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Washington DC 2018



- I learned that George Washington had many houses, and many people worked for him.
- CT was the 5th ratified state in the constitution.
- I learned that more slaves died on the ships than were sold.
- I learned that the Air Force Memorial has 3 spears because a pilot did not make it back.
- I learned that 400,000 people died in the Vietnam War and that all their names are written on the wall at the memorial.
- I learned that an earthquake made cracks in the Washington Monument.
- I learned that there were 7 founding fathers.
- I learned that Jefferson was a lover of the arts, and he knew 5 languages.



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Fall Fashion

Last Minute Costume Savers

By: Nina Carmeli

Halloween is coming up. Are you turning over your room, trying to find a costume? Here are 3 on the go Halloween costumes for you!

1. Rosie the Riveter: All you need is a red and white polka-dotted bandana, a pair of jeans and a jean shirt.
2. A Minion: All you need is a yellow shirt, jean overalls or shorts, and some suspenders. Don't forget some goggles!
3. Dunkin Donut: Make this funny costume with a play on words. All you need is a basketball uniform and a blow up donut floatie.



Never, never give up!!!



Club master Sunglasses

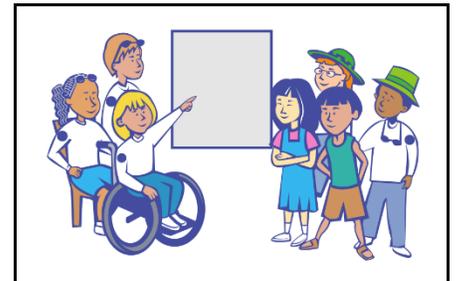
by: Nina Carmeli

These sunglasses, known as Club master sunglasses are one of the top selling sunglasses frames. They are the top selling sunglasses frame on the Ray Ban website, and are in the trend.

Fall Colors

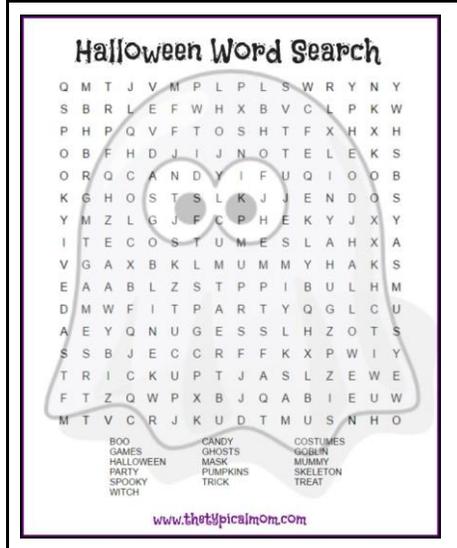
by: Nina Carmeli

Don't be afraid of warm tones. Yellow, orange, and red are very symbolic of fall, the leaves and pumpkins! Boots are also very classy, and will give you warmth as the weather gets colder. Lastly, don't forget your favorite sweater, and get some last use of your summer tops before fall ends!



Take the road less traveled.

Believe in yourself



Weird News

Potential 4-Legged Snake

By: Piyush Bahel

Yes, it's true! We have found evidence of a 4-legged snake. Although it has been believed that snakes had always had no legs, this fossil has helped us reconstruct a snake that had 4 legs. The astonishing fact about this fossil is that we may have gotten our hands on this fossil through illegal ways.

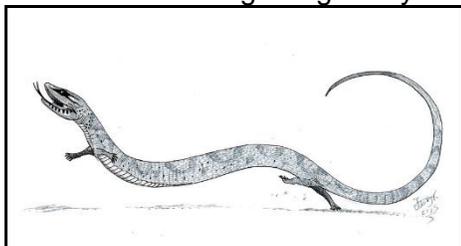
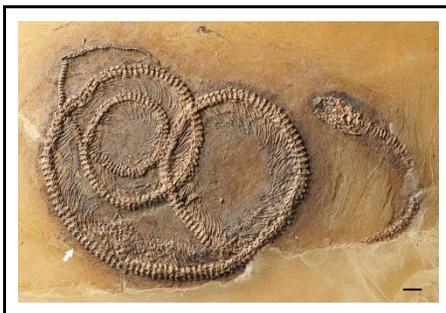


Image of the Tetrapodophis

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“Be the change you wish to see in the world.”

