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In Brief

Humanities Fair Preview By Yun Jung Tseng

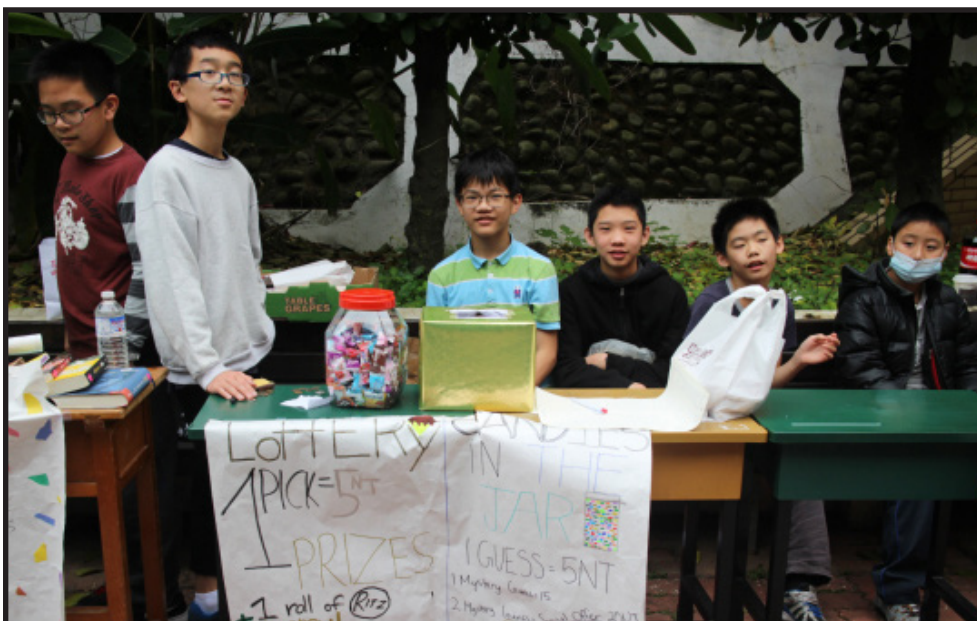
For IBSH students, not only is the Humanities Fair a chance to show the other grades your amazing English skills, but more about discovering Taiwan through cooperation with your classmates. This year, the fourth graders' themes are the different landforms of Taiwan. For fifth graders, tourism is involved. Sixth graders are researching the hazardous pollution problems our tiny island needs to watch out for. Last but not least, seventh graders bring up the rear, with Taiwanese culture as their topic.

Computer on Wheels By Allison Ku

The COW also known as computer on wheels, is a cart transporting new ipads around the school. This new technology was bought to give students a better learning environment and a more advanced and technologized class. Now every class can use this wonderful new technology that has been added to our school. It includes lots of educational apps including brainpop, prezzi, and lots more others.

April Fools By Michelle Han

It was April Fool's Day on 4/1! Many people were tricking each other and playing pranks. Do you know the origin of April Fools' Day which is also known sometimes as All Fools' Day. The answer is uncertain but most people believe that it's a celebration of a new calendar. March 25th to April 1st is the arrival of the new gregorian calendar. The traditional way of celebrating April Fools' Day in France is pinning a fish on someone's back and yelling, "April Fish!" when you succeed.



Open for Business: Sixth grade boys patiently await customers. Photo credit: Nina Pao

2014 IBSH Flea Market

By Katherine Li

It was a bright, cloudless day, in other words; really hot! Booths were set up, students shouted for their friends to come, and stopped at every booth within eyesight. Why were booths set up, selling things like second hand books, used toys, baked goods, and drinks? Why do we even have flea markets? There are several reasons for this peculiar behavior. The first reason is, we are doing all this for charity. For poor civilians in developing countries, suffering from all the things they need but cannot get, such as water, food, and shelter.

Secondly, it is because that day was the school's 31st anniversary. It is almost like a day off for both students and teachers. Everybody wants to have a chance to distract themselves from work and just and relax. The smell of every-

one's cookies, plates of chips n salsa, and fried chicken was overpowering. Just like night markets, we sell a lot of things that are unique in our own ways. Yelling, pushing, and collecting are the three actions that could be spotted everywhere. First, yelling to grab everyone's attention. Next, pulling at unsuspecting innocents to buy your goods. Last, collecting money from the people who bought your products. As soon as the clock strikes 12, it is time to clean up! Everyone pitches in, picking up trash in the areas around their booth. When not even a speck of dust could be found anywhere, students asked a teacher to check it, and they called it a day. In conclusion, I think that IBSH should have flea markets every day, so students and teachers alike, can relax and do whatever they want to do..

Path to Glory: Student reflects on Spelling Bee

By Ashley Yeh

This year fifth grader named Vivian breezed through the spelling Bee and got third place at IBSH. The only word she spelled wrong was "imperial" which she spelled as "imperial". She used spelling city and Merriam Webster to study her words. Vivian also had her brother test her on the spelling list. When asked what her hopes were for the semi-finals, she replied, "I hope I can get a really high place in China". She's a lit-

tle nervous about going to China but she's also excited because her mother's friend is going to meet her there, she can travel to outside of Taiwan, and because there will be a welcome dinner for the contestants which she's looking forward to. We asked her if she likes practicing her words, and she said that it was hard, but she was inspired by the possibilities of going to the US if she gets to the finals. Next time, Vivian decided that

she would study the same way but she could practice more examples of sentences and she thinks she could have improved on the pronunciation.



Top Ten Gaming Apps

By Ben Chou

#1: Minecraft



a game where the land is totally made of blocks. There are no rules. There is no limit of your imagination once you set foot in this game. Fight monsters, survive in the wilderness, or play creative and build with no limit of blocks. Just think of it as digital lego.

