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## Meet the Mets

By Thomas Zamora

What is your favorite major league baseball team? Well, I like the New York Mets. The first Met game of this season was March 26, 2026 against the Pittsburgh Pirates. Their star players are Juan Soto and Francisco Lindor. Orange and blue are the team colors. Their home field is named Citi Field. The Mets team manager is Carlos Mendoza. The Mets have two big rivals: they are the New York Yankees and the Philadelphia Phillies. Let's Go Mets!



## The Westchester Mall

By Brooklyn Delaney

The Westchester Mall is a mall located in White Plains. This mall is full of stores for people to buy stuff and enjoy. There are stores that sell toys, clothing and much more. You can shop at the stores, or you can eat food or both. There is even a Shake Shack. The mall also has a ton of stores like Lululemon, GOAT USA, and a candy store. There are three levels at the mall that fill over 150 stores! The Westchester Mall is typically open from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during the week and they add an extra hour on Fridays and Saturdays – closing the mall at 9:00 p.m. I think that the Westchester Mall is the best mall ever so next time you're stuck at home bored, you can always ask your parents to take you to go and check out the Westchester Mall.

## Jimmy Donaldson aka Mr. Beast

By Jason Gecht



Jimmy Donaldson is a famous YouTuber who does crazy challenges, but he goes by the name Mr. Beast. Mr. Beast also has a TV show named Beast Games. In the show, people compete. The show Beast Games has had 2 seasons so far. My favorite part of Beast Games 1 is the coin flip which allowed the winner to double their prize money from \$5 million dollars to \$10 million. In conclusion, I think Mr. Beast is cool.

# Pay Attention to Pollution

By Millie Dino

Have you ever used a paper plate for lunch, or a plastic water bottle on a hot summer day? Well did you know that trash turns into gas that pollutes the earth or gets dumped into the sea. Pollution is when the air and water become dirty and unsafe.

Did you know one of the main causes of sea turtle deaths is pollution. Over 50% of sea turtles have ingested plastic. Which put them at risk for extinction.

Also, one of the main causes of lung cancer is pollution. Being in the unsafe air may affect your lungs and make them work slower. It also slows down your heart.

Some of the main causes of pollution are chopping down trees, and littering. Some ways we can stop pollution are cutting down on use of plastic and recycling paper.

Overall, polluting our Earth only causes problems for not only people but all living things. People should try their best not to pollute the Earth.



## Wings of Fire – Book Review

By Abigail

WARNING: SPOILER ALERT!

Wings of fire is a chapter book series and graphic novel series, and today I will tell you a little bit about the book in hope that you will read the rest one day.

Wings of Fire (Book 1) is written from the main character, Clay's perspective. Clay and another character, Tsunami, try to escape from their home from the river in the cave. They run into a bad sky wing Queen named Queen Scarlet. Tsunami then stabs the Queens tail, and they run back to their cave. The queen and her followers pursue them back to their cave and they get captured by the sky wings. When they wake up their wings are clamped shut. Clay meets a dragon named Peril who was born with too much fire so everything she touches burns. Since Clay has scales that are invulnerable to fire, Peril rescues him and his friends and Peril's mother (who Peril did not know was alive, yet she raised the dragonets of destiny). Then Peril leaves and goes to find her own life without Queen Scarlet.

## Magic Kingdom

By Nora Barelli



Magic Kingdom is a theme park that has so much to offer. Magic kingdom is in Orlando Florida. It is one out of four parks in this area. Magic Kingdom has a big castle that hosts a show with bright colors every night. There are even fireworks. Inside, there are many different rides. The rides are based on Disney movies and characters. My personal favorite ride at magic kingdom is space mountain. Space mountain is a roller coaster in the dark with bright star-like lights that light up. Some people may think it is scary but not me. I think everyone should try to visit Magic Kingdom at least once in their life.

## The Powerfults: A Fictional Story

By Kayla Cole

One day, The Powerful Family was having a normal day when Zoey said, "I want to cook something".

"Me too," said Ellie.

"I'll make a food tornado by running really fast around the kitchen," said Dan.

"NO" said Zoey but it was too late.

