

~ Scholarly Articles ~

Third, Fourth, Fifth Grade Young Journalists
of Indian River County, Florida, including what should be award winning
articles by a Gifford Middle School sixth grade student.

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.



Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V videos and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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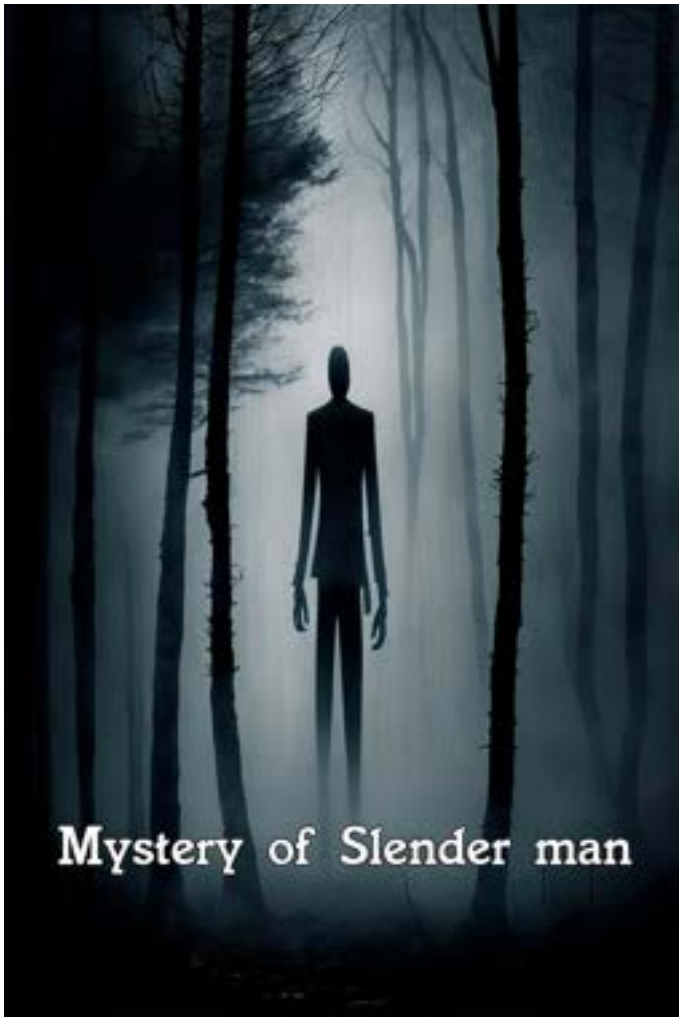
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

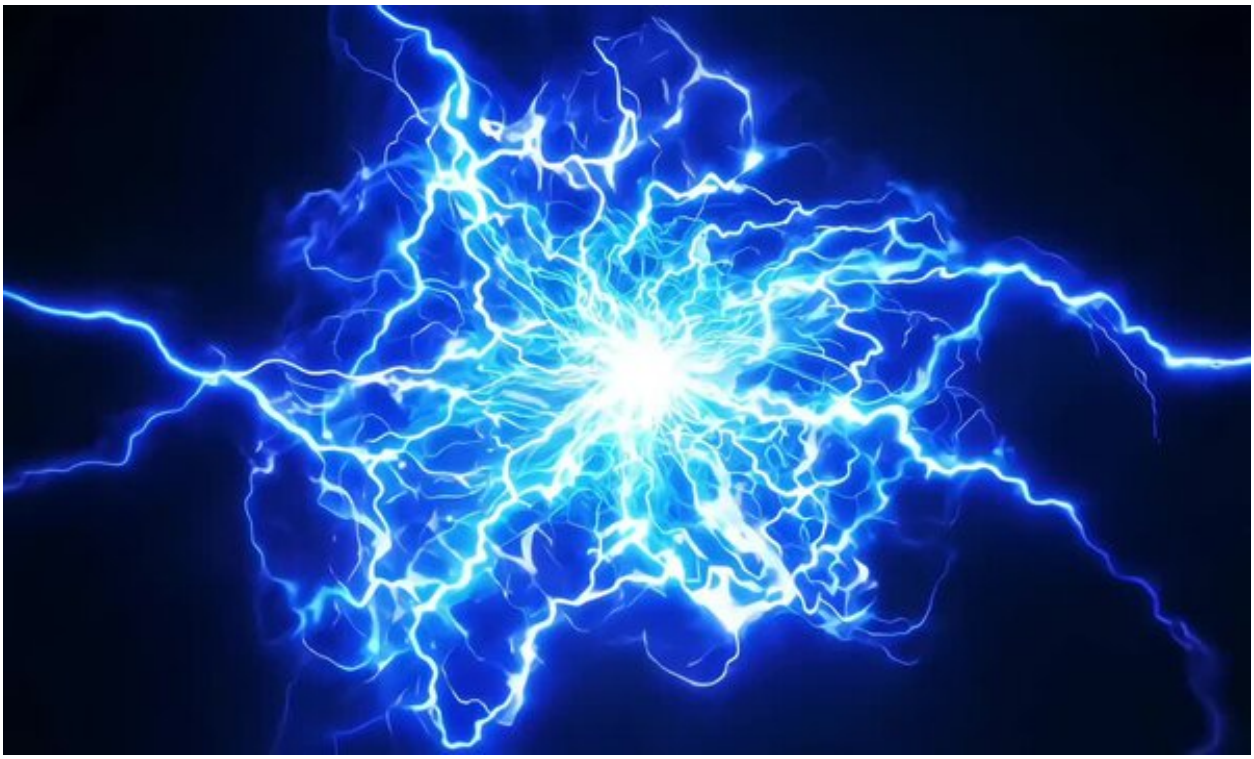
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



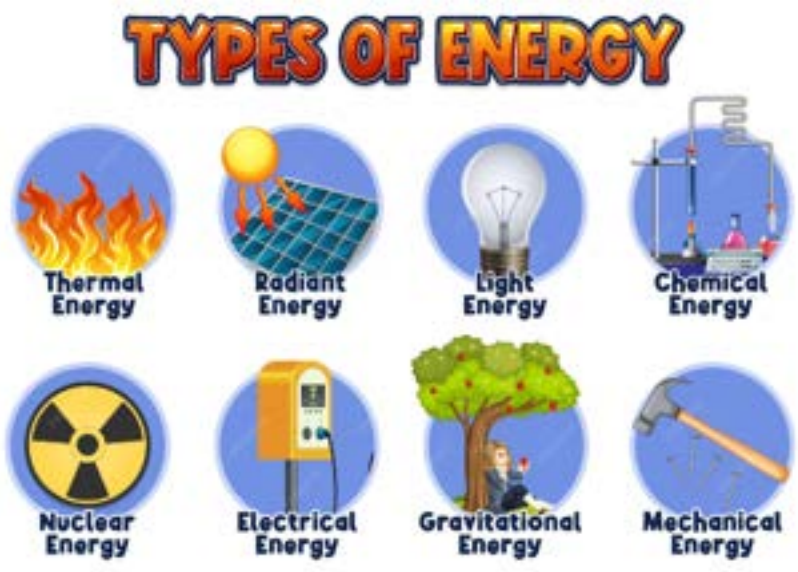
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

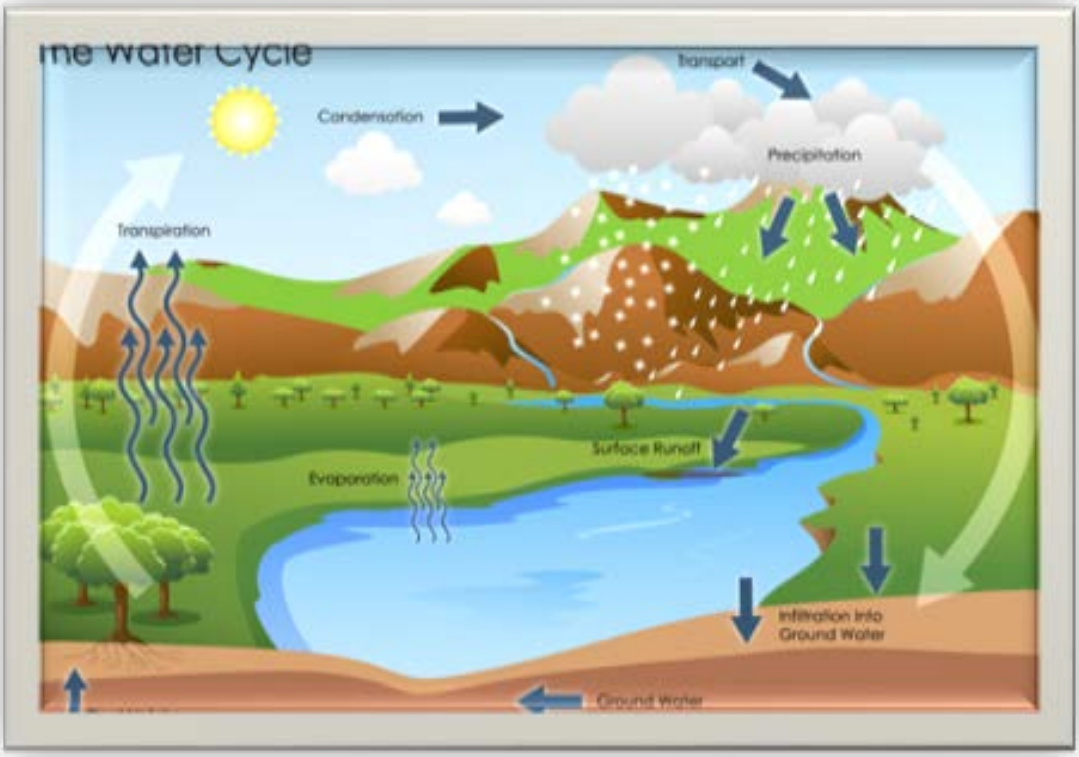
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes.
It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



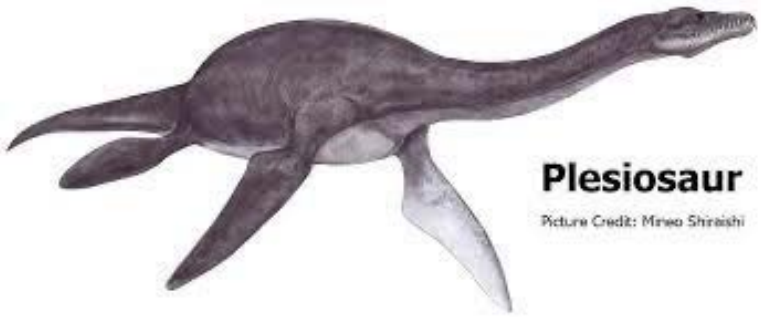
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



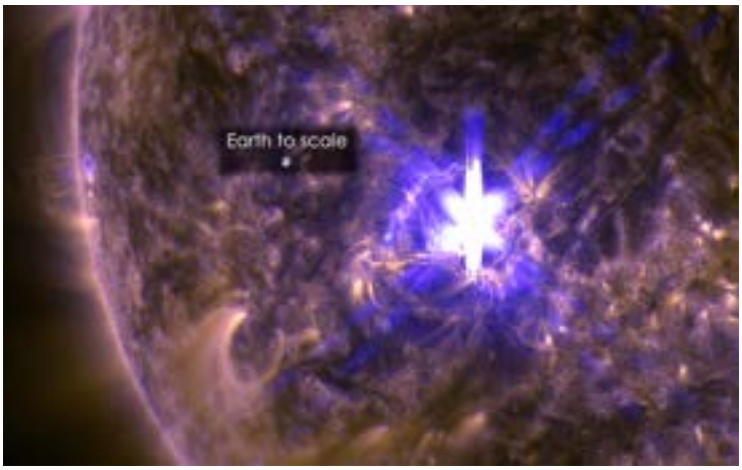
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

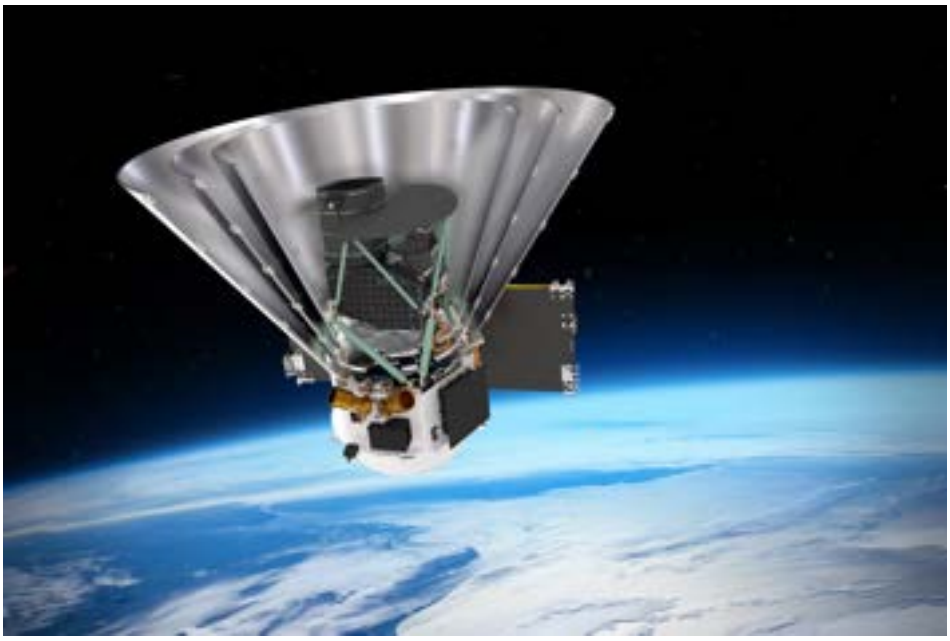


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan's salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

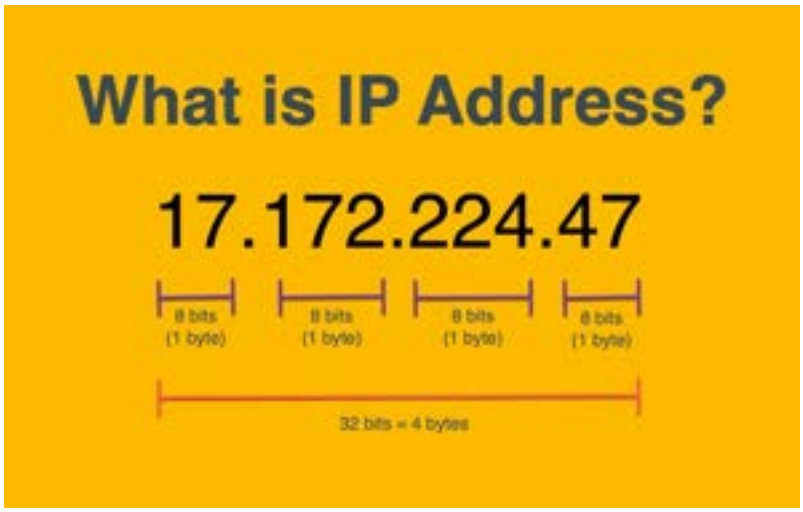
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



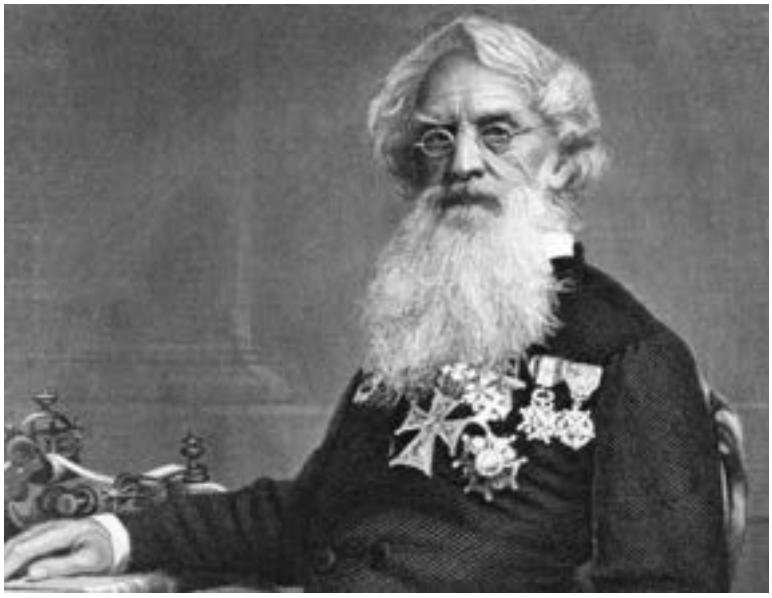
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

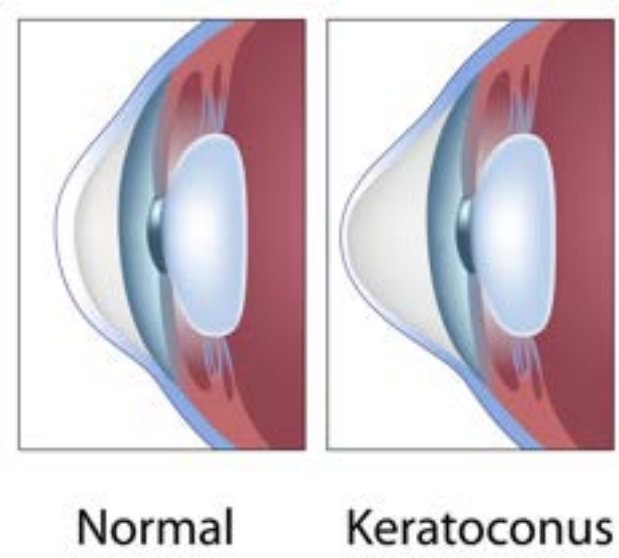






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life.

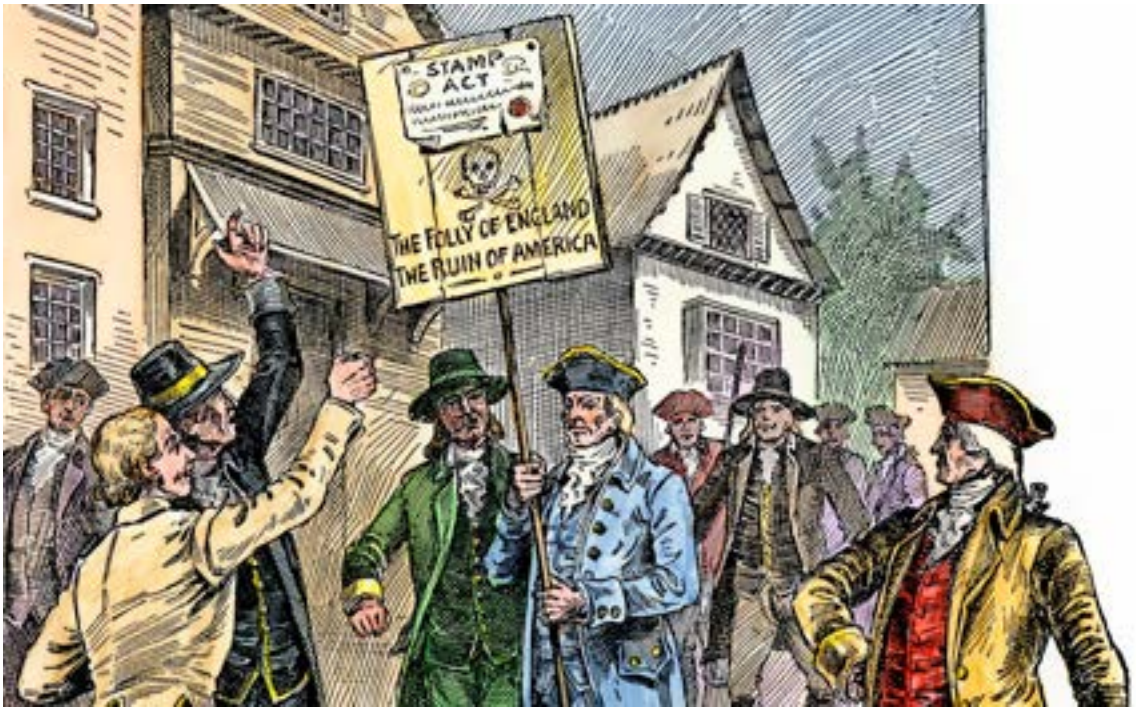
Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only 'Sons of Liberty." Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.



Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



Mastunicola: the first pizza ever made
(en.pizzadixit.com)

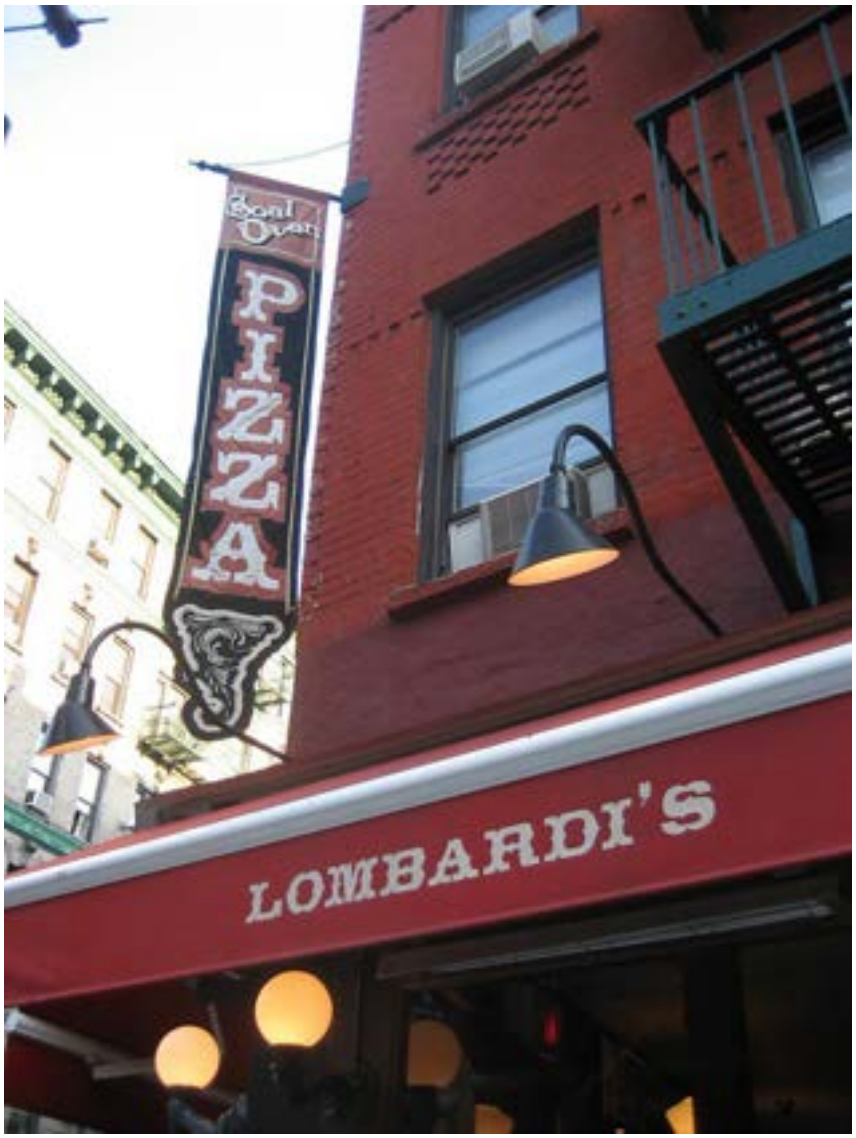
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

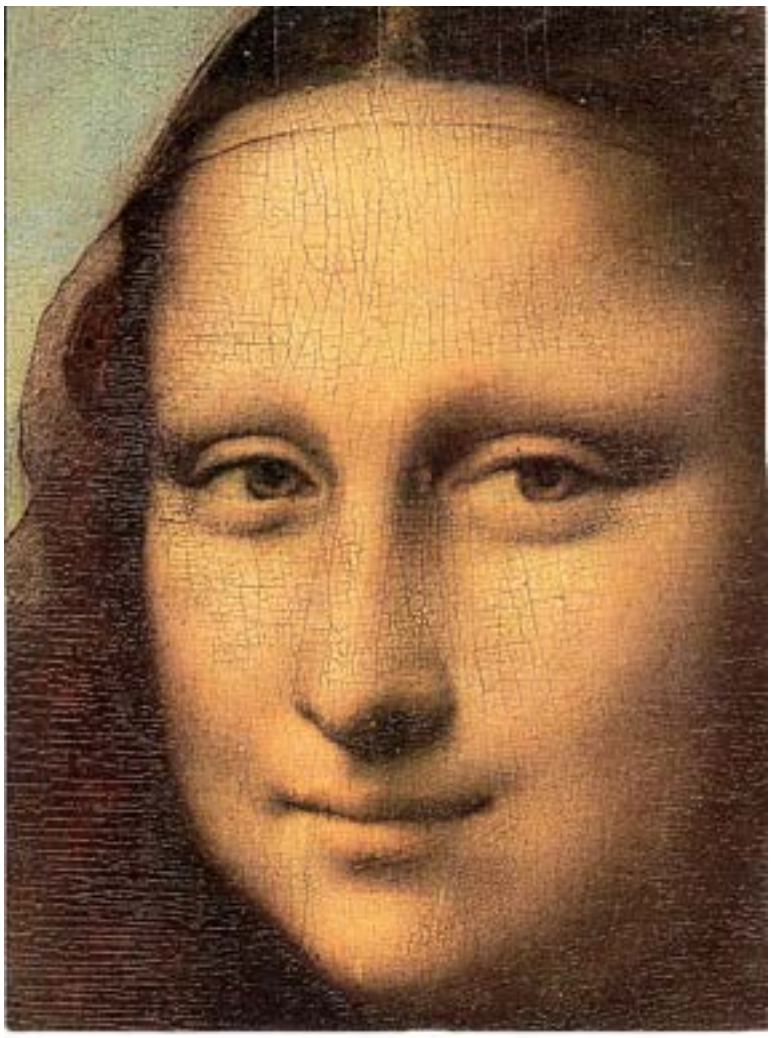


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

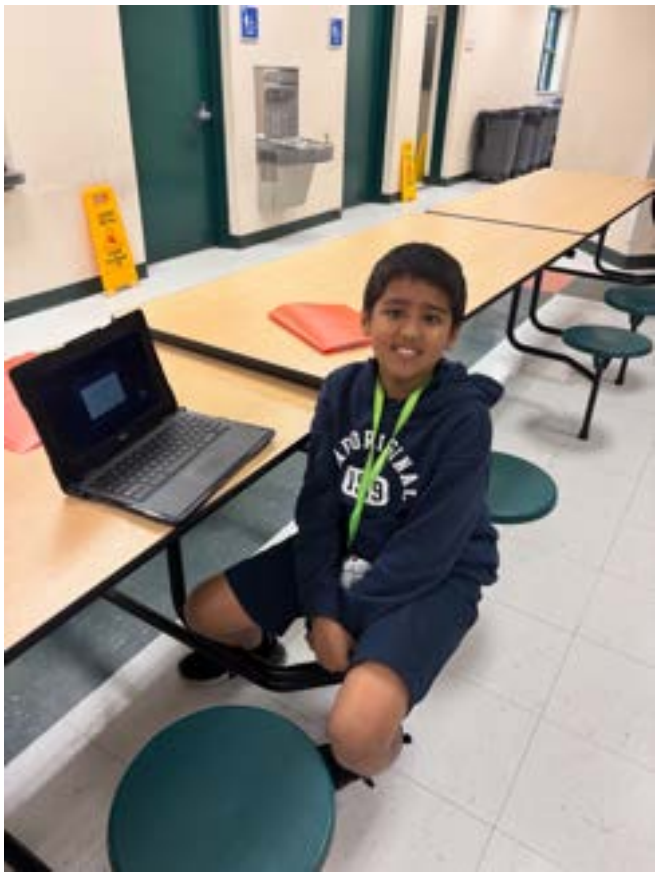
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.



Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V videos and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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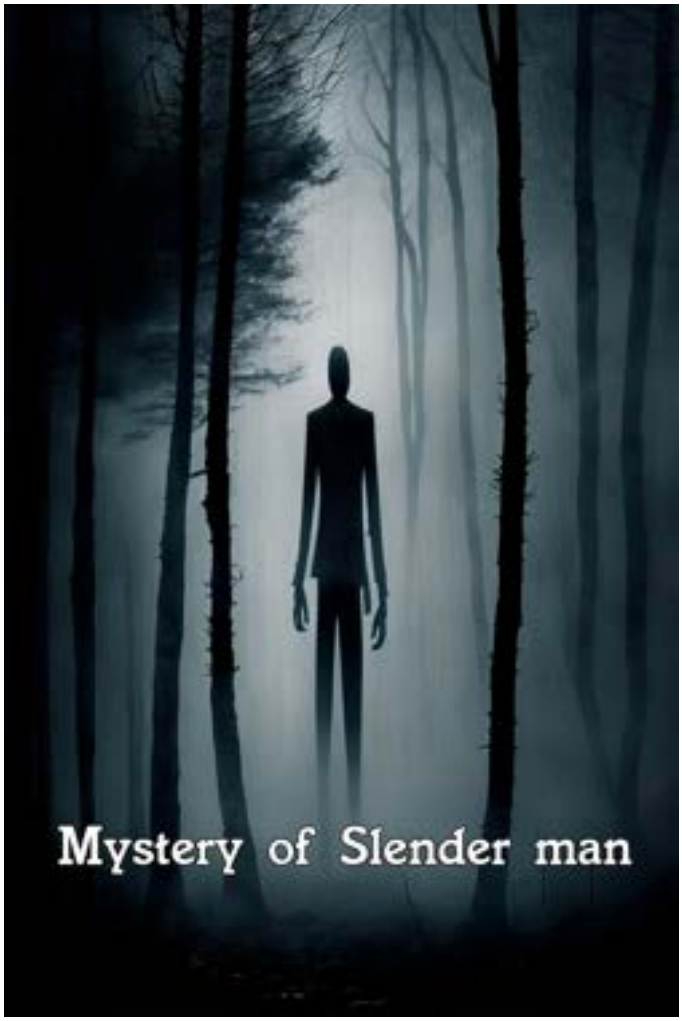
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

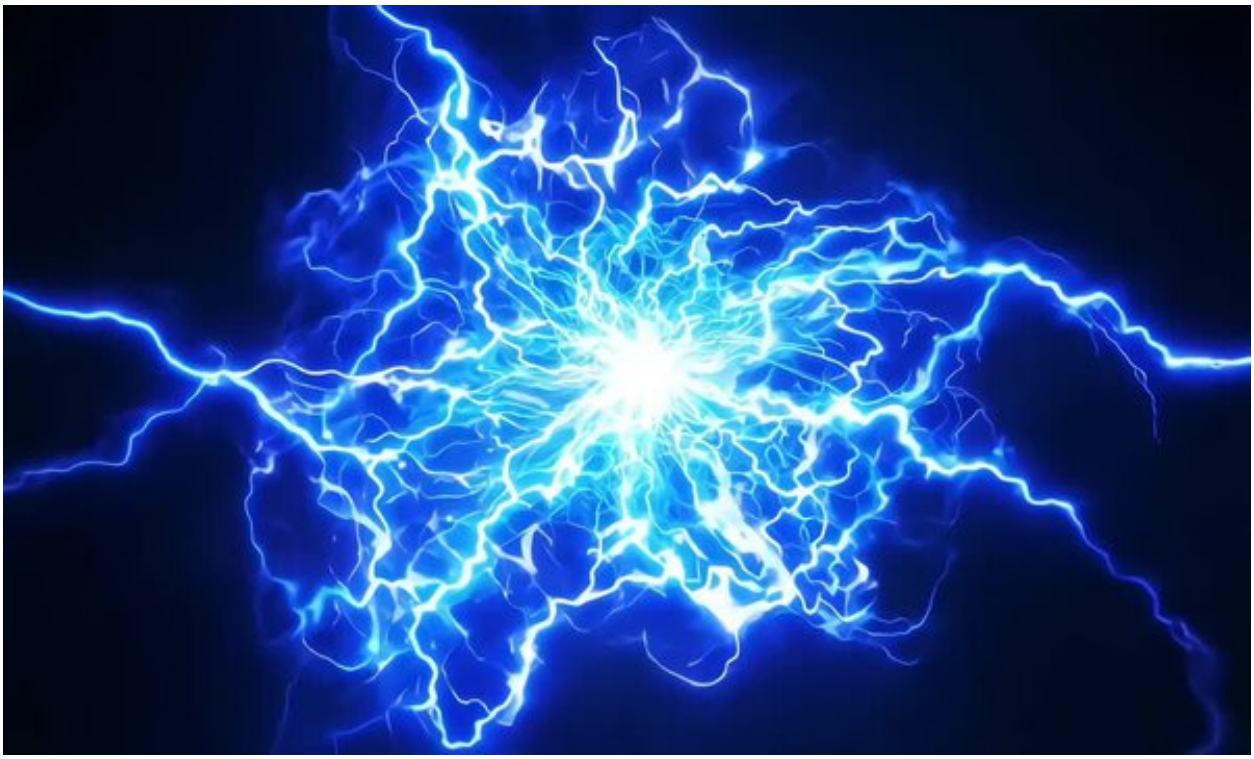
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



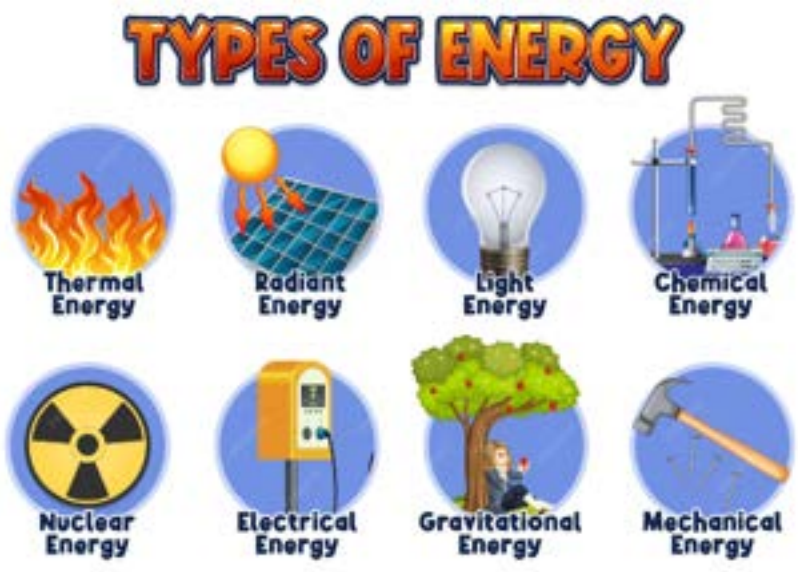
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

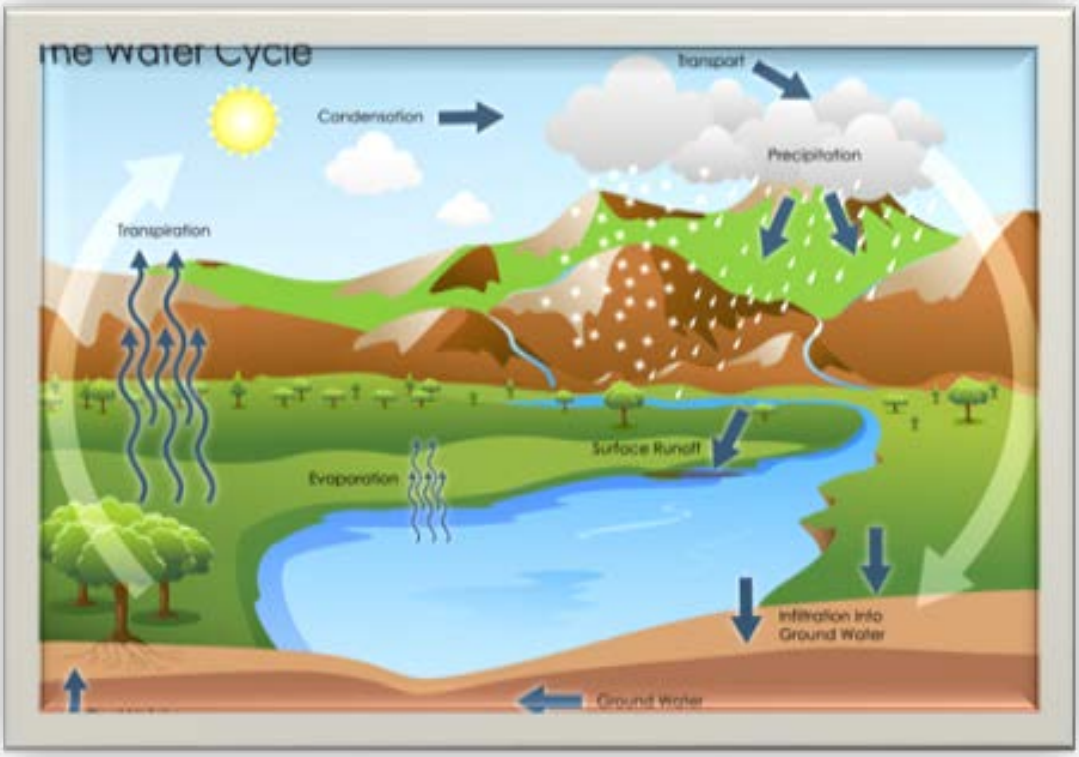
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes.
It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



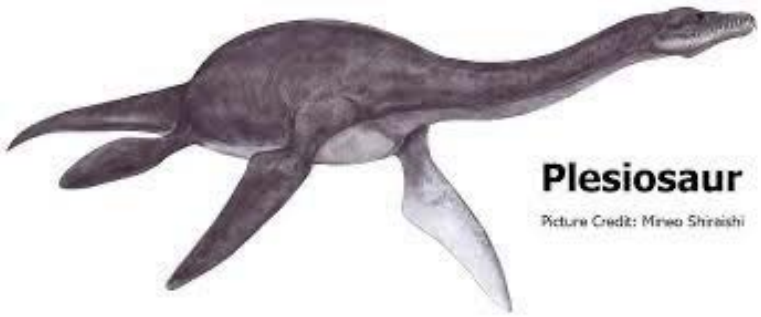
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



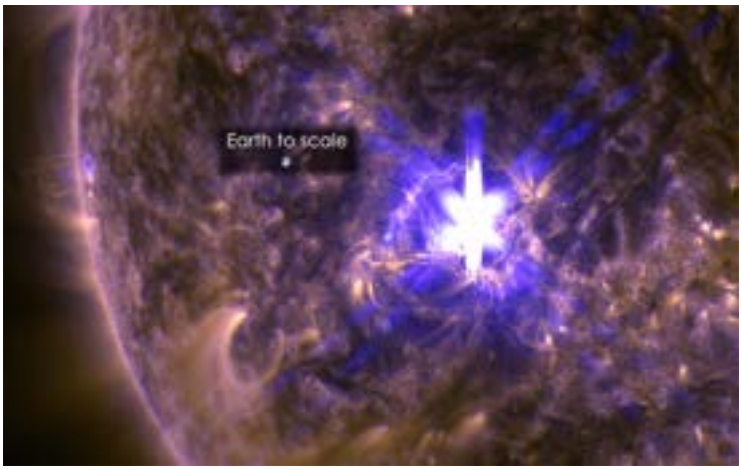
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

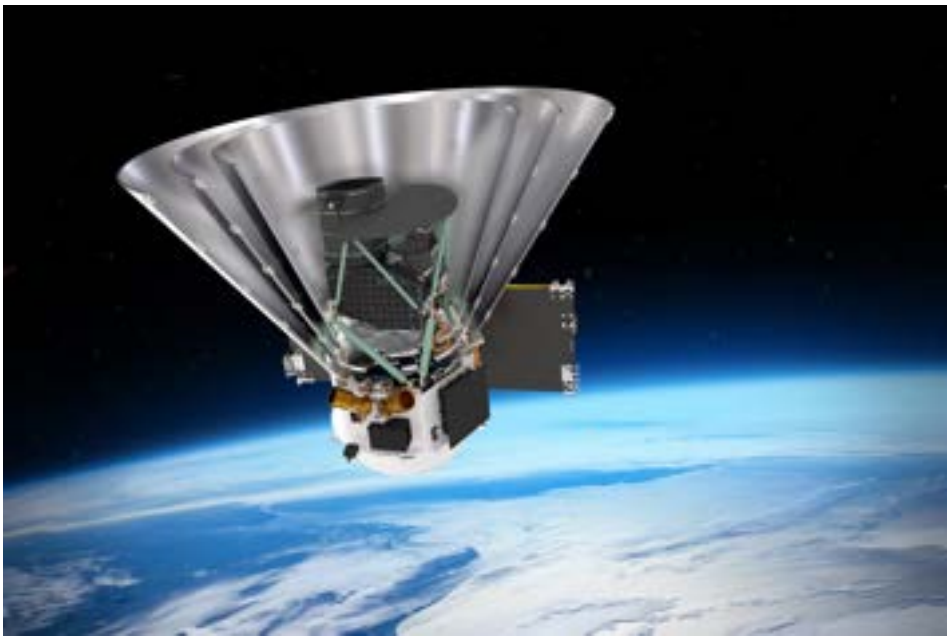


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan's salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

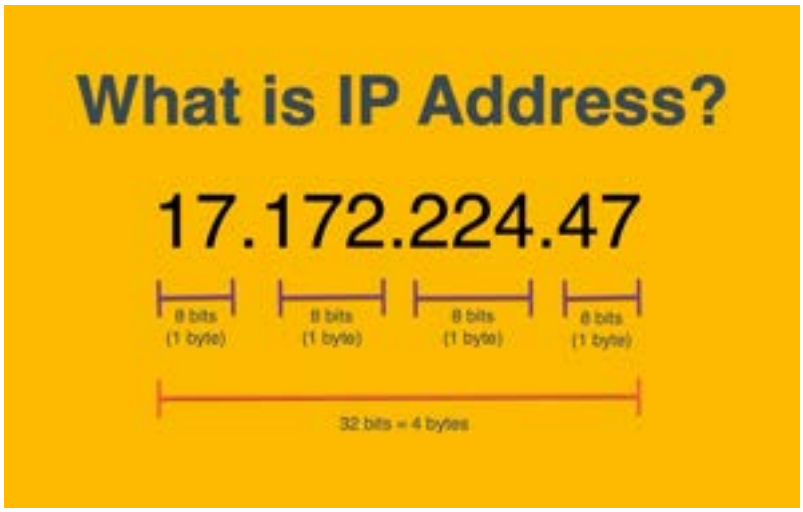
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



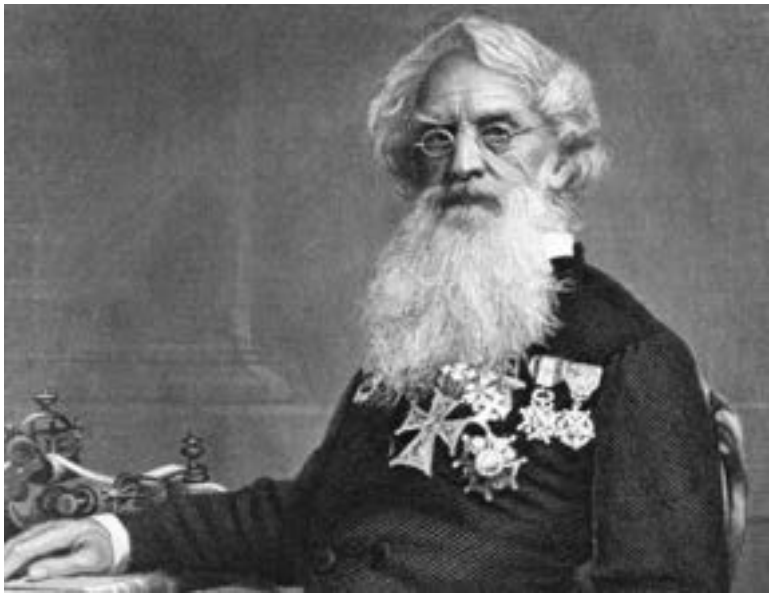
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

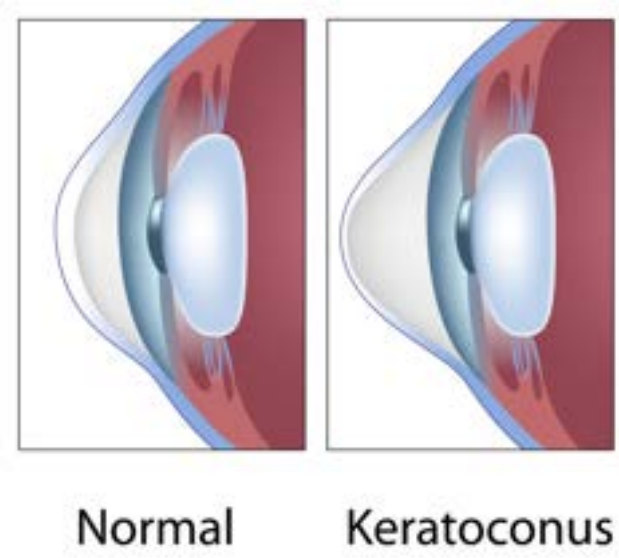






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

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Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only 'Sons of Liberty." Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.



Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



Mastunicola: the first pizza ever made
(en.pizzadixit.com)

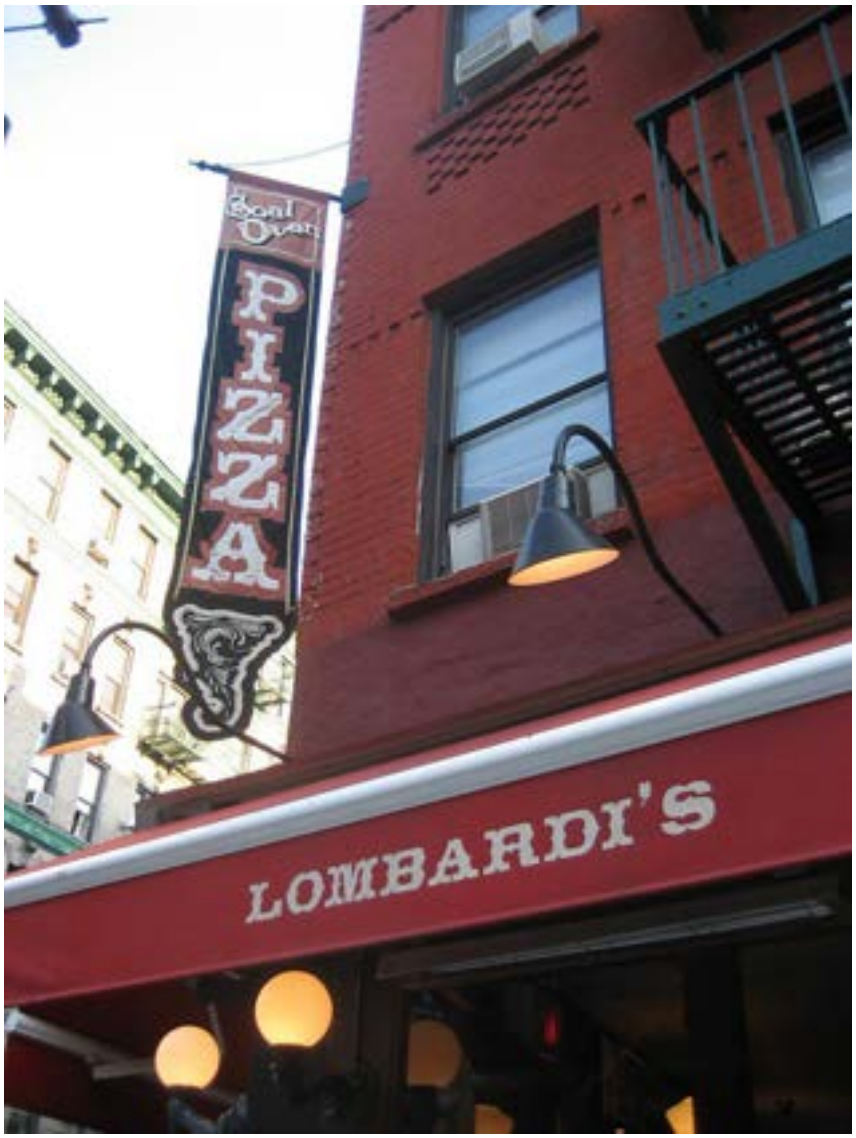
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

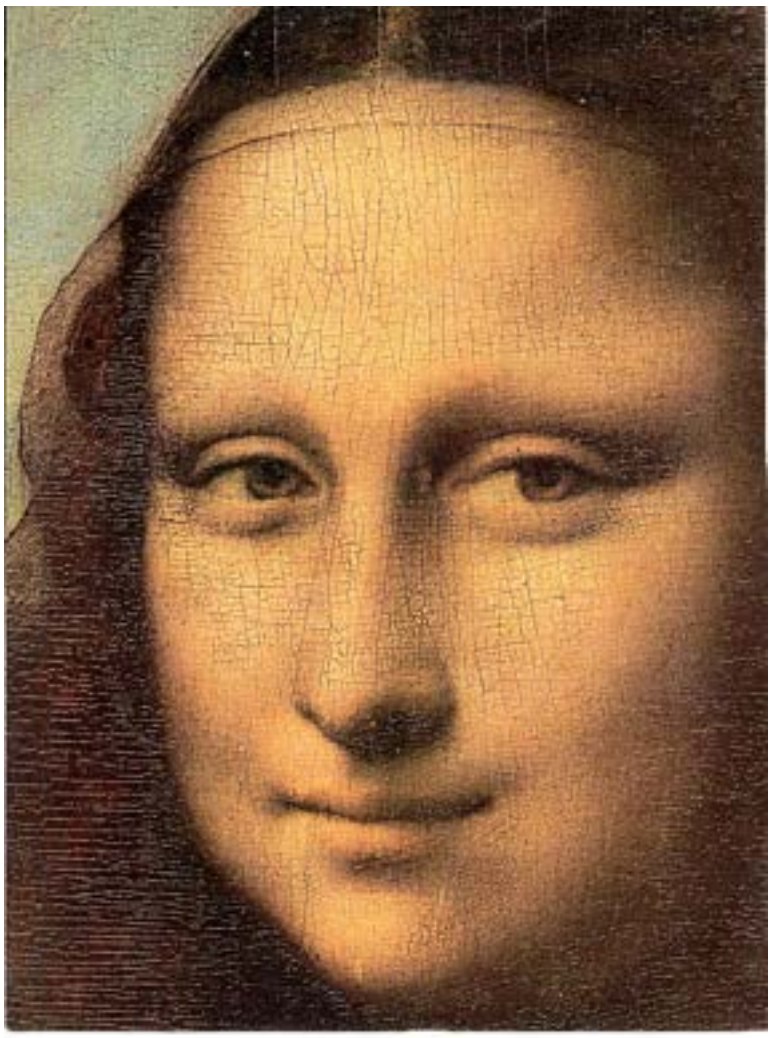


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

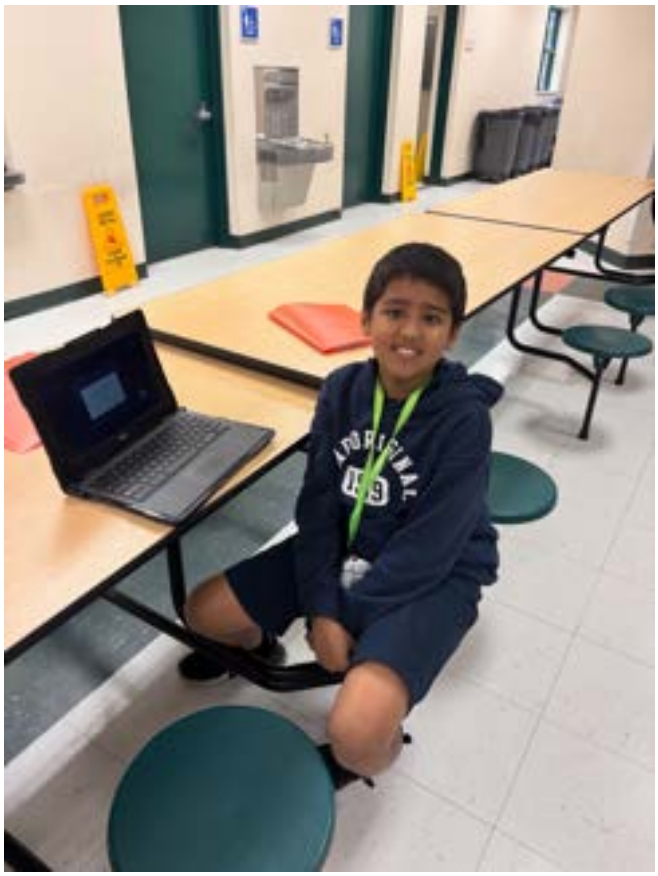
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.



Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V videos and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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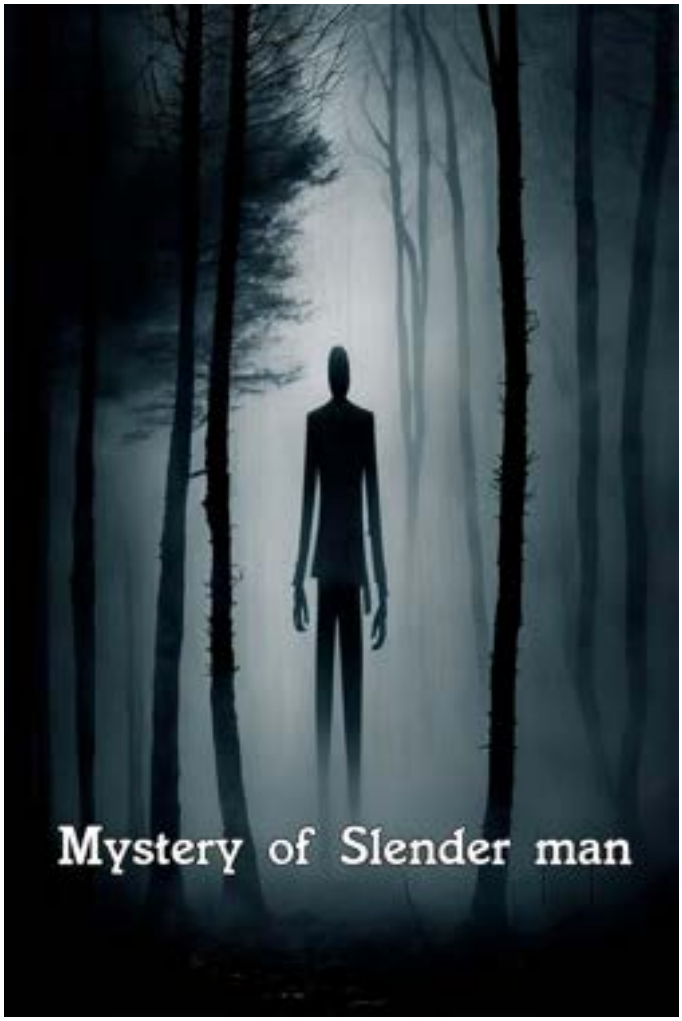
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

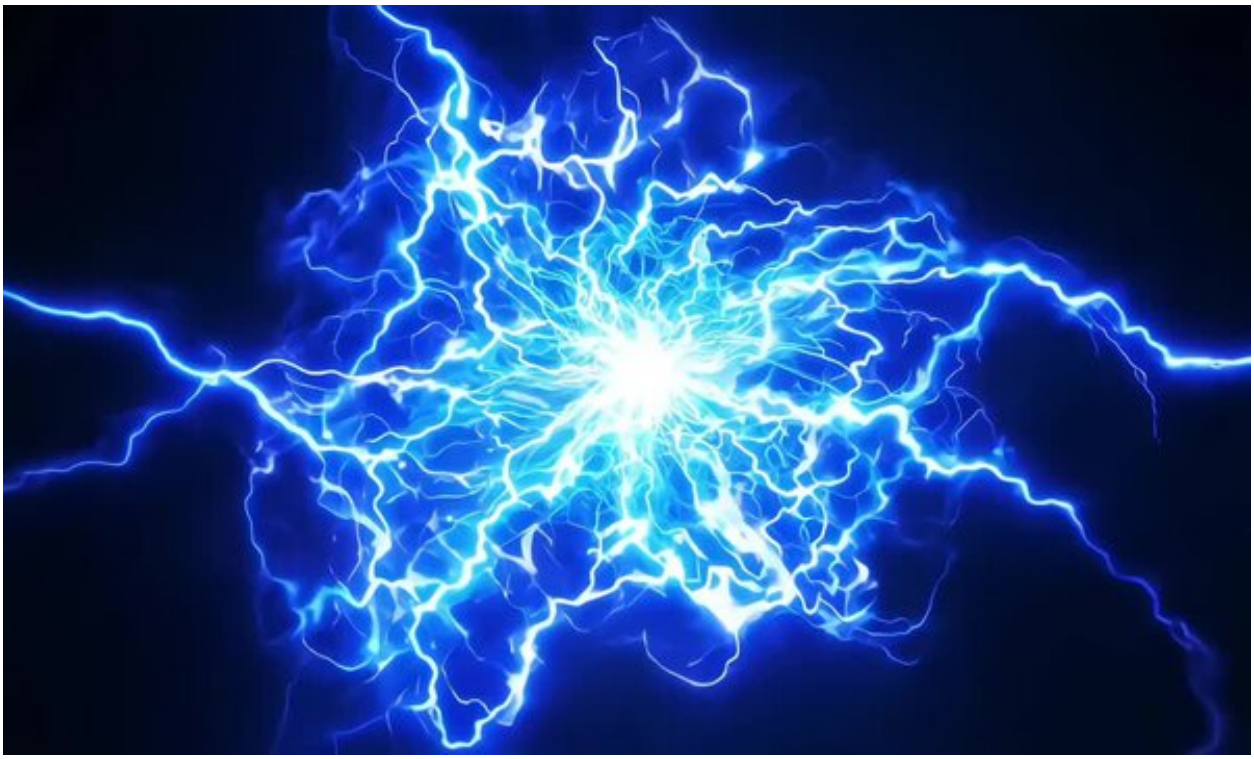
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



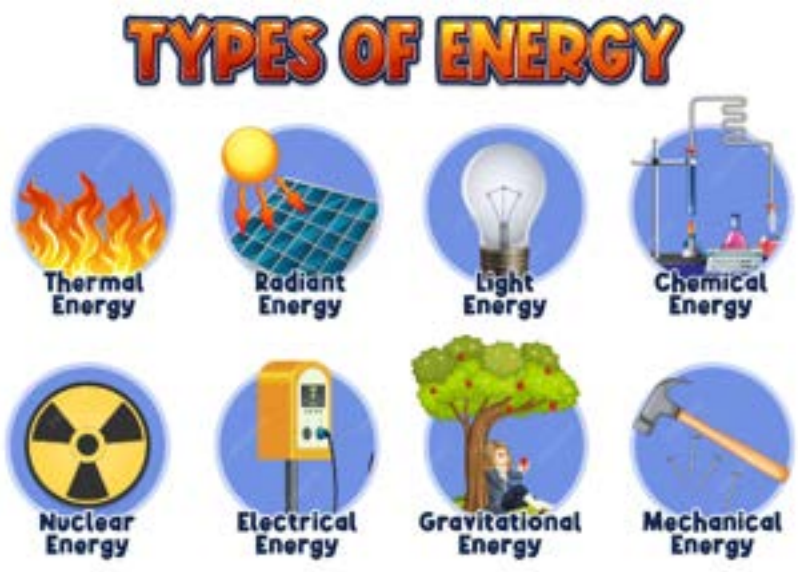
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

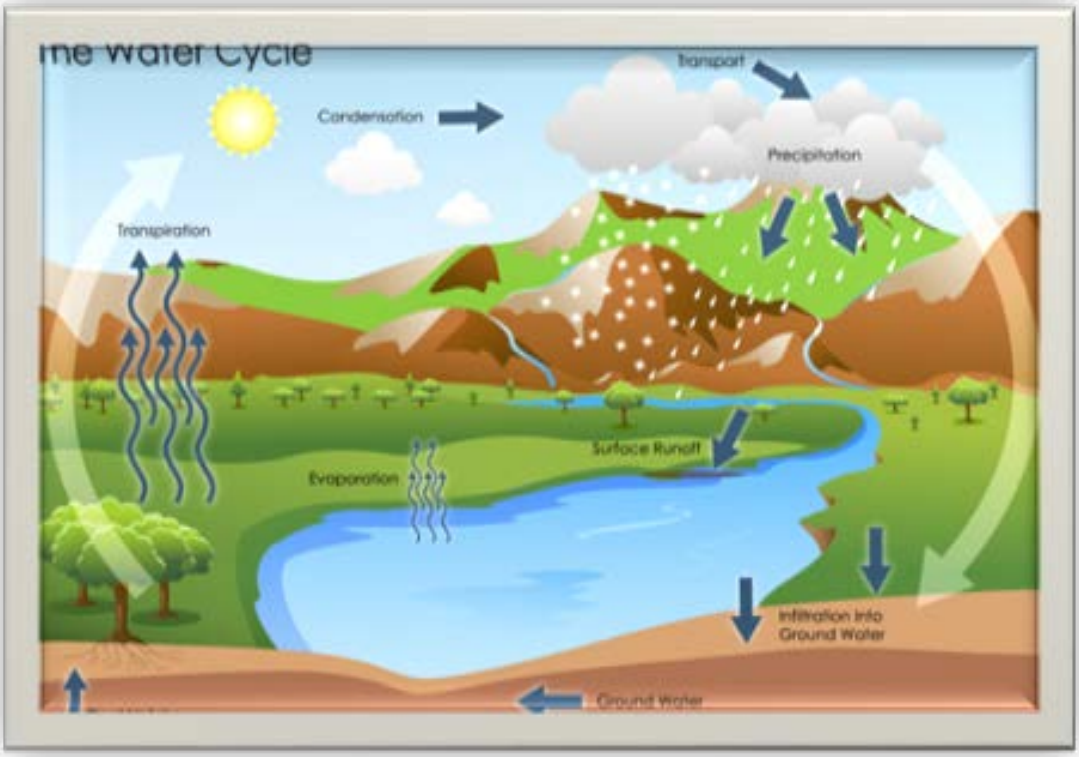
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes. It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



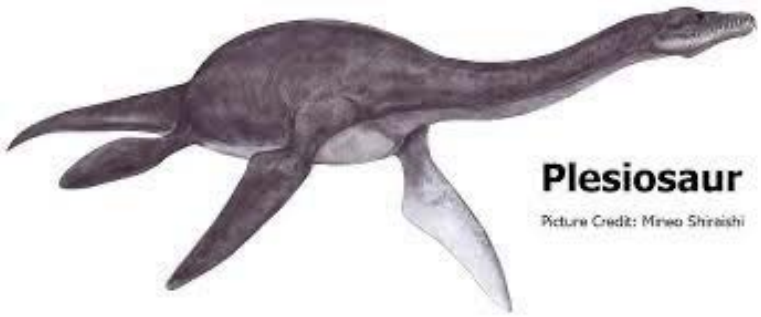
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



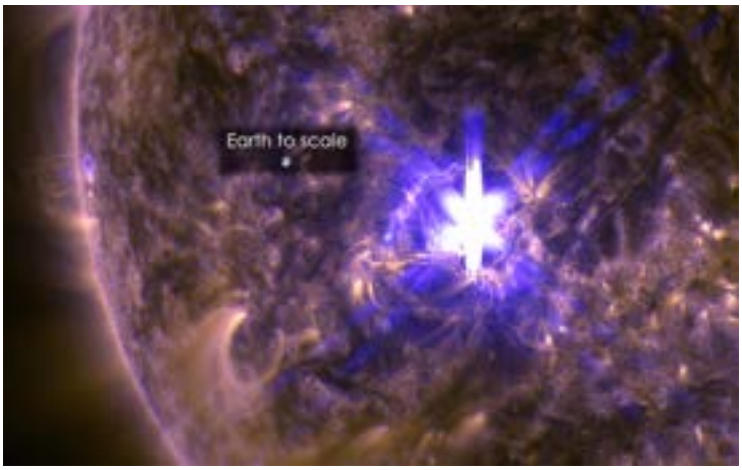
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

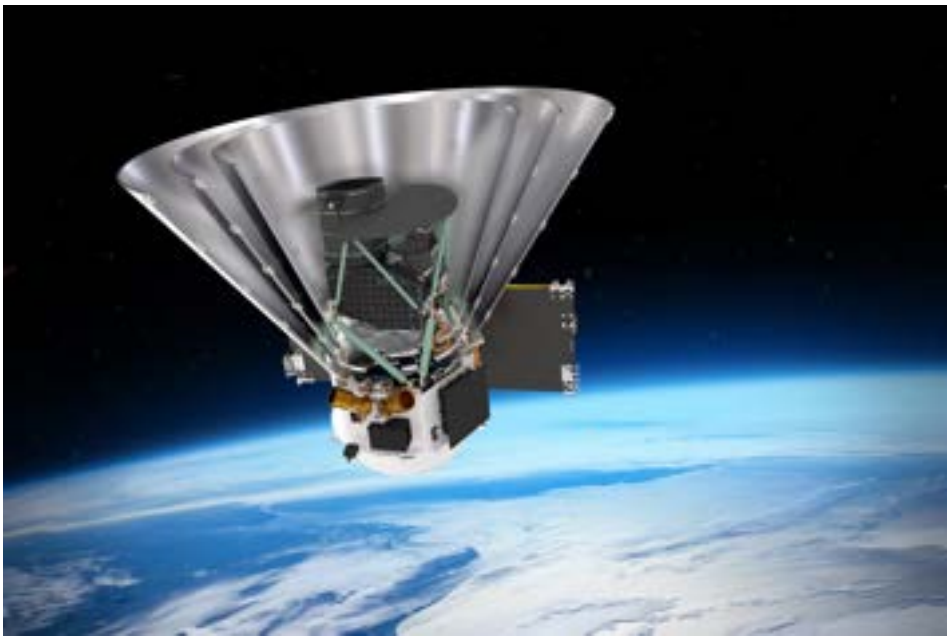


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan's salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

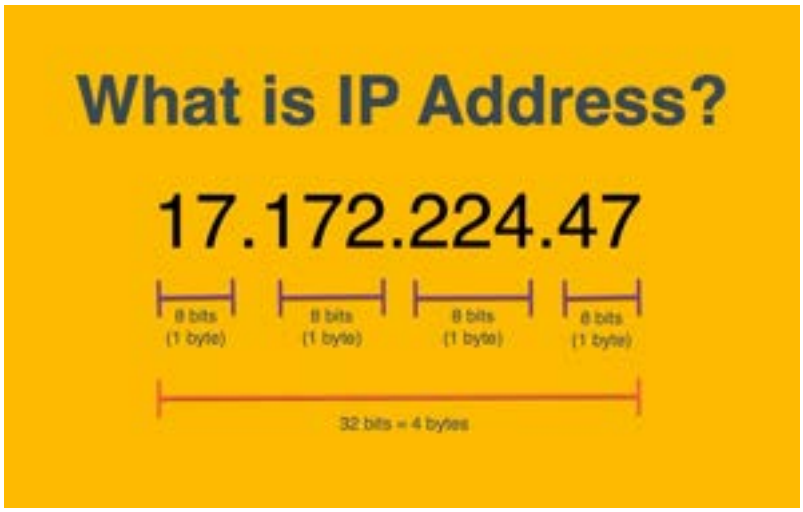
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



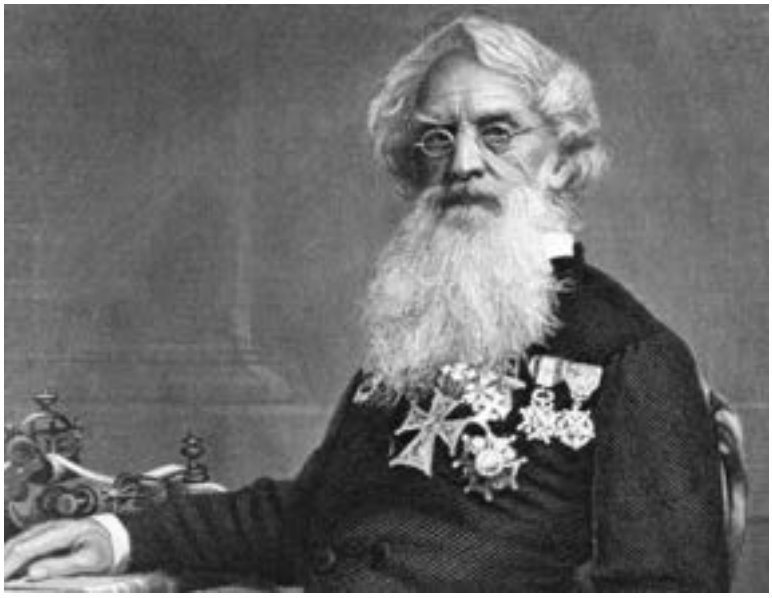
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

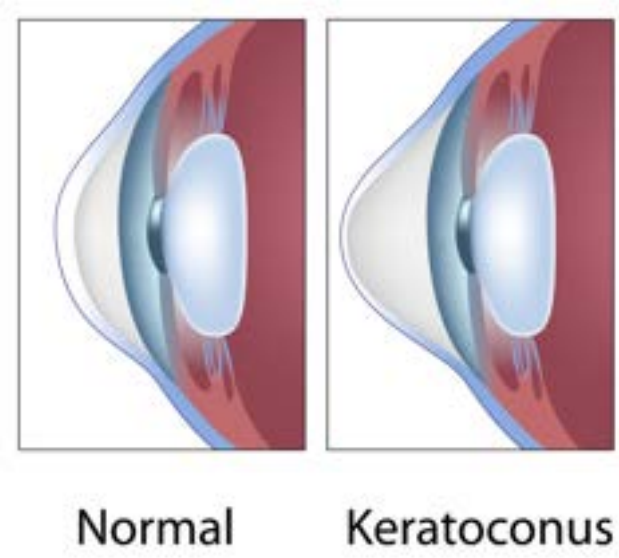






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

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Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only 'Sons of Liberty." Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.



Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



Mastunicola: the first pizza ever made
(en.pizzadixit.com)

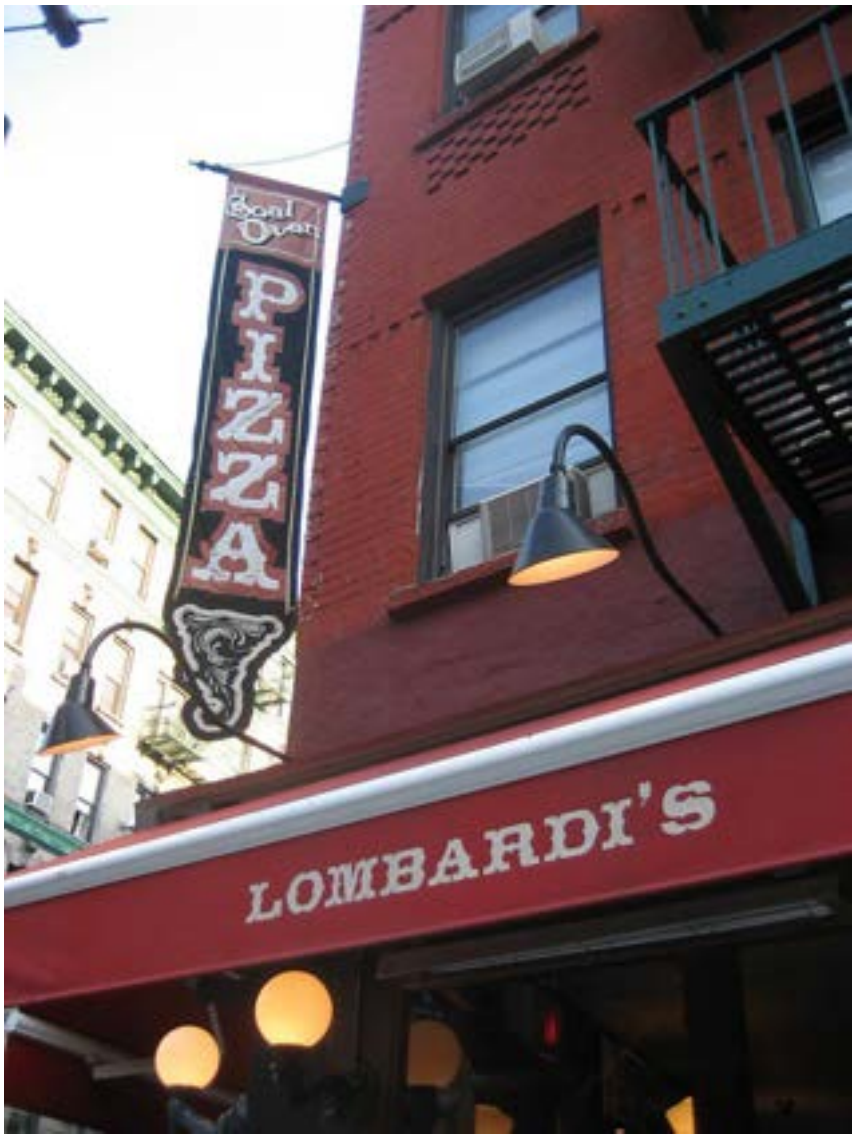
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

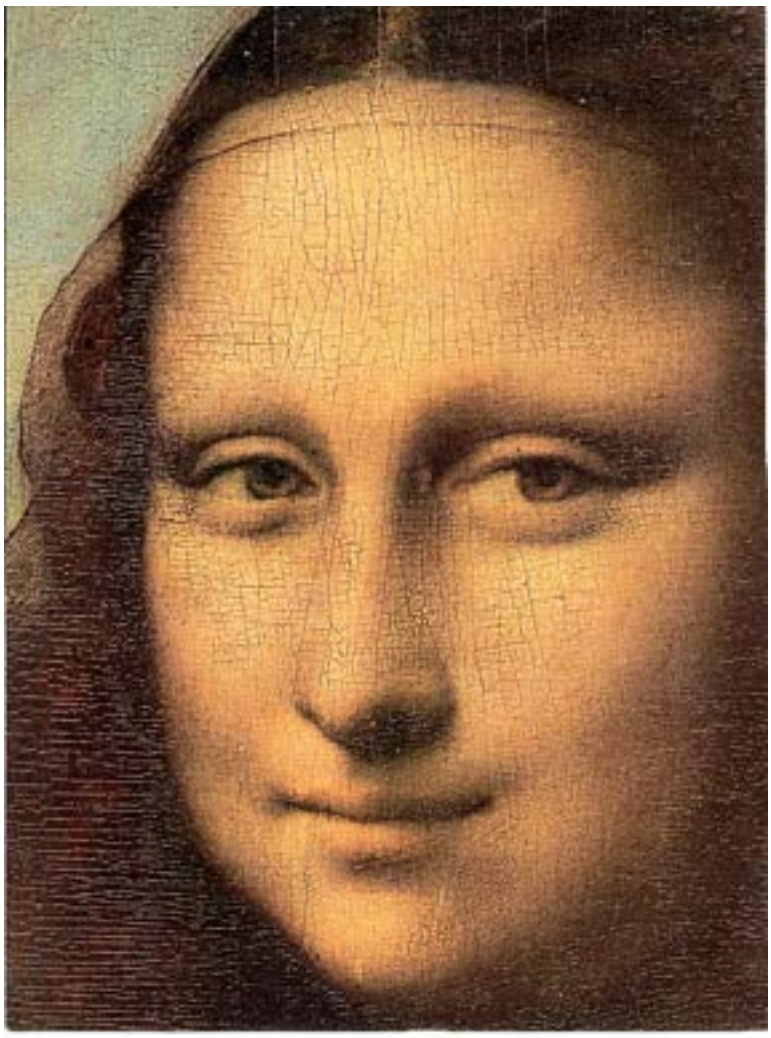


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

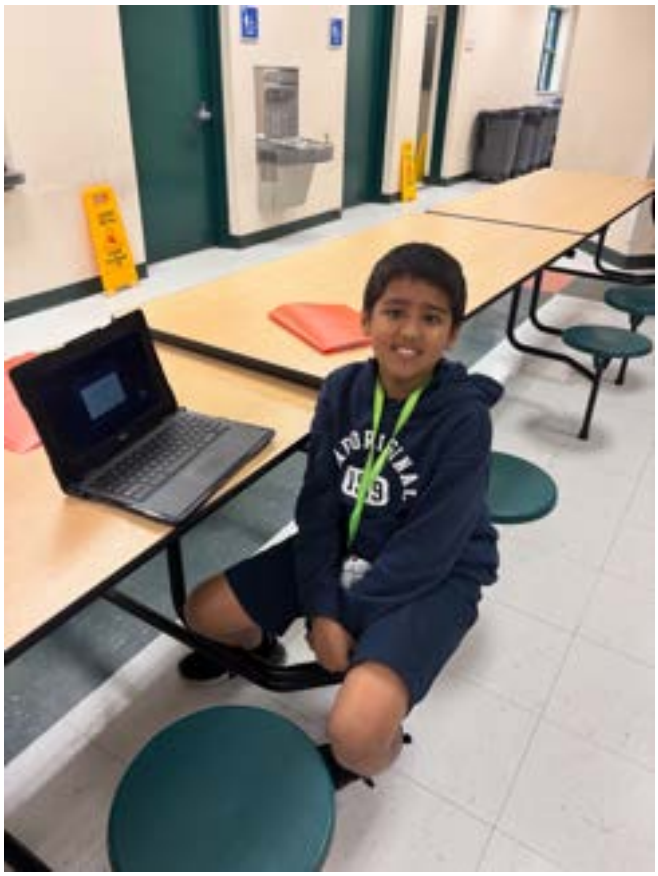
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

Real California Milk fluid milk and dairy foods made with Real California Milk are available throughout California and across the U.S. Find products with the Real California Milk seal at a store near you with this locator tool: RealCaliforniaMilk.com/product-locator.



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THE YOUNG JOURNALIST

~ Scholarly Articles ~

Third, Fourth, Fifth Grade Young Journalists
of Indian River County, Florida, including what should be award winning
articles by a Gifford Middle School sixth grade student.

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.



Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V videos and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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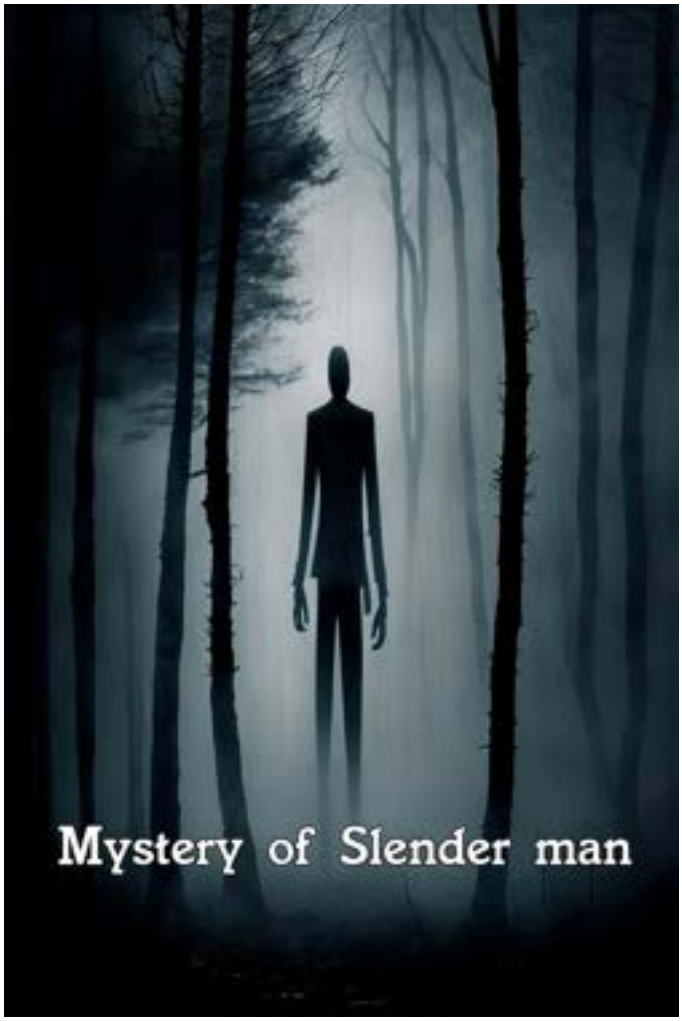
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

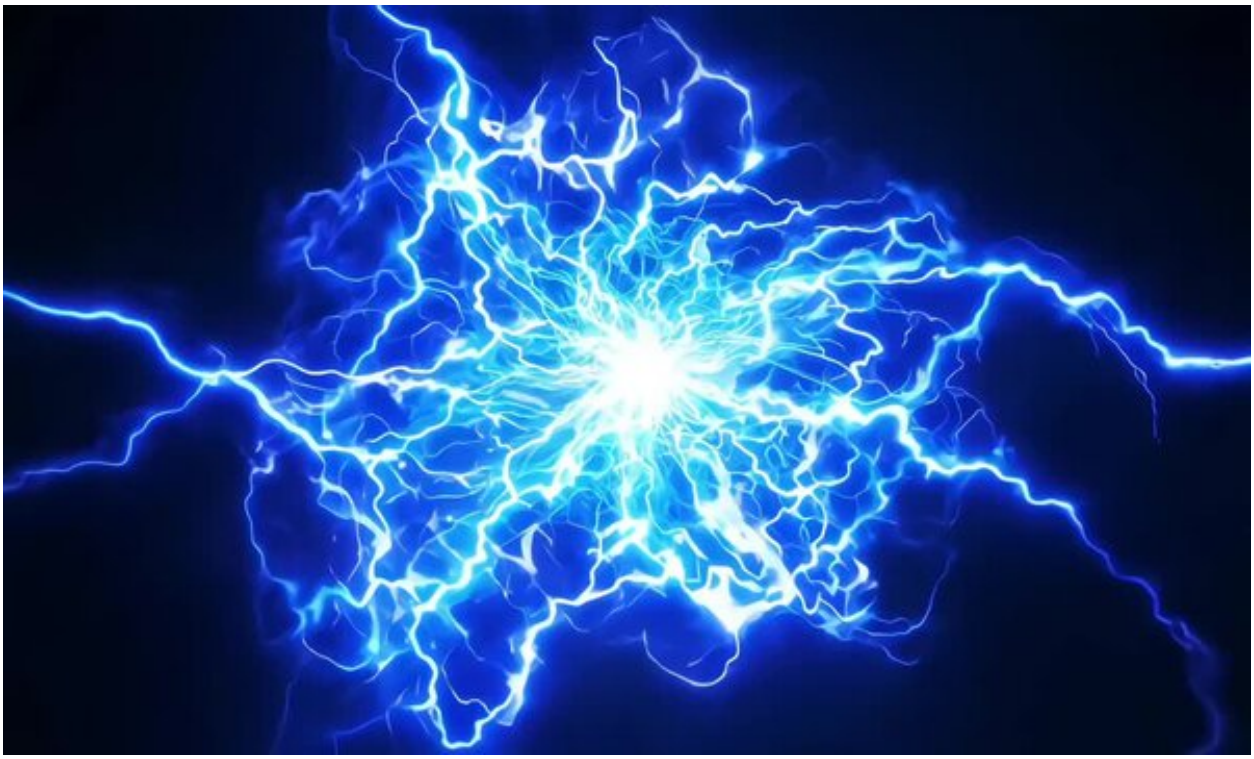
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



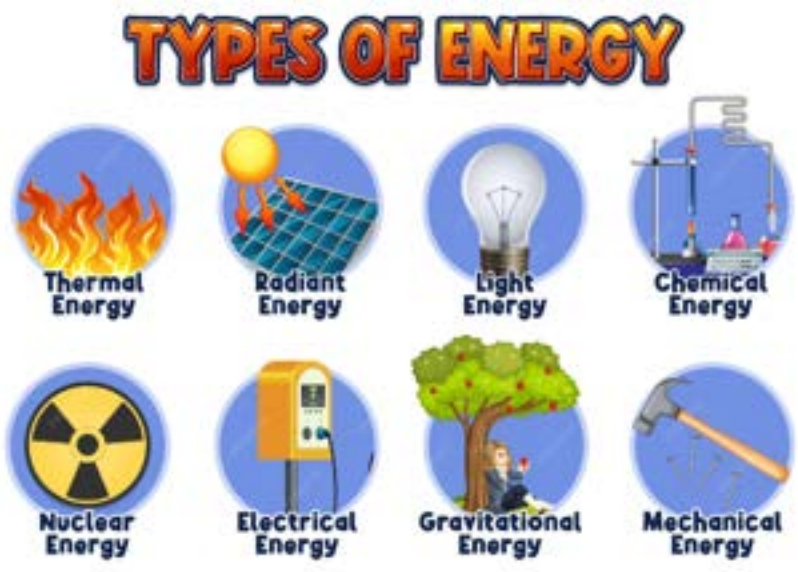
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

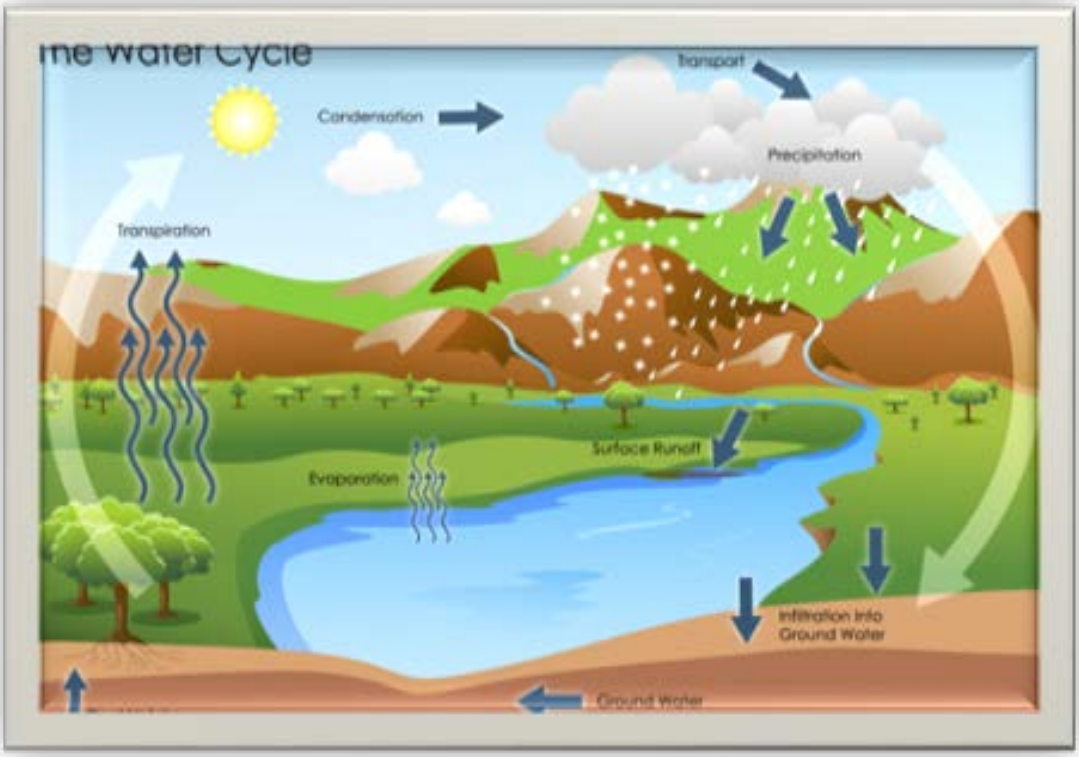
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes. It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



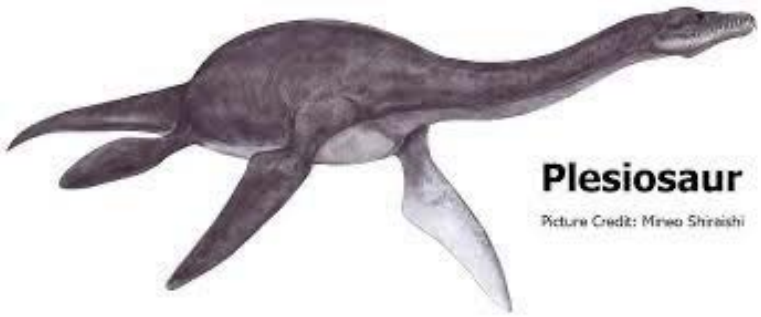
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



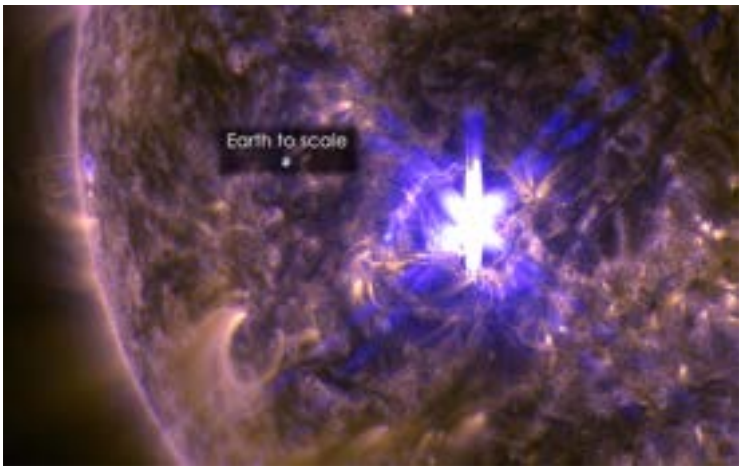
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

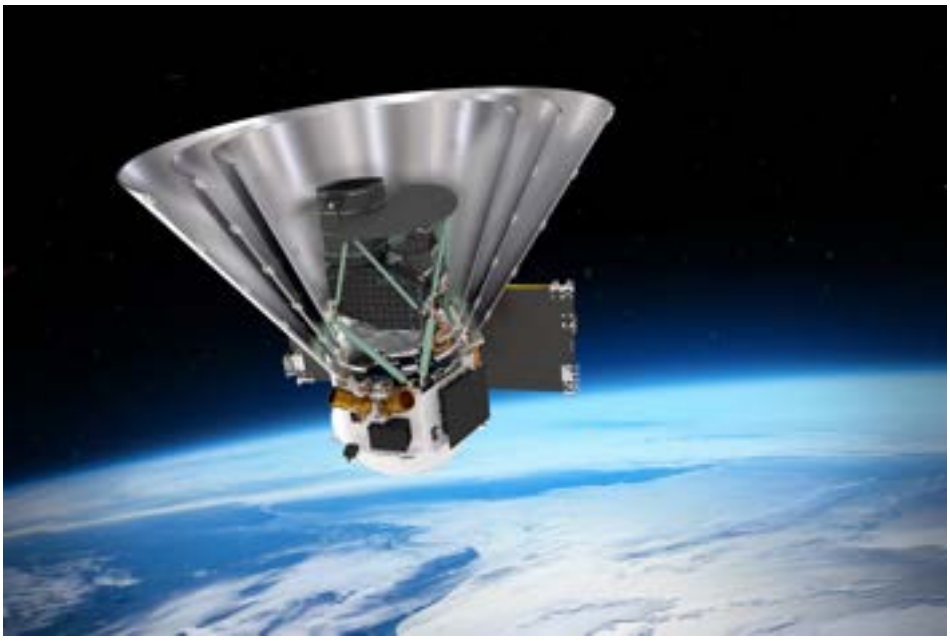


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan’s salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

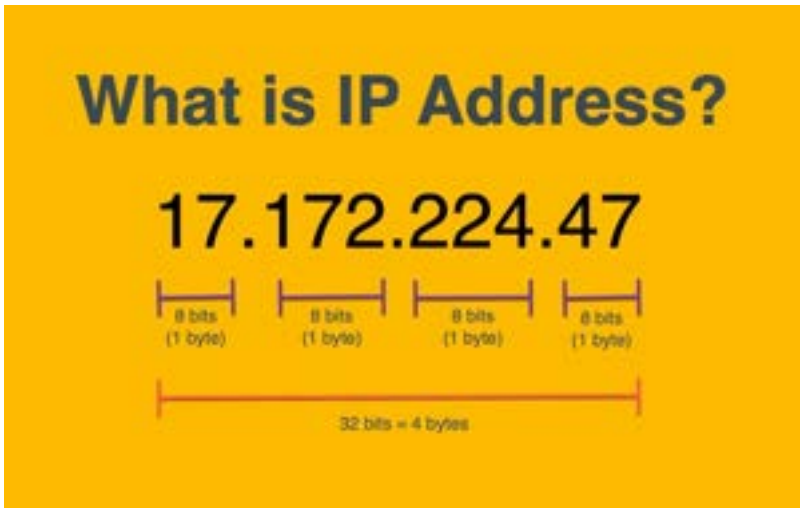
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



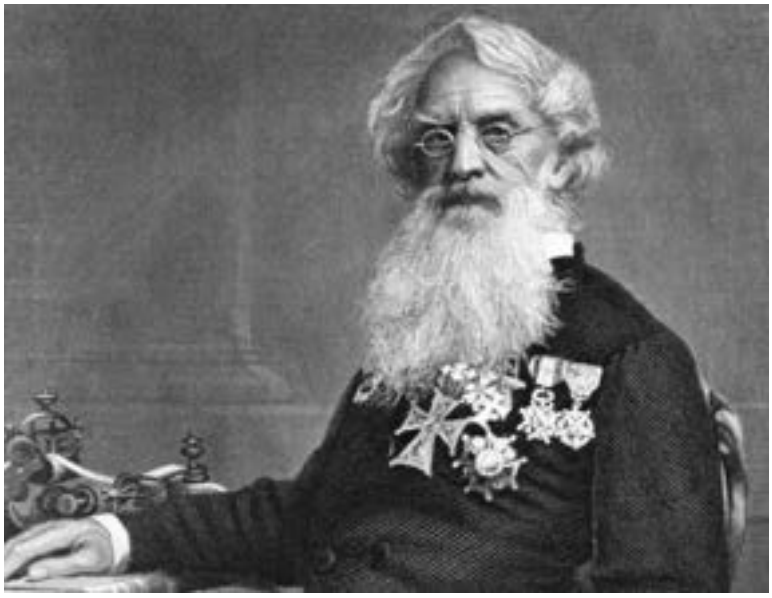
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

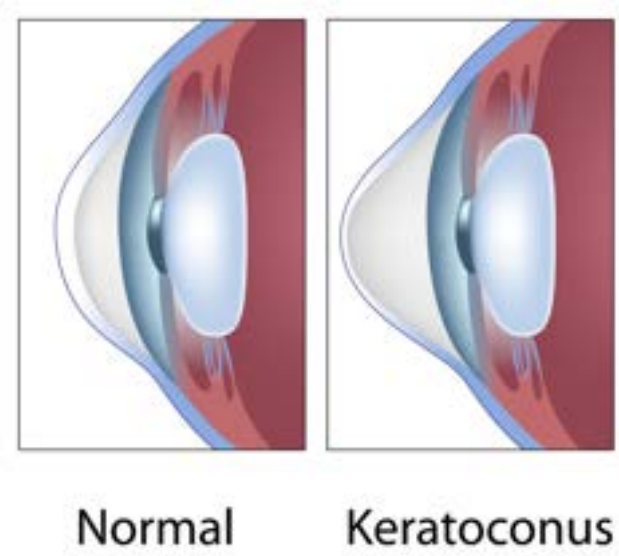






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life.

Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only 'Sons of Liberty." Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.


Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



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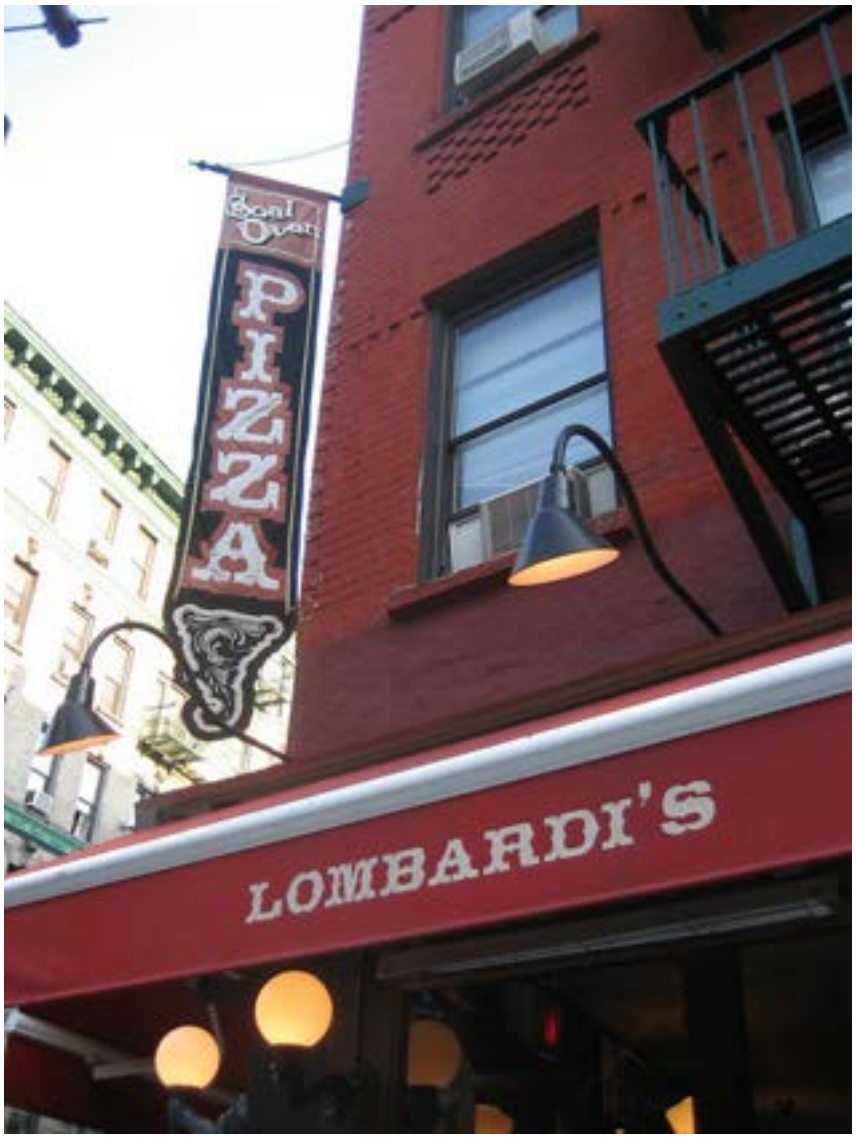
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

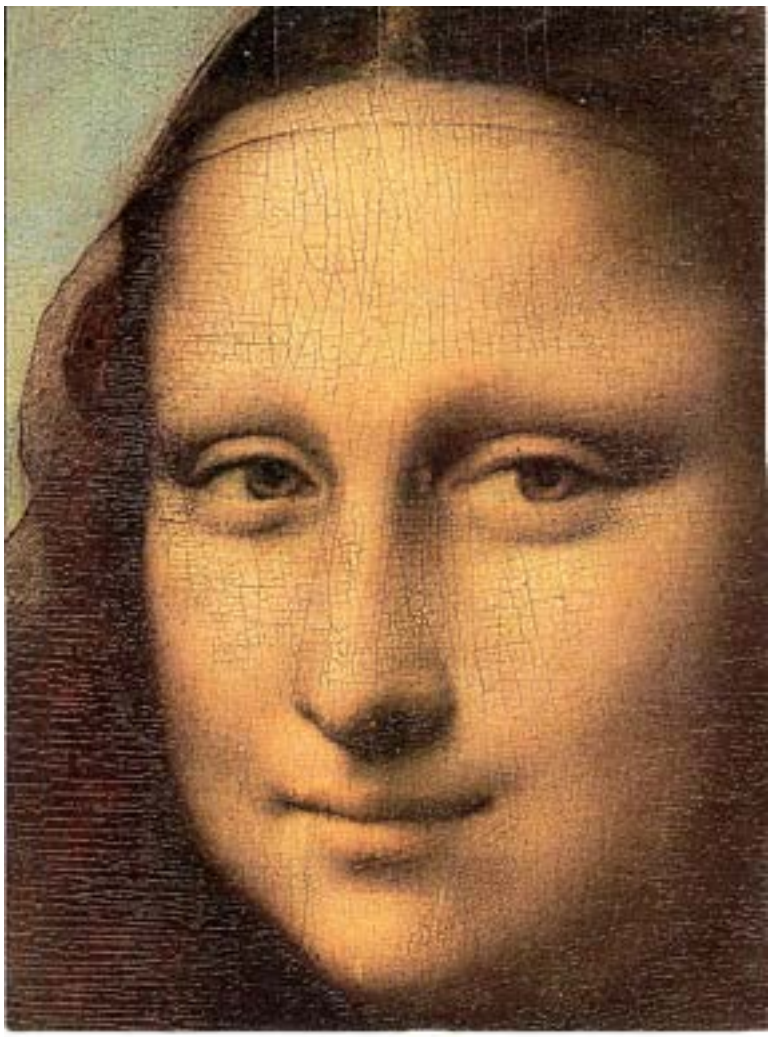


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

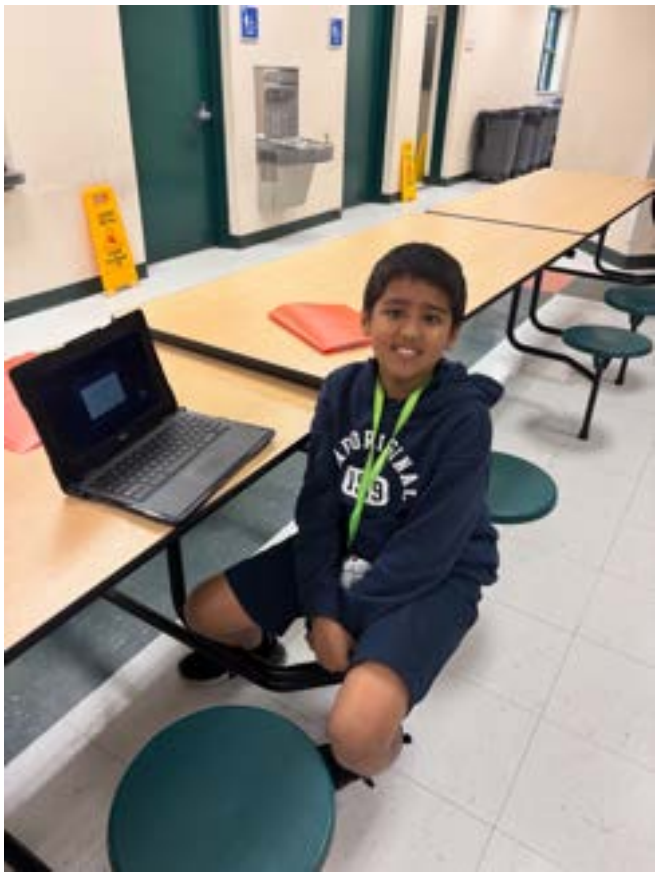
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

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THE YOUNG JOURNALIST

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.



Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video's are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V video's and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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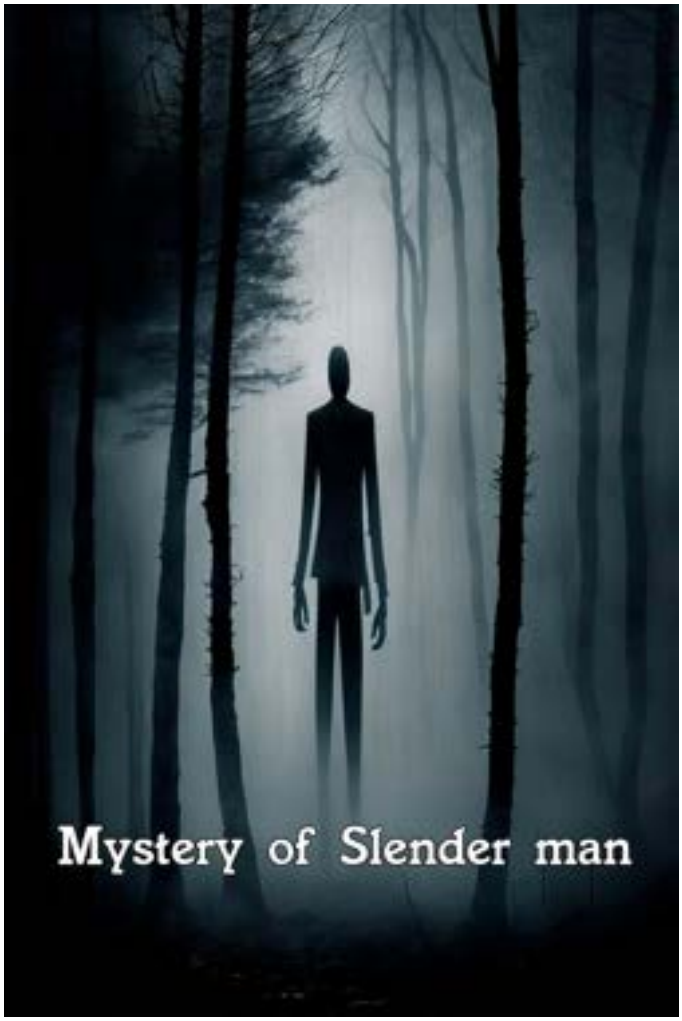
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

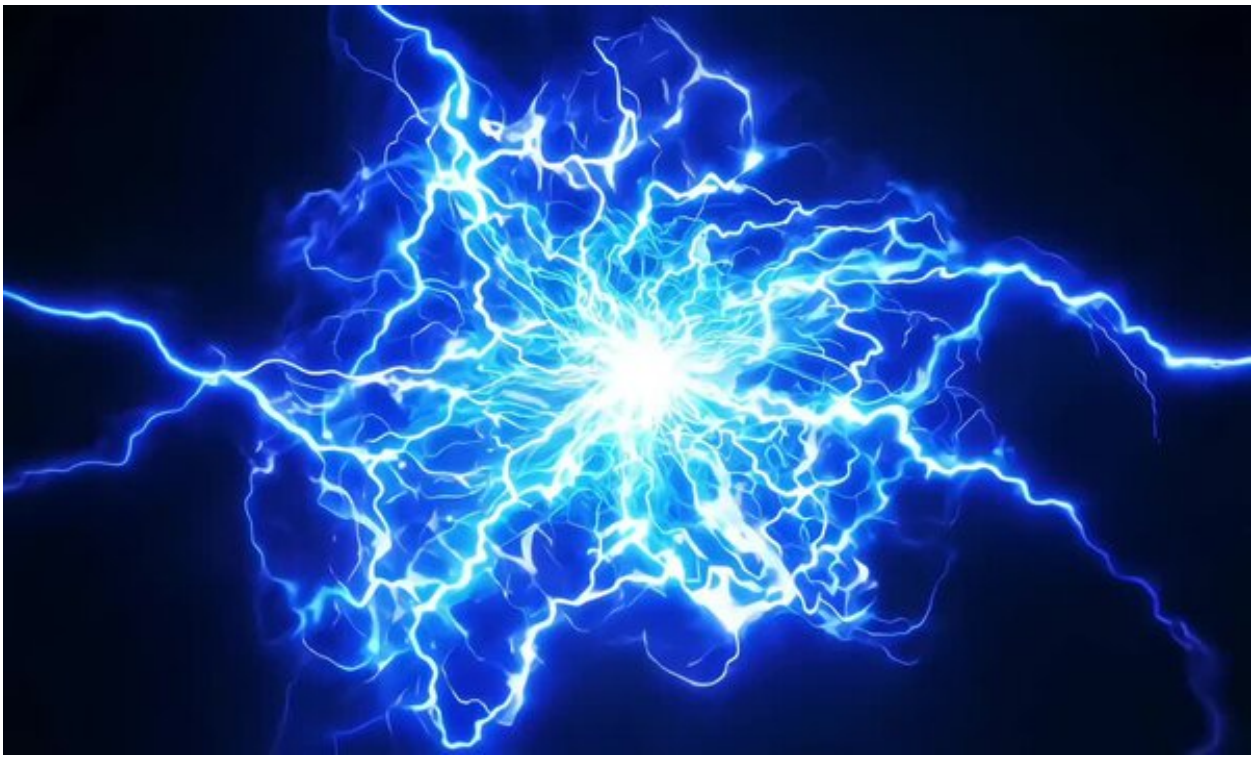
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



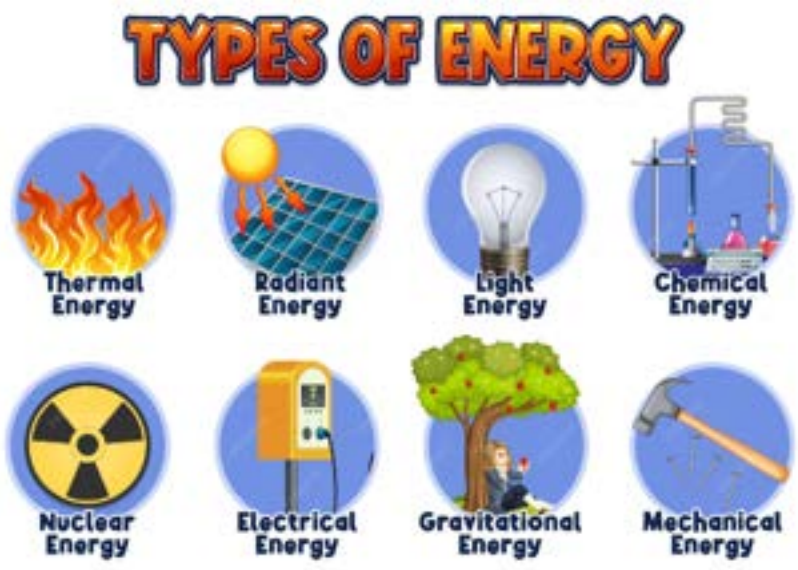
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

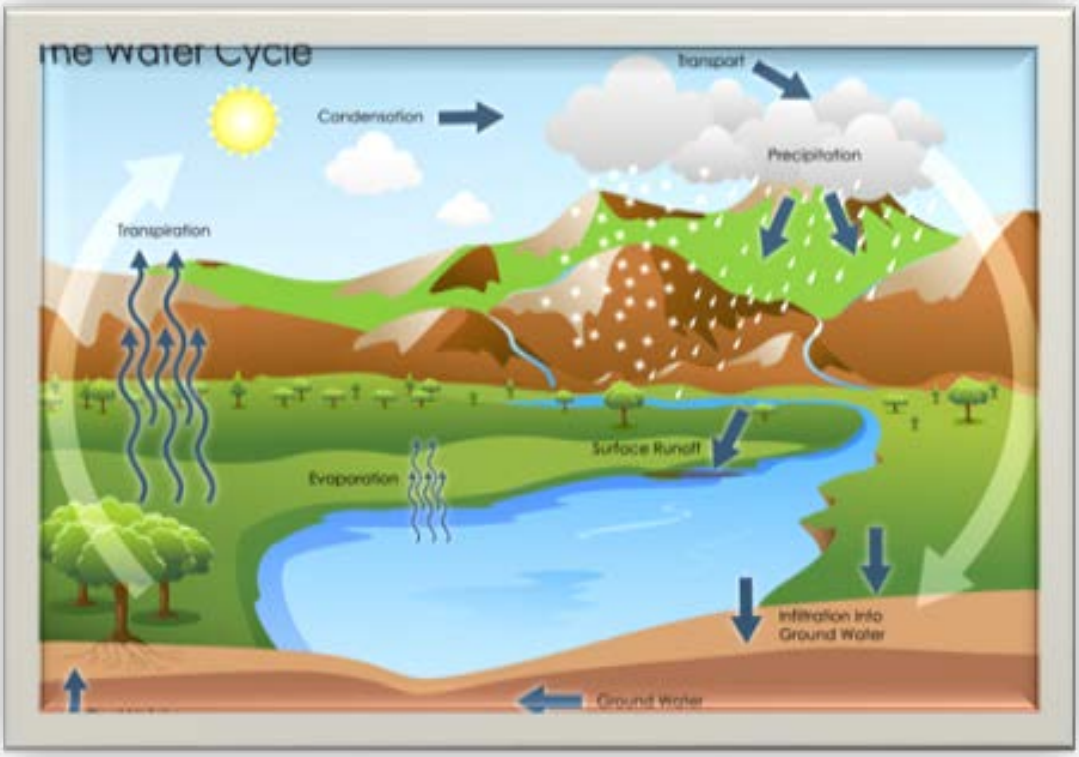
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes. It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



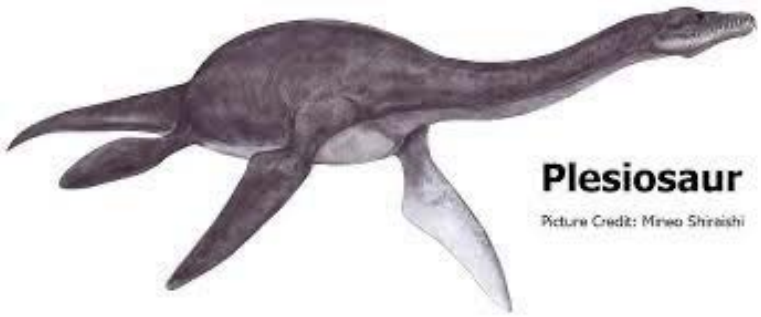
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



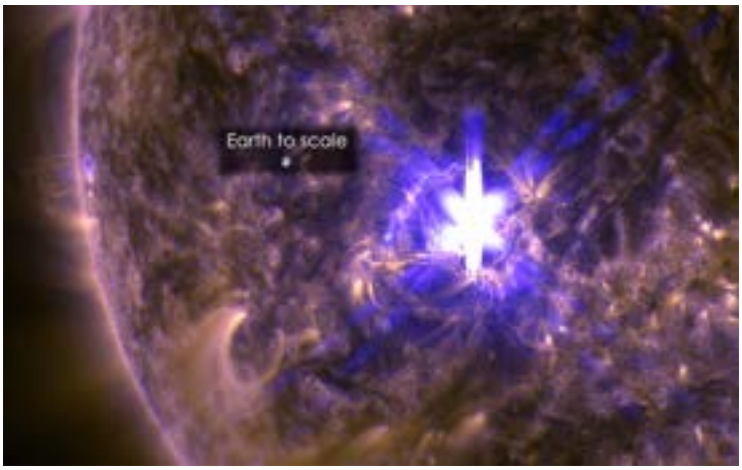
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

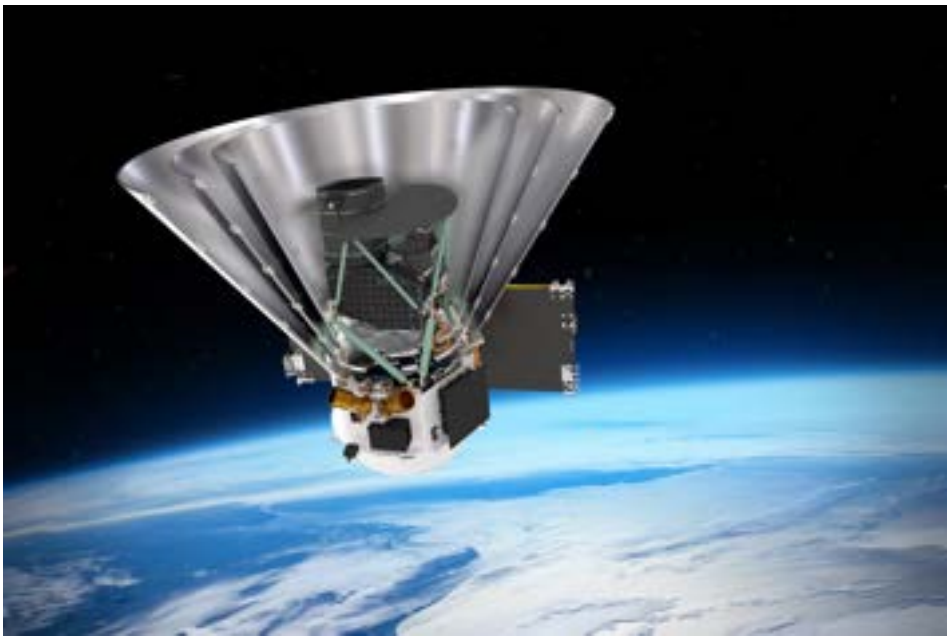


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan's salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

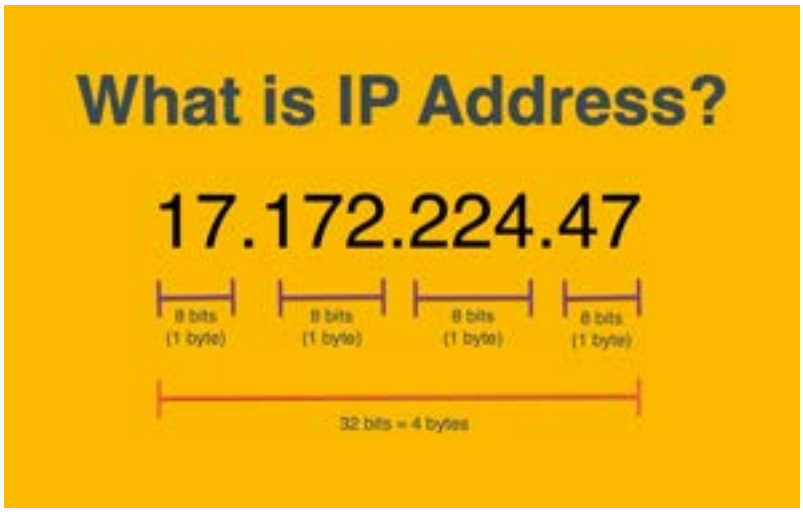
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



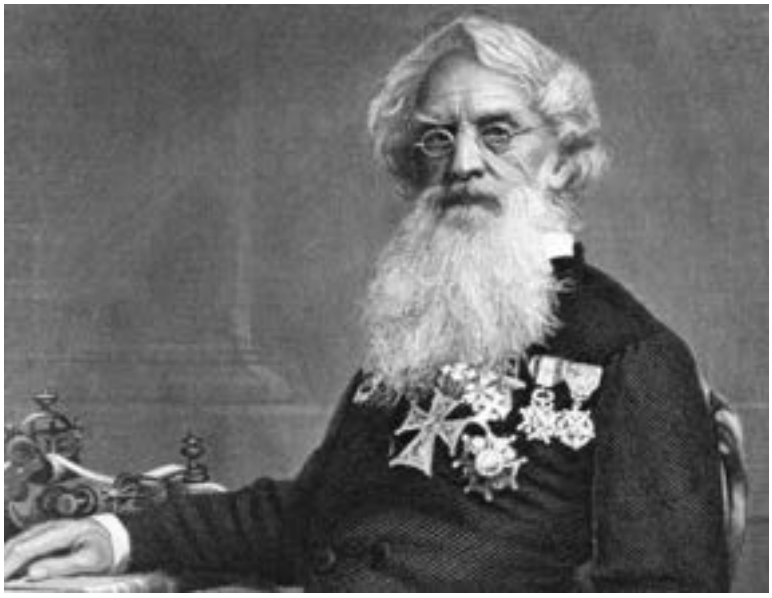
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

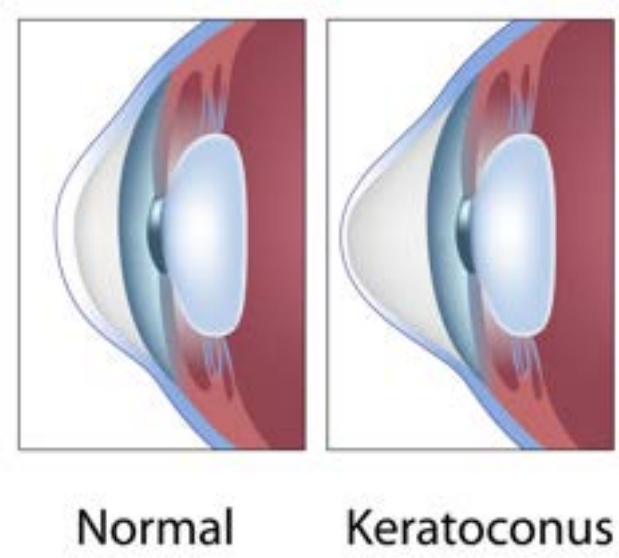






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

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Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only ‘Sons of Liberty.” Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.


Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



Mastunicola: the first pizza ever made
(en.pizzadixit.com)

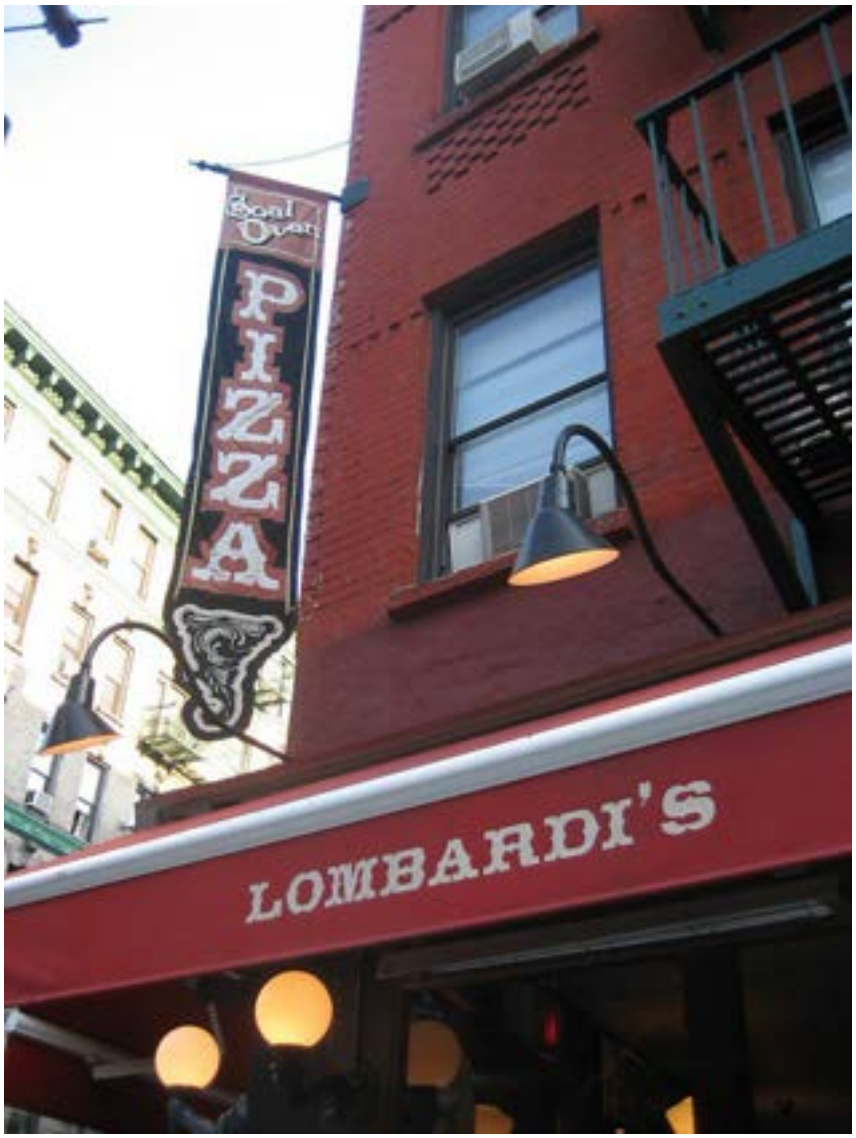
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

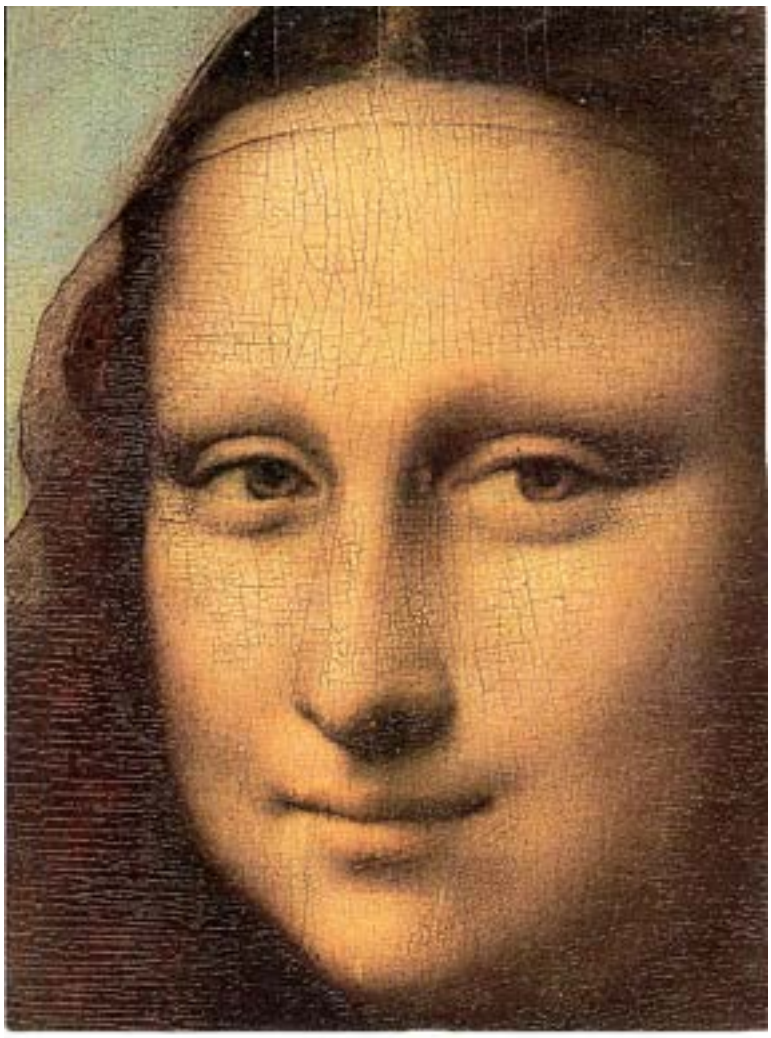


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

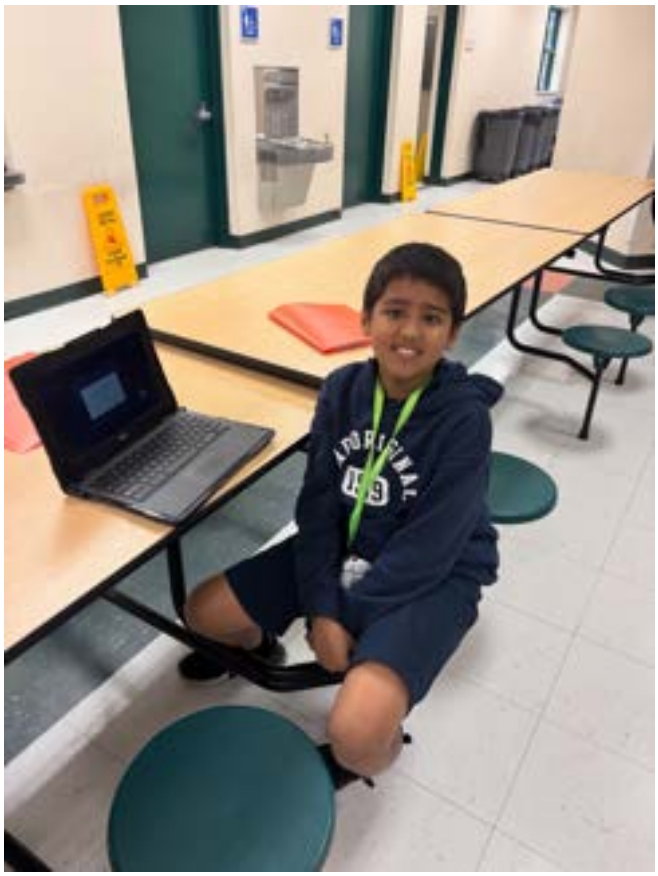
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

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Introduction



Writing is a critical life skill – one of the four main literacy skills children learn, along with listening, reading and speaking. Writing helps children communicate effectively, especially in an age where digital messages often replace face-to-face conversations.

The Young Journalist Program for third, fourth, fifth and one six grader nurtures intellectual curiosity and instills a lifelong love of reading and writing. By reading, students can write about what they read.

Without curiosity there would be no journalism. Children are naturally curious and want to investigate what they are curious about, rather than write about what they are assigned to write about. According to a report, supported by Oxford University Press, children and young people expressed the greatest enthusiasm for having the freedom to choose what they write about. Freedom to write gives children a safe space to express themselves.

But what if they are curious about a topic – from sea monsters to war in Iran – but don't know how to write? It happens. Our approach is to have them tell us what they want to say about their topic and then have them write what they just said. This is how their words can be transformed into print.

Research is a critical component of the writing process. It is a way to gather information to better understand their topic and to make sure their writing is well-informed and supported. Through their research, students tell people what they didn't know and making them want to know about it.

In the case of Vincent van Gogh, through research, a student found out that Vincent van Gogh used the impasto technique. It is said that he applied the paints directly onto the canvas and simply mixed them together with his own fingers. One of the examples of the impasto technique in his oeuvre is the painting The Starry Night.



Isn't this something you didn't know, but might want to know about?

Ensuring accuracy: Research is critical to ensuring that writing is accurate and avoids misinformation. The best research sites are the research archives of various universities.

Wikipedia is not considered a research site for scholarly articles. It is considered unreliable for academic or professional research primarily because it is a crowdsourced platform allowing almost anyone to create or edit articles, which can lead to misinformation, vandalism, and inaccuracies.

Research pushes the writer to dig deeper, challenge assumptions and seek new insights. After all, a journalist is like being a detective.

Once students have located and assessed reliable sources, they then incorporate them effectively into their writing. Research should not merely be quoted or paraphrased; it should also serve to back up, expand upon, and strengthen their own ideas.

Using quotes and paraphrasing is a way to avoid plagiarism. Claudine Gay, the 30th president of Harvard University was accused of plagiarism in academic publications. In January 2024, she resigned from the presidency.

By plagiarizing, one is failing to develop their own skills but is also facing the possibility of being exposed as a fraud. The best approach is using your research to write an article in your own words, rather than paraphrasing and citing sources.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is another worry. According to a new study by the Brookings Institutions Center for Universal Education, "The risks of using generative AI to educate children

and teens currently overshadow the benefits." As one student told the researchers, "It's easy. You don't need to (use) your brain."

The Young Journalist does not accept or allow articles written with AI. If we suspect an article was written with AI because of words not known by the author, or content beyond what we would expect from a student, we download the article into an application such as zerogpt.com for it to determine if it or parts of it were generated by AI.

If this occurs, we use the event as a learning experience, rather than to reprimand the student(s). Not only is the learning event for the author(s), but to all members of the class.

Another concern is the reliability of information. We mentor students on misinformation, disinformation and fake news.

Misinformation is incorrect information shared accidentally. It might be content that the person sharing doesn't realize that it is false or misleading. Often it is a piece of information picked up by someone who doesn't realize it's false, like a rumor, and shares it with their networks without the intent to do harm.

Disinformation is deliberate and includes content such as hoaxes (falsehood created to deceive its audience), scam emails—designed to harm devices, steal information, disrupt services, or cause other negative outcomes. It spreads fear and suspicion among the population.
Fake news is news that is completely made up, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes.



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Tate McRae

By: Amelia McClellan

Did you know that there is someone who sings and dances AND is a contortionist too? No? Let me tell you about one, and her name is Tate McRae. Tate McRae is 22 and was born on July 1st, 2003, in Alberta, Canada. She now lives in New York but was raised in Alberta, Canada. Did you know that Tate means cheerful and joyful, or a British, slang word for POTATO?





Tate McRae first started singing at the age of 13 when she was posting little music videos on YouTube. Then she first started dancing at the age of six and began intensive competitive training at the age of eight. Over the years, Tate has become more flexible and talented. Tate McRae's first song that really went viral is the song "You Broke Me First." But her first actual song was "BFF" sung when she was nine years old.

Tate first started acting at the age of 10 in "Lalaloopsy" as the character Spot Splatter Splash. Tate has also been in movies/shows such as Annie (in 2014), The 2021 Basilica Block Party Night 2, and lots of Lalaloopsy movies like Lalaloopsy Ponies: The Big Show and Lala-Oopsies: A Sew Magical Tale.



Tate has gone on at least four major tours, including the All the Things I Never Said Tour, the Are We Flying Tour, the Think Later World Tour, and the ongoing Miss Possessive Tour. She has also done shorter tours, such as the Europe Tour in 2022.

Fun facts: Did you know Tate McRae's best friend is Olivia Rodrigo? Since Tate stands for potato in British slang, she calls her fans Tator Tots.





Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

By: Dior Barrow



Do you know how to make chocolate chip cookies? If you don't, I'm about to tell you how to make them.

Step 1: Grab your ingredients and preheat the oven to 375 degrees F 190 degrees C.
Step 2: What you will need: butter, brown sugar, and white sugar in a large bowl. Use whatever bowl you have that is big. You will need an ELECTRIC MIXER on MEDIUM speed until it is smooth for about two minutes. You need to beat vanilla and eggs at the same time blend it really well so it's smooth.
Ingredients:

- 1 cup of butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

How to bake

- Mix the dough until the chocolate chips are evenly distributed.
- Scoop the dough into individual portions.
- Roll them into tiny balls and place them on a baking sheet.
- Bake the cookies in the heated oven.

I like chocolate chip cookies because they have a chocolatey taste and they are sweet and they are really popular. I like mine crunchy and baked a little longer, so when I have milk, it's not so soggy. I love chocolate chip cookies. This is my story about how I make chocolate chip cookies.

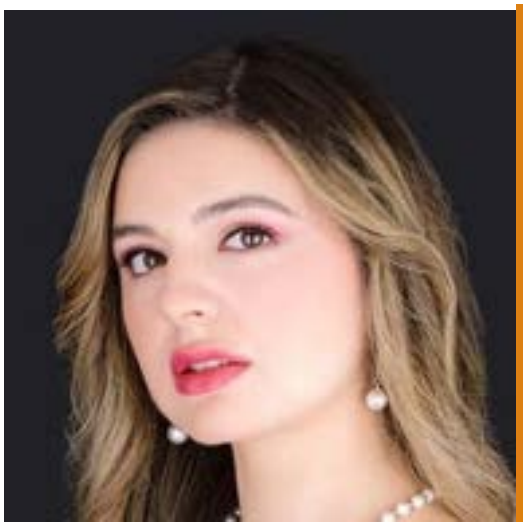


Tik Tok P.O.V.’s

By: Elli Reese McClellan

Right now, there are many popular Tik Tok trends. Like Twilight nostalgia, jump scare costume reveals, spooky sounds, popular music releases, what's up duet trends, dance challenges, P.O.V. videos, and the Group 7 trend. TikTok is popular due to the platforms algorithm that promotes content based on engagement, not just follower count, allowing anyone to go viral.

According to later.com, “A POV (point of view) video is a type of video filmed from the perspective of the person who is creating it, giving the viewer a sense of being there in the moment and experiencing the events as they unfold.”



Brianna Mizura



Jessica Kaylee

Jessica Kaylee and Brianna Mizura TikTok's P.O.V video are very popular as both social media influencer and reel creators. Jessica Kaylee is an actor, singer, songwriter, and comedian and makes many P.O.V videos and is known as Jess and Billie Jean in those videos. Brinna Mizura Is a Tik Tok and YouTube star.

On TikTok, P.O.V.’s are often used in videos or as a hashtag to indicate that the video is meant to be watched as if the viewer were present.

Right now, Niana Guerrero and Bizzy boom are famous for being in some of the dance’s trending right now. Niana Guerrero is known for showcasing trends, including ones that have family collaboration involved. Bizzy boom is included in TikTok dances or trends.

In conclusion, those are some of the many Tik Tok trends that are popular. I don't watch Tik Tok but sometimes when I scroll on YouTube I see these influencers.

THE FIRST CUPCAKES

By: Janeteria Long



Cupcakes were invented in the late 18th century by Amelia Simmons in 1796. She became known as the author of what is now recognized as the first American cookbook. It is considered by food historians to be the first cookbook published in the U.S. by an American.

In her book Amelia Simmons published the first known recipe for a light cake to bake in small cups, where the first cupcake was baked in a teacup. They were not called cupcakes; they were called number cakes; because they were easy to remember by the measurements of ingredients it took to create them. They are like 100 cupcake flavors such as vanilla, birthday cake and double chocolate.

There are hundreds of cupcakes now a days. Every recipe is different and can be changed to your liking. There are even gluten free cupcakes. Now, the cupcake flavors are endless.



Amelia Simmons

24 Karat Labubu

By: Mariah Corbett



Facts about Labubu:

The Labubu Dolls look like elf creatures with big eyes and nine teeth. They are sold by Pop Mart as the monster's books series.

It's so cool like that the 24 karat Labubu refers to a unique one-of-a-kind figure by dipping a Labubu doll, a collectible toy character into 24 karat gold. The 24 gold Labubu video went viral, amassing over 22 million views and inspiring others to make similar claims.\

The 24k gold Labubu figures were custom made creations by individuals, not a limited-edition release from Pop Mart, the company that produces the popular Labubu toy. Another cool thing about the Labubu is that it was created in 2015 and by Kasing Lung in Hong Kong. Kong. It took them 10 years to be popular.



Facts About Sabrina Carpenter

By: Mia Vasquez



Did you know Sabrina was born on May 11, 1999, in Quakertown, PA? She has three siblings named Sarah Carpenter, Shannon Carpenter, and Cayla Carpenter. She is very famous and a very good singer and songwriter.

Before she was famous, she was an actor. She acted in the shows of Highschool Cupid, Girl Meets World, This is Who I Am, Sofia the First, Milo Murphy's Law, The Goodwin Games, and Royalties.

Sabrina was 11 years old in 2011 when she acted in her first role in the NBC Series Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She played the role of a character named Paula, assault survivor.

Did you know she has won two Gammy Awards? She won her Grammy's for best pop solo performance and best pop vocal album. And just a little fact that she loves spiderman, a fascination with Zac Efron when she was younger, and that her sister Sarah sings backup for her.





This is her at the 2025 met gala and this her "Short and Sweet" album

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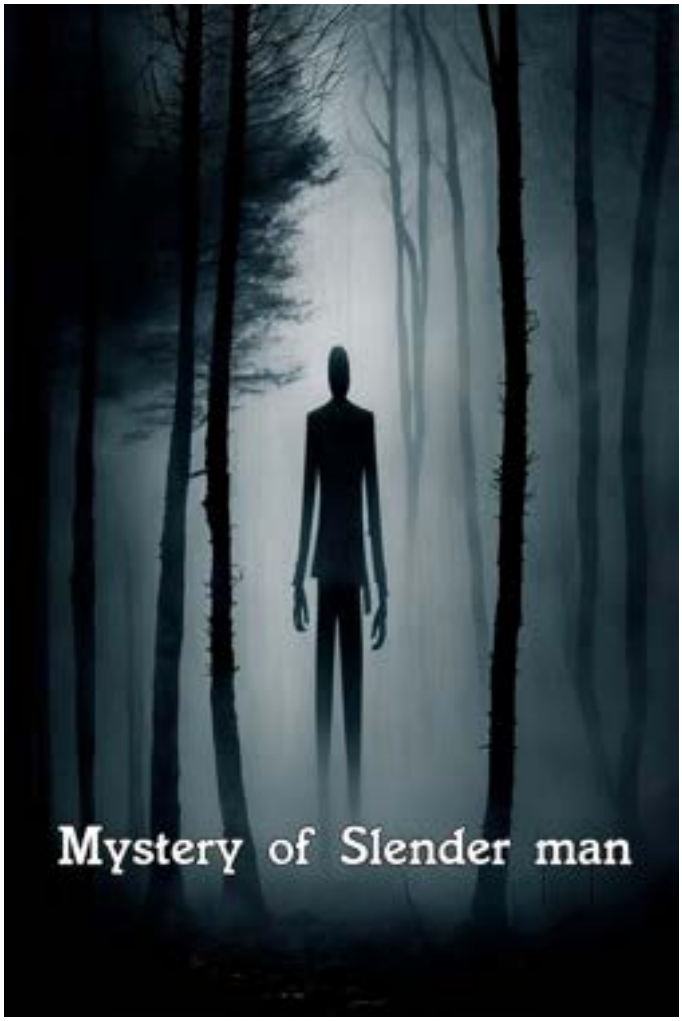
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GYAC students practicing for their first podcast

Slender Man Origin Story

By Adonis Imhotape King



Slenderman is my friend, and I have been studying him since I was 3 years old.

Slenderman is 60 years old, but he is not real.

Slenderman is very tall. The exact height of the Slender Man varies between six to fifteen feet tall. He can move from place to place but we don't know how he can teleport. (The word Teleport, coined by Charles Fort, blends "tele" (far) and "port" (carry). In tech he can crab people with his tenacles, and he brings them to him and kills them because they come into his property.

I became interested in him because of a friend told me about him. Then after that I went on my tablet and searched for him.

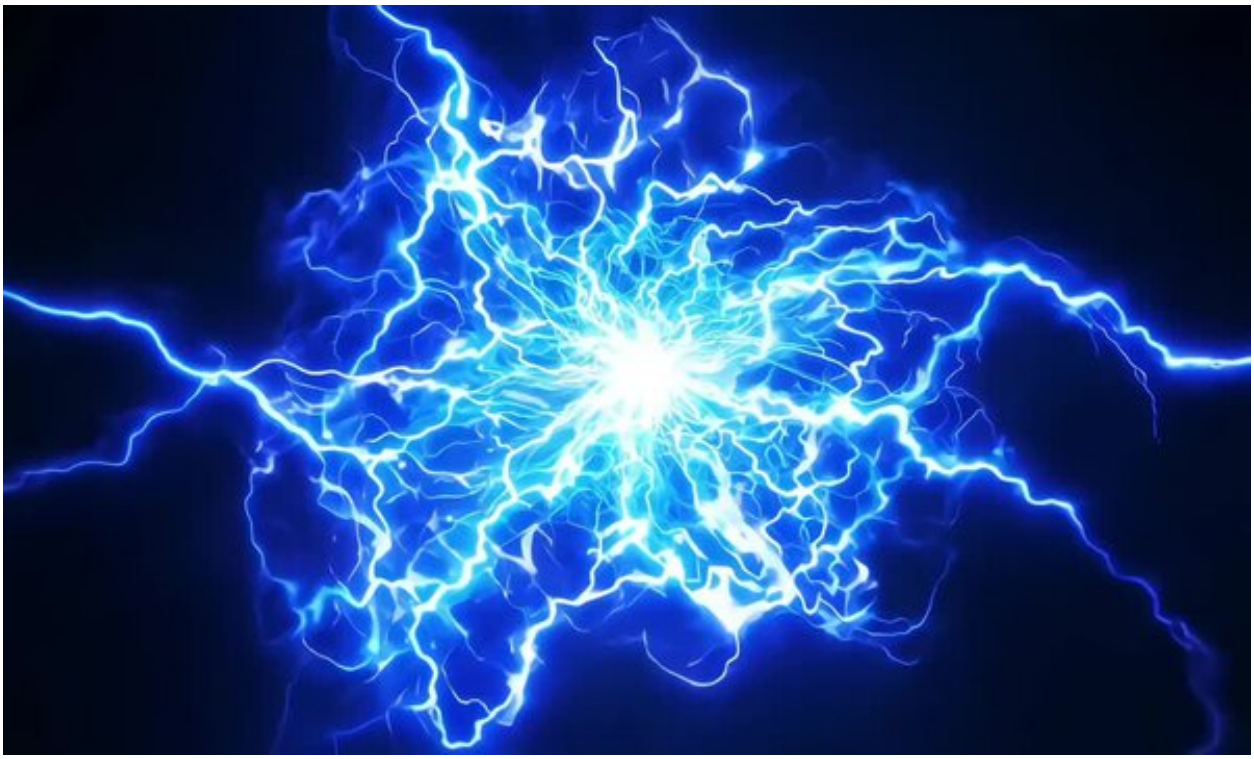
I like him because he wears a black suit, has tentacles, he has a girlfriend who she also kills people. Slenderman can sense you. I also like him because he is so tall and skinny.

Source: Non-Alien Creatures WIKI



All About Energy

By Angel Lopez



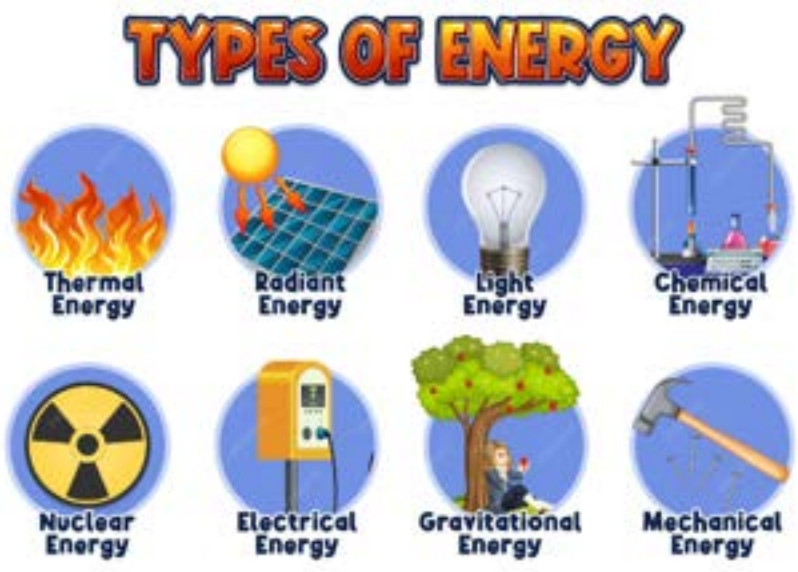
The sun provides more energy to Earth in one hour than the entire world uses in a year. If we could harness just one hour of solar energy, it could power the planet for a whole year.

Energy efficiency can save lives. Reducing energy consumption by just 15% in the U.S. could save over 2,000 lives annually due to decreased air pollution. Energy exists in various forms, including kinetic (energy of motion), potential (stored energy), thermal (heat), and chemical (energy stored in bonds).

“Only about 10% of the energy consumed by traditional incandescent light bulbs is used for lighting; the rest is wasted as heat. In contrast, compact fluorescent bulbs use about 80% less electricity Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are growing rapidly, providing sustainable alternatives to.”

LIGHT chemical rising natural gas usage, rapid growth in renewable energy declining per-capita emissions, significant nuclear generation, and increasing total energy consumption has been relatively flat over the past 20 years.
Here are 10 kinds of energy.

- **Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Thermal (Heat) Energy.**
- **Chemical Energy**
- **Nuclear Energy**
- **Electrical Energy**
- **Gravitational Energy**
- **Radiant Energy**
- **Light Energy**
- **Motion Energy**
- **Sound Energy**
- **Elastic Energy**



What Does the Star-Spangled Banner Have to do With the War of 1812?

By Angel Lopez



The War of 1812 was fought by the United States and its allies against the United Kingdom and its allies in North America. It began when the United States declared war on Britain on 18 June 1812. The United States had many reasons for going to war in 1812 such as Britain's interference with its trade and impressment of its seamen.

In a strike against British Upper Canada, on *April 27, 1813*, American troops attacked York (now Toronto), occupying the town for several days and burning down the Palace of Government. After defeats in 1812, the U.S. needed a victory to restore confidence in the war effort and for political gain.

The British burned the U.S. Capitol and White House in Washington, D.C., in August 1814 as direct retribution for the burning of York, the capital of Upper Canada. According to the Army Historical Foundation, only severe thunderstorms saved the entire city from burning to the ground.



Americans had looted and burned the whole town of York. Joseph Scott, an avid historian for more than 30 years wrote: "By burning the White House, the British were demonstrating:

“Look, actions have consequences. You burn our towns, so we burn what we please in your capital city.”

Around this time, British forces detained Dr. William Beanes, a local physician in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, accused of confronting British soldiers had who vandalized property. Key was called upon to negotiate Beanes's release due to his legal expertise and connections. Key was a lawyer, not a soldier, but became involved in the War of 1812 due to Beanes’s imprisonment.

Key, a 35-year-old lawyer, who was against America’s entry into the War of 1812 from the beginning, witnessed the British bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, which inspired him to write the poem that became “The Star-Spangled Banner.” The primary goal of the British attack of Fort McHenry was to seize Baltimore, a crucial American port, after their success in burning the capital, Treasury and the President’s House.

Inspired by seeing the American flag at dawn, he wrote the poem that became the national anthem. It captured themes of patriotism in the face of British attacks and helped cement Key’s place in U.S. history

Ships of the War of 1812 played a key role in the conflict and laid the groundwork for the future expansion of the U.S. Navy. "Old Ironsides" was one of the original six warships of the United States Navy. It was launched in 1797 and during the War of 1812, it achieved a notable victory against the British frigate HMS Guerriere on August 19, 1812, marking one of the first significant naval victories for the United States in the war.



Interesting Fish

By Cameron Biggoms



The first fish that ever lived on earth is called Haikouichthys, which is also known as the oldest vertebrate, an extinct genus of primitive jawless fish that lived during the Cambrian period, 518 million years ago, in what is now the Yunnan Province of China.

Fish that have not been domesticated, like bass and trout are wild fish and have a darker color. Bass and trout can appear darker depending on the water conditions, light penetration, and their natural coloration patterns. They do not have a stinger with venom and are not poisonous. The popular to catch globality is carp and tilapia in sense.



The oar fish is another interesting fish. They are called "doomsday fish" because, in folklore, their rare appearance near the surface is believed to signal impending natural disasters, particularly earthquakes and tsunamis. The oarfish is the longest bony fish in the world, capable of reaching up to 56 feet (17 meters) and weighing around 600 pounds (270 kilograms). They live in the deep sea.

Another interesting fish is the red lipped batfish, which are found near Cocos Island off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica. This fish is mainly known for its bright red lips. Batfish are not good swimmers and what makes them interesting is that they use their highly adapted pectoral, pelvic and anal fins to "walk" on the ocean floor.



Be A Boss Cheerleader

By Damiya Johnson

College cheerleaders may receive scholarships, but full ride cheerleading scholarships are rare. NFL cheerleaders are contract workers, meaning they do not work for teams full-time and do not receive a salary. They are, instead, paid on a per-game or hourly basis.





I love cheerleading. It is not just for girls; it's for boys too. Boys a capable of what girls can do and girls are capable of what boys can do. Don't let anyone tell you, you cannot do it or you can not join our team because your too fat or too skinny or too ugly. You are beautiful and handsome. Do not let anyone say you not capable cause you are.

BE A BOSS



Boss Cheer is a sports comedy web series about a cheerleading team of the same name.

Up until November 2, 1898, the cheers and chants at sports events broke out from the crowd itself spontaneously. The cheers most likely weren't done in unison and competing groups tried their own chants.

It was on that day in 1898 that Johnny Campbell, a University of Minnesota student, got up from the seats and went on the field to lead the student body in a chant.

Rah, Rah, Rah!
Ski-u-Mah!
Hoo-Rah! Hoo-Rah!
Varsity! Varsity! Varsity,
Minn-e-So-Tah!

That was when cheerleading as we know it was born. The "birthday of cheerleading" is celebrated every year on November 2.



Johnny Campbell

Cheerleading grows

Other students soon joined Johnny on the field, and opposing fans saw the effectiveness of having a group fire up the crowd, "Yell Leaders" started sprouting up across college campuses. As it grew, cheerleaders started adding many of the elements we know today, such as megaphones to be louder, arm motions for crowds to keep time, signs, poms, and even basic jumps, tumbling, and stunts (more commonly called "lifts" back in the day!)

Britannica gives the following early history of cheerleading as a sport in the U.S.":

"Although cheerleading is today predominantly associated with femininity, the original cheerleaders were men. Cheerleading was connected to the emergence of gridiron football at Ivy League colleges and universities in the United States in the mid-1800s, and the growth and formalization of cheerleading paralleled that of football. Over the latter half of the 19th century, as attendance at college games grew, large stadiums were constructed, and spectators were distanced from the playing field. Cheerleaders — or "yell leaders," as they were then called — led cheers from the sidelines both to encourage the spectators and to serve as a form of crowd control. By the 1920s cheerleading had become a formal extracurricular activity for boys in high schools, colleges, and communities across the country, related to but distinct from other spirit programs such as marching bands, drum corps, and drill teams. As ambassadors for their schools and communities, cheerleaders were associated with such character-building traits as discipline, cooperation, leadership, and sportsmanship."

Cheerleading Becomes Female

Yell leaders were primarily male up until World War II, even though women were permitted to be on cheerleading teams. When the men went off to war, women took over as cheerleaders. And when the war was over, cheerleading was primarily a female activity. According to usacheer.org, today females account for approximately 85% of participants.

The Boston Tea Party

By Jayce Brown

The Boston tea party happened on December 16, 1773, at Griffin Wharf, Boston Harbor Massachusetts.



The members of the Boston tea party were The Sons of Liberty, ordinary citizens (artisans, apprentices) disguised as Mohawk Indians, led by Samuel Adams.

Protests against the Tea Act of 1773, which gave the East India Company a monopoly and maintained taxes on tea, were seen as taxation without representation.

They boarded three Ships (Dartmouth, Beaver, and Eleanor) and threw 92,000 pounds (about 41730.46 kg) of tea into the harbor.

Parliament passed the punitive Coercive Acts (intolerable Acts) in 1774, closing Boston Harbor and increasing colonial unity against Britain.

A major act of defiance against British rule fueled the movement for American independence.

The event wasn't called the "Boston Tea Party" until 1829, says Boston Tea Party Ships.

