

Spartan News Spot



“Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says I'll try again tomorrow.”

- Mary Anne Radmacher

The world's first look of the newly released iPhone 6

This isn't the first time people have had high expectations of the new iPhone. But is the iPhone really living up to everyone's high expectations, or are people just overreacting? Well, users complained that the iPhones bent when they sat on them. I think the users were just overreacting on that one. Unfortunately, they found another flaw. They claim their hair and facial hair was get caught between the glass screen and the aluminum. I have long hair and want to keep it, so I think this may be a valid flaw with the iPhone 6. What's the solution? People can just get their hair cut or something. Over the past decade, Apple products have become increasingly more popular, especially with kids. So the question begs to be asked, is Apple slacking on the product end, or are the consumers just overreacting?

Christmas Corner



Girls

Clothes : Hollister & American Eagle

Shoes : Uggs, Sperry's & Van's

Boys

Xbox One

PlayStation 4

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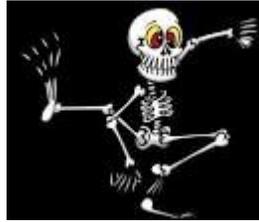
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PUNS OF FUN!



Why don't mummies take vacations?
What do skeletons say before dining?
Why did the game warden arrest the ghost?

What do you call a fat Jack-O-Lantern?

Why should a skeleton drink a lot of milk every day?

What is a vampire's favorite holiday?

Answers: A pumpkin. It's good for the bones. Fangsgiving. They're afraid they'll relax and unwind. Bone appetite. He wasn't carrying his haunting license.

Lycanthropy (Noun)
[lahy-kan-thruh-pee]

A delusion in which one imagines oneself to be a wolf or other wild animal

Dictionary.com

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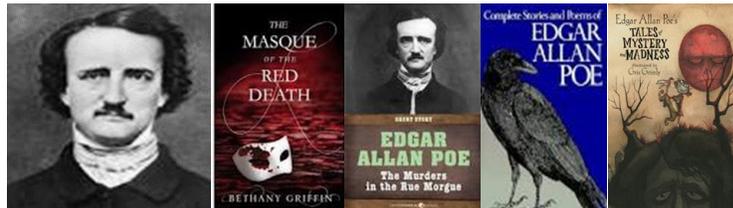
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AUTHOR OF THE MONTH: EDGAR ALLEN POE

“All that we see or seem is but a dream within a dream.” — Edgar Allan Poe



Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849) is widely recognized as the first mystery writer and some of his works include, “The Tell-Tale Heart”, “The Cask of Amontillado”, “The Murders in the Rue Morgue”, “The Masque of the Red Death” and “The Black Cat”. His most famous poems are “The Raven” and “Annabel Lee”.

Excerpt from “The Tell-Tale Heart”

“I knew what the old man felt, and felt sorry for him, although I laughed to myself. I knew that he had been lying awake ever since the first noise, when he had turned in the bed. His fears had been ever since growing upon him.

When I had waited a long time, without hearing him lie down, I decided to open a little -- a very, very little -- crack in the lantern. So I opened it. You cannot imagine how carefully, carefully. Finally, a single ray of light shot from out and fell full upon the vulture eye.

It was open -- wide, wide open -- and I grew angry as I looked at it. I saw it clearly -- all a dull blue, with a horrible veil over it that chilled my bones; but I could see nothing else of the old man's face or person. For I had directed the light exactly upon the spot.”

“I became insane, with long intervals of horrible sanity.”

Poestories.com

SPARTAN ROOKIE: ALAN PEREZ

I asked Alan a series of questions that he probably wasn't sure how to answer, but the process was funny and it's the thought that counts, right? Alan is new to the school district this year. Prior to this year, he was homeschooled since second grade.

Interviewer : "Were you excited to come to a new school? How were you feeling?"

Alan : "I was excited but also nervous!"

