



# THE BEARS' BREAKING NEWS

## CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL

On Tuesday, January 21, 2025 Governor Hochul, introduced her Bell to Bell ban proposal for New York School Districts. This program wants to end cell phone use in classrooms so students are able to effectively learn in the classroom.

The state government wants students to disconnect from any and all devices during school. Cell phones in schools are a hot topic for students, parents and administration. I, Ophelia Barrett, a reporter for the Elementary newspaper, The Bears' Breaking News, had an opportunity to interview the Superintendent of Tri-Valley, Mrs. Long, on the issue of cellphones during the school day.

The first idea we discussed was the feeling or mood of cell phones in the school district. According to Mrs. Long, teachers and administrators have similar points on the topic. They worry that these devices might interfere with the ability to stay on task during class. They also think that cell phones cause unnecessary drama during and out of school. They also believe that bringing a cell phone might not create a safe environment for students.



Students on the other hand have a different perspective on the topic of cell phone usage in school. Most students believe that it is necessary to carry a cell phone with them at all times of the day. They also become insecure if they don't have a cell phone and are concerned that they will not be included.

### Our next topic discussed was Governor Hochul's proposals:

According to Mrs Long, the District had been waiting for Governor Hochul's plan. The district is excited about her stance to ban cell phones. This includes iwatches, cell phones, etc. Mrs. Long identified that a lot of drama comes into the school from events that have occurred over the weekend that the school district must deal with. The school district is very happy the proposal is out so that the district can start creating a plan.

### Mrs Long's plan includes:

First, she wants to develop a committee. The various participants will include students, administrators, teachers of all grades, but more so around the 4th to 12th grade levels, support staff, parents that are in favor of the ban and parents who are not in favor of this ban, and the Board of Education. Mrs. Long wants to hear all of the opinions and voices that tell the good and bad of the ban. Once the committee is created, focus will include summer work to come up with a school wide plan that works for Tri-Valley's school district.

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Once this plan is created and approved, the district needs to communicate the district plan effectively to the community. Mrs. Long wants to have parent/ family evening meetings to hear concerns of all parties and to explain the plan. She wants to provide a clear understanding of how and why the district team decided on rules in the plan. Mrs. Long wants to especially provide a support system for anxious parents and students.

At the conclusion of the interview with Mrs Long, she wants this to be a team effort for all parties and provide open communication so everyone feels safe and supported in this extreme change and undertaking.

As a student, I greatly appreciated the time that Mrs. Long took to talk about this important topic. She was very thoughtful with all of her answers . She showed concern for all of her students and wants everyone to be safe and successful. I am so very thankful for her taking the time to speak to me.

**BY OPHELIA BARRETT**

## PROS AND CONS OF CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL

### Pros

**Responsible digital citizenship**

- Have limits to make it so that students are not dependent on their phones.

**Safety**

- Contact parents and guardians from on campus.

**Accelerated learning**

- Allowing students to use a cell phone for classroom activities is an amazing way to keep them focused.

### Cons

**Safety**

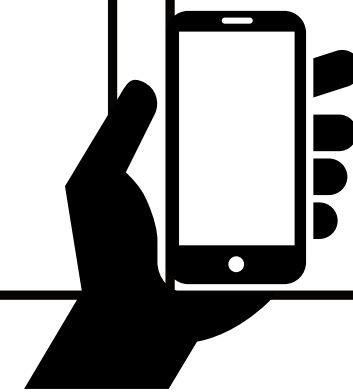
- Cell phones connect to drug and gang activity.

**Disruption**

- Cell phones are disruptive and unnecessary during active teaching time.

**Necessity**

- Parents want to be able to contact their children while at school.



**BEARLY INTERESTING FACT: AMERICAN BLACK BEARS ARE GOOD SWIMMERS.**

## ALL ABOUT THE PRESIDENT, GEORGE WASHINGTON

He was born February 22, 1732 in Popes Creek, Virginia. Did you know that George Washington was the first president? George Washington's father died when he was 11. Then his brother Lawrence had to take care of him. As he got older, he did not know much about his childhood stories. Washington was educated in basic subjects including reading, writing, and mathematics. Although he did not attend college, he was a great writer.



Washington became a president on February 4, 1789. Every member of the electoral college voted for him. George took the oath of office in New York City on April 30, 1789 . He was elected to a second term in 1792. His vice president was John Adams. As the first person to hold the office, George had great power in creating the role of president.

He died December 14, 1799 in Mount Vernon, Virginia. In summary, George was a great president!