-Mahatma Gandhi



The snake with a bug and a lizard inside.

This fossilized animal was named as the Tetrapodophis is a 10-million-year-old fossil and was believed that the 2 things on the side of the body were limbs. They interpreted this snake as a burrowing snake. If this snake didn't turn out to be a burrowing snake, then it would lead to more studying of a new specimen in the earlier times. After further study, we concluded that this animal wasn't a 4-legged snake, but something close to one.

Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”

-MLK Jr.

Weird Fossils

By: Piyush Bahel

A new fossil was discovered. After further experimentation and examination of the fossil. It was revealed that the creature inside was a snake. But, there was something else there too. Eventually, it was found out that there was a bug in a lizard that was inside the fossilized snake.



Image of a burrowing snake

Did you know that 11% of people are left-handed?

Random Notes

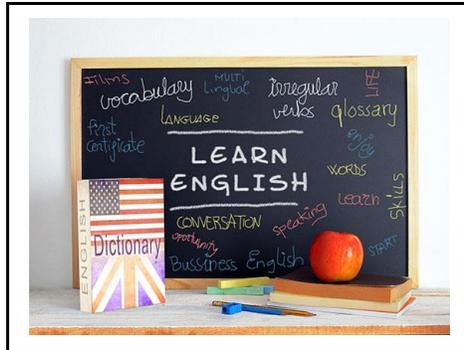
Annie Liu

Math v English

by: Annie Liu

Recently, a survey was conducted on 16 of the students in Mrs. Saisa's period 4 Literacy class. The question was this: which class is better, Math or English?

The answers were surprising, to say the least. If I were to guess which class would be more favored by students, I would've guessed English, but this was ultimately proven wrong after the survey. Math class actually had nearly twice the amount of votes as English!



A blackboard representing English class

Math v English, cont.

by: Annie Liu

The specific numbers were 11 votes for math and 6 votes for English. Some people gave their reasoning on why they chose one class over another.

"Math, because you're in my English class," one student said.

"Math is boring," another student, who had voted for English, said, "and I'm bad at it."

"I don't get how math won, personally," someone else said while sobbing in the corner. "And why does the first student hate me so much?!"

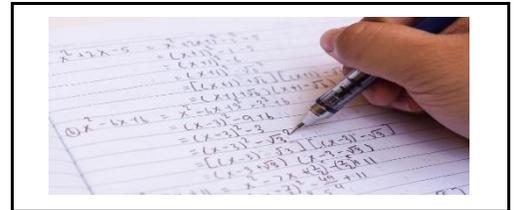
Tip: Use scholar.google.com for research related to science or tech rather than just Google. It will return more relevant articles.

Do Your Homework

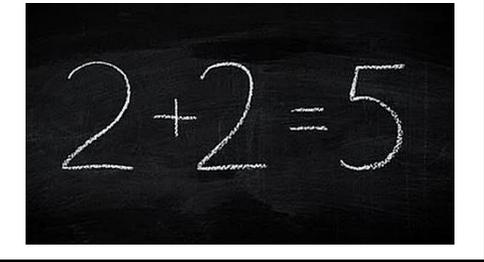
by: Annie Liu

Homework is often a source of difficulty for many students. It can be frustrating to go home and have to do more work after the day is over. Some days, homework just goes forgotten in favor of more enjoyable activities.

However, is it not far more satisfying to enjoy yourself knowing you don't have an assignment due tomorrow that you haven't started? The purpose of homework is to corroborate what you have learned in school. Teachers, believe it or not, are not so cruel as to give you homework simply for the fun of watching you struggle through it. Their purpose is to help you learn and homework is a part of that -- and once you get it over with, there's always that feel of satisfaction at a job done and over with.



Somebody doing math homework



A simple math equation done wrong
"2+2=5"

"Mathematics is the art of giving the same name to different things."

-- Henri Poincare

"The most effective way to do it, is to do it."

