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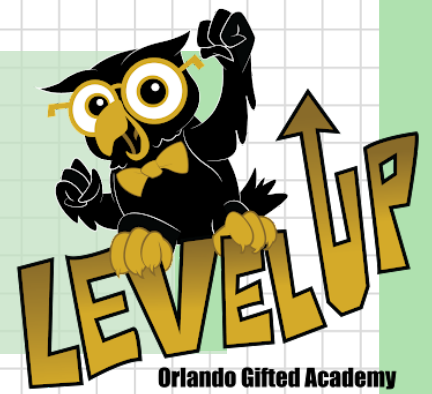
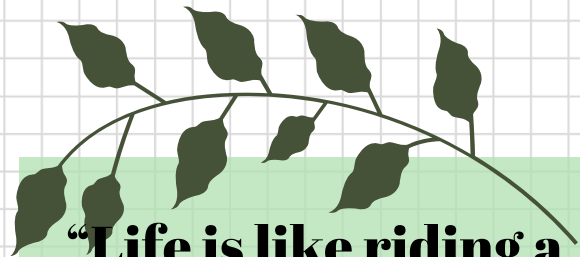


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“Life is like riding a bicycle, to keep your balance, keep moving”

Albert Einstein



Clubs and Posters

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Coraline

By: Damien K.

Before this, we reviewed the movie *Coraline*, directed by Henry Selick, who also made *Wendell & Wild*. But did you know that before the film, there was a book? The book *Coraline* was written by Neil Gaiman, a famous author and director. His most famous works are *Good Omens* (1990/2019-2023), *American Gods* (2001), and of course, *Coraline* (2002).

The book is about a girl named Coraline, who moves into this big mess of flats that creates a big house, called the Pink Palace. She has three neighbors; Ms Spink and Ms Forcible, retired circus performers, and Mr Bobo, a crazy old man who teaches mice how to play instruments.

Eventually, she finds herself a door opened by a key with a button. It leads her to another world, with direct copies of her mother and father, but instead of normal eyes, they have buttons sewn onto their faces where their eyes should be... This leads into the rest of the story, where Coraline gets wrapped up in things that can only be described as nightmarish. Her life does go back to normal, though, after she tricks the Beldam's right hand into falling down the deep well.

I enjoyed the book. It is the perfect mix of thriller and horror that I quite enjoy. The scenes are very detailed in the wording that is webbed throughout the book. (Get it? Because the Beldam is a spider!)

However, there are a few cons to its design. *Coraline* is directed at audiences over the age of 12 and is not the kind of book that is meant for people younger than that. The material is very horror-ridden and some scenes are very graphic, so I do not recommend you give this book to anyone under the age of twelve.

Overall, I think that, this book was perfectly creepy and cooky, and I hope you enjoy the book yourself!

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Bugs vs. Insects

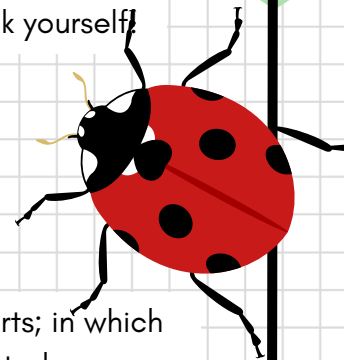
By: Natalie B.

What's the difference between bugs and insects? Well, primarily, it's their mouthparts; in which bugs have a tube or straw-shaped mouth that sucks what they're consuming. Insects, however, have mouthparts that chew, or piercing, needle-like mouthparts.

True bugs also undergo an *incomplete* metamorphosis: The eggs hatch as nymphs then they transform into adults. Insects have four-part life cycles; a complete metamorphosis, egg to larva, larva to pupa, pupa to adult.

Some creatures, such as pillbugs (roly-polies), are, at first glance, assumed to be an insect or bug, but aren't either of them. They're crustaceans. Same with millipedes, centipedes, ticks, spiders, and scorpions, none of them are actually bugs, though are commonly mistaken to be.