**BY GABRIELLA BURKEY**





## **PAWS AND CLAWS: YOUR PET CONNECTION**

**ETHAN, BRANDON, GRACE, AND  
EMILIA GREENSPAN'S DOG, HANK!**



**ONYXX  
STANTON'S  
DOG**



**YESENIA LAZERKA'S DOG**



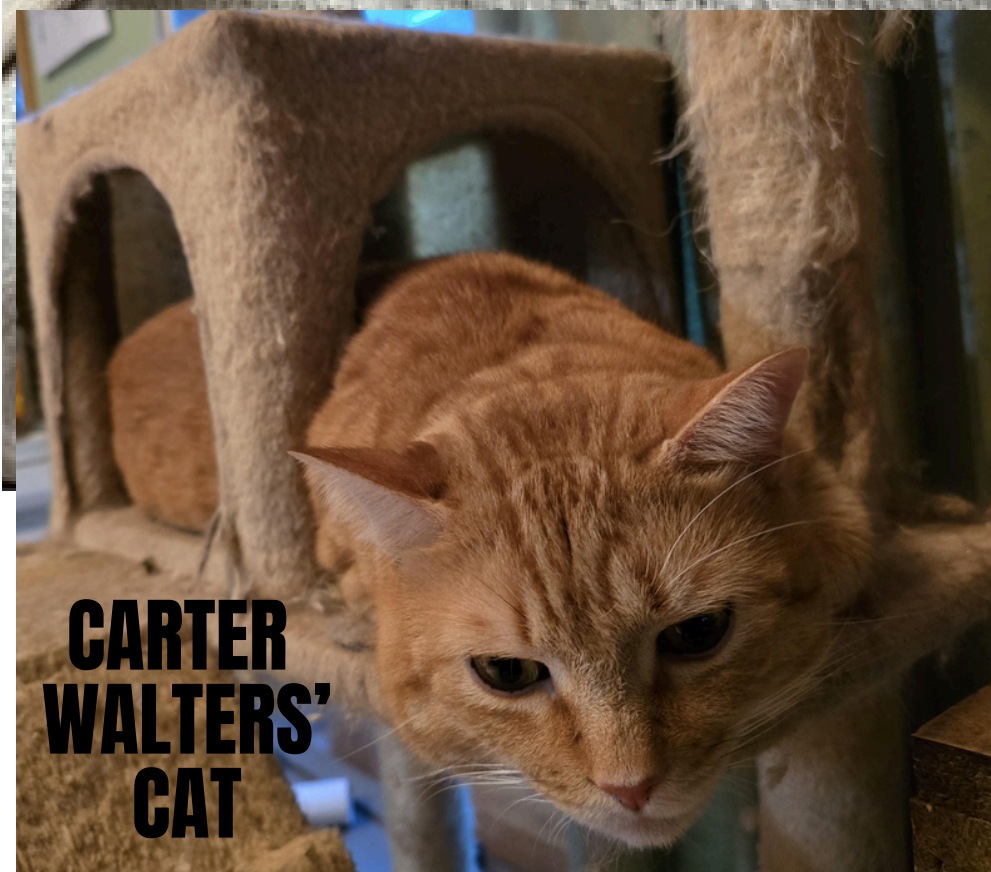
**DARRIN  
AND KELSI  
MARINER'S  
DOG**



**RAYAN  
AKHMETSHIN'S  
BIRDS**



**LILY AND ABIA CONSTABLE'S DOG**



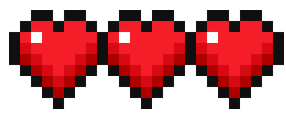
**CARTER  
WALTERS'  
CAT**



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# Level Up, Bears!



## MINECRAFT



We all know what Minecraft is and if you don't, don't worry I'll help you learn facts and get better at identifying the game. The release date goes back to May 17, 2011. But they started developing it in 2009! It took 2 whole years to program. By 2016 it was the second best selling game in the market. At first the developer only made Minecraft for computers, but then added it to mobile devices such as Switch, PlayStation, Xbox, and Tablet. Players made servers to talk about Minecraft with others and YouTubers made posts about it. Also it's a good idea to convince your parents to buy it for you. It doesn't have blood or graphic violence.

**Creating a world:** So to begin your epic adventure in the world of Minecraft you have to design it a little and have some fun with it. There are 2 game modes, survival and creative. I'll explain those later. You can change its difficulty. The settings are hard, normal, peaceful, and hardcore. You can design your game more in cheats or experiments, but remember to have fun with it.

**Survival VS Creative:** There's a huge I MEAN HUGE difference between survival and creative. I'll start with creative. You have endless possibilities. Every mob, block, thing at your disposal. You can't get hurt and you can't die, so don't worry about that. Survival is different. You have materials but you need to gather them. You take damage (which means you don't get hurt) and have ten hearts and ten hunger bars. If they get too low you start losing hearts so make sure to eat.

**Peaceful Mobs VS Hostile Mobs:** Minecraft is confused with realism sometimes but it's more fantasy than anything. There are 35 hostile. The normal ones are zombies, skeletons, creepers, and spiders. They are the ones that spawn during night or if it's dark, so be sure to light up your house! There also are the peaceful mobs. There are a total of 33, the most common being sheep, cow, chicken, and pig. They only spawn on the grass so be careful of your green house in your house! But keep in mind that Mojang is always adding in new mobs, updates and worlds.

BY AUBREE MERCER

## ROBLOX

Have you played Roblox before? If you have, here are some tips you should know.

- 1: Some games may include loud noises or flashing lights. Others may have both.
- 2: Be careful who you trust.
- 3: Some games may be deleted.
- 4: If a hacker is on your account, report them right away.
- 5: Some games may be copyrighted. Do not make any copies of other games.
- 6: Don't spam the same message.

If you read these tips it can help you in Roblox in the future.

