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The Marsh Magazine is a publication of student artwork and writing from Thomas C. Marsh Preparatory Academy in Dallas ISD. The editors of this magazine have sought out original work, and to the best of our knowledge, the work herein is all student-created.

### *A note about this magazine*

In preparing this work for publication, the students of TC Marsh Preparatory Academy were asked to submit original writing and art for review and possible publication through the first semester of school. The volunteer editorial staff of students took a month to read and evaluate each submission, ultimately making determinations about which pieces would be published in this magazine.

As the faculty advisor, I took the following liberties:

- I fixed errors in punctuation, capitalization, spelling and simple grammatical mistakes.
- I omitted items when I could determine plagiarism was involved. I apologize for any I may have missed.
- I omitted items where the artist or writer asked to remain anonymous, as that was specifically prohibited.
- I was unable to open all files submitted for review, so only those properly submitted were evaluated.
- Some art submissions, while expertly drawn, were omitted, because the quality of the digital capture was too poor for publication.

Please enjoy the great student writing and art!

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Haikus





Haiku

by Yuvia Jimenez

Splish-splash puddle bath!  
raindrops march in spring parade  
wake up sleepy earth

Haiku

by Danna Valadez

refreshing ice cubes  
refresh me when i am hot  
they are cold and nice



Haiku

by Yamileth Almendarez

the bee is so cool  
it lives in the wilderness  
eats from the flower

by Vesper Navarro

*Haiku*

*by Prince Aquinaga*

baseball is so cool  
you can play outside with friends  
try to play baseball

*Haiku*

*by Danna Valadez*

football is cool  
Ezekiel best running back  
plays for the Cowboys

*Haiku*

*by Raquel Ventura*

The thrill of the world cup  
gives me so much joy to watch  
oh how wonderful!

*Haiku*

*by Erika Perez*

She shows real beauty  
Towards everyone here  
As well as kindness.

*Haiku*

*by Erika Perez*

The winter night falls  
Falls at dawn getting cooler  
I love the cool nights.



*by  
Anthony  
Orellana*



*Haiku*  
*by Adriana Ezcorza*

el amanecer  
de paz y felicidad  
me gusta mucho



*by Dayana Orellana*

*Haiku*  
*by Josue Altamirano*

estrella fugaz  
la miro en el cielo  
y me encanta

*Haiku*  
*by Angela Moyeda*

la lluvia es luz  
cuando el sol refleja  
la lluvia es paz

*Haiku*  
*by Yamileth Almendarez*

en el verano  
yo voy a la alberca  
y me refresca



*Haiku*

*by Maria Quintanilla*

tigers are big cats  
tigers live in the jungle  
tiger stripes are cute

*Haiku*

*by Saul Villalba*

the cars in Japan  
are very fast and cool  
super fun to drive

*Haiku*

*by Jordan Lopez*

LCC is cool  
We learn to be respectful  
That's why I like it



*by Luis Cazares*



Haiku

by April Fovel

I'm a gotcha kid  
but they say it's not for me  
but I still like it

Haiku

by LeJohn Rogers

love grandma's cookies  
her cookies are delicious  
she makes them real good



R.O

by Brandon Oliva

Haiku

by Katherine Hernandez

I like blue flowers  
they smell like raw blueberries  
I love blueberries

Haiku

by Kevin Araujo

To enjoy peace and  
unity with all nations  
living together



Poetry



life

by Iliana Garibaldi

life can be weird sometimes  
sometimes we don't see a purpose in it

we all think we aren't nothing sometimes but  
we are we are here to experience everything in life

not everyone is meant to be here sometimes its just our time to go even if you are 1 years old or a 100 years old

Nostalgia

by Rogelio Martinez

Nostalgia  
one of the saddest and happiest  
feelings in the world  
I don't know if I should feel glad it happened  
or sad that it's over  
was I naive it would last forever?  
Or should I be glad I was naive enough to enjoy that moment



by Luis Cazares

*The Football Season*  
*by Jordan Porrero*

The first game was a L  
We lost  
But we were ready for the next game  
We trained  
We trained hard  
Next game  
We lost  
But we got 1 touchdown  
And hit them so hard  
So hard but not as bad as our losing streak