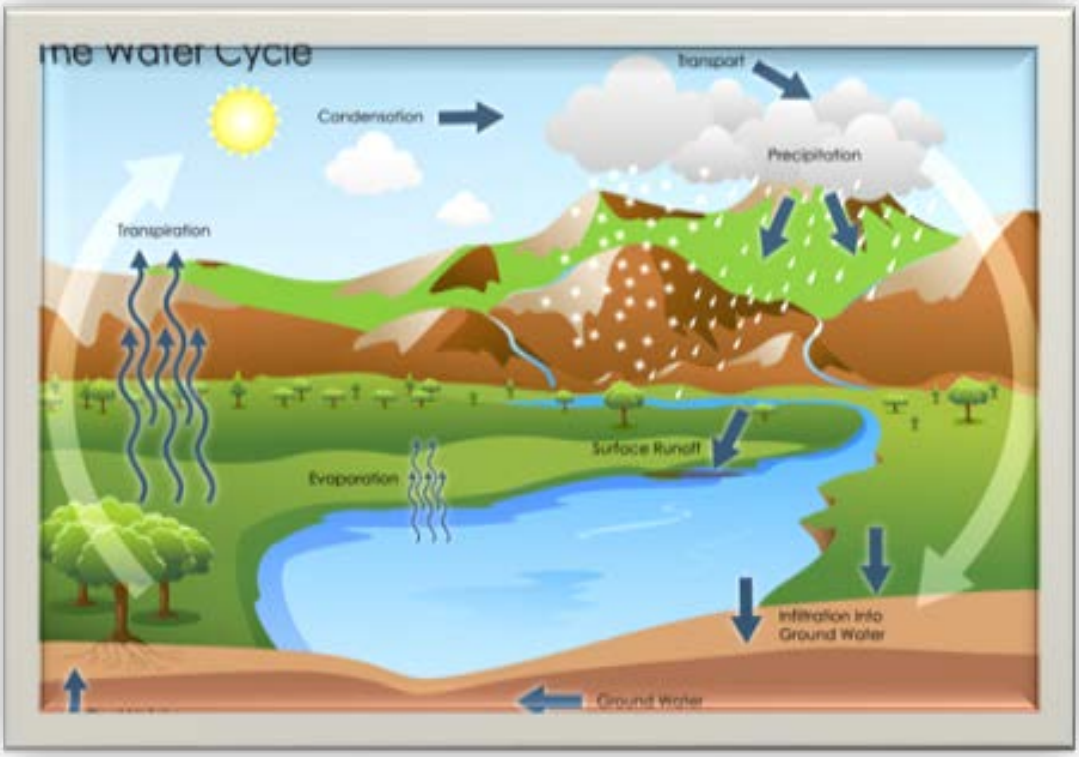
The Water Cycle

Key Facts About the Water Cycle

By: Jayce Brown

- Constant Recycling: The amount of water on Earth remains constant and is recycled continuously; the water you drank today may have been consumed by dinosaurs.
- Storage Locations: So, about 97% of water is in the oceans, but you are probably wondering where the other 3% is. It's actually 2%. That 2% is locked in ice caps and glaciers. But only a tiny fraction is in rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere.
- The Process Steps:
- Evaporation/Transpiration: So, water turns from liquid to vapor, rising from oceans and plants (transpiration).
- Condensation: The water vapor cools and turns into liquid, forming clouds.
- Precipitation: Water falls back to Earth as rain, snow, and hail.
- Runoff/infiltration: Water flows over the land oraks into the ground, returning to oceans and lakes.

Here is a photo of how the water cycle works.



Here is some more information...

The sun heats the water and makes it evaporate. That's when Transpiration comes. It transports the evaporation to the clouds, which is called Precipitation. Then it will hit the ground and go under making it Groundwater.

Hope u had fun learning about the water cycle.



Why Pickles Are the Best Food Ever

By Kennedy Cairns



The best food is pickles because they are ……

These are my reasons: They are crunchy and dilly. But some people don't have the same perspective. My sister Lanie said SHE HATES PICKELS. Miss Moody, my teacher she said she likes them, but she likes them cold. Then my friend London she said they while they are amazing, she likes the McDonald's pickles.

Different types are …….
Sliced, Chopped, whole, minis, jumbo, spicey, sweet, tangy, and garlic parm.
Brands, Carrot pickles, Kool-Aid pickles, cinnamon pickles, German pickles, pickle onion, mixed pickles, half sour pickles, pickled pickles, sweet pickles, fried pickles (my favorite), gourmet pickles and my more.



How to make pickles

Step 1: Prepare the cucumber. Clean it and cut it or leave it whole
Step 2: Combine spices in jars.
Step 3: Pack the jars pickles.
Step 4: Make the brine which is the juice that you pore on the pickles and has water, vinegar, salt and sugar.
Step 5: Cool and pour the brine.
Step 6: Seal and refrigerate
Step 7: Refrigerate the pickles in the fridge.

According to AI Overview, one median pickle contains 785 mg sodium and 3 has 2,250 mg sodium.

Did you know children aged 4–8 should consume no more than 1,500 mg of sodium daily, while children aged 9–13 should have no more than 1,800 mg. Adults and adolescents aged 14 and older should aim for no more than 2,300 mg of sodium per day, though the American Heart Association suggests an optimal goal of 1,500 mg for most adults to improve heart health.

Benson Boone American Singer

By Kennedy Cairns



Benson Boone is an American singer-songwriter. When he was in high school, he was a competitive diver and tennis player but did not discover he could sing. Though in his junior and senior year performed in a band.

Benson's family consists of Nate Boone and Kerry Boone and four sisters, Keylee, Natalee, Emma and Claire. Which means he is the only boy. He loves to sing with his family.

Of his songs and albums, he has two studio albums according to AI. They are called *Fireworks and Rollerblades* and *American Heart*. Some of his songs are "Before You" and "Beautiful Things," which won an award on iheart radio in 2025. My personal favorite is "Mystical Magical."

Hope you enjoyed learning about Benson Boone.

Dolly Parton

By Kennedy Cairns



Dolly Parton was born on January 19, 1946, in Sevier country, Tennessee, and is one of 12 children. A funny story is that her parents paid for her birth with a sack of oatmeal! She is a godmother to Miley and Avery Cyrus. Avery Cyrus and Miley Cyrus are not related, despite sharing the same last name.

She had plastic surgery at the age 77. She got a bust augmentation, brow lift and eyelid lift. She also got rhinoplasty, which is when you get reshape the nose. She also got a facelift, Botox and fillers.

Her make-up routine has changed over time, but this is the 2025. She uses long-wearing foundations, often layering products for maximum coverage, and prefers creamy concealers for brightening under the eyes. Her eyes are focal points, with a dramatic winged eyeliner and extensive mascaras. Parton also uses false eyelashes for added definition and drama. While her skin care routine is private, she emphasizes its importance.





What Is YouTube?

By Kennedy Cairns

YouTube is a sharing platform where people can post videos. Kids can post dancing and singing.

According to AI Overview, there are about 2.53 million youtubers, and 2.7 billion people watch it. Daily watching is 122 million. Monthly watching is 2.5 billion

Some of my favorites are Not Enough Nelsons, Salish Matter, James Charles, Sydney Morgan, and Nikkie Tutorials.

The different categories are music, GRWM (my favorite), gaming, anime, drama, and family.

GRWM is genre (category of artistic composition) of online social media videos.

Volleyball

By Kennedy Cairns







Volleyball was invented in 1895 in Holyoke, Massachusetts by William G. Morgan as an easier game than basketball. It was initially called “Mintonette.”

Volleyball has changed over the years. You used to be allowed unlimited players and could have unlimited hits and let players “air dribble,” permitting net touches and allowing two attempts if you made a mistake.

But now the rules are different. If a teammate touches the net, it will be a foul.

Next, let's talk about the uniform for volleyball. In volleyball they wear jerseys, but most people prefer long sleeves than short sleeves. For bottoms, they do comfy fitting shorts.









By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, let's talk about SWIG, a "dirty soda." *Dirty soda* is *a drink consisting of soda "spiked" with cream, flavored syrups or fruit juices.* The owner of Swig is Nicole Tanner.

Swig started in 1995 at Los Alamos National Laboratory and move to Utah in 1996.

The top 7 "dirty sodas" are the Texas Tab, a popular, customizable soda from Swig, mixing Dr Pepper with vanilla syrup and coconut cream. Shark attack is Sprite or Mountain Dew, Strawberry Breeze is strawberry puree, lime and coconut cream. Cloud 9 blue raspberry, pineapple, coconut, half & half and topped with mountain dew. Berry Bougee a well-liked custom creation that has strawberry puree, pineapple, and coconut. And finally, there is Lollipop Orange Cream or an A&W ice cream sundae. I hope you enjoyed learning about Swig.



Arianna Grande

By Kennedy Cairns



Let's talk about my favorite artist's music. Something about her is that she is a pop singer, appearing in two movies and tv shows. The tv show is Victorious, which is a Nickelodeon kid show, where she plays Cat Valintine. The movie is Wicked and Wicked for good, and she plays Glinda Upland.

Let's talk about her make-up brand, R.E.M beauty. It is vegan-free and cruelty-free.
R.E.M means (Rapid Eye Movement) It was released November 2021.

Some all her albums are The Best, Christmas Kisses, Wicked the Soundtrack, Eternal Sunshine, K Bye for Now, Thank U Next, Yours Truly, Dangerous Women, My Everything, Positions.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Arianna Grande.



The History of Dr. Pepper

By Kennedy Cairns

Hi, I am Kennedy.

Now let's talk about the history of Dr. Pepper. Dr. Pepper was invented on December 1, 1885. The inventor of Dr. Pepper is Wade Morrison, and he suggested the name of Dr. Pepper. The assertion that Morrison was employed by Pepper, and named the drink after him, is disputed. Milly Walker, collections manager / The curator for the Dublin (Texas) Dr Pepper Bottling Company Museum, said that there is no proof that Morrison ever worked as an assistant for Dr. Charles T. Pepper in the town of Rural Retreat.

A lot of you are probably wondering what is in the original Dr. Pepper. What is in Dr. Pepper?

There is a LOT! For fruit there are cherry, blackberry, plum,
apricot, orange, raspberry, lemon, and prune. For spices, there are black
licorice, amaretto which is an almond, ginger, cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, juniper, sarsaparilla, coriander, birch. The sweet nest comes from caramel and molasses.

A fun fact about Dr. Pepper is that it is American's oldest soft drink. I hope you enjoyed learning about Dr. Pepper.

New Jersey

By Kennedy Cairns



Let me tell you about New Jersey. Its abbreviation is NJ, and its nickname is The Garden City.

Some famous people from New Jersey are Whiteney Huston, an Americana singer and Jack Nickelson, an Americana actor.

Some famous places are the Jersey shore, and six flags which are amusement parks.

Some man-made things are bagels, sandwiches, taffy, egg and cheese sandwiches, and blueberries, my favorite fruit.

Something that is illegal is Sunday car sales, which mean dealerships are closed. Another thing that is illegal is slurping soup.

I hope you enjoyed learning about New Jersey.

WHO INVENTED EMOJIES?

BY Kennedy Cairns



I have always wondered who invented emojis, so let me tell you about them.

First let's talk about who invented them. Drum roll please for SHIGETAKE KURITA. His inspiration was that it stemmed from a desire to add emotional nuance and some expression to text messages. The word emojis means a Japanese words for picture and character.

Next here are the symbols of the emojis. Let's get stared. There is a smile, frown, strive bah!, coffee, moon, in love, sob, chuckle, crazy, tearing up, lips, weak, twirl, awkward, drowsy, speechless, cleaver, fist, hooray, grimace, cool, sly, joyful, dizzy, and many more. There are approximately 500,000 to 700,000 emojis, but there are even more every day.



Hope you enjoyed learned about emojis.

Pop Rocks

By Kennedy Cairns







You are probably wondering what Pop Rocks are? Well, this girl is going to tell you.

They are a unique candy made of tiny, pressurized carbon dioxide. They are not good for you, because they are high in sugar and lack nutritional value, making them unsuitable for frequent consumption. But they sure are delicious.

The flavors are strawberry, cherry, grape, watermelon (my favorite), blue razz, green apple, cotton candy, tropical punch, and bubble gum.

They also have Pop Rocks dips, but they are very hard to find. Another thing that is hard to find is Pop Rocks magic potion. I love Pop Rocks and hope you have a good rest of your day.

Tate McRae

By Kennedy Cairns



Hi, I am Kennedy Cairns and today I'm to write about TATE MCRAE, a Canadian Singer. I am going to talk about her early life and her songs. With a bonus some fun facts.

First, her early life. She was born on July 1 ,2003 in Calgary Alberta. In her childhood, she loved to dance to Canadian music. Her mom is Tanja Rosner, who is a Germen dance instructor where Tate learned her love of dancing. Her dad is Todd McRae, an attorney with a Scottish ancestry. She has one brother named Tucker McRae who is a hockey player for the Okotoks Oilers. He also plays Dartmouth College.

Next, her songs are Greedy, Exes, One Day, and Want That Too. These are just some of her songs, but there are many more.

Her most popular song is Greedy, which is my favorite. And what you have been waiting for is the bonus FUN FACTS. Her favorite color is yellow, and she recorded her first song in her bedroom at the age of 14. That song is One Day.

Hope you enjoyed learning about Tate McRae.

Glow Recipe

By Kennedy Cairns



What is glow recipe? Well, I am going to answer that question today.

Glow recipe is a popular vegan skincare, and something even better is that it is also cruelty - free. All their skincare is “fruit forward,” clinically effective products. After using them you will be left with a glowy and dewy product.

Next. Let's talk about my favorite products and what they do, and what they are for.

My number one choice is their watermelon pore tight toner. The benefits are hydrating and refining pores, and it has PHA and BHA. The retail price is $36 dollars.

My next favorite is the watermelon glow niacinamide dew drops. The benefits are that you get a glow and a tone, and it has niacinamide. Its retail price is $36 dollars.

My third favorite is avocado ceramide moisture barrier cleanser. The benefits are gently cleansed and nourish, and it has ceramides. This one's retail price is $ 28 dollars.

You are probably wondering who the owners are. The owners are Sarah Lee and Christne Chang, and here is a picture of them together.

Hope you enjoyed learning about glow recipe.



MONSTERS AND OTHER THINGS

(Sea Monsters and Other Creatures are in This Story)

By: Kyleigh Airranna Wynn



El gran maja

This is the El gran maja sea monster. This creature might be real, but people are not sure. Some people say it is a myth and fake, but others say that it is real, and some say they saw or heard their sounds, like sea terror, but I don't think that this is real

I do think that El gran maja is cute, but some think I'm crazy for liking it. I really want to see these in real life. Did you know that El gran maja is actually a myth and legendary sea monster. But some people might fear this monster, but some might want to see it, but you might never know if you can see one of the El gran maja, and you will never know if this sea monster is real.



The bloop

The bloop got his name from a sound that was coming for the sea, and no one knew what it was. It is the strangest sound that everyone had heard. The bloop was powerful. But some said the sound was ice breaking apart; others think it was a the bloop. We will never know if it is real.



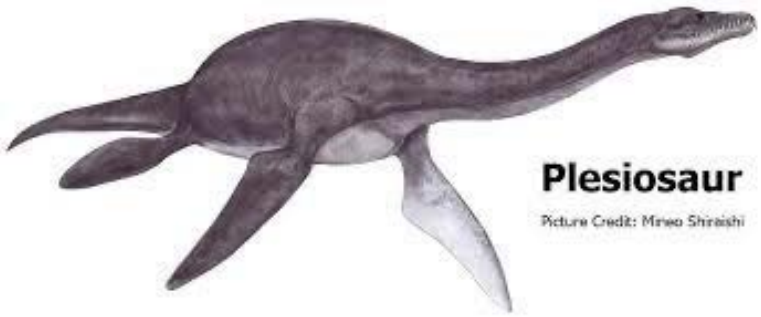
This is a siren. Sirens are very very, very dangerous and they are also related to the mermaid. When siren see humans, they start to sing and when they sing the humans fall in love and then walk into the water. When they walk into the water the sirens drown them, but you will never know if they are real.



Unicorns are a mythical creature, and kids loveeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee them. But did you know that the first ever unicorn made in the very earliest written of a accounts and come from a greek my th.



This is called a Rino, but they called them unicorns in the old days, but you will never know if they are real or fake.



This is a plesiosaur and it is a real sea creature. I'm pretty sure that it lives in deep sea, but I don't know for sure. A plesiosaur is also a carnivore so that means it eats other aquatic animals. It also is kind of on a diet too. But this aquatic animal is not here anymore because it died a long time ago.



Sea Hand Monster

This sea monster is called a Sea Hand Monster as it gets its name from the fake hand on its head. You might even think it is real and if you try to save the hand trying to help, it will grab you. This sea monster might be real or fake, but you will never know if it is real.

Seven Space Launches

By Kyleigh Wynn

NASA's oldest launch was Explorer 1, launched by the U.S. Army on January 31, 1958. It was the first successful American satellite to orbit Earth. I think they named it Explorer 1 because they were just exploring space.

Then, on July 16, 1969**.** the Apollo 11 mission launched. A Saturn V rocket carried astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins into space, beginning the historic mission that resulted in the first human moon landing four days later on July 20. Here is a view of the Earth from their trip to the moon.



LOOK, THIS IS REAL AND SOME DAY YOU MIGHT SEE IT

NASA SADEST LAUNCH

According to Smithsonian Magazine, "A stray Moscow pup traveled into orbit in 1957 with one meal and only a seven-day oxygen supply."

The dog was named **Laika** (meaning "Barker" or "Barker" in Russian). She was launched aboard the Soviet Union's Sputnik 2 spacecraft on November 3, 1957. Laika was the first living being to orbit the Earth, although she died shortly after launch.

Sad as this is, the stray husky-spitz mix became a part of history as the first living creature to orbit the Earth on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Russia's Bolshevik Revolution.



Then on 18 October 1963, **Félicette,** a Parisian cat that became the first feline launched into space as part of the French space program.



The dog was happy until she got into space. She died of hyperthermia hours into the flight, on the craft's fourth orbit. Some people say the dog is still in space…then the cat had to do the same thing and it died too. Maybe she is still in space.

NASA's WORST LAUNCH

NASA's worst launch was the Shuttle Challenger. The worst thing happened after the 3 2 1 countdown when the rocket ship broke apart 73 seconds into its flight. There were seven people in the rocket and when it exploded they all died.



The seven crew members



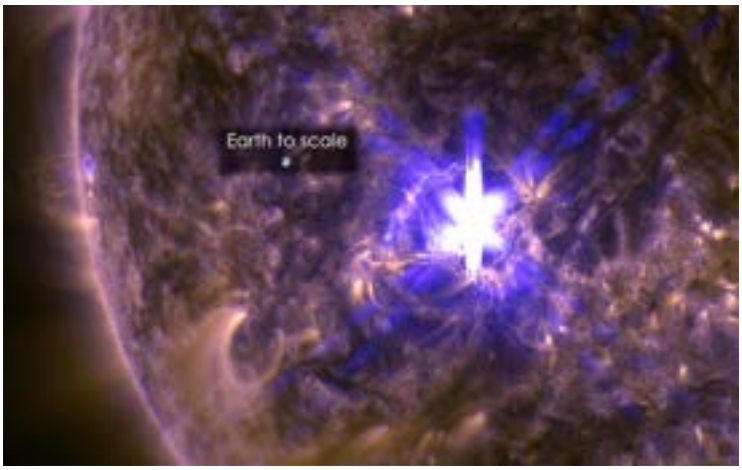
The rocket exploding

NASA's BEST LAUNCH

NASA's best launch was Artemis II. There were four crew members who went to space, traveling around the moon and they did not die after all of that. Then they came back and all I know is that it was on my birthday!! It was a weird looking rocket but everything was okay.

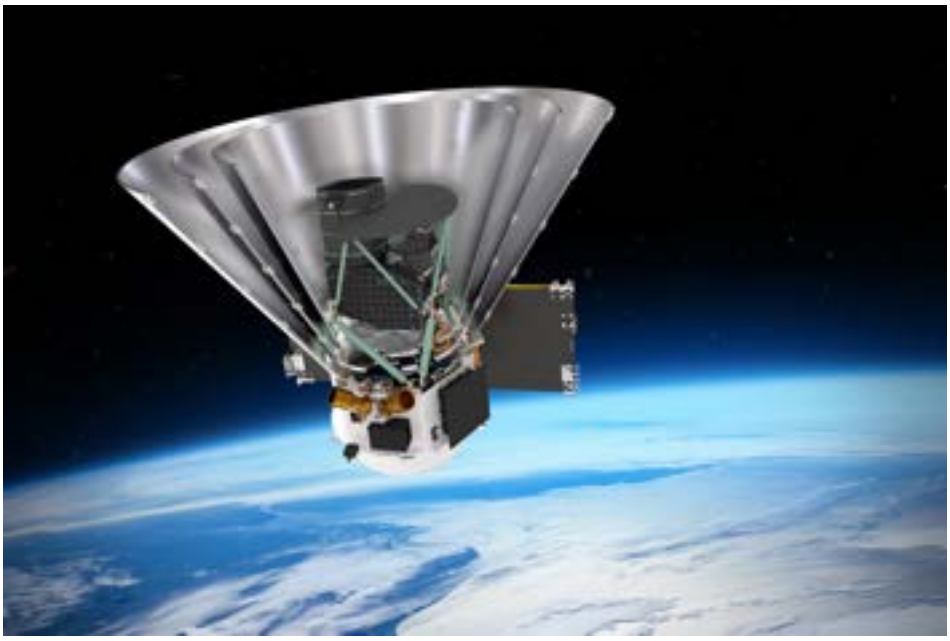


On December 8, 2024, The Observatory (SDO**),** was launched by NASA to study the sun's magnetic field and its influence on space weather, the SDO operates in a geosynchronous orbit, providing 24-hour observation. The spacecraft captures images of the sun, while an X2.2-class flare is a specific, intense eruption or explosion on the sun. The SDO captured footage of an X2.2-class flare on several occasions.



This is what it looked like next to the earth.

I think SPHEREx is one of the newest things in astrophysics. One February 2019, SPHEREx was selected by NASA for its next Medium-Class Explorers mission. SPHEREx studies the origins of our universe and the history of 450+ galaxies. NASA's SPHEREx observatory successfully launched on March 11, 2025, aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.



SPHEREx Telescope

All About Liv Morgan!

By: Lanie Cairns



Liv Morgan is a World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) wrestler. Her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio and was born on June 8, 1994. Her height is 5”5 and she weighs 126 pounds. Liv is a great WWE wrestler. Ever though her real name is Gionna Jene Daddio she is better known as her ring name Liv Morgan. She is currently signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band, which refers to the entire roster of wrestlers.

She has a couple of pets: five chickens, two cows, a pig, two cats and two dogs.

Liv Morgan has some enemies. One of her enemies is Rhea Ripley, an Australian professional wrestler who performs on the Raw Band. Her real name is Demi Bennett. As of July 2017, she is signed to WWE, where she performs on the Raw Band under the ring name Rhea Ripley.

Rhea is also an enemy because Liv Morgan stole her boyfriend, Dominik Mysterio. Also, in 2024 Morgan also took the Women's World Championship from Ripley.



Rhea Ripley

It is important to note that this entire saga was a screenplay wrestling story. In real life, Rhea Ripley has been married to fellow professional wrestler Buddy Matthews since June 2024.

Liv Morgan's salary is around $600,000 annually. She currently lives on a farm in Orlando, Florida which she calls Wonderland Ranch.

All About Golf!

By: Lanie Cairns



Today we are going to talk about golf. Let's get into it.

The earliest documented evidence of the game is in 1457. It originated in Scotland and was once banned by King James II, fearing it distracted from archery. James IV lifted the ban in 1502 when he became a golfer himself.

It is commonly believed that hard wooden, round balls, were used for golf from the 14th through the 17th centuries. The ball evolved to a featherie, or feathery, a hand-sewn round leather pouch stuffed with chicken or goose feathers and coated with white paint.

In the early 1900s, it was found that dimpling the ball provided even more control of the ball's trajectory, flight, and spin. Dimpled balls reduce drag and increase distance, a crucial design innovation.

A global sport, playing golf has unique traditions like the Master's green Jacket.

An 18-hole round involves walking about 4 – 5 miles (6 – 8 kilometers).

Unique Fact: Golf was played on the moon. Astronaut Alan Shepard hit the first golf balls on the moon in 1971.



All About
K-Pop Demon Hunters!

By Lanie Cairns



K-Pop Demon Hunters is a movie for kids and adults. The movie is on Netflix. There are two different groups in the movie; one is Hendrix and the other group is Saja Boys.

The K-Pop girl group Huntrix—composed of Rumi, Mira, and Zoey—are a demon-hunting trio.

The people in the group are …….

Rumi



Zoey



Mira



The Saja Boys are a band of demons in disguise, the group was formed to weaken Huntrix's fanbase.

The group K-Pop Demon Hunters have great members and thy are all creative like Rumi, with her long iconic purple braid, Zoey with her great personality, and Mira with her great hot pink hair.

They all have great and strong weapons. Rumi has a big sword, Mira has also a big, long sord but, Zoey has two different weapons. Each of them is so sweet. But there are some things that are not sweet like when they slick demons

Takedown is about huntrix trying to get rid of saja boys. Golden is about the group huntrix ,and their personality . This is what it sounds like is about accepting imperfections , embracing flaws, and finding strength in vulnerability.

Takedown!

Daves Hot Chicken Facts

By London

Daves Hot Chicken was founded by three childhood friends in their 20's who scraped together $ 900 and had a "not so grand opening" in 2017 with a couple of folding tables and a portable fryer in a parking lot on East Hollywood. Their chicken was modeled after Nashville's style.

It became very famous because of the Instagram. People came and tasted and came back with their friends. The lines went down the street and around the block.

The four friends were: Kopushyan, Arman, Tommy, and Gray. According to their website, "an older brother joined the team. We opened out first store. And our goal became clear. Make juicy, spicy hot chicken that will 'Blow Your Mind'"

Two enders' w/Fries cost $11.99 and has 1,230 calories

There are large bottles of Daves sauce ranging from $20-$30



There are three hundred twenty-nine DAVES chicken locations and 19 in Florida. The closest to Vero Beach are Melbourne or West Palm Beach.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU LEARNED A LOT AND AFTER YOU READ THIS GO GET DAVES HOT CHICKEN.

All About the Great Legend Of Reggae: Bob Marley

By London Cummings



Bob Marley was the king of reggae. His real name was Robert Nester Marley. He was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945, and died on May 11, 1981. He did not believe in discrimination or hatred. Instead, he believed in peace, unlike some people who were living in Jamaica at the time.

These people were mostly the Caucasians and the Jamaicans who worked in America. Feeling resentment over his, and Island Records', focus on him as a solo superstar rather than a band they tried to take him down. While they did fail a few times, there was one time when they succeeded.

It was nighttime and Bob Marley and his friend were writing music. A shot rang out, but instead of hitting Bob first, they had shot his wife. Afterwards, they shot Bob in his arm. This turned out to only be a minor injury. When he went to go look for his wife, he found her shot in the head laying on the steering wheel. She ended up surviving, and it is said that her dreadlocks had saved her from a concussion.

Later that same day, Bob had a show to spread peace. His wife, Rita, signed herself out to go to the concert, but Bob was worried about her health, even though she said she was fine.

After the show, Bob Marley went to London to lay low. When he was in London, he tried a new mix of music styles that included funk, blues, and rock. That's when he started writing Exodus. At first, they had trouble finding the name for album cover, and they tried so many names, but then they came up with Exodus. The production company thought it

was too bland and needed more pop and was doubting that it would sell. However, Bob said it was fine.

It did end up selling because it was not about the cover; it was about the music and the peaceful words. That's when Bob Marley blew up and did a world tour. When he went to different countries, people loved it, but when he was on the second last to the last concert, he found out his manger was stealing money.

At the end of that concert Bob saw his manager and confronted him. His manger then said, “if it was not for me, you would not have blown up like this.” That made Bob mad, so Bob hit him hard. After this, they had to split them up.

When he got back to Jamaica people were waiting at the airport gate, but this time it was not in hate it was in peace and joy. When he got back to his old house, he saw the bodyguard and joyful children. After a couple of minutes of being inside the house, a man walked in the house. It was the soldier who had shot Bob Marley and his wife. He came to apologize and Bob just gave him a hug.

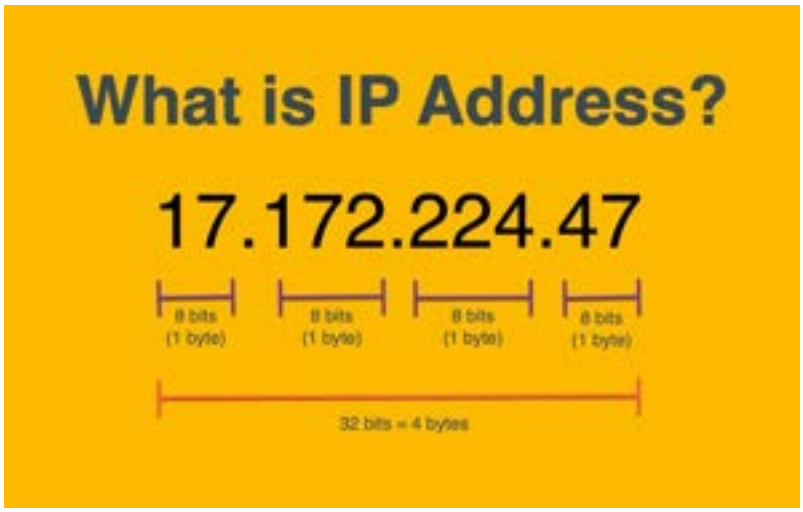
So, the moral of the story is to just be peaceful and loving.



Rita and Bob Marley

Enabling Communication

By: Luis Oroczo



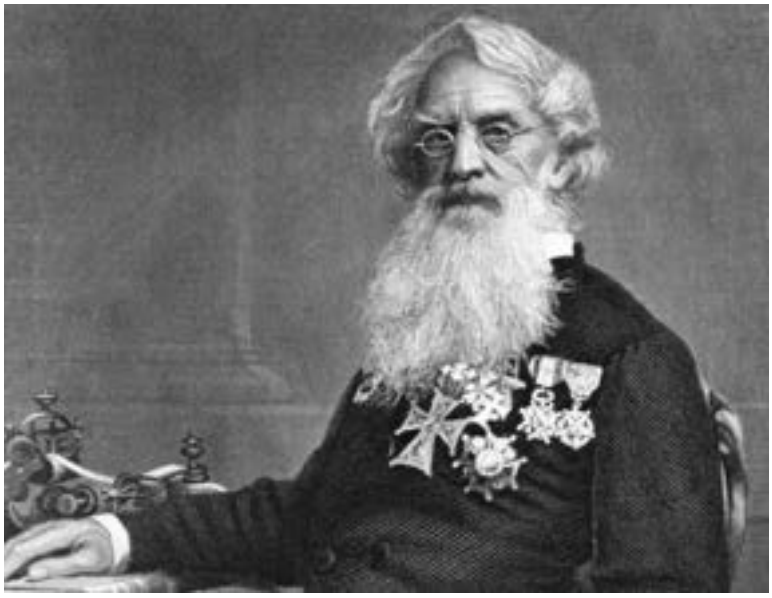
An Ip address it is a unique numerical label, like a digital home address, assigned to every device on a computer network, including the internet, to identify it and enable communication, allowing data to be sent and received between devices efficiently. Think of it as a mailing address for your computer, phone, or any internet-connected device, crucial for sending information to the right place.

Now I'm going to teach you *morse code. * Why, because it is another way of communication where you can space between letters is 3 dots duration. Space between words is 7 dots duration.

Morse code is a telecommunication that creates text from standardized sequences of two different signal durations, called *dots* and *dashes*, or *dits* and *dahas.* It is named after Samuel Morse, one of the developers of the system.

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Samuel Morse, Telegraph and Morse Code Creator

Did You Know That Steph Curry has Keratoconus?

By Malik Darrisaw

Wardell Stephen Kurry also known as Steph Curry is an American professional basketball player for the Golden State Warriors of National Basketball Association, where he plays as a point guard. He is my favorite NBA player.

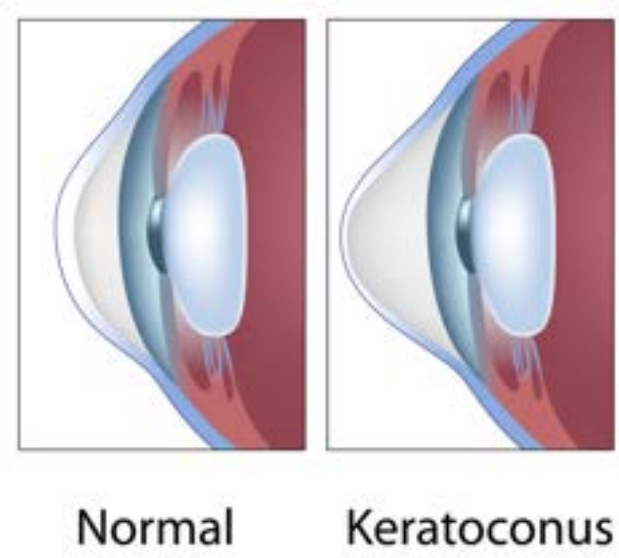






No, Stephen Curry is not blind in one eye, but he has Keratoconus, a progressive condition where the cornea thins and bulges into a cone shape, causing blurry, distorted vision that he manages with specialized scleral contact lenses, significantly improving his eyesight. "Curry eye disease" refers

to **Keratoconus**. If left untreated, it can lead to severe vision impairment requiring a corneal transplant, though it typically doesn't cause total blindness. Early diagnosis and management, including treatments like corneal cross-linking, are crucial to slow its progression and preserve vision, as severe cases can make vision impossible to correct with glasses or contacts.



How did keratoconus affect Steph Curry's vision?

Keratoconus caused blurred and distorted vision for Curry, affecting his shooting accuracy and gameplay. As of early February 2026, Golden State Warriors star Step Curry also has day-to-day issues with patellofemoral pain syndrome ("runner's knee") in his right knee.



He was ruled out for a recent game against the 76ers. While an MRI revealed no major structural damage, the nagging injury has caused him to miss multiple games, necessitating management to balance his health with the team's playoff push.

He appeared on the team's injury report after experiencing swelling and discomfort in his right knee following an individual workout in Minneapolis. The team listed it as patellofemoral inflammation. Curry was injured during Golden State's 104-100 loss to the Houston Rockets on Nov. 26.

He dealt with pain tolerance in the bottom area of his quad to be able to move the leg the way he needs to, also to rebuild some lost strength but not just in the strained muscle but the surrounding areas.

Steph Curry prioritizes sleep, aiming for at least 8 hours per night and often adding naps, especially game days, to maximize recovery, with some reports mentioning up to 10.5 hours in intense periods, focusing on consistent sleep schedules and limiting screens before bed for better rest.

Ayesha Curry sparked online debate in late 2025 for comments from a "Call Her Daddy" interview where she sparked online debate in late 2025 where she revealed she never wanted kids or marriage, planning for a career instead, but life took an early, fast-paced turn with marriage to Steph Curry and quick pregnancies, leading to a feeling of losing her identity outside of wife/motherhood, which resonated with many women but drew criticism for "embarrassing" Steph. She expressed a search for purpose beyond these roles, clarifying she loves her family but felt her own goals were sidelined, a sentiment defended by many as relatable grief over lost identity rather than a criticism of her marriage, though others found it insensitive given her successful life

Key Aspects of Seph's Sleep Routine:

- **Consistent 8+ Hours:** He strives for a minimum of eight hours of sleep nightly, understanding it's crucial for physical and mental restoration, says GQ Magazine.

- **Strategic Napping:** Curry incorporates naps, often 1.5 to 2.5 hours long, in the afternoon on game days for peak performance, notes The Palm Beach Post.

- **Screen Time Reduction:** He cuts off screen use (phones, TV) about 30 minutes before bed to improve sleep quality, following advice from sleep specialist Cheri Mah, according to Owaves

- **Nightly Rituals:** He uses Normatec compression boots and sleep audio tracks to help trigger brain waves for deeper sleep, falling asleep between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. depending on his schedule, notes Diario AS.

- **Total Recovery:** He's been noted to get around 10.5 hours of sleep in the 24 hours

Steph Curry has made over 4,200 career three-pointers, leading the NBA all-time, with figures around 4,225 to 4,233 in the regular season by early 2025, and over 4,300 total including playoffs, solidifying his status as the undisputed leader in three-point shooting history. He was the first player ever to reach 4,000 career threes in March 2025.

- **Regular Season:** Around 4,225 (as of early 2025).
- **Total (Regular Season & Playoffs):** Over 4,350 by early 2026.

Yes, Steph Curry is officially listed at 6'2" (188 cm) by the NBA and ESPN and Basketball-Reference.com, though he once mentioned being 6'2" and three-quarters without shoes, confirming he plays with shoes and is around that height, redefining the game despite not being a traditional giant. Some sources, like his college roster, have listed him as 6'3", but the NBA and official team sites confirm 6'2" as his standard height.

Steph curry wife is 5”6 Ayesha Curry (née Alexander) is a Canadian American actress, cookbook author, television personality, and entrepreneur born on March 23, 1989. She has been Steph Curry’s wife since July 30, 2011 and is a mother of four and runs a successful culinary lifestyle brand, Sweet July, based in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their children are Riley (born 2012) and Ryan (born 2015), and sons Canon (born 2018) and Caius (born 2024). They are a family of six, balancing Steph's basketball career with raising their kids at different stages, from teenagers to toddlers, a "wild experience" according to the couple.

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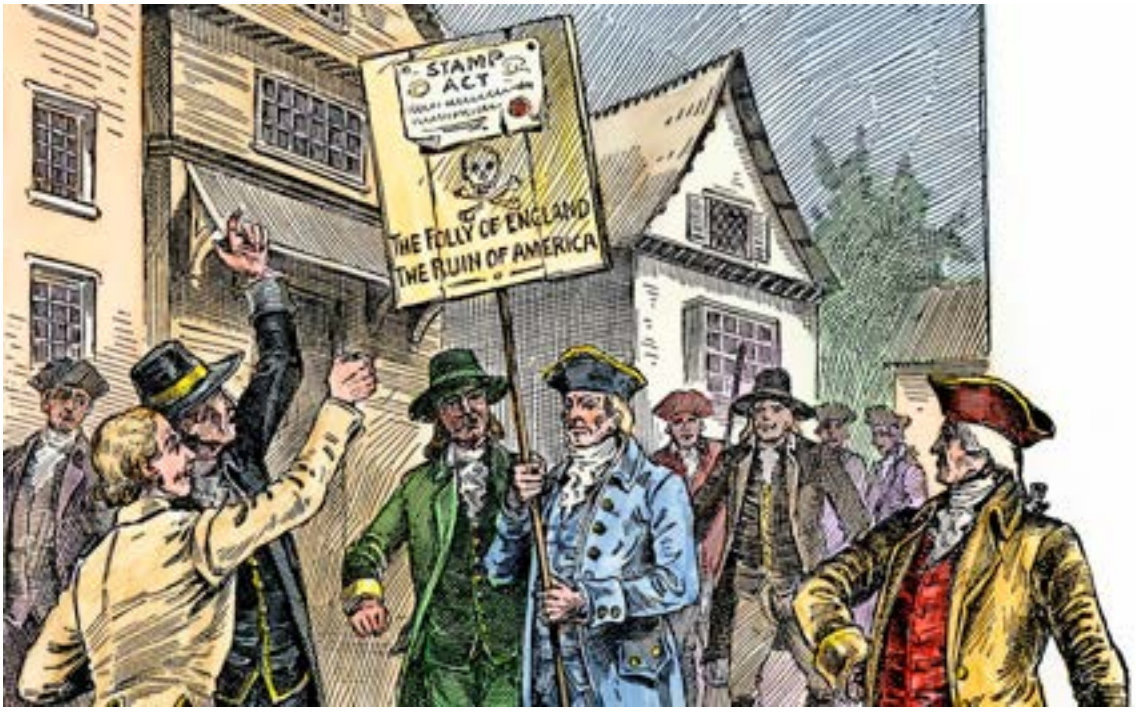
Steph Curry holds a 3-1 series record against LeBron James in the NBA Finals, with a total head-to-head record of 15-7 in those matchups. Curry’s Warriors defeated LeBron’s Cavaliers in 2015, 2017, and 2018, while LeBron’s Cavaliers won the 2016 finals. Both players have 4 total NBA championships. LeBron James and Steph Curry currently have the same number of NBA championships, with four rings each, though James has more career accolades like MVPs and Finals MVPs, while Curry has won all his titles with one team, the Golden State Warriors, and has the distinction of being the GOAT shooter.

Steph Curry has been to six NBA Finals with the Golden State Warriors, appearing in five straight from 2015 to 2019 and again in 2022, winning four championships in those appearances (2015, 2017, 2018, 2022) and earning one Finals MVP in 2022.

Yes, Steph Curry was a 99 overall in 2022 rating in NBA 2K, notably as part of the All-Decade 2010s All-Stars team and briefly during an NBA 2K16promotional event, though his regular-season ratings often hover around 97-98, with his 3-point attribute consistently maxed at 99. He is the only player in NBA history to make over 400 three-pointers in a single season.

THE STAMP ACT

By Skyllar Joseph



So, it's October 7, 1763, and the British won the war...but since they have debts from the war what should they do? If you said tax the colonist since the British were basically protecting them and Britan had lost billions of dollars in today's money - they should pay for it! You're right!

So, on March 22, 1765, the Stamp Act was passed. Which meant there was a tax on paper—including documents, playing cards, newspapers, had to have an official stamp stamped on the paper. Taxes??? ***No one*** likes those.

Until then Americans paid no direct taxes. They LOVED it that way. The Stamp Act affected almost everyone. The colonists didn't approve of it. They had NO representation or say in what the British decided. It was SO unfair. It wasn't fair that the parliament had the ability to tax them!

In Boston, the Stamp Act was like a fire. There were LOTS of riots. Marchers in the streets chanted "Liberty, property, and NO STAMPS." Mobs threw documents into fire and hurled rocks and bricks at British officials. They nearly broke, destroyed, and messed up Thomas Hutchinson's grand house. He was the governor of Massachusetts. Thomas fled to Fort William and revealed himself to be firmly in favor of the British. He became the MOST hated man in America. He was replaced by Thomas Gage, a strong general.

Anyways, back to the Stamp Act...

The Stamp Act provoked EXEMEME backflash from the colonists. The colonists argued that it was unconstitutional to impose taxes without their consent. As they argued (the colonists) had NO representation in the Parliament, which led to widespread protests, including the one and only 'Sons of Liberty." Also, the colonists boycotted British goods. The Sons of Liberty led to widespread protests (some of them to violence).

In October 1765, people from nine colonies (representatives) convened about the Stamp Act Congress in New York City; they drafted a petition to the king and the Parliament, asserting their rights and grievances. This was one of the first unified actions among the colonies against British rule. This ended in March 1766, due to the intense colonial resistance and economic pressure from boycotts of British goods.

And that's the end of the Stamp Act! Bye, bye!



The Sons of Liberty was a secret, often militant, political organization formed in 1765 by American colonists to oppose British taxation and tyranny, notably the Stamp Act. Key members included Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Facts About Hair Braiding

By Trinity Darrisaw



Boho Flip Over

Hair braiding hair is when you take three pieces of hair, making sure each part is even with the others. If you don't, then it will not look good.

A good question is where hair braiding came from.

Africa was the birthplace: The earliest evidence of braiding dates to 3500 BC in Africa, especially in West Africa and ancient Egypt. Braids were not just hairstyles; they conveyed tribal affiliation, social rank, marital status, age, and even religious beliefs.

Braiding hairstyles are like this:

For third graders, here are some hairstyles to consider:

Boho Flip Over: A stylish and protective option that keeps hair neat and tidy.

Fulani Braids: A traditional African hairstyle that is both unique and tidy.

Ponytail with Curls: A cute and easy hairstyle that can be done at home.

Braided Half Up: A charming look that combines braids with hair out of the face, perfect for school days.

Boho Crown: A whimsical style that combines braids with floral accessories for a fun vibe.



Boho Crown Hairstyle

These styles not only keep hair neat but also allow for personal expression and creativity. Whether it's for school, playdates, or special occasions, braided hairstyles are an adaptable and stylish choice for third graders.

Braided hairstyles have been an integral part of the black experience, representing tradition, culture, and artistry passed down through generations. For young black girls, wearing their hair in braids is more than just a style; it's a rite of passage that connects them to their heritage and celebrates their natural beauty.

Diving into the world of braid hairstyles for your little girl with natural hair can be a delightful adventure! I'm here, just like you, navigating the twists and turns of styling that precious nature.



Fulani Braids with Curls



Braided Half Up



Ponytail with Curls

Glendale Elementary





VIRTUAL REALITY

Austin Lockwood



There is a game on Virtual Reality (VR) called Gorilla Tag. There are three games, infection, hunt, and paintball.

Infection game mode is a fun game mode where you try to hide from the tagger. If the tagger tags you, then you are “it.”

If you use the optional Casual mods, you can talk to your online friends or play with people that you know are better players.

Paintball mode is a lot of fun. Players can use a slingshot with balls full of balloons to use. Every player starts with three balloons and once all the competitor’s balloons are gone, they loose. If that happens, you they are out of the game until it restarts.

Please beware. Dangerous people use mods, cheats and, at times, horrible or offensive language. This game is strictly for entertainment purposes, ONLY!
You can find Gorilla Tag online through Google. The game can be played on your mobile device, PCPC or VR!



AMONG US

Donavin Vasquez



Among Us is a game where you have to find the imposter. Crews make sure the survivor, survives. They do the finished task and if they finish it, the crew might win or must find the imposters, they try reach you to imposters.

Imposters must kill all the crewmen out or break the engine. You can get accessories if you get beaches.

It is from Apple Store Google. A crew-mate is a role in Among Us that acts as the “innocent”. They must maintain the ship base and identify imposters. If crew-mates lose the imposter wins if the imposter win the crew-mates lose.

Phantom: can go invisible, so crew-mates can’t see him

Shapeshifter: can copy or transform into crew-mate



NOOBS MUST DIE

Franky Hernandez



Noobs Must Die is a fast paced wave game, where you have enemies that are trying to attack. You can team up with other players and try to get a high wave. My high score was 42.

According to Google, you can choose four different characters. Telamon, Icarus, Doom Bringer, or Miked. Telamon spawns in with a sword. Icarus fights with his fist. Doom Bringer fights with the Hammer of Doom and Miked uses a paintball gun.

As you play you collect coins. Every five or six waves a shop appears in the middle of the map. You have three options. Option one is simple. There is a speed coil. That makes you go faster. There is a sword that orbits around you, personally my favorite. A beast burger, super sauce, a birthday cake, armor, speed, coil, and a lot more!

Utilize the reporting and blocking tools if you encounter inappropriate behavior or dangerous situations. Also, there are barely any terrible things about the game, including the fact that the game is not too new anymore, so few predators or hackers join the game. There are some potential dangers though. As with many Roblox experiences, the primary risks are not physical, but digital.

Some potential dangers include; interactions with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, or excessive screen time. Parental supervision is highly recommended, especially in younger gamers.



NYAN CAT

Luna Constantine



According to Google, Nyan Cat is a long repeating video from years ago. The game was created by Chris Torres, on April 2, 2011.

His followers said to combine a cat in a Pop Tart. Nyan Cat has an enemy named Tac Nyan, who tries to attack Nyan Cat.

There is a game on Google play/Apple Store and you can make your own Nyan Cat when you play one of the levels. Tac Nyan comes out of his cage and chases Nyan Cat until Nyan Cat fails and falls. Nyan Cat has to collect cookies and cake. You also have to take care of Nyan Cat. You have to feed it and buy it toys.

There is a song for Nyan Cat. The song called “Nyanyanyanyanyanyana!” which was developed by a user named Daniwell to a Japanese video site called Niconico on July 25, 2010.

The song features the vocaloid virtual singer, Hatsune Miku.

The Japanese word for “nya” is onomatopoeic, which means nimitating the call of a cat, equivalent to the English “meow”.

GROW A GARDEN

Matthew Pleie



In this exciting game, you start out by buying two carrot seeds. You continue do the same thing until you have $50, then you can buy a strawberry seed.

Grow a Garden was released on March 26, 2025. The first owner, BMW Lux, created Grow a Garden, and Jendel bought a portion of the game. DoBigStudios bought a portion of the game shortly after.

The first update was on April 10, 2025, when the game added weathers and quests. Eventually they started to have updates every week.

How to plant equip a seed. You want to plant “click” in your farm on the brown plots, to plant. After it is fully grown, it is time to harvest the goods.
The Candy Blossom: Everyone wanted the Candy Blossom. It was $10 million. It was here from April 19-27th, 2025. Its rarity is divine. It gives 100 K to 150 K .

The first pet was extremely interesting. For one hour there was a pet called Panda. It was free too everyone. Panda is the oldest and the rarest pet while the Kitsune is the first prismatic, special rarity pet from the Zen update. Kitsune was obtained from Zen eggs but the Panda holds the “OG” title due to the limited early release. Now, only a few thousand, or less, exist.

The game overcame multiple records for having the most players at once. The first recorded Grow a Garden hit five million players! It quickly grew an audience. Before you knew it , 10 million, 15 million and even 20 million concurrent players have been recorded and documented. It ultimately becoming the first standalone game in history to hit over 20 million concurrent players, shattering previous records held by games like Fortnite and Minecraft!

67

Matthew Pleie



There is a South London rap group named 67.

It is said that Nevada got a score of 67.75 score, (out of 100) on a brain rot intensity index. That is very high in the nation.
Chapter 67 of the Kentucky revised statutes deals with physical courts and county buildings, according to Google.

People figured out that 67 means nothing, so, Dominos Pizza made a limited time code that is called 67. For a limited time, customers could purchase one large, one topping pizza for $6.70.

Some say 67 was created by Mason, in a high school basketball game. A-lot of brain rot games on Roblox have 67 in it.



Types of Fiction

Romen Vasquez







Fiction games

We will start with Five Nights at Freddy's. It is a game where you are a night guard and try not to get killed by the animatronics. When you reach 16 M, you win the game.

Fiction books

A great example is the book The Big Bad Wolf and The Three Little Pigs. The pigs have three different houses. One house is made of hay. The next pig has a house made of sticks and two blocks away is the third house, made of bricks. The pigs were able to prepare for the Big Bad Wolf, and did not die.

Fiction movies

One of the best movies I have watched was Jurassic World Rebirth. The movie is so scary because people were being attacked by dinosaurs and it was very intense when they were trying to escape.

Liberty Magnet



Mangos are Good for You. How Do They Get Their Beautiful Color?

By Audrey King



All About Mangos. They are good for you!

Mangos grow on trees and are packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, including Vitamin C, potassium, and beta carotene, which support immune health and overall well-being. For example, vitamin K helps your blood clot effectively and helps prevent anemia. It also plays an important role in strengthening your bones.

HOW DO MANGOS GET THEIR BEAUTIFIL COLOR:

We all know that as mangos ripen, they get yellower, or even orange. This happens for most, if not all mangos. But the flesh of some mangos only reaches a pale lemon color, and others even produce a dark orange color like a ripe pumpkin. The pale lemon color of some mango varieties is due to a low concentration of carotenoids.

According to healthline.com, Carotenoids are pigments in plants, algae, and photosynthetic bacteria. These pigments produce the bright yellow, red, and orange colors in plants, vegetables, and fruits.

FUN FACTS FOR MANGOS:

Mangos are the natural fruit of India, Pakistan, and the Philippines, while the mango tree is the national tree of Bangladesh. The mango is a symbol of love in India.

STAGES OF HOW MANGOS GROW ON TREES:

The growth stages of a mango tree include seed germination, vegetative growth, flowering, and typically taking four to eight years to bear fruit.



It's Illegal, It's Wrong, It's Sick: Horses Have Been Reported Stolen.

By: Audrey King



Stealing a horse didn't just take property—it shattered lives, threatened entire communities, and undermined the fragile trust that kept society.

People who steal horses are considered criminals. It is horse theft. People get punished for stealing horses. Some like to steal horses by hanging them for their meat. Unfortunately, the horse thief leaves their victims helpless or greatly handicapped by the loss of their horses.