-- Amelia Earhart

Help and advice

Better Grades

By: Evelyn Carrington

I got 0.5 points off of my math test and that is miserable, my life is now over I can't believe I didn't get a perfect 100 on my math test!

-miserable

If you are that sad about getting 0.5 points off of your math test, then you must be smart! A hint is to study even the smallest details.



We are here to help you with anything

Membean troubles

by: Evelyn Carrington

I keep on getting membean questions wrong over and over and I end up not getting credit even though I'm trying!

- stressed

Well if you keep on getting the questions wrong I recommend spending more time on membean and study what those words mean so you can have an enjoyable membean experience.



Problem advice

Problems don't have to be hidden!

Tell people you care about your problems or your most trusted friend.



Organization

by: Evelyn Carrington

How should I organize my time? I have to do homework and other things in the day but I seem to never get enough time.

-Anxious

Well one method of organizing your time is making a daily list of what you have to do and how much time it takes, follow that list and do your best to achieve that.



Problem? (text) 203-906-6577

Text this number to solve your problem but remain anonymous

Sports

Drew Brees Breaks NFL

Record

by: John Nguyen, YoungSu Kim,
and Isaiah McCoy

Drew Brees is a NFL quarterback for the New Orleans Saints. He recently broke the NFL record for the passing yards, passing Peyton Manning's record. He is currently 39 years old and has been in the NFL for 17 years. During the game between his team and the Washington Redskins, he dominated game and defeated Washington 43-19. During the second quarter of the game, he threw a 62-yard touchdown pass which broke the record. After scoring the touchdown, the football was immediately given to the representative of the Pro Hall of Fame where it would be displayed there.



"You can accomplish anything in life if you're willing to work for it!" -Drew Brees



New Orleans Saint

Title

by: Isaiah McCoy, John Nguyen, and
Youngsu Kim

"When you wake up, think about winning the day. Don't worry about a week or a month from now -- just think about one day at a time. If you are worried about the mountain in the distance, you might trip over the molehill right in front of you."

Back Story

By: John Nguyen, Youngsu Kim, and Isaiah McCoy



American football quarterback Drew Brees was born in Austin, Texas, on January 15, 1979. After excelling as a quarterback at Westlake High School, he enrolled at Purdue University and led the Boilermakers to a Big Ten Championship and a Rose Bowl appearance. Drafted by the San Diego Chargers in 2001, Brees signed with the New Orleans Saints in 2006 and steered them to victory in Super Bowl XLIV. American football quarterback Drew Brees was born in Austin, Texas, on January 15, 1979. After excelling as a quarterback at Westlake High School, he enrolled at Purdue University and led the Boilermakers to a Big Ten Championship and a Rose Bowl appearance. Drafted by the San Diego Chargers in 2001, Brees signed with the New Orleans Saints in 2006 and steered them to victory in Super Bowl XLIV.

PRIDE!!!!

Movie Reviews

High School Musical

by: Julia Rizzuti

The first of the three iconic *High School Musical* movies was created in 2006. The movie starred Troy Bolton, played by Zac Efron, and Gabriella Montez, played by Vanessa Hudgens. Troy is a jock who is very dedicated to playing basketball, whereas Gabriella is a very smart girl that devotes her time to getting good grades in school and living life to the fullest. The two met at a News Year's Eve Party and found out that they were both attending the same high school. East High is where they got to know each other and end up falling in love.



Troy and Gabriella looking at Chad and Taylor while making the yearbook in *High School Musical 3: Senior Year*.

Did you know the LIKE button was originally called the AWESOME button?



Gabriella and Troy singing in HSM1.

High School Musical 3: Senior Year

by: Julia Rizzuti

High School Musical 3: Senior Year is based off of the Troy and Gabriella's senior year at East High. In this movie Troy finds his love for being in the theater and performing. He continues to juggle basketball and acting because he enjoys both. Gabriella finds out she got into Stanford's Freshman Honors Program in California. This creates tension between the two, but it doesn't keep them apart. Sharpay meets her match when a transfer student comes to East High and acts like Sharpay's assistant. Sharpay is fooled by the girl's kindness which leads to lots of drama when it is time for their school musical. Like the others, HSM3 is very intriguing and interesting to watch. This movie ends in the friends graduating and deciding where they are going to college.