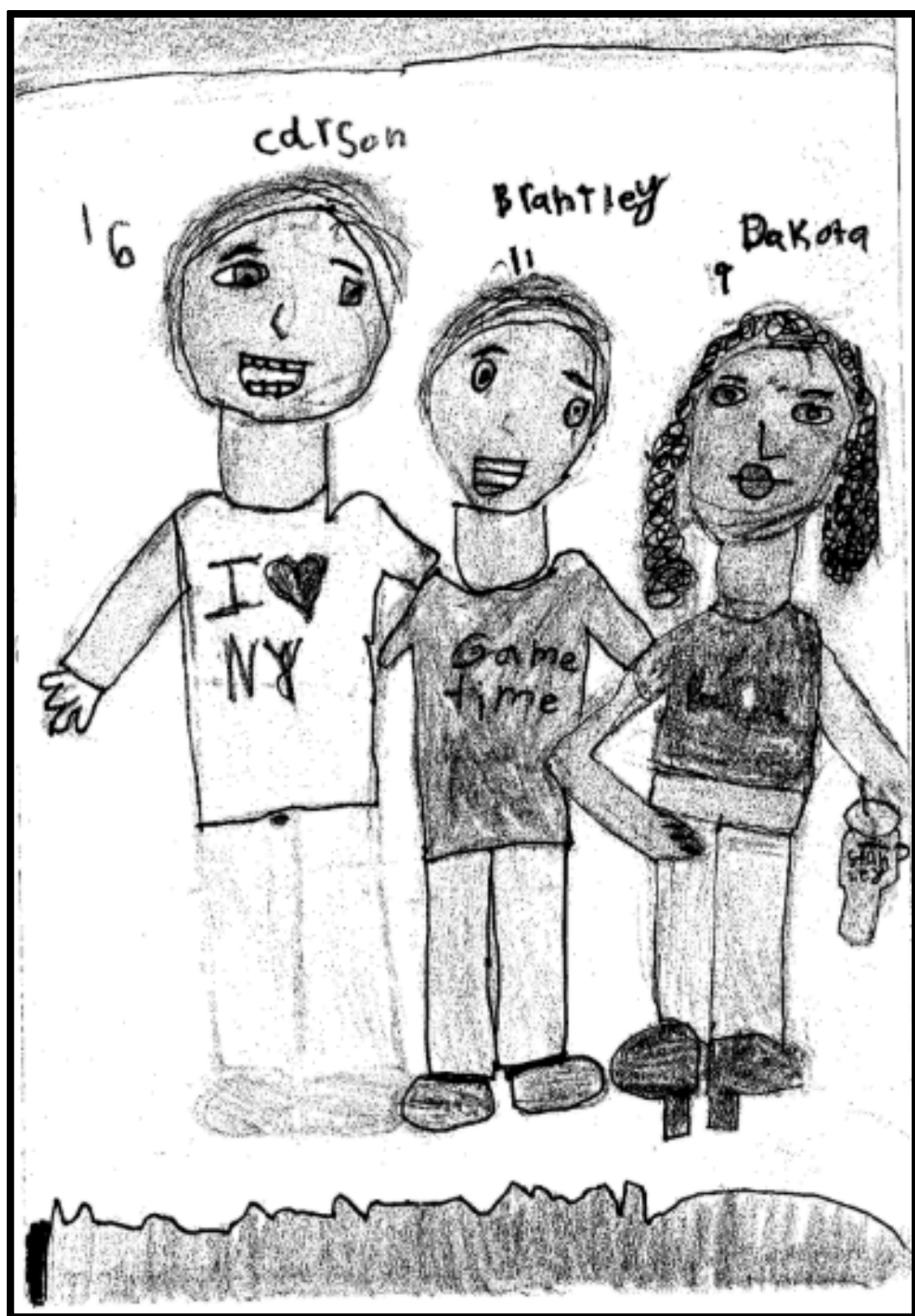
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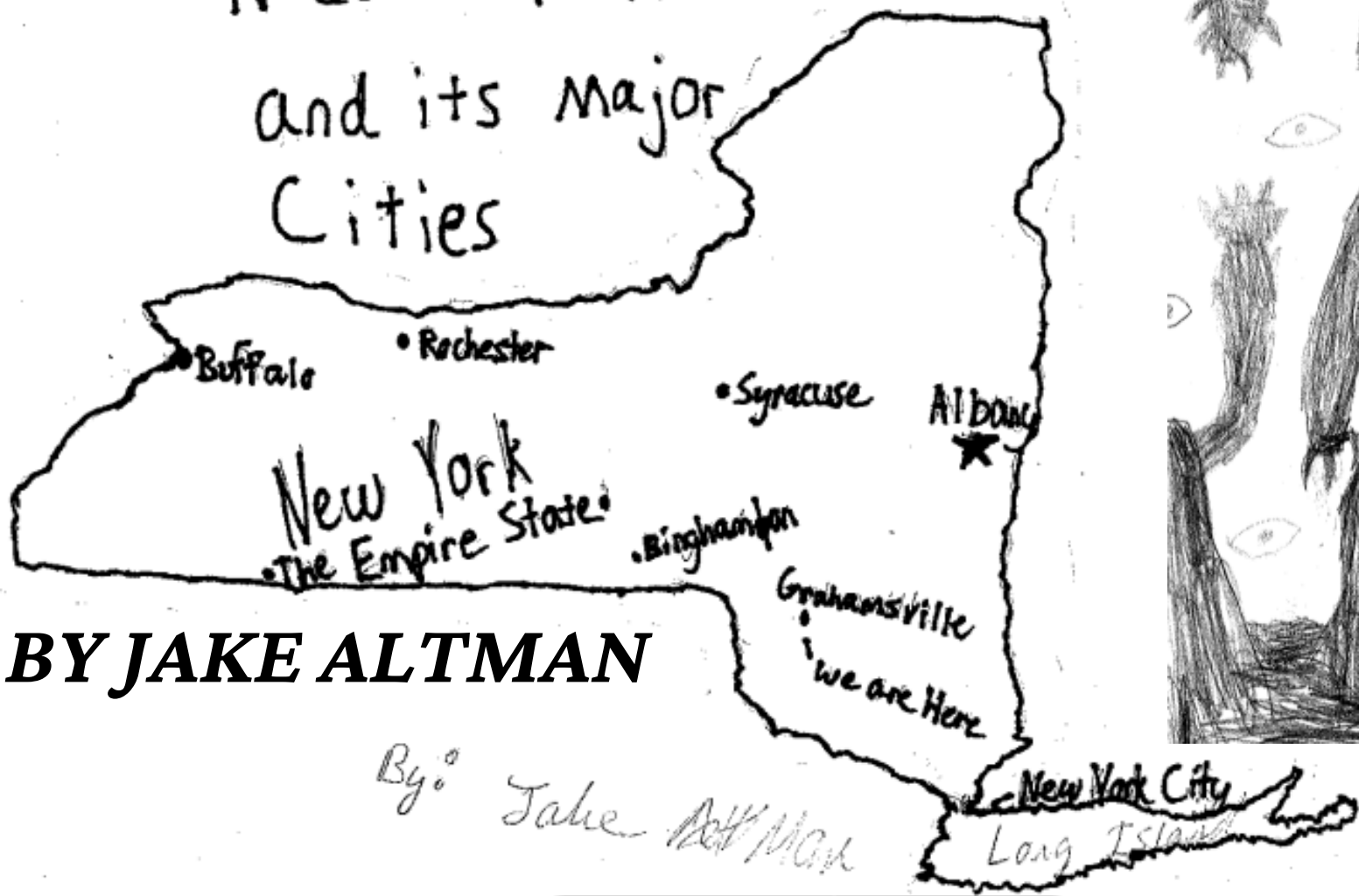
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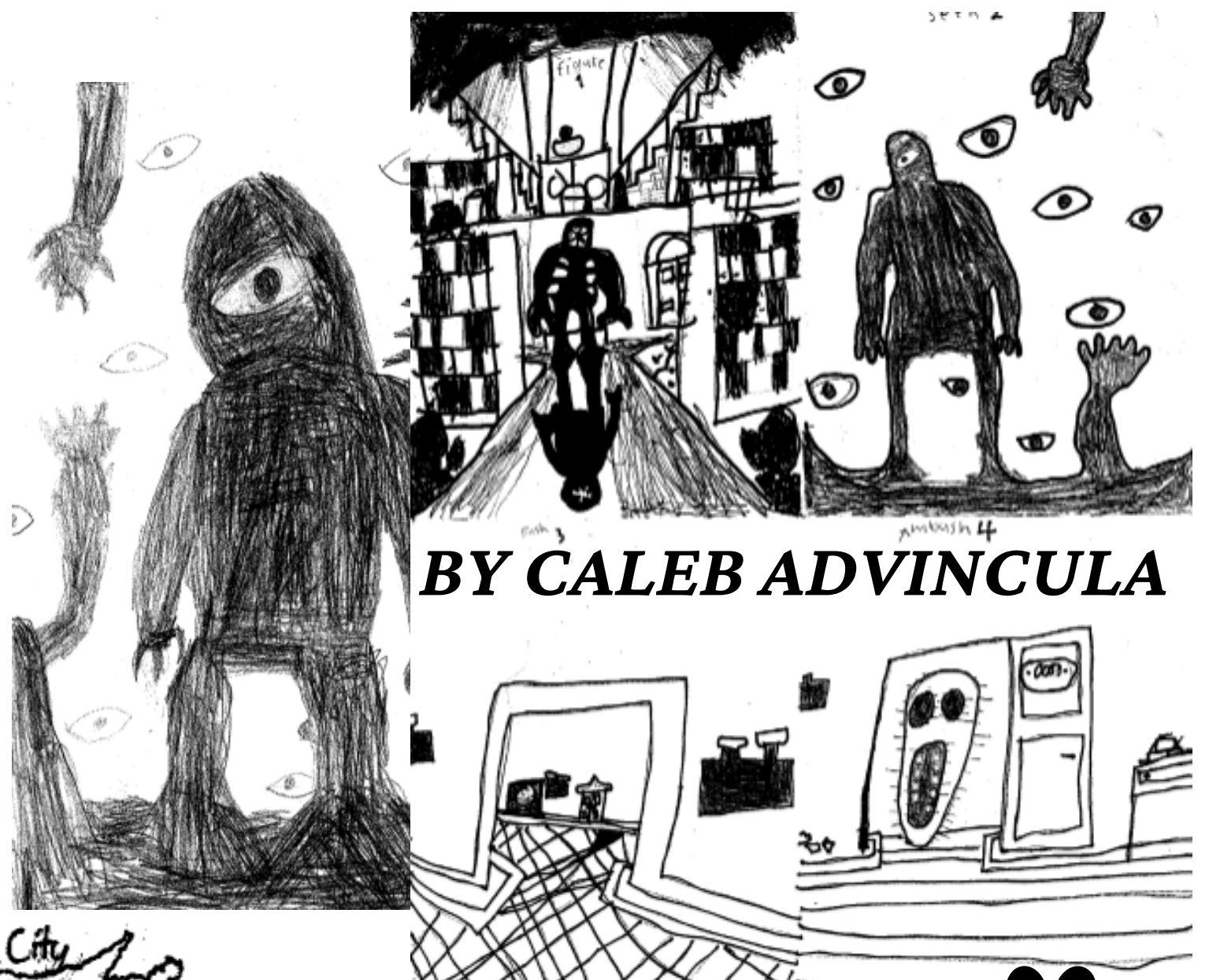
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SUBMIT YOUR DRAWINGS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE BY DROPPING YOUR ARTWORK IN THE FOLDER OUTSIDE ROOM 65!

