical waters of the world and stay near coastlines around islands in bays. Out of all types of sea turtle green sea turtles are the only herbivorous species of sea turtle. Their diet consists of algae and seagrasses. They may also forage on sea sponges, invertebrates, and discarded fish.



Here are some interesting facts about green sea turtles:

**Description:** They have a single pair of prefrontal scales (scales in front of their eyes), rather than two pairs as found on other sea turtles, which easily distinguished them from other sea turtles. The head is small and blunt with a serrated jaw. The hard upper shell of a turtle is bony without ridges and has large, non-overlapping, scutes (scales) present with only 4 lateral scutes.

Compared to Pacific green turtles their body is nearly oval and is more depressed (flattened). All flippers have 1 visible claw. The hard upper shell of a turtle color varies from pale to very dark green and plain to very brilliant yellow, brown, and green tones with radiating stripes. The large pad worn by a fencer to protect the chest (plastron) varies from white, dirty white or yellowish in the Atlantic populations to dark grey-bluish-green in the Pacific populations.

Hatchlings are dark-brown or nearly black with a white underneath and white flipper margins. For comparison, the Pacific green turtle (aka Black Sea Turtle) has a body that is strongly elevated or vaulted and looks less round in when looking at it than other green sea turtles. The biggest difference with Pacific greens is the color. They have dark grey to black carapace and the hatchlings are dark-brown or black with narrow white border with white underneath.

Size: Adults are 3 to 4 feet in carapace length (83 - 114 cm). The green turtle is the largest of the Cheloniidae family. The largest green turtle ever found was 5 feet (152 cm) in length and 871 pounds (395 kg).

**Weight:** Adults weigh between 240 and 420 pounds (110 – 190 kg).

**Diet:** Their diet changes significantly during its life. When less than 8 to 10 inches in length eat worms, young crustaceans, aquatic insects, grasses, and algae. They mostly eat sea grass and algae once they reach 8 to 10 inches in length. Green turtles are the only sea turtle that strictly eats plants as an adult. Their jaws are finely serrated which aids them in tearing vegetation.

**Habitat:** Mainly stay near the coastline and around islands, especially in areas with seagrass beds in bays and protected shores. Rarely are they observed in the open ocean.

**Nesting:** Green turtles lay about 110 eggs per nest and will nest every 2 weeks over several months before leaving the nesting area and returning to their foraging grounds. They lay an average of 115 eggs in each nest, with the eggs incubating for about 60 days.

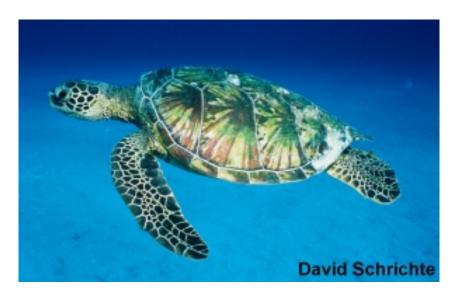
**Range:** They live in all temperate and tropical waters throughout the world.

**Status:** *U.S.* – Down listed as Threatened (likely to become endangered, in danger of extinction, within the foreseeable future) under the U.S. Federal Endangered Species Act in April 2016. Originally listed as Endangered in 1978. *International* – Listed as Endangered (facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild soon) by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in 1982.

**Threats to Survival:** The greatest threat is from the commercial harvest of eggs and food. Other green turtle parts are used for leather and small turtles are sometimes stuffed for curios. Incidental catch in commercial shrimp trawling is an increasing source of mortality.

**Population Estimate\*:** Between 85,000 and 90,000 nesting females.

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Thank You

# **ALL ABOUT KOALAS**

Maliyah Williams



Koalas are very cute and sleepy animals that can certainly draw a crowd at any zoo. They are also quite smart, according to a new study that has tracked the movements of the Australian animal in suburban areas.

Koalas are often calm and patient. When working in a group they take care to consider other's strengths and values. They have great memories and pay close attention to detail. They enjoy problem-solving and often use their own experience to think of practical solutions.

#### WHERE DO KOALAS LIVE?

The celebrated koalas live in southeastern and eastern Australia.

They spend their lives in the tall eucalypt forests and the low eucalypt woodlands in the states of Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia, and Victoria.

Unlike other animals, they don't inhabit just one tree but instead, travel from one tree to another within their home range.

#### WHAT DO KOALAS EAT?

Koalas eat a variety of eucalypt leaves and a few other related tree species, including lophostemon, melaleuca and corymbia species (such as brush box, paperbark, and bloodwood trees).



**Eucalypt leaves** 

## **FUN FACTS ABOUT KOALAS**

Koalas aren't bears – they're marsupials! ...They are fussy eaters...

Koalas can sleep up to 18 hour a day. They smell like eucalyptus... and make strange sounds. Koalas like to spend their time alone from when are born. Hairless, blind and without ears... Koalas comes from an Aboriginal word.



# **About The Moon and its Different Colors**

Maliyah Williams



science.nasa.gov

What color is the Moon? It depends on the night.

The featured image highlights a collection of apparent colors of the full moon documented by one astrophotography over 10 years from different locations across Italy.

Outside of the Earth's atmosphere, the dark Moon, which shines by reflected sunlight, appears a magnificently brown-tinged gray. Viewed from inside the Earth's atmosphere, though, the moon can appear quite different.

A red or yellow colored moon usually indicates a moon seen near the horizon.

There, some of the blue light has been scattered away by a long path through the Earth's atmosphere, sometimes laden with fine dust.

A blue-colored moon is rarer and can indicate a moon seen through an atmosphere carrying larger dust particles. What created the purple moon is unclear -- it may be a combination of several effects.

According to *National Geographic*, "The varied colors appear when the moon is seen or photographed through an irregular gas layers of Earth's atmospheric blanket. Tiny air molecules in the layers scatter light that hits them, and their structure causes blue light to scatter more readily than red or orange."

#### What is the moon made from?

A partially molten layer with a thickness of 93 miles (150 kilometers) surrounds the iron core. The mantle extends from the top of the partially molten layer to the bottom of the Moon's crust. It is most likely made of minerals like olivine and pyroxene, which are made up of magnesium, iron, silicon, and oxygen atoms.

#### **How Fast Does the Moon Spin?**

Dividing the Moon's equatorial circumference (6,786 miles [10,920 kilometers]) by its rotation period (27.32 days) gives the lunar surface's speed: 10.3 mph (16.7 km/h) at the equator.

#### Fun Facts About the Moon!

The Moon is the fifth largest satellite in the Solar System, and it is the second-brightest object in the sky after the Sun. The Moon has a radius of 1.737 kilometers / 1.079 miles and a diameter of 3.474 km / 2.158 mi.

It is only at 384.400 km / 238.855 mi away from Earth. The Moon orbits the Earth once every 27 days.

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# **About Foxes**

Maliyah Williams



Most foxes live in rural areas, including farmland and wetland habitats. But that doesn't mean you'll see a fox on your next country walk – rural foxes are very shy. You are more likely seeing an urban fox trotting down the street or denning under your shed.

The biggest difference between rural and urban foxes is what they eat. As natural hunters, rural foxes feed on rodents, rabbits, and birds, as well as fruit, berries, and wild vegetables. Urban Foxes on the other hand will eat whatever they can find.