#2: Clash of Clans



Clash of clans is a game where you build your own fort to defend your village. battle with other players online. Produced by supercell.

#3: Tower of Saviors

to play this game, you must dissolve runestones to send a attack at the enemy. it is required to put the rune stones in a row of three or more to fire an attack. The characters of the game are from various mythologies and cultures.



#4: Minion Rush

Take the minions from the movie. merge it with the gameplay of Temple Run and Subway Surfers. You got minion rush. Oh yeah, throw some bananas in too.



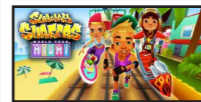
#5: N.O.V.A. 3

kill baddies with weapons to get to harder levels. the kill more Baddies with your force powers.



#6: Subway Surfers

OKAY. in this game, you basically run from a police from the start to the end. why? because you spray painted a train. collect coins to buy upgrades so you can run from more police. yay.



#7: Blockfortress

protect your base with the strongest weapons you got. place machine guns to take out the bad guys.



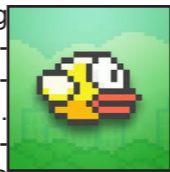
#8: Candy Crush

match candies up in rows of three or more to earn points. get enough points to get to the next level. if you run out of lives you can delete the game.



#9: Flappy Bird

in this game you attempt to fly the bird through the gaps of the pipes without crashing into them. This simple game is frustrating and addictive. it has very simple controls. If you still have this game you are lucky because it was removed from the app store. there are still many parodies of the game available.



#10: Temple Run 2

run away from scary monsters after you've stolen some precious artifacts. try not to suicide.



2014 IBSH Science Fair



6A students Ashley Yeh (1st right), Yun Jung Tseng (2nd right), and Jenny Lee (left) are in the gym presenting their science fair project on how different substances affect how aquatic plants growth.

Top Five Phones of IBSH Students

By Ashley Yeh & Yun Jung Tseng

#1: Samsung From- South Korea



Did you know?- Samsung translates into "three stars." The number refers to power, and the stars represent eternity. Latest Phones- Galaxy S4 & Galaxy Note 3

#4 Sony From- Japan



Did you know?- Sony comes from the Latin word sonus, rooted in words such as 'sonar' and 'sonic'. Another contributor to the name "Sony" is an old Japanese expression sonny boy, describing a young person with a free spirit. The new name captured the mood of the company as a group of young people with the drive for creating new electronic products.

#2 Apple From- America

Did you know?- The top nine Apple executives make more money than 95,000 Apple factory workers in China. Apple once had more cash in the bank than the US Treasury had money to spend. Apple puts new employees on fake projects to see if they can be trusted. Latest Phone- iPhone 5s



#3 Nokia From- Finland



Did you know?- Nokia never produced any models in Asia starting with the digit '4' as the number 4 is considered unlucky in major parts of Asia. Latest Phone- Lumia 930, Lumia 1520

#5 HTC From- Taiwan

Did you know?- The HTC One uses BoomSound, to deliver the loudest, clearest audio on a smartphone yet. Latest Phones- HTC One, Butterfly S, HTC One Mini, HTC M8, HTC X



Rats on the Loose

By Ashley Yeh & Yun Jung Tseng

On the morning of May 27th, (the first day of the IOWA tests), 6A students discovered four gray rats in the trash can. Since the rats were there overnight, the trash can smelled absolutely terrible. Anyone within one foot of the trash could smell the stench. Some students were even running around the classroom, screaming their heads off. Two of the hyperventilating students rocketed out of the classroom and alerted Ms. Savannah, who sent for the cleaning lady immediately. While some students nearly sobbed with relief, others shouted, "Why can't we keep these cute little rodents as our class pets?" Together, Ms. Savannah and the cleaning lady brought the trash can outside and draped a trash bag over it. Then they flipped the trash can over. Sadly,



their plan was flawed, and the rats found an exit. Two rats jumped out and nearly gave Ms. Savannah and the cleaning lady heart attacks. The rats fled into the classroom, and students shrieked in terror, as some of them even jumped onto their chairs, out of the rats' reach. The cleaning lady put an end to one of the rats' lives merely by stepping on it. Most students were horrified and awed. The students wondered how she could possibly find the bravery to sacrifice her shoe just to kill a rat. The second rat was trickier. While the class was taking the IOWA tests, the two ladies went prowling around the room searching for signs of it's whereabouts. Finally, they found the rat behind a backpack and killed it. For the rest of the day, everyone was wondering how the rats got in, in the first place. By the end of the day, the students concluded that the rats had probably gotten in from the huge hole in cubby five. However, we are not absolutely sure. This is the mystery that still remains.

Hot Topic

By Ashley Yeh & Allison Ku
Pictures by Ethan Chiang

"If you could have any animal for a pet, what would it be?"



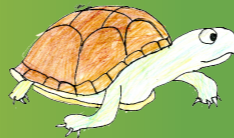
1A: Dong

I would want a huge fluffy red dog because it would look cool. I would also want my dog to have blue eyes because it is my favorite color.



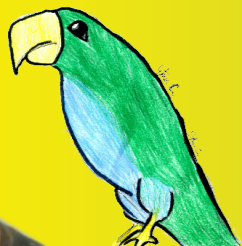
2A Kelly

I would want a white rabbit with pink ears because I like the color white and because normally, rabbits have pink ears. I would also prefer for my rabbit to have brown eyes, be small and energetic.



3A Joseph

I would want one green box turtle in a big tank. I would want this because they don't eat much and they are not very loud.