High School Musical 2

by: Julia Rizzuti

High School Musical 2 is based on the summer before their senior year. Troy, Gabriella, and their friends are stuck working at a country club for the summer, but they do everything they can to make their summer great. Troy and Chad continue to play basketball whenever they can over the summer even though they don't have much free time. The group also takes part in the country club's musical. Sharpay does everything she can to get them in trouble and fired from the country club, although it is difficult the group works together to make it an amazing summer. *High School Musical 2* is an iconic, very upbeat movie full of singing and dancing and many friendships.



Troy and Gabriella singing together in the musical for the country club in *High School Musical 2*.

Zombsroyale.io

The positives of Zombsroyale.io

by: Jacob Alguard

Some positives of zombsroyale.io are that it is a battle royale. Also It is very good and constantly updated. Also it is free and you can play on anything



This is what the game looks like.

Did you know
Zombsroyale.io is a 2d game
which is very cool



This picture shows the objective of that game which is to be the last man standing.

What does it cost

by: Jacob Alguard

Zombsroyale.io is free for anyone to play. There are in game purchases but they are only cosmetics so you do not need to buy them to get better.

Did you know
It is rated 9/10 stars

The negatives of zombsroyale.io

by: Jacob Alguard

Some negatives of zombsroyale.io is are that you have to play a lot to be good at it. Also they games can take a while.



This is the loading screen when you load the game.

Did you know
Over 300,000 people play this game



Sports

The Boston Bruins of 2018

by: Annabel Raffin

The Boston Bruins of 2018 are coming back into the top this year.

Already, this team has made into the second spot in the Eastern Conference Atlantic Division. They have since the beginning of the season won 4 games and lost only 1 with a total of five games played. This team sits under Toronto by only a one game lead only because of the six games Toronto has played. It seems at this point in the season this year's Boston Bruins should thrive on success.



Zdeno Chara of the Boston Bruins



SMELEZE a useful product to defeat the sport bag odor

Defeat that Odor!!!

by: Annabel Raffin

Has your child come home with that smelly bag and just left it there sitting and just then do you realize how bad it smells, well here are some nose saving products.

- SMELEZE
- Odor gladiator
- Sneaker balls

So parents take action and take out that odor!!!

Winners never quit and quitters never win
-Vince Lombardi



Amazing Goo that used for the inside of football player's helmets

by: Annabel Raffin

Have you ever gotten a concussion? Well we all know that these concussions are dangerous and can lead to long term mental problems. More so now many of us have realized how dangerous this is especially for adolescents growing. This new goo leads the way into a new type of helmet with the best resistance to concussions. This non-newtonian substance is very malleable making it easy to work with for helmets. I think if this substance can be used for soldiers it can be used for us. This important substance changes the concussion game and also the helmets of people. This is a revolutionary product with a great use.



This revolutionary orange goo helping to prevent concussions

Bob Vance, Vance Refrigeration

He's always in the Office.

- Ready for work
- Quick installation



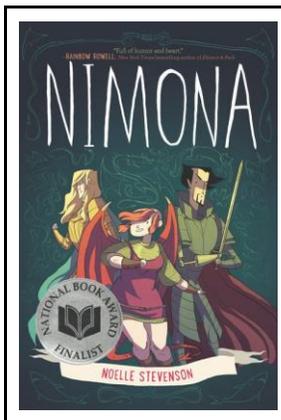
Books of Interest

Nimona

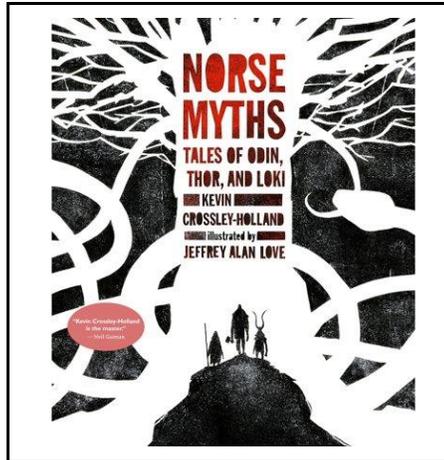
by: Deborah Luo

Nimona is certainly an award-winner. It has been a National Book Finalist, an Indus Choice Book of the Year, New York Times Bestseller, a Kirkus Best Book, and more! But many books have won awards - what makes this one special?