Foxes have a diverse diet. They are expert hunters, catching rabbits, rodents, birds, frogs, and earthworms, as well as eating carrion. But they aren't carnivorous – they are omnivores, as they dine on berries and fruit too.

#### WHAT DO FOXES DO FOR FUN?

Foxes love to play, particularly with things that smell good – old shoes, dog chews, balls, and gardening gloves. The only solution is to ensure that you do not leave interesting playthings lying around your garden.

Foxes have even been known to steal golf galls from golf courses to play with. They play alone, with other foxes and other animals – even deer! If anything, it makes for some adorable backyard entertainment.

## WHAT IS A FOX'S SKILL?

According to mdc.mo.gov, "Their hunting skills are aided by stealthy senses of smell, hearing, and night vision. Red foxes can hear the low frequency sounds of small animals digging under the ground, leaves, or snow. They use the earth's magnetic field to help zero on their prey before pouncing.

Red foxes hunt at night. They can occasionally be a nuisance to farmers, but they are also a great benefit in reducing the rodent population. Their fur is highly valued."

#### **FUN FACTS ABOUT FOXES:**

- Foxes are more like cats than dogs. Like cats, foxes are nocturnal...
- Foxes live in underground dens...
- Foxes are smelly...
- Foxes make 40 different sounds...
- Foxes are solitary...
- Foxes have impeccable hearing...
- Foxes are extremely playful...

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# **TYPES OF FLOWERS**

Maliyah Williams



Like the flower itself, the history of the rose is very colorful. Roses have been naturally growing for over 35 million years! However, they were not known to be cultivated until about 5,000 years ago. Their usage began not just as a decorative touch to one's home, but they were also used for medicinal purposes and to make perfumes, and their petals were even used as confetti for festive occasions.

Getting your roses into water quickly is the first step in caring for them. Fill a vase three-fourths full of fresh, cool tap water. The roses will absorb the water, soaking up the nutrients that will travel up to the bloom and create a lively flower. Check the water level in your rose's vase every day and add more water as needed.



Daisies are known for their natural beauty, which cause happiness and excitement for the people who receive them. They also symbolize innocence and purity, which makes them a common gift to loved ones. If they are provided with enough water, the daisy flower can be grown in many places around the world.

There are over 150 species and 3,000 varieties of tulips, which are part of the lily family. Like most common flowers, tulips come in a wide variety of colors and shapes, each of which has its own meaning. As a signal of the arrival of spring, these blooms are often associated with Easter.

At one point, tulips were more valuable than gold in Holland during a period called "Tulip Mania," and their popularity has only spread with time. Tulip bulbs should be planted in the fall, in areas where they can receive partial to full sun. Tulips will fare better in soil that allows for drainage, since over-watering will drown the bulb and roots.



Ranunculus flowers look as though they're made of a continuous, paper-thin spiral. Moving out from the center, the petals are numerous and close together, even when the bloom is fully opened. They stand on tall and straight stems, making them ideal for cut flowers.



Ranunculus

Similar to red flowers, pink flowers have also grown to be a symbol of love, though some other meanings include happiness, gentleness and femininity – this in particular may be why you see so many pink flowers in Mother's Day bouquets.

The color pink can be found in flowers such as roses, lilies, carnations and azaleas. Like red flowers, pink flowers have also grown to be a symbol of love,

Pink flowers represent grace, gentility, and happiness. Regardless of the shape of the flower – from the tight, small buds of a pink garden rose to the delicate, open petals of a pink peony in full bloom – pink blossoms convey youth, innocence, and joy.

The color yellow is primarily associated with spreading happiness and joy, however, it is also the ideal color for symbolizing friendship. With their bright hue and cheery personality, yellow flowers can be used to better someone's day and increase the positive energy in a room. Here is a popular arrangement with yellow flowers:



Blue Flowers. The pale blue hues calm worries and preoccupation. However, if the flower is a dark blue the meaning can change to sadness, and these blue flowers in our dreams are more likely to appear when we are going through a tough time.

Purple Flowers. With its origins tied to royalty and ceremony, purple flowers represent dignity, pride, and success.

Green flowers can be associated with rebirth and renewal. Additionally, green can also symbolize good health, good fortune, and youthfulness.

Because gold is a precious metal that has been used since ancient times, gold roses also represent longevity, eternity, and loyalty.

White and yellow chrysanthemums are widely used to say goodbye, particularly in Asia. This 'golden flower' is packed with meaning in those countries.



Admired for its sweet scent and trailing vines of pink and orange flowers, the honeysuckle symbolizes devoted and everlasting love.



#### THE COLOR OF FLOWERS BY MONTH OF BIRTH:

January ~ Carnation & Snowdrop.
February ~ Violet & Primrose.
March ~ Daffodil & Jonquil.
April ~ Daisy & Sweet Pea.
May ~ Lily of the Valley & Hawthorn.
June ~ Rose & Honeysuckle.
July ~ Larkspur & Water Lily.
August ~ Gladiolus & Poppy.

Did you know my birth month is February? Here's an African Violet.



## **About Bunnies: They Make Great Pets**

Milana Williams

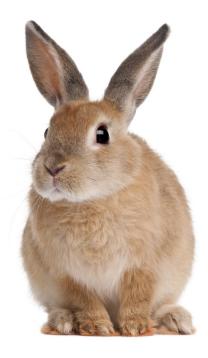


The Hastings Veterinary Hospital in Burnaby lists nine reasons why bunnies make great pets:

#### 9 Reasons Why Bunnies Make Great Pets

- They're quiet creatures. ...
- Bunnies are full of character. ...
- They're easy to train. ...
- Rabbits are space-effective pets. ...
- Rabbits form strong bonds. ...
- There's a breed of bunny for everyone. ...
- There are many rabbits in need of rescue. ...
- Rabbits live long lives...

According to Medivet, "Rabbits are often best known for their large ears, so it's no surprise their hearing is second to none. The unique shape of their ears and their ability to rotate them 180 degrees mean they're able to pinpoint the exact location of a sound. Their ears are essential to regulate their temperature."



Rabbits that are not pets live in meadows, wood forests, grasslands, deserts, and wetlands. They live in family groups and the best-known species, the European Rabbit, lives in underground burrows or rabbit holes. A group of burrows is called a "warren."

What do rabbits eat? Hay should make up at least 80% of your rabbit's diet, with a smaller number of fresh vegetables (carrots!), and a limited number of pellets. Hay should be high-quality grass hay, such a Timothy, Orchard, or Brome.

Rabbits enjoy being around people and can usually recognize their owners by sight and sound. Because they are prey animals, they prefer to have all four feet firmly on the ground.

According to BLUECROSS.ORG.UK/RABBITS, here are eight interesting facts about rabbits that you may not know.

- A single bunny is a lonely bunny... (get two)
- They can live for up to 12 years...
- They're masters of hearing...
- Their eyesight isn't bad either...
- They're closer to wild rabbits...
- Rabbits communicate using a secret code...
- Baby rabbits are called kittens...
- Rabbits and guinea pigs don't make good pals...

Rabbits make wonderful pets and can even be trained.