4A Velma

I would want a yellow, green, and blue colored parrot because those are my favorite colors. I would also want a parrot because birds yell when something is near and because it copies what you say. I would feel safer and play with it.



5A Mary

I would want an orange and white guinea pig because it is cute.



6A Allen

I would want a huge black, white, and yellow coral snake. I would want this because snakes taste good and because when the snake dies, the skin and fangs are useful and I can make money.

PECULIAR PETS: Sugar Glider

By Allison Ku & Ashley Yeh

Sugar gliders are not only adorable pets, but also friendly. They live in trees and are a species of small marsupials. Sugar gliders mainly live in the countries in the southern hemisphere. We call these animals sugar gliders because they have a passion for sweet food and because they can glide. These pets are also known as 'pocket pets,' because they are small and like being carried in pockets. This is why many

Sugar glider owners keep them in their pockets. They are about 5-6 inches long and weigh around 4-6 ounces. When they spread out



their hands and feet, they look like a parachute which enables them to float in the air. Another attractive feature in Sugar Gliders is that they have big toes on their hind feet, which helps them have a sturdier grip on branches. This also helps them in gliding and climbing. Sugar Gliders are extremely lovable and social. This is the reason these pets get along well with everyone.

SPORTS

World's Wackiest: Muggle Quidditch

By Yun Jung



A group of students enjoy an organized game of Quidditch in an open field. Photo courtesy of the New York Times.

You may think that this sport exists only in the magical world created by JK Rowling, but that just isn't it. In 2005, the students of Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont, decided to bring this extraordinary game into our world, or as wizards would say it, the muggle world.

A Quidditch field consists of 6 hoops in total, (3 on each side which the Keeper has to try to stop the other team from scoring into.) Two Dodgeballs serve as Bludgers, (which the two Beaters on each side have to use in order to knock the players from the other team off their brooms, which causes that player to receive a foul.) A volleyball acts as the Quaffle, (which the three chasers on each team use to score

into the other team's hoop and win 10 points.) Last but not least, is the snitch, (which the Seeker on each group has to catch in order to end the game and win 30 points at the same time.) Since the snitch is a magical flying, tiny golden ball, us muggles cannot possibly create such a thing. Instead, the snitch is simply a tennis ball contained in a sock tucked in the waistband of the snitch runner. The snitch runner, (also the snitch itself,) is allowed to run outside of the game boundaries, and in some cases, around the whole school campus.

As soon as the snitch is out of sight, the command of "Brooms up" is spoken, and the game begins.



Are Sports Important?

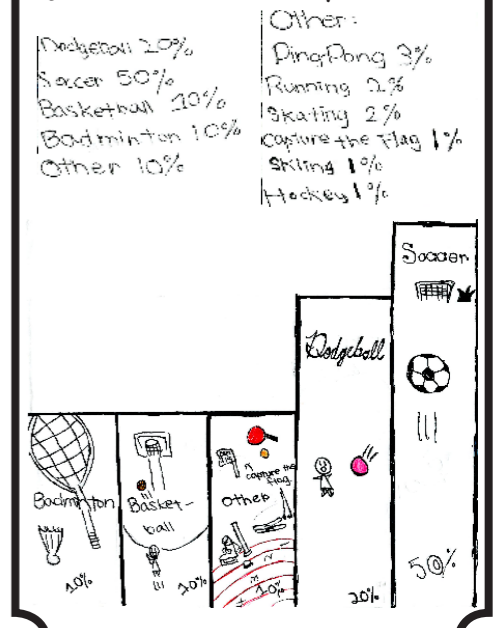
By Maria Park



Are sports important to the human body? Yes, I think so, and I'm pretty sure that you agree as well. Sports are all forms of usually competitive physical activity which, through casual or organized participation, aim to use, maintain or improve physical ability and skills while providing entertainment for participants, and in some cases, spectators. Some people play sports for money and fame, but I think the true meaning is to have fun. Children join teams and make friends when playing sports, and it's just a great thing to know that you have these friends to trust and grow up with. You can also enjoy sports because you know that you are getting exercise, as well as having fun. Exercise is the key to a healthy lifestyle and I think more people should realize that sports are important to our body. In conclusion, sports keep you healthy and fit, so it's important to exercise during all possible times..

Favorite Sports

By Maria Park & Trinity Tremblett



Pushy Parents

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By Maria Park & Felicia Feng

"Go study math and science!" "Have you done your homework properly?" These are some sentences that students in every school might hear everyday. Are pushy parents good? What do you think? Would you want parents like that? Some students might be expecting to have pushy parents, but some don't want them to be pushy and strict.

Do you have pushy parents? Some people say about 61% of mothers and fathers encourage their children to specialize in one specific thing. Sometimes you might think your parents are mean to you when they yell at you to do stuff, but it is just for your own good. When you grow up, you will need a career to continue your life.

But, why do people say that pushy parents harm their children? It's because parents push their children in a wrong way. Many parents believe that the more you learn, the better you will be. That's why they force their children to attend different classes to gain more knowledge. Some parents even regard their children as a tool to achieve their dreams. Without knowing what are their children really needs, parents always miss the point.

I think children need pushy parents, because many students are just as lazy as I am so they need to be pushed. If there are no parents pushing them, then they would stay like that and not improve. Their pushy

parents will not help them do everything, but they will teach them and push them. They do that to help you not to bully you and torture you. If you don't want them to push you, then finish your work quickly then they won't say anything to you be-



"You're in the 3rd grade now, son, don't you think it's time you starting thinking about college prep courses?"

cause you have finished! If you do a good job on everything then they won't even bother you and that would make NON PUSHY parents!

A child would be spoiled if he/she didn't have pushy parents, and their attitude would stay the same. So if you have pushy parents you have to say thank you to them for educating you, instead of complaining that they pushed you too much!