Horse theft is still relatively common; with an estimated 40,000 horses a year being taken from their lawful owners by strangers or opponents in civil or legal disputes. The most common thing they do with the stolen horses is selling them to slaughterhouses.

There are punishments for the people who steal horses in the "old west." Stealing horses was considered a crime that could lead to immediate execution without trial. Modern laws have evolved with horse theft now classified as a felony under general theft statutes. In Texas for example, horse theft is punishable by two to ten years in prison and fines up to $10,000.

Did you know that horses are even being stolen around us?

On November 8th, 2024, the St. Lucie County sheriff's office investigated a horse being stolen off a ranch in Fort Pierce on Friday. WPTV has spoken with two other people in Okeechobee County, who had a similar story about their horses being stolen over the last two weeks.

This is why you don't steal horses. If you do, you will be fined or go to jail. You will also cause families to experience heartbreak. In Okeechobee County a mother said her five daughters have been crying nonstop over their stolen horse.



Source:
Horse stealing punishments

Stranger Things

By: Audrey king



INTRODUCTION:

Stranger Things is a very interesting television series created for Netflix by Matt and Ross Duffer. They have some very good actors in their show. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

There are five seasons in the show for me to write about, so let me tell you!

SEASON ONE:

The season follows a group of friends, Will Byers, Mike Wheeler, Dustin Henderson and Lucas Sinclair, soon discover that their friend has been abducted by a creature from another dimension. In that very moment they encounter someone named Eleven, which is a girl with psychic abilities, and face various forces and challenges.

SEASON TWO:

In the fall of 1984, one year after his disappearance, Will byers and the town of Hawkins, Indiana, once again find themselves as the target of the upside down. A mysterious plague begins to consume pumpkin patches around the town during Halloween season. During this time, Will perceives a large and many-armed shadow entity, which the party eventually names the "mind flayer," that can possess him after an attack. Meanwhile, the larger group, including Mike Wheeler, Lucas Sinclair and Dustin Henderson encounter "Demogorgon dogs" or "Demo dogs", which terrorize the citizens of Hawkins. Will's family and friends, alongside Jim hopper,

Mike's sister Nancy, Nancy's boyfriend Steve Harington, Californian newcomer Max Mayfield and a missing Eleven, must join forces to contain the threat.

SEASON THREE:
Season three of stranger things consist of eight episodes, reaching from 50 to 77 minutes, and is set in the summer of 1985 in Hawkins, Indiana. The season centers around the new star court mall, which has become the towns social Hub, while the mind flayer returns with a plan to take over Hawkins. Season three explores themes of friendship, romance, and growing up, alongside supernatural and political threats

SEASON FOUR:
In the fourth season of Stranger Things, the first plotline centers on a series of mysterious teenage murders in Hawkins, India, with Eddie Munson being a prime suspect. Eleven-Wheeler is getting taken into a secret facility in the Nevada desert for the Nija project, where she confronts her past. Third plotline follows Joyce byers and Murray Bauman as they venture to Russia, following the lead, Jim Hopper. They received nominations for the 75th primetime Emmy Awards.

SUMMARY:
The filth and final season of the American television show Stranger Things was released on November 26, 2025; the second set of three episodes was released on December 25, and the finale was released on December 31. The season was produced by the show's creators, the Duffer brothers, along with Shawn Levey and Dan Cohen.



Stranger Things – Episode Three

What's Happening in The Popular Pet World
&
Where You Can Find Them

By Beatrice Spillis



Do you ever wonder where you can find popular pets? I'm here to tell you, so let's say you want a dog. You should think about these questions.

- ❑ Where should you go
- ❑ What supplies do you need
- ❑ What type of dog (or any other pet)

Once you have all these questions answered, you will need an area for your dog (or other pet.) You should keep it in one room for the first few days then it can come out. Get rid of anything that could harm them

What are the popular pets?

Lots of people love animals, but they want everyone to like something popular.
First, you need to know what they are, so I'm going to tell you.
(these pets are only in America)

- Dogs
- Cats
- Fish

- Reptiles
- Birds
- Rabbitt
- Horses

Why They Are Popular

There are many different amazing animals but only the lucky ones make it onto the internet. You probably like following trends like every other person you know, the reason people follow these trends is because they might fear missing out, not everyone worries about it though. It might also be because you just like them.

Pet Bios

All according to Copilot Search.

DOGS



Dogs are popular pets due to their loyalty, companionship, emotional support, and the joy they bring to our lives, making them cherished members of many families.

CATS

Cats are popular due to their low maintenance, independence, historical significance, and the joy they bring to their owners.



FISH

Fish are popular due to their ease of care, visual appeal, and the calming effects they provide.



REPTILES

Reptiles are popular due to their low maintenance, their unique behaviors, urban living, their educational value, and their diversity.



BIRDS

Birds are popular pets due to their captivating beauty, embodiment of freedom, and connection to the natural world.



RABBITS

Rabbitts are popular due to their cute appearance and their lovable personalities.



HORSES

Horses are popular pets due to them offering companionship, Recreational opportunities, cultural significance, and a unique emotional connection that many other animals cannot provide.



MARBURG
The Deadliest Disease in the World

By: Daizy Zamarripa



SYMPTOMS OF MARBURG

Marburg a deadly fatal virus that can lead to death, with the symptoms such as fever, headaches, fatigue, weakness, and pain in joints or muscles. These symptoms can occur abruptly and are often mistaken for other viruses such as Malaria or Typhoid. As this disease progresses symptoms become more severe and can lead to gastrointestinal issues, diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting.

WHERE ARE YOU MOST LIKEY TO GET MARBURG?

First on the chart is Sub-Saharan Africa, particularly in Western Kenya, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and finally the Republic of Tanzania.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU GOT MARBURG / OR IF YOU THINK YOU DO?

First, you should find medical help such as a healthcare provider or a local health authority so they can advise and assist you. Next, you should isolate yourself to prevent spreading the virus. Moving along you should follow proper hygiene practice which means to ensure you have had frequent hand hygiene and wearing personal protective equipment which you call PPE!

AT WHAT AGE DO YOU GET THE MARBURG SHOT?

The Marburg shot is recommended to get between 12 months through 15 months. Your next shot is recommended to get at the age of 4 or 6 years old; but you can get your second shot at least 28 days after your first one!

Snoopy and Woodstock

By Daizy Zamarripa



Snoopy and Woodstock have a strong friendship and connection. Snoopy is a medium sized White Beagle with a quirky personality and a creative and vivid imagination, while Woodstock is a yellow bird with a small size and even with his small size, he is still a very loyal companion to Snoopy!

Snoopy is a celebrity who often has very hard and fancy adventures which includes being a World War 1 flying ace, a college student with the name of Joe Cool and a World-famous author. Snoopy also has a little red doghouse that says his name.

Snoopy was created by American cartoonist Charles Monroe "Sparky" Schulz first appearing in the *Peanuts* comic strip on October 4, 1950, two days after the strip's debut.

Woodstock's first appearance was on March 4, 1966. He was given the name Woodstock because of the Woodstock festival in 1969! Woodstock has a unique way of communicating with others, which is called "chicken scratch." His way of communicating is unique, but it has its downfall, which is that only Snoopy can understand him. Not only is Woodstock a companion to Snoopy but he also accompanies Snoopy during his hard and fancy missions!

Woodstock was also created by Charles M. Schulz in his comic strip *Peanuts*.

How Snoopy and Woodstock met.

Snoopy and Woodstock first met on the *Peanuts* comic strip when a mother bird nested on Snoopy's stomach while he was lying on his doghouse. This happened on March 1966.

After the bird laid eggs, and they hatched, Snoopy took care of them and one became Woodstock.





The Historical Stages of Pizza

By Daizy Zamarripa



Mastunicola: the first pizza ever made
(en.pizzadixit.com)

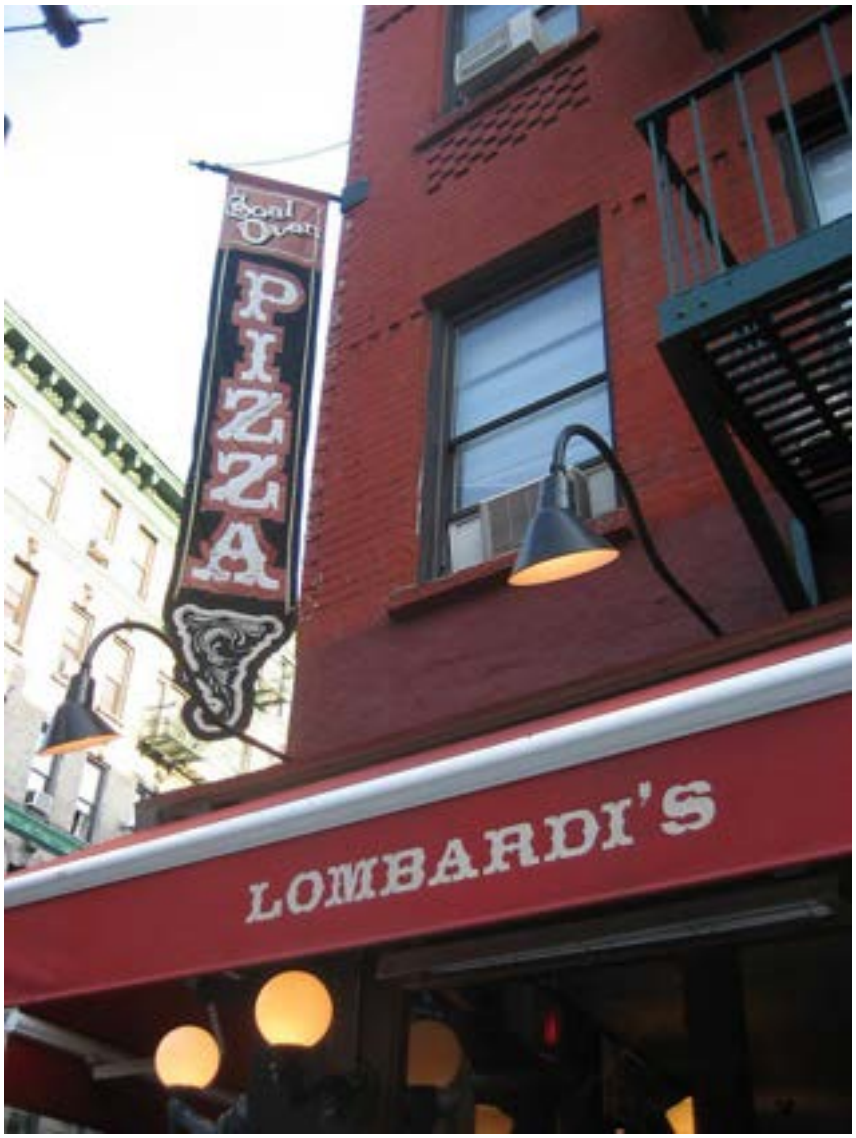
Have you ever thought of how pizza was made or how it first started off? Well, I am going to tell you today how it has changed over time! Starting from the early days to now! Let's get started!

Back in the 1700s, it tasted different from what we have today because there were not many ingredients, which only included: Bread with some garlic, butter and salt which was famous and made in Southern Italy, in Naples. That's right, no Marinara sauce, pepperoni, or cheese. Now I don't know if there were tomatoes; no one really knows!

The reason tomato sauce is called marinara sauce is because “Marinara means seafaring in Italian.” The more expensive pizzas now include, marinara, cheese and basil. That sounds way better than bread with only butter, salt, and garlic, right! Did you know some fishermen ate pizza for breakfast? That sounds amazing right!

Next in 1905 a man named Gennaro Lombardi decided to open a pizza shop which had pie and of course the main thing was pizza! It was in New York city and didn't get much fame or people till the late 1940s! For lunch people that Lombardi hired would only get what they could afford, whether it was pie or pizza. But if they couldn't afford a whole pie not to worry; how much

money they gave Lombardi depended on whether their slice big or small! Did you know Lombardi's pizza still exists in New York city!



April 5 is “National Deep-Dish Pizza Day.” Deep dish pizza has a thicker crust than Lombardi's style! According to the text Source 1 paragraph 5 “America eats 46 slices or pizza a year on average” Now i know it doesn't sound like a lot but as the text states “With the U.S population at more than 300 million people, that means Americans eat more than 13.8 billion pieces of pizza each year.” Now do you think that is a lot. Well, I sure do. Let's move on to the next paragraph, shall we!

In 1522 Tomatoes were finally bought to Italy from Peru! Thank you, Peru, but people thought they were poisonous. But little did they know it would be one of the most popular things to add a pizza even today!

The Mona Lisa is Not the Real Mona Lisa

By Josie Boudreaux

If Mona Lisa was not the real Mona Lisa, then who was she?

The real Mona Lisa was Lisa Gherardini. She was an Italian noblewoman painted in the 1600 century by Leonardo da Vinci during the Renaissance. The portrait was commissioned by Gherardini's husband, Francesco del Giocondo, around 1503, when Gherardini would've been around 24 years old.

The painting, known as the Mona Lisa (or La Gioconda in Italy), is celebrated for its mysterious and captivating smile, subtle details, and technical brilliance.

As for her mysterious smile, according to *Smithsonian Magazin*e, "Look at it long enough and the portrait seems to express several emotions at once—happiness, tenderness, annoyance, a melancholy sadness, maybe even some gas pains? But new research shows that art lovers may be looking a little too hard—most people perceive the "Mona Lisa" as just looking happy."

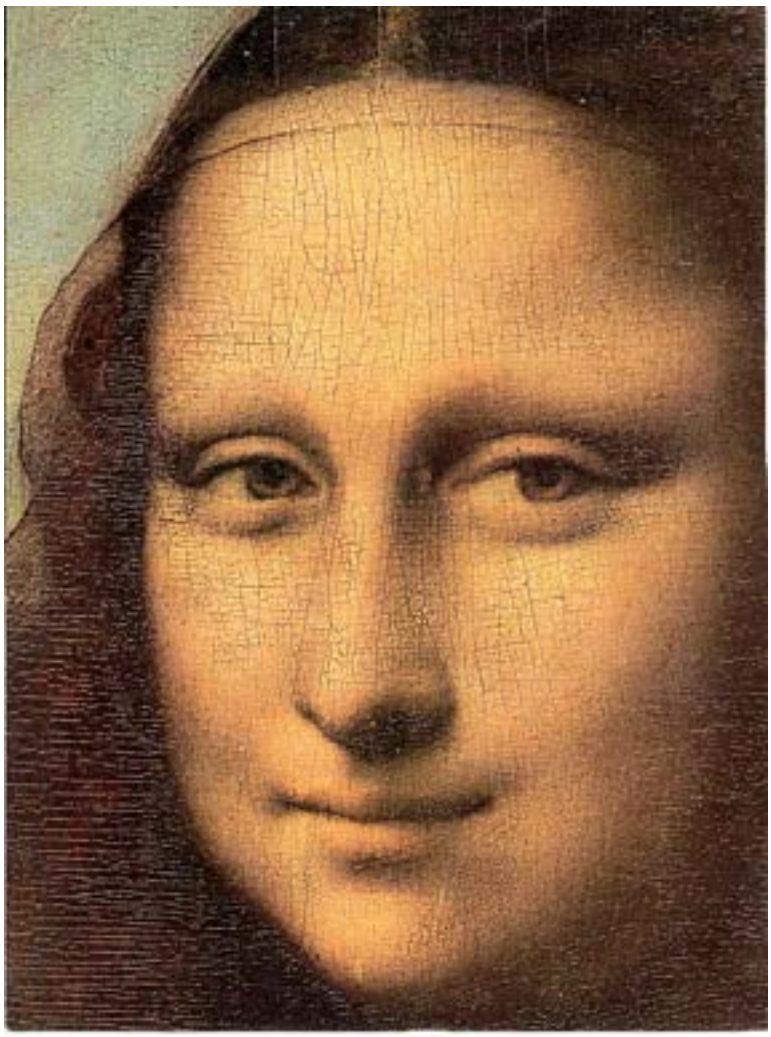


The Mona Lisa was created on poplar wood, rather than canvas. It measures just 30 x 21 inches and is displayed in Paris' Louvre.

According to AI Overview, approximately 30,000 people visit the Mona Lisa every day, with about 80% of all Louvre visitors coming specifically to see the painting. This high volume of visitors can result in long lines and a brief viewing experience, as the museum attempts to manage the crowds." Lisa attracts millions of visitors each year, with an average of 1,500 people per hour visiting it before the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to World Atlas Mona Lisa is the MOST POPULAR PAINTING IN THE WORLD.

These facts highlight the significance and allure of the **Mona Lisa** in the art world.



Mona Lisa's smile. What does it mean to you?

“The car is fine. You just don’t know how to drive it.”

~ Lamborghini Facts ~

By Josie Boudreaux



Ferruccio Lamborghini founded his company in 1963. Born into a family of grape farmers, Lamborghini melded his passion with that of his family’s business when he started building tractors for working the fields. Lamborghini’s innovations were a smashing success and he was soon wealthy enough to afford the pinnacle of automotive engineering: a Ferrari. But he quickly found issues with the vehicle that he wanted to address with *il Commendatore* himself, Enzo Ferrari.

In 1962, Lamborghini drove to the factory in Maranello and told Ferrari that his clutch was not right. Ferrari’s rumored rebuke? Somewhere like: “The car is fine. You just do not know how to drive it.”

After that exchange, Lamborghini vowed to make a perfect car, far better than anything from Ferrari. A year later, Automobili Lamborghini was founded in Santagata Bolognese. What emerged from that assembly line would forever better the automotive world.

According to the RobbReport.com, “Unveiled under the banner Automobili Ferruccio Lamborghini, the 3.5-liter V-12-powered coupe had a power train designed by the famed Giotto Bizzarri. The “350” represented the engine displacement, while the “GT” signified it was a grand tourer. The V? That stood for “Veloce,” the Italian word for “fast.” Alas, it was never completed as a drivable car because the body panels would not fit around the engine. Lamborghini did go on to create its first mass-market vehicle, the 350 GT, in 1964. 120 examples were made.”

Lamborghini almost did not survive

The graveyard of dead supercar companies is a crowded one, and for many years in the late 1970s and 1980s it looked like Lamborghini might be among there, too, having gone into receivership in 1977 and, around a decade later, getting scooped up by Chrysler. Back then, Lamborghini was making just 450 cars a year. But Countach, and then Diablo, saved it.

Countach was incredibly successful, both critically and commercially, establishing it as the modern supercar. It was a major success for the brand, with the initial concept car generating immediate customer demand that led to a long production run from 1973 to 1990.

According to AI Overview, “The Lamborghini Diablo was also a major commercial success, selling over 2,900 units during its 11-year production run (1990-2001). It was the fastest production car in the world at its launch and is considered one of Lamborghini's most beloved and iconic models, successfully launching the company into a new, modern era.

In 1998, Lamborghini ended up in the hands of the Volkswagen Group and Audi and has not looked back ever since.



Lamborghini Diablo

The History of Air Jordans

By Josie Boudreaux

Air Jordan's were founded in 1984, when Michael Jordan signed a six-year, $2.5 million deal with Nike.

They were based on Michael Jordan, and were made for him. If you do not know who Michael Jordan is, he was a professional basketball player in the NBA. He became a rookie in the NFL when he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns in 1991 at **21–22 years old.**

Enough of Michael Jordan and off to the shoes…







The first one is for girls, the second one is for boys, and the third one is for boys and girls. There are all kinds of Air Jordan's and 150 Millon have been sold.

Here are some facts you may not know. First, Air Jordan's are not just sneakers, they are a cultural phenomenon that changed over the years of their existence.

You might see the Nike logo on Air Jordans. Some people say that the NBA banned black and red Jordan 1 shoes for dress code reasons having to do with color, breaking uniform rules. On October 18th, the NBA threw them out of the game. Nike took advantage of this with the Air Jordan I "Banned" advertisement. The shoe sold out of the initial 50,000 pairs and ultimately generated more than $150 million in sales.

The meaning of the slogan was a prisoner that was getting executed and he said, “Just do it" before being shot by a firing squad. Did you know Air Jordan's have gone past sports and became popular streetwear.

When Air Jordans were released, they went in a direction that led them here today.

What My Name Nehemiah Means

By Nehemiah Justin Jennings



Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem.

The name Nehemiah has its roots in Hebrew, deriving from “Nehemiah,” which translates to “Yah comforts,” or “the Lord comforts.” Yah is the Jewish word for God.

Nehemiah was a Jew exiled with his people in Persia, where he was a slave to a foreign king in 444 BC. Though he was far away from his homeland, he wanted to be back in Jerusalem, Judah's capital city. This revered biblical figure is long celebrated for rebuilding Jerusalem's walls after the Jews returned from Babylonian exile. Under his direction, the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt.

However, according to Modesto M. Amistad Jr., a Filipino religious leader and educator who served as an Area Authority Seventy for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, “Nehemiah was not satisfied with simply building physical structures; he wanted his people to be edified spiritually as well,” and he helped the Jews “take control of their lives, land, and destiny as the people of God.”

Nehemiah ends up the governor of Jerusalem and supervises the repairs. Through the process of restoring and dedicating the wall we learn many lessons from Nehemiah on prayer, leadership, overcoming enemies, restoring hearts, integrity, and holiness.

California Produces More Milk Than Any Other State

By Xander and Nehemiah



California produces the most milk in the United States America.

California has been the nation's leading dairy state since 1993, when it surpassed Wisconsin in milk production. California is ranked first in the U.S. in the production of milk, butter, ice cream and nonfat dry milk. California is second in cheese and yogurt production California accounts for one-fifth of the United States' milk production. In 2021, California produced 41.9 billion pounds of milk – more than one-fifth of the nation's total production. (USDA)

Milk production per cow in California has increased 55.1 percent from 1986 to 2016. (CDFA)

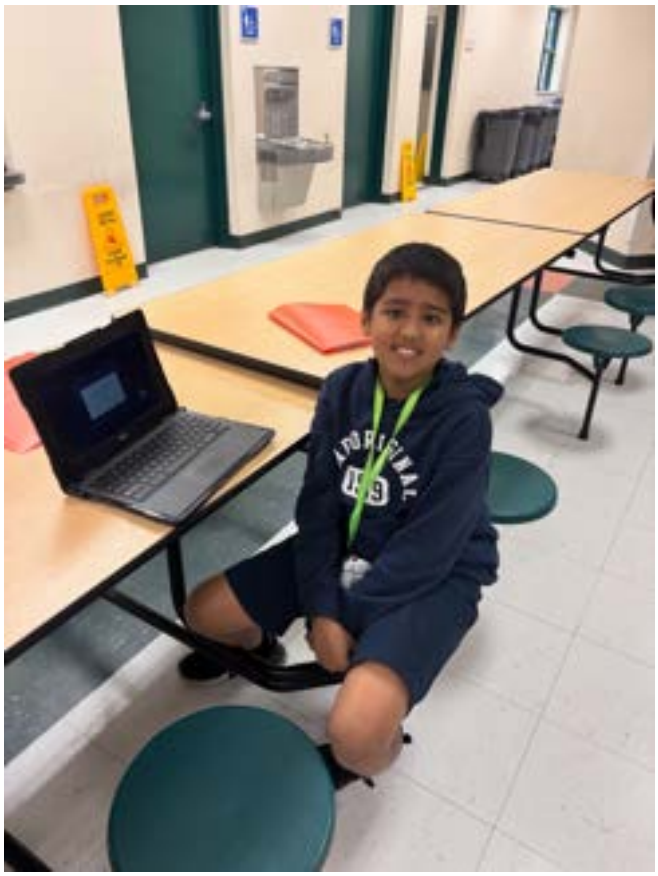
Dairy farming is a leading agricultural commodity in California, producing $7.57 billion cash receipts from milk production in 2021. (CDFA)

California's fluid milk standards exceed federal standards because California processors add nonfat milk solids which offer improved taste and nutritional benefits. California milk exceeds the federal guidelines for the amounts of calcium and protein in each serving.

Real California Milk fluid milk and dairy foods made with Real California Milk are available throughout California and across the U.S. Find products with the Real California Milk seal at a store near you with this locator tool: RealCaliforniaMilk.com/product-locator.



Rosewood Magnet



Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called "Picaboo", *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot's name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, "Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community."

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany's invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.



Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
"During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed 'liberty steaks' to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment."



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what we see. They see different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch

eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



Squirtle

The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

The Great Cookie Exchange

By: Sarvin Devoka



The Great Cookie Trade was a wonderful place to be! If you like cookies, then you should have come on December 6, 2025. It was a community event where participants brought cookies, but you didn't have to.

My friend goes there. He comes every Friday. I asked my dad if I could hang out with him and he said yes so, he, his cousin and I went.
It was at the park and there were a lot of kid's there and my friend and I went to go get hot Cocco.

There were a lot of toppings like marshmallow's, candy canes, whipping cream, and sprinkles. We used water with Swiss Miss.

There was a candy cane with peppermint on it and a cookie with a Hershey kiss on it and a rainbow cake and a white chocolate one and a cranberry one and white chocolate covered pretzel. They were free. I ate at least four cookies and in total I brought about 10 or 11 cookies. At the end of the cookie trading, we went to my friend Tyler house and had a nerf war.

WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.

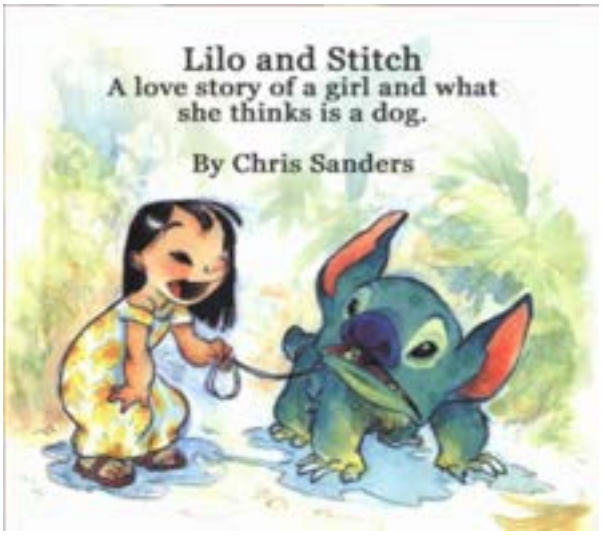


Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

Chris Sanders wanted to create a film with a villain who ultimately becomes a hero and found inspiration for the Hawaiian setting and the concept of ‘ohana during a trip to the islands. The movie was also created for an unsuccessful children's book *Pitch*, by Chris Sanders. He said, “I wanted to do a children’s book about this creature that lived in a forest.”



Do you know why Lilo and Stitch are so popular?

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Nani

Did you know that Nani is a surfing champion? David Kawena has a crush on Nani. Nani is 18 years old.

FUN FACTS ABOUT David

Did you know that David is a surfer? David is 23 years old. David is a loyal friend to Lilo and Nani.



FUN FACTS ABOUT Jumba

Did you know that Jumba likes to eat pastrami? Jumba's accent is vaguely a Russian accent. Jumba was a villain in the first 2 acts but in the 3rd act he was a good person. Jumba's ex-wife is Daisy jookiba. Jumba and Pleakley get married in episode Fibber on the Lilo and Stitch TV series.

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Pleakley's real name is Wendy. Pleakley means brave warrior in Pleakley's native language. Pleakley has 2 tongues and 2 uvulas. Pleakley dresses up as a woman to be disguised so Lilo and Stitch don't see him.
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In conclusion, I have told you why the movie Lilo and Stitch is so popular and why it was made, and I have told you how Lilo and Stitch met, and fun facts about some of the characters but not all of them.

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The Importance of Nature

By Josie Smithson



Nature is important to all living things such as people, animals, and plants. Nature provides homes for people, plants, and animals. For example, birds live in trees, and trees are a part of nature. Many houses that humans live in are built from wood. Wood is a very useful resource of nature that comes from trees. Floors, tools, and house decor come from wood as well. Many children nowadays spend most of their time inside. Time in nature is not only fun, but it is important! Research proves that students who spend more time outside are happier, more focused, and less anxious.

Will Nature Always be with Us?

Many people believe that nature will always be with us, but this is not true. Many animals are endangered such as starlings, tigers, house sparrows, red pandas, giant pandas, blue whales, and many more. The blue whales and all the other endangered creatures are endangered because of us! About half of the ocean animals have eaten or gotten trapped by trash that people throw in the ocean. Many other animals eat or get trapped in trash on land that human's litter.

We Must Protect Nature

Nature is very important because it gives us food, clean air, fresh water, and a safe place to live. Animals and plants also need nature to survive. If we do not take care of the Earth, we will lose beautiful forests, oceans, and animals forever. We can help protect nature by picking up trash, recycling, saving water, and being kind to animals. Every little action makes a big difference. We must work together to keep nature safe and healthy for everyone!

Fun Facts About Nature

Trees can communicate with their roots
Dolphins give each other names
African buffalos make decisions by voting
Bamboo is the world's fastest growing plant
There are more trees on Earth than stars in the Milky Way
Forests can make rain
Elephants never forget
Sharks were around before dinosaurs
Dolphins can show signs of empathy
Trees can fight back
Orcas are dolphins

I hope you enjoyed reading all about the importance of nature and perhaps learned something new! Below, enjoy a survey of questions about the information written in this article:

Were sharks born before dinosaurs?
O Yes
O No

2. How are humans affecting animals?
O Littering trash
O Hunting them
O Taking away their lands
O All of the above

3. Trees communicate through their leaves.
O True

O False

4. Which of the following is an endangered species?
O Red pandas
O Blue whales
O Tigers
O All of the above

5. What can we do to protect nature?
O Mining
O Littering
O Recycling
O Hunting

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Archaeologists have recently discovered something big about Idaho! You are probably curious about what they discovered. Well, they discovered a blade, not just an ordinarily common blade, but a blade that has been around for an estimated time of 13,500 years! This is proof that people lived here a long time before us! Archaeologists did research on this blade and discovered that lots of Native American tribes lived in Idaho. Six of these tribes are known as: Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Shoshone, Bannock, and Blackfoot. These six tribes still live in Idaho today!

Around 1805, the first non-native people traveled into Idaho. These two individuals were Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Idaho was originally claimed by the U.S. and Great Britain during the Oregon Treaty. After the discovery of gold across the land, around the year of 1863, Idaho quickly became its' own territory. About 17 years later, Idaho became the 43rd state.

How Did Idaho Get Its Name?

When a few officials proposed the name “Idaho” people thought it came from a Native American word that meant “Gem of the Mountains,” but they were mistaken. Though it may refer to the number of metals, gems, and crystals dug up in Idaho’s mountains, the name “Idaho” was completely made up! Some of these discoveries from the mountains in Idaho even include star garnet, the state’s gem.

Idaho’s Geography and Landforms

Idaho is bordered in the north by Canada, in the east by Montana and Wyoming, in the south by Nevada, and in the west by Oregon and Washington. Idaho can be divided into three different major regions.

The first major region is the Rocky Mountains, which rise across the north and middle of the state. The state’s highest point is about 12,662 feet (about half the height of Mount Everest!). There is also something called the “panhandle,” which is the narrow northernmost part of Idaho. The Rocky Mountains also have deep river-cut canyons and glacial trenches. This includes Hells Canyon, one of the deepest gorges in North America. Hells Canyon is even deeper than the Grand Canyon!

The second major region in Idaho is called the Columbia Plateau. It spreads across the southern part of Idaho. This part of Idaho is very flat because of volcanic eruptions that happened from around 15,000 years ago to 2,000 years ago. Some mountains are still standing there today, but not many.

The last major region is the Basin and Range Province in the southeast of Idaho. This part is full of grassy plains and plateaus. It also includes part of the fertile Bear River Basin and a few high ridges.

Wildlife in The Potato State

Some of Idaho’s mammals are large. These may include black bears, moose, bighorn sheep, woodland caribou, and more. The state’s smaller mammals include the Idaho pocket gopher and the Idaho ground squirrel.

Don’t forget the 400 distinct species of birds! Some birds that fly across the region include yellow-billed cuckoos, great horned owls, downy woodpeckers, Lincoln's sparrows, and bobolinks (tiny blackbirds).
Some of the amphibians here are the Idaho giant salamanders, Coeur d’Alene salamanders, tailed frogs, and others. Some reptiles found in Idaho are painted turtles, northern alligator lizards, and western terrestrial garter snakes slithering across the state.

Idaho has the largest stand of western white pines in North America! The largest western white pine stands at 219 feet (which is taller than Cinderella's Castle at Disney World!). Other trees you are likely to see are the Douglas fir, western hemlock, ponderosa pine, and the western

redcedar. Some bright, colorful wildflowers in Idaho include pink fairies, orange daylilies, sticky purple geraniums, and crown vetch.

Natural Resources

Even if Idaho being called the Gem State came from a made-up word, believe it or not, the state is full of gems and minerals. In fact, Idaho produces around 72 different gemstones a year! Some of these gemstones that sometimes get mined are rare star garnets, amethyst, rubies, and diamonds. Other materials more commonly mined are silver, zinc, lead, and a type of marble called travertine.

Fun Facts!

In Blackfoot, there is the Idaho Potato Museum where people can get a tuber-themed tour excursion. This place is also known for its healthy crops. If you are searching for the museum just look for a huge giant baked potato in front of the building!

Idaho, being the Potato State, has inspired a place to make weird but cool treats! Some of these weirdly cool treats are vanilla ice cream coated in cocoa topped with whipped cream and a treat called "ice cream potatoes." Ice cream potatoes look like a baked potato with sour cream. There is also a sweet treat called the "Idaho spud," which is a marshmallow covered in both chocolate and coconut!

A place called "Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve" in central Idaho is going to feel like a moonwalk! Instead of being on the actual moon, it is actually dried up land that was flooded in lava from eight different volcanic eruptions. This happened over thousands, maybe even millions, of years ago. These volcanoes will not erupt again anytime soon since they are not dead, just dormant.

Sacagawea was a Native American guide for tourists and explorers Lewis and Clark. With her knowledge of local geography, Sacagawea was essential to Lewis' and Clark's success.
The Bitterroot National Forest stretches around Idaho and Montana and is 1.6 million acres. This national park is a beautiful place full of national heritage. The large availability of natural resources allows for a variety of fun opportunities including fisheries, minerals, recreation, wildlife, and more.

An old mining town called Silver City still looks the same as it did a hundred years ago. Today, it is a tourist stop. In the 1860s, its' mines produced about $60 million worth of valuable materials mostly consisting of metals. Tourists and visitors can even stay in a hotel where old-time miners used to sleep!

There is an ice cave in Shoshone called the "Shoshone Ice Cave." This place is a 1,000 foot long lava tube! It also has a depth of around 8-30 feet. The ice forms when air currents flow through

the tunnel. If you want to go here and explore the wonders of this lava tube, make sure to dress warmly, even in the summer!

Glossary

Archaeologists: person who studies prehistoric cultures by artifacts, inscriptions, and monuments.

Officials: someone elected to an office who oversees certain duties.

Grand Canyon: a gorge in Arizona that's over 200 miles long and around a mile deep.

Excursion: a special trip; a group of people going on a journey.

Sacagawea: a Shoshone woman who acted as a guide and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804–1806) by helping them explore the American West.

Beyond The Stats: Cristiano Ronaldo

By Tyler Sanders

Cristiano Ronaldo is a Portuguese professional soccer player who currently plays for Al-Nassr and the Portugal national team. Al-Nassr is a soccer club from Saudi Arabia. It was founded in 1955 and plays in the Saudi Pro League.



Cristiano Ronaldo was born on February 5, 1985, in Funchal, Madeira, Portugal.

Before joining Manchester United in 2003, Ronaldo started his professional soccer career with Sporting CP in Portugal. He played there until he was signed by Manchester United. Ronaldo spent six seasons with Manchester United before joining Real Madrid in 2009. At Real Madrid, he became one of the best soccer players in the world.

Ronaldo joined Juventus in 2018 and won two Series A titles with the club. In 2021, he returned to Manchester United for a second time.

Ronaldo's father, José Dinis Aveiro, worked as the equipment manager for a local soccer club called Andorinha. Cristiano was named after his father's favorite actor, Ronald Reagan, who was the President of the United States when Cristiano was born.

Ronaldo was the first male player to score 900 career goals in official matches. His nickname, CR7, comes from his initials and his favorite jersey number: 7.

Ronaldo is not retired yet. In fact, he might even play in the 2026 World Cup! His professional soccer career has lasted more than 21 years. Everything began with his debut in 2002 when he played for Sporting CP. CR7 continued with teams like Manchester United, Real Madrid, Juventus, and Al-Nassr, as well as the Portugal national team.

Cristiano Ronaldo is known for being a strong and serious competitor on the field, but off the field he is a true family man. He has five children and is married to Georgina Rodríguez. Ronaldo is teaching his kids how he worked hard to become a soccer star.

CR7 shows his children that he did not grow up with a lot of money and had to work very hard to succeed. He learned how to play soccer by going to practice and never giving up. Cristiano Ronaldo has earned his way through life and remains passionate about encouraging his kids to work hard.

In 2009, Ronaldo transferred to Real Madrid for a world record fee of £80 million at the time. He spent nine seasons with Real Madrid and became one of the greatest soccer players of all time.

When Ronaldo was 15 years old, he had heart surgery to fix a problem that made his heart race too fast. After the surgery, he recovered and continued playing soccer at a high level.

Cristiano Ronaldo, also known as CR7, is one of the greats soccer players of all time. Ronaldo has worked hard is entire life, even when times were tough. His story shows that with skill, practice, and determination, you can achieve anything you dream of.



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Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called “Picaboo”, *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot’s name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, “Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community.”

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany's invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.



Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
"During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed 'liberty steaks' to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment."



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what we see. They see different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

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WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was

in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.



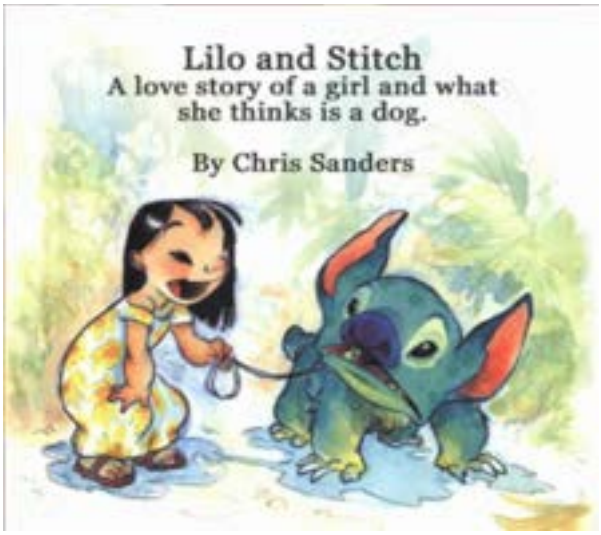
Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't

see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

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Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called “Picaboo”, *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot’s name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, “Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community.”

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany's invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.



Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
"During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed 'liberty steaks' to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment."



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what we see. They see different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

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WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was

in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.



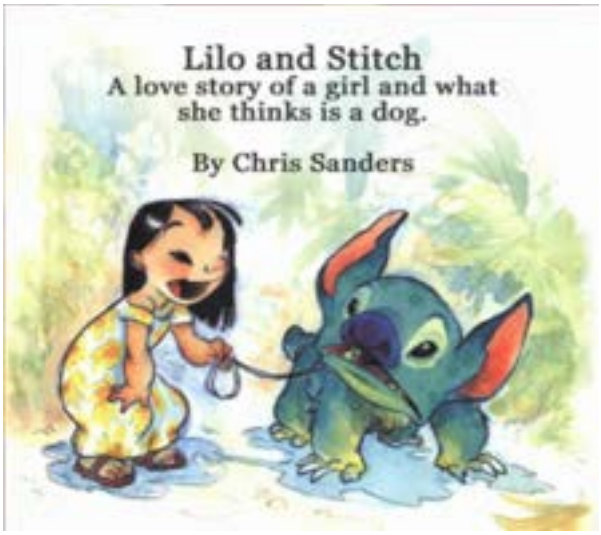
Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't

see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

Chris Sanders wanted to create a film with a villain who ultimately becomes a hero and found inspiration for the Hawaiian setting and the concept of ‘ohana during a trip to the islands. The movie was also created for an unsuccessful children's book *Pitch*, by Chris Sanders. He said, “I wanted to do a children’s book about this creature that lived in a forest.”



Do you know why Lilo and Stitch are so popular?

The second part you have been waiting for .....Why Lilo and Stitch are so popular. Due to Stitch’s relatable combination of mischievous chaos and a heartwarming story. There is happiness with each main character in the movie of Lilo and Stitch.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Lilo

Did you know Lilo’s name means lost in Hawaiian. Did you know Lilo has autism. Lilo’s favorite color is orange. Lilo is 6 years old but in the end, she turns 7 years old. Lilo is 3ft and 5in. Lilo’s mom and dad died, leaving Nani her older sister as her guardian.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Stitch

Did you know Stitch's first word was meega nala kweesta. Stitch's birthday is June 26th. Did you know Stitch's favorite drink is Pepsi? Stitch can't swim because his molecular density is too high. Experiment 264 is Stitch's girlfriend and if you're wondering who's 264 is, it is Angel. Stitch calls Angel boojiboo which means partner or soulmate.

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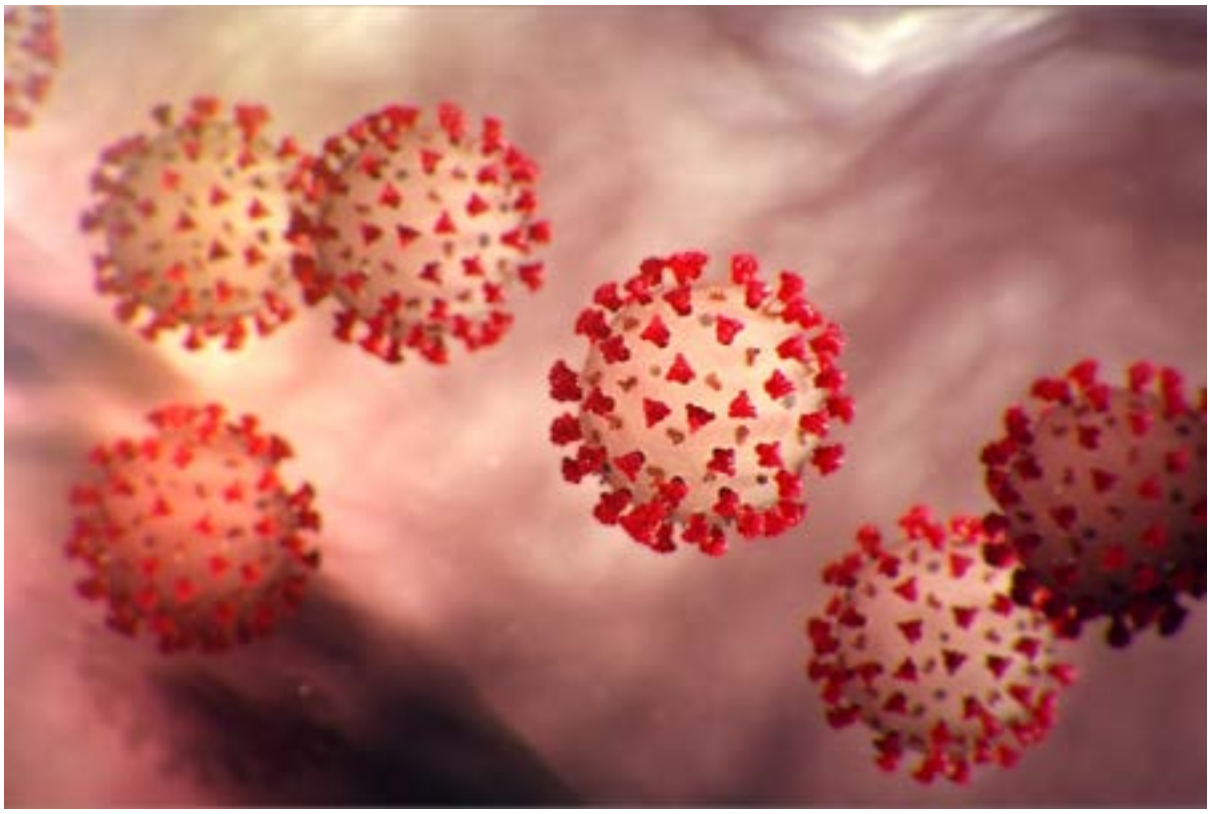
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Treasure Coast Elementary



The Talk of COVID-19

By Aaliyah Rivera



Today, we are going to talk about COVID-19, a serious illness that has affected many people around the world. In this article, I will help you understand COVID-19 and everything you need to know about taking action. Let's get started.

The Basics Of COVID-19

COVID-19, also known as coronavirus disease 2019, is an illness caused by a virus. It started spreading in late 2019 and became a global pandemic in 2020. Many people who test positive for COVID-19 have barely any symptoms, but others may be predisposed to a more serious illness. For individuals at risk, COVID-19 can lead to more urgent medical care or possibly even conclude to death.

Well… What Does COVID-19 Mean?

This question confuses a lot of people! Well, the definition of “coronavirus” comes from a family of coronaviruses that make up a number of different diseases. Some coronaviruses cause the common cold while others can lead to more emergent illnesses, like COVID-19. The name, COVID-19, is actually a mixture of three words. CO stands for “corona,” meaning crown in Latin inspired by the crown-like spikes on the virus’ surface. VI stands for “virus” and D stands for “disease.” The 19 is used because it spread wild in the year of 2019. can cause diseases in both animals and humans.

How Did COVID-19 Begin?

The exact beginnings of COVID-19 are still technically unknown. Many scientists believe COVID-19 started in Wuhan, China at a market that sold wild animals. They think the virus may have come from bats, but it's unclear how it transferred over to humans. When animal illnesses jump to humans, it is known as a zoonotic spillover.

How Is COVID-19 Spread?

The main cause of the spread of COVID-19 is close contact. When an infected person talks, breaths, or coughs, tiny droplets release into the air. These droplets can travel through the air and land on surfaces. If someone comes in contact with these microscopic air droplets, they can become infected with COVID-19. This is why it's important to wash your hands regularly and avoid touching your face!



Symptoms of COVID-19

People with COVID-19 experience symptoms like fever, cough, tiredness, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Some people might be asymptomatic and not show any symptoms at all. It is important to remember that COVID-19 symptoms are similar to flu or common cold symptoms. Because of this, testing is needed to confirm if someone has COVID-19.

Who Is at Risk?

While anyone can get COVID-19, certain groups are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill. This includes older adults and people with underlying health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease. Younger children, especially newborns, are also highly predisposed to getting COVID-19.

Preventing the Spread

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, it's important to do the following:
Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
Wear a mask in crowded areas.
Social distance: stay 6 feet away from others.
Do not touch your face
Stay home if you're feeling unwell
Follow local health guidelines.

Quarantine

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people had to stay home to help stop the spread. For over a year, most children went to school from their own homes. For most parents, work was done from home. This was called quarantine. People could not visit friends, go to group events, or travel like they once did. It was a big change for the world. Quarantine sometimes felt lonely or hard for many people around the world. However, quarantine helped keep people safe and gave doctors time to learn more about how to treat COVID-19.

Conclusion

About 190 million people worldwide have gotten COVID-19, the human brain cannot even comprehend such a large number! Sadly, because many people have not gotten the care they need, over 4 million deaths happened due to COVID-19. Thanks to coronavirus testing, vaccines, and other preventative measures, COVID-19 rates have largely declined. COVID-19 is a serious illness that changed the way we live forever. By understanding how it spreads and taking steps to protect ourselves, we can help reduce the impact. Remember to stay informed, follow health guidelines, and take care of each other!

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By Abigail James



Ruth Bader Ginsburg has inspired tens of thousands of women to break gender barriers, even after facing such discrimination herself. Ginsburg's most well-known achievement is becoming the second woman, and first Jewish woman, to serve on the Supreme Court. Ginsburg is commonly called "R.B.G." by her supporters.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was born into a Jewish family in Brooklyn, New York on March 15, 1933. Her father, Nathan Bader, came to the United States as an immigrant when he was only 13! Ginsburg's mother, Celia Bader, was born and raised in New York. Ginsburg's family cared deeply about education and encouraged her to love learning. Before continuing her education journey at Cornell University, Ginsburg went to P.S. 238 Anne Sullivan Elementary School and James Madison High School in Brooklyn. Ginsburg graduated Cornell in 1954 with a bachelor's degree. She earned high honors in Government and did well in all of her classes. She also became the Marshal for the College of Arts and Sciences Class. That same year, she married Martin D. Ginsburg. The couple eventually had two children together: Jane Ginsburg and James Steven Ginsburg.

After graduating from Cornell, Ginsburg started attending Harvard Law School. At Harvard, she was one of only nine women in a class of 500!

Harvard Law School was mostly male, causing Ginsburg to face frequent gender discrimination. Because the law program was very male dominated, many of Ginsburg's male peers thought

she was simply there for “comic relief.” Ginsburg was even excluded from using some parts of the library.

In 1958, Ginsburg transferred to Columbia Law School for her last year. In 1959, she graduated from Columbia at the top of her class with her law degree. Even with all of these academic and personal achievements, it was hard for Ginsburg to find a job after graduating. According to her own words, Ginsburg said, “In the fifties, the traditional law firms were just beginning to turn around on hiring Jews … But to be a woman, a Jew, and a mother to boot, that combination was a bit much.” In 1959, she found a position as a law clerk for Edmund L. Palmieri. Palmieri was a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Ginsburg stayed at this job until 1961.

In 1980, Ginsburg was chosen by President Jimmy Carter to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She worked there for thirteen years. In 1993, President Bill Clinton nominated Ginsburg to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. On August 10, 1993, she accepted the nomination and took her seat in the Supreme Court.

She became the first Jewish woman, and the second woman ever, to serve on the Supreme Court! As a justice, Ginsburg strongly believed in gender equality and women’s rights. She wrote the Supreme Court’s opinion in the *United States v. Virginia* case, saying that qualified women could not be denied the chance to go to the Virginia Military Institute. In 2009, Ginsburg also worked with President Barack Obama on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to fight unfair pay differences.

Sadly, Ginsburg died at the age of 87 on September 18, 2020, from metastatic pancreatic cancer. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is an amazing person who deserves to be remembered and respected. Her hard work and courage continue to inspire people all around the world. From breaking barriers in law school to becoming the first Jewish woman on the Supreme Court, Ginsburg changed history, fought for fairness, and proved that one voice can make a powerful difference!

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Disney’s Epcot

By Aspen Furphy



Disney's Epcot is a theme park that shows many different countries from around the world. When you go to Epcot, you can experience countries that you might not have traveled to before. You can learn about their food, culture, music, and history all in one place!

Epcot's Spaceship Earth is the main ride inside the big Epcot ball, which is called a geodesic sphere. This ride tells the story of how humans have shared ideas and invented new things through time. It has had four different narrators over the years, including Scar from The Lion King! Spaceship Earth is the most famous landmark in the park and is one of the first things you see when you walk in.

Epcot's original name was Epcot Center, but the name officially changed in 1993. The word "Epcot" stands for "Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow." That means it was meant to be a place where people could see new inventions and ideas for the future.

Epcot is one of the four theme parks at Walt Disney World in Florida. It celebrates human achievement, cool technology, and cultures from all around the world. There are 11 countries in the World Showcase part of Epcot. These countries are Canada, United Kingdom, France, Morocco, Japan, United States, Italy, Germany, China, Mexico, and Norway. Each country has special food, shops, and buildings that look like real places from that country.