## Types of Rabbits



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## **A Study of Rainbows**

#### Milana Wiliams

If you think you have a chance of getting to the end of the rainbow, you're wrong. You can never get to the end of a rainbow.

According to Rainbow Sympathy, "If you're the type who goes hunting for a pot of gold every time you see a rainbow, we can save you some trouble: you can never actually get to the end of a rainbow! Because a rainbow is based on the orientation of the observer (you) and the light source (the sun), when you move, the rainbow will move, too."

Two rainbows are formed when sunlight is reflected twice within a raindrop with the violet light that reaches the observer's eye coming from the higher raindrops and the red light from lower raindrops. (metoffice.gov.uk)



A rainbow is a multicolored arc made by light striking water droplets. The most familiar type of rainbow, including this one in southern Chile, is produced when sunlight strikes raindrops in front of a viewer at a precise angle.

Did you know rainbow means hope?

There are seven colors in the rainbow. Not all colors are in the rainbow, like brown, pink, grey and white. The colors on a primary rainbow are always in order of their wavelength, from longest to shortest: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and violet.



According to AccuWeather, here is where to find the world's best rainbows

Niagara Falls (United States or Canada) ... Ireland. ... Victoria Falls, Zambia. ... Iguazu Falls, (Brazil or Argentina) ... Jasper National Park, Canada. ... Kauai, Hawaii. ... Lake Neusiedl, Austria.

There are so many things you can find out about rainbows.

There are seven types of rainbows. Look at these seven types.



Multiple rainbows



Double rainbows



Supernumerary rainbows



Circular rainbow



Monochrome rainbow



Fogbow rainbow

### D. B. Cooper

By Zion Williams



D. B. Cooper, the Boeing 727 Pirate

This is the case of D. B. Cooper, who highjacked a Northwest Orient flight 305 out of Portland Oregon, demanded and then received ransom money upon landing in Seattle for refueling. The plane's name was Vector 23. After takeoff from Seattle, he then parachuted into the woods and was never found again. How much money did D. B. Cooper steal? He demanded and received \$ 200,000, which in 2021 was about \$ 1,338,000. He disappeared on November 24, 1971 (51 years ago). D. B. Cooper's real name is Dan Cooper.

#### This is a real crime documentary.

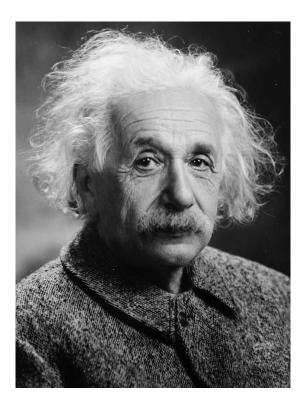
On November 21, 1971, Cooper purchased a one-way ticket to Seattle. He typed a good-looking note that said he wanted \$ 200,000 in \$ 20.00 bills. He also demanded four parachutes, and a fuel truck in Seattle to refuel the plane. The proper channels and authorities were notified of the situation unfolding in the skies. They refueled and this time headed toward Mexico City with a plan to refuel again in Reno, Nevada.

Cooper ordered all personnel to go into the cockpit at 7:43 p.m. At 8:02 the pilot received a message saying that the AFT stairway door was opened. When the landed in Reno, Cooper was nowhere to be found. The FBI quickly launched an investigation finding fingerprints from a tie and tie clip and two of the four parachutes. The FBI identified him as D. B. Cooper. They sent a search party to go to Southwestern Washington.

They also tried to track him down with serial numbers, but that was unsuccessful. Eight years later they found some of the ransom money on the Columbia riverbank nine miles from Vancouver, Washington. No other evidence has even been found.

#### The Person Who Stole Albert Einstein's Brain

Zion Williams



This is the real story of how Albert Einstein's brain was stolen. Had it ever occurred to you that his brain was stolen?

Einstein did not want his brain or body to be studied or worshiped. The removal of the brain and eyeballs were against Einstein's final wishes. According to Brian Burrell's book *Postcards* from the Brain Museum, Einstein had left very specific instructions. He wanted to be cremated with the brain still inside of his head and his ashes scattered in secret, to "discourage idolaters."

But Thomas Stoltz Harvey, without permission took the brain. Isn't that against the law? Yes, it is. He did not he have a legal right to remove and keep the brain for himself.

Harvey soon lost his job. Harvey was an American pathologist who conducted the autopsy on Albert Einstein in 1955. Harvey afterwards kept Einstein's brain without permission for decades. Harvey wanted to know what made Einstein a genius.

When the fact came to light a few years later, Harvey solicited and received a retroactive blessing from Einstein's son Hans Albert to keep the brain. Hans Albert granted the permission, making Harvey promise that his father's mind would be used for careful scientific study and the findings published in legitimate medical journals.

For the next thirty years, Harvey moved around the Midwest, towing the brain along, never publishing any studies. He passed away in 2007, but before he did, he donated the brain to the Princeton Hospital.



Thomas Harvey and parts of Einstein's brain.

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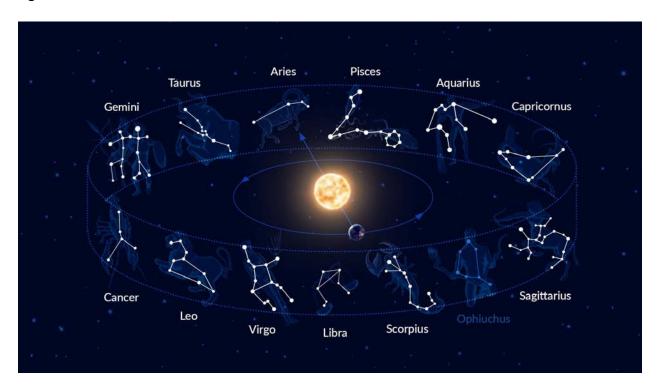
## Osceola Magnet



## **Mythic Mythology: The Zodiac Signs**

#### **Abby Chadwell**

Zodiac signs are astrological signs/constellations that the Babylonians made into the Zodiac signs. Did you know that the oldest known horoscope was from 410 B.C. The most common signs are Leo and Virgo. The most unique zodiac sign is Aquarius. Aries is the number one zodiac sign.



The Taurus sign is represented by the bull. The Taurus symbol is also a bull, just so you know. The Taurus is represented by the bull because the Taurus sign comes from a myth about how the Greek God Zeus carried the princess to marry her by disguising himself as a bull. Ancient Greeks believed that bulls represented love, war, and strength.

The Taurus is an earth sign because they are connected to nature, and grounded material, and solids. Taurus's like to relax in nature and serene, supporting the fact that they love nature. The Taurus sign is a fixed earth sign, meaning that they are associated with the middle of the season.

The dates for zodiac signs have gotten a bit more confusing because they added two more zodiacs to the signs, the Ophiuchus, and the Cetus. The dates for all the zodiacs can be found in the following infographic.