Therefore starting from today, I will start to work very hard and then my parents can relax and not push me. And I think everybody should do that. In conclusion, I think we need pushy parents because they can change your attitudes and all your behaviours.



By Vivian Hir

A pushy parent is not what any child wants. It might be good for parents, so that their son or daughter would behave better. For students, however, it is what they dislike most about their parents' attitude. If you are parent, this article just might

explain why. First of all, for children who have pushy parents, home signifies days that pass by hearing their parents, (usually commands on doing things they should do,) with an enforcing and monotonous voice. Saying things like, "Do your homework!" The kids will be sick of hearing something so repeatedly and want something new for a change. The second bad side of pushy parents is that it causes their children to create ideas like, "Not letting them make a decision they want to make," or, "Not having enough freedom." Another example is that pushy parents will not allow kids to stay up late once in a while. The effect will be that the parent/child relationship will be more distant and

somehow, more confusing. Pushy parents may not think that their children have some decisions that are good, like writing their homework at school instead at home. Another bad side about pushy parents is that it creates a lot of pressure on kids, like being a straight A student, especially in sports. It also makes them more likely to lose than to win. "Parents that push their children too hard in sports, risk the sport losing out on potentially good players." "I have seen many players reduced to tears by comments from their parents," recalled Sam Ridley, a referee in soccer. In a book called "How Children Succeed", it says that Tiger Mothers (pushy moms) are too pushy, don't pay attention on parental attention, and neglect their children's emotions. Instead, they should learn by mistakes and improving little by little. A way to make parents not pushy is to ask parents to list rules at home for their kids to remember in order to develop those good habits, so they won't have to remind them constantly. The parents should not be bossing they're kids around, but to praise them when they get used to the habit everyday and develop a routine. Parents, if you are reading this, you might understand the key to make your children succeed and not enrage them. For kids, convince this article to your parents, so they won't have to wake you up by being pushy!

Lack of English Books in the Library

By Michelle Han

The lack of English books in our school library is very annoying. Even though our school library has 2 floors, English books don't even take up half of it. This isn't very fair because we need books to read too. This is a problem to everyone because

when teachers ask us to read silently, we won't have anything to read and we'll be

For more on books, please turn to page 14!

all bored and everything. This is a problem to teachers be-

cause when they ask us to read, we can't without any books and we might be kinda noisy and then they will get annoyed. Last, this will be a problem to parents because when students don't have books, they'll ask their parents for books and then they'll have to spend money.

Please Say Goodbye to Valentines Day

By William Wang



Heart-shaped chocolates and red-colored balloons are given to the lovers who kiss each other on Valentines Day. What is the meaning behind all this? There is no meaning because Valentines Day has too much kissing. Another reason why there should not be Valentines Day is because love should always be celebrated, not only Valentines Day. The last reason why there should not be Valentines Day is because it is insensitive. This is why there should not be Valentines Day.

If adults keep on kissing, it may harm a child's mind and influence a child's behavior. This means that children or babies will think that you can kiss in public areas, and when they

grow up they might kiss in public areas and teach younger children and so it goes on. If this go on and keeps on spreading, the world will be filled with kissing. Too much kissing is bad is because it may spread germs.

Do love only need to be celebrated on Valentines Day? You should always love someone even if it is not Valentines Day. If it is not Valentines Day, it doesn't mean that you can't love someone either. Love should be celebrated all year long.

Valentines Day is for couples to brag about how much they love each other. What about people who don't have anyone to cherish? Valentines Day should not be celebrated because people who are single will feel lonely and depressed.

These people will stay home and watch movies while eating popcorns and getting fat. Also, it ruins people self-confident. If lots of people feel sorry for themselves, the whole world will be a dark world to live in.

In conclusion, Valentines Day should not be celebrated because it has too much kissing, love should always be celebrated, and Valentines Day is too insensitive. If Valentines Day is gone, people will have more time to focus on their jobs, have confidence in themselves, and they will cherish their loved ones every single day. This world will become a very happy and delightful place. This is why there should not be Valentines Day.

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Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning. ~Orrin Hatch

A Memorable Graduaton Trip

By Katherine Li

Going to the graduation trip is one of the 6th graders' dream. They have always look up to the juniors and seniors, how happy they get to go to their own graduation trip. So the parents decide to grant it, and bring them on the trip, this is how the journey begins!

On April 26th, buses arrive at IBSH. The reason is because one of the grades students are going on a trip, and it is 6A and 6B. The two buses are settle down in bus A and bus B.6A and 6B students meet in front of the front gate, parents checking attendances, making sure that no one is missing. On bus A, they meets ms. Leave and on bus B they meets mr. Green Bean, ms. Leave and mr. Green bean are the special guide for the 6th graders. After a while, they finally arrived at the location for the trip, they quickly get into a room with a.c. in it. There they meet mr. Show, the judge for today's activities.The guides order them to change into army clothes, some were extra large size. Before the activities start, they all have to keep on dancing and dancing, and there is a rule that whoever dances the best, get ton of points.