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By: McKenzie L

The Missing Sock Mystery



Have you ever wondered where that one sock went? The average person loses a sock per month, but when that adds up, it's 12 socks a year! Nevertheless, why is there only one sock out of a pair of two? Realistically, the sock is lost in transit to or from the laundry room, or it's trapped inside the spinning drums of your washer or dryer. This is because the heat and rotation of the washer cause them to disappear. However, your socks can also go missing in the lint trap in your dryer. Or, static electricity, which causes the socks to stick to other items of clothing. But, what if they aren't hiding in the abyss of your washer or dryer? The socks could be hiding behind or between the washer and dryer, get jammed behind furniture, or even just simply slide under the bed. How can you keep your cherished socks from getting lost? You could attach both socks together using the help of a safety pin, something similar called sock clips, a mesh laundry bag, or even make a load dedicated to your socks. There's another idea called a sock orphanage. If you don't know what a sock orphanage is, it's a creative idea of a section in your laundry room dedicated to your socks. This is so that if the partner shows up, they can reunite. At the end of the day, there are only so many places your socks can be hiding, by keeping them together and close, you'll never end up losing one. Unless it was possibly ghosts or aliens, then losing the socks isn't the biggest priority on your list...

Why Do People Become Teachers?

By: Jacob A.



Bad pay, despicable children, and clueless parents. Many teachers rightfully complain about the conditions they work in and how difficult it is to do their job, but there are still thousands of teachers in America. If all they say is true, why do people become teachers then? Of course, there are many reasons why, but I spoke to one teacher in order to understand why teaching was her career path. Obviously, not all teachers would agree with her ideas, this is just her view on the situation. After I asked her my question, she responded by saying that some parents don't teach their children respect or kindness. She then continued by saying that some parents don't do a good job with parenting, with some complaining to the teacher, instead of discussing the problem of bad grades with their children. The government also hasn't been good to teachers either. Teachers can now get fired or get sued for offering books or information that parents do not like. Representation for teachers isn't good either, many people who try to represent teachers haven't taught a class in years, and don't know how teaching has changed, especially during the pandemic, and after the pandemic ended. Teaching has many problems; some children have parents who lack the ability to teach them respect, representatives not knowing the problems teachers currently have, and some laws making it difficult for teachers to perform some activities necessary for their class to thrive.



The Importance of Honesty

McKenzie L

People love honesty, who doesn't? I believe that honesty is key to getting further in life, as opposed to dishonesty. Telling the truth is heaps more efficient than lying. To add, people love honest people. They can be much more trustworthy than a liar, you can tell them valuable information. Furthermore, being honest makes people count on a more honest opinion from you. I love it when people give you a more honest answer than just lying to someone. Another reason why being honest is favorable is because of the feeling after you are honest. It's a nice feeling to be honest with someone rather than lying straight to their face. Equally, being honest supports building trust. It allows the individual to understand your needs clearly. Likewise, being honest shows a lot about the type of person you are. It's a clear reflection of yourself. If you are known as the person who bends the truth, it shows the type of individual you are. Finally, being genuine shows others you care. Showing others you care is critical because it helps your well-being as a person. Plus, it also supports you being a compassionate and humane person. When you are known as a reliable person, people will go to you for guidance and will value your honesty. So, whether you prefer being honest or dishonest, or even both... being honest is the right path to take. But, of course, if you are dishonest all the time, think about the impact you are making on yourself, your family, or even your friends. All in all, I think that being honest will help the average person make better decisions rather than a dishonest one. Nevertheless, do you prefer an honest person or a dishonest person?

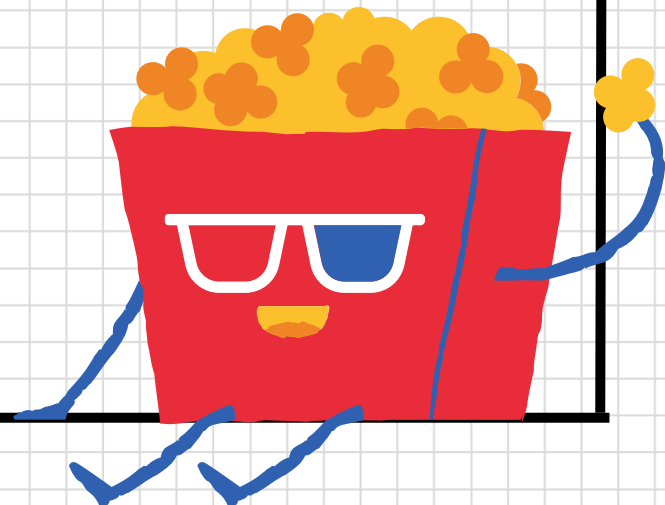
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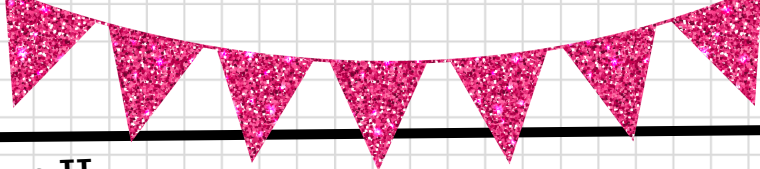
The Recent Price Increase in Netflix

By: Genevieve A.