#### ONELEIGH ZODIAC SIGNS

Aries Y MARCH 21-

Taurus & APRIL 21-

Gemini II  $_{\text{JUNE 21}}^{\text{MAY 21-}}$ 

Cancer 5 June 22-

Leo  $\Re$  July 23-Aug 23

Virgo M AUG 24- SEPTEMBER 23

Libra  $\Omega$  September 24-October 23

Scorpio M, OCTOBER 24-NOVEMBER 22

Sagittarius November 23DECEMBER 21

Capricorn 16 DECEMBER 22-

Aquarius 🗯 January 21-

Pisces X FEBRUARY 20 MARCH 20

## **Stuffed! A Brief History of Plush Animals**

#### Jennifer Hood

Do you agree that stuffed animals are helpful to people? You yourself might have a stuffed animal(s) as one of their greatest companions. When it comes to stuffed animals, I have many of them. They have helped me in lots of different situations. There is research about how stuffed animals have helped other people, too: "The stuffed toy originated from the Steiff company of Germany in the late 19th century and gained popularity following the creation of the teddy bear in the United States in 1903, at the same time the German toy inventor Richard Steiff designed a similar bear."



Research has shown stuffed animals help reduce pain for children after surgery. An online article called "The Positives of Plushies" wrote about children who were given a stuffed animal to play with after they had surgery. It stated, "Children that received the stuffed bunny and instructions to play got a lower score on the pain measures scale." This is evidence that the stuffed animal can help people.

Stuffed animals help me get through many things. At night, I get scared of shadows and noises from outside but with my stuffed animals by my side, I can fall asleep. Also, when I go to the dentist, I get scared and do not want to cooperate, but with my stuffed animals, I can follow through. Finally, when it rains with thunder and lightning, I get nervous, but with my stuffed animals I can get through the storm.



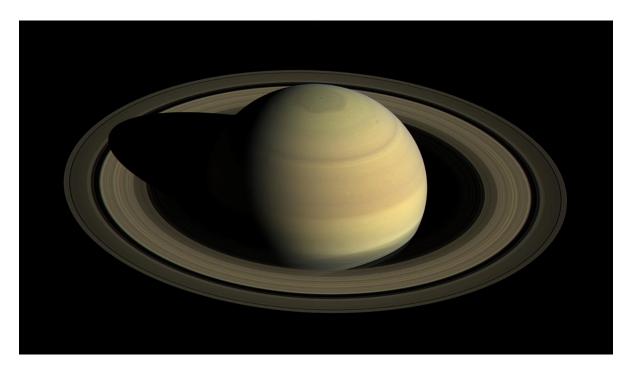
Stuffed animals can help with stress and calming down, in the article "Benefits of a Stuffed Animal" in the 12th paragraph it states that relationships with stuffed animals can improve the wellbeing of children.

Because of playing with them, this means children with stuffed animals can do better in the real world/as an adult.

## **Deep Space Exploration: All About Saturn**

Amilya Sangbush

You probably know that Saturn is the sixth planet from the sun, but what else do you know about this gaseous giant?



Saturn's rings are thought to be pieces of comets, asteroids, or shattered moons that broke up before they reached the planet, torn apart by Saturn's powerful gravity. They are made of billions of small chunks of ice and rock coated with other materials such as dust.

Saturn took shape when the rest of the solar system formed about 4.5 billion years ago, when gravity pulled swirling gas and dust in to become this gas giant. About 4 billion years ago, Saturn settled into its current position in the outer solar system, where it is the sixth planet from the Sun.

Saturn is supposed to be yellow. If you've ever looked at Saturn through a backyard telescope, you know it's true: Yellow is the dominant color of Saturn's thick clouds. "Sunlight reflected from those clouds is what gives Saturn its golden hue," explains Bob West, a member of NASA's Cassini spacecraft team.



What is so special about Saturn? Adorned with thousands of beautiful ringlets, Saturn is unique among the planets. It is not the only planet to have rings – made of chunks of ice and rock – but none are as spectacular or as complicated as Saturn's. Like fellow gas giant Jupiter, Saturn is a massive ball made mostly of hydrogen and helium.

#### **Girl Power: The Softball Revolution**

Emma Terrell

Have you ever wondered about the first softball game?

In 1887, the first iteration of softball was invented by George Hancock and his friends while watching a Harvard vs. Yale football game. 1889: Hancock creates rules to be used by the "Mid-Winter Indoor Baseball League of Chicago," but the game spreads through the fire departments in the area. Also, just as a fun fact, the first softball had a 16-inch circumference.



There are two rule sets for softball generally: slow pitch softball and fastpitch. Slow pitch softball is commonly played recreationally, while women's fastpitch softball is a Summer Olympic sport and is played professionally.

It's often argued that the most important position is the one who the ball is hit to at a given time, meaning that every position is important. Shortstops get the most balls, making them valuable players on the team. But without the pitcher and the catcher, there wouldn't be a game.

The object of the game of softball is to score more runs (points) than the other team by batting (hitting) a ball into play and running around the bases, touching each one in succession. For any parents of aspiring softball superstars, here is how you can help your daughters. Get the right equipment and make sure it all fits properly. Be supportive and help them practice. Be the parent, not the coach: Make sure they're doing what the coach wants them to do to prepare for games. Always remember to remind your daughter that it's a game and it should be fun. Finally, always encourage them to practice, practice!

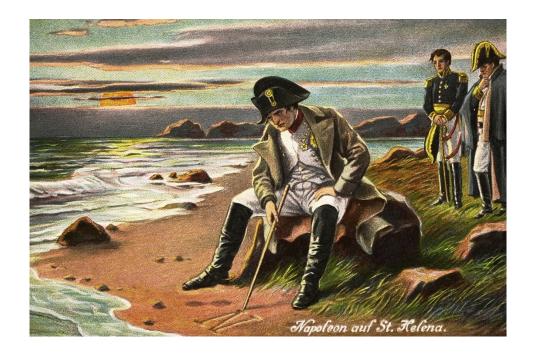
## **Napoleon: The Great Emperor**

#### **Noah Thomas**

Napoleon Bonaparte was 5'6 And was the first and last emperor of the 2<sup>nd</sup> French empire. He launched multiple accurate attacks on the Prussian Kingdom, Austrian Empire, Bavaria, and The Russian Empire. He had a wife named Josephine who was also the Queen of Italy at one point. He was a French military general and a political leader. He was one of the most successful and powerful military leaders of all time.



His combat effectiveness made him famous. He centralized the administration of a government, a higher education system, a central bank, law codes, and a road and sewer system. He was born in Corsica, had to learn to speak French, he grew up during the French revolution, he made the bicorne hat famous, he wrote a romance novel, he was engaged to the future queen of Sweden, and he met a widow named Rose.



He created a dish named chicken marengo, based on his win against the Austrian army in at the Battle of Marengo in northern Italy. He was the first consul of France in 1800. He declared himself emperor of the French, and he was crowned at Notre Dame de Paris. He instituted the Napoleonic code, and he was a colonialist. He changed the French national anthem too.

He won 52 battles in total in his whole career. His most famous and successful battle was the Battle of Austerlitz, also known as the Battle of Three Emperors.

After that there was the Battle of Waterloo. The Battle of Waterloo was the final battle that napoleon lost. He was cornered and tried to get out but Alexander I, the first Duke of Wellington, and the Holy Roman Emperor stopped him. He was captured and sent to the remote island of Saint Helena and soon died in exile at the age of 51. That was the end of the great Napoleon's career.