After the dancing parts, they continue the outdoor activities, which is harder and more dangerous than all the others. There is rock climbing, vertical jumping down, walking on a large spring, and

sliding down from the top. Even though it is dangerous, but all 6A and 6B students are brave enough to try all these challenges.Indeed, they all enjoyed it a lot, they all wanted to try the second time. After playing, they have barbie cues for dinner. Every groups are busy cooking, preparing utensils, and putting on sauce.At last, guess what is after dinner? Bed time! Every group is ready to sleep on the bed in each room.Guides ask them to one by one to go to their rooms, firstly shower. But they only have 1 hour for each group to wash, so some people didn't wash their hair and some people didn't dry their hair.We all gather when it was 10:30, at the room,and settle down. And since it was at night, the guides pass every students a sparkling stick. The sparkling sticks are for you to wave it, so they did as they were told.When it is 11:00, they were able to go back to their room and sleep. But just as we expect, most of the students slept when it was 12:00 p.m.~ 2:00 a.m., some were good kids, and slept in 11:00 p.m. The second day was just mostly about games. Students have to get up at 6:10 a.m. to brush their teeth, comb their hair, or fold their blanket. They have to meet at the meeting or ceremony room at 7:00 a.m. Since they have to eat breakfast, they

Fears and Middle

By Yun Jung Tseng

Hopes for School

& Michelle Han

Allen Lai 6A



"I wish that I won't fail Chinese, and I hope the school lunch will become better. I am afraid that the subjects will be harder and the teachers, stricter."

Allison Cheng 6B



"Hopefully, the clubs will make seventh grade funner. (Her words, not mine) I'm afraid that seventh grade will be harder."

What's the difference between 6A & 6B?

Mr. Marais

"6A is calm and 6B is more excited. Both classes are quite similar. 6A is better at listening to teachers than 6B."



What was your favorite part of the Graduation Trip?



Yvonne Kuo 6A

"The activities were fun but I didn't like wearing the army uniform."



Andy Cho 6B

"Really tiring because of the activities and the lack of sleep."



Julia Chang 6B

"I thought it was fun."



READERS' EXCLUSIVE

Books



POSTCROSSING

The Lemur staff sent postcards to China, USA, Germany, Netherlands, Russia, Poland, Ireland, South Africa, and the UK. In return, they have received postcards from Finland, Netherlands, USA, Russia, Germany, and Brazil, with new ones arriving each week.

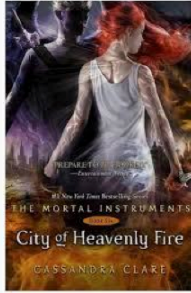
Latest Books

By Ashley Yeh

City of Heavenly Fire

By Cassandra Clare

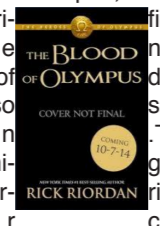
Jace, Clary and all the other shadowhunters are trying to defeat Clary's brother, Sebastian. If Clary can't stop Sebastian then the world will end. And nothing in the world can defeat him except for Clary. This is the last Mortal Instruments book. It is a must-read!



The Blood of Olympus

By Rick Riordan

Percy, Annabeth, Frank, Hazel, Piper, and Jason are on a quest to defeat Gaea. Gaea is relying on her giants to bring two demigods to Athens by the Feast of Spes, so they can be sacrificed to her. She needs the blood of demigods so she can awaken the seven demigods. The seven demigods are also worried about their camps because Camp Jupiter is preparing for war with camp half-blood. Only Athena Parthenos can possibly stop the camps from war. The seven must go to Athens and defeat Gaea once and for all even though they may not survive. This is also a must-read book! Packed with action and suspense.



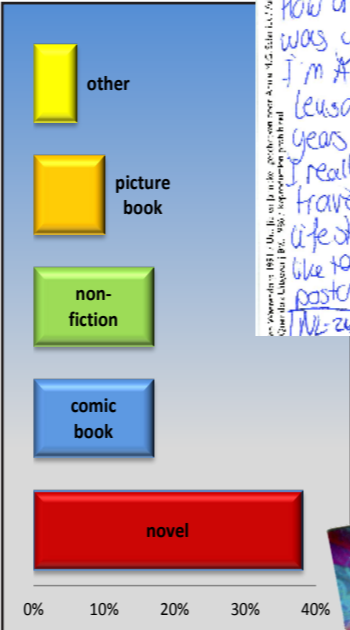
The One

By Kiera Cass

America Singer is in a competition to be the next next princess of Illéa. The competition has almost ended and America still doesn't know what she wants. In the previous books she was trying to decide between Aspen (her first crush) or prince Maxen. She has finally chosen who to be with and she will fight for what she wants. Find out who she will choose in the last book of The Selection series.



IBSH Students' Favorite Type of Books



Hi Stephen
How are you
was your day
I'm America
Leusden and I'm
years old
really like to read
travel books and
life stories. Do you
like to read? Happy
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I Say Books

By Allison Ku

While some may think watching movies visually is better than your own imagination, I think that is wrong. I think that being imaginative is better than visually seeing things. This is why I would prefer books than movies. When you read a book, you can imagine what the characters look like in your own imagination, but if you watch a movie, the characters are right there in front of you, and you won't use your imagination or it wouldn't be how you pictured. I also think that feelings that a character is feeling is important because you would know what a person is thinking if you read it. On the other hand, when you look at a movie, you would probably have to guess what that character is feeling. This is why I would choose books rather than movies.

I Say Movies

By Maria Park

Why read when you already have the movies? Movies are definitely better than books. It's fun to watch movies. Plus books might can't tell you how the characters feel. If you watch it you could understand what the character is doing and how he or she feels. In facebook a group called Why read when you can watch movie said that, "I think reading is boring and movies are fun because you don't have to look at words the whole time you can look and people and stuff." I personally think movies are whole lot better than books! Books are boring indeed. It can also let you fall in sleep. Books are also a waste of paper. 30 million trees are cut down annually for the books sold in the U.S. You can just watch movie and understand the story, you won't have to go buy expensive books and waste your money! It's my opinion though. The article's point is to persuade you and convince you that you don't really have to read books if you have movie. You should think about it!