Nimona is a funny, light-hearted, book at first. It will easily make you grin, but as you delve within, it turns into a deep book of trust, vendettas, terrible truths, and new beginnings. Definitely worth a second, third, and maybe fourth read!



Nimona's Cover Page



Cover of Norse Myths: Tales of Odin, Thor, and Loki

Norse Myths: Tales of Odin, Thor, and Loki

by: Deborah Luo

This book is not commonly known - you've probably never heard of it. But this tale is not like others you've read either - it does not rush you to get to the next page, rather you linger on each one. This story is slow, long, and you will curl up for hours eating it up. It is dark and deep, a story of a turn into night and then a new dawn. With stunning, bright illustrations and both deep and lighthearted words dancing across the page, this book is an *absolute* must-read.

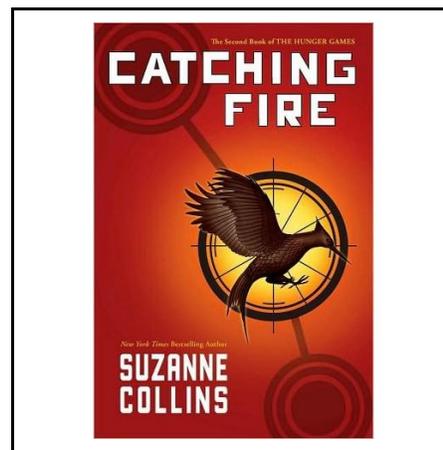
This book can be found in the Woodbridge Town Library, if it is not already taken out. There is only one copy though (as I am informed), so get there fast!

The Hunger Games: Catching Fire

by: Deborah Luo

This is from the famous, all-known series, The Hunger Games (as you probably know already). It may not seem so special to you; Suzanne Collins has managed to do something amazing with this book. It is the sequel to "The Hunger Games", and sequels are so rarely better than the first. But Collins has managed to do that thing, for she has made a sequel better than the first book.

This book is the slow build-up of the epic trilogy, with Katniss having the threat of Snow hanging over her head and the relationship between the Capitol and the Districts growing tense. Here is a book that will make you tear through each word to find out what happens next, but yet you'll never want to put the book down.



Note: Do not read this book unless you have read the first book as well!

Weird News

Drepanosaurus

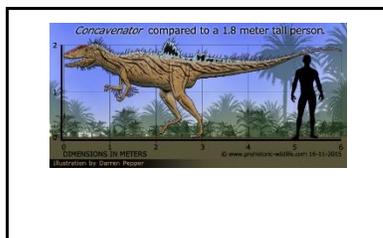
by: Ian Lee

Drepanosaurs (members of the [clade Drepanosauromorpha](#)) are a group of strange [reptiles](#) that lived during the [Carnian](#) stage of the late [Triassic Period](#), between 220 and 216 million years ago.^[1] The various species of drepanosaurus were characterized by odd specialized grasping limbs and often prehensile tails, adaptations for arboreal (tree-dwelling), and/or possibly aquatic lifestyles. Drepanosaurus are notable for their distinctive, triangular skulls, which resemble the skulls of [birds](#). Some drepanosaurus, such as [Hypuronector](#), had pointed, toothless, bird-like [beaks](#). This similarity to birds may have led to the possible misattribution of a drepanosaurus skull to the would-be "first bird".



This shows the weird shape of this reptilian triassi creature

"At the center of nonviolence stands the principle of love." -Martin Luther King Jr



Size of concavenator to a human being.

Concavenator

by: Ian Lee

Concavenator is certainly different from the other known theropod dinosaurs that came before it. Its most striking feature is the protrusion above its hips that is caused by the extension of two presacral vertebrae. It's speculated that these vertebrae would have supported either a sail or hump structure. Theories as to its purpose include a device to enhance thermo-regulation to simply being a means of recognizing others of its species. Some have even suggested that it could have been used to store fatty tissue to better survive prolonged periods without food.