## **All Engines Go!**

**Daniel Tibbs** 

n my last article I wrote about Thomas and Friends, but they have a new season 25! The Twenty-Fifth Season of Thomas and Friends is a 2021 reboot entitled Thomas and Friends: All Engines So. of the Thomas has new

The show has a lot of diversity in its new characters such as Kana, a bullet train from Japan and Nia, an orange-tank engine from Kenya. The series tells the story of Thomas and the other engines in his age group as they face life lessons and deal with problems in their adventures.



The show is made by both Cartoon Network and Netflix. The new series premiered on September 13, 2021, as part of Cartoon Network's Cartoonito programming schedule for preschoolers. It is also available on Netflix.

The show features tons of colorful characters so if you like Thomas & Friends, this could be your new favorite show!

# Pelican Island Elementary



#### Can it be?

**Payton Justice** 



Did you know that there are brown pandas? Brown pandas live in China in the Shaanxi Province. They can only be found in the Qinling Mountains, which is in the southwest part of the country. The brown pandas are also called Qinling Pandas. In 1985 the first recorded brown and white Panda was discovered.

Brown pandas live in the forest, where they feed almost entirely on all parts of the bamboo tree. They must eat around 26 to 84 pounds of bamboo every day. However, their digestive system is typical of a carnivore, so they can eat eggs and small animals.

Brown pandas are different from black and white pandas because their skull and overall size is smaller. Also, their eye spots are under the lower lid, instead of around the eyes.

Brown pandas are rare and endangered. There are only about 100 Qinling Pandas still living in the wild. These pandas have a survival rate of 5-20 years.

The color of the brown and white pandas continues to be a mystery to researchers. They think that it's due to a double recessive gene or caused by the panda's environment. Whatever the reason is, we can agree that they are cute!

Sources: roaring.earth, dailymail.co.uk, panda.org, lifebuss.com

#### **Gemstones**

Major Keeble



Gemstones are kinds of rock that are highly prized for their beauty, durability, and rarity. Gems are formed when heat and pressure happen. It is like a big oven, but with a lot of pressure and the temperature of the oven changes. This all happens beneath the surface of the earth.

A gem is considered rare when it may only be found in one location. Some gems are rarer than others. For example, the Ceylon Sapphire is the rarest sapphire because it's only found in the mines of India, and because it has different shades of blue.

Gemstones have certain traits, clarity, rarity, no defects, beauty of the stone and the demand for the stone. While many gemstones are shinier than others, sometimes the rock just needs to be cleaned in the right way to make it shine.

They are important to our lives. Many people wear gemstones every day in their jewelry. Some wear gems for the sparkle or for healing benefits. Certain gemstones also help with electricity and radio communication and are found in semiconductors and watches.

Sometimes gemstones are not good for our environment. They can be dangerous to wildlife or birds because they can mistake them for food and choke. Also, the gemstone mines can hurt the environment.

I hope you learned that the sparkly gemstones you see today take a long process, and many people are involved.

Sources: stonebridgeimports.com, gemselections.com, theyearproject.com

## One Shape of the World

Major Keeble



One of the most famous shapes or places in the world is the Pyramid. Pyramids were royal tombs built in ancient Egypt. They were built as a monument for the Egyptian kings.

Where are the Pyramids? While countries like Sudan, Mexico, Italy, Iraq and Peru have pyramids, the most famous ones are located in Egypt. The *Pyramids at Giza* were built by the Pharaohs Khufu, Khafre and Menkaure. They were built more than 1,200 years before the rule of King Tut.

Who built the Pyramids? They were built by the Egyptian people. It is thought that over 100,000 workers built the *Pyramids of Giza*. Each pyramid could have taken 15-30 years to build. *The Great Pyramid* of Giza is 481 feet tall. The pyramids were built in the shape of a triangle so the dead pharaoh could climb to the sky and live forever. There are records that show the workers were paid with beer and bread.

What were the Pyramids made of? The pyramids were built using giant limestone blocks that were polished so the pyramid would shine in the sun. The heavy blocks were pushed, pulled, and dragged into place.

Is King Tut buried in a Pyramid? No, he was not. He was buried in a tomb in the Valley of the Kings. After he was buried, other pharaohs stopped building pyramids as their tombs and were also buried in the Valley of the Kings.



During the reign of King Khafre, a large Sphinx, the *Great Sphinx of Giza*, was built. It has the body of a lion and the face of a pharaoh. It is considered one of the world's largest sculptures. It was carved from a single piece of limestone. It was built to guard *The Great Pyramid*.

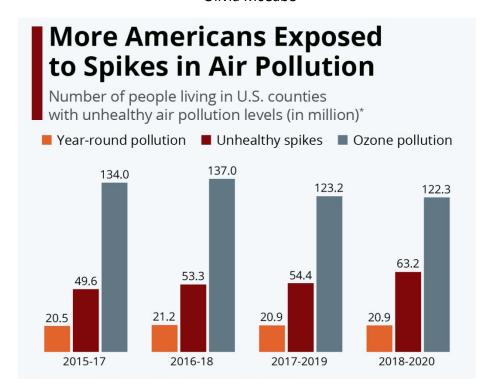
What secrets do the Pyramids hold? Scientists and archeologists are still finding caves, chambers and tunnels hidden under the pyramids.

Pyramids are amazing and are still a mystery of Egypt. Built more than four thousand years ago people are still asking how it was done.

Sources: britannica.com, egymonuments.gov.eg, study.com, quora.com

## What Are We Breathing?

Olivia McCabe

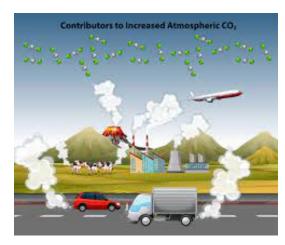


Do you realize what you have been breathing in your whole life? Pollution refers to substances that are released into the natural environment that can cause harm, harm to people, animals, plants and ecosystems. Every day we breathe in tiny particles that can damage our lungs, hearts and brains or start other health problems.

Outdoor air pollution and household air pollution are the cause of 6.7 million premature deaths each year. Poor indoor air quality in your home can cause headaches, eye irritation, fatigue, dry throat, sinus congestion, dizziness, nausea and other respiratory symptoms. Air pollution can even cause skin diseases and other skin issues.

Air pollution also kills wildlife and plants. Even planet earth if we think about it.

Reasons for air pollution are worldwide: factories and power plants, vehicle emissions, fuel oils, fumes, but also dust, pollen, mold spores, volcanoes, and wildfires. And there's more than just air pollution. There's also water pollution and land pollution. How can you reduce air pollution? The best solution to stop air pollution would be to drive your car less, keep your car in good repair, use public



transportation, don't burn trash, use less energy, reduce-recycle-reuse, limit your water usage, say no to all plastic, plant a tree, use fans instead of ACs. These are just a few ways to reduce air pollution, but if we all do our part, we could help the community and even the earth.



Sources: gaspgroup.org, AmericanLungAssociation, who.int

#### It's All in the Name

**Emma-Grace Narcisse** 

Do you ever wonder how a store or company got its name? Here's the story of how three places chose their name: Walmart, Target, and Wawa.