Food was flying everywhere! It was a catastrophe! But then...they heard a knock at the door. "Is anyone home?" a voice from the other side of the door said. So, Zoey opened the door.

"Hello" said a lady. "I need to speak to your parents." "MOM DAD, I NEED YOU TO COME HERE!" Said Zoey. Their parents walked into the room. "What is it honey?" said mom. "Hi," said the lady. "I need to have a word with you". "What is it?" their mom asked.

"Someone here was misusing their powers". Dan's cheeks turned bright red. "I am going to need you to spin this wheel of what continent you will have to move to because you are never coming back to North America." Well in that case, Dad spun the wheel.

Two hours later... Because of dad's super-strength the wheel was spinning for 2 hours! Then it stopped. ANTARTICA! - Said the entire powerful family.

TO BE CONTINUED...

The Powerfults are a family that has supernatural powers and they all have their own unique power.

Here is a list of the people in their family:

Dad: He has super strength.

Mom: She can make things levitate.

Zoey (age 10): she has fire power.

Dan (age 7): he has super speed.

Ellie (age 5): she has laser eyes.



## PERCY JACKSON

By Elle Gonzalez



Percy Jackson is a New York bestselling series about a boy named Percy Jackson who adventures through Greek Mythology with his best friends: Annabeth and Grover. Percy Jackson is a 15-book series but in the main Percy Jackson series there are 5 books. There are also 2 books about when they are older. There is also a show about Percy Jackson on Disney which has two seasons - with more to come! The author of Percy Jackson is Rick Riordan who also wrote the Heroes of Olympus. I hope you will read Percy Jackson and all the other books by Rick Riordan!

## INTERVIEW WITH MR. DELGAUDIO

By Kayla Cole



**Q:** What instrument did you play in 4th grade?

**A:** I played the drums.

**Q:** Do you enjoy teaching chorus?

**A:** I love teaching chorus because we do two-part harmony.

**Q:** Why did you start chorus?

**A:** It started before I was here and I wanted to continue the tradition.

**Q:** How do you think of the lyrics for all your songs?

**A:** I sometimes use a thesaurus, and I also try to think of words that rhyme.

**Q:** Why did you become music teacher?

**A:** I used to work at a summer camp, and I love working with kids.

## Bath & Body Works

By Laila



Bath & Body Works is a soap and candle store. Most malls have Bath & Body Works in them.

They also have an online store [bathandbodyworks.com](http://bathandbodyworks.com). They sell candles that you can use in your bathroom, kitchen, bedroom, living room or dining room. The candles will make the room have a good smell.

If you like want something other than a candle to keep your house smelling nice, Bath & Body Works stores sell plug in wallflowers which release a smell and will help any room smell amazing.

Also, if you want to have good smelling hands, they have multiple choices of amazing soaps and lotions that will do the trick.

One of my personal favorites is the selections of gift sets. Bath and body works has a new easter collection and if you like peeps marshmallows they have peep scented body creams and gift sets.

## LEGOS:

By Leo

D'Angelica

Legos are very fun. You can make a ton of stuff! There are all different types of legos. The legos come in different sizes: The smallest lego is 1 by 1. There are base plates too and those can be as large as 24 by 24. You can make a kit, or sometimes you can just make random stuff. My suggestion is you be creative!



# Mark Rober: What you need to know!

By Aria Annunziata

Mark Rober is 46 years old and is a popular youtuber, engineer, educator and inventor. Mark used to work for NASA but later left to pursue his YouTube career.

Mark Rober is passionate about science. That is why he owns Crunch Labs - a STEM kit company that sends kits to your house for you to learn about science.

Mark Rober



You should check out Mark Rober on YouTube for his fun and educational content.


# Earth Day

By Jackson Kava

Earth day is a holiday cleaning up after people that pollutes the earth. The holiday was founded in 1970, 190 nations help the Earth on Earth Day. Earth day is April 22. People on Earth Day help by planting trees, plants and cleaning up parks and roads. Also on Earth Day, you can help recycle instead of using paper bags you can use reusable bags.