Interviewer : "Was it hard for you to get used to everything? What was the hardest?"

Alan : "Not really, the hardest thing was finding classes, but my locker was pretty easy for me."

Interviewer : "What advice would you give kids on making friends?"

Alan : "Join a team or club!"

Interviewer : "Whose your favorite teacher, and why?"

Alan : "Mr. Smith, because he gets straight to the point and isn't boring."

Interviewer : "What is your favorite subject, and favorite thing about school so far?"

Alan : "My favorite subject is Tech Ed, and so far my favorite thing has been my soccer team."

Interviewer : "What's your hardest class so far?"

Alan : "Mrs. Fetterman for sure."

Interviewer : "What are you looking forward to this year?"

Alan : "I'm trying out for wrestling, so I'm very excited about that."

Interviewer : "What were the biggest pros/cons of homeschool and middle school for you?"

Alan : "Home school gets done a lot quicker; it would literally only take about 3 hours. But some pros of middle school are my new friends that I couldn't really make at home and the sports."

Hopefully you learned a little about Alan, the Spartan Rookie. It was fun to interview him, because he's very humorous. He gave some good advice and some tips and tricks. If you see him in the hallway, make sure to say hello!

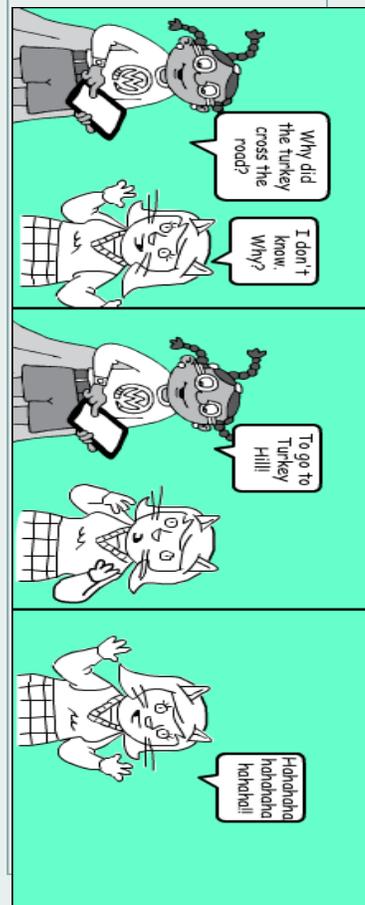
SPARTAN ROOKIE



CHEESEY JOKES

Q1: Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?

Answer: 1. The outside.



QUOTES OF THE MONTH

“There is still some good in this world, and that’s worth fighting for.”

-Lord of the Rings



“The most important thing in illness is never to lose heart.”

-Nikolai Len



THE 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEENS

Habit #1: Be Proactive!

Reactive Language

- I’ll try...
- That’s just the way I am...
- There’s nothing I can do...
- I have to...
- I have to...
- You ruined my day!

Proactive Language

- I’ll do it!
- I can do better than that!
- Let’s look at all our options.
- I choose to...
- There’s has to be a way...
- I’m not going to let your bad mood rub off on me.

It pays to be proactive!

Proactive people...

- Are not easily offended
- Take responsibility for their choices
- Think before they act
- Bounce back when something bad happens
- Always find a way to make it happen
- Focus on things they can do something about and don’t



EBOLA: A GLOBAL HEALTH CRISIS

At first Ebola only infected four soldiers who were shipped for treatment. A week or two later, we found out that the Ebola virus was turning from a small disease to a huge problem. It is an epidemic in Africa; many people are dying. To make matters worse, it has spread to the United States. A man who flew from Liberia to Texas showed symptoms of the disease and about 10 days later was diagnosed with Ebola. He was also accidently released from the hospital when he still had the virus. Six or seven people in the U.S. are now infected, but they are being held in isolation. Will we be able to contain this threat, or will this disease keep spreading?