Structures for what appear to be quill knobs have been found on the ulna of the forearms. If this interpretation is accurate, then *Concavenator* may have displayed sparse protofeathers from its lower arms. Unfortunately no feathers have been found preserved with the specimen so clarification may have to wait until further specimens can be found.



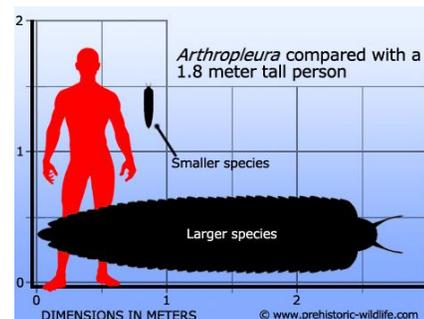
Arthropleura

by: Ian Lee

Arthropleura is a contender for the biggest arthropod of all time, and like with other arthropods of the Carboniferous period, this gigantism has been attributed to the greater abundance of oxygen in the atmosphere of this time. Many fossilized track ways have also been preserved with some even showing *Arthropleura* moving around trees as it made its way through the Carboniferous forests.

Because the mouth of *Arthropleura* has never been recovered it is having been difficult to say with certainty if it was an herbivore or carnivore. Instead scientists have had to look at the digestive tract and coprolites of this animal, which have been found to contain spores from plants like ferns, something that is not seen in a carnivorous animal suggesting it was an herbivore.

Arthropleura disappears from the fossil record during the early Permian when the climate dried and the lush forests were replaced with arid and desert like environments. Not only did the oxygen content become reduced from the lack of oxygen producing vegetation, the dry conditions would not have suited *Arthropleura* because of its crustacean ancestry. Crustaceans as a whole need moist conditions to stop themselves from drying out which is why today you either see them in aquatic environments, or the shaded areas of the ground such as amongst the leaf litter where the ground cannot get dried out by the sun.



Did you know a bear has 42 teeth

Tech Product Reviews

Henry Yang

RTX 2080 Ti. Is it worth the price?

The all new RTX 2080 Ti. The newest edition of NVIDIA's consumer graphics cards. Though this card contains a hefty price tag of \$1,199 for the founder's edition, the performance boost and ray tracing technologies differentiate it from the older 1080 Ti's. This factory overclocked card has 11 GB of GDDR6 of VRAM and has hit over 29000 on the 3DMark, Firestrike benchmark.



The all new RTX 2080 Ti

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Do you like helping out others? Are you in a need of cash? The Lawn and Yard Association are looking for people to help mow and clean the park. You will be paid \$10 per hour for each 4-hour shift. Call **532-673-YARD** to sign up. Only 20 spots available.



The Ryzen Threadripper 2990WX

AMD Fights back with their new 2nd generation Threadripper

Released weeks ago, the second generation Ryzen Threadripper is bound to kill Intel's X series and Extreme series chips. The threadripper starts at a price of \$649 but its top-of-the-line chip with 32 cores and 64 threads can rip out those threads and even your wallet, costing a whopping \$1,799.

"Get busy living or get busy dying"
- Stephen King

Did you know that an ostrich's eye is bigger than it's brain.



40th Anniversary i7 8086k

The all new i7 8086k is a 40th anniversary microprocessor from Intel. This limited edition processor won't stick around for long. They have it overclocked to 5Ghz out of the box! The price is only a bit more than the i7 8700k hitting \$425 at MSRP. Make sure to get your hands on one before stocks become depleted.