There are also 11 rides in Epcot!
Here is a list of these rides: Journey into Imagination with Figment, Mission Space, Living with the Land, Gran Fiesta Tour with The Three Caballeros, The Seas with Nemo and Friends, Soaring'

Around the World, Remy's Ratatouille Adventure, Guardians of the Galaxy Cosmic Rewind, Spaceship Earth, Frozen Ever After, and Test Track. Some rides are calm and relaxing, while others are super-fast and exciting!

Do not worry if you dislike rides, there are tons of shops and stores all around the park. You can buy toys, clothes, snacks, and souvenirs from all the different countries. There are also shows and music performances. There is something fun for everyone at Epcot!

Epcot is a fun and educational place where you can explore the world, go on awesome rides, and learn new things—all in one day. Epcot has something for everyone.

The Dusky Dolphin

By Chloe Cregut



The Dusky Dolphin is a beautiful dolphin with special markings. Their faces are con shaped and their foreheads slope down to a short, dark-colored beak. Dusky Dolphins look like they are wearing eye masks that stand out against their lighter faces. They also have dark lips and snout tips. Their bodies are patterned: the back is dark gray to bluish black, the belly is white, and the sides are gray. The dorsal fin is tall and curved with two colors: a dark front edge and a lighter back edge. The flippers are dark, long, and curved with pointed tips. Their tails, called flukes, have pointy ends and are dark all over.

Where Do They Live?

Dusky Dolphins live in parts of the Southern Hemisphere in cool coastal and temperate waters. They usually live near the continental shelf or slope but can also live in deeper water close to shore. They are found off the coasts of New Zealand, South America, southwestern Africa, and some other ocean islands. There are four subspecies of Dusky Dolphins, and they are all separated by entire oceans. The largest Dusky Dolphins are found off the coast of Peru.

What Is It Like to Live as a Dusky Dolphin?

Life as a Dusky Dolphin is full of action! Experts say they are the most active of all dolphin species. Dusky Dolphins are super social and love to be in groups. They are fast swimmers and are always on the move. They are amazing at acrobatics and are known for their high jumps, flips, and twists.

Dusky Dolphins usually live in groups of 20 or more, and sometimes in huge groups of 500-1,000 dolphins! Even larger groups of up to 2,000 gather to feed near Kaikōura, New Zealand in April and May when prey is easy to find. They work together to catch fish and often show off cool acrobatic tricks while doing it. These leaps and flips help them see each other and stay in sync while hunting.

Dusky Dolphins are always interacting and watching each other. Scientists have learned a lot about Dusky Dolphins by studying their bodies in Peru, where thousands have been killed. These studies have helped us learn about how they live. Female Dusky Dolphins can start having babies when they are between 4.3 and 6.3 years old. Each Dusky Dolphin pregnancy lasts about 12.9 months. The babies nurse for about a year and the mothers usually wait 3-4 years before having another baby.

How Fast Can Dusky Dolphins Swim?

Dusky Dolphins can swim up to 55 kilometers per hour (34 miles per hour)! They are super-fast and very playful. They live in groups called pods and love to jump, race, and play in the water.

What Do Dusky Dolphins Eat?

Dusky Dolphins eat a variety of different fish. They like schooling fish such as anchovies, mackerel, and sardines. Dusky Dolphins also eat deep water fish like hake, lantern fish, and different kinds of squid. Their hunting style changes depending on what they are trying to catch. In New Zealand, they often rest during the day and go into deeper water at night to hunt. When food is close to shore, they feed during the day with their pod. Some common foods include anchovies, hake, sculpins, lantern fish, horse mackerel, red cod, and different squids like Lorigo, Nototodarus, and Todarodes.

Do Dusky Dolphins Mate with Other Dolphins?

Yes, Dusky Dolphins do mate with other dolphin species. There have been many sightings of hybrid dolphins. Hybrid dolphins are a mix between Dusky Dolphins and another kind, such as a Southern Right Whale Dolphin or a Common Dolphin. These hybrid dolphins have characteristics from both kinds of dolphins.

What Are the Main Threats to Dusky Dolphins?

The main threat to Dusky Dolphins is hunting. In Chile and Peru, tens of thousands of Dusky Dolphins have been killed for shark bait and human food. Although hunting dolphins is now illegal, it still happens often and poses a serious impact to the population of Dusky Dolphins. In the 1990s, about 15,000-20,000 dolphins were deliberately killed each year. Almost 79% of those were Dusky Dolphins.

Another big threat is entanglement in fishing nets. Dusky Dolphins often get caught in fishing gear like trawl nets, purse seines, and gillnets. This still happens often in South America, causing a dangerous threat to the Dusky Dolphin population.

Disturbance is also a serious threat to Dusky Dolphins. In places like New Zealand and Argentina, there are concerns about the year-round whale-watching and swim-with-dolphin tours. These boats can disturb the dolphins especially during their rest times. If they do not get enough rest, it can affect their fitness levels and cause poor health.

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Paper Mario Games

By Eliot Baker

Today we will review all the Paper Mario games and facts to help you understand how to play. For those of you who do not know what Paper Mario is and want to know more about each of the five games, you came to the right place!



What are the Paper Mario games?

Let's begin with where it all started. The Paper Mario series was published by Nintendo in the year of 2000. There are five different games in the Paper Mario series. Players of the game control a paper cutout version of Mario to defeat the enemy. The games are in 3D, but the characters are drawn in 2D. Mario is the main character of the game. The goal is to role play and move around to conquer obstacles. The cute and creative paper-like battles are just one of the many things that make Paper Mario a great game. The visual design of this series helps players stretch their imagination and distract them from the hard quests.

Paper Mario – 2000

Paper Mario is the first game of the series. It was released in Japan in 2000 and became available internationally in 2001. In this game, Bowser steals the Star Rod from Star Haven and Mario must defeat him. The focus of the game is the battle against Bowser, but Mario can also interact with the outside environment. In the beginning, Blue Toad is introduced to talk to

players. Make sure to listen to Blue Toad because there will not be another chance to talk to him! This game can be played on the Nintendo 64.

Paper Mario The Thousand Year Door – 2004

As the second game of the Paper Mario series, The Thousand Year Door was released in July of 2004. Players will encounter many surprises in this exciting version. Some main characters of The Thousand Year Door include Mario, Peach, Bowser, Goombella, etc. There are special moves in this game, such as collecting crystal stars to unlock more power moves. The goal for The Thousand Year Door is to earn and master badges to grow your character's statistics. In 2008, this game created a lawsuit because of the song *You're So Cool.* Nintendo needed special permission to use this song, but the lawsuit was quickly dropped. In 2023, Nintendo created a remake of The Thousand Year Door with better graphics, enhanced animation, and new music. This game can be played on the Nintendo GameCube.

Super Paper Mario – 2007

In this third game of Paper Mario, Luigi's and Mario's relaxing afternoon is interrupted by terrible news: someone kidnapped Princess Peach! Believing Bowser is the kidnapper, Mario and Luigi immediately head to his castle, but Bowser is sadly surprised by the bad news. Players will meet a butterfly Pixl named Tippi and a wizard named Merlon. Tippi and Merlon help defeat the antagonist, Dimentio, who threatens with the Chaos Heart. The Chaos Heart is Count Bleck's power plan to force Bowser and Peach to get married. Mario and Merlon become close friends, and Merlon helps cheer Mario up from the stress of Count Bleck's minions. In this version, you can stomp through beautiful 2D worlds, and with a press of a button, flip right into 3D. In the 3D universe, players can discover hidden pathways and uncover deep secrets. The Super Paper Mario of 2007 sure is a wild adventure! This game can be played on the Wii.

Paper Mario Sticker Star – 2012

Paper Mario Sticker Star is the fourth game of this series. In this game, something sticky (but fun!) is going on in Decalburg. When Bowser comes along, he messes up the whole Sticker Fest by smashing the Sticker Comet. Now shiny royal stickers and comet pieces are everywhere, and it's up to Mario to fix everything. Get ready for a cool adventure in Sticker Star if you want to explore colorful places, fight bad guys, and find awesome stickers to use in smart ways. This game is great for new and old fans of Paper Mario. Get ready to have a blast in this universe! This game can be played on the Nintendo 3DS.

Paper Mario The Origami King – 2020

The final game in the Paper Mario series is The Origami King. This game is my personal favorite in the franchise because of its' advanced development and high popularity. Many players believe The Origami King to be the best Paper Mario game ever created, and you might too!

In this game, the kingdom is in big trouble because of some scary origami. You, as Mario, and your sidekick, Olivia, go on a journey to fight the bad paper guys. Mario and Olivia go through lots of tricky challenges full of sad and happy moments. There are toads in The Origami King that are very nice if you help them. They will compliment you if you save them and help you in a battle if you give them coins. The main goal of this game is to fix the world, defeat bad guys, and save Princess Peach's castle. Get ready for a super funny adventure if you want to play Paper Mario the Origami King! This game can only be played on the Nintendo Switch.

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Unveiling the Magic of Harry Potter

By Elizabeth Brown

Harry Potter lived with his aunt, uncle, and cousin— The Dursleys— until he was eleven years old. Then everything changed. One day while getting the mail, Harry found a letter addressed to him. It was from a place called Hogwarts. Harry got so many letters that his Uncle Vernon decided they had to move so no one could find them. In the middle of the night, someone came to find Harry. His name was Rubeus Hagrid. He brought Harry a happy birthday message and a new letter. Then he took Harry to a magical place called Diagon Alley.

The Owl, The Books, The Wand, and The Train

Harry and Hagrid got to Diagon Alley through the Leaky Cauldron. Hagrid went off to buy Harry's school books, robes, and owl. Harry went to a shop called Ollivanders to find his wand. He tried many wands until he found the perfect one: a holly wood wand with a phoenix feather core. But the wand maker, Mr. Ollivander, told Harry to beware because his wand was the twin of the one that gave him the scar from Voldemort.

Later, Hagrid took Harry to King's Cross Station and gave him a ticket for Platform Nine and Three Quarters. Harry did not know what this meant, but he saw a kind family— the Weasleys— and asked them for help. Mrs. Weasley was very nice and assured him it was okay. She told Harry that her son, Ron, was going to Hogwarts for the first time too. She helped him get onto the platform. Once on the train, Harry found an empty compartment. Ron decides to sit with him, and Harry did not yet know how important their friendship would be. Little did he know what was in store for the next several years!

The Perseverance of Harry Potter

Harry Potter was in for a wild and bumpy ride. As the years continued on, Harry's life at Hogwarts was full of danger and adventure.
In his first year, Harry fought Voldemort who was hiding on the back of Professor Quirrell's head. In his second year, he fought Tom Riddle— young Voldemort— and a giant snake called the Basilisk. In his third year, he faced and fought scary creatures including Dementors and his teacher, Professor Lupin, who was a werewolf. In his fourth year, he fought Lord Voldemort again after the last task of the Triwizard Tournament. In his fifth year, he battled Voldemort at the Ministry of Magic. In his sixth year, he started hunting for Horcruxes with Professor Dumbledore. In his seventh year, Harry fought in the Battle of Hogwarts and finally defeated Voldemort. Harry Potter's final year at Hogwarts ended Lord Voldemort's reign of terror once and for all.

In the end, Harry and his friends grew up and lived peaceful lives. They got married, had children, and put away their battle wands for good. They all had an amazing adulthood after persevering through the trials and tribulations of Hogwarts.

The Magic of Harry Potter

The magic of Harry Potter is more than just spells and wands. This story is about friendship, courage, and never giving up— even when things are hard. Harry shows us that anyone can be a hero, no matter where they come from. We learn the power of love, hope, and standing up for what's right through all his adventures. That's the real magic!



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Cane Corso vs. German Shepard

By Evelyn Smith

If you have ever wondered about the differences and similarities of a German Shepard and a Cane Corso, you are in the right place! Both dog breeds are very popular for some of the same reasons. In this article, I will tell you everything you need to know about German Shepards and Cane Corsos and what makes them unique!

All About German Shepards



German Shepherds are a medium to large dog breed that can grow as tall as 22-26 inches and weigh 55-95 pounds. Their fur color can be pale gray, white, or black. German Shepards have big, strong, muscular bodies. Their snout is long and wedge-shaped with a black nose. Shepards have slightly pointed ears that stick up 180 degrees. German Shepherds can live up to 14 years with proper care.

Some proper care practices to prolong a Shepard's life may include physical activity, affection, and healthy foods. It is very important for owners to understand German Shepards require daily exercise to keep them healthy. An ideal German Shepard owner will enjoy playing outdoors often.

According to USA Today, German Shepherds are the fourth most popular dog breed. Considering they are loyal, intelligent, playful, and protective, Shepards are an extremely likable dog breed. German Shepards are naturally emphatic and protective, they crave attention and remain very devoted to their owners. Shepards make great family members because they are affectionate, good with children, and will always have time for you. They love to play, snuggle, and guard. In Britain, German Shepherds are known as Alsatians.

Here are some fun facts about German Shepards:

Confident, brave, and obedient
Average life span of 7-10 years
Originated in Germany in the 1800s
Belong to the herding group of dogs
Lifetime care cost of $15,000-$17,000
Double coat: dense outercoat and soft undercoat
May have straight or wavy fur that is resistant to cold weather
Bred to guide herds of sheep and now often serve as military or police dogs

All About Cane Corsos



In the USA, the Cane Corso is a very popular dog breed. The Cane Corso is an Italian dog breed of mastiff. They are a large dog breed, standing as tall as 24-28 inches and often weighing over 100 pounds. Surprisingly enough, Cane Corsos date all the way back to Roman times! In the past, Cane Corsos were used to hunt and herd. Nowadays, they are often cared for as companion dogs or guard dogs.

Cane Corsos are known to have a strikingly strong appearance because of their large head and muscular body. While they do have a protective personality, Cane Corso's can make the perfect companion for the right owner. They are protective, loyal, affectionate, and active. The Cane Corso breed enjoys constant activity, both mental and physical. A fierce protector of their owners, Cane Corso's are ranked the twelfth strongest dog it the world!

Here are some fun facts about Cane Corsos:

Descends from ancient Roman dogs
Belong to the working group of dogs
Average life span of 9-12 years
Weight range of 88-120 pounds
Lifetime care cost of $10,000-$20,000
Short fur with smooth texture, double coat
Fur color can be black, gray, maroon, or brown
Worked as warrior dogs in ancient Greece during Roman wars

Can you put German Shepards and Cane Corso's together?

With proper training and socialization, you can pair German Shepards and Cane Corso's with no problems! Though they usually get along, there are some factors to consider before putting these two dog breeds together. It is important to socialize them with other dogs during their early puppy years to encourage friendly interaction.

Both German Shepards and Cane Corso's have strong guarding instincts, which could lead to conflicts in dominance. Depending on their lifestyles, the Cane Corso has a potential advantage of physical strength over the German Shepard. Always be cautious when putting German Shepards and Cane Corso's together and make sure they have a safe environment to meet in. If you train these two dog breeds as puppies and gradually introduce them together, they may become lifelong friends!

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The Importance of Nature

By Josie Smithson



Nature is important to all living things such as people, animals, and plants. Nature provides homes for people, plants, and animals. For example, birds live in trees, and trees are a part of nature. Many houses that humans live in are built from wood. Wood is a very useful resource of nature that comes from trees. Floors, tools, and house decor come from wood as well. Many children nowadays spend most of their time inside. Time in nature is not only fun, but it is important! Research proves that students who spend more time outside are happier, more focused, and less anxious.

Will Nature Always be with Us?

Many people believe that nature will always be with us, but this is not true. Many animals are endangered such as starlings, tigers, house sparrows, red pandas, giant pandas, blue whales, and many more. The blue whales and all the other endangered creatures are endangered because of us! About half of the ocean animals have eaten or gotten trapped by trash that people throw in the ocean. Many other animals eat or get trapped in trash on land that human's litter.

We Must Protect Nature

Nature is very important because it gives us food, clean air, fresh water, and a safe place to live. Animals and plants also need nature to survive. If we do not take care of the Earth, we will lose beautiful forests, oceans, and animals forever. We can help protect nature by picking up trash, recycling, saving water, and being kind to animals. Every little action makes a big difference. We must work together to keep nature safe and healthy for everyone!

Fun Facts About Nature

Trees can communicate with their roots
Dolphins give each other names
African buffalos make decisions by voting
Bamboo is the world's fastest growing plant
There are more trees on Earth than stars in the Milky Way
Forests can make rain
Elephants never forget
Sharks were around before dinosaurs
Dolphins can show signs of empathy
Trees can fight back
Orcas are dolphins

I hope you enjoyed reading all about the importance of nature and perhaps learned something new! Below, enjoy a survey of questions about the information written in this article:

Were sharks born before dinosaurs?
O Yes
O No

2. How are humans affecting animals?
O Littering trash
O Hunting them
O Taking away their lands
O All of the above

3. Trees communicate through their leaves.
O True
O False

4. Which of the following is an endangered species?
O Red pandas
O Blue whales
O Tigers
O All of the above

5. What can we do to protect nature?
O Mining
O Littering
O Recycling
O Hunting

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Idaho Knowledge

By Lilith Camunas



Archaeologists have recently discovered something big about Idaho! You are probably curious about what they discovered. Well, they discovered a blade, not just an ordinarily common blade, but a blade that has been around for an estimated time of 13,500 years! This is proof that people lived here a long time before us! Archaeologists did research on this blade and discovered that lots of Native American tribes lived in Idaho. Six of these tribes are known as: Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Shoshone, Bannock, and Blackfoot. These six tribes still live in Idaho today!

Around 1805, the first non-native people traveled into Idaho. These two individuals were Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Idaho was originally claimed by the U.S. and Great Britain during the Oregon Treaty. After the discovery of gold across the land, around the year of 1863, Idaho quickly became its' own territory. About 17 years later, Idaho became the 43rd state.

How Did Idaho Get Its Name?

When a few officials proposed the name “Idaho” people thought it came from a Native American word that meant “Gem of the Mountains,” but they were mistaken. Though it may refer to the number of metals, gems, and crystals dug up in Idaho’s mountains, the name “Idaho” was completely made up! Some of these discoveries from the mountains in Idaho even include star garnet, the state’s gem.

Idaho’s Geography and Landforms

Idaho is bordered in the north by Canada, in the east by Montana and Wyoming, in the south by Nevada, and in the west by Oregon and Washington. Idaho can be divided into three different major regions.

The first major region is the Rocky Mountains, which rise across the north and middle of the state. The state’s highest point is about 12,662 feet (about half the height of Mount Everest!). There is also something called the “panhandle,” which is the narrow northernmost part of Idaho. The Rocky Mountains also have deep river-cut canyons and glacial trenches. This includes Hells Canyon, one of the deepest gorges in North America. Hells Canyon is even deeper than the Grand Canyon!

The second major region in Idaho is called the Columbia Plateau. It spreads across the southern part of Idaho. This part of Idaho is very flat because of volcanic eruptions that happened from around 15,000 years ago to 2,000 years ago. Some mountains are still standing there today, but not many.

The last major region is the Basin and Range Province in the southeast of Idaho. This part is full of grassy plains and plateaus. It also includes part of the fertile Bear River Basin and a few high ridges.

Wildlife in The Potato State

Some of Idaho’s mammals are large. These may include black bears, moose, bighorn sheep, woodland caribou, and more. The state’s smaller mammals include the Idaho pocket gopher and the Idaho ground squirrel.

Don’t forget the 400 distinct species of birds! Some birds that fly across the region include yellow-billed cuckoos, great horned owls, downy woodpeckers, Lincoln's sparrows, and bobolinks (tiny blackbirds).
Some of the amphibians here are the Idaho giant salamanders, Coeur d’Alene salamanders, tailed frogs, and others. Some reptiles found in Idaho are painted turtles, northern alligator lizards, and western terrestrial garter snakes slithering across the state.

Idaho has the largest stand of western white pines in North America! The largest western white pine stands at 219 feet (which is taller than Cinderella's Castle at Disney World!). Other trees you are likely to see are the Douglas fir, western hemlock, ponderosa pine, and the western redcedar. Some bright, colorful wildflowers in Idaho include pink fairies, orange daylilies, sticky purple geraniums, and crown vetch.

Natural Resources

Even if Idaho being called the Gem State came from a made-up word, believe it or not, the state is full of gems and minerals. In fact, Idaho produces around 72 different gemstones a year! Some of these gemstones that sometimes get mined are rare star garnets, amethyst, rubies, and diamonds. Other materials more commonly mined are silver, zinc, lead, and a type of marble called travertine.

Fun Facts!

In Blackfoot, there is the Idaho Potato Museum where people can get a tuber-themed tour excursion. This place is also known for its healthy crops. If you are searching for the museum just look for a huge giant baked potato in front of the building!

Idaho, being the Potato State, has inspired a place to make weird but cool treats! Some of these weirdly cool treats are vanilla ice cream coated in cocoa topped with whipped cream and a treat called "ice cream potatoes." Ice cream potatoes look like a baked potato with sour cream. There is also a sweet treat called the "Idaho spud," which is a marshmallow covered in both chocolate and coconut!

A place called "Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve" in central Idaho is going to feel like a moonwalk! Instead of being on the actual moon, it is actually dried up land that was flooded in lava from eight different volcanic eruptions. This happened over thousands, maybe even millions, of years ago. These volcanoes will not erupt again anytime soon since they are not dead, just dormant.

Sacagawea was a Native American guide for tourists and explorers Lewis and Clark. With her knowledge of local geography, Sacagawea was essential to Lewis' and Clark's success.
The Bitterroot National Forest stretches around Idaho and Montana and is 1.6 million acres. This national park is a beautiful place full of national heritage. The large availability of natural resources allows for a variety of fun opportunities including fisheries, minerals, recreation, wildlife, and more.

An old mining town called Silver City still looks the same as it did a hundred years ago. Today, it is a tourist stop. In the 1860s, its' mines produced about $60 million worth of valuable materials mostly consisting of metals. Tourists and visitors can even stay in a hotel where old-time miners used to sleep!

There is an ice cave in Shoshone called the "Shoshone Ice Cave." This place is a 1,000 foot long lava tube! It also has a depth of around 8-30 feet. The ice forms when air currents flow through the tunnel. If you want to go here and explore the wonders of this lava tube, make sure to dress warmly, even in the summer!

Glossary

Archaeologists: person who studies prehistoric cultures by artifacts, inscriptions, and monuments.

Officials: someone elected to an office who oversees certain duties.

Grand Canyon: a gorge in Arizona that’s over 200 miles long and around a mile deep.

Excursion: a special trip; a group of people going on a journey.

Sacagawea: a Shoshone woman who acted as a guide and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804–1806) by helping them explore the American West.

Beyond The Stats: Cristiano Ronaldo

By Tyler Sanders

Cristiano Ronaldo is a Portuguese professional soccer player who currently plays for Al-Nassr and the Portugal national team. Al-Nassr is a soccer club from Saudi Arabia. It was founded in 1955 and plays in the Saudi Pro League.



Cristiano Ronaldo was born on February 5, 1985, in Funchal, Madeira, Portugal.

Before joining Manchester United in 2003, Ronaldo started his professional soccer career with Sporting CP in Portugal. He played there until he was signed by Manchester United. Ronaldo spent six seasons with Manchester United before joining Real Madrid in 2009. At Real Madrid, he became one of the best soccer players in the world.

Ronaldo joined Juventus in 2018 and won two Series A titles with the club. In 2021, he returned to Manchester United for a second time.

Ronaldo's father, José Dinis Aveiro, worked as the equipment manager for a local soccer club called Andorinha. Cristiano was named after his father's favorite actor, Ronald Reagan, who was the President of the United States when Cristiano was born.

Ronaldo was the first male player to score 900 career goals in official matches. His nickname, CR7, comes from his initials and his favorite jersey number: 7.

Ronaldo is not retired yet. In fact, he might even play in the 2026 World Cup! His professional soccer career has lasted more than 21 years. Everything began with his debut in 2002 when he played for Sporting CP. CR7 continued with teams like Manchester United, Real Madrid, Juventus, and Al-Nassr, as well as the Portugal national team.

Cristiano Ronaldo is known for being a strong and serious competitor on the field, but off the field he is a true family man. He has five children and is married to Georgina Rodríguez. Ronaldo is teaching his kids how he worked hard to become a soccer star.

CR7 shows his children that he did not grow up with a lot of money and had to work very hard to succeed. He learned how to play soccer by going to practice and never giving up. Cristiano Ronaldo has earned his way through life and remains passionate about encouraging his kids to work hard.

In 2009, Ronaldo transferred to Real Madrid for a world record fee of £80 million at the time. He spent nine seasons with Real Madrid and became one of the greatest soccer players of all time.

When Ronaldo was 15 years old, he had heart surgery to fix a problem that made his heart race too fast. After the surgery, he recovered and continued playing soccer at a high level.

Cristiano Ronaldo, also known as CR7, is one of the greats soccer players of all time. Ronaldo has worked hard is entire life, even when times were tough. His story shows that with skill, practice, and determination, you can achieve anything you dream of.



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Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called “Picaboo”, *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot’s name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, “Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community.”

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany’s invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.



Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
“During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed ‘liberty steaks’ to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment.”



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



Squirtle

The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get

the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

The Great Cookie Exchange

By: Sarvin Devoka



The Great Cookie Trade was a wonderful place to be! If you like cookies, then you should have come on December 6, 2025. It was a community event where participants brought cookies, but you didn't have to.

My friend goes there. He comes every Friday. I asked my dad if I could hang out with him and he said yes so, he, his cousin and I went.
It was at the park and there were a lot of kid's there and my friend and I went to go get hot Cocco.

There were a lot of toppings like marshmallow's, candy canes, whipping cream, and sprinkles. We used water with Swiss Miss.

There was a candy cane with peppermint on it and a cookie with a Hershey kiss on it and a rainbow cake and a white chocolate one and a cranberry one and white chocolate covered pretzel. They were free. I ate at least four cookies and in total I brought about 10 or 11 cookies. At the end of the cookie trading, we went to my friend Tyler house and had a nerf war.

WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.

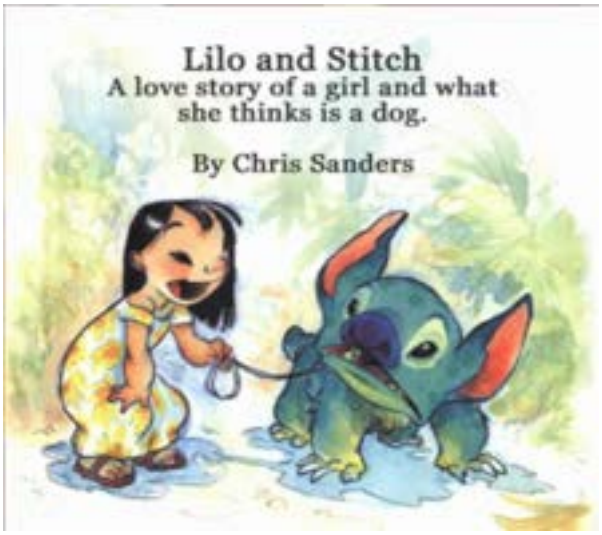


Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

Chris Sanders wanted to create a film with a villain who ultimately becomes a hero and found inspiration for the Hawaiian setting and the concept of ‘ohana during a trip to the islands. The movie was also created for an unsuccessful children's book *Pitch*, by Chris Sanders. He said, “I wanted to do a children’s book about this creature that lived in a forest.”



Do you know why Lilo and Stitch are so popular?

The second part you have been waiting for .....Why Lilo and Stitch are so popular. Due to Stitch’s relatable combination of mischievous chaos and a heartwarming story. There is happiness with each main character in the movie of Lilo and Stitch.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Lilo

Did you know Lilo’s name means lost in Hawaiian. Did you know Lilo has autism. Lilo’s favorite color is orange. Lilo is 6 years old but in the end, she turns 7 years old. Lilo is 3ft and 5in. Lilo’s mom and dad died, leaving Nani her older sister as her guardian.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Stitch

Did you know Stitch’s first word was meega nala kweesta. Stitch’s birthday is June 26th. Did you know Stitch’s favorite drink is Pepsi? Stitch can’t swim because his molecular density is too high. Experiment 264 is Stitch’s girlfriend and if you're wondering who’s 264 is, it is Angel. Stitch calls Angel boojiboo which means partner or soulmate.

FUN FACTS ABOUT OTHER CHARACTERS
Nani

Did you know that Nani is a surfing champion? David Kawena has a crush on Nani. Nani is 18 years old.

FUN FACTS ABOUT David

Did you know that David is a surfer? David is 23 years old. David is a loyal friend to Lilo and Nani.



FUN FACTS ABOUT Jumba

Did you know that Jumba likes to eat pastrami? Jumba's accent is vaguely a Russian accent. Jumba was a villain in the first 2 acts but in the 3rd act he was a good person. Jumba's ex-wife is Daisy jookiba. Jumba and Pleakley get married in episode Fibber on the Lilo and Stitch TV series.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Pleakley

Pleakley's real name is Wendy. Pleakley means brave warrior in Pleakley's native language. Pleakley has 2 tongues and 2 uvulas. Pleakley dresses up as a woman to be disguised so Lilo and Stitch don't see him.
THE END!

In conclusion, I have told you why the movie Lilo and Stitch is so popular and why it was made, and I have told you how Lilo and Stitch met, and fun facts about some of the characters but not all of them.

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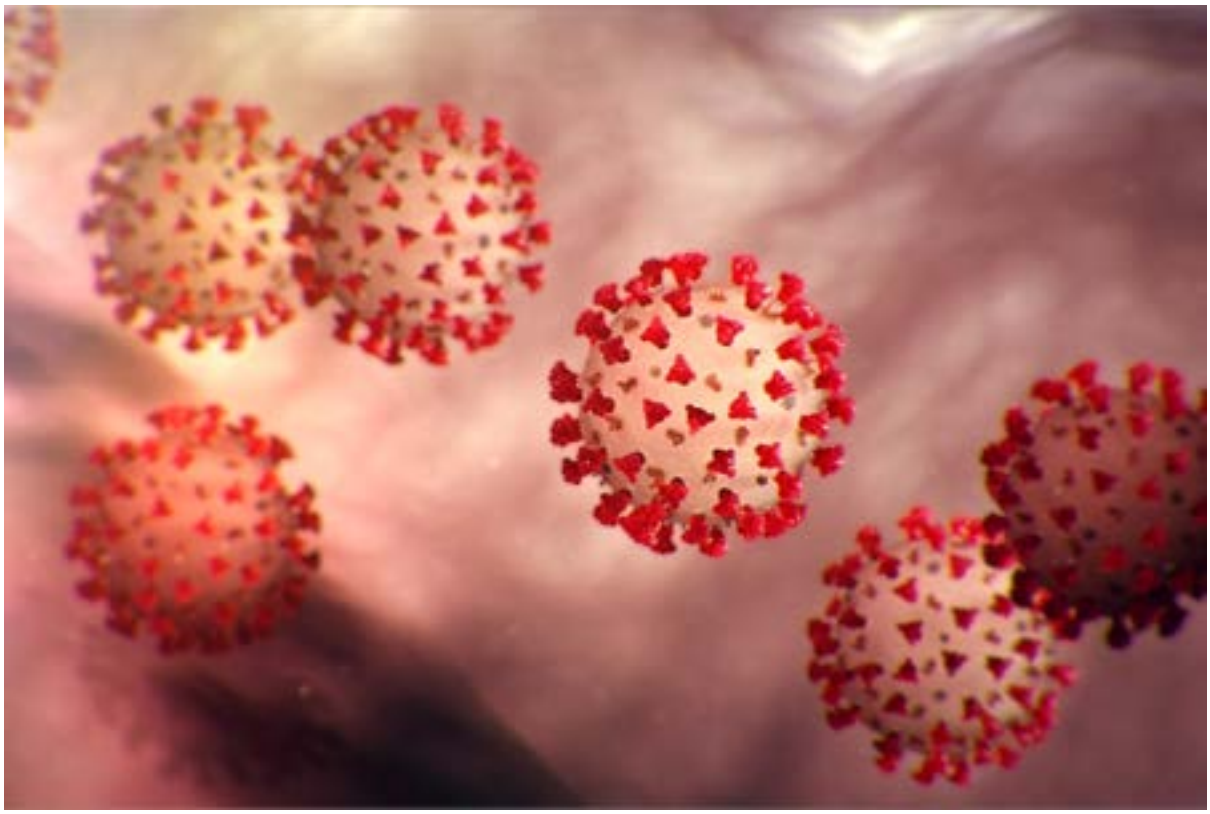
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Treasure Coast Elementary



The Talk of COVID-19

By Aaliyah Rivera



Today, we are going to talk about COVID-19, a serious illness that has affected many people around the world. In this article, I will help you understand COVID-19 and everything you need to know about taking action. Let's get started.

The Basics Of COVID-19

COVID-19, also known as coronavirus disease 2019, is an illness caused by a virus. It started spreading in late 2019 and became a global pandemic in 2020. Many people who test positive for COVID-19 have barely any symptoms, but others may be predisposed to a more serious illness. For individuals at risk, COVID-19 can lead to more urgent medical care or possibly even conclude to death.

Well… What Does COVID-19 Mean?

This question confuses a lot of people! Well, the definition of “coronavirus” comes from a family of coronaviruses that make up a number of different diseases. Some coronaviruses cause the common cold while others can lead to more emergent illnesses, like COVID-19. The name, COVID-19, is actually a mixture of three words. CO stands for “corona,” meaning crown in Latin inspired by the crown-like spikes on the virus’ surface. VI stands for “virus” and D stands for “disease.” The 19 is used because it spread wild in the year of 2019. can cause diseases in both animals and humans.

How Did COVID-19 Begin?

The exact beginnings of COVID-19 are still technically unknown. Many scientists believe COVID-19 started in Wuhan, China at a market that sold wild animals. They think the virus may have come from bats, but it's unclear how it transferred over to humans. When animal illnesses jump to humans, it is known as a zoonotic spillover.

How Is COVID-19 Spread?

The main cause of the spread of COVID-19 is close contact. When an infected person talks, breaths, or coughs, tiny droplets release into the air. These droplets can travel through the air and land on surfaces. If someone comes in contact with these microscopic air droplets, they can become infected with COVID-19. This is why it's important to wash your hands regularly and avoid touching your face!



Symptoms of COVID-19

People with COVID-19 experience symptoms like fever, cough, tiredness, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Some people might be asymptomatic and not show any symptoms at all. It is important to remember that COVID-19 symptoms are similar to flu or common cold symptoms. Because of this, testing is needed to confirm if someone has COVID-19.

Who Is at Risk?

While anyone can get COVID-19, certain groups are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill. This includes older adults and people with underlying health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease. Younger children, especially newborns, are also highly predisposed to getting COVID-19.

Preventing the Spread

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, it's important to do the following:
Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Wear a mask in crowded areas.
Social distance: stay 6 feet away from others.
Do not touch your face
Stay home if you're feeling unwell
Follow local health guidelines.

Quarantine

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people had to stay home to help stop the spread. For over a year, most children went to school from their own homes. For most parents, work was done from home. This was called quarantine. People could not visit friends, go to group events, or travel like they once did. It was a big change for the world. Quarantine sometimes felt lonely or hard for many people around the world. However, quarantine helped keep people safe and gave doctors time to learn more about how to treat COVID-19.

Conclusion

About 190 million people worldwide have gotten COVID-19, the human brain cannot even comprehend such a large number! Sadly, because many people have not gotten the care they need, over 4 million deaths happened due to COVID-19. Thanks to coronavirus testing, vaccines, and other preventative measures, COVID-19 rates have largely declined. COVID-19 is a serious illness that changed the way we live forever. By understanding how it spreads and taking steps to protect ourselves, we can help reduce the impact. Remember to stay informed, follow health guidelines, and take care of each other!

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By Abigail James



Ruth Bader Ginsburg has inspired tens of thousands of women to break gender barriers, even after facing such discrimination herself. Ginsburg's most well-known achievement is becoming the second woman, and first Jewish woman, to serve on the Supreme Court. Ginsburg is commonly called "R.B.G." by her supporters.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was born into a Jewish family in Brooklyn, New York on March 15, 1933. Her father, Nathan Bader, came to the United States as an immigrant when he was only 13! Ginsburg's mother, Celia Bader, was born and raised in New York. Ginsburg's family cared deeply about education and encouraged her to love learning. Before continuing her education journey at Cornell University, Ginsburg went to P.S. 238 Anne Sullivan Elementary School and James Madison High School in Brooklyn. Ginsburg graduated Cornell in 1954 with a bachelor's degree. She earned high honors in Government and did well in all of her classes. She also became the Marshal for the College of Arts and Sciences Class. That same year, she married Martin D. Ginsburg. The couple eventually had two children together: Jane Ginsburg and James Steven Ginsburg.

After graduating from Cornell, Ginsburg started attending Harvard Law School. At Harvard, she was one of only nine women in a class of 500!

Harvard Law School was mostly male, causing Ginsburg to face frequent gender discrimination. Because the law program was very male dominated, many of Ginsburg's male peers thought she was simply there for "comic relief." Ginsburg was even excluded from using some parts of the library.

In 1958, Ginsburg transferred to Columbia Law School for her last year. In 1959, she graduated from Columbia at the top of her class with her law degree. Even with all of these academic and personal achievements, it was hard for Ginsburg to find a job after graduating. According to her own words, Ginsburg said, “In the fifties, the traditional law firms were just beginning to turn around on hiring Jews … But to be a woman, a Jew, and a mother to boot, that combination was a bit much.” In 1959, she found a position as a law clerk for Edmund L. Palmieri. Palmieri was a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Ginsburg stayed at this job until 1961.

In 1980, Ginsburg was chosen by President Jimmy Carter to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She worked there for thirteen years. In 1993, President Bill Clinton nominated Ginsburg to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. On August 10, 1993, she accepted the nomination and took her seat in the Supreme Court.

She became the first Jewish woman, and the second woman ever, to serve on the Supreme Court! As a justice, Ginsburg strongly believed in gender equality and women’s rights. She wrote the Supreme Court’s opinion in the *United States v. Virginia* case, saying that qualified women could not be denied the chance to go to the Virginia Military Institute. In 2009, Ginsburg also worked with President Barack Obama on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to fight unfair pay differences.

Sadly, Ginsburg died at the age of 87 on September 18, 2020, from metastatic pancreatic cancer. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is an amazing person who deserves to be remembered and respected. Her hard work and courage continue to inspire people all around the world. From breaking barriers in law school to becoming the first Jewish woman on the Supreme Court, Ginsburg changed history, fought for fairness, and proved that one voice can make a powerful difference!

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Disney’s Epcot

By Aspen Furphy



Disney's Epcot is a theme park that shows many different countries from around the world. When you go to Epcot, you can experience countries that you might not have traveled to before. You can learn about their food, culture, music, and history all in one place!

Epcot's Spaceship Earth is the main ride inside the big Epcot ball, which is called a geodesic sphere. This ride tells the story of how humans have shared ideas and invented new things through time. It has had four different narrators over the years, including Scar from The Lion King! Spaceship Earth is the most famous landmark in the park and is one of the first things you see when you walk in.

Epcot's original name was Epcot Center, but the name officially changed in 1993. The word "Epcot" stands for "Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow." That means it was meant to be a place where people could see new inventions and ideas for the future.

Epcot is one of the four theme parks at Walt Disney World in Florida. It celebrates human achievement, cool technology, and cultures from all around the world. There are 11 countries in the World Showcase part of Epcot. These countries are Canada, United Kingdom, France, Morocco, Japan, United States, Italy, Germany, China, Mexico, and Norway. Each country has special food, shops, and buildings that look like real places from that country.

There are also 11 rides in Epcot!
Here is a list of these rides: Journey into Imagination with Figment, Mission Space, Living with the Land, Gran Fiesta Tour with The Three Caballeros, The Seas with Nemo and Friends, Soaring' Around the World, Remy's Ratatouille Adventure, Guardians of the Galaxy Cosmic Rewind,

Spaceship Earth, Frozen Ever After, and Test Track. Some rides are calm and relaxing, while others are super-fast and exciting!

Do not worry if you dislike rides, there are tons of shops and stores all around the park. You can buy toys, clothes, snacks, and souvenirs from all the different countries. There are also shows and music performances. There is something fun for everyone at Epcot!

Epcot is a fun and educational place where you can explore the world, go on awesome rides, and learn new things—all in one day. Epcot has something for everyone.

The Dusky Dolphin

By Chloe Cregut



The Dusky Dolphin is a beautiful dolphin with special markings. Their faces are con shaped and their foreheads slope down to a short, dark-colored beak. Dusky Dolphins look like they are wearing eye masks that stand out against their lighter faces. They also have dark lips and snout tips. Their bodies are patterned: the back is dark gray to bluish black, the belly is white, and the sides are gray. The dorsal fin is tall and curved with two colors: a dark front edge and a lighter back edge. The flippers are dark, long, and curved with pointed tips. Their tails, called flukes, have pointy ends and are dark all over.

Where Do They Live?

Dusky Dolphins live in parts of the Southern Hemisphere in cool coastal and temperate waters. They usually live near the continental shelf or slope but can also live in deeper water close to shore. They are found off the coasts of New Zealand, South America, southwestern Africa, and some other ocean islands. There are four subspecies of Dusky Dolphins, and they are all separated by entire oceans. The largest Dusky Dolphins are found off the coast of Peru.

What Is It Like to Live as a Dusky Dolphin?

Life as a Dusky Dolphin is full of action! Experts say they are the most active of all dolphin species. Dusky Dolphins are super social and love to be in groups. They are fast swimmers and are always on the move. They are amazing at acrobatics and are known for their high jumps, flips, and twists.

Dusky Dolphins usually live in groups of 20 or more, and sometimes in huge groups of 500-1,000 dolphins! Even larger groups of up to 2,000 gather to feed near Kaikōura, New Zealand in April and May when prey is easy to find. They work together to catch fish and often show off cool acrobatic tricks while doing it. These leaps and flips help them see each other and stay in sync while hunting.

Dusky Dolphins are always interacting and watching each other. Scientists have learned a lot about Dusky Dolphins by studying their bodies in Peru, where thousands have been killed. These studies have helped us learn about how they live. Female Dusky Dolphins can start having babies when they are between 4.3 and 6.3 years old. Each Dusky Dolphin pregnancy lasts about 12.9 months. The babies nurse for about a year and the mothers usually wait 3-4 years before having another baby.

How Fast Can Dusky Dolphins Swim?

Dusky Dolphins can swim up to 55 kilometers per hour (34 miles per hour)! They are super-fast and very playful. They live in groups called pods and love to jump, race, and play in the water.

What Do Dusky Dolphins Eat?

Dusky Dolphins eat a variety of different fish. They like schooling fish such as anchovies, mackerel, and sardines. Dusky Dolphins also eat deep water fish like hake, lantern fish, and different kinds of squid. Their hunting style changes depending on what they are trying to catch. In New Zealand, they often rest during the day and go into deeper water at night to hunt. When food is close to shore, they feed during the day with their pod. Some common foods include anchovies, hake, sculpins, lantern fish, horse mackerel, red cod, and different squids like Lorigo, Nototodarus, and Todarodes.

Do Dusky Dolphins Mate with Other Dolphins?

Yes, Dusky Dolphins do mate with other dolphin species. There have been many sightings of hybrid dolphins. Hybrid dolphins are a mix between Dusky Dolphins and another kind, such as a Southern Right Whale Dolphin or a Common Dolphin. These hybrid dolphins have characteristics from both kinds of dolphins.

What Are the Main Threats to Dusky Dolphins?

The main threat to Dusky Dolphins is hunting. In Chile and Peru, tens of thousands of Dusky Dolphins have been killed for shark bait and human food. Although hunting dolphins is now illegal, it still happens often and poses a serious impact to the population of Dusky Dolphins. In the 1990s, about 15,000-20,000 dolphins were deliberately killed each year. Almost 79% of those were Dusky Dolphins.

Another big threat is entanglement in fishing nets. Dusky Dolphins often get caught in fishing gear like trawl nets, purse seines, and gillnets. This still happens often in South America, causing a dangerous threat to the Dusky Dolphin population.

Disturbance is also a serious threat to Dusky Dolphins. In places like New Zealand and Argentina, there are concerns about the year-round whale-watching and swim-with-dolphin tours. These boats can disturb the dolphins especially during their rest times. If they do not get enough rest, it can affect their fitness levels and cause poor health.

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Paper Mario Games

By Eliot Baker

Today we will review all the Paper Mario games and facts to help you understand how to play. For those of you who do not know what Paper Mario is and want to know more about each of the five games, you came to the right place!



What are the Paper Mario games?

Let's begin with where it all started. The Paper Mario series was published by Nintendo in the year of 2000. There are five different games in the Paper Mario series. Players of the game control a paper cutout version of Mario to defeat the enemy. The games are in 3D, but the characters are drawn in 2D. Mario is the main character of the game. The goal is to role play and move around to conquer obstacles. The cute and creative paper-like battles are just one of the many things that make Paper Mario a great game. The visual design of this series helps players stretch their imagination and distract them from the hard quests.

Paper Mario – 2000

Paper Mario is the first game of the series. It was released in Japan in 2000 and became available internationally in 2001. In this game, Bowser steals the Star Rod from Star Haven and Mario must defeat him. The focus of the game is the battle against Bowser, but Mario can also interact with the outside environment. In the beginning, Blue Toad is introduced to talk to

players. Make sure to listen to Blue Toad because there will not be another chance to talk to him! This game can be played on the Nintendo 64.

Paper Mario The Thousand Year Door – 2004

As the second game of the Paper Mario series, The Thousand Year Door was released in July of 2004. Players will encounter many surprises in this exciting version. Some main characters of The Thousand Year Door include Mario, Peach, Bowser, Goombella, etc. There are special moves in this game, such as collecting crystal stars to unlock more power moves. The goal for The Thousand Year Door is to earn and master badges to grow your character's statistics. In 2008, this game created a lawsuit because of the song *You're So Cool.* Nintendo needed special permission to use this song, but the lawsuit was quickly dropped. In 2023, Nintendo created a remake of The Thousand Year Door with better graphics, enhanced animation, and new music. This game can be played on the Nintendo GameCube.

Super Paper Mario – 2007

In this third game of Paper Mario, Luigi's and Mario's relaxing afternoon is interrupted by terrible news: someone kidnapped Princess Peach! Believing Bowser is the kidnapper, Mario and Luigi immediately head to his castle, but Bowser is sadly surprised by the bad news. Players will meet a butterfly Pixl named Tippi and a wizard named Merlon. Tippi and Merlon help defeat the antagonist, Dimentio, who threatens with the Chaos Heart. The Chaos Heart is Count Bleck's power plan to force Bowser and Peach to get married. Mario and Merlon become close friends, and Merlon helps cheer Mario up from the stress of Count Bleck's minions. In this version, you can stomp through beautiful 2D worlds, and with a press of a button, flip right into 3D. In the 3D universe, players can discover hidden pathways and uncover deep secrets. The Super Paper Mario of 2007 sure is a wild adventure! This game can be played on the Wii.

Paper Mario Sticker Star – 2012

Paper Mario Sticker Star is the fourth game of this series. In this game, something sticky (but fun!) is going on in Decalburg. When Bowser comes along, he messes up the whole Sticker Fest by smashing the Sticker Comet. Now shiny royal stickers and comet pieces are everywhere, and it's up to Mario to fix everything. Get ready for a cool adventure in Sticker Star if you want to explore colorful places, fight bad guys, and find awesome stickers to use in smart ways. This game is great for new and old fans of Paper Mario. Get ready to have a blast in this universe! This game can be played on the Nintendo 3DS.

Paper Mario The Origami King – 2020

The final game in the Paper Mario series is The Origami King. This game is my personal favorite in the franchise because of its' advanced development and high popularity. Many players believe The Origami King to be the best Paper Mario game ever created, and you might too!

In this game, the kingdom is in big trouble because of some scary origami. You, as Mario, and your sidekick, Olivia, go on a journey to fight the bad paper guys. Mario and Olivia go through lots of tricky challenges full of sad and happy moments. There are toads in The Origami King that are very nice if you help them. They will compliment you if you save them and help you in a battle if you give them coins. The main goal of this game is to fix the world, defeat bad guys, and save Princess Peach's castle. Get ready for a super funny adventure if you want to play Paper Mario the Origami King! This game can only be played on the Nintendo Switch.

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Unveiling the Magic of Harry Potter

By Elizabeth Brown

Harry Potter lived with his aunt, uncle, and cousin— The Dursleys— until he was eleven years old. Then everything changed. One day while getting the mail, Harry found a letter addressed to him. It was from a place called Hogwarts. Harry got so many letters that his Uncle Vernon decided they had to move so no one could find them. In the middle of the night, someone came to find Harry. His name was Rubeus Hagrid. He brought Harry a happy birthday message and a new letter. Then he took Harry to a magical place called Diagon Alley.

The Owl, The Books, The Wand, and The Train

Harry and Hagrid got to Diagon Alley through the Leaky Cauldron. Hagrid went off to buy Harry's school books, robes, and owl. Harry went to a shop called Ollivanders to find his wand. He tried many wands until he found the perfect one: a holly wood wand with a phoenix feather core. But the wand maker, Mr. Ollivander, told Harry to beware because his wand was the twin of the one that gave him the scar from Voldemort.

Later, Hagrid took Harry to King's Cross Station and gave him a ticket for Platform Nine and Three Quarters. Harry did not know what this meant, but he saw a kind family— the Weasleys— and asked them for help. Mrs. Weasley was very nice and assured him it was okay. She told Harry that her son, Ron, was going to Hogwarts for the first time too. She helped him get onto the platform. Once on the train, Harry found an empty compartment. Ron decides to sit with him, and Harry did not yet know how important their friendship would be. Little did he know what was in store for the next several years!

The Perseverance of Harry Potter

Harry Potter was in for a wild and bumpy ride. As the years continued on, Harry's life at Hogwarts was full of danger and adventure.
In his first year, Harry fought Voldemort who was hiding on the back of Professor Quirrell's head. In his second year, he fought Tom Riddle— young Voldemort— and a giant snake called the Basilisk. In his third year, he faced and fought scary creatures including Dementors and his teacher, Professor Lupin, who was a werewolf. In his fourth year, he fought Lord Voldemort again after the last task of the Triwizard Tournament. In his fifth year, he battled Voldemort at the Ministry of Magic. In his sixth year, he started hunting for Horcruxes with Professor Dumbledore. In his seventh year, Harry fought in the Battle of Hogwarts and finally defeated Voldemort. Harry Potter's final year at Hogwarts ended Lord Voldemort's reign of terror once and for all.

In the end, Harry and his friends grew up and lived peaceful lives. They got married, had children, and put away their battle wands for good. They all had an amazing adulthood after persevering through the trials and tribulations of Hogwarts.

The Magic of Harry Potter

The magic of Harry Potter is more than just spells and wands. This story is about friendship, courage, and never giving up— even when things are hard. Harry shows us that anyone can be a hero, no matter where they come from. We learn the power of love, hope, and standing up for what's right through all his adventures. That's the real magic!



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Cane Corso vs. German Shepard

By Evelyn Smith

If you have ever wondered about the differences and similarities of a German Shepard and a Cane Corso, you are in the right place! Both dog breeds are very popular for some of the same reasons. In this article, I will tell you everything you need to know about German Shepards and Cane Corsos and what makes them unique!

All About German Shepards



German Shepherds are a medium to large dog breed that can grow as tall as 22-26 inches and weigh 55-95 pounds. Their fur color can be pale gray, white, or black. German Shepards have big, strong, muscular bodies. Their snout is long and wedge-shaped with a black nose. Shepards have slightly pointed ears that stick up 180 degrees. German Shepherds can live up to 14 years with proper care.