Sam Walton bought a store from Luther E. Harrison. He then named the store Walton's Five and Dime. When they were going to add store locations, Walton's manager, Bob Bogle, came up with the name Wal-Mart. Bogle said Walton's Five and Dime was a lot of letters if you were printing it on paper or putting it on a building. To save money he suggested the name Wal-Mart. At first there was a hyphen in the logo, then it became a star in memory of Sam Walton, but today there is no hyphen or star in the name. The yellow spark was added in 2008. It's a symbol of Walton's spark of inspiration and innovation for the store.

## **O TARGET**

It started with a department store called Goodfellow Dry Goods Company. George Draper Dayton become the owner and changed the name to Dayton Dry Goods Company. Then Dayton decided to start a new discount store chain. The Director of Publicity, Stewart K. Widdess, was asked to come up with a name for the new store. Widdess thought up the name "Target" and the bulls-eye logo. He said they would hit the bullseye with this new discount store.



Over 100 years ago George Wood became interested in dairy farming and began the Wawa Dairy Farm in Wawa, Pennsylvania. He named it after the town, Wawa. In 1964 the first Wawa store opened. It sold Wawa's milk and other items. The town, Wawa, was named after the Ojibwe Native American word which means "Canadian goose." That's why Wawa uses the flying goose in their logo.

Next time you wonder how a store or restaurant got its name, look it up! You'll find a lot of history and a great story.

Sources: Wikipedia, corporate.target.com, wawa.com, walmartmuseum.com

## Rosewood Magnet

Congratulations to mentor Cassandra on her new baby! Classes were suspended during her maternity leave.





# Sebastian Elementary



#### Aliens and UFOs Are Here!

Marcus Espinal



Are there aliens and UFOs in space? What do you think?

Some people say it's obvious we're not alone, and a few people have talked about their own experiences with alien ships. Other people think there is no such thing as aliens. Whatever you think about aliens check out my reasons why I think they do exist.

#### 1. Ancient Evidence

There is a painting from the 15<sup>th</sup> century showing a hovering disk like object. Ancient cave paintings and ancient scrolls showing alien life have been found. People all over the world throughout history have seen alien life.

#### 2. Statistical Data

Astronomer Frank Drake made an equation that helps him determine the existence of alien life on other planets. He discovered that some planets could support life. So, aliens could be living on other planets.

#### 3. Unsolved Sightings

In 1853 there was a UFO sighting by students and professors at the Tennessee College, and in 2008 a flying disk was spotted by over 200 witnesses in Texas.

#### 4. Astronaut's Claims

The following astronauts have made claims of sightings while in space: Edger Mitchell, Cady Coleman, Dr. Brian O'Leary and Buzz Aldrin.

5. Government Files: NASA and the Pentagon are investigating unexplained flying objects. Some people in the government believe the search for alien life is an important part of science.

I believe that alien life does exist. Watch out! Your neighbor might be one of them.

Sources: skyhistory.com, theconversation.com



### Mr. Big Dog is Here

Marcus Espinal



German shepherds are amazing dogs because they are considered a great family dog, they are also considered to be the best service dogs. They are chosen by the military because of their endurance, speed, strength, courage, intelligence, and adaptability to almost any climate.

German Shepherds are smart, fast, and strong dogs that are loyal to their owners and love to work. Because of that, they are trained and used by police officers, the military, and other Special Forces.

Here are reasons why the German Shepherd is an ideal military dog:

- High intelligence
- Fast and athletic
- Strong and powerful
- Loyal
- Work for hours without getting tired
- Easy to teach commands
- Very obedient
- Strong nose

"The dogs smell the way we humans see. They can smell an infinite number of different scents in an area, just as we see many different images at once, in one place," said Sgt. 1st Class Donald Nelson.



The Army has strict policy when training the dogs. The dogs must have hours of training in patrolling, narcotic detection, and explosives detection. Army regulations dictate that handlers and their dogs have three months training to become certified.

While training their dogs, handlers must be patient, or the dog will become confused and hard to handle. When a dog performs a desired task, he's rewarded with verbal or physical praise and positive reinforcement. The dogs must obey the soldier or either one of them could die.



Lucca

A German shepherd named Lucca worked missions with the U.S. Marine Corps for six years. Her handler was Staff Sgt. Chris Willingham. During her two tours to Iraq and Afghanistan, she was used to detect explosives. She led more than 400 missions where she uncovered explosives, insurgents, and ammunition.

During Lucca's final mission on March 23, 2012, an IED blew up beneath her. She survived but had to have surgery and lost her front leg. She retired and went to live with Staff Sgt. Willingham and his family.

In 2016, Lucca was honored for her hard work by The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals (PDSA). She received the Dickin Medal, the animal equivalent of the Victoria Cross.

The story of Lucca's life has been turned into a book, "Top Dog: The Story of Marine Hero Lucca" by Maria Goodavage. Lucca died in January 2018.

German shepherds are an important member of our Military and are guardians of our freedom.

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## **Hard Heat**

Nicholas J Sofia



Since the 1<sup>st</sup> century, glass blowing is a glass forming technique that people have used to shape glass. The glass blowing technique uses a blowpipe to form a glass bubble that can be made into glassware. A person who blows glass is called a glassblower, glassmith, or gaffer.

Here's the process of glass blowing step by step:

#### From the furnace to the pipe

The glass is placed in a furnace that heats it to 2000 degrees. The heat makes it workable. Then, the glass is gathered by putting a blowpipe into the furnace and rolling it over the hot glass until a "gob" of glass attaches to it.





#### Rolling the glass on the marver

The hot glass is put on a flat metal slab called a marver. This is where the glass is rolled, shaped and cooled. The glass is taken back and forth from the marver to the heat chamber to reheat the glass in order to make it workable again.

#### Adding color (then re-rolling on the marver)

Color and designs are added by dipping the hot glass in crushed colored glass, which fuses to the main glass piece immediately because of the hot temperature. Once the glass piece has been fused with crushed colored glass, it is taken back to the marver where it is rolled again.





#### Blowing the glass

The blowpipe is used again to give the glass its final shape and size, creating a bubble of glass. The glass artist has to blow into the blowpipe while rotating it at the same time. Throughout this process, the glass needs to be continuously reheated because blowing it cools it very quickly.

#### Removing the glass

Now it's time to remove the glass from the glass pipe. Steel tweezers are used to separate the bottom part of the blown glass while rotating the blowpipe.





#### **Cooling the glass**

Using heat resistant gloves take the blown glass to another special oven that cools the glass. The glass will cool slowly over several hours.

It's amazing how the glass blower artists add shape and color to the glass. If you are interested in being a glass blower you can find glass blowing classes nearby. Go, try something new and have fun!

Sources: dmgschoolproject.org



# **Rolling Out!**

Nicholas James Sofia



Who wants to learn how to bowl? I am going to teach you the proper steps to bowl. I think everyone should learn how to bowl because the shoes make you look cool, you can eat while you play, it does not cost that much, and you don't need to buy your own equipment.

First, go to a bowling alley and ask for shoes in your size. You have to use bowling shoes because they protect the floor and help you slide.

Second, you have to pick out a bowling ball that fits your hand. Find a ball that your thumb can slide in and out easily and doesn't stretch your hand. You also need to find a ball that's the right weight for you. Follow the 10% rule; a ball should weigh 10 percent of your body weight.



