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Super Bowl LIII Breaks Records

This year's Super Bowl has been talked of as the most boring game ever. In a recent poll, 90% of the students surveyed did not like the Super Bowl, and the other 10% didn't watch the Super Bowl. Despite the poor reviews, this Super Bowl did in fact break some records. It broke the record for lowest scoring game in Super Bowl history. It also (ironically) was the most viewed Super Bowl in history. The Super Bowl was streamed across 7.5 million devices. Another record broken was from a kick. The last record was 63 meters, but 64 meters were kicked, beating the record by just 1 meter.

Source: <https://www.engadget.com/2019/02/05/super-bowl-streaming-tv-viewers/>



8th Grade Student/Teacher Volleyball Tournament

On Friday, February 15, the 8th grade volleyball tournament held during P.E. came to a close. Early in the game, the teachers playing against the winning team were in early decimation, at one point with a score of 9 to 4. Towards the end, however, they almost came back from their early setbacks and brought it to a close game. Over the past few days, there has been controversy on who was carrying the teachers' team and who was dragging them down. Most of the controversy comes from one of Mr. Lawson's spikes. Early in the game, Mr. Lawson tried to spike the ball over the net and succeeded. He hit the ball so hard that he fell to the ground and rolled into a backwards somersault. Then, Mrs. Morrow, who was reffing the game, announced that Mr. Lawson hit the net so the other team would serve for the next round. Many students agree Mr. Lawson didn't actually hit the net, and the teachers' loss of the serve cost them greatly in the rest of the game. Another thing most students agree on is that Mr. Ringle was the one carrying the teachers' team. His spirits were high throughout the entire game, even when things didn't look good for their team. This kept the rest of the team motivated the entire time. Mr. Ringle also showed immense skill with every spike he attempted. Every time he hit the ball, it went soaring to the other team's side, and they were always unable to hit it. Had it not been for the reffing, Mr. Ringle would have carried his team to victory while looking fabulous at the same time.



Fun Facts:

- In the Southern Hemisphere, February is a summer month; it's the equivalent of August here.
- If Pinocchio said, "My Nose Will Grow Now," it would cause a paradox.
 - For more, check out this link:
<https://www.thefactsite.com/2011/07/top-100-random-funny-facts.htm>
| Fun fact #16
- Cherophobia is the fear of fun or happiness :(

Jokes:

- Q: What did the flame tell his buddies when he fell in love?
 - A: "I found the perfect *match!*"
- Q: How did the phone propose to his girlfriend on Valentine's Day?
 - A: He gave her a *ring*.
- Why didn't the student write with the dull pencil?
 - It was *pointless*.

Book Suggestions



Ready Player One

By: Ernest Cline

Genre: YA Fiction

(Sci-Fi)

A.R. Level: 6.7

Points: 23

Wade has been a nobody as long as he can remember, living in a world that's on the verge of ending. His aunt and uncle hate his guts, and the only thing keeping them from kicking him out of their already-packed trailer is the food stamps they get for "caring" for him. The only thing worth living for now is the OASIS. It's just like it sounds--an escape from the real world. With a sort of interactive virtual reality, Wade can do anything, go anywhere, and meet anyone. Other than his only friend, Aech, most other people in his life don't even notice that he exists. Until now, that is. After solving a single riddle, but not just any riddle, Parzival, his avatar, becomes a household name. He climbs the charts and reaches #1 in the world, trying to win the race to find the legendary egg and Halliday's fortune. It gets competitive--and deadly. He's left wondering if he, his friends, and the rest of the world will even survive long enough to have a shot at winning.