Most people today are on movie websites like Hulu, Disney+, and Apple TV. But, one of the most popular is Netflix, a popular movie streaming service. As of October 18, 2023, Netflix announced that the prices on certain plans will be increasing. The standard price (\$15.49) and the price with ads (\$6.99), will be staying the same. Now, the basic level, which used to be \$10, is now \$11.99. And the premium which used to be \$20, is now \$22.99. Most people are not upset about this because it is such a small increase. But what do you think?

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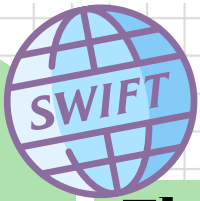


The History of Barbie

By: Sloane H.

On March 9, 1959, the first-ever Barbie was invented. This Barbie had big blonde hair, pale skin, red lipstick, and blue eyeshadow. She wore a black and white striped bathing suit and black high heels. The Barbies now are much different but this is a very remembered and historical Barbie. The first Ken however was launched in 1961, he had similar features as the Ken doll today. He wore a white and red striped coat and had blue eyes. Ken was meant to be a supporting character to Barbie, to do what women did for the household in the 1960s so Barbie could work. Speaking of careers, in 1965, Mattel launched the astronaut Barbie. This is one of the 250 careers that Barbie has had. Others include pilot, firefighter, and journalist. Almost all of Barbie's jobs are now part of the Barbie collection including different outfits and hairstyles for each job.

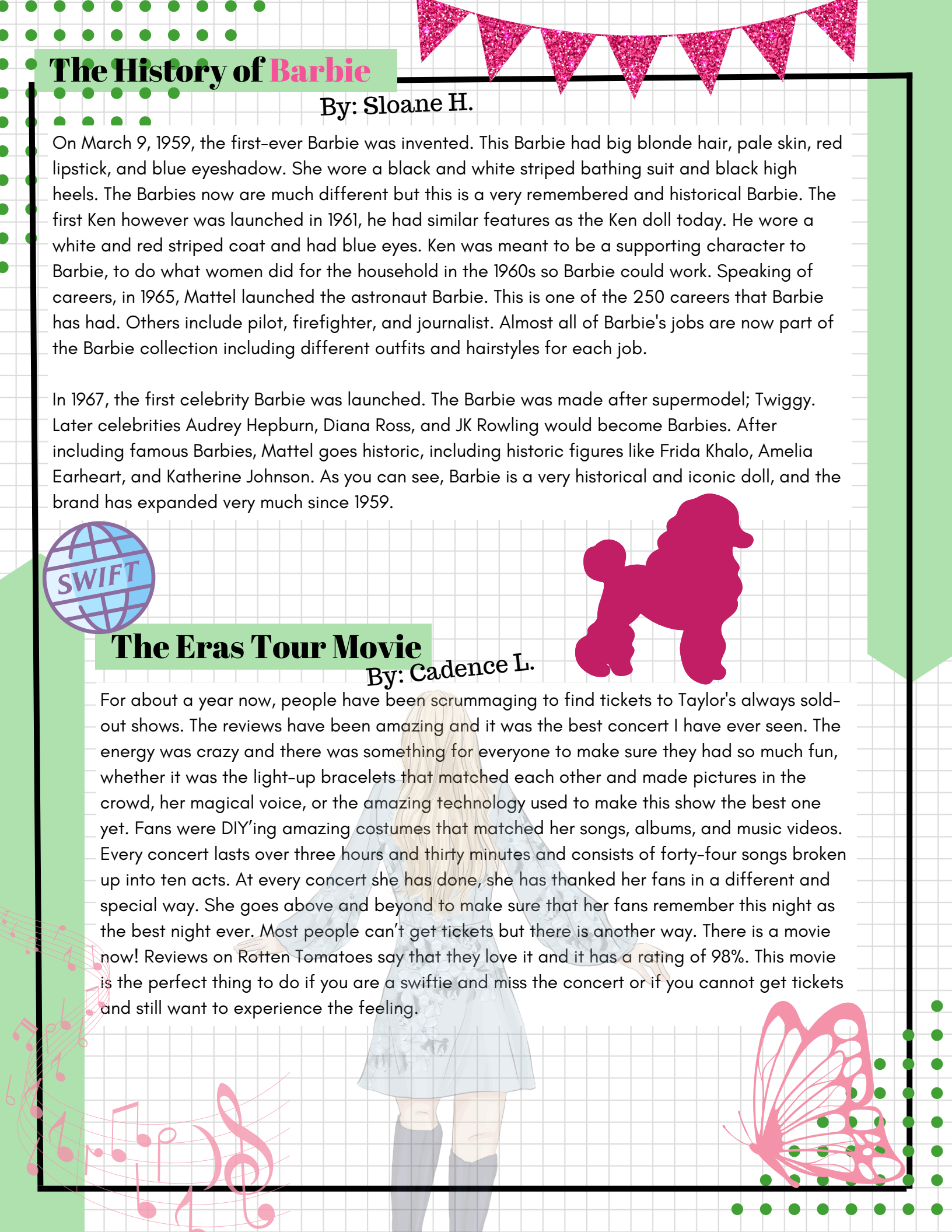
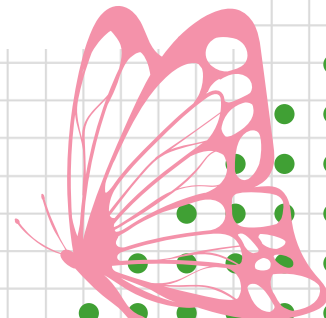
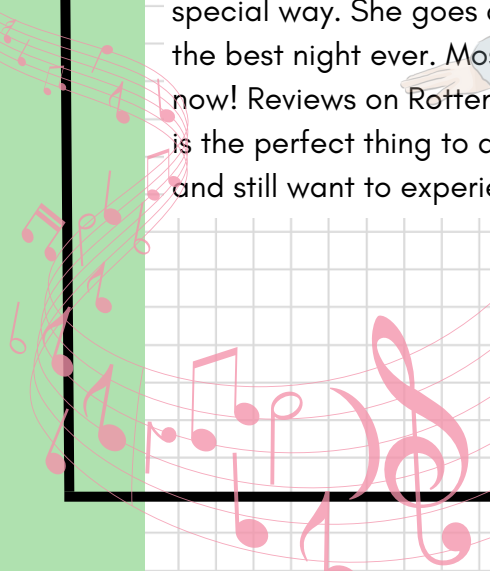
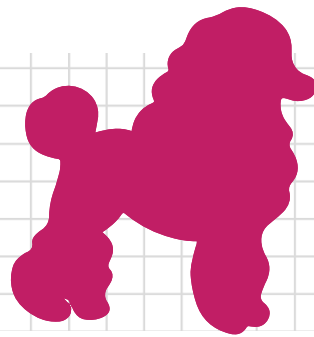
In 1967, the first celebrity Barbie was launched. The Barbie was made after supermodel; Twiggy. Later celebrities Audrey Hepburn, Diana Ross, and JK Rowling would become Barbies. After including famous Barbies, Mattel goes historic, including historic figures like Frida Khalo, Amelia Earheart, and Katherine Johnson. As you can see, Barbie is a very historical and iconic doll, and the brand has expanded very much since 1959.