From Books to Movies

How They're Made

By Yun Jung Tseng

The first step to making a movie is to make sure the genre of the book they want to make into a movie. After that is done, the moviemakers have to decide on the theme or plot. The moviemakers then create the script, draw out the characters, and the movie organizers of the movie, cast the movie will be shot, test the equipment, and not least, pick out costumes and makeup for the actors. The next thing to be done to film the movie, (something that takes months, or even a year to finish at times,) bring the footage onto the computer, (where the photos/production shot will be uploaded, edited, and the sound effects would be added.) The final thing would be to create titles and credits for the actors and movie crew.



Hello, Stephen
I'm Irina. I live in the city of Tomsk, which is located in Western Siberia. There are many great universities and it's called 'city of students'. Since the city is located in Siberia, the winter is very cold (-45°C) and summer is also not very warm (I hope you like this).
Greetings from Siberia!
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4/23/14
Hello Stephen
Greetings from Gadsden, Alabama! I enjoy and manage in my spare time. This postcard is called 'The Tree of Hope'.
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US-3742633
Happy Postcrossing!
Zazate



Hello Stephen!
Namn Olaf from Umeå, 11/10/14
Germany byer.
I am like music and traveling!
My best wishes!
15.04.2014



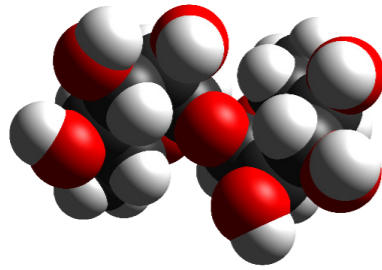
From Finland FI-2040123
Hello! 29.3.2014
Many wishes here from Finland, eastern part of Lapland. There is a lot of snow and forest. Now almost all snow is melted and I really wait for spring!
I have you sunny days!
(I hope you sunny days!)
B.R. Martin
FI-2040123 card)

1st May 2014
Hello, Stephen!
This card has a wintery night view from Finland. Park so near to the North Pole that there are a few day episodes of no sun visible or only sun visible... gods people like this crazy ☺
Angry postcrossing!
-Anti- (Turku, Finland)
Hsinchu-Science-Park
Taiwan R.O.C.

All About Calories

By Annie Geng

Apples, as we all know, are all juicy red/green colored fruits. But, have you ever wondered how much calories are in a medium sized apple? In fact, it only contains about 80 calories! Which is only about ___ % of our daily diet (normally 1,700 for children, but it depends). However, that ___% doesn't cover all of us. You might need a different amount of calories, depending on your gender, weight, genetics, amount of activity, and others. On the other hand, what is a "calorie", anyway? "Cal" (large calories) and "cal" (small calories) are different, and 1 Cal is equivalent to 1,000 cal. The difference is basically one with



a capitalized C and one without. But scientifically, a Calorie is the amount of energy needed to raise a kilogram of water through one degree Celsius. Anyways, just remember that the ones we commonly use on food labels are large calories. However, don't care that much about how much calories you are consuming, because it is just a number that helps you keep track if you are on a specific diet, or just simply wants you to take down bad eating habits. Therefore, don't get insane about how many calories you would need, just eat regularly and stop when you're full.

Should Students Diet?

YES by Maria Park

Should children be on a diet? I think so, if the person is fat or weighs too much or even over! There are many people like that in the world. It's not only for children but also for adults too. But if you're in good shape, you're ok, you don't have to be on a diet. It will be very difficult to be on a diet, but if you weigh too much you will have to. I highly recommend those fat people to be on a diet. A healthy diet may improve or maintain optimal health. Why is a balanced diet important to children? A balanced diet means that the main groups of food must be present on a daily basis. So diet is important to everybody.

NO by Yun Jung Tseng

"You are who you are, not what you do." This quote applies to one's weight as well. You are who you are, and you should not change that by dieting. If you really do dislike how you look, exercising daily is a way better decision. Dieting is useless if you do not exercise, (not that I even support dieting itself.) Kids who want to look thinner should talk to their doctors for advice. Their doctors would most likely suggest vitamins that help. Also, students are still growing. If you start dieting at this age, you will grow up to be very short. These are the reasons why kids should not diet.



CARING CASSANDRA

Dear Cassandra,
What should I do when I can't fall asleep?
- Sleepyhead, 8, IBSH

Dear Sleepyhead,
When you can't fall asleep, you should try drinking a glass of warm milk. Milk is source of tryptophan, an amino acid that your body converts to melatonin and serotonin which helps you sleep. Also, you can eat a lot of turkey because turkey contains tryptophan as well.

Dear Cassandra,
I can't stop eating junk food. What should I do?
- Junk King, 11, IBSH

Dear Junk King,
Eating junk food all the time is a bad habit and bad habits are hard to break. When you try to not eat junk food for one day you might fail or succeed but you'll be really cranky. You have to be sure what you're going to be giving up exactly and what you're going to use to replace that food. You can eat healthy snacks instead of junk food and if this doesn't work, you might as well just go to sleep and you won't have to eat anything.

Dear Cassandra,
I'm tired of being so short. How can I grow taller?
- Shortyhead, 9, IBSH

Dear Shortyhead,
You won't grow much by doing things because your height is mostly determined by your genes. It might help a little bit though if you eat a balanced diet, exercise a lot, and sleep at least hours a day. Also, if you have a good posture, wear tighter clothes, wear clothes with a dark color, and clothes with vertical

By Michelle Han

Different Types of Science

By Annie Geng and Ashley Yeh

Biology:
the study of living things. It studies living things such as plants and animals and studies how living things act. Biology consists of many different types such as Anatomy, Biochemistry, Bioclimatology, Cell biology, Ecology, Freshwater Biology, Geology, Marine Biology, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Neurobiology, Parasitology, Pathology, Ethology. Some of the most famous biologists are David Baltimore, Rachel Carson, Alfred Russel Wallace, James D. Watson, Charles Darwin, Robert Brown, and Antonie van Leeuwenhoek.