*Untitled*

*by Dominique Sotay*

Justice lets take a moment  
speechless  
it's like darkness  
being wordless  
sometimes sadness happens  
it's saying  
we are powerful  
our voices matter  
we are a strong community  
one that can make a change  
we are a community  
we are a family  
we are the future  
our work is not done  
we cannot be weakness  
we need to be strong and powerful

*Untitled*

*by Bryan Escamilla*

What is just about justice?  
All I see is suffering  
people crying asking for help  
if only everything could be fair

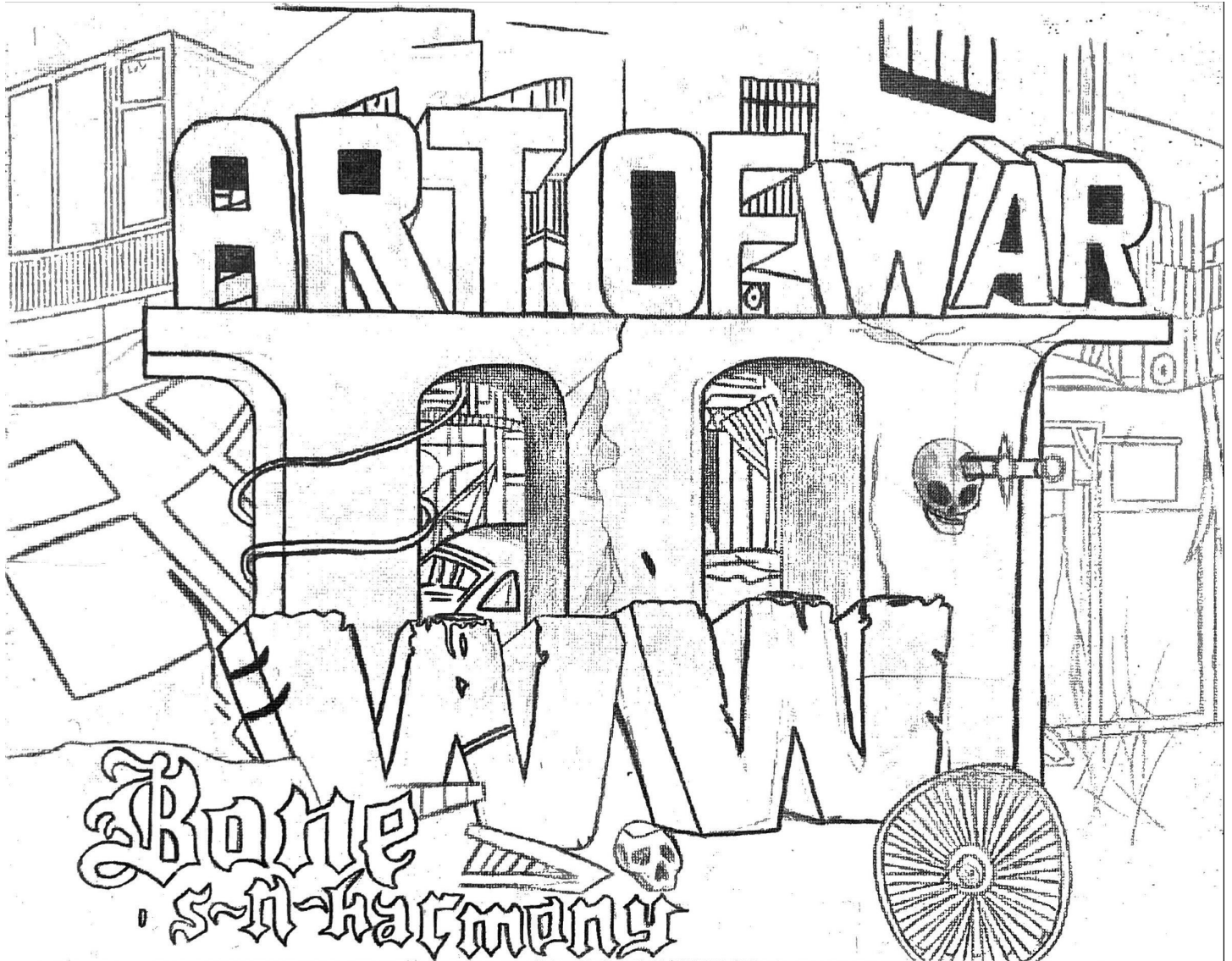
Lets talk about being fair  
why are some people heard  
and others silenced  
the fight was the fight  
but justice wasn't  
silence was declared