Here is a map of New York and its major Cities



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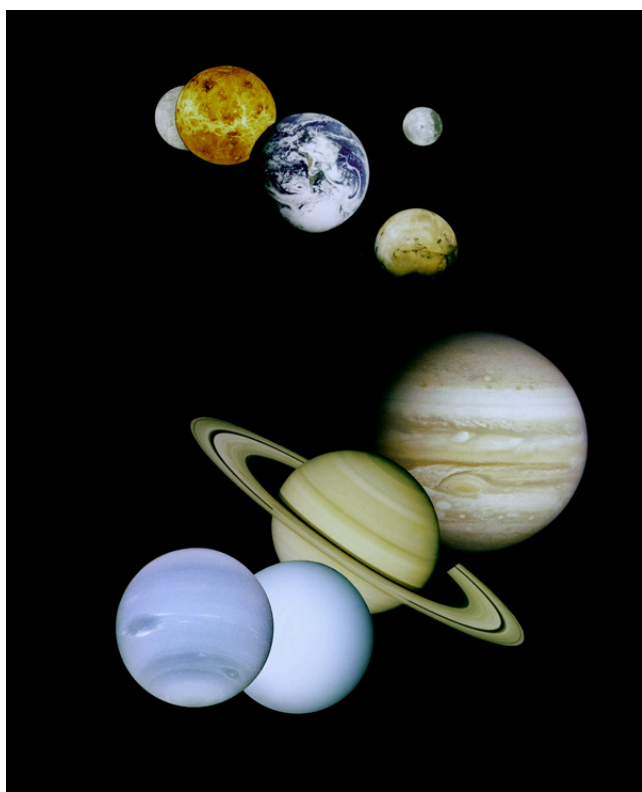
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# Experimentation Station

## PLANETS IN LINE WITH THE MOON

In the first part of February, Mars, Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune, Venus, and Saturn, will be seen. On **February 28th** they will be joined together by Mercury. Not all of the planets will be visible to the naked eye. You will need high-powered binoculars or a telescope to see some planets like Neptune and Uranus. Saturn may be difficult to see since it will be near the sun, according to Star Walk News.