Some proper care practices to prolong a Shepard's life may include physical activity, affection, and healthy foods. It is very important for owners to understand German Shepards require daily exercise to keep them healthy. An ideal German Shepard owner will enjoy playing outdoors often.

According to USA Today, German Shepherds are the fourth most popular dog breed. Considering they are loyal, intelligent, playful, and protective, Shepards are an extremely likable dog breed. German Shepards are naturally emphatic and protective, they crave attention and remain very devoted to their owners. Shepards make great family members because they are affectionate, good with children, and will always have time for you. They love to play, snuggle, and guard. In Britain, German Shepherds are known as Alsatians.

Here are some fun facts about German Shepards:

Confident, brave, and obedient
Average life span of 7-10 years
Originated in Germany in the 1800s
Belong to the herding group of dogs
Lifetime care cost of $15,000-$17,000
Double coat: dense outercoat and soft undercoat
May have straight or wavy fur that is resistant to cold weather
Bred to guide herds of sheep and now often serve as military or police dogs

All About Cane Corsos



In the USA, the Cane Corso is a very popular dog breed. The Cane Corso is an Italian dog breed of mastiff. They are a large dog breed, standing as tall as 24-28 inches and often weighing over 100 pounds. Surprisingly enough, Cane Corsos date all the way back to Roman times! In the past, Cane Corsos were used to hunt and herd. Nowadays, they are often cared for as companion dogs or guard dogs.

Cane Corsos are known to have a strikingly strong appearance because of their large head and muscular body. While they do have a protective personality, Cane Corso's can make the perfect companion for the right owner. They are protective, loyal, affectionate, and active. The Cane Corso breed enjoys constant activity, both mental and physical. A fierce protector of their owners, Cane Corso's are ranked the twelfth strongest dog it the world!

Here are some fun facts about Cane Corsos:

Descends from ancient Roman dogs
Belong to the working group of dogs
Average life span of 9-12 years
Weight range of 88-120 pounds
Lifetime care cost of $10,000-$20,000
Short fur with smooth texture, double coat
Fur color can be black, gray, maroon, or brown
Worked as warrior dogs in ancient Greece during Roman wars

Can you put German Shepards and Cane Corso's together?

With proper training and socialization, you can pair German Shepards and Cane Corso's with no problems! Though they usually get along, there are some factors to consider before putting these two dog breeds together. It is important to socialize them with other dogs during their early puppy years to encourage friendly interaction.

Both German Shepards and Cane Corso's have strong guarding instincts, which could lead to conflicts in dominance. Depending on their lifestyles, the Cane Corso has a potential advantage of physical strength over the German Shepard. Always be cautious when putting German Shepards and Cane Corso's together and make sure they have a safe environment to meet in. If you train these two dog breeds as puppies and gradually introduce them together, they may become lifelong friends!

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The Importance of Nature

By Josie Smithson



Nature is important to all living things such as people, animals, and plants. Nature provides homes for people, plants, and animals. For example, birds live in trees, and trees are a part of nature. Many houses that humans live in are built from wood. Wood is a very useful resource of nature that comes from trees. Floors, tools, and house decor come from wood as well. Many children nowadays spend most of their time inside. Time in nature is not only fun, but it is important! Research proves that students who spend more time outside are happier, more focused, and less anxious.

Will Nature Always be with Us?

Many people believe that nature will always be with us, but this is not true. Many animals are endangered such as starlings, tigers, house sparrows, red pandas, giant pandas, blue whales, and many more. The blue whales and all the other endangered creatures are endangered because of us! About half of the ocean animals have eaten or gotten trapped by trash that people throw in the ocean. Many other animals eat or get trapped in trash on land that human's litter.

We Must Protect Nature

Nature is very important because it gives us food, clean air, fresh water, and a safe place to live. Animals and plants also need nature to survive. If we do not take care of the Earth, we will lose beautiful forests, oceans, and animals forever. We can help protect nature by picking up trash, recycling, saving water, and being kind to animals. Every little action makes a big difference. We must work together to keep nature safe and healthy for everyone!

Fun Facts About Nature

Trees can communicate with their roots
Dolphins give each other names
African buffalos make decisions by voting
Bamboo is the world's fastest growing plant
There are more trees on Earth than stars in the Milky Way
Forests can make rain
Elephants never forget
Sharks were around before dinosaurs
Dolphins can show signs of empathy
Trees can fight back
Orcas are dolphins

I hope you enjoyed reading all about the importance of nature and perhaps learned something new! Below, enjoy a survey of questions about the information written in this article:

Were sharks born before dinosaurs?
O Yes
O No

2. How are humans affecting animals?
O Littering trash
O Hunting them
O Taking away their lands
O All of the above

3. Trees communicate through their leaves.
O True
O False

4. Which of the following is an endangered species?
O Red pandas
O Blue whales
O Tigers
O All of the above

5. What can we do to protect nature?
O Mining
O Littering
O Recycling
O Hunting

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Idaho Knowledge

By Lilith Camunas



Archaeologists have recently discovered something big about Idaho! You are probably curious about what they discovered. Well, they discovered a blade, not just an ordinarily common blade, but a blade that has been around for an estimated time of 13,500 years! This is proof that people lived here a long time before us! Archaeologists did research on this blade and discovered that lots of Native American tribes lived in Idaho. Six of these tribes are known as: Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Shoshone, Bannock, and Blackfoot. These six tribes still live in Idaho today!

Around 1805, the first non-native people traveled into Idaho. These two individuals were Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Idaho was originally claimed by the U.S. and Great Britain during the Oregon Treaty. After the discovery of gold across the land, around the year of 1863, Idaho quickly became its' own territory. About 17 years later, Idaho became the 43rd state.

How Did Idaho Get Its Name?

When a few officials proposed the name “Idaho” people thought it came from a Native American word that meant “Gem of the Mountains,” but they were mistaken. Though it may refer to the number of metals, gems, and crystals dug up in Idaho’s mountains, the name “Idaho” was completely made up! Some of these discoveries from the mountains in Idaho even include star garnet, the state’s gem.

Idaho’s Geography and Landforms

Idaho is bordered in the north by Canada, in the east by Montana and Wyoming, in the south by Nevada, and in the west by Oregon and Washington. Idaho can be divided into three different major regions.

The first major region is the Rocky Mountains, which rise across the north and middle of the state. The state’s highest point is about 12,662 feet (about half the height of Mount Everest!). There is also something called the “panhandle,” which is the narrow northernmost part of Idaho. The Rocky Mountains also have deep river-cut canyons and glacial trenches. This includes Hells Canyon, one of the deepest gorges in North America. Hells Canyon is even deeper than the Grand Canyon!

The second major region in Idaho is called the Columbia Plateau. It spreads across the southern part of Idaho. This part of Idaho is very flat because of volcanic eruptions that happened from around 15,000 years ago to 2,000 years ago. Some mountains are still standing there today, but not many.

The last major region is the Basin and Range Province in the southeast of Idaho. This part is full of grassy plains and plateaus. It also includes part of the fertile Bear River Basin and a few high ridges.

Wildlife in The Potato State

Some of Idaho’s mammals are large. These may include black bears, moose, bighorn sheep, woodland caribou, and more. The state’s smaller mammals include the Idaho pocket gopher and the Idaho ground squirrel.

Don’t forget the 400 distinct species of birds! Some birds that fly across the region include yellow-billed cuckoos, great horned owls, downy woodpeckers, Lincoln's sparrows, and bobolinks (tiny blackbirds).
Some of the amphibians here are the Idaho giant salamanders, Coeur d’Alene salamanders, tailed frogs, and others. Some reptiles found in Idaho are painted turtles, northern alligator lizards, and western terrestrial garter snakes slithering across the state.

Idaho has the largest stand of western white pines in North America! The largest western white pine stands at 219 feet (which is taller than Cinderella's Castle at Disney World!). Other trees you are likely to see are the Douglas fir, western hemlock, ponderosa pine, and the western redcedar. Some bright, colorful wildflowers in Idaho include pink fairies, orange daylilies, sticky purple geraniums, and crown vetch.

Natural Resources

Even if Idaho being called the Gem State came from a made-up word, believe it or not, the state is full of gems and minerals. In fact, Idaho produces around 72 different gemstones a year! Some of these gemstones that sometimes get mined are rare star garnets, amethyst, rubies, and diamonds. Other materials more commonly mined are silver, zinc, lead, and a type of marble called travertine.

Fun Facts!

In Blackfoot, there is the Idaho Potato Museum where people can get a tuber-themed tour excursion. This place is also known for its healthy crops. If you are searching for the museum just look for a huge giant baked potato in front of the building!

Idaho, being the Potato State, has inspired a place to make weird but cool treats! Some of these weirdly cool treats are vanilla ice cream coated in cocoa topped with whipped cream and a treat called "ice cream potatoes." Ice cream potatoes look like a baked potato with sour cream. There is also a sweet treat called the "Idaho spud," which is a marshmallow covered in both chocolate and coconut!

A place called "Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve" in central Idaho is going to feel like a moonwalk! Instead of being on the actual moon, it is actually dried up land that was flooded in lava from eight different volcanic eruptions. This happened over thousands, maybe even millions, of years ago. These volcanoes will not erupt again anytime soon since they are not dead, just dormant.

Sacagawea was a Native American guide for tourists and explorers Lewis and Clark. With her knowledge of local geography, Sacagawea was essential to Lewis' and Clark's success.
The Bitterroot National Forest stretches around Idaho and Montana and is 1.6 million acres. This national park is a beautiful place full of national heritage. The large availability of natural resources allows for a variety of fun opportunities including fisheries, minerals, recreation, wildlife, and more.

An old mining town called Silver City still looks the same as it did a hundred years ago. Today, it is a tourist stop. In the 1860s, its' mines produced about $60 million worth of valuable materials mostly consisting of metals. Tourists and visitors can even stay in a hotel where old-time miners used to sleep!

There is an ice cave in Shoshone called the "Shoshone Ice Cave." This place is a 1,000 foot long lava tube! It also has a depth of around 8-30 feet. The ice forms when air currents flow through the tunnel. If you want to go here and explore the wonders of this lava tube, make sure to dress warmly, even in the summer!

Glossary

Archaeologists: person who studies prehistoric cultures by artifacts, inscriptions, and monuments.

Officials: someone elected to an office who oversees certain duties.

Grand Canyon: a gorge in Arizona that’s over 200 miles long and around a mile deep.

Excursion: a special trip; a group of people going on a journey.

Sacagawea: a Shoshone woman who acted as a guide and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804–1806) by helping them explore the American West.

Beyond The Stats: Cristiano Ronaldo

By Tyler Sanders

Cristiano Ronaldo is a Portuguese professional soccer player who currently plays for Al-Nassr and the Portugal national team. Al-Nassr is a soccer club from Saudi Arabia. It was founded in 1955 and plays in the Saudi Pro League.



Cristiano Ronaldo was born on February 5, 1985, in Funchal, Madeira, Portugal.

Before joining Manchester United in 2003, Ronaldo started his professional soccer career with Sporting CP in Portugal. He played there until he was signed by Manchester United. Ronaldo spent six seasons with Manchester United before joining Real Madrid in 2009. At Real Madrid, he became one of the best soccer players in the world.

Ronaldo joined Juventus in 2018 and won two Series A titles with the club. In 2021, he returned to Manchester United for a second time.

Ronaldo's father, José Dinis Aveiro, worked as the equipment manager for a local soccer club called Andorinha. Cristiano was named after his father's favorite actor, Ronald Reagan, who was the President of the United States when Cristiano was born.

Ronaldo was the first male player to score 900 career goals in official matches. His nickname, CR7, comes from his initials and his favorite jersey number: 7.

Ronaldo is not retired yet. In fact, he might even play in the 2026 World Cup! His professional soccer career has lasted more than 21 years. Everything began with his debut in 2002 when he played for Sporting CP. CR7 continued with teams like Manchester United, Real Madrid, Juventus, and Al-Nassr, as well as the Portugal national team.

Cristiano Ronaldo is known for being a strong and serious competitor on the field, but off the field he is a true family man. He has five children and is married to Georgina Rodríguez. Ronaldo is teaching his kids how he worked hard to become a soccer star.

CR7 shows his children that he did not grow up with a lot of money and had to work very hard to succeed. He learned how to play soccer by going to practice and never giving up. Cristiano Ronaldo has earned his way through life and remains passionate about encouraging his kids to work hard.

In 2009, Ronaldo transferred to Real Madrid for a world record fee of £80 million at the time. He spent nine seasons with Real Madrid and became one of the greatest soccer players of all time.

When Ronaldo was 15 years old, he had heart surgery to fix a problem that made his heart race too fast. After the surgery, he recovered and continued playing soccer at a high level.

Cristiano Ronaldo, also known as CR7, is one of the greats soccer players of all time. Ronaldo has worked hard is entire life, even when times were tough. His story shows that with skill, practice, and determination, you can achieve anything you dream of.



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Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called “Picaboo”, *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot’s name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, “Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community.”

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany's invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.

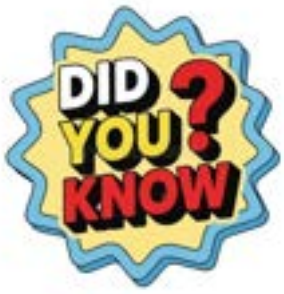


Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
“During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed ‘liberty steaks’ to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment.”



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got

hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



Squirtle

The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get

the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

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By: Sarvin Devoka



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My friend goes there. He comes every Friday. I asked my dad if I could hang out with him and he said yes so, he, his cousin and I went.
It was at the park and there were a lot of kid's there and my friend and I went to go get hot Cocco.

There were a lot of toppings like marshmallow's, candy canes, whipping cream, and sprinkles. We used water with Swiss Miss.

There was a candy cane with peppermint on it and a cookie with a Hershey kiss on it and a rainbow cake and a white chocolate one and a cranberry one and white chocolate covered pretzel. They were free. I ate at least four cookies and in total I brought about 10 or 11 cookies. At the end of the cookie trading, we went to my friend Tyler house and had a nerf war.

WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.

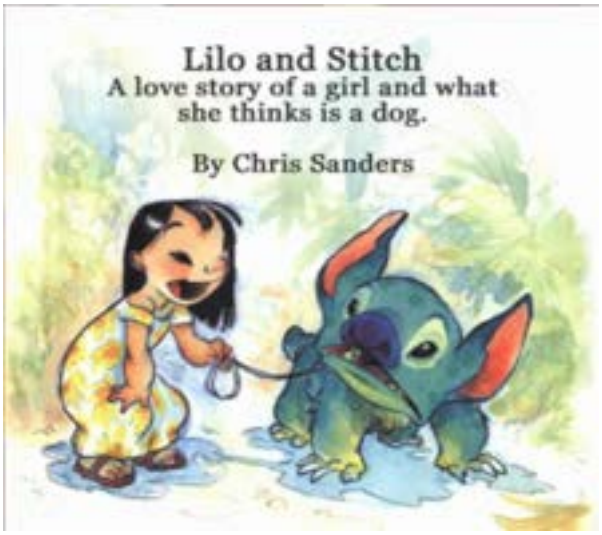


Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

Chris Sanders wanted to create a film with a villain who ultimately becomes a hero and found inspiration for the Hawaiian setting and the concept of ‘ohana during a trip to the islands. The movie was also created for an unsuccessful children's book *Pitch*, by Chris Sanders. He said, “I wanted to do a children’s book about this creature that lived in a forest.”



Do you know why Lilo and Stitch are so popular?

The second part you have been waiting for .....Why Lilo and Stitch are so popular. Due to Stitch’s relatable combination of mischievous chaos and a heartwarming story. There is happiness with each main character in the movie of Lilo and Stitch.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Lilo

Did you know Lilo’s name means lost in Hawaiian. Did you know Lilo has autism. Lilo’s favorite color is orange. Lilo is 6 years old but in the end, she turns 7 years old. Lilo is 3ft and 5in. Lilo’s mom and dad died, leaving Nani her older sister as her guardian.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Stitch

Did you know Stitch’s first word was meega nala kweesta. Stitch’s birthday is June 26th. Did you know Stitch’s favorite drink is Pepsi? Stitch can’t swim because his molecular density is too high. Experiment 264 is Stitch’s girlfriend and if you're wondering who’s 264 is, it is Angel. Stitch calls Angel boojiboo which means partner or soulmate.

FUN FACTS ABOUT OTHER CHARACTERS
Nani

Did you know that Nani is a surfing champion? David Kawena has a crush on Nani. Nani is 18 years old.

FUN FACTS ABOUT David

Did you know that David is a surfer? David is 23 years old. David is a loyal friend to Lilo and Nani.



FUN FACTS ABOUT Jumba

Did you know that Jumba likes to eat pastrami? Jumba's accent is vaguely a Russian accent. Jumba was a villain in the first 2 acts but in the 3rd act he was a good person. Jumba's ex-wife is Daisy jookiba. Jumba and Pleakley get married in episode Fibber on the Lilo and Stitch TV series.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Pleakley

Pleakley's real name is Wendy. Pleakley means brave warrior in Pleakley's native language. Pleakley has 2 tongues and 2 uvulas. Pleakley dresses up as a woman to be disguised so Lilo and Stitch don't see him.
THE END!

In conclusion, I have told you why the movie Lilo and Stitch is so popular and why it was made, and I have told you how Lilo and Stitch met, and fun facts about some of the characters but not all of them.

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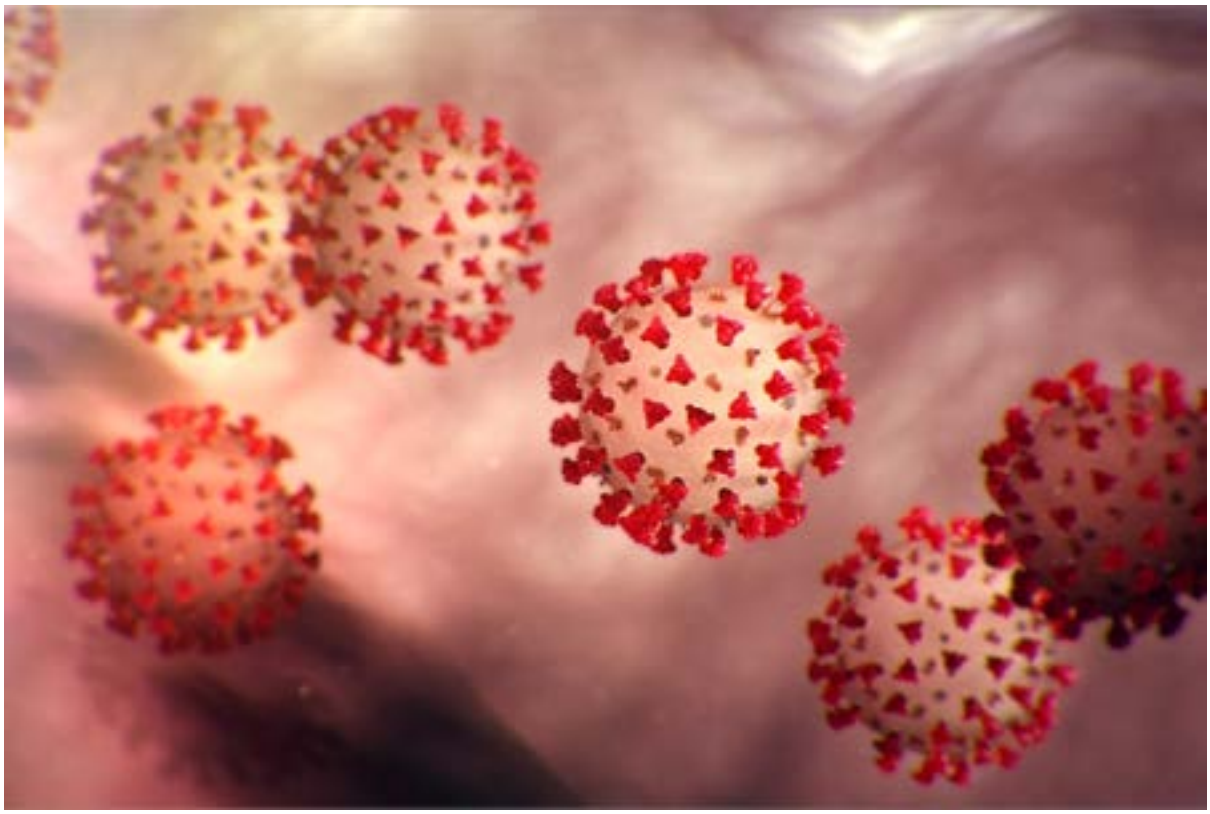
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Treasure Coast Elementary



The Talk of COVID-19

By Aaliyah Rivera



Today, we are going to talk about COVID-19, a serious illness that has affected many people around the world. In this article, I will help you understand COVID-19 and everything you need to know about taking action. Let's get started.

The Basics Of COVID-19

COVID-19, also known as coronavirus disease 2019, is an illness caused by a virus. It started spreading in late 2019 and became a global pandemic in 2020. Many people who test positive for COVID-19 have barely any symptoms, but others may be predisposed to a more serious illness. For individuals at risk, COVID-19 can lead to more urgent medical care or possibly even conclude to death.

Well… What Does COVID-19 Mean?

This question confuses a lot of people! Well, the definition of “coronavirus” comes from a family of coronaviruses that make up a number of different diseases. Some coronaviruses cause the common cold while others can lead to more emergent illnesses, like COVID-19. The name, COVID-19, is actually a mixture of three words. CO stands for “corona,” meaning crown in Latin inspired by the crown-like spikes on the virus’ surface. VI stands for “virus” and D stands for “disease.” The 19 is used because it spread wild in the year of 2019. can cause diseases in both animals and humans.

How Did COVID-19 Begin?

The exact beginnings of COVID-19 are still technically unknown. Many scientists believe COVID-19 started in Wuhan, China at a market that sold wild animals. They think the virus may have come from bats, but it's unclear how it transferred over to humans. When animal illnesses jump to humans, it is known as a zoonotic spillover.

How Is COVID-19 Spread?

The main cause of the spread of COVID-19 is close contact. When an infected person talks, breaths, or coughs, tiny droplets release into the air. These droplets can travel through the air and land on surfaces. If someone comes in contact with these microscopic air droplets, they can become infected with COVID-19. This is why it's important to wash your hands regularly and avoid touching your face!



Symptoms of COVID-19

People with COVID-19 experience symptoms like fever, cough, tiredness, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Some people might be asymptomatic and not show any symptoms at all. It is important to remember that COVID-19 symptoms are similar to flu or common cold symptoms. Because of this, testing is needed to confirm if someone has COVID-19.

Who Is at Risk?

While anyone can get COVID-19, certain groups are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill. This includes older adults and people with underlying health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease. Younger children, especially newborns, are also highly predisposed to getting COVID-19.

Preventing the Spread

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, it's important to do the following:
Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Wear a mask in crowded areas.
Social distance: stay 6 feet away from others.
Do not touch your face
Stay home if you're feeling unwell
Follow local health guidelines.

Quarantine

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people had to stay home to help stop the spread. For over a year, most children went to school from their own homes. For most parents, work was done from home. This was called quarantine. People could not visit friends, go to group events, or travel like they once did. It was a big change for the world. Quarantine sometimes felt lonely or hard for many people around the world. However, quarantine helped keep people safe and gave doctors time to learn more about how to treat COVID-19.

Conclusion

About 190 million people worldwide have gotten COVID-19, the human brain cannot even comprehend such a large number! Sadly, because many people have not gotten the care they need, over 4 million deaths happened due to COVID-19. Thanks to coronavirus testing, vaccines, and other preventative measures, COVID-19 rates have largely declined. COVID-19 is a serious illness that changed the way we live forever. By understanding how it spreads and taking steps to protect ourselves, we can help reduce the impact. Remember to stay informed, follow health guidelines, and take care of each other!

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By Abigail James



Ruth Bader Ginsburg has inspired tens of thousands of women to break gender barriers, even after facing such discrimination herself. Ginsburg's most well-known achievement is becoming the second woman, and first Jewish woman, to serve on the Supreme Court. Ginsburg is commonly called "R.B.G." by her supporters.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was born into a Jewish family in Brooklyn, New York on March 15, 1933. Her father, Nathan Bader, came to the United States as an immigrant when he was only 13! Ginsburg's mother, Celia Bader, was born and raised in New York. Ginsburg's family cared deeply about education and encouraged her to love learning. Before continuing her education journey at Cornell University, Ginsburg went to P.S. 238 Anne Sullivan Elementary School and James Madison High School in Brooklyn. Ginsburg graduated Cornell in 1954 with a bachelor's degree. She earned high honors in Government and did well in all of her classes. She also became the Marshal for the College of Arts and Sciences Class. That same year, she married Martin D. Ginsburg. The couple eventually had two children together: Jane Ginsburg and James Steven Ginsburg.

After graduating from Cornell, Ginsburg started attending Harvard Law School. At Harvard, she was one of only nine women in a class of 500!

Harvard Law School was mostly male, causing Ginsburg to face frequent gender discrimination. Because the law program was very male dominated, many of Ginsburg's male peers thought she was simply there for "comic relief." Ginsburg was even excluded from using some parts of the library.

In 1958, Ginsburg transferred to Columbia Law School for her last year. In 1959, she graduated from Columbia at the top of her class with her law degree. Even with all of these academic and personal achievements, it was hard for Ginsburg to find a job after graduating. According to her own words, Ginsburg said, “In the fifties, the traditional law firms were just beginning to turn around on hiring Jews … But to be a woman, a Jew, and a mother to boot, that combination was a bit much.” In 1959, she found a position as a law clerk for Edmund L. Palmieri. Palmieri was a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Ginsburg stayed at this job until 1961.

In 1980, Ginsburg was chosen by President Jimmy Carter to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She worked there for thirteen years. In 1993, President Bill Clinton nominated Ginsburg to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. On August 10, 1993, she accepted the nomination and took her seat in the Supreme Court.

She became the first Jewish woman, and the second woman ever, to serve on the Supreme Court! As a justice, Ginsburg strongly believed in gender equality and women’s rights. She wrote the Supreme Court’s opinion in the *United States v. Virginia* case, saying that qualified women could not be denied the chance to go to the Virginia Military Institute. In 2009, Ginsburg also worked with President Barack Obama on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to fight unfair pay differences.

Sadly, Ginsburg died at the age of 87 on September 18, 2020, from metastatic pancreatic cancer. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is an amazing person who deserves to be remembered and respected. Her hard work and courage continue to inspire people all around the world. From breaking barriers in law school to becoming the first Jewish woman on the Supreme Court, Ginsburg changed history, fought for fairness, and proved that one voice can make a powerful difference!

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Disney’s Epcot

By Aspen Furphy



Disney's Epcot is a theme park that shows many different countries from around the world. When you go to Epcot, you can experience countries that you might not have traveled to before. You can learn about their food, culture, music, and history all in one place!

Epcot's Spaceship Earth is the main ride inside the big Epcot ball, which is called a geodesic sphere. This ride tells the story of how humans have shared ideas and invented new things through time. It has had four different narrators over the years, including Scar from The Lion King! Spaceship Earth is the most famous landmark in the park and is one of the first things you see when you walk in.

Epcot's original name was Epcot Center, but the name officially changed in 1993. The word "Epcot" stands for "Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow." That means it was meant to be a place where people could see new inventions and ideas for the future.

Epcot is one of the four theme parks at Walt Disney World in Florida. It celebrates human achievement, cool technology, and cultures from all around the world. There are 11 countries in the World Showcase part of Epcot. These countries are Canada, United Kingdom, France, Morocco, Japan, United States, Italy, Germany, China, Mexico, and Norway. Each country has special food, shops, and buildings that look like real places from that country.

There are also 11 rides in Epcot!
Here is a list of these rides: Journey into Imagination with Figment, Mission Space, Living with the Land, Gran Fiesta Tour with The Three Caballeros, The Seas with Nemo and Friends, Soaring' Around the World, Remy's Ratatouille Adventure, Guardians of the Galaxy Cosmic Rewind,

Spaceship Earth, Frozen Ever After, and Test Track. Some rides are calm and relaxing, while others are super-fast and exciting!

Do not worry if you dislike rides, there are tons of shops and stores all around the park. You can buy toys, clothes, snacks, and souvenirs from all the different countries. There are also shows and music performances. There is something fun for everyone at Epcot!

Epcot is a fun and educational place where you can explore the world, go on awesome rides, and learn new things—all in one day. Epcot has something for everyone.

The Dusky Dolphin

By Chloe Cregut



The Dusky Dolphin is a beautiful dolphin with special markings. Their faces are con shaped and their foreheads slope down to a short, dark-colored beak. Dusky Dolphins look like they are wearing eye masks that stand out against their lighter faces. They also have dark lips and snout tips. Their bodies are patterned: the back is dark gray to bluish black, the belly is white, and the sides are gray. The dorsal fin is tall and curved with two colors: a dark front edge and a lighter back edge. The flippers are dark, long, and curved with pointed tips. Their tails, called flukes, have pointy ends and are dark all over.

Where Do They Live?

Dusky Dolphins live in parts of the Southern Hemisphere in cool coastal and temperate waters. They usually live near the continental shelf or slope but can also live in deeper water close to shore. They are found off the coasts of New Zealand, South America, southwestern Africa, and some other ocean islands. There are four subspecies of Dusky Dolphins, and they are all separated by entire oceans. The largest Dusky Dolphins are found off the coast of Peru.

What Is It Like to Live as a Dusky Dolphin?

Life as a Dusky Dolphin is full of action! Experts say they are the most active of all dolphin species. Dusky Dolphins are super social and love to be in groups. They are fast swimmers and are always on the move. They are amazing at acrobatics and are known for their high jumps, flips, and twists.

Dusky Dolphins usually live in groups of 20 or more, and sometimes in huge groups of 500-1,000 dolphins! Even larger groups of up to 2,000 gather to feed near Kaikōura, New Zealand in April and May when prey is easy to find. They work together to catch fish and often show off cool acrobatic tricks while doing it. These leaps and flips help them see each other and stay in sync while hunting.

Dusky Dolphins are always interacting and watching each other. Scientists have learned a lot about Dusky Dolphins by studying their bodies in Peru, where thousands have been killed. These studies have helped us learn about how they live. Female Dusky Dolphins can start having babies when they are between 4.3 and 6.3 years old. Each Dusky Dolphin pregnancy lasts about 12.9 months. The babies nurse for about a year and the mothers usually wait 3-4 years before having another baby.

How Fast Can Dusky Dolphins Swim?

Dusky Dolphins can swim up to 55 kilometers per hour (34 miles per hour)! They are super-fast and very playful. They live in groups called pods and love to jump, race, and play in the water.

What Do Dusky Dolphins Eat?

Dusky Dolphins eat a variety of different fish. They like schooling fish such as anchovies, mackerel, and sardines. Dusky Dolphins also eat deep water fish like hake, lantern fish, and different kinds of squid. Their hunting style changes depending on what they are trying to catch. In New Zealand, they often rest during the day and go into deeper water at night to hunt. When food is close to shore, they feed during the day with their pod. Some common foods include anchovies, hake, sculpins, lantern fish, horse mackerel, red cod, and different squids like Lorigo, Nototodarus, and Todarodes.

Do Dusky Dolphins Mate with Other Dolphins?

Yes, Dusky Dolphins do mate with other dolphin species. There have been many sightings of hybrid dolphins. Hybrid dolphins are a mix between Dusky Dolphins and another kind, such as a Southern Right Whale Dolphin or a Common Dolphin. These hybrid dolphins have characteristics from both kinds of dolphins.

What Are the Main Threats to Dusky Dolphins?

The main threat to Dusky Dolphins is hunting. In Chile and Peru, tens of thousands of Dusky Dolphins have been killed for shark bait and human food. Although hunting dolphins is now illegal, it still happens often and poses a serious impact to the population of Dusky Dolphins. In the 1990s, about 15,000-20,000 dolphins were deliberately killed each year. Almost 79% of those were Dusky Dolphins.

Another big threat is entanglement in fishing nets. Dusky Dolphins often get caught in fishing gear like trawl nets, purse seines, and gillnets. This still happens often in South America, causing a dangerous threat to the Dusky Dolphin population.

Disturbance is also a serious threat to Dusky Dolphins. In places like New Zealand and Argentina, there are concerns about the year-round whale-watching and swim-with-dolphin tours. These boats can disturb the dolphins especially during their rest times. If they do not get enough rest, it can affect their fitness levels and cause poor health.

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Paper Mario Games

By Eliot Baker

Today we will review all the Paper Mario games and facts to help you understand how to play. For those of you who do not know what Paper Mario is and want to know more about each of the five games, you came to the right place!



What are the Paper Mario games?

Let's begin with where it all started. The Paper Mario series was published by Nintendo in the year of 2000. There are five different games in the Paper Mario series. Players of the game control a paper cutout version of Mario to defeat the enemy. The games are in 3D, but the characters are drawn in 2D. Mario is the main character of the game. The goal is to role play and move around to conquer obstacles. The cute and creative paper-like battles are just one of the many things that make Paper Mario a great game. The visual design of this series helps players stretch their imagination and distract them from the hard quests.

Paper Mario – 2000

Paper Mario is the first game of the series. It was released in Japan in 2000 and became available internationally in 2001. In this game, Bowser steals the Star Rod from Star Haven and Mario must defeat him. The focus of the game is the battle against Bowser, but Mario can also interact with the outside environment. In the beginning, Blue Toad is introduced to talk to

players. Make sure to listen to Blue Toad because there will not be another chance to talk to him! This game can be played on the Nintendo 64.

Paper Mario The Thousand Year Door – 2004

As the second game of the Paper Mario series, The Thousand Year Door was released in July of 2004. Players will encounter many surprises in this exciting version. Some main characters of The Thousand Year Door include Mario, Peach, Bowser, Goombella, etc. There are special moves in this game, such as collecting crystal stars to unlock more power moves. The goal for The Thousand Year Door is to earn and master badges to grow your character's statistics. In 2008, this game created a lawsuit because of the song *You're So Cool.* Nintendo needed special permission to use this song, but the lawsuit was quickly dropped. In 2023, Nintendo created a remake of The Thousand Year Door with better graphics, enhanced animation, and new music. This game can be played on the Nintendo GameCube.

Super Paper Mario – 2007

In this third game of Paper Mario, Luigi's and Mario's relaxing afternoon is interrupted by terrible news: someone kidnapped Princess Peach! Believing Bowser is the kidnapper, Mario and Luigi immediately head to his castle, but Bowser is sadly surprised by the bad news. Players will meet a butterfly Pixl named Tippi and a wizard named Merlon. Tippi and Merlon help defeat the antagonist, Dimentio, who threatens with the Chaos Heart. The Chaos Heart is Count Bleck's power plan to force Bowser and Peach to get married. Mario and Merlon become close friends, and Merlon helps cheer Mario up from the stress of Count Bleck's minions. In this version, you can stomp through beautiful 2D worlds, and with a press of a button, flip right into 3D. In the 3D universe, players can discover hidden pathways and uncover deep secrets. The Super Paper Mario of 2007 sure is a wild adventure! This game can be played on the Wii.

Paper Mario Sticker Star – 2012

Paper Mario Sticker Star is the fourth game of this series. In this game, something sticky (but fun!) is going on in Decalburg. When Bowser comes along, he messes up the whole Sticker Fest by smashing the Sticker Comet. Now shiny royal stickers and comet pieces are everywhere, and it's up to Mario to fix everything. Get ready for a cool adventure in Sticker Star if you want to explore colorful places, fight bad guys, and find awesome stickers to use in smart ways. This game is great for new and old fans of Paper Mario. Get ready to have a blast in this universe! This game can be played on the Nintendo 3DS.

Paper Mario The Origami King – 2020

The final game in the Paper Mario series is The Origami King. This game is my personal favorite in the franchise because of its' advanced development and high popularity. Many players believe The Origami King to be the best Paper Mario game ever created, and you might too!

In this game, the kingdom is in big trouble because of some scary origami. You, as Mario, and your sidekick, Olivia, go on a journey to fight the bad paper guys. Mario and Olivia go through lots of tricky challenges full of sad and happy moments. There are toads in The Origami King that are very nice if you help them. They will compliment you if you save them and help you in a battle if you give them coins. The main goal of this game is to fix the world, defeat bad guys, and save Princess Peach's castle. Get ready for a super funny adventure if you want to play Paper Mario the Origami King! This game can only be played on the Nintendo Switch.

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Unveiling the Magic of Harry Potter

By Elizabeth Brown

Harry Potter lived with his aunt, uncle, and cousin— The Dursleys— until he was eleven years old. Then everything changed. One day while getting the mail, Harry found a letter addressed to him. It was from a place called Hogwarts. Harry got so many letters that his Uncle Vernon decided they had to move so no one could find them. In the middle of the night, someone came to find Harry. His name was Rubeus Hagrid. He brought Harry a happy birthday message and a new letter. Then he took Harry to a magical place called Diagon Alley.

The Owl, The Books, The Wand, and The Train

Harry and Hagrid got to Diagon Alley through the Leaky Cauldron. Hagrid went off to buy Harry's school books, robes, and owl. Harry went to a shop called Ollivanders to find his wand. He tried many wands until he found the perfect one: a holly wood wand with a phoenix feather core. But the wand maker, Mr. Ollivander, told Harry to beware because his wand was the twin of the one that gave him the scar from Voldemort.

Later, Hagrid took Harry to King's Cross Station and gave him a ticket for Platform Nine and Three Quarters. Harry did not know what this meant, but he saw a kind family— the Weasleys— and asked them for help. Mrs. Weasley was very nice and assured him it was okay. She told Harry that her son, Ron, was going to Hogwarts for the first time too. She helped him get onto the platform. Once on the train, Harry found an empty compartment. Ron decides to sit with him, and Harry did not yet know how important their friendship would be. Little did he know what was in store for the next several years!

The Perseverance of Harry Potter

Harry Potter was in for a wild and bumpy ride. As the years continued on, Harry's life at Hogwarts was full of danger and adventure.
In his first year, Harry fought Voldemort who was hiding on the back of Professor Quirrell's head. In his second year, he fought Tom Riddle— young Voldemort— and a giant snake called the Basilisk. In his third year, he faced and fought scary creatures including Dementors and his teacher, Professor Lupin, who was a werewolf. In his fourth year, he fought Lord Voldemort again after the last task of the Triwizard Tournament. In his fifth year, he battled Voldemort at the Ministry of Magic. In his sixth year, he started hunting for Horcruxes with Professor Dumbledore. In his seventh year, Harry fought in the Battle of Hogwarts and finally defeated Voldemort. Harry Potter's final year at Hogwarts ended Lord Voldemort's reign of terror once and for all.

In the end, Harry and his friends grew up and lived peaceful lives. They got married, had children, and put away their battle wands for good. They all had an amazing adulthood after persevering through the trials and tribulations of Hogwarts.

The Magic of Harry Potter

The magic of Harry Potter is more than just spells and wands. This story is about friendship, courage, and never giving up— even when things are hard. Harry shows us that anyone can be a hero, no matter where they come from. We learn the power of love, hope, and standing up for what's right through all his adventures. That's the real magic!



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Cane Corso vs. German Shepard

By Evelyn Smith

If you have ever wondered about the differences and similarities of a German Shepard and a Cane Corso, you are in the right place! Both dog breeds are very popular for some of the same reasons. In this article, I will tell you everything you need to know about German Shepards and Cane Corsos and what makes them unique!

All About German Shepards



German Shepherds are a medium to large dog breed that can grow as tall as 22-26 inches and weigh 55-95 pounds. Their fur color can be pale gray, white, or black. German Shepards have big, strong, muscular bodies. Their snout is long and wedge-shaped with a black nose. Shepards have slightly pointed ears that stick up 180 degrees. German Shepherds can live up to 14 years with proper care.

Some proper care practices to prolong a Shepard's life may include physical activity, affection, and healthy foods. It is very important for owners to understand German Shepards require daily exercise to keep them healthy. An ideal German Shepard owner will enjoy playing outdoors often.

According to USA Today, German Shepherds are the fourth most popular dog breed. Considering they are loyal, intelligent, playful, and protective, Shepards are an extremely likable dog breed. German Shepards are naturally emphatic and protective, they crave attention and remain very devoted to their owners. Shepards make great family members because they are affectionate, good with children, and will always have time for you. They love to play, snuggle, and guard. In Britain, German Shepherds are known as Alsatians.

Here are some fun facts about German Shepards:

Confident, brave, and obedient
Average life span of 7-10 years
Originated in Germany in the 1800s
Belong to the herding group of dogs
Lifetime care cost of $15,000-$17,000
Double coat: dense outercoat and soft undercoat
May have straight or wavy fur that is resistant to cold weather
Bred to guide herds of sheep and now often serve as military or police dogs

All About Cane Corsos



In the USA, the Cane Corso is a very popular dog breed. The Cane Corso is an Italian dog breed of mastiff. They are a large dog breed, standing as tall as 24-28 inches and often weighing over 100 pounds. Surprisingly enough, Cane Corsos date all the way back to Roman times! In the past, Cane Corsos were used to hunt and herd. Nowadays, they are often cared for as companion dogs or guard dogs.

Cane Corsos are known to have a strikingly strong appearance because of their large head and muscular body. While they do have a protective personality, Cane Corso's can make the perfect companion for the right owner. They are protective, loyal, affectionate, and active. The Cane Corso breed enjoys constant activity, both mental and physical. A fierce protector of their owners, Cane Corso's are ranked the twelfth strongest dog it the world!

Here are some fun facts about Cane Corsos:

Descends from ancient Roman dogs
Belong to the working group of dogs
Average life span of 9-12 years
Weight range of 88-120 pounds
Lifetime care cost of $10,000-$20,000
Short fur with smooth texture, double coat
Fur color can be black, gray, maroon, or brown
Worked as warrior dogs in ancient Greece during Roman wars

Can you put German Shepards and Cane Corso's together?

With proper training and socialization, you can pair German Shepards and Cane Corso's with no problems! Though they usually get along, there are some factors to consider before putting these two dog breeds together. It is important to socialize them with other dogs during their early puppy years to encourage friendly interaction.

Both German Shepards and Cane Corso's have strong guarding instincts, which could lead to conflicts in dominance. Depending on their lifestyles, the Cane Corso has a potential advantage of physical strength over the German Shepard. Always be cautious when putting German Shepards and Cane Corso's together and make sure they have a safe environment to meet in. If you train these two dog breeds as puppies and gradually introduce them together, they may become lifelong friends!

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Vero Beach Elementary



The Importance of Nature

By Josie Smithson



Nature is important to all living things such as people, animals, and plants. Nature provides homes for people, plants, and animals. For example, birds live in trees, and trees are a part of nature. Many houses that humans live in are built from wood. Wood is a very useful resource of nature that comes from trees. Floors, tools, and house decor come from wood as well. Many children nowadays spend most of their time inside. Time in nature is not only fun, but it is important! Research proves that students who spend more time outside are happier, more focused, and less anxious.

Will Nature Always be with Us?

Many people believe that nature will always be with us, but this is not true. Many animals are endangered such as starlings, tigers, house sparrows, red pandas, giant pandas, blue whales, and many more. The blue whales and all the other endangered creatures are endangered because of us! About half of the ocean animals have eaten or gotten trapped by trash that people throw in the ocean. Many other animals eat or get trapped in trash on land that human's litter.

We Must Protect Nature

Nature is very important because it gives us food, clean air, fresh water, and a safe place to live. Animals and plants also need nature to survive. If we do not take care of the Earth, we will lose beautiful forests, oceans, and animals forever. We can help protect nature by picking up trash, recycling, saving water, and being kind to animals. Every little action makes a big difference. We must work together to keep nature safe and healthy for everyone!

Fun Facts About Nature

Trees can communicate with their roots
Dolphins give each other names
African buffalos make decisions by voting
Bamboo is the world's fastest growing plant
There are more trees on Earth than stars in the Milky Way
Forests can make rain
Elephants never forget
Sharks were around before dinosaurs
Dolphins can show signs of empathy
Trees can fight back
Orcas are dolphins

I hope you enjoyed reading all about the importance of nature and perhaps learned something new! Below, enjoy a survey of questions about the information written in this article:

Were sharks born before dinosaurs?
O Yes
O No

2. How are humans affecting animals?
O Littering trash
O Hunting them
O Taking away their lands
O All of the above

3. Trees communicate through their leaves.
O True
O False

4. Which of the following is an endangered species?
O Red pandas
O Blue whales
O Tigers
O All of the above

5. What can we do to protect nature?
O Mining
O Littering
O Recycling
O Hunting

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Idaho Knowledge

By Lilith Camunas



Archaeologists have recently discovered something big about Idaho! You are probably curious about what they discovered. Well, they discovered a blade, not just an ordinarily common blade, but a blade that has been around for an estimated time of 13,500 years! This is proof that people lived here a long time before us! Archaeologists did research on this blade and discovered that lots of Native American tribes lived in Idaho. Six of these tribes are known as: Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Shoshone, Bannock, and Blackfoot. These six tribes still live in Idaho today!

Around 1805, the first non-native people traveled into Idaho. These two individuals were Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Idaho was originally claimed by the U.S. and Great Britain during the Oregon Treaty. After the discovery of gold across the land, around the year of 1863, Idaho quickly became its' own territory. About 17 years later, Idaho became the 43rd state.

How Did Idaho Get Its Name?

When a few officials proposed the name “Idaho” people thought it came from a Native American word that meant “Gem of the Mountains,” but they were mistaken. Though it may refer to the number of metals, gems, and crystals dug up in Idaho’s mountains, the name “Idaho” was completely made up! Some of these discoveries from the mountains in Idaho even include star garnet, the state’s gem.

Idaho’s Geography and Landforms

Idaho is bordered in the north by Canada, in the east by Montana and Wyoming, in the south by Nevada, and in the west by Oregon and Washington. Idaho can be divided into three different major regions.

The first major region is the Rocky Mountains, which rise across the north and middle of the state. The state’s highest point is about 12,662 feet (about half the height of Mount Everest!). There is also something called the “panhandle,” which is the narrow northernmost part of Idaho. The Rocky Mountains also have deep river-cut canyons and glacial trenches. This includes Hells Canyon, one of the deepest gorges in North America. Hells Canyon is even deeper than the Grand Canyon!

The second major region in Idaho is called the Columbia Plateau. It spreads across the southern part of Idaho. This part of Idaho is very flat because of volcanic eruptions that happened from around 15,000 years ago to 2,000 years ago. Some mountains are still standing there today, but not many.

The last major region is the Basin and Range Province in the southeast of Idaho. This part is full of grassy plains and plateaus. It also includes part of the fertile Bear River Basin and a few high ridges.

Wildlife in The Potato State

Some of Idaho’s mammals are large. These may include black bears, moose, bighorn sheep, woodland caribou, and more. The state’s smaller mammals include the Idaho pocket gopher and the Idaho ground squirrel.

Don’t forget the 400 distinct species of birds! Some birds that fly across the region include yellow-billed cuckoos, great horned owls, downy woodpeckers, Lincoln's sparrows, and bobolinks (tiny blackbirds).
Some of the amphibians here are the Idaho giant salamanders, Coeur d’Alene salamanders, tailed frogs, and others. Some reptiles found in Idaho are painted turtles, northern alligator lizards, and western terrestrial garter snakes slithering across the state.

Idaho has the largest stand of western white pines in North America! The largest western white pine stands at 219 feet (which is taller than Cinderella's Castle at Disney World!). Other trees you are likely to see are the Douglas fir, western hemlock, ponderosa pine, and the western redcedar. Some bright, colorful wildflowers in Idaho include pink fairies, orange daylilies, sticky purple geraniums, and crown vetch.

Natural Resources

Even if Idaho being called the Gem State came from a made-up word, believe it or not, the state is full of gems and minerals. In fact, Idaho produces around 72 different gemstones a year! Some of these gemstones that sometimes get mined are rare star garnets, amethyst, rubies, and diamonds. Other materials more commonly mined are silver, zinc, lead, and a type of marble called travertine.

Fun Facts!

In Blackfoot, there is the Idaho Potato Museum where people can get a tuber-themed tour excursion. This place is also known for its healthy crops. If you are searching for the museum just look for a huge giant baked potato in front of the building!

Idaho, being the Potato State, has inspired a place to make weird but cool treats! Some of these weirdly cool treats are vanilla ice cream coated in cocoa topped with whipped cream and a treat called "ice cream potatoes." Ice cream potatoes look like a baked potato with sour cream. There is also a sweet treat called the "Idaho spud," which is a marshmallow covered in both chocolate and coconut!

A place called "Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve" in central Idaho is going to feel like a moonwalk! Instead of being on the actual moon, it is actually dried up land that was flooded in lava from eight different volcanic eruptions. This happened over thousands, maybe even millions, of years ago. These volcanoes will not erupt again anytime soon since they are not dead, just dormant.

Sacagawea was a Native American guide for tourists and explorers Lewis and Clark. With her knowledge of local geography, Sacagawea was essential to Lewis' and Clark's success.
The Bitterroot National Forest stretches around Idaho and Montana and is 1.6 million acres. This national park is a beautiful place full of national heritage. The large availability of natural resources allows for a variety of fun opportunities including fisheries, minerals, recreation, wildlife, and more.

An old mining town called Silver City still looks the same as it did a hundred years ago. Today, it is a tourist stop. In the 1860s, its' mines produced about $60 million worth of valuable materials mostly consisting of metals. Tourists and visitors can even stay in a hotel where old-time miners used to sleep!

There is an ice cave in Shoshone called the "Shoshone Ice Cave." This place is a 1,000 foot long lava tube! It also has a depth of around 8-30 feet. The ice forms when air currents flow through the tunnel. If you want to go here and explore the wonders of this lava tube, make sure to dress warmly, even in the summer!

Glossary

Archaeologists: person who studies prehistoric cultures by artifacts, inscriptions, and monuments.

Officials: someone elected to an office who oversees certain duties.

Grand Canyon: a gorge in Arizona that’s over 200 miles long and around a mile deep.

Excursion: a special trip; a group of people going on a journey.

Sacagawea: a Shoshone woman who acted as a guide and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804–1806) by helping them explore the American West.

Beyond The Stats: Cristiano Ronaldo

By Tyler Sanders

Cristiano Ronaldo is a Portuguese professional soccer player who currently plays for Al-Nassr and the Portugal national team. Al-Nassr is a soccer club from Saudi Arabia. It was founded in 1955 and plays in the Saudi Pro League.



Cristiano Ronaldo was born on February 5, 1985, in Funchal, Madeira, Portugal.

Before joining Manchester United in 2003, Ronaldo started his professional soccer career with Sporting CP in Portugal. He played there until he was signed by Manchester United. Ronaldo spent six seasons with Manchester United before joining Real Madrid in 2009. At Real Madrid, he became one of the best soccer players in the world.

Ronaldo joined Juventus in 2018 and won two Series A titles with the club. In 2021, he returned to Manchester United for a second time.

Ronaldo's father, José Dinis Aveiro, worked as the equipment manager for a local soccer club called Andorinha. Cristiano was named after his father's favorite actor, Ronald Reagan, who was the President of the United States when Cristiano was born.

Ronaldo was the first male player to score 900 career goals in official matches. His nickname, CR7, comes from his initials and his favorite jersey number: 7.

Ronaldo is not retired yet. In fact, he might even play in the 2026 World Cup! His professional soccer career has lasted more than 21 years. Everything began with his debut in 2002 when he played for Sporting CP. CR7 continued with teams like Manchester United, Real Madrid, Juventus, and Al-Nassr, as well as the Portugal national team.