The all new i7 8086k 40th Anniversary Edition

Do you have old electronics and you don't have a place to trash them? Donate them to the Electronic Association! We collect old, second hand electronics that we will recycle and even donate to libraries, schools, and elderly homes. Call 281-589-9120 or go to 516 Electric Drive.Q

Game and movie reviews

Top Gun

by: Alden Zimmerman

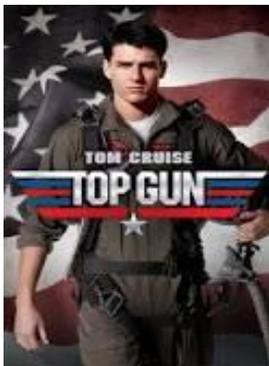
Top Gun was released on May 16, 1986. The Top Gun Naval Fighter Weapons School is where the best of the best train to refine their elite flying skills. When hotshot fighter pilot Maverick (Tom Cruise) is sent to the school, his reckless attitude and cocky demeanor put him at odds with the other pilots, especially the cool and collected Iceman (Val Kilmer).

I would know, I've seen it about 100 times

Top Gun

[PG] 1986 · Drama/Action · 1h 50m

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The movie cover from the 2013 release



Gave cover

Ace combat assault horizon

Alden Zimmerman

Ace Combat: Assault Horizon is a spin-off installment of the Ace Combat arcade combat flight video game series. It was developed by Project Aces and published by Namco Bandai Games for the PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360 platforms in October 2011. [3] The game was later released on Microsoft Windows in January 2013 through Steam

Did you know the average person falls asleep in 7 minutes.



Pacific rim Alden Zimmerman

Pacific Rim is a 2013 American science fiction monster film directed by Guillermo del Toro. The screenplay was written by Travis Beacham and del Toro from a story by Beacham. The film is set in the future, when Earth is at war with the Kaiju, colossal sea monsters which have emerged from an interdimensional portal on the bottom of the Pacific Ocean. To combat the monsters, humanity unites to create the Jaegers, gigantic humanoid mechas, each controlled by at least two pilots, whose minds are joined by a mental link. Focusing on the war's last days, the story follows Raleigh Becket, a washed-up Jaeger pilot called out of retirement and teamed with rookie pilot Mako Mori as part of a last-ditch effort to defeat the Kaiju



Student Interview

Sam the Cameraman

by:Amaan Malik

Sam Anastasio is a very wonderful cameraman. In fact, Sam is a cameraman for his brother's TV show called *Raving Ryan*. He is very patient as he stands and sets the camera properly to help his brother get the best quality videos possible.



Sam as a Cameraman

His Trendy Fashion

by: Amaan Malik

Sam has a lot of trendy fashion ideas, and he brings about a new one every day. He loves to wear khakis and vineyard vines shirts. It is almost like he is a vineyard vines sponsor. He even wears those nice little ties with the designs on them to parties, Bar Mitzvahs and Bat Mitzvahs

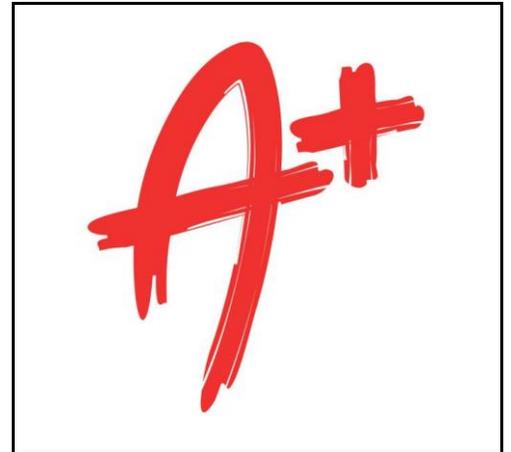
"Imagination is more important than knowledge."

-Albert Einstein

Sam's Camping and Academics

by: Amaan Malik

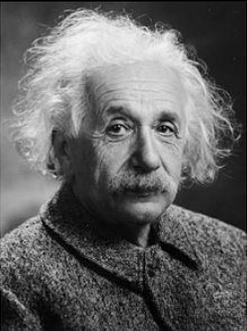
Sam has loved to camp since he was a really little child. Every summer, Sam goes to sleepaway camp for 6 weeks, and there are no electronics allowed for the whole time. Sam's academics are possibly affected by sleepaway camp, because it tends to keep away the distractions and keep him involved in the things that really matter, including nature.



Get Good Grades...study!!

Did you know that duct tape is more effective at removing warts than liquid nitrogen?