We celebrate Earth Day to remind ourselves to take care of our planet. A famous saying on Earth Day is "Every day is Earth Day".



**CANDY CANDY**  
By Sadie Dino  
CANDY, CANDY SWEET AND SOUR.  
CHOCOLATE MELTING BY THE HOUR.  
SMARTIES- GOOD TO HAVE AT A PARTY.  
SOMETIMES THEY ARE VERY TART-Y

## Pokémon Adventures

By Harper Asuncion



Pokémon started as a video game in Japan February 27, 1996. Then, October 20, 1996, it became a card game. The success led to a Pokémon TV show. The first Pokémon series was called Indigo League, and it originated in Japan on April 1, 1997. Some of the original characters were Ash, Misty, and maybe the most famous, Pikachu. I like watching it because I like to learn about the characters and their special attacks.

## Whale Vomit or Perfume? Ambergris

By Joshua Huh



Did you know that if you find a gray waxy lump of something at the beach then you may be in luck! It's called an ambergris.

An ambergris is a vomited squid beak from a sperm whale. An ambergris forms when a sperm whale eats a squid, but since the beak of the squid doesn't get digested, it irritates the whale. Then, the whale coats it in a substance and soon it will vomit out the waxy solid known as ambergris. Don't ask me why, but for some reason smells extremely good (even though its whale vomit). People can sell it to make a luxury perfume. Sometimes it can sell for up to one hundred thousand dollars! Sadly, picking up an ambergris is now against the law in America. This is because sperm whales are endangered.

## How Squids Outsmart Their Predators

By Joshua Huh



Did you know that squids have multiple defenses to protect themselves from their predators? A squid's main defense is its large eyes that are built just like the human eye. Another defense is statocysts (fluid filled sacs) that can detect sounds. Squids also have microscopic hairs that detect motion and they have a reattaching arm that can shoot ink. Squids change their skin color to hide. In addition, squids defend themselves by using their own ink to make an illusion of a fake squid! A last resort is a fight for its life by swimming away or attacking the predator.

## PLEASE STOP LITTERING PEOPLE

By Sophie Sanchez



People should not litter. One reason is because animals can get hurt, suffocate on plastic or they can get tangled. Also, if you litter it can be dangerous materials such as broken glass or sharp metal which can injure people and pets. In addition, if you litter it will hurt your community and hurt the environment. Another reason you should not litter is because rodents are attracted to litter. If you litter, the soil can absorb the toxins and that is very bad for our health. Our oceans, lakes and rivers can get poisoned. If you ever see litter on the ground, then pick it up because it can help our environment. **PLEASE STOP LITTERING - MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE.**

## INTERVIEW WITH MS. UNGAR

By Brooklyn Delaney and Jackson Kava



**Q:** Why did you become a social worker?

**A:** My mother was a social worker. I saw the impact she made on others and I love helping people. I want to help people feel empowered.

**Q:** Who is your favorite sports player?

**A.** Michael Jordan, he is the GOAT. He didn't make his high school basketball team and worked incredibly hard.

**Q:** How do you feel when a kid comes to you for help?

**A:** I feel grateful that someone trusts me with their challenges and private thoughts. I am happy that I can help them see great things in themselves- and I hope I can help them feel great and proud.

**Q.** When you were a kid what did you want to be when you grew up?

**A.** An actress.

**Q.** How do you solve problems that kids have?

**A.** First I listen, then I help them find solutions, acceptance or peace.

**Q.** What is your favorite food?

**A.** Mexican food & sushi.

**Q.** What is your favorite team basketball, baseball, football?

**A.** Knicks, Yankees, Giants: I love sports.

**Q.** What your favorite ice cream favor?

**A.** Cookies & cream.

**Q:** What is your favorite animal and why?

**A:** I always wanted a monkey as a kid. I don't have any pets and I love dogs.

## NASA Launches Artemis

By Izzy Advincula



NASA just launched a rocket called Artemis 2. No rocket has been launched for almost 50 years! Artemis 2 was launched on April 1st with 4 people on board. One astronaut's name is Reid Wiseman, and another astronaut onboard was Victor Glover. NASA launched many rockets in the past - I wonder what else they will end up doing up in space.

