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MOUNTAIN

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I'm Wensen Song from 3rd grade Mrs. Shamsen's class. My favorite thing to do is to read. Here are some books I recommend: Harry Potter, Percy Jackson, Magic Treehouse, and Dog Man. Recently I developed some new passions, including collecting Pokémon cards, and playing Minecraft.

This is my 4th year at CHA and I truly enjoy the CHA community. I'd love to contribute and make everyone thrive, If I could, I would grab a wand and bring spelling bee tests back to CHA as I believe will let more people understand the fun of spelling and also add more activities to the CHA community.



Hello ! We are twin boys from Ms Huss classroom. My name is Yikai Huang , my brother is Yining Huang. We love Chinese kung fu , and we are learning now. I have yellow belt. My brother has green belt .



My name is Jackie Zhang. I grew up in America. My favorite color is pink, purple, or navy baby blue. I like to paint, draw, sketch and make crafts. I want to be an animal adoption center staff, artist, or vet.





My name is Ava Zeng. I am 8 years old, and I am in 3rd Grade Ms. Warenkiewicz's Homeroom. My favorite colors are neon purple and blue. A fun fact about myself is that I like writing narratives about myself. I don't normally come up or make up the stories that I write. If you were to write a book, what would it be about? Mine would be about a princess ruling her whole kingdom! Do you have any ideas?

I wrote this writing 1 1/2 years ago. It is about my family and I going to a place to watch snow geese. Hope you enjoy it!



My name is Jinran Liu.

Favorite subject in school: LA and Science

I like to write stories, poems, articles and draw doodle, cartoon, sketch. I like dogs!



Hi My name is Nicole Li. I am in Mr. Kolb's Homeroom. I love books and creative writing. I also like swimming, dancing and tennis. My favorite animal is Cat. Welcome to join us



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A Letter to My Future Self in 20 Years

By Wensen Song (Mrs. Shamsen's)

Dear future self at 28 years old,

How are you doing right now? I've always been wondering about my future so I have a few questions for you. Hopefully you can answer them!

Have you invented anything to save the Earth so far? For me, I wanted to stop climate change. It was spreading in Seattle. I even smell more smoke than in past years. And I know animals will go extinct someday because of it. I tried to make the Earth colder. One time I grabbed some ice from the freezer, took them outside, and threw a dozen of them into the air. But all it did was create a minor storm. So it didn't work very well. But maybe you have some better ideas than that one.

This second question might be embarrassing for you. Who are you married with or have a crush on? Don't ask me, most of my "friends" that are girls are 78% annoying because they keep chasing me around for no reason.

Do you still like Pokémon cards, video games etc? I'm still a fan of them. I've also finished the Harry Potter main series. Do you still like Harry Potter? I have been totally obsessed with it since kindergarten summer break.

What kind of job do you have right now? Currently I've thought that I might be a scientist so I can invent some chemicals and stop climate change once and for all. Of course this is just a wish. Are you a scientist? Do you like my dream job?

Last question. Are you still good at drawing? If you are, come over and we'll have a contest, the winner gets to brag for a week. Hope you agree.

Please reply as soon as you can! Hope your side of the world is nice!

Sincerely,
Wensen at 8 years old



Crab Catching

By Jackie Zhang (Mr. Kolb's)

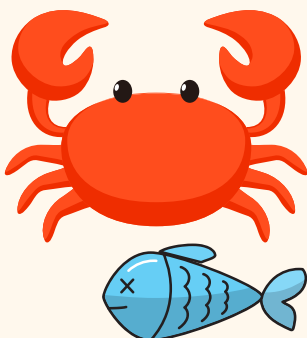


One of my favorite things to do in the summer is crab catching. It feels different when you catch the crabs by yourself rather than buying them from the supermarket. It is an exciting moment to see the net pull up and how many crabs you catch! I also get to learn how crabs can smell its food, what the best bait is for crabs and the different types of crabs.

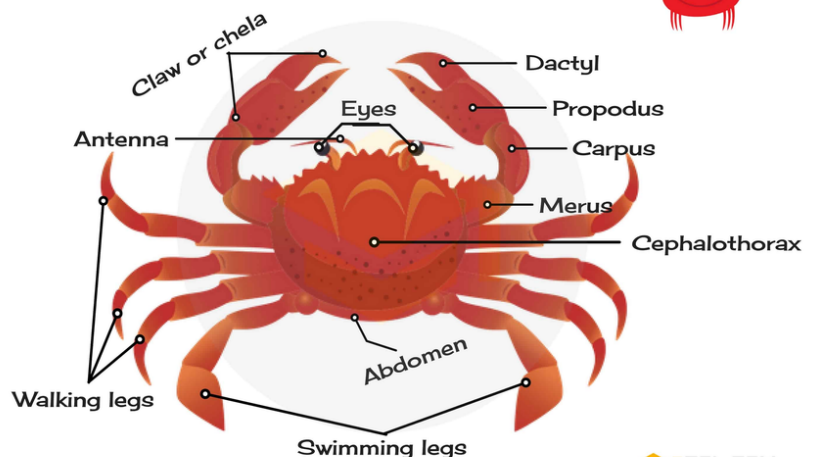
Crabs can smell their prey by the sensors surrounding their eyes. The prey can release a chemical, when it floats out to the ocean, it attracts hungry crabs. When crabs get closer to the food, they can also taste the food by the hairs on their mouths and feet.