NEWSELA ARTICLE

After reading a Newsela article, I asked some people if they prefer face-to-face communication verses phone-to-phone communication.

One student said that she likes to communicate face-to-face, because it is easy to see their expressions.

Another student said that she, too, likes face-to-face communication, because she likes to see the people she's talking to.

Here's the link to the Newsela article if you would like to check it out:

[Newsela.com/kids](https://newsela.com/kids) and you will find an article that is called, "Face-to-Face is Different from Phone-to-Phone".



Elizabeth Charles

Favorite Book: Snow White

Favorite Author: Suzan Collins

Favorite Books

Mr. Long

Favorite Book: Where the Red Ferns Grow

Favorite Author: Dan Brown



DEAR MISS KNOW-IT-ALL

Miss Know-It-All,

Why do you think there is such a big bullying problem in our school? What should we do to help it?

Dear Anonymous,

It might sound cheesy, but it's mainly because people are insecure. They make themselves feel better by making others look worse. They might have home or personal issues. Most bullies are actually really cool people, but they need good friends to guide them down the right path. You need to give them a chance but keep your identity. Don't let THEM change who YOU are! Be strong, be brave, and be bright!

Your Friend,

~Miss Know-It-All

Dear Miss Know-It-All,

I normally get good grades, but this year I get Cs and Ds on assignments! I work hard to get A+s to balance the Ds, but I still feel like I'm failing.

Dear Anonymous,

Keep trying! As long as you're doing your best it doesn't matter. Seventh grade is going to be a lot harder, I sometimes

wish someone would have told me this to start. When trying to get good grades make sure you know these five things:

1. Know what your teachers expects of you. This will help you know when things need to be done and what things you don't need to stress over.
2. Keep your binders neat and organized so you know when papers should be turned in on time.
3. Even more things are happening online, so if you need to get some answers take it right to the books. If you hit the books then you can find the answers. If needed, ask your teacher to take one home.
4. Study, study, study! I don't know how much I can emphasize to you how important it is. If you study you can be prepared for any question you get.
5. You also need to know your limits and resist temptation. Don't cheat but find a way that will help you study for your tests. If you don't study, you will fail.

Good luck!

Your Friend,

~Miss. Know-it-all

Be strong, be brave, and be bright!



Extra Credit Opportunities

Monday, November 3 to Sunday, October 9

Students: You will have a week to complete as many or as little extra credit assignments as you want to do. (Monday - Sunday).

Achieve 3000 Articles:

For each article, you must complete the four tabs at the top and summarize three paragraphs.

Article #1: A Woman Who Flew High

Article #2: A Most Valuable Comeback

Article #3: Billionaire At 25

Article #4: The Dog That Goes To School

Article #5: The Trip Of A Lifetime

75% = 1 bonus point

88% = 2 bonus points

100% = 3 bonus points

Newsela Articles: You must use "MAX" for each article.

Article #1: Acropolis' famed Caryatids get "cosmetic surgery"