It's time to bowl! Here are the four steps to bowling.



Step 1: Pushaway

Point your bowling shoes towards the pins in your stance position. Put more body weight onto the foot you are not going to use for your first step. As you take your first step, extend your bowling arm, and point your ball towards the lane. With the pushaway, your elbow should be straight (at the beginning of the stance it was bent).



Step 2: Downswing

The downswing is when you bring your bowling ball down as you prepare for the backswing. When your foot touches the ground on the second step, your bowling ball should be at about the same level as your leg.



Step 3: Backswing

With the backswing, you start raising your ball on the third step you take. As you start to take your third step, your bowling ball should reach its highest point behind your back so you can give the best swing to the ball.



**Step 4: Slide and Release** 

In this final step, your bowling ball comes back forward from the backswing stance. As the ball comes back forward, slide your foot along the floor towards the foul line. When you reach near the foul line, you will release your ball.

The pace of all the steps should be smooth and continuous. Keep your head as still as possible. Every bowler will have a different pace when taking their steps. What's important is that you are not moving too fast or too slow as you reach the final and fourth step.

Now you know how to bowl. So, get out there, do what I taught you and have fun!

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## **Axolotl Fun**

Victoria Trevino



Axolotls are a species of salamanders, considered rare, that can only be found in Mexico. They live in Lake Xochimilco in the Valley of Mexico, as well as the canals and waterways of Mexico City. They live in a mix of fresh and salt water. This is the only place in the wild where they live.

They are considered amphibians, but they can survive out of water for around one hour. They breathe through their skin and three feathery gills that are located on both sides of their head.

Like lizards they can re-grow their tails. They also can re-grow multiple body parts such as limbs, lungs, their brain, and even their heart! Their average length is 23 cm.



It is common after they swallow their food for their mouth to be open which looks like a smile. Some have slightly upturned mouths, which make it looks like they are smiling all the time.

Axolotls are completely deaf and don't use any calls to communicate. They don't have ears and their eyesight is very poor. They rely on vibrations in the water to sense the world around them.

During the day they burrow into the mud so that they're not eaten, and at night they become more active. They are carnivores and eat mollusks, arthropods, worms, crustaceans, insect larvae and fish.

There are many different sizes and colors when it comes to axolotls. Their colors can be pinkish to brownish green. In the wild they are mostly brown or black. In captivity they are lightly colored. Here are some examples of axolotls.





The piebald morph is a rare color. It has dark green or black spots that cover parts of the white. Usually, the spots are found on the face and back.



This lab-modified axolotl has a gene that produces GFP (green fluorescent protein) which comes from a jellyfish. It glows a fluorescent green when in UV light.

In captivity, axolotls are very popular. Many people believe that they are good pets to have. They are hardy, easy to breed, and cute enough that many people want to own one. Just look at these baby axolotls! Don't you want one?



Sources: animalfactguide.com, a-z-animals.com, fishnpetsunlimited.com

## **Butterfly Magic**

Victoria Trevino

Would you like to hear about a magical butterfly? It's like magic because one second you see it, but the next you don't because it has see-through wings. It's called the Glass Winged Butterfly!



The glass winged butterfly has wings that are transparent. It lacks the colored scales found in other butterflies. The reason that their wings are transparent is because they barely reflect any light. The light travels straight through the wing tissue. These wings protect the butterfly while they're flying because their clear wings make it very hard for birds to see.

Most of them are found in tropical rainforests in Central and South America. But they have been seen as far away as Mexico and Texas. They can travel up to 12 miles per day and can fly as fast as 8 miles per hour. They've even been seen in Florida.

The Glasswing Butterfly feeds on shrubs with scented flowers. The plants that they lay their eggs on are toxic to humans. The adult butterfly and caterpillars can store these toxins in their body fluids. These toxins are nauseating to birds, making them unattractive prey. The adult butterflies have a life span of 6 to 12 weeks.



The beautiful Glass Winged Butterfly is my favorite type of butterfly because they are magical. I hope it's your favorite now too!



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# Treasure Coast Elementary



## Fire and Water Type Pokémon

Jase Adams and Faith Aulich



### Water-type Pokemon facts:

Water-type Pokemon swim. They love to play. The colors are blue and purple. What if Pokemon could hang out together when they were wild? Pokemon cards were made in 1956. Pokemon was named in Mexico. Pokemon are found in stores like Publix, Target, and Walmart. Pokemon should be with us. As of generation VIII, there are 144 water type Pokemon or 16.04% of all Pokemon making it the most common type of the 18 types. This is why I love Pokemon.

#### Fire-type Pokemon:

Here are a few ones: Flareon, Charmander, and Charizard. We all love them including their forms too, but have you ever seen galrian moltres? Instead of having tan skin, it has black. Its fire is pink instead of orange.

Blaine is from the cinnabar island and the 3rd gym in the Kanto region. Flannery is the 4th gym leader from larvidge town. Flint is from the Elite 4 and in Sinnoh then there is chili from striator city and is one of the 3 people you must face to win the gym badge. Malva from Kalos is in the elite 4 and finally, there is kiawe from paniola then in the Aloha region.

First is Charizard, the amazing fire type next ho-oh the firebird if you get one of its feathers, it grants you happiness. Heatren the fire tank. Ninetails the Firefox. Talon flames the fire eagle. Blazitken the fire chicken. Volcarona the god of fire type pokemon. Finally, Arcanice the fire dog.

## **All About Giraffes**

Marlaina Gravitt



Giraffes have long necks. They are the tallest living land animals on earth. They are mammals which means they are warm-blooded, have fur, and feed their baby's milk.

Giraffes are tall mammals that are from Africa, south of the Sahara Desert. Giraffes are the tallest animals in the world. They are the most iconic creatures in Africa. They prefer to live in open woodlands or grasslands.

Adult females can live up to 14 feet tall. Adult males can live up to 18 feet tall. Baby calves are 6 feet tall, and they grow an additional inch every day! Their tall necks also can let them see predators that are coming for them. Giraffes have exceptionally strong hearts; their heart is about 2 feet long and 25 pounds. Sometimes you can see them at the zoo. They stand most of the time in their life.

Giraffes are herbivores- or plant eaters as most people call them. Their long necks let them eat leaves from trees that no other animal can.

Giraffes have weird walks so they can run fast from other predators. For the giraffes to drink water, they must spread their legs apart. They have large mouths so they can get a lot of food.

The face of a giraffe looks like a horse, but it is not a horse. They have an even toed ungulate that means that it can hold its balance on two fingernails. The giraffes pick up their food to get it more of a chew and their favorite food is leaves from the trees because they are vegetarians.

## The History of Makeup

Karsyn Hamilton





The history of makeup dates to ancient times. In 6000 BCE Egyptians wore makeup to appeal to the Gods. Men and women of all social classes wore makeup. In 4000 BCE the people in ancient Greece and Rome began to wear makeup. The ancient Greeks used olive oil and honey as skin care products.

During 3000 BCE until 600 CE the Chinese royalty used nail polish. They also painted their lips red in a heart shape. Ancient China was one of the first to have quickly changing beauty trends.