Crabs are meat lovers. Their favorite foods are fish, shrimp, squid and chicken!! But they are not picky eaters, they will eat almost anything like dead meats, plants and even other crabs. To catch a crab, you will need to put the bait on a thick hook that attaches to a trap in a net or a cage. Then you throw the net into the water and the crab will crawl into the trap by following the smell of the food.



PARTS OF A CRAB



There are many types of crabs, the most popular ones that we are crabbing are Dungeness crabs and red rock crabs. Dungeness crabs are big purple, brown and grey-ish crabs that can grow up to 10 inches. They have large claws and wide and hard shells. Red rock crabs are much smaller, they are usually less than 6 inches. They are less meaty than Dungeness crabs but they are still very tasty! You can tell the difference of the red crabs by their red shell and black tips of the claws.

Dungeness crab



Go to the
dungeon
dungeness!

Red rock crab



Black tip of the claw

The Witch On Park Street

By Olivia Yang (Mrs. Suddendorf's)

Amara knew not to go to the witch's house even though she has a big, fun playground. People said that if you go to her playground, she will put you on a dark spell that gets you on fire. Rumor has it that she makes kids' favorite candy disappear immediately and saves them all for herself. "If I knock on her potion covered door this Halloween, she's not going to take my candy!" Amara thought. She snatched two scary-looking, empty buckets and dashed to her friend Maria's.

"Ding-Dong!" the door flew open and Maria sauntered out. Amara handed out the bucket and whispered her plan, "Let's go to the mean witch's house to see if the unbelievable scary rumors are true!" Amara said. "No!" shivered Maria, looking pale. Amara begged for ten minutes until she finally agreed.

They tip toed to Park Street and Amara sprinted to the green doorbell. She pushed it twice and the surprised witch jumped out. Maria screamed "Aaaaaaah!" She tried to run and hide but Amara grabbed her sleeve. "Tr-tri-ck-or-t-tre-a-t!" screeched Maria.



"You don't have to be afraid of me," smiled the mysterious woman at the door, "I have lots of candy but children believe in the rumors. I'm not a witch, I'm Ms. Jackson living alone, expecting a visitor." Then they slowly showed their buckets and Ms. Jackson filled them. "Thank you and Happy Halloween Ms. Jackson. We'll visit tomorrow and can we play in your playground?"



Royal Reign

By Olivia Yang (Mrs. Suddendorf's)

Elizabeth Alexandra Mary Windsor was born on April 21, 1926. She is the longest serving monarch in the British monarchy. Queen Elizabeth II dies on September 6, 2022. She has served for 70 years on the throne.

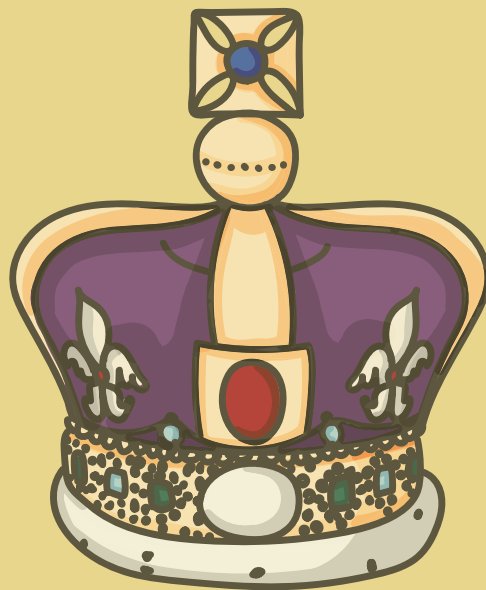
"I declare before you, for my whole life whether it be long or short, will be devoted to your service." Princess Elizabeth said those words on her 21st birthday. She married Prince Phillip the same year in South Africa. In 1952, her father had planned to visit Kenya but he was sick He sent Elizabeth and Phillip to go instead. Then when Elizabeth and Phillip were sleeping one night, her father died. Elizabeth became Queen! When she got back, she had to be coronated. But this won't happen for 16 months because people need to have enough time to mourn the king. At last, her coronation was on June 2, 1953. She wore a heavy robe that weighed 16 lbs! She wore a 21 ft long trained and a 5 lbs crown.

Queen Elizabeth II was brave and lead her country through wars, natural disasters and pandemics. For example, the Cold War was dark and scary. There wasn't any real battles.

Each side feared that one would drop a nuclear bomb. USA and the Soviet Union hated each other. In 1956, Nikita Khrushchev visited the UK and Queen Elizabeth II invited him to Windsor Castle. She helped her people stay calm and not join the war. Her people were relieved, happy and felt safe.

When she died, Charles the Third became the oldest person to take over at age 73,

The same day the Queen died, a double rainbow appeared over Buckingham Palace.