Cristiano Ronaldo is known for being a strong and serious competitor on the field, but off the field he is a true family man. He has five children and is married to Georgina Rodríguez. Ronaldo is teaching his kids how he worked hard to become a soccer star.

CR7 shows his children that he did not grow up with a lot of money and had to work very hard to succeed. He learned how to play soccer by going to practice and never giving up. Cristiano Ronaldo has earned his way through life and remains passionate about encouraging his kids to work hard.

In 2009, Ronaldo transferred to Real Madrid for a world record fee of £80 million at the time. He spent nine seasons with Real Madrid and became one of the greatest soccer players of all time.

When Ronaldo was 15 years old, he had heart surgery to fix a problem that made his heart race too fast. After the surgery, he recovered and continued playing soccer at a high level.

Cristiano Ronaldo, also known as CR7, is one of the greats soccer players of all time. Ronaldo has worked hard is entire life, even when times were tough. His story shows that with skill, practice, and determination, you can achieve anything you dream of.



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Facts about Ariana Grande

By: Dior Barrow

I like Ariana Grande because to me she is a very nice person and has great music. She is very popular nowadays.

Did you know she played Glinda in Wicked 1 and Wicked 2 the movies. Her music is about telling her true love and her back story.

She was born June 26, 1993, and is an American pop superstar. Her first hit album was “Yours Truly.” It was released on Aug 30, 2013. She has won over 100 awards, has two Grammys and three American Music Awards. Her brother is Frankie Grande.

She loves wearing high ponytails, has 10 dogs, is a vegan, LOVES Halloween, has many tattoos, and in high school she was a cheerleader.

The reason I like Ariana grande is because she is very popular on shows and she is very pretty and has a great personality. She is well known for acting and singing. She played in many shows for kids known as Cat Valentine and is supposedly known for being funny, sweet, and dramatic and a great singer.

Those are all the facts about Ariana Grande.



Snapchat

By: Lyla Vidal



Snapchat was invented by Stanford University students Evan Spiegel, Bobby Brown and Reggie Brown in 2011. *It* is an American multimedia social media and instant messaging app and service developed by Snap Inc., originally Snapchat Inc.

As of late 2025, Snapchat has approximately 900 active monthly users and 477 million active daily users worldwide.

The app was first called “Picaboo”, *a playful nod to sharing quick disappearing photos*. However, they received a cease-and-desist letter from a photobook company called Picaboo and then they had to change their name to Snapchat.

Its mascot’s name is Ghostface Chillah.

Snapchat is free to download and use for core features like sending messages, photos, and videos. While the app is free, it offers an optional paid subscription service called Snapchat+

People can get paid on Snapchat through their Monetization Program. According to Snapchat support, “Our Monetization Program *rewards established Creators for the content they post* – it's our way of saying thank you for investing in the Snapchat community.”

World War II

By: Olivia



World War II was a global conflict from 1939 to 1945.

It began when Germany’s invasion of Poland ended with the surrender of Japan after the U.S. dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Sadly, in World War II an estimated 70 to 85 million people died.

Germany invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, leading France and the United Kingdom to declare war on Germany. Germany rapidly expanded its control across Europe while Japan expanded its territory in Asia.

Japan attacked the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, prompting the United States to enter the war against both Japan and Germany.

As the men fought abroad, women on the home front worked in defense plants and volunteered for war-related organizations, in addition to managing their households. In New Orleans, as the demand for public transportation grew, women even became streetcar "conductorettes" for the first time.

When men had to leave, women "started cooking; they were housekeepers; they managed the finances, and if a car broke, they learned how to fix it. They also worked for defense plants, and wrote letters to their soldier husbands or sons, that were consistently upbeat.



Rosie the Riveter was the iconic symbol of American women who entered the workforce to support the World War II effort, filling industrial jobs traditionally held by men.

A picture of women writing to a family member who was in World War II.



World War II ended with Germany's surrender in Europe, in May 1945, and Japan's formal surrender in the Pacific on September 2, 1945, following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with the final signing aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay cementing the global conflicts end.



1. The war lasted six years and one day.
2. Hitler invaded Poland after signing a treaty with the Soviet Union called the German Soviet Nonaggression pact.
3. The French and British armies guaranteed to support Poland if Germany invaded.
4. The U.S. called hamburgers liberty steaks.
5. They could only use three pieces of toilet paper a day.

According to Copilot search,
“During World War II, hamburgers in the United States were temporarily renamed ‘liberty steaks’ to avoid their German-sounding name and promote patriotic sentiment.”



Bye: Olivia

WHICH is BETTER?
A DOG or a CAT

By: River Zevin



I bet you have a cat or a dog, maybe both. I have a cat, and I might get a dog. But the thing is that while some people say cats are better, and some say dogs are better, I like both. To see which one is better, we will be judging cats and dogs based on six things: smell, taste, hearing, seeing, and abilities.

Dogs

We will start with dogs.



Dogs have an amazing smell, which is 100 to 1,000 times better than our smell. Surprisingly a dog's taste is not as good as ours. Dogs have 9,000 taste buds, but a human has 1,700 taste buds. That means we have better taste than dogs! Their hearing is just as amazing as their smell; they can hear more sounds than we can. Have you heard a dog whistle? Well, if you have you know that they sound like nothing, but do you know why? Because only dogs can hear them! This what a dog whistle looks like:



What dogs see is different from what different colors than we do; red, green, and orange may look like shades of gray or yellow - brown, but they can see blue and yellow. A dog's abilities are very amazing. They can sense emotions, danger and detect diseases like cancer. They also are amazing at understanding commands and solving puzzles. One time I got hurt and a dog came and sat next to me. Without a doubt dogs are good to have. But cats are just as amazing.

Cats



A cat's sense of smell is also amazing. The reason is that cats have 200 million scent receptors, while humans only have five to six million.

Cats only have around 470 to 500 taste buds, but humans have 9,000 taste buds, which means we have better taste. The weird thing is that cats don't really taste sweetness, but they can taste saltiness, sourness and umami (savory). The reason is that cats prefer meat diets.

Cats can hear from a range of 48 Hz to 85 Hz. Hz means hertz or sound frequency. This lets them hear rodents that we don't usually hear. They are also able to rotate their ears 180 degrees. Another fact is that white cats with blue eyes are more likely to be deaf. A cat's sight is blurrier but more motion- sensitive.



The image on the top shows what humans see, and the one below shows what cats see.

Like I said before, cats have some amazing abilities. Cats can balance and are great at jumping. Their whiskers can help navigate through the night.

So, who won? Both! As far as I can see both are good to have.

POKEMON

By: Sarvin Devkota





Do you know what a Pokémon is?

The term "Pokémon" is of Japanese origin, roughly translated to "pocket monster" in the English language. Pokémon are a bunch of fictional monsters that battle and can be captured in a video game.

Satoshi Tajiri created Pokémon on February 27, 1996. It's also an anime and a game such as scarlet and violet. There's also packs of Pokémon cards you can get cards from “Mega Evolution—Phantasmal Flames" and "Scarlet & Violet—Black Bolt & White Flare," as well as older ones from series like "Sword & Shield," "Sun & Moon," "XY," and "Original Series.” Pikachu, Charizard, Bulbasaur, and Squirtle. Others include Mewtwo, Eevee, Snorlax, and Gyarados. There are types of Pokémon like Normal, Fire, Water, Grass, Flying, Fighting, Poison, Electric, Ground, Rock, Psychic, Ice, Bug, Ghost, Dragon, Dark, Steel, Fairy, and Stellar Normal,

Did you know stellar type energy is for Terastallizing where Pokémon can also transform into mega. To make them mega you need a mega stone or mega energy in Pokémon or a key stone.

There are 1,025 unique Pokémon species across nine generations as of late 2025.

You can play Pokémon on official hardware like the Nintendo Switch (Switch, Switch Lite, OLED) for current titles or older consoles (DS, 3DS, Game Boy) for classics, plus mobile devices (iOS/Android) for Pokémon GO, UNITE, and Masters EX, or through emulation on PC/mobile for older games (with caveats).

The Pokémon games you can play are TCG, shuffle a 60-card deck, draw 7 cards, and set 6 face-down prize cards. “To play Pokémon Go, you use your phone's GPS to explore the real world, find and catch Pokémon by throwing Poké Balls (aiming for "Nice," "Great," or "Excellent" throws for bonuses), visit real-world landmarks (PokéStops for items, Gyms for battles), hatch eggs by walking, and power up or evolve your Pokémon with Stardust and Candy to become stronger “



Pikachu



Charizard



Bulbasaur



Squirtle

The Colorado trip

By: Sarvin Devkota



Loveland Ski Area

During Christmas break, I went skiing. Usually, I do not go skiing but on my seven-day trip to Colorado I went skiing. The last time I went skiing was when I was four years old.

When we were flying from Dallas, Texas to Denver, Colorado, it was about three hours on an airplane. My cousins came, too. When we landed in Denver, Colorado, my cousin & my other cousin, my mom and my brother, and my cousin's mom stayed in the airport. My dad and my cousin's dad went to get a rental car. After we got our rental car, everyone hopped in the car. It was a Mini van.

Then we went to our hotel, and our room was 505 and our cousins were 503. When we went into our room, we slept for like three hours. After we finished sleeping, we ate breakfast and it tasted awesome. For some reason, my mom measured my height at breakfast for some reason.

After breakfast we went to Christy sports. I figured out why my mom measured my height; it was for my ski's and my skiing poles. When everyone got their gear, we went in the car and then went to Loveland skiing. When we arrived, my dad, my cousin's dad and I went to get ski passes.

While we were walking, we heard people talking about their skiing experience. If you are younger than seven your pass is free but if you are seven-14 years old, you get a kid's pass which is $50. If you are older than 14 then you get the adults pass which is $80. We didn't get

the mountain pass because we just started. When we went to the car, we geared up. I had visors, ski pants, ski jacket, ski shoes, and a ski helmet.

I could not wait because everyone took forever so I just left, but I did not know how to put my skis on, so I waited for my parents. My mom told me that you had to click your shoes on your skis. After I put my skis on then I grabbed my ski poles and zoomed away. I came back and my mom said I did awesome since I have not skied for five years. Then I told my mom I could not break well, so my dad helped me, and he said to make a pizza that does not overlap (snow plough).



Then I went to go down a gigantic hole, and I braked but I did not fall. It was hard to climb up with skis, so I took them off and climbed up. Then my dad and I went to a rainbow carpet (ski lift) and my dad told me to lean forward so I would not fall. When I was at the top I zoomed down and made it all the way to the building without falling.

When I was near the building, I took my ski's off and marched my way up. Then my dad asked me if I wanted to eat and I said yes. So, we went to the building and when we arrived everybody was there. I ate pepperoni pizza and all the parents ate burgers my brother and my other cousin ate French fries and chicken nuggets, and my other cousin ate some of my pizza.

Then we left so we changed our ski shoes to normal shoes, and we went to the car, and took off our ski jackets, and drove to our hotel. When we arrived, we rested and then ate dinner and slept after a very busy day. The next day we went to Christy sports and returned our ski gear.

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WHY LILO AND STITCH ARE SO POPULAR

BY: Syniecia Adams



Lilo & Stitch is a 2025 *American live-action animated science fiction comedy-drama* film produced by Walt Disney Pictures and Rideback.

Between Lilo and Stitch, Stitch is my favorite. First off, Stitch is bulletproof, fireproof, and very strong, able to lift objects up to 3,000 times his size. Plus, he can think faster than a supercomputer. Stitch's real name is Experiment 626. Did you know that Stitch has a twin brother named Leroy? Stitch's eyes turn green because he activates night vision for him to see clearly. Did you know that Stitch is 23 years old? Stitch's weakness is that he's ticklish.

How Lilo and Stitch Met

Do you know how Lilo and Stitch met? Well, if you don't, I'm going to tell you. Stitch was in a cage in outer space and Jumba, who created him is technically Stitch's dad. Anyway, Jumba was in court doing alien experiments, making excuses like Stitch is very smart. Jumba told Stitch to say hi, but instead he licked the glass, so they pushed the button. And down Stitch went into a room where he got locked in a prison capsule with lasers pointing at him and every move he made.

So, Stitch licked the guard watching him, and the lasers pointed at the guard. Then Stitch escaped the prison capsule room and got into a red intergalactic federal police cruiser. And a



Grand councilwoman told everybody that Stitch was going to die because of the water, but he landed on an island and survived.

When Stitch crashed into the ship at nighttime, he did not know where he was going. He walked into the road when he could finally see. He had almost been run over by a truck but got stuck in the wheel and a rescue team had to help him.

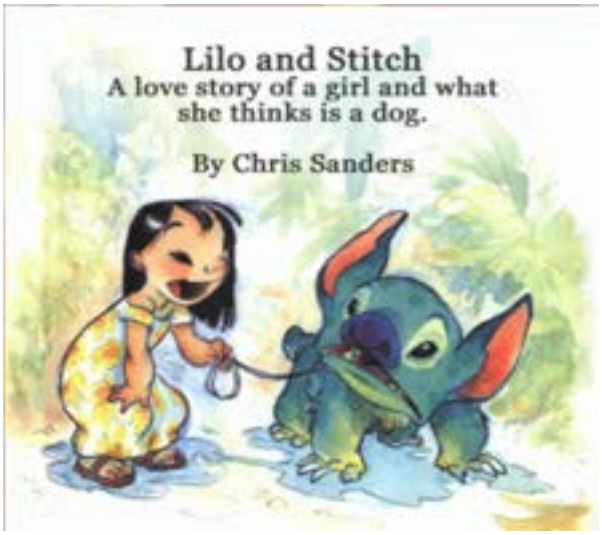


Stitch woke up in a dog shelter, and all the dogs were barking at him. Then Stitch broke out of the cage and climbed onto the ceiling. Then Lilo walked in, Stitch looked at Lilo, but Lilo didn't see him. He climbed down the walls. Then Lilo saw him and picked him up and walked to the front desk and asked if she could keep him. After some convincing Nani said yes but only for a few days.

Do you know why Lilo and Stitch were made?

Now the part you have been waiting for..... Why were Lilo and Stitch made? Lilo and Stitch were made to tell a unique story about a destructive alien finding a home within a dysfunctional family.

Chris Sanders wanted to create a film with a villain who ultimately becomes a hero and found inspiration for the Hawaiian setting and the concept of ‘ohana during a trip to the islands. The movie was also created for an unsuccessful children's book *Pitch*, by Chris Sanders. He said, “I wanted to do a children’s book about this creature that lived in a forest.”



Do you know why Lilo and Stitch are so popular?

The second part you have been waiting for .....Why Lilo and Stitch are so popular. Due to Stitch’s relatable combination of mischievous chaos and a heartwarming story. There is happiness with each main character in the movie of Lilo and Stitch.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Lilo

Did you know Lilo’s name means lost in Hawaiian. Did you know Lilo has autism. Lilo’s favorite color is orange. Lilo is 6 years old but in the end, she turns 7 years old. Lilo is 3ft and 5in. Lilo’s mom and dad died, leaving Nani her older sister as her guardian.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Stitch

Did you know Stitch’s first word was meega nala kweesta. Stitch’s birthday is June 26th. Did you know Stitch’s favorite drink is Pepsi? Stitch can’t swim because his molecular density is too high. Experiment 264 is Stitch’s girlfriend and if you're wondering who’s 264 is, it is Angel. Stitch calls Angel boojiboo which means partner or soulmate.

FUN FACTS ABOUT OTHER CHARACTERS
Nani

Did you know that Nani is a surfing champion? David Kawena has a crush on Nani. Nani is 18 years old.

FUN FACTS ABOUT David

Did you know that David is a surfer? David is 23 years old. David is a loyal friend to Lilo and Nani.



FUN FACTS ABOUT Jumba

Did you know that Jumba likes to eat pastrami? Jumba's accent is vaguely a Russian accent. Jumba was a villain in the first 2 acts but in the 3rd act he was a good person. Jumba's ex-wife is Daisy jookiba. Jumba and Pleakley get married in episode Fibber on the Lilo and Stitch TV series.

FUN FACTS ABOUT Pleakley

Pleakley's real name is Wendy. Pleakley means brave warrior in Pleakley's native language. Pleakley has 2 tongues and 2 uvulas. Pleakley dresses up as a woman to be disguised so Lilo and Stitch don't see him.
THE END!

In conclusion, I have told you why the movie Lilo and Stitch is so popular and why it was made, and I have told you how Lilo and Stitch met, and fun facts about some of the characters but not all of them.

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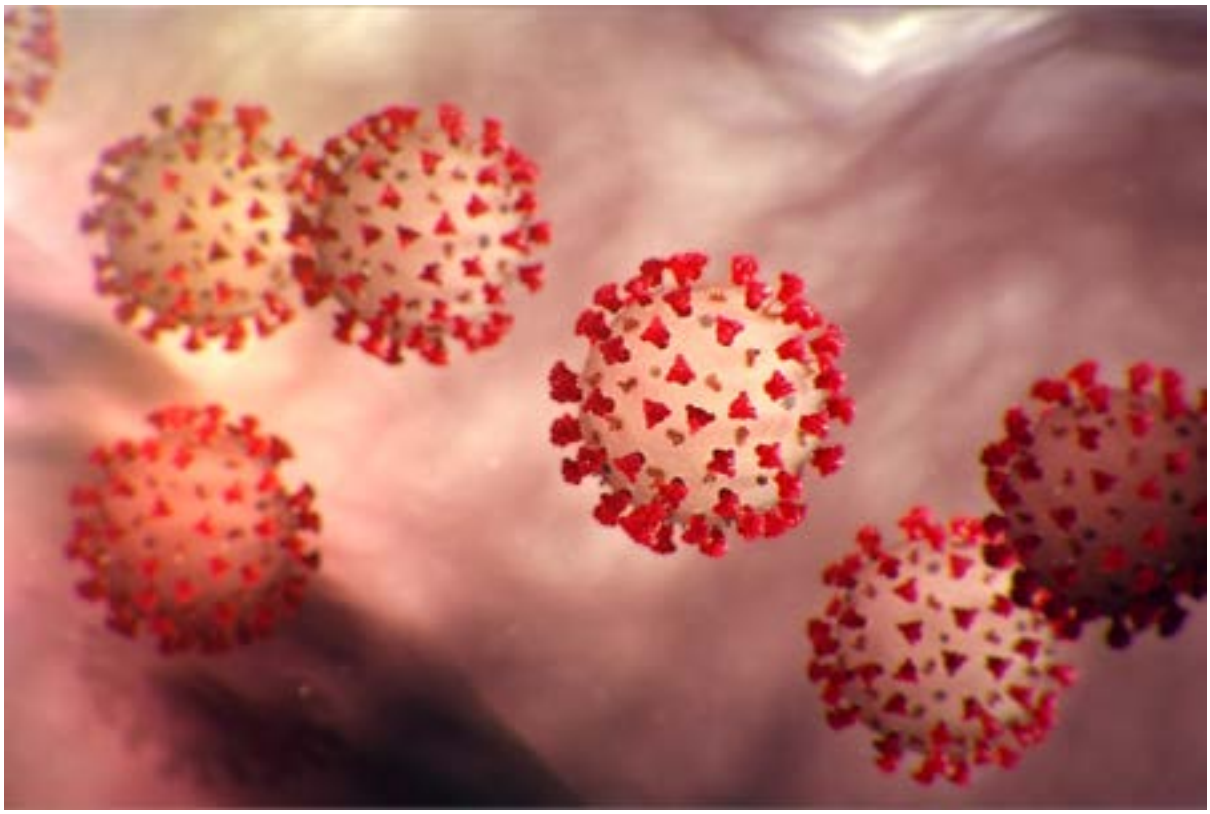
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Treasure Coast Elementary



The Talk of COVID-19

By Aaliyah Rivera



Today, we are going to talk about COVID-19, a serious illness that has affected many people around the world. In this article, I will help you understand COVID-19 and everything you need to know about taking action. Let's get started.

The Basics Of COVID-19

COVID-19, also known as coronavirus disease 2019, is an illness caused by a virus. It started spreading in late 2019 and became a global pandemic in 2020. Many people who test positive for COVID-19 have barely any symptoms, but others may be predisposed to a more serious illness. For individuals at risk, COVID-19 can lead to more urgent medical care or possibly even conclude to death.

Well… What Does COVID-19 Mean?

This question confuses a lot of people! Well, the definition of “coronavirus” comes from a family of coronaviruses that make up a number of different diseases. Some coronaviruses cause the common cold while others can lead to more emergent illnesses, like COVID-19. The name, COVID-19, is actually a mixture of three words. CO stands for “corona,” meaning crown in Latin inspired by the crown-like spikes on the virus’ surface. VI stands for “virus” and D stands for “disease.” The 19 is used because it spread wild in the year of 2019. can cause diseases in both animals and humans.

How Did COVID-19 Begin?

The exact beginnings of COVID-19 are still technically unknown. Many scientists believe COVID-19 started in Wuhan, China at a market that sold wild animals. They think the virus may have come from bats, but it's unclear how it transferred over to humans. When animal illnesses jump to humans, it is known as a zoonotic spillover.

How Is COVID-19 Spread?

The main cause of the spread of COVID-19 is close contact. When an infected person talks, breaths, or coughs, tiny droplets release into the air. These droplets can travel through the air and land on surfaces. If someone comes in contact with these microscopic air droplets, they can become infected with COVID-19. This is why it's important to wash your hands regularly and avoid touching your face!



Symptoms of COVID-19

People with COVID-19 experience symptoms like fever, cough, tiredness, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Some people might be asymptomatic and not show any symptoms at all. It is important to remember that COVID-19 symptoms are similar to flu or common cold symptoms. Because of this, testing is needed to confirm if someone has COVID-19.

Who Is at Risk?

While anyone can get COVID-19, certain groups are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill. This includes older adults and people with underlying health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease. Younger children, especially newborns, are also highly predisposed to getting COVID-19.

Preventing the Spread

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, it's important to do the following:
Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Wear a mask in crowded areas.
Social distance: stay 6 feet away from others.
Do not touch your face
Stay home if you're feeling unwell
Follow local health guidelines.

Quarantine

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people had to stay home to help stop the spread. For over a year, most children went to school from their own homes. For most parents, work was done from home. This was called quarantine. People could not visit friends, go to group events, or travel like they once did. It was a big change for the world. Quarantine sometimes felt lonely or hard for many people around the world. However, quarantine helped keep people safe and gave doctors time to learn more about how to treat COVID-19.

Conclusion

About 190 million people worldwide have gotten COVID-19, the human brain cannot even comprehend such a large number! Sadly, because many people have not gotten the care they need, over 4 million deaths happened due to COVID-19. Thanks to coronavirus testing, vaccines, and other preventative measures, COVID-19 rates have largely declined. COVID-19 is a serious illness that changed the way we live forever. By understanding how it spreads and taking steps to protect ourselves, we can help reduce the impact. Remember to stay informed, follow health guidelines, and take care of each other!

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By Abigail James



Ruth Bader Ginsburg has inspired tens of thousands of women to break gender barriers, even after facing such discrimination herself. Ginsburg's most well-known achievement is becoming the second woman, and first Jewish woman, to serve on the Supreme Court. Ginsburg is commonly called "R.B.G." by her supporters.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was born into a Jewish family in Brooklyn, New York on March 15, 1933. Her father, Nathan Bader, came to the United States as an immigrant when he was only 13! Ginsburg's mother, Celia Bader, was born and raised in New York. Ginsburg's family cared deeply about education and encouraged her to love learning. Before continuing her education journey at Cornell University, Ginsburg went to P.S. 238 Anne Sullivan Elementary School and James Madison High School in Brooklyn. Ginsburg graduated Cornell in 1954 with a bachelor's degree. She earned high honors in Government and did well in all of her classes. She also became the Marshal for the College of Arts and Sciences Class. That same year, she married Martin D. Ginsburg. The couple eventually had two children together: Jane Ginsburg and James Steven Ginsburg.

After graduating from Cornell, Ginsburg started attending Harvard Law School. At Harvard, she was one of only nine women in a class of 500!

Harvard Law School was mostly male, causing Ginsburg to face frequent gender discrimination. Because the law program was very male dominated, many of Ginsburg's male peers thought she was simply there for "comic relief." Ginsburg was even excluded from using some parts of the library.

In 1958, Ginsburg transferred to Columbia Law School for her last year. In 1959, she graduated from Columbia at the top of her class with her law degree. Even with all of these academic and personal achievements, it was hard for Ginsburg to find a job after graduating. According to her own words, Ginsburg said, “In the fifties, the traditional law firms were just beginning to turn around on hiring Jews … But to be a woman, a Jew, and a mother to boot, that combination was a bit much.” In 1959, she found a position as a law clerk for Edmund L. Palmieri. Palmieri was a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Ginsburg stayed at this job until 1961.

In 1980, Ginsburg was chosen by President Jimmy Carter to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She worked there for thirteen years. In 1993, President Bill Clinton nominated Ginsburg to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. On August 10, 1993, she accepted the nomination and took her seat in the Supreme Court.

She became the first Jewish woman, and the second woman ever, to serve on the Supreme Court! As a justice, Ginsburg strongly believed in gender equality and women’s rights. She wrote the Supreme Court’s opinion in the *United States v. Virginia* case, saying that qualified women could not be denied the chance to go to the Virginia Military Institute. In 2009, Ginsburg also worked with President Barack Obama on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to fight unfair pay differences.

Sadly, Ginsburg died at the age of 87 on September 18, 2020, from metastatic pancreatic cancer. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is an amazing person who deserves to be remembered and respected. Her hard work and courage continue to inspire people all around the world. From breaking barriers in law school to becoming the first Jewish woman on the Supreme Court, Ginsburg changed history, fought for fairness, and proved that one voice can make a powerful difference!

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Disney’s Epcot

By Aspen Furphy



Disney's Epcot is a theme park that shows many different countries from around the world. When you go to Epcot, you can experience countries that you might not have traveled to before. You can learn about their food, culture, music, and history all in one place!

Epcot's Spaceship Earth is the main ride inside the big Epcot ball, which is called a geodesic sphere. This ride tells the story of how humans have shared ideas and invented new things through time. It has had four different narrators over the years, including Scar from The Lion King! Spaceship Earth is the most famous landmark in the park and is one of the first things you see when you walk in.

Epcot's original name was Epcot Center, but the name officially changed in 1993. The word "Epcot" stands for "Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow." That means it was meant to be a place where people could see new inventions and ideas for the future.

Epcot is one of the four theme parks at Walt Disney World in Florida. It celebrates human achievement, cool technology, and cultures from all around the world. There are 11 countries in the World Showcase part of Epcot. These countries are Canada, United Kingdom, France, Morocco, Japan, United States, Italy, Germany, China, Mexico, and Norway. Each country has special food, shops, and buildings that look like real places from that country.

There are also 11 rides in Epcot!
Here is a list of these rides: Journey into Imagination with Figment, Mission Space, Living with the Land, Gran Fiesta Tour with The Three Caballeros, The Seas with Nemo and Friends, Soaring' Around the World, Remy's Ratatouille Adventure, Guardians of the Galaxy Cosmic Rewind,

Spaceship Earth, Frozen Ever After, and Test Track. Some rides are calm and relaxing, while others are super-fast and exciting!

Do not worry if you dislike rides, there are tons of shops and stores all around the park. You can buy toys, clothes, snacks, and souvenirs from all the different countries. There are also shows and music performances. There is something fun for everyone at Epcot!

Epcot is a fun and educational place where you can explore the world, go on awesome rides, and learn new things—all in one day. Epcot has something for everyone.

The Dusky Dolphin

By Chloe Cregut



The Dusky Dolphin is a beautiful dolphin with special markings. Their faces are con shaped and their foreheads slope down to a short, dark-colored beak. Dusky Dolphins look like they are wearing eye masks that stand out against their lighter faces. They also have dark lips and snout tips. Their bodies are patterned: the back is dark gray to bluish black, the belly is white, and the sides are gray. The dorsal fin is tall and curved with two colors: a dark front edge and a lighter back edge. The flippers are dark, long, and curved with pointed tips. Their tails, called flukes, have pointy ends and are dark all over.

Where Do They Live?

Dusky Dolphins live in parts of the Southern Hemisphere in cool coastal and temperate waters. They usually live near the continental shelf or slope but can also live in deeper water close to shore. They are found off the coasts of New Zealand, South America, southwestern Africa, and some other ocean islands. There are four subspecies of Dusky Dolphins, and they are all separated by entire oceans. The largest Dusky Dolphins are found off the coast of Peru.

What Is It Like to Live as a Dusky Dolphin?

Life as a Dusky Dolphin is full of action! Experts say they are the most active of all dolphin species. Dusky Dolphins are super social and love to be in groups. They are fast swimmers and are always on the move. They are amazing at acrobatics and are known for their high jumps, flips, and twists.

Dusky Dolphins usually live in groups of 20 or more, and sometimes in huge groups of 500-1,000 dolphins! Even larger groups of up to 2,000 gather to feed near Kaikōura, New Zealand in April and May when prey is easy to find. They work together to catch fish and often show off cool acrobatic tricks while doing it. These leaps and flips help them see each other and stay in sync while hunting.

Dusky Dolphins are always interacting and watching each other. Scientists have learned a lot about Dusky Dolphins by studying their bodies in Peru, where thousands have been killed. These studies have helped us learn about how they live. Female Dusky Dolphins can start having babies when they are between 4.3 and 6.3 years old. Each Dusky Dolphin pregnancy lasts about 12.9 months. The babies nurse for about a year and the mothers usually wait 3-4 years before having another baby.

How Fast Can Dusky Dolphins Swim?

Dusky Dolphins can swim up to 55 kilometers per hour (34 miles per hour)! They are super-fast and very playful. They live in groups called pods and love to jump, race, and play in the water.

What Do Dusky Dolphins Eat?

Dusky Dolphins eat a variety of different fish. They like schooling fish such as anchovies, mackerel, and sardines. Dusky Dolphins also eat deep water fish like hake, lantern fish, and different kinds of squid. Their hunting style changes depending on what they are trying to catch. In New Zealand, they often rest during the day and go into deeper water at night to hunt. When food is close to shore, they feed during the day with their pod. Some common foods include anchovies, hake, sculpins, lantern fish, horse mackerel, red cod, and different squids like Lorigo, Nototodarus, and Todarodes.

Do Dusky Dolphins Mate with Other Dolphins?

Yes, Dusky Dolphins do mate with other dolphin species. There have been many sightings of hybrid dolphins. Hybrid dolphins are a mix between Dusky Dolphins and another kind, such as a Southern Right Whale Dolphin or a Common Dolphin. These hybrid dolphins have characteristics from both kinds of dolphins.

What Are the Main Threats to Dusky Dolphins?

The main threat to Dusky Dolphins is hunting. In Chile and Peru, tens of thousands of Dusky Dolphins have been killed for shark bait and human food. Although hunting dolphins is now illegal, it still happens often and poses a serious impact to the population of Dusky Dolphins. In the 1990s, about 15,000-20,000 dolphins were deliberately killed each year. Almost 79% of those were Dusky Dolphins.

Another big threat is entanglement in fishing nets. Dusky Dolphins often get caught in fishing gear like trawl nets, purse seines, and gillnets. This still happens often in South America, causing a dangerous threat to the Dusky Dolphin population.

Disturbance is also a serious threat to Dusky Dolphins. In places like New Zealand and Argentina, there are concerns about the year-round whale-watching and swim-with-dolphin tours. These boats can disturb the dolphins especially during their rest times. If they do not get enough rest, it can affect their fitness levels and cause poor health.

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Paper Mario Games

By Eliot Baker

Today we will review all the Paper Mario games and facts to help you understand how to play. For those of you who do not know what Paper Mario is and want to know more about each of the five games, you came to the right place!



What are the Paper Mario games?

Let's begin with where it all started. The Paper Mario series was published by Nintendo in the year of 2000. There are five different games in the Paper Mario series. Players of the game control a paper cutout version of Mario to defeat the enemy. The games are in 3D, but the characters are drawn in 2D. Mario is the main character of the game. The goal is to role play and move around to conquer obstacles. The cute and creative paper-like battles are just one of the many things that make Paper Mario a great game. The visual design of this series helps players stretch their imagination and distract them from the hard quests.

Paper Mario – 2000

Paper Mario is the first game of the series. It was released in Japan in 2000 and became available internationally in 2001. In this game, Bowser steals the Star Rod from Star Haven and Mario must defeat him. The focus of the game is the battle against Bowser, but Mario can also interact with the outside environment. In the beginning, Blue Toad is introduced to talk to

players. Make sure to listen to Blue Toad because there will not be another chance to talk to him! This game can be played on the Nintendo 64.

Paper Mario The Thousand Year Door – 2004

As the second game of the Paper Mario series, The Thousand Year Door was released in July of 2004. Players will encounter many surprises in this exciting version. Some main characters of The Thousand Year Door include Mario, Peach, Bowser, Goombella, etc. There are special moves in this game, such as collecting crystal stars to unlock more power moves. The goal for The Thousand Year Door is to earn and master badges to grow your character's statistics. In 2008, this game created a lawsuit because of the song *You're So Cool.* Nintendo needed special permission to use this song, but the lawsuit was quickly dropped. In 2023, Nintendo created a remake of The Thousand Year Door with better graphics, enhanced animation, and new music. This game can be played on the Nintendo GameCube.

Super Paper Mario – 2007

In this third game of Paper Mario, Luigi's and Mario's relaxing afternoon is interrupted by terrible news: someone kidnapped Princess Peach! Believing Bowser is the kidnapper, Mario and Luigi immediately head to his castle, but Bowser is sadly surprised by the bad news. Players will meet a butterfly Pixl named Tippi and a wizard named Merlon. Tippi and Merlon help defeat the antagonist, Dimentio, who threatens with the Chaos Heart. The Chaos Heart is Count Bleck's power plan to force Bowser and Peach to get married. Mario and Merlon become close friends, and Merlon helps cheer Mario up from the stress of Count Bleck's minions. In this version, you can stomp through beautiful 2D worlds, and with a press of a button, flip right into 3D. In the 3D universe, players can discover hidden pathways and uncover deep secrets. The Super Paper Mario of 2007 sure is a wild adventure! This game can be played on the Wii.

Paper Mario Sticker Star – 2012

Paper Mario Sticker Star is the fourth game of this series. In this game, something sticky (but fun!) is going on in Decalburg. When Bowser comes along, he messes up the whole Sticker Fest by smashing the Sticker Comet. Now shiny royal stickers and comet pieces are everywhere, and it's up to Mario to fix everything. Get ready for a cool adventure in Sticker Star if you want to explore colorful places, fight bad guys, and find awesome stickers to use in smart ways. This game is great for new and old fans of Paper Mario. Get ready to have a blast in this universe! This game can be played on the Nintendo 3DS.

Paper Mario The Origami King – 2020

The final game in the Paper Mario series is The Origami King. This game is my personal favorite in the franchise because of its' advanced development and high popularity. Many players believe The Origami King to be the best Paper Mario game ever created, and you might too!

In this game, the kingdom is in big trouble because of some scary origami. You, as Mario, and your sidekick, Olivia, go on a journey to fight the bad paper guys. Mario and Olivia go through lots of tricky challenges full of sad and happy moments. There are toads in The Origami King that are very nice if you help them. They will compliment you if you save them and help you in a battle if you give them coins. The main goal of this game is to fix the world, defeat bad guys, and save Princess Peach's castle. Get ready for a super funny adventure if you want to play Paper Mario the Origami King! This game can only be played on the Nintendo Switch.

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Unveiling the Magic of Harry Potter

By Elizabeth Brown

Harry Potter lived with his aunt, uncle, and cousin— The Dursleys— until he was eleven years old. Then everything changed. One day while getting the mail, Harry found a letter addressed to him. It was from a place called Hogwarts. Harry got so many letters that his Uncle Vernon decided they had to move so no one could find them. In the middle of the night, someone came to find Harry. His name was Rubeus Hagrid. He brought Harry a happy birthday message and a new letter. Then he took Harry to a magical place called Diagon Alley.

The Owl, The Books, The Wand, and The Train

Harry and Hagrid got to Diagon Alley through the Leaky Cauldron. Hagrid went off to buy Harry's school books, robes, and owl. Harry went to a shop called Ollivanders to find his wand. He tried many wands until he found the perfect one: a holly wood wand with a phoenix feather core. But the wand maker, Mr. Ollivander, told Harry to beware because his wand was the twin of the one that gave him the scar from Voldemort.

Later, Hagrid took Harry to King's Cross Station and gave him a ticket for Platform Nine and Three Quarters. Harry did not know what this meant, but he saw a kind family— the Weasleys— and asked them for help. Mrs. Weasley was very nice and assured him it was okay. She told Harry that her son, Ron, was going to Hogwarts for the first time too. She helped him get onto the platform. Once on the train, Harry found an empty compartment. Ron decides to sit with him, and Harry did not yet know how important their friendship would be. Little did he know what was in store for the next several years!

The Perseverance of Harry Potter

Harry Potter was in for a wild and bumpy ride. As the years continued on, Harry's life at Hogwarts was full of danger and adventure.
In his first year, Harry fought Voldemort who was hiding on the back of Professor Quirrell's head. In his second year, he fought Tom Riddle— young Voldemort— and a giant snake called the Basilisk. In his third year, he faced and fought scary creatures including Dementors and his teacher, Professor Lupin, who was a werewolf. In his fourth year, he fought Lord Voldemort again after the last task of the Triwizard Tournament. In his fifth year, he battled Voldemort at the Ministry of Magic. In his sixth year, he started hunting for Horcruxes with Professor Dumbledore. In his seventh year, Harry fought in the Battle of Hogwarts and finally defeated Voldemort. Harry Potter's final year at Hogwarts ended Lord Voldemort's reign of terror once and for all.

In the end, Harry and his friends grew up and lived peaceful lives. They got married, had children, and put away their battle wands for good. They all had an amazing adulthood after persevering through the trials and tribulations of Hogwarts.

The Magic of Harry Potter

The magic of Harry Potter is more than just spells and wands. This story is about friendship, courage, and never giving up— even when things are hard. Harry shows us that anyone can be a hero, no matter where they come from. We learn the power of love, hope, and standing up for what's right through all his adventures. That's the real magic!



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Cane Corso vs. German Shepard

By Evelyn Smith

If you have ever wondered about the differences and similarities of a German Shepard and a Cane Corso, you are in the right place! Both dog breeds are very popular for some of the same reasons. In this article, I will tell you everything you need to know about German Shepards and Cane Corsos and what makes them unique!

All About German Shepards



German Shepherds are a medium to large dog breed that can grow as tall as 22-26 inches and weigh 55-95 pounds. Their fur color can be pale gray, white, or black. German Shepards have big, strong, muscular bodies. Their snout is long and wedge-shaped with a black nose. Shepards have slightly pointed ears that stick up 180 degrees. German Shepherds can live up to 14 years with proper care.

Some proper care practices to prolong a Shepard's life may include physical activity, affection, and healthy foods. It is very important for owners to understand German Shepards require daily exercise to keep them healthy. An ideal German Shepard owner will enjoy playing outdoors often.

According to USA Today, German Shepherds are the fourth most popular dog breed. Considering they are loyal, intelligent, playful, and protective, Shepards are an extremely likable dog breed. German Shepards are naturally emphatic and protective, they crave attention and remain very devoted to their owners. Shepards make great family members because they are affectionate, good with children, and will always have time for you. They love to play, snuggle, and guard. In Britain, German Shepherds are known as Alsatians.

Here are some fun facts about German Shepards:

Confident, brave, and obedient
Average life span of 7-10 years
Originated in Germany in the 1800s
Belong to the herding group of dogs
Lifetime care cost of $15,000-$17,000
Double coat: dense outercoat and soft undercoat
May have straight or wavy fur that is resistant to cold weather
Bred to guide herds of sheep and now often serve as military or police dogs

All About Cane Corsos



In the USA, the Cane Corso is a very popular dog breed. The Cane Corso is an Italian dog breed of mastiff. They are a large dog breed, standing as tall as 24-28 inches and often weighing over 100 pounds. Surprisingly enough, Cane Corsos date all the way back to Roman times! In the past, Cane Corsos were used to hunt and herd. Nowadays, they are often cared for as companion dogs or guard dogs.

Cane Corsos are known to have a strikingly strong appearance because of their large head and muscular body. While they do have a protective personality, Cane Corso's can make the perfect companion for the right owner. They are protective, loyal, affectionate, and active. The Cane Corso breed enjoys constant activity, both mental and physical. A fierce protector of their owners, Cane Corso's are ranked the twelfth strongest dog it the world!

Here are some fun facts about Cane Corsos:

Descends from ancient Roman dogs
Belong to the working group of dogs
Average life span of 9-12 years
Weight range of 88-120 pounds
Lifetime care cost of $10,000-$20,000
Short fur with smooth texture, double coat
Fur color can be black, gray, maroon, or brown
Worked as warrior dogs in ancient Greece during Roman wars

Can you put German Shepards and Cane Corso's together?

With proper training and socialization, you can pair German Shepards and Cane Corso's with no problems! Though they usually get along, there are some factors to consider before putting these two dog breeds together. It is important to socialize them with other dogs during their early puppy years to encourage friendly interaction.

Both German Shepards and Cane Corso's have strong guarding instincts, which could lead to conflicts in dominance. Depending on their lifestyles, the Cane Corso has a potential advantage of physical strength over the German Shepard. Always be cautious when putting German Shepards and Cane Corso's together and make sure they have a safe environment to meet in. If you train these two dog breeds as puppies and gradually introduce them together, they may become lifelong friends!

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The Importance of Nature

By Josie Smithson



Nature is important to all living things such as people, animals, and plants. Nature provides homes for people, plants, and animals. For example, birds live in trees, and trees are a part of nature. Many houses that humans live in are built from wood. Wood is a very useful resource of nature that comes from trees. Floors, tools, and house decor come from wood as well. Many children nowadays spend most of their time inside. Time in nature is not only fun, but it is important! Research proves that students who spend more time outside are happier, more focused, and less anxious.

Will Nature Always be with Us?

Many people believe that nature will always be with us, but this is not true. Many animals are endangered such as starlings, tigers, house sparrows, red pandas, giant pandas, blue whales, and many more. The blue whales and all the other endangered creatures are endangered because of us! About half of the ocean animals have eaten or gotten trapped by trash that people throw in the ocean. Many other animals eat or get trapped in trash on land that human's litter.

We Must Protect Nature

Nature is very important because it gives us food, clean air, fresh water, and a safe place to live. Animals and plants also need nature to survive. If we do not take care of the Earth, we will lose beautiful forests, oceans, and animals forever. We can help protect nature by picking up trash, recycling, saving water, and being kind to animals. Every little action makes a big difference. We must work together to keep nature safe and healthy for everyone!

Fun Facts About Nature

Trees can communicate with their roots
Dolphins give each other names
African buffalos make decisions by voting
Bamboo is the world's fastest growing plant
There are more trees on Earth than stars in the Milky Way
Forests can make rain
Elephants never forget
Sharks were around before dinosaurs
Dolphins can show signs of empathy
Trees can fight back
Orcas are dolphins

I hope you enjoyed reading all about the importance of nature and perhaps learned something new! Below, enjoy a survey of questions about the information written in this article:

Were sharks born before dinosaurs?
O Yes
O No

2. How are humans affecting animals?
O Littering trash
O Hunting them
O Taking away their lands
O All of the above

3. Trees communicate through their leaves.
O True
O False

4. Which of the following is an endangered species?
O Red pandas
O Blue whales
O Tigers
O All of the above

5. What can we do to protect nature?
O Mining
O Littering
O Recycling
O Hunting

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Idaho Knowledge

By Lilith Camunas



Archaeologists have recently discovered something big about Idaho! You are probably curious about what they discovered. Well, they discovered a blade, not just an ordinarily common blade, but a blade that has been around for an estimated time of 13,500 years! This is proof that people lived here a long time before us! Archaeologists did research on this blade and discovered that lots of Native American tribes lived in Idaho. Six of these tribes are known as: Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Shoshone, Bannock, and Blackfoot. These six tribes still live in Idaho today!

Around 1805, the first non-native people traveled into Idaho. These two individuals were Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Idaho was originally claimed by the U.S. and Great Britain during the Oregon Treaty. After the discovery of gold across the land, around the year of 1863, Idaho quickly became its' own territory. About 17 years later, Idaho became the 43rd state.

How Did Idaho Get Its Name?

When a few officials proposed the name “Idaho” people thought it came from a Native American word that meant “Gem of the Mountains,” but they were mistaken. Though it may refer to the number of metals, gems, and crystals dug up in Idaho’s mountains, the name “Idaho” was completely made up! Some of these discoveries from the mountains in Idaho even include star garnet, the state’s gem.

Idaho’s Geography and Landforms

Idaho is bordered in the north by Canada, in the east by Montana and Wyoming, in the south by Nevada, and in the west by Oregon and Washington. Idaho can be divided into three different major regions.

The first major region is the Rocky Mountains, which rise across the north and middle of the state. The state’s highest point is about 12,662 feet (about half the height of Mount Everest!). There is also something called the “panhandle,” which is the narrow northernmost part of Idaho. The Rocky Mountains also have deep river-cut canyons and glacial trenches. This includes Hells Canyon, one of the deepest gorges in North America. Hells Canyon is even deeper than the Grand Canyon!

The second major region in Idaho is called the Columbia Plateau. It spreads across the southern part of Idaho. This part of Idaho is very flat because of volcanic eruptions that happened from around 15,000 years ago to 2,000 years ago. Some mountains are still standing there today, but not many.

The last major region is the Basin and Range Province in the southeast of Idaho. This part is full of grassy plains and plateaus. It also includes part of the fertile Bear River Basin and a few high ridges.

Wildlife in The Potato State

Some of Idaho’s mammals are large. These may include black bears, moose, bighorn sheep, woodland caribou, and more. The state’s smaller mammals include the Idaho pocket gopher and the Idaho ground squirrel.

Don’t forget the 400 distinct species of birds! Some birds that fly across the region include yellow-billed cuckoos, great horned owls, downy woodpeckers, Lincoln's sparrows, and bobolinks (tiny blackbirds).
Some of the amphibians here are the Idaho giant salamanders, Coeur d’Alene salamanders, tailed frogs, and others. Some reptiles found in Idaho are painted turtles, northern alligator lizards, and western terrestrial garter snakes slithering across the state.

Idaho has the largest stand of western white pines in North America! The largest western white pine stands at 219 feet (which is taller than Cinderella's Castle at Disney World!). Other trees you are likely to see are the Douglas fir, western hemlock, ponderosa pine, and the western redcedar. Some bright, colorful wildflowers in Idaho include pink fairies, orange daylilies, sticky purple geraniums, and crown vetch.

Natural Resources

Even if Idaho being called the Gem State came from a made-up word, believe it or not, the state is full of gems and minerals. In fact, Idaho produces around 72 different gemstones a year! Some of these gemstones that sometimes get mined are rare star garnets, amethyst, rubies, and diamonds. Other materials more commonly mined are silver, zinc, lead, and a type of marble called travertine.

Fun Facts!

In Blackfoot, there is the Idaho Potato Museum where people can get a tuber-themed tour excursion. This place is also known for its healthy crops. If you are searching for the museum just look for a huge giant baked potato in front of the building!

Idaho, being the Potato State, has inspired a place to make weird but cool treats! Some of these weirdly cool treats are vanilla ice cream coated in cocoa topped with whipped cream and a treat called "ice cream potatoes." Ice cream potatoes look like a baked potato with sour cream. There is also a sweet treat called the "Idaho spud," which is a marshmallow covered in both chocolate and coconut!

A place called "Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve" in central Idaho is going to feel like a moonwalk! Instead of being on the actual moon, it is actually dried up land that was flooded in lava from eight different volcanic eruptions. This happened over thousands, maybe even millions, of years ago. These volcanoes will not erupt again anytime soon since they are not dead, just dormant.

Sacagawea was a Native American guide for tourists and explorers Lewis and Clark. With her knowledge of local geography, Sacagawea was essential to Lewis' and Clark's success.
The Bitterroot National Forest stretches around Idaho and Montana and is 1.6 million acres. This national park is a beautiful place full of national heritage. The large availability of natural resources allows for a variety of fun opportunities including fisheries, minerals, recreation, wildlife, and more.

An old mining town called Silver City still looks the same as it did a hundred years ago. Today, it is a tourist stop. In the 1860s, its' mines produced about $60 million worth of valuable materials mostly consisting of metals. Tourists and visitors can even stay in a hotel where old-time miners used to sleep!

There is an ice cave in Shoshone called the "Shoshone Ice Cave." This place is a 1,000 foot long lava tube! It also has a depth of around 8-30 feet. The ice forms when air currents flow through the tunnel. If you want to go here and explore the wonders of this lava tube, make sure to dress warmly, even in the summer!

Glossary

Archaeologists: person who studies prehistoric cultures by artifacts, inscriptions, and monuments.

Officials: someone elected to an office who oversees certain duties.

Grand Canyon: a gorge in Arizona that’s over 200 miles long and around a mile deep.

Excursion: a special trip; a group of people going on a journey.

Sacagawea: a Shoshone woman who acted as a guide and interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1804–1806) by helping them explore the American West.

Beyond The Stats: Cristiano Ronaldo

By Tyler Sanders

Cristiano Ronaldo is a Portuguese professional soccer player who currently plays for Al-Nassr and the Portugal national team. Al-Nassr is a soccer club from Saudi Arabia. It was founded in 1955 and plays in the Saudi Pro League.



Cristiano Ronaldo was born on February 5, 1985, in Funchal, Madeira, Portugal.

Before joining Manchester United in 2003, Ronaldo started his professional soccer career with Sporting CP in Portugal. He played there until he was signed by Manchester United. Ronaldo spent six seasons with Manchester United before joining Real Madrid in 2009. At Real Madrid, he became one of the best soccer players in the world.

Ronaldo joined Juventus in 2018 and won two Series A titles with the club. In 2021, he returned to Manchester United for a second time.

Ronaldo's father, José Dinis Aveiro, worked as the equipment manager for a local soccer club called Andorinha. Cristiano was named after his father's favorite actor, Ronald Reagan, who was the President of the United States when Cristiano was born.

Ronaldo was the first male player to score 900 career goals in official matches. His nickname, CR7, comes from his initials and his favorite jersey number: 7.

Ronaldo is not retired yet. In fact, he might even play in the 2026 World Cup! His professional soccer career has lasted more than 21 years. Everything began with his debut in 2002 when he played for Sporting CP. CR7 continued with teams like Manchester United, Real Madrid, Juventus, and Al-Nassr, as well as the Portugal national team.

Cristiano Ronaldo is known for being a strong and serious competitor on the field, but off the field he is a true family man. He has five children and is married to Georgina Rodríguez. Ronaldo is teaching his kids how he worked hard to become a soccer star.

CR7 shows his children that he did not grow up with a lot of money and had to work very hard to succeed. He learned how to play soccer by going to practice and never giving up. Cristiano Ronaldo has earned his way through life and remains passionate about encouraging his kids to work hard.

In 2009, Ronaldo transferred to Real Madrid for a world record fee of £80 million at the time. He spent nine seasons with Real Madrid and became one of the greatest soccer players of all time.

When Ronaldo was 15 years old, he had heart surgery to fix a problem that made his heart race too fast. After the surgery, he recovered and continued playing soccer at a high level.

Cristiano Ronaldo, also known as CR7, is one of the greats soccer players of all time. Ronaldo has worked hard is entire life, even when times were tough. His story shows that with skill, practice, and determination, you can achieve anything you dream of.



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