The Eras Tour Movie

By: Cadence L.

For about a year now, people have been scrummaging to find tickets to Taylor's always sold-out shows. The reviews have been amazing and it was the best concert I have ever seen. The energy was crazy and there was something for everyone to make sure they had so much fun, whether it was the light-up bracelets that matched each other and made pictures in the crowd, her magical voice, or the amazing technology used to make this show the best one yet. Fans were DIY'ing amazing costumes that matched her songs, albums, and music videos. Every concert lasts over three hours and thirty minutes and consists of forty-four songs broken up into ten acts. At every concert she has done, she has thanked her fans in a different and special way. She goes above and beyond to make sure that her fans remember this night as the best night ever. Most people can't get tickets but there is another way. There is a movie now! Reviews on Rotten Tomatoes say that they love it and it has a rating of 98%. This movie is the perfect thing to do if you are a swiftie and miss the concert or if you cannot get tickets and still want to experience the feeling.



Why Fruity Pebbles Are Bad For You

By: Genevieve A.

What's your favorite cereal? Is it Fruity Pebbles? If not, you're lucky, because if they are, I'm here to convince you to stop eating them because of the health risks that they bring. For starters, Fruity Pebbles do not only have very high amounts of sugar, but they also contain a very well-known dye: Red 40 which can cause cancer. They also lack high amounts of fiber and protein, leading to extreme health concerns including, loss of muscle mass, and slower metabolism, and you can even get anemia, which is when your cells don't get enough oxygen which makes you very weak and tired. These are only some reasons why Fruity Pebbles are bad for you. For now, you should take up a healthier option like whole grain Honey Nut Cheerios which have 20g of protein and .75g of fiber, whereas Fruity Pebbles have only 1.3g of protein and .2g of fiber

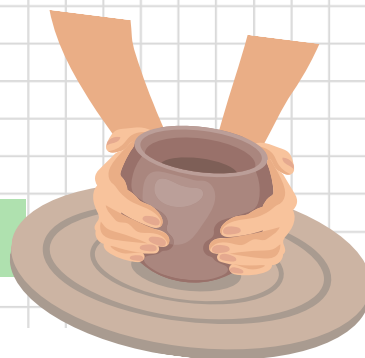
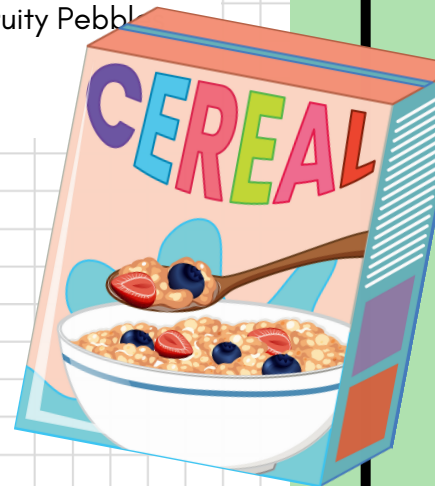
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By: Cadence L.

Things to do in Orlando

Today I focus on one of my favorite places, All Fired Up. This unique and artistic place has hundreds of colors to paint one of the many available sculptures. They are located near downtown Winter Park and have many things to choose from, from bowls and mugs to home decor. This place is perfect for kids and adults alike and permits you to bring in food from the surrounding restaurants. You can also order it to be delivered to your house to bring the fun back home with you. They also offer all the tools you need at the store in a very accessible way. They also offer camps that are very highly rated and a great place to spend time. They do not have any camps available now, but they periodically have paint parties where you can paint and meet new friends. The prices are a little bit high at a range per piece of about 10-50 dollars for the normal pieces and 50-100 dollars for the more intricate ones. Whether you are going there with your friends on a girl's night, on a field trip with your peers, or having a birthday party, you will always be welcome to have fun at all fired up!

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By: Alexis M.

Staff Interview

Nurse Phillips was born in Georgia but she was raised in Florida. Some of her hobbies are making earrings and line dancing. She used to work at Disney as a photographer and her first job was at McDonalds. The worst injury she has seen in her field is a bone sticking out of someone's leg. A typical day at work for her is pretty slow until about 11:30 a.m. and then it's non-stop until the end of the day. The person she's closest with is Ms. Cherolini. And her favorite part of the school is all of it.



Is Online Shopping Worth the Risk?

By: Sloane H.



I'm sure you have shopped online in your life. It's easy and effective. Also, the options online are endless. You can find almost anything and everything you will ever need, not to mention the number of websites where you can get cheaper options than in stores. These reasons are pretty convincing, online shopping seems great! But what's the downside?

Obviously, online shopping is a cheaper, easier option but not everything is as it seems. Online shopping can have many flaws that haven't been uncovered yet. To start, you never know what you are going to get with online shopping it could be a complete scam. It is very important to check the reviews of items online, especially if the price seems too good to be true. Another point is that you never know the quality of something online. Clothing or homegoods could have a product description of real and natural cotton but in reality, could fall apart the moment you put it on or sit on it!

As you can see, online shopping is a very risky option when it comes to getting clothes or homegoods. You can get items for cheaper than in stores, but you are risking quality. On the plus side, there are many more options online and you could end up getting inexpensive high-quality items even though that is unlikely. Online shopping is way easier than getting up and going to stores, but it might not be worth the risks. Basically, only shop online with a trusted website and ALWAYS look at the reviews before adding items to your cart.

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Walking Corpse Syndrome

By: Amaya A.

Walking Corpse syndrome(WCS), or Cotard's syndrome(CS), is the false belief that you or a body part is dead, dying, or doesn't exist. It is most commonly mistaken with Capgras syndrome, which is the false belief that a loved one has been replaced with an imposter.

Some of the symptoms are Nihilism which is an extreme skepticism of the world not existing, Depression, Anxiety, Hallucinations, Hypochondria, Guilt, and a fascination with death.

Cotard's syndrome is extremely rare but it is most commonly seen in people over 50 years old, women, people with bipolar depression, catatonia, and people with brain injuries.

Doctors have a hard time diagnosing CS but you can keep a journal of your symptoms if you believe you have it.