Untitled

by Nelson Duran

Justice what a word  
especially in this world  
where innocent people get blamed  
for their color  
Or where social media has a  
voice stronger than the government  
where serial killers are cool  
and school shootings increase  
what is justice if we don't serve it  
the word justice has been forgotten  
taking its legacy with it.



by Axel Rosales

*My poem about life*  
*by Pablo Pizana*

My life is full of positive stuff  
I'm always happy  
I'm always excited  
I'm never upset

If i have nothing to do  
I just read a book  
I'm sometimes stressed  
But i try to keep calm

If something negative  
Happens i always try to meditate  
To not be upset

If I'm overwhelmed  
I breath in and out  
To not feel stressed

*How to Make a Perfect Villain*  
*by Paul Carranco*

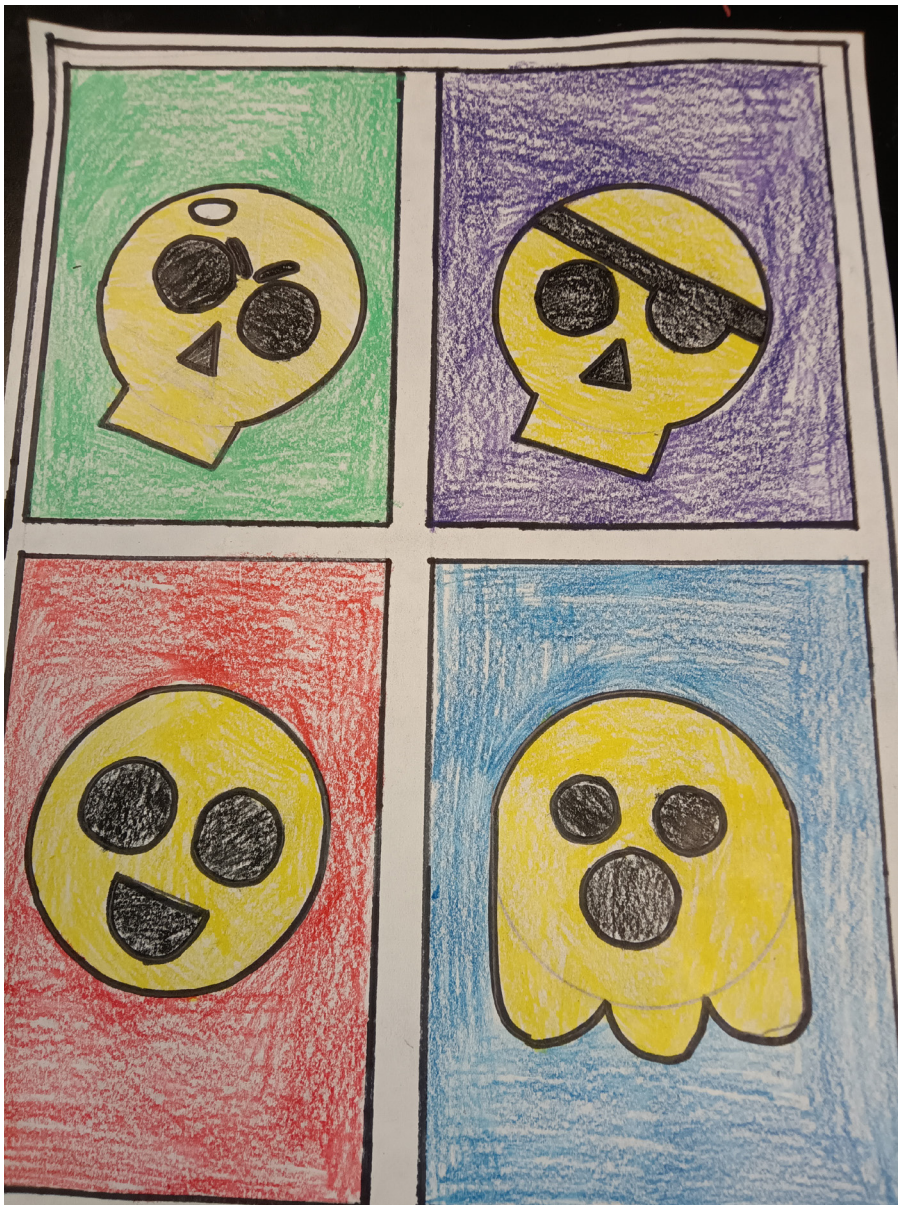
A villain so compelling  
bad backstory  
An incredible power  
And a desire no one else can  
A villain that you would root for  
You want to be like Voldemort  
Or like the Joker  
But at the end of the day  
You are your own perfect villain