Microbiology:
the study of microorganisms. Microbiology helps us learn more about viruses, cloning more complex organisms, and about our daily food productions. There are several types of microbiology, some include Bacteriologists, Virologists, Mycologists, Protozoologists, Epidemiologists, and Immunologists

Palaeontology:
the study of prehistoric life using fossils. It is similar to biology and geology but they don't study ancient humans. They only study the ancient animal life and the ancient climates. Micro Paleontology, Paleobotany, Palynology, Invertebrate Paleontology, Vertebrate Paleontology, Human Paleontology (Paleoanthropology), Taphonomy, Ichthyology, and Paleocology are the different types of Palaeontology.

Zoology:
the study of animals. They study stuff like animals' habitat, classification, and the history of evolution. Also Conrad Gesner, born in 1516, was thought to be the beginning of zoology because of this: Historiae animalium. A few different types of zoology include Entomologists (study insects), Herpetologists (study reptiles and amphibians, such as snakes and frogs), Ichthyologists (study fish), Mammalogists (study mammals, such as monkeys and bears), Ornithologists (study birds).

Pathology:
the study of diseases and their causes. There are so many different types of pathology, but they mostly study about what the diseases are made from. Anatomical Pathology [Histopathology / Cytopathology], Chemical Pathology, Genetics, Haematology, Immunopathology, and Microbiology are types of pathology.

Oceanography:
the study of marine creatures. Oceanography studies things like the ocean currents, the ocean floor, and some of the marine life. Some types of oceanography are biological oceanography, chemical oceanography, physical oceanography, and geological oceanography. Famous oceanographers include James Cook, Matthew Maury, Charles Darwin, Fridtjof Nansen, William Beebe, Richard Byrd, Jacques Cousteau, Jacques Piccard, Robert Ballard, and Sylvia Earle



LEMUR LABS: SLIME

BY DR. ASHLEY YEH

Scientific Steps:

1. Prepare two medium sized bowls, Elmers glue (or any type of PVA White Glue), food coloring (optional), water, and borax.
2. Take one bowl and mix one cup of water and one teaspoon of borax until the borax is dissolved.
3. In another bowl, put as much glue as you want into the bowl and put food coloring if you want.
4. Start pouring the borax solution into the other bowl until the borax solution covers the glue.
5. Mix it for at least one minute.
6. Take the slime out and play with it until it gets less sticky.



Germs

By Evan Cheng

Germs. Germs? GERMS! No matter how you say the word "germs", it just sounds... well... germly. When thinking of the word "germs" what do you think you usually think of? Most people would probably think that a germ is a microorganism that is disease-producing and such, unless if you are a germ, then you wouldn't even be thinking about this. Germs, such as bacteria and viruses, can inflict a lot of damage to your body just by making you sick. And if you're a germ-hater, then people can understand why. But does that make them all evil and gory? If you said yes, then you're not even close. Germs can actually be very helpful. They could help your stomach digest your food by breaking it down, or help a cow break down its food in its stomach.

If you want to prevent these germly germs, then listen up (or pay up)! First of all, remember to use soap to wash your hands. And if you're wondering why you should use soap, then here's your answer. It kills germs. Or if you don't like soap (because you had some bad experiences with soap, like slipping on a bar of soap and then swearing), then you could always use hand sanitizer which kills about 99.99% of the germs on your hands (or are they lying?). But Beware! There's still about 0.01% of the germs on your hands! And don't you dare think that won't make you sick, because it probably won't. Being paranoid in this situation may save your life, but can range from 1-100 on someone's obnoxious scale, and 1 being the least annoying and 100 being Just kill me now based on your actions. You will most likely get 1 if you just do what everybody else does and wash your hands. And you will definitely (a solid has definite shape and volume) get 100 if you wash hands every 30 seconds.

Doing these two professional procedures, you will definitely survive the germly apocalypse. Or maybe? Since some humans (and don't tattle on me because I know you might be) are lazy (and crazy), they will only rinse their hands with water and forgetting the soap. Or not even washing their hands at all. This proves to be a fatal mistake. Bacteria and viruses would then continue to multiply on your hands! (By the way, do you know your multiplication tables? No? Well then, you better get to it!) "But I don't see them on my hands!" Trust me, they're there. Now enough squabbling. Scientists continue to presume that viruses aren't actually alive since their genetic structure lacks some things. (Are you curious? Then go ask Curious George.) Bacteria on the other hand, are very much alive.