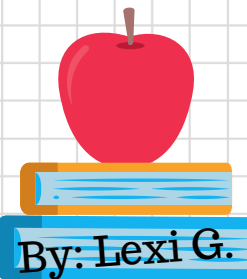
Some treatments are ECT(Electroconvulsive therapy), Antidepressants, Antipsychotics, mood stabilizers, psychotherapy, and behavioral therapy.

There are some complications with CS, the stopping of hygiene which can lead to bad smells and frequent infections, and malnutrition.

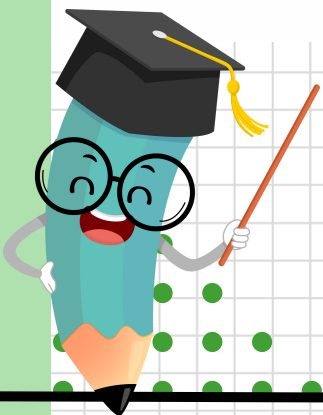
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Teacher Spotlight



Mr. Dennis is a teacher here at OGA and teaches three classes, 6th grade Accelerated Math, Lego Robotics, and Science Olympiad. To fund Science Olympiad, he sells sodas for one dollar each, so be sure to buy some. Outside school, he enjoys Scuba diving, bicycling, and occasionally fishing. While scuba diving he has found fish and shark teeth and other exciting things. He decided to be a teacher because they get summer and other holidays off. He has been married for 8 years and has a four-year-old daughter named Riley. He also loves the amazing movie "The Princess Bride".





A Day in the Life of a Pineapple Farmer!

By: Amelia L.

I'm sure you have had a pineapple before, right? Well, if you like pineapples, this job may be for you! Pineapple farmers are what bring your store these delicious fruits!

First thing, they need to plant the pineapple. To do so, they will cut off the crown, or top part of a pineapple, and place it in water. Then, they will wait for it to start growing. This will take around 18-32 months, of which the farmer needs to replace the water, move the plant into the sun, and keep changing the container it is in to grow a successful pineapple.

Once the pineapple has grown, the farmer needs to know when it is ready to be picked. He will know when it is ripe, by looking at the pattern on the pineapple. The small holes on the side of the fruit are called the 'eyes' of a pineapple. Looking at them, you can tell that a pineapple is ripe or will soon be, judging by the size of the eyes. If they are all the same, or close to being the same, then that means that the pineapple is ripe.

Now that he has grown his pineapple, he needs to pick it, sell it as a merchant in a farmers market or partner with a store and send the pineapples to the store so people can buy them to enjoy them at home. To do so, he needs to pull on the fronds, and the pineapple will come out of the ground quite easily.

Anyway, that's how pineapple farmers grow their pineapples! Go and try it yourself!

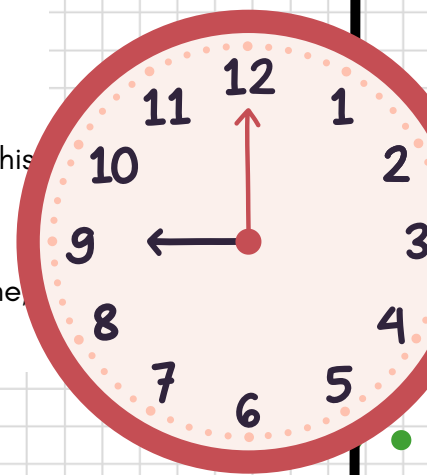


Mrs. Countdown

By: Alexis M.

Mrs. Countdown is a person on YouTube who uploads countdown videos with different lengths and calm music in the background. People have wondered if Mrs. Countdown has any relation to Mr. Timer who does the same thing as Mrs. Countdown on YouTube. Mrs. Countdown has only been on YouTube since January 7th of this year! That's not a very long time for the amount of views she has. Mrs. Countdown currently has 1,388,898 total views and 2.32k subscribers. Mrs. Countdown's videos are suitable for school, home, and work!

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Spiderman 2 (PS5) Review

By: Carter J.

On October 20, 2023, the sequel to one of the highest-selling games was released. Spider-Man 2. Spider-Man 2 is the long-awaited sequel to the previous game in the series Spider-Man. Is it worth the 5 year wait? Let's see. We will cover many fascists of the game including the story, graphics, and gameplay.

We are starting with the graphics. This game is a visual treat. This game has a very realistic look to it. Clear and nice reflections, sharp and clean lighting, and not to mention the fact that this game runs very smoothly with little to no hitches in performance. Graphics-wise, this game is a 10/10.