Untitled

by Alisana Darling

Some people say the sky is blue  
but they are just WRONG  
They sky is more than just blue  
Sometimes it's red, purple, orange, or black  
And so many more colors  
So whenever someone says the sky is blue  
CORRECT THEM!!!



*The Quick Bike*

by Alberth Buruca

Who's Bike is that? I think I know.  
Its owner is quite happy though.  
Full of joy like a vivid rainbow,  
I watch him laugh and I say hello.

He gives his bike a shake,  
And laughs until his belly aches.  
The other sound's the break,  
Of distant waves and birds awake.

The bike is fast, quick and deep.  
But he has promises to keep,  
After cake and lots of sleep.  
Sweet dreams come to him cheap.

by  
Anthony  
Orellana

*Untitled*  
*by Raquel Ventura*

I sit with comfort knowing I have no boy to beat myself up about. Everyone in their own world with boy problems. Oh how I sometimes wonder how it feels to not value yourself. Oh how funny it is to see the drastic difference of why we cry; I cry for grades while others cry deeply for boys. How thankful I am for myself.

*Untitled*  
*by Noel Perez*

Success is no accident.  
It is hard work perseverance,  
learning, studying sacrifice and  
most of all.

The more difficult the  
victory the greater the  
happiness in winning.  
The ambition should  
always be to play an  
elegant game.  
Everything is practice.

The greatest glory in living  
lies not in never falling, but  
in rising every time we fall.



Untitled

by Yerli Gutierrez

He scores unbelievable goals the crowd cheers the atmosphere grows His name is chanted  
dribbles past cones and are left confused.

His presence startles his opponents, he dashes and moves with amazing agility his balances makes others lose  
their own his name is known world wide he is an alien out of this world his football ability beats everything a  
beast who can bring everyone to kneel down to

At the end of the day this man is a humble guy who wanted to play professional football and ended up being  
gifted and did not know and he carried on for his passion one of the most consistent and gifted players in foot-  
ball history.



by Braylon Lee-Kirk

*Untitled*  
*by Jose Gomez*

No man is an island  
entirely by itself  
everyman is a piece of the continent  
a part of our society



*by Luis Cazares*





Essays



*Untitled*

*by Jesus Rodriguez*

Problem solvers are people that help other people by having a lot of characteristics. They are brave, observant, open-minded, trustworthy, and more. The junior detectives and Dr. Watson have all of those characteristics. One characteristic that is really important is being confident because if you are not confident you will not figure out some things. Junior detectives are confident because they ride their bikes around the city to find the missing woman. And Dr. Watson is confident because he tried figuring out how did Dr. Roylett and Julia die. Take them serious at first. Then, another piece of evidence that proves that the junior detectives are confident is that while the other kids distracted Belfort and kept talking to her, Hope dialed 911 and told the dispatcher they found the lost woman, and that makes them confident. Dr. Watson and Holmes risked their lives to figure out how Julia and Dr Roylett's death. Dr. Watson didn't want to say the evidence because he was confident to do some things by himself. And that makes Dr. Watson confident.