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| April Fools | Kite     |
| Arbor Day   | Ladybug  |
| Baseball    | Picnic   |
| Blossom     | Puddles  |
| Buds        | Raincoat |
| Bunny       | Seeds    |
| Butterfly   | Showers  |
| Daffodil    | Spring   |
| Earth Day   | Tax day  |
| Eggs        | Tulips   |
| Galoshes    | Umbrella |

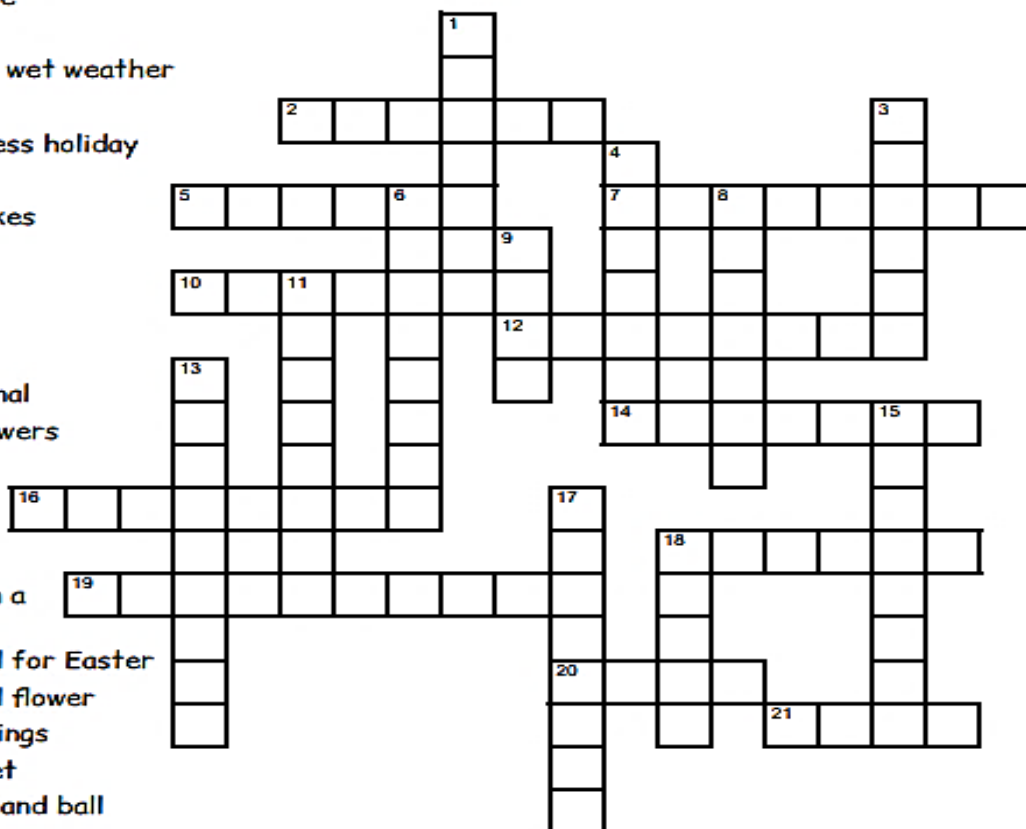


**ACROSS**

- 2. Outdoor meal on a blanket
- 5. April 15th deadline for filing returns
- 7. Rain shield with a handle
- 10. Spotted red beetle
- 12. Waterproof boots for wet weather
- 14. Brief rain spells
- 16. Environmental awareness holiday
- 18. Season of new growth
- 19. Day for pranks and jokes
- 20. Unopened flowers
- 21. Flying toy on a string

**DOWN**

- 1. Hopping springtime animal
- 3. Colorful cup-shaped flowers
- 4. Small pools of water after rain
- 6. Tree-planting celebration
- 8. Flower that opens from a bud
- 9. Oval objects decorated for Easter
- 11. Yellow trumpet-shaped flower
- 13. Insect with colorful wings
- 15. Water-resistant jacket
- 17. Sport played with bat and ball
- 18. Tiny plant starters



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