### How does the alignment happen?

The planets orbit the sun continuously in the solar system, so at times, they slowly catch up to one another. Because they travel along the same path, or ecliptic, as they

pass Earth, NASA reports that they appear to be aligned. The alignment formation, however, will be short-lived because each planet moves at a different speed.

### Where to look for the planetary alignment:

When looking in the southern sky about 90 minutes after sunset, the planetary alignment will be visible almost everywhere in the Northern Hemisphere, only if it is not cloudy. So you will need to know the exact time for your position to see the planets.

In conclusion, we might have another time with planets in line with the moon because of their tracks.

BY KIARA TAVORMINA

## HOW TO MAKE A VOLCANO



**WARNING: DO IT OUTSIDE BECAUSE IT WILL MAKE A MESS!!!**

**First step:** Gather your ingredients.

Here are the ingredients that you need to have:

- 10 ml of dish soap
- 100 ml of warm water
- 400 ml of white vinegar
- Food coloring
- Baking soda slurry (fill a cup about 1/2 with baking soda, then fill the rest of the way with water)
- Empty 2 liter soda bottle

### How to make the volcano:

1. Combine the vinegar, water, dish soap and 2 drops of food coloring into the empty soda bottle.
2. Use a spoon to mix the baking soda slurry until it is all a liquid.
3. Eruption time! Pour the baking soda slurry into the soda bottle quickly and step back!

### Here's how it works:

A chemical reaction between vinegar and baking soda creates a gas called carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide is the same type of gas used to make the carbonation in sodas. What happens if you shake up a soda? The gas gets very excited and tries to spread out. There is not enough room in the bottle for the gas to spread out, so it leaves through the opening very quickly, causing an eruption!

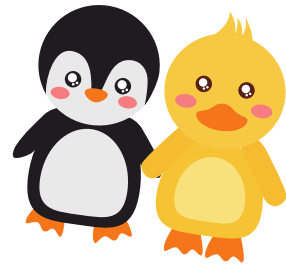


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# Animals Matter

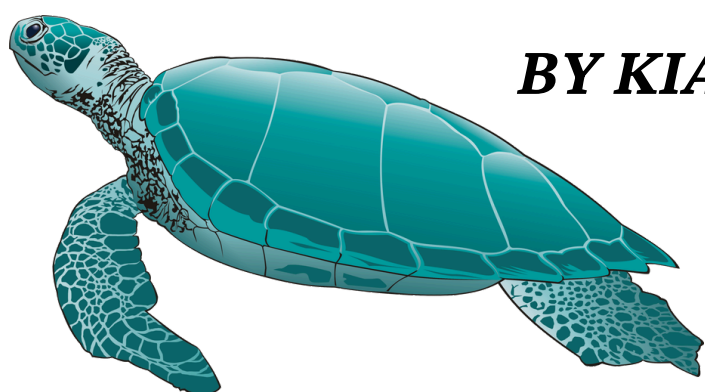
## Saving The Leatherback Sea Turtle



## Which Bird is Better, Penguins or Ducks?

Try saving leatherbacks because they are endangered. Leatherbacks are mostly endangered because of the amount of plastic in the water. They can get stuck in the plastic and they won't be able to get air from the surface. The sea turtles accidentally get caught because they mistake the plastic with jellyfish. Fun fact, leatherbacks are named after their hard shells. They have special skin called a carapace that covers their shells. Leatherbacks have webbed back flippers to help them steer. Leatherbacks can be found in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian oceans, as well as Mediterranean and Caribbean seas. Leatherbacks can dive deeper than about (4,000 feet to 1,200 feet). They can get close to 22 miles per hour (and 35 kilometers an hour).

The solution is to try cleaning up all the trash in the water and beaches. Put signs up so people do not go in these areas. Go to the Sea Turtle Conservancy website and donate to save the leatherbacks.



BY KIARA TAVORMINA

Some people think ducks are better or you think penguins are better but here are some things that will make you know which is better. Even though baby penguins are cute they shed so much!

Ducks shed too but they are smaller than baby penguins that means there is less fur.

Penguins need a cold environment to live comfortably but ducks need a warm environment. So unless you're a literal snowman you won't enjoy visiting them, but ducks you can see in the park.

Also you can own ducks. You can't own penguins. You can see them in the zoos. Though they are cute, ducks nip when mad or upset. Penguins you'd never even get close enough to see if they nip. Female ducks look dull in the feathers but compared to a male they have beautiful feathers. But penguins don't look different between male and female except that female lay eggs. Speaking of penguins, eggs can be up to 11.1-12.7cm. While ducks lay eggs, their eggs are smaller than penguins. Their eggs are 65mm.

Even though penguins are VERY different from ducks, at the end of the day they are both great. They each have flaws but all birds are adorable.

BY AUBREE MERCER

**BEARLY INTERESTING FACT: MOST OF A BEAR'S DIET IS PLANT BASED.**

## Sea Turtle Conservation:

For more information on sea turtles visit [conserveturtles.org](http://conserveturtles.org)





# THE ATHLETIC BEARS

## THE GAME OF BASKETBALL

Basketball is an extremely popular sport in the United States which is where it originated in 1891, December 21 to be exact. Basketball was created by a man named James Naismith who was only 30 when he invented it!! Naismith was a physical education teacher in Springfield, Massachusetts when he created the game. The first baskets were half bushel peach baskets and that is how it got its name.

The area and equipment when playing basketball is a regular basketball court that is 94x50. In high school, the basketball court might be smaller. A basketball court has two baskets on either side of it for each team to score from. The basketball hoop hangs from a backboard which is usually glass when you play inside but it is plastic outside. The most important part of basketball is a ball which should be well inflated.

In a basketball game, two teams of five players will compete. The goal is to score more points than the other team. You score by tossing or shooting the ball into the basket.

In basketball you will start with something called a jump ball. A jump ball is when the referee tosses the ball in the air between a player from both teams inside the center circle. Both players jump up to try to reach the ball and pass to their team while the other players stand outside the center circle ready to catch the ball.

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After the jump ball:

- The offense team dribbles down the court.
- They will then attempt a long shot-three point or a short shot-2 points.
- If the basket is missed then both teams will go for the rebound. If the team makes the shot they will get the point and the other team gets the ball.
- This process repeats for the rest of the game.