Article #2: Archeological teams unearth history in historic Crete

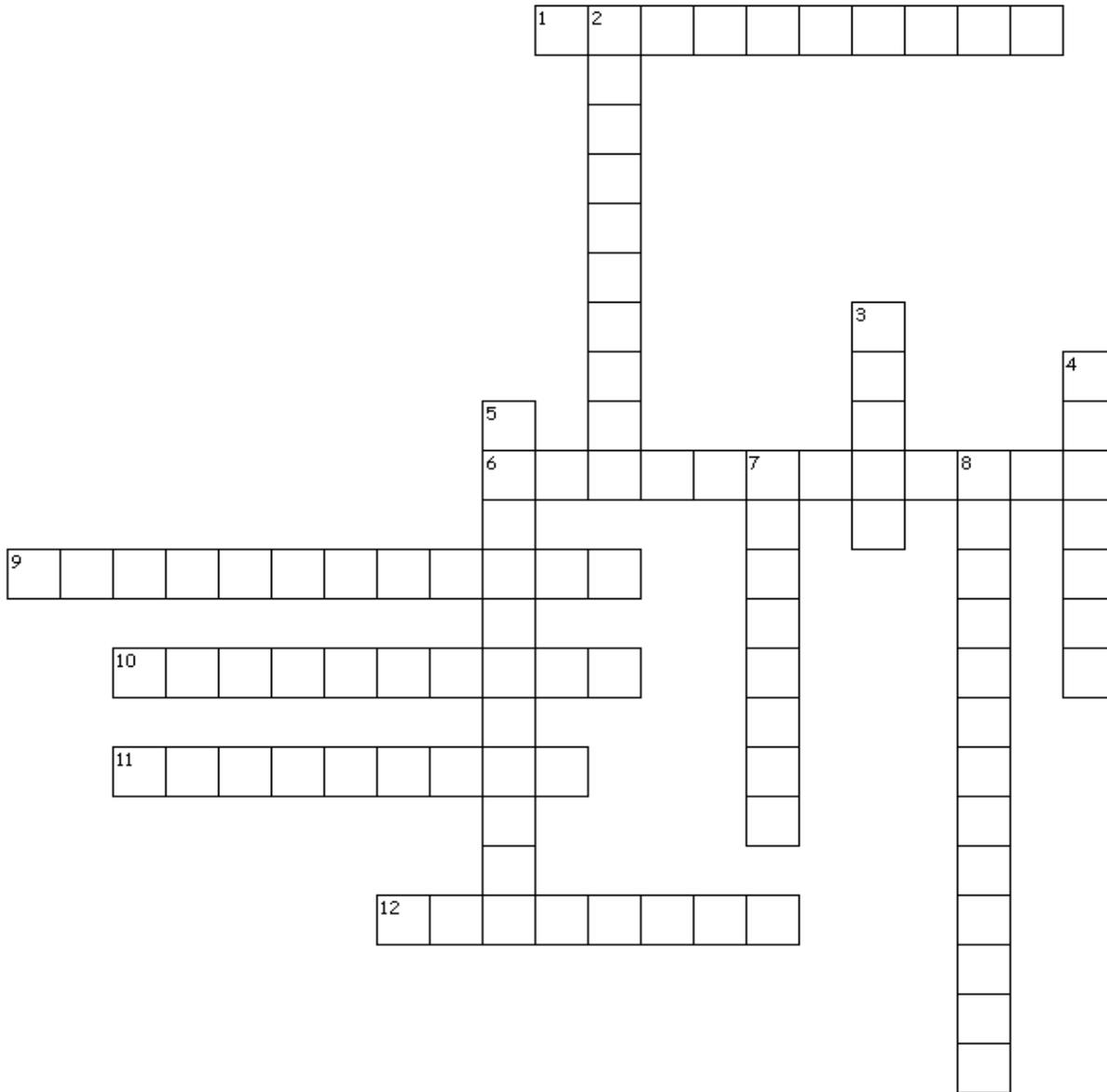
75% = 1 bonus point

100% = 2 bonus points

Myaccess Essay: You must have a holistic score of 5.8 to receive 5 bonus points. It's all or nothing.

Prompt: What's in a Name? (Expository)

October's Vocabulary Words



Across :

1. the manner in which something is expressed in words (written or spoken)
6. - a word thrown into a sentence or conversation
9. - the point at which two lines or roads meet and cut across each other
10. a four-footed creature
11. - to look and think about something from different points of view
12. - to handily or skillfully go around something

Down :

2. - something that stands one's way; an obstacle
3. - public words issued by an official that explains a law or command
4. - an order or command placed in one's hands
5. - surgery on living animals; medical research that involves cutting into living animals to study organs, tissues, or diseases
7. - to throw goods overboard to lighten the load on a boat or an airplane
8. - the act of looking into one's own thoughts and feelings

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

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Friday

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