Next up is gameplay. The game series' famous traversal system is made even more fun with new additions like the wings and increased speed at which you move. The other systems included are made not only larger but more flashy. The final aspect of gameplay, the map, has increased in size not only including Manhattan but also, Queens and Brooklyn. When it comes to gameplay, this game gets a 9/10.

Finally, we arrive at the story. This game tugs at your heartstrings from start to finish. All I can say without spoiling it for others is that the premise both of our Spider-Men (Peter Parker and Miles Morales) have to tackle numerous problems after Peter's friend Harry Osborn returns after being sick for a while with a new treatment that's sure to cause problems. Not to mention a new foe has entered the town looking to hunt Spider-Man, Kraven. The story is great but I can't say much without spoiling it. The story without a doubt, gets a 10/10.

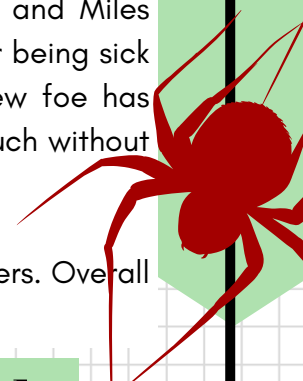
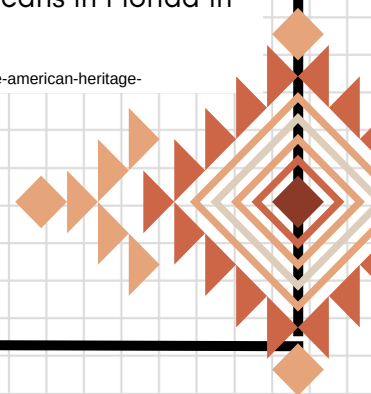
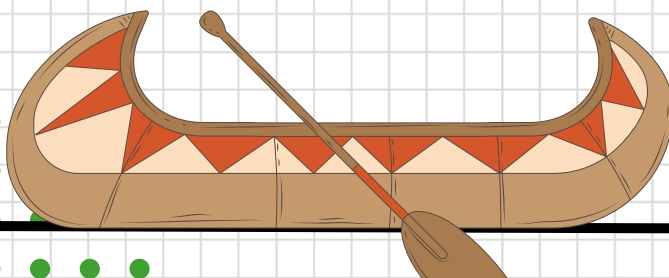
Overall this game is well worth the long wait. I can't recommend this game enough to others. Overall I give the game an emphatic 9.5/10.

Native American Heritage Month

By: Kristina K.

Native Americans are a huge part of US history, and this month is dedicated to the wonderful history and culture of Native Americans. The story behind this month is credited to Dr. Arthur C. Parker from the Seneca tribe. The Seneca tribe was one of the largest tribes and was part of the Iroquois Confederacy, one of the models that helped form our government. The tribes who lived here in Orlando were the Seminole and Miccosukee tribes. Native Americans have had a huge role in developing the nation we all live in. Native American Heritage Month is an important part of education too, as it is a way to further teach people about Native American history and its impact on the U.S. This year's theme is "Celebrating Tribal Sovereignty and Identity," there is also an event called "Rock your Mocs" on November 15th. There are around 94,795 Native Americans in Florida in 2023. This is a gorgeous and amazing culture that deserves to be recognized.

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Can't You?

By: Damien K.

I always see dreams of people in robes
Daziling windows, shining homes
But those dreams are fake, I know it so
Because life is not that simple, y'know.

"Can't you just get a job?" People question,
"Can't I wait till I'm older?" I said in suggestion.
"No, you have to gett a job right now!"
"Aren't I only a child? They won't allow."

The kids at my school arent much better,
"Can't you be like the girls? You upset her."
"I wouldn't and don't care if I upset her. Would you?" I
snapped back,
Leaving the girl in the pink sweater taken aback.

"Can't they? Can't they?" The people around me
whisper
Their words and actions formulating rumors.
But all I care for is my sanity
Instead of drowning myself in this calamity.