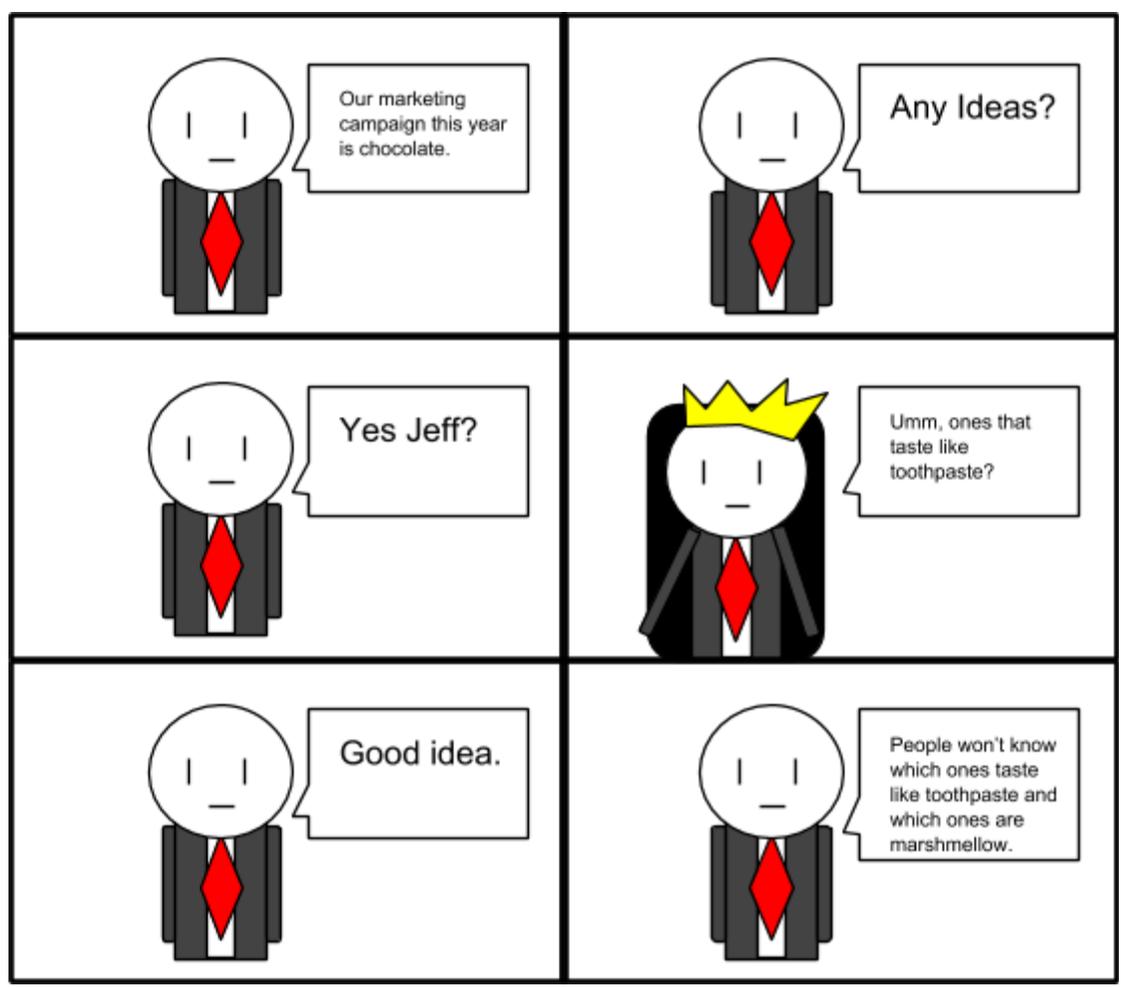


Crazy Dates:

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| 1 Bubble Gum Day | 14 National Organ Donor Day |
| 1 National Freedom Day | 14 Valentine's Day |
| 1 No Politics Day | 15 National Gumdrop Day |
| 2 Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast Day | 15 Singles Awareness Day |
| 2 Groundhog Day | 15 Susan B Anthony Day |
| 3 Feed the Birds Day | 16 Do a Grouch a Favor Day |
| 3 Superbowl Sunday | 17 Random Acts of Kindness Day |
| 4 Create a Vacuum Day | 18 National Battery Day |
| 4 Stuffed Mushroom Day | 18 President's Day |
| 4 Thank a Mailman Day | 19 National Chocolate Mint Day |
| 5 Chinese New Years - date varies | 20 Cherry Pie Day |
| 5 National Weatherman's Day | 20 Love Your Pet Day |
| 6 Lame Duck Day | 21 Card Reading Day |
| 6 National Chopsticks Day | 22 George Washington's Birthday |
| 7 Send a Card to a Friend Day | 22 Be Humble Day |
| 8 Boy Scout Day | 22 International World Thinking Day |
| 8 Kite Flying Day - in the middle of winter!?! | 22 Walking the Dog Day |
| 9 National Pizza Day | 23 International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day |
| 9 Toothache Day | 23 Tennis Day |
| 10 Umbrella Day | 24 National Tortilla Chip Day |
| 11 Clean out Your Computer Day | 24 Oscar Night |
| 11 Don't Cry over Spilled Milk Day | 26 Carnival Day |
| 11 Make a Friend Day | 26 National Pistachio Day |
| 11 National Inventors Day | 26 Tell a Fairy Tale Day |
| 11 White T-Shirt Day | 27 Polar Bear Day |
| 12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday | 27 No Brainer Day |
| 12 National Lost Penny Day | 28 Floral Design Day |
| 12 Plum Pudding Day | 28 Public Sleeping Day |
| 13 Get a Different Name Day | 28 National Tooth Fairy Day |
| 14 Ferris Wheel Day | |



Comic



Monthly Poll

Click [here](#) to vote.
Click [here](#) to view the results.



Narrative

Something Unknown by Ellie Reetz and Lilly McGreevy

I was lifted back into the past with an armful of items from the future. My brother watched as I pulled out the device I had learned was a cell phone. I had gone from the year of 309 B.C. to 2019 A.D. I had spent three months in the future and I had learned so much.

I had also caused so much. I had traveled back to before I left, creating a paradox in the timeline of our world.

Extra Curriculars

Drama-- The drama club is very excited for the school's production of Willy Wonka Jr! It's coming closer to performance time, and the entire cast is getting ready for opening night by practicing almost every day of the week. Rehearsals are held every school day except Wednesdays, and the cast is working very hard to perfect their lines, choreography, and music. The shows are on March 15 and 16. Make sure to come see the show!



Student Spotlight

This month, there were some 4th graders who stood out for being excellent students.

The first student is Abbi Ufhiel, because she's a "bright light" (always smiling and excited). Francie Mounisse is another 4th grade cutie who goes out of her way to be kind to everyone. Next, Truman Cenover is a wonderful student because he goes above and beyond and he's always willing to help. Evy Cornwell is yet another sweet girl who challenges herself and always goes above the expectations. Elizabeth Pauli was the February student of the month because she is always listening and working hard. Next, Molly McManus is a very kind girl who is always prepared and ready to learn. Finally, Payton Bohannan is responsible, friendly, and she takes pride in her work.



Staff Spotlight

This month, we interviewed some 4th graders and asked them who their favorite teacher was. The top results were Mrs. Brodbent because she's very nice and doesn't give much homework, makes school fun, is understanding, and is helpful. The other teacher was Mrs. Karpowicz. She's nice, happy, and bright.

Results of Pronunciation Poll

Caramel was most commonly pronounced with 3 syllables.

Route was most commonly pronounced rhyming with "trout."

Crayon was most commonly pronounced with 1 syllable.

Pecan was most commonly pronounced pi-KAHN.