*by Luis Cazares*

*Untitled*

*by Mie-Anne Funtanilla*

I think the most important characteristic a problem solver should have is confidence, because without confidence, you can't try anything that you want to do without believing yourself that you can do it. Like the junior detectives or "Gertrude Ederly," they both had goals that they were determined to reach and they couldn't do it without confidence. Believing yourself is the reason why many people reach their goal and you can too, if you have confidence.

The junior detectives is a great example of confidence and a problem solver. Who were a group of two 11-year-olds and two 10-year-olds. Hope and McKenna heard a police helicopter and they sprang onto their bikes. They were genuinely determined That they were going to find her, and they also got interviewed of why they decided to look for the woman. Then McKenna simply responded, "We really worked to find Belford to keep her safe and prove that kids can make just as big difference as adults." This shows that the kids were confident to prove something because they want to find a woman that was in danger. Usually that's the police's job, but the kids decided to do the same thing, risky and that is saving an old woman from the streets, this proves that kids can do anything adults do.



Untitled

by Kaden Terrell

Problem solvers are able to have the accessibility of some characteristics like bravery, intelligence, quick thinking, confidence, observant, focused, curious, risk takers, and many more characteristics like those people like that are Sherlock Holmes, Helen, and more due to them having similar characteristics and how they both are brave quick thinkers and other characteristics. And Helen's a quick thinker by contacting Sherlock Holmes and telling him to help her investigate her sister Julia's death and brave enough to tell Sherlock her dad has been acting suspicious and how she could smell cigar tobacco. Sherlock Holmes is a quick thinker by investigating the step dad's room and finding a case and a huge rope, and also brave, because Dr. Roylett threatened him saying, "If you don't stay out of my business, I'm going to do something," while pointing a fireplace stick, and Sherlock was unfazed by Dr. Roylett's threat.

Someone that shows bravery is Sherlock Holmes. He was brave enough to investigate why Dr. Roylett wasn't home and when he got threatened. Helen shows bravery by contacting a detective to help her discover who was her sister Julia's murderer.

Problem solvers are people who show characteristics they are brave, quick thinkers, intelligent, and many more. Sherlock Holmes and Helen are two individuals who display similar characteristics. I think that it is important to display bravery there's a problem solver and whatever you believe in doing put your mind set to it and you can accomplish what you believe.



by Luis Cazares

## *Problem Solvers*

*by Danna Rios*

Many people think that problem solvers don't do much or that it is easy to be one. But problem solvers do much more than you think. Sherlock Holmes and Junior detectives are some of the few problem solvers that show what it takes to become one. They show many distinct characteristics which they all share.

Sherlock Holmes is well known for solving complicated cases. He is a brave and observing man who is determined to help. In this case, he helped Helen Stoner. Helen is going through a rough time after her mother and sister Julia passed away. But Helen is skeptical on how Julia died. Helen thinks her stepfather Dr. Roylett killed Julia. So she hired Holmes to find out what killed her sister. Holmes agrees to take on the case and investigates Julia's room. By carefully observing he finds that her bed was clamped to the floor, a hanging leash and a vent opened by a silent bell. Holmes uses these clues and starts making predictions. After putting everything together he suspects that Dr. Roylett is the killer and goes to confront him but it seems that he was too late. Dr. Roylett was seated with a pale face. Then a speckled band appeared. To find that Dr. Roylett was dead and the cause of death was a snake bite. This snake was also Julia's killer. Holmes had solved the case thanks to his quick and careful observations.

Similar to Holmes are the junior detectives. The junior detectives are four kids of the ages 10-11 years old. One day, they heard about a missing woman by the name Glenette Belford who had dementia, causing her to wander off. The kids decided to take action by getting on their bikes and search for Belford. They looked everywhere including parks, schools, and even bushes. They carefully observed but couldn't find her. Then, one of the kids father sent them an image of Belford to help identify her. They observe the picture and kept searching. The kids called 911 and went home. Thanks to their careful observations they were able to find Belford before it was too late.