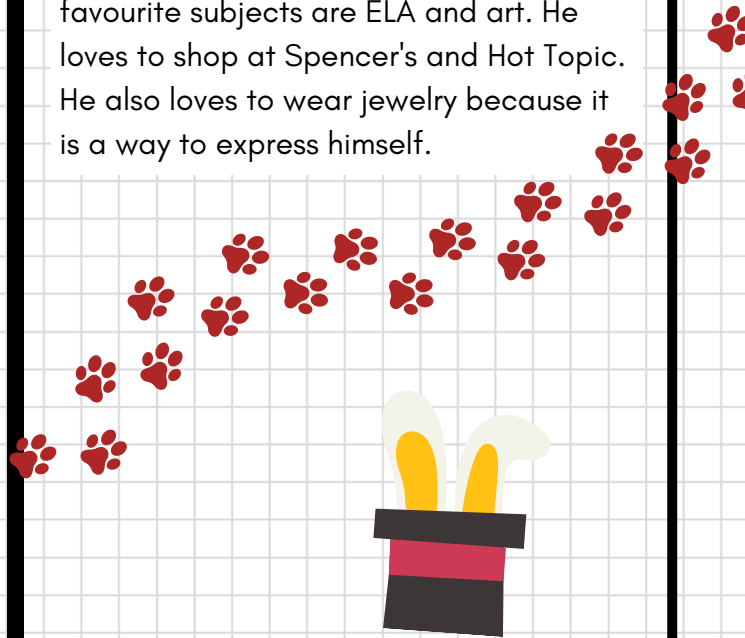
I see the world through a lens of blue
Sadness and fear, dissapointment too.
But now I look at the world in a different point of view,
After all, can't you?

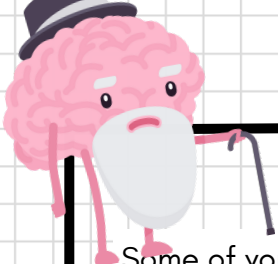


Student Spotlight

By: Amaya A.

This newsletter's student spotlight is about Damien Kelly, he is interested in many different fandoms like, The Amazing Digital Circus and How to Train Your Dragon. He is also an amateur artist who loves to draw cat heads and cartoon people. He is twelve years old and his favorite movie is Matilda. He loves the colours purple and black, and his favourite subjects are ELA and art. He loves to shop at Spencer's and Hot Topic. He also loves to wear jewelry because it is a way to express himself.



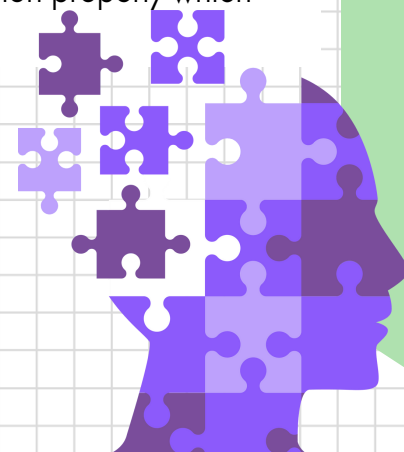


Alzheimer's and Dementia

By: Lexi G.

Some of you may have heard of Alzheimer's or Dementia. Those of you who haven't might be wondering, "What are Alzheimer's and Dementia?" To answer your question, Dementia, most commonly Alzheimer's disease, is a brain disorder that slowly destroys memory, and thinking skills, and eventually, you lose the ability to carry out simple tasks. Dementia can affect anyone, however, certain people are more at risk. Most adults are diagnosed after the age of 65, some may start experiencing symptoms in their late 40's and 50's. Around 70 percent of Dementia cases are Alzheimer's. The other cases include Lewy Body, frontotemporal, and vascular. For now, there is no cure for Alzheimer's and Dementia but clinicians recommend exercise, a healthy diet, and interaction with others to slow the progression of the diseases and help with memory. Two drugs can change the disease's progress, Aducanumab and Lecanemab are not cures, but they are traditionally approved treatments. Symptoms of Dementia/Alzheimer's are changes in the way you plan or solve problems, difficulty completing familiar tasks, and feeling confused about what time or place you are in. Brain proteins (ApoE ε3 proteins) don't function properly which causes the brain to shrink in size, which leads to the symptoms.

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This Week in History: Dumbo

By: Carter J.

Disney. The studio is known for making classics that all ages and generations can enjoy. Cinderella, Beauty and the Beast, Sleeping Beauty, etc. One of those classics is Dumbo. It follows an elephant that is made fun of because of its large ears. They later go on to learn that the ears make Dumbo fly. They use this talent to further their career in the circus and meet Dumbo's mom. But let's take a look at the behind-the-scenes for this movie.

Around the time this movie was made, Disney was in a bad time. They were losing lots of money due to the ongoing war. WWII. This caused them to lose around 40% of its market share. They needed something to save them. Their past movie was good but didn't make much because of its lineup with other movies. They found Dumbo.

This movie was based on the unpublished book of the same name. They bought the rights and started work. Despite starting as a short the runtime ended up increasing to 64 minutes. When Walt Disney was told to increase the runtime, he had to decline to keep the budget low.

The movie itself was considered to be alright but enough to save them and give them enough money to survive. This movie may not seem like it but this movie was arguably one of the most important movies released and saved them as a company.

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