Other important people in basketball are:

1) Timekeeper -The person who keeps track of the time left in the game.

- Scorekeeper-The person who records all the points.
- Assistant Scorekeeper-They are the person who helps the Scorekeeper.
- Shot clock operator-It's designed to limit the time a team has to shoot the ball.

**BY OPHELIA BARRETT**





## HOW TO PLAY FOOTBALL

How to hold a football: You put every other finger on the white lines. You first move your arm far back then move it forward to throw the ball to a teammate.

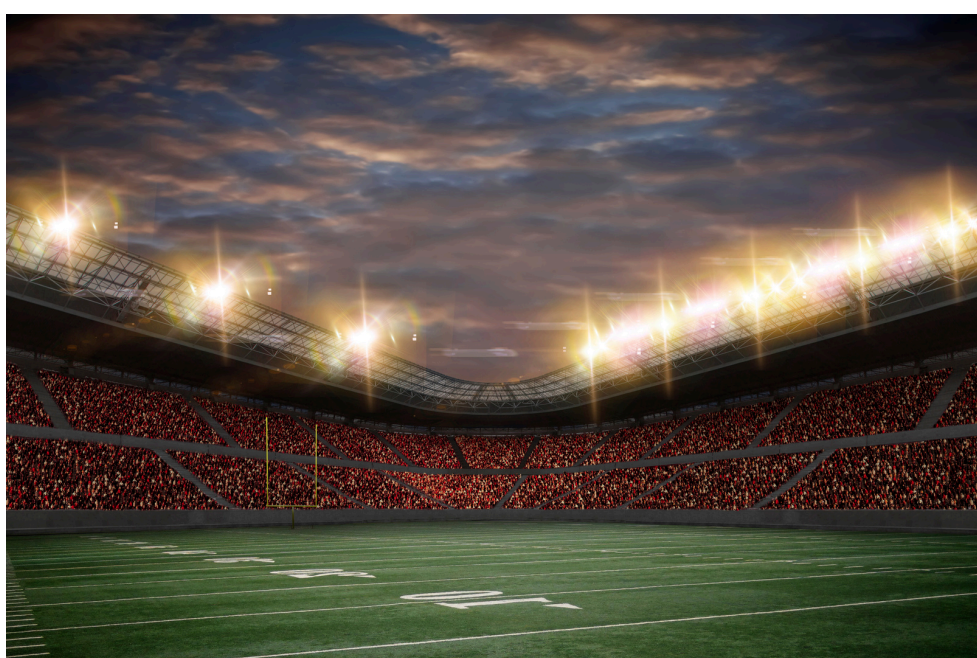
Positions: There are different types of positions. Let me name some: quarterback, wide receiver, running back and so much more.

## FOOTBALL VOCABULARY

**Touchdown:** A touchdown is when the quarterback throws you the ball and you run or the quarterback runs towards the end zone and scores a touchdown, which is worth 6 points.

**Interception:** An interception is when the quarterback throws the ball and somebody from the other team catches the ball.

**End Zone:** An end zone is where you need to go to score a touchdown. The end zone is how you score touchdowns and it



has your team name. Your team name is painted grass and it is cool.

## HOW TO BE A PRO NFL FOOTBALL PLAYER

You need to get drafted on a team first. Then you need to practice a lot and get your uniform. Next you have to get your position like QB. Then if you get a touchdown that means that you get 6 points.

When you get to play: You get to play on a team that you get drafted on. You also get to play when the quarterback says hike and the snapper snaps the ball.

Information to know as a quarterback: When you are a quarterback it is tricky because you get sacked a lot. But if you don't have a pocket, not the pocket in your pants, the quarterback throws you the ball and you run to the endzone and score a touchdown. If you do not have a pocket that I just talked about then the quarterback will not be able to throw you the ball and the quarterback will get sacked. Down below there is a follow up question and answer that you would be asking in your head.

What is a referee? A referee is someone who calls, flags, pass interference, and so much more.

Conclusion Football is an interesting sport to play and it may be your favorite sport if you try football at School or at home. You pick a favorite team.

How to make it to the NFL: When you get used to playing football by yourself or with other people then when you graduate then you can make it to the NFL and practice a lot with your team members. Then you will be ready to go on your own to the NFL playoffs, but don't worry your parents will watch you play football when you go away from your parents. But you get to go home after the game or practice or the playoffs even the Super Bowl.