Queen Elizabeth used toxic white lead on her face and used mercury on her lips and cheeks. The beauty trends in the 1500s caused dangers to women's health. Queen Victoria thought makeup was unladylike. Women would pinch their cheeks and bite their lips for a rosy look.

During the 1920s, people wanted to look pretty like movie stars by wearing makeup. This led to the thin eyebrows and later red lipstick trends.

Today makeup is used for a beautiful look and to cover pimples. All different kinds of people use makeup in their own ways now. Here are some people famous for using makeup:

- James Charles
- Ariana Grande
- Lisa from BlackPink

# Vero Beach Elementary



### **Snacks**

#### Sofeia Peterson



Snacks! Everyone likes snacks. They can be salty, sweet, or even both. But most importantly chips and popcorn are favorites. You might ask why I'm writing about chips and popcorn? And you'll probably ask aren't potato chips and popcorn the same. That's why I am telling the story about them. So, let's start.

Popcorn was not really invented; you could say it was discovered. Many Native American cultures used a form of popcorn for centuries; in modern times it was made in 1885. According to Scamps Toffee.com, "Popcorn's popularity skyrocketed with the invention of the steam-powered popcorn maker! Charles Creto invented a machine to pop popcorn in large batches without a kitchen, making it the perfect on-the-go snack to sell at outdoor events, such as fairs."

#### The Most Popcorn

In 2021, Indiana was the number one state for popcorn production. There were 97,000 acres (about half the area of Austin, Texas) of popcorn stalks planted. Nebraska was second in planting and production. Because so much popcorn is produced from the farms near Van Buren, Indiana (population 864 according to 2010 U. S. Census) the town calls itself the popcorn capitol of the world.

From the Popcorn Board's, 'All About Popcorn': "Americans eat about 14 billion quarts of this whole-grain good-for-you treat each year." That's billion with a B. It's nearly 43 quarts for every man, woman, and child in America.

#### **Favorite Brands**

The number one brand of popcorn in America, and even the world, is *Orville Redenbacher* with 53% share of the market. According to Google.com, "Orville Redenbacher's is the top brand of popcorn because its products contain no artificial preservatives, flavors, or colors. They appear

in an instant and are incredibly light and fluffy." Diamond Food's *Pop Secret* comes in second most popular, *and North American Microwave Act II* pops into third place. Each year, National Popcorn Day is January 19!



Potato chips were accidentally made in 1853.

An African American chef named George Crum worked in a restaurant called Moons Lake House in Saratoga Springs, which is in upstate New York.

One day a customer kept sending his french-fried potatoes back to the kitchen complaining they were too thick and too soft. Crum's solution was to slice the potatoes real thin and fry them in the grease until they were brown. The customer loved the crispy texture and soon other guests were asking for them as well.

#### **Eating the Most**

According to Google.com, France and the United States consume the most chips in the world. But people in the United States eat the most of all. Americans eat 1.85 billion pounds of potato chips and approximately 6.6 pounds per person annually. People in the southern United States eat the most potato chips in America. And the people living in Detroit, Michigan eat the most potato chips of any city in America.

SOURCES: WFYI.org Google.com Popcorn.org

## **Being Soap Savvy**

Ilyana Roberts



Soaps and soap making have kept people clean for centuries.

Here is a basic recipe for making soap at home. These types of soaps are called "natural soaps," since any chemicals used to make them are not harmful after the soap cures. This curing process — where the lye is neutralized and no longer harmful — is called soponification. The most important thing is to use 100% lye and DISTILLED water — no other kind of water. Soap must be cured for at least four weeks.

#### RECIPE:

10 ounces coconut oil
10 ounces olive oil
10 ounces DISTILLED water
4.78 ounces of 100% pure lye
20 to 40 drops of essential oils (if desired)
Colorants (if desired)
Dried herbs (if desired)

Making soap at home takes time.



**Keeping Clean** 

Before actual soap as we know it was made, people used to use sand to clean themselves. They would boil it to get it more pure, less dirty; they would scratch it over their skin and body. This was in 1200 – 200 BC. Back then it was the Babylonians, Mesopatomians, Egyptians, Ancient Greeks, and Romans who were using sand for their soap. Only 5% of people still use sand as soap nowadays.

Sand-soap is kind of like the exfoliating soaps we know today. Back then, depending on where you lived, and how much money you had, you may be able to get scented water or oils. You could use these to clean your skin too.

When people started to know how diseases spread, soap was in demand. It started being mass produced in the 17 and 1800s.



#### **Eating Soap?**

Did you know there is actually edible soap? Well, yes, there is. It's made from pure aloe vera, organic jojoba, and kosher vegetable glycerin infused with edible food-grade plant extracts.

Normally, aloe vera is sticky to skin however, when it mixes with the other ingredients it starts to coagulate and form into a solid soap.

Not really meant for actual eating, edible soaps are made from all natural ingredients that you could eat by themselves; just in case babies put it in their mouth.

No matter which soap you use, it'll get you clean.

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## **Delicious Whipped Cream**

Tiana Wells



In the early 1600s they used to eat whipped cream without sugar.

At that time, it was called "neve di latte" or milk snow. Since historians say it doesn't have sugar in it, it's not real whipped cream, as we know it, but it's a start.

Recipes until the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century used naturally separated cream that was whipped with rush or willow branches which created foam or "snow" on the top.

#### **Cream Is Sweetened**

Frenchman Francois Vatel, who was a very famous intendant – or butler — was one of the first people to create crème Chantilly (Chantilly cream) in the mid-1600s. This was a sweetened vanilla-flavored whipped cream.

But even before Vatel's whipped cream, Italian recipes dating back to 1549, and in France to 1604, included some form of whipped cream. It was first called whipped cream in 1673, according to the Oxford English Dictionary. Though there is a record of crème fouetté — whipped cream in French — in a recipe book from 1629. In the United Kingdom it is often called "squirty cream".

#### **Whipped Cream Made Faster**

In 1882, Swedish engineer and inventor Dr. Gustaf de Laval invented a machine that separated cream from milk. Separating the two allowed cream to rise to the surface faster and easier before it spoiled. Whipped cream was easier to make.

Nowadays, many versions of whipped cream are available – hand-whipped, whipped cream in a can, and Cool Whip. And there's many flavors – vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, and many that add cookie pieces and candies to it.

#### **Whipped Cream Formulas**

Chill a bowl and the electric beaters and the heavy cream. Beat the heavy cream until stiff, soft peaks form. As you beat the cream, add sugar. Heavy cream needs to be under 50 degrees to make whipped cream. Any warmer and it becomes butter.

You can add flavors if you like.

Whipped cream can be eaten on pancakes or waffles with blueberry syrup (one of my all-time favorite ways to use it), dipped with fresh fruit, added to oatmeal, or freeze it for the next morning.



According to the Guinness Book of World Records, in Chicago, Illinois on December 2, 2011, Melissa Arkin and Casey McLaughlin made a 7 1/4-inch-tall dollop of whipped cream on a mug of hot chocolate.

There's no wrong way to eat whipped cream.

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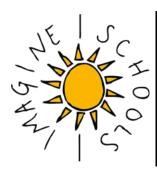
















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