WHATS IN



Percy Jackson
Divergent
Hunger Games

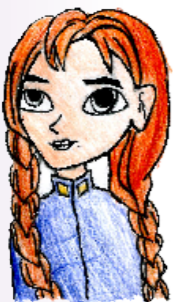
Samsung
Apple

Chips
Candy

cats & dogs
hamsters
guinea pigs

jean shorts
dresses
t-shirts

Divergent
Frozen



BOOKS

ELECTRONICS

SNACKS

PETS

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Harry Potter

HTC
Nokia

Crackers
Goldfish

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snakes
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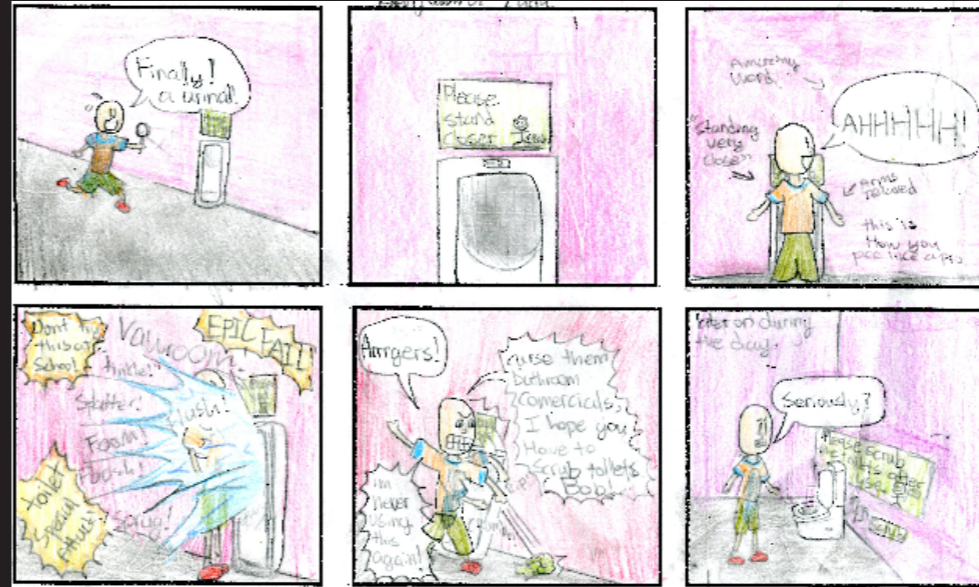
jeans
sweaters
long-sleeve shirts

Tangled
Hunger Games



COMIC ZONE

Please Stand Closer



By Ben Chou

Staring Contest
By Katelyn Chen

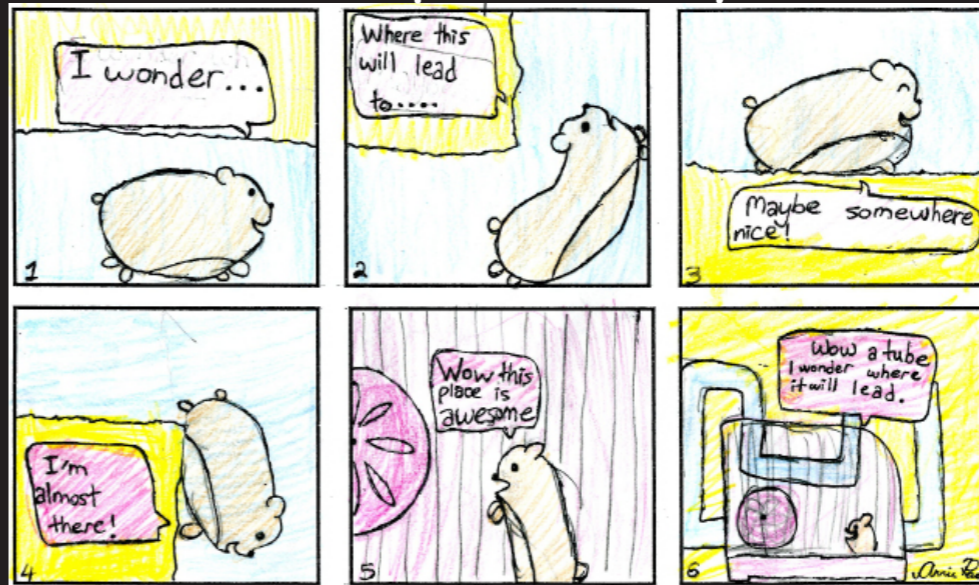


Mr. Positive: The Divorce



By Vivian Hir

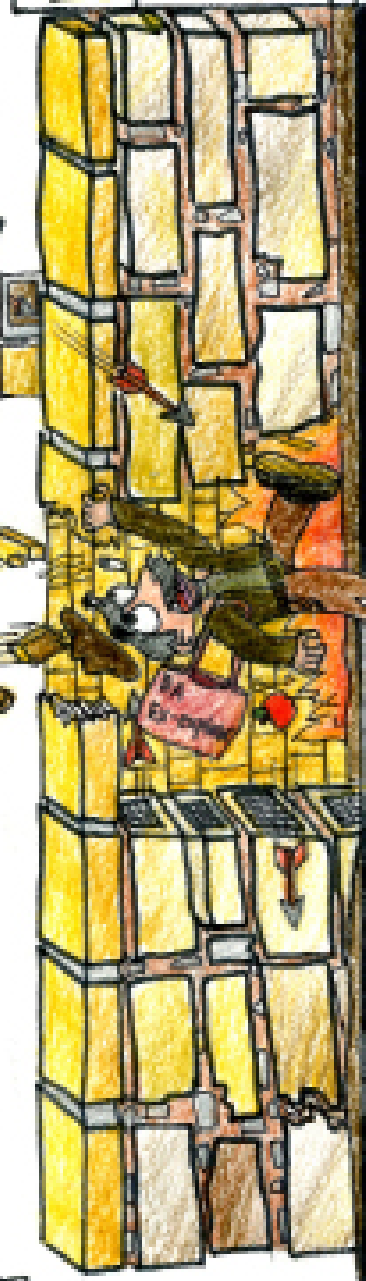
The Hamster Loop



By Annie Pao

THE A-MAZE-ING Maze

Creator: Evan Cheng
 Co-creator: Gabriel Choi



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Legend

- portal
- orb of happiness
- orb of sadness
- orb of madness
- stairs

OBJECTIVES

Check off the things below when you complete them!

- Escape the Maze!
- Collect the chest, the swords and find the random tourist!
- Collect all of the orbs!
- Discover the "missing number"!
- Discover the "missing key"!

NOTES Use the Legend to help you identify stuff in the MAZE.



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