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# PAW-SOME PUZZLES

## WORD SEARCH

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## WORDS TO SEARCH FOR

**CANDLE**  
**DINING**  
**ROSE**  
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## BEAR CROSSWORD PUZZLE

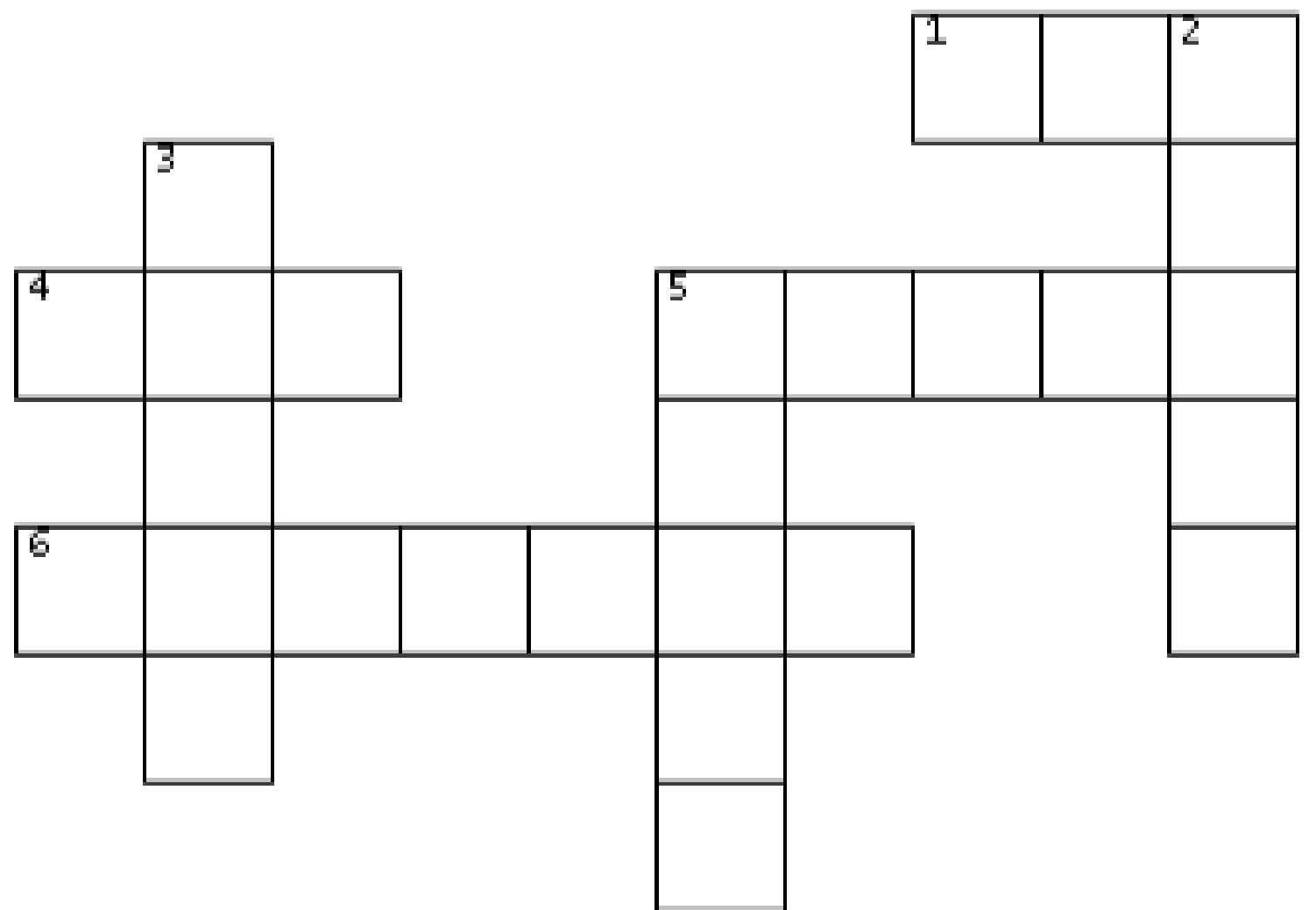
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### ACROSS

- a baby bear
- habitat that a family of bears live in
- bear that contains white and black colors in their fur
- type of bear with dark brown fur

### DOWN

- bear with black fur
- our school animal
- bears that live in freezing environment



ANSWERS ON PAGE 12

**BEARLY INTERESTING FACT: BLACK BEARS CAN RUN UP TO 35MPH.**





**REVIEWS: READ OUR REACTIONS!****Book Title:** Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess**Author:** Jeff Kinney**Genre:** realistic fiction**Star Rating for this Book:** ★★★★★

The book is a hilarious realistic fiction. The book is an amazing 4 stars. The plot is that Greg's grandma wanted the family to get a picture at Rottydeck Island. It was chaos! The rental was so small that Rodrick slept in the pack and play. The beach wasn't any better. People were stealing their water bottles! And when it came to eating out, they had to eat at a place where they vowed not to go. They had several run-ins with the cops, and at the end it turned out to be a birthday party.

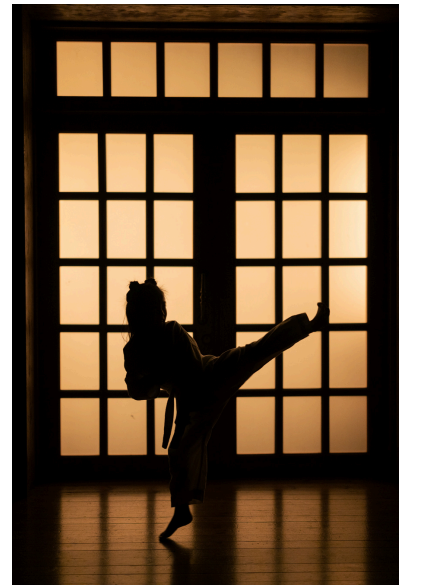
*BY JACOB MICKELSON***Book Title:** The Who Was Series**Author:** Many people write this series.**Genre:** Nonfiction**Star Rating for this Book:** ★★★★★

I love this series because I love reading about other people's lives and how they become popular or how they made history. My favorite book is "Who was Anne Frank?" because that was the first "Who Was" book I ever read and because she loved to write and I also love to write.

They also make books about places and my favorite is "Where is Paris?" I loved this book because I always wanted to go to Paris.

*BY GABRIELLA BURKEY***THE KARATE KID**

This movie is called The Karate Kid and it is directed by John G. Avildsen. This is one of 6 movies in the series and this movie is about a young and poor Daniel LaRusso who was forced to move from Newark, New Jersey, to Reseda,



California. He was bullied by this new dojo called "Cobra Kai." Their motto was "Strike First, Strike Hard, No Mercy." Daniel was bullied by those kids in Cobra Kai so he tried to join just to show that he could make it in, though they all just laughed at him and he left. He found a new sensei at his apartment complex at Reseda. This sensei's name was Mr. Miyagi. Mr. Miyagi taught Daniel and entered him into the 7th annual under 18 All Valley Karate Tournament. He had to fight his arch nemesis, Johnny Lawrence. Johnny Lawrence, the main villain who bullied Daniel in high school, was the strongest of Cobra Kai. Daniel told Mr. Miyagi that he would never join Cobra Kai because Johnny was there. They immediately called war. This is just the beginning of these 6 awesome movies and I would definitely recommend it to Karate fans and fans of action! The main actors William Zabka (Johnny Lawrence) and Ralph Macchio (Daniel Larusso) are really great actors and were chosen for a reason!