These problem solvers used one distinct characteristic, observation. They were able to find a solution using their characteristics. These people show what it really takes to become a problem solver.

Untitled

by Giselle Terrones

Is being overconfident actually bad? Most people believe that being confident is bad, but the problem solvers in the story "The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind," and "The Speckled Band" show that confidence isn't always a bad thing. In my opinion, I believe that being confident is a good thing because you believe in yourself and it is like a boost of self-confidence.

William from the Boy Who Harnessed the Wind was confident in making a windmill from scratch. When William told his whole village about his plan of the windmill, they all said he was insane and that he should just give up. Although they all tried to discourage him, he never gave up on his work or in himself. Then soon when he was done he went to test it, and it worked! He even let his whole village use the electricity even though they tried to discourage him. Another reason William had confidence was because he was bullied and teased for getting things out of the trash dump and for wanting to learn about electricity. The reason he did that was to make the windmill and how to make it work with wind. So he never gave up and confident in his work.

Sherlock Holmes was a detective who was solving a case on a girl with an unknown death named Julia Stoner. Holmes was a confident man because he went into the home of Dr. Roylett The Stepfather of Julia. The reason that shows confidence because Dr. Roylett threatened Holmes for interfering with his family. How I know is because it said on stanza 110 page 231 "Don't you dare meddle with my affairs." Holmes was also confident when he was walking to face Dr. Roylett with his partner to solve the case. How I know is because it said in the story, "Take your pistol and we will enter Dr Roylett's room quote on page 245. Both individuals show different types of characteristics, but they mostly used confidence. Although problem solvers need confidence, so does everyone. Because everyone deserves to be self-appreciated, not just investigators.



*Untitled*

*by Alexis Martinez*

Detectives and problem solvers have different characteristics that make them who they are, but which one is best? They have bravery, confidence, creative imagination, risk-taker, trustworthy, intelligence, and observant. One of the more important ones is observant, to look for and find clues or evidence.

Who is a problem solver that uses observation? The junior detectives from "California woman gone missing found by Junior Detectives on bicycle." On paragraph 5, Hope's dad, one of the junior detectives' fathers, sent her a picture of the woman gone missing. Like that, they could identify her, and in paragraph 20, it said that the father didn't take them seriously because they were just kids, but in the end they did find the missing woman. At paragraph 1-2, it said the police and helicopters were looking for her, but they didn't find her. The problem solver we're looking everywhere to find her. After a while, they found her with their good observation. Instead of the police and helicopter. Maybe without good observation, they couldn't have found her, that's why observation is a good characteristic for problem solvers.

Someone who is also a problem solver and has good observance is the one and only Sherlock Holmes. Starting from 134-184, Sherlock Holmes started investigating Helen's house, and when he was doing that, he found some strange stuff in the house leading to evidence. They've been seeing a bell rope, a ventilator, and other stuff that wasn't so remarkable as Holmes said. The thing that most caught Holmes's eyes was a bell rope, that bell rope shouldn't have been there. That led Holmes to evidence. After a while, he goes to talk with his partner, Dr. Watson. They said about what they saw and what it can lead to... Maybe without it, they couldn't see all that stuff.

That's why from all of the characteristics problem solvers have, observance is my favorite. Without observing, you couldn't even see or know where to go leaving you not making yourself a problem solver. That's all I have, now what's your favorite characteristic?

*Untitled*

*by Leo Lucio*

A problem-solver has to be brave like Sherlock Holmes and the kids from Junior Detectives. The kids don't go outside that much. They stay inside and use their phones. They're so brave because they went outside. Well, let's talk about Sherlock. He's just some intelligent person that knows how to fix a problem. And he goes to random people's houses.

The kids from "Junior Detectives" were really brave, because they were finding this old lady, not knowing if she's alive or dead. They were determined to find the old lady, even if no one believed that a group of kids could find her. Because nowadays, kids don't go outside. They just sit on their couches and use their phones. Some people asked them, "Why did you decide to look for the old lady?" A girl names Kashton said, the four of us just decided that they could do it. But another girl named Makenna said we really wanted to find Belford and prove that kids can make just as big a difference as adults.

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