Sam Camping



Billboard Top Pop Hits 2018

Juliana Garcia

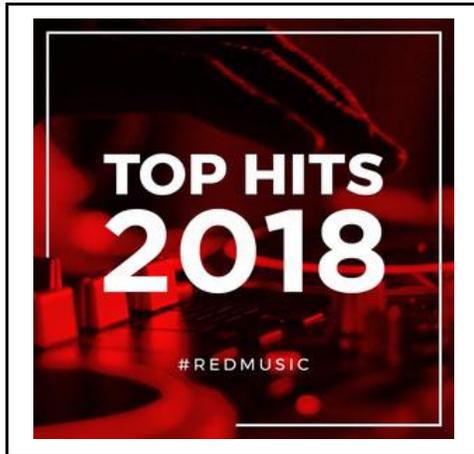
Top 10 Pop

- 1. Girls Like You**
by Maroon 5 featuring Cardi B
- 2. Mona Lisa**
By Lil Wayne featuring Kendrick Lamar
- 3. Lucid Dreams**
by Juice WRLD
- 4. Better Now**
by Post Malone
- 5. Don't Cry** by Lil Wayne featuring XXXTENTACION

BRUNO MARS



In 1992, Bruno Mars performed at a cameo at the age of 4 in Vegas as Elvis Presley and later he was called little Elvis!



Interesting Facts About Artists



NICKI MINAJ

Before Nicki Minaj became famous for pop she sang R&B with a girl band called Choice.

Continue of Top 10

- 6. Sicko Mood** by Travis Scott
- 7. Young Blood** by 5 Seconds of Summer
- 8. Happier** by Marshmello & Bastille
- 9. I Like It** by Cardi B, Bad Bunny & J Balvin
- 10. FEFE** by 6ix 9ine, Nicki Minaj & Murda Beatz

MOROON 5



Maroon 5 used to be called "Kara's Flowers and they started their group in 1994 before they changed their name and became famous.

Family Famous Doughnut Bites

Donut Bites

About the Doughnut Bites by: Aadya Wijesekera

These are my family's famous Doughnut Bites! We have been making them for what feels like forever. It is one of my favorite deserts to eat and make! Keep reading and you can find out how to make your own doughnut bites.



Appropriate Type of Stand Mixer



This recipe gets a 5 star rating from me!~Ali Baker

"The most successful person is the one who is most inspired. That is true in food and in life."~ Ron Ben-Israel

Cooking makes the soul happy.....



Famous Doughnut Bites

Ingredients

by: Aadya Wijesekera

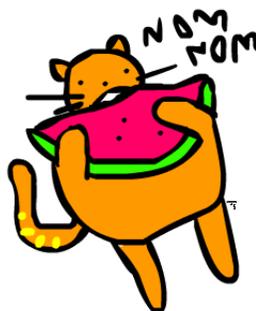
Cake Ingredients

- ½ cup of white sugar
- ¼ cup of margarine or butter, melted
- ¾ teaspoon of ground nutmeg
- ½ cup of milk
- 1 cup of all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon of baking powder

Doughnut Dip

- ¼ cup of margarine or butter, melted
- ½ cup of white sugar
- 1 teaspoon of cinnamon

Need a good recipe? You'll find an AMAZING one at allrecipes.com.



The Recipe by: Aadya Wijesekera

1. Preheat your oven to 375°F on convection
2. Grease a 24 mini-muffin pan.
3. Mix ½ cup of sugar, ¼ cup of melted margarine or butter and ¾ teaspoon on ground nutmeg
4. Stir in the milk
5. Mix in baking powder and flour until just combined.
6. Fill the mini muffin pan halfway.
7. Bake for 15-20 mins or until the tops are golden brown
8. While baking, place ¼ cup of melted margarine or butter to the side.
9. In a separate bowl, mix together ½ cup of sugar and 1 teaspoon of cinnamon.
10. After removing the bites from the muffin pan, dip it into the bowl of melted butter.
11. Then dip into the cinnamon-sugar mixture.
12. Let the bites sit and cool
13. Then serve and enjoy!!



The Proper Temperature