*BY JAKE ALTMAN*



# BEAR BREAKING HISTORY

*The American Revolutionary War was an important time in American history.*

## THE BEGINNING

The thirteen colonies were a group of settlements that ultimately became the United States of America. Almost all the colonies were founded by Britain. All the colonies were on the east coast, next to the Atlantic Ocean. The thirteen colonies were under the rule of Britain. The monarchy offered freedom. Some colonies set up self-governments and society. The relationship between the thirteen colonies and Britain worsened after the French and Indian War (1754-63) because although Britain won, Britain was in debt from winning the war.

## TAXATION

The British needed to pay for the French and Indian War, so they decided to tax the colonies since they benefited the most from Britain's win. The Stamp Act was the first big tax. The Stamp Act required everything to be printed on expensive British paper and a tax was placed on legal documents, playing cards and newspapers. The colonists were outraged! The thirteen colonies even made a slogan "No Taxation Without Representation". When the British paid taxes they got to vote who represented them in Parliament, their government in England. This meant, they got a say in what the tax was used for. The colonists however didn't get a say or representation. The British ended the tax due to the colonists reactions to the Stamp Act in 1766. In 1767, a next taxed named the Townshend Act came about. This caused taxes on a wide range of items, such as glass, paint, and tea. In 1770, the Boston Massacre occurred. The Boston Massacre happened because there was an angry mob of colonists clashing with British soldiers and this led to five people being killed by British guards. As tensions grew in May of 1773, the British

government forced the Tea Act. This act only gave the East Indian Company the right to sell tea. This caused American traders to no longer make any money. Again, the colonists were angry. In December of 1773, the Boston Tea Party occurred. The Boston Tea Party was a group of rebels (colonists) who dressed up like Mohawk Indians and boarded an East Indian ship. They dumped a million dollar shipment of tea overboard. This continued to increase tension between the two sides. As punishment, the British imposed the Intolerable Act on the colonists. This act closed the Boston Harbor so no trade could occur, replacing the local government with British officials and installing the Quartering Act, in which British soldiers stayed in colonists' homes. Resentment grew more.

## WAR

In 1775, the war started in Lexington and Concord when the first shots of the war occurred. The colonists needed to get organized and the thirteen colonies were getting militarized. George Washington, the commander of the colonists, made an official army. While the colonists fought many bloody battles, the Founding Fathers decided to send notice to the King that the colonists would no longer be part of the British Empire. They signed the Declaration Of Independence on the 4th of July which made the 13 colonies its own country called America. This is why we celebrate every year. It was the day of independence from England. The last battle of the American Revolutionary War was the Battle of Yorktown. The British surrendered and the Treaty of Paris was signed and Britain agreed that America became an independent country!

BY JACOB MICKELSON

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## WORLD WAR II

World War II, the deadliest war the world has ever faced, had 85 million people unfortunately pass away. The purpose of this war was for the Axis powers consisting of Germany, Italy, and Japan to dominate Europe and Asia. Germany was aiming to dominate Europe, Italy was seeking control in the Mediterranean, and Japan was aiming to control Asia. The purpose for the Allied Powers, The United States, Great Britain, and France was to defeat the Axis powers and to prevent the expansion of totalitarian regimes and safeguard democracy across the globe.

The war began when the German Empire attacked Poland on September 1, 1939, with their newfound ally, the Soviet Union. The Germans and Soviets were the 1st and 3rd strongest countries in the world at that time. Germany also recruited Fascist Italy and Imperial Japan to help achieve its goal of territorial expansion. Within one day, over 1 million people lost their lives and 84 million more to follow.

Poland's allies, Great Britain and France joined immediately on September 3, 1939. Unfortunately, these countries didn't succeed and Warsaw, Poland's capital, surrendered on September 28, 1939. Germany seemed unstoppable. Their new leader, Adolf Hitler, went through a stage of militarization, ramping from the 20th strongest, to the strongest nation in the world. The next attacks were on Denmark and Norway on April 9, 1940. Germany declared war on these two countries with small forces. Both fell in record time. Denmark fell in under 4 1/2 hours. Norway fell in 2 months.

Even before the battle ended in Norway and Denmark, Germany declared war in 1940 on Belgium, Netherlands, and Luxembourg. These three countries made a coalition in 1944 called the Benelux. It only took 18 days for Belgium to surrender, and 5 days for the Netherlands to crumble. Germany annexed Luxembourg.

Prior to World War II, France had a well trained army in Europe in 1940. They were considered a strong country in Europe. However, the rapid German Blitzkrieg tactics quickly overwhelmed the French defenses, leading to a surprisingly swift

defeat in 1940. The first battle the Germans lost was the battle of Narvik, Norway to the Allied forces on May 28, 1940.

Britain declared war on Germany on September 3, 1939. This occurred right after the invasion of Poland. Hitler focused on Britain by launching a series of air raids against British cities and military targets. This was known as the Battle of Britain. The British won the battle and this was a major defeat for Germany. Hitler failed to defeat the Royal Air Force due to English resistance.

Hitler and the Soviet Union became enemies because Hitler and Stalin had different beliefs for their countries. During World War II, Hitler strongly focused on bombing Soviet Cities such as Leningrad, Moscow, Stalingrad, Minsk, Sevastopol, and Kiev. This was a part of Operation Barbossa, and these bombings caused significant civilian casualties and destruction across the Soviet Union. The German invasion of the Soviet Union had initially gained momentum but due to the harsh Russian winters, Soviet resistances, equipment issues, and overstretching their forces, German was defeated in taking the Soviet Union on.

In June of 1941, the Soviets joined the Allied powers consisting of The Soviets, British, French, and Americans to work together to liberate multiple countries taken by Germany. The Allied powers formally joined together on January 1, 1942 to sign the "Declaration by the United Nations" to fight against the Axis Powers. This made Germany lose the war and its eastern territory. On May 8, 1945, known as V-E day or Victory in Europe Day, the war ended. The same result occurred in Japan when the US bombed Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Japan surrendered on August 15, 1945. The war officially ended on September 2, 1945. All countries were liberated and the United States and the Soviet Union became superpowers for the future.

No matter what, us Americans will remember these wars in infamy, we won these wars and God bless the United States of America.

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