NATURE

JINRAN Liu(Mr. Kolb's class)

RAIN dripping like it's singing,
ANTS tap dancing,

BUTTERFLY'S gracefully flying,
NATURE'S beautiful, let it be fascinating,

PLEASE do not keep littering,
OR just polluting,

BUT keep remembering,
WE are saving it not destroying,
ANIMALS run from fires we're making,
I'M pleased you're listening to what I'm
saying,

WILD fire is still happening,
SOME of the nature is disappearing,

START try changing,

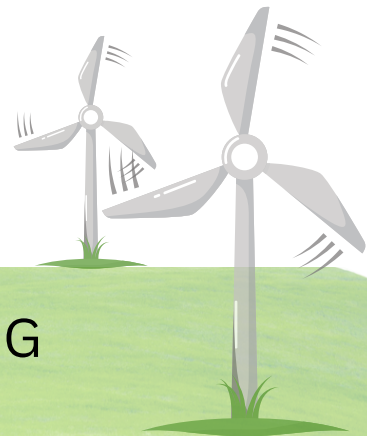
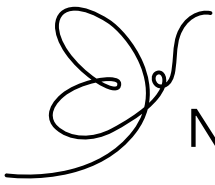
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THE THANKSGIVING THIEF

Nicole Li (Mr. Kolb's class)

It was Thanksgiving time, and Amanda was bored. "I'm bored", complained Amanda.

"Why don't you invite your friends over to play?" replied Amanda's mom.

So, Amy and Sophie came over to Amanda's house. Quinn came a little late because of dance class." Let's go to the basement", said Amanda.

"We could make up dance routines," Quinn suggested. "But we don't know how!" Amy complained.

"I can teach you," Quinn said, like it was so easy. "Just follow me and Sophie!".

Easy for them to say, thought Amanda and Amy. Quinn and Sophie both took dance class, but Amanda and Amy did not and felt a little left out. After arguing for a while, the girls finally agreed to go to the park. Quinn even suggested for them to go to the mall afterward to get ice cream, and everybody immediately agreed. After a delicious lunch of Mac and Cheese, the girls headed off to the park. They found their favorite tree, but it was cut down. "Oh come on!" said Amy.

She knocked on the tree stump 3 times. The 1st time it turned purple, then it started to swirl, and then it started sucking them up. They were in a familiar place, The Forgotten Island, but they had never entered this other dimension through a tree trunk! They landed on top of their friend Princess Dalia, who was riding a golden carriage that would bring them to the Golden Daisy, the island's capital city.



Amy read aloud from the golden scroll that Dalia had given them. The 4 girls usually only came for problems, but Queen Diana invited them for the grand thanksgiving feast!! The whole royal family would be there! On the back of the scroll said: Please help us to harvest the royal gardens. We have 2 hours to get ready and have a lot to do.



We have to set up the name tag seating, we have to harvest the foods, (From Sulfer Springs, the royal garden), we have to set the table, cook the food, decorate with the golden decorations, catch a turkey, roast the turkey, hunt the food, and organize the foods too. We only have 2 hours to set everything and then the guests will arrive!!

Once the girls and princess arrived, the queen ordered men go hunting and cooks to make the food and roast the turkey. Amy and Quinn set the table and the name tags. Sophie and Amanda harvested the fruits and veggies with Dunkin, the horse, and got the golden decorations ready. Using habit number 6, Synergize, they were able to prepare the feast in time for the guests. Using habit 6, synergize, the 4 girls were able to get everything done! "Just on time, sK!" King Daniel exclaimed!



There was a knock at the castle's door. The guests had arrived. After everyone was seated, Queen Diana and King Daniel were seated last, a Thanksgiving feast tradition. Every King and Queen of the Forgotten Island sat on a solid golden throne with fluffy golden stalks and cushy, red velvet seats. They sat at a gleaming marble table and were served on the fanciest China plates. The royal children were in a separate room with Amy, Amanda, Quinn, and Sophie, and were having fun eating in a pool, lounging around on floaties. The guests enjoyed the food and had fun, but little did they know an evil troop named Ghost Clan was near, along with their guard dog, Gerald. Once the guests were alerted of the troop, they gathered their children and hid in a secret room. The troop was starting to fight! King Davidson had gotten a message from the royal army and as he got distracted reading it aloud to everybody,

The Ghost Clan stole all the precious golden decorations. The army tried to chase them but they were too fast. The king got mad and screamed. The queen got mad and yelled. The kids got angry and cried. Only the 4 girls stayed calm. "Girls, please help us catch the clan!" begged Queen Diana.

"WE WILL!" the girls yelled as they each grabbed a notebook and pen and went off.



After splitting up to search for a few hours, the girls came back and had a meeting. “The only clue we have right now is that the Ghost Clan likes gold!” Complained Amanda.

“I know!” Quinn suddenly yelled. “We can put out some gold as bait, and put trackers in the gold. Then we can track them to their secret lair where we can ambush them!” and the plan worked. The girls got all the gold back and the Thanksgiving feast was saved! After saying their goodbyes, the kids headed home just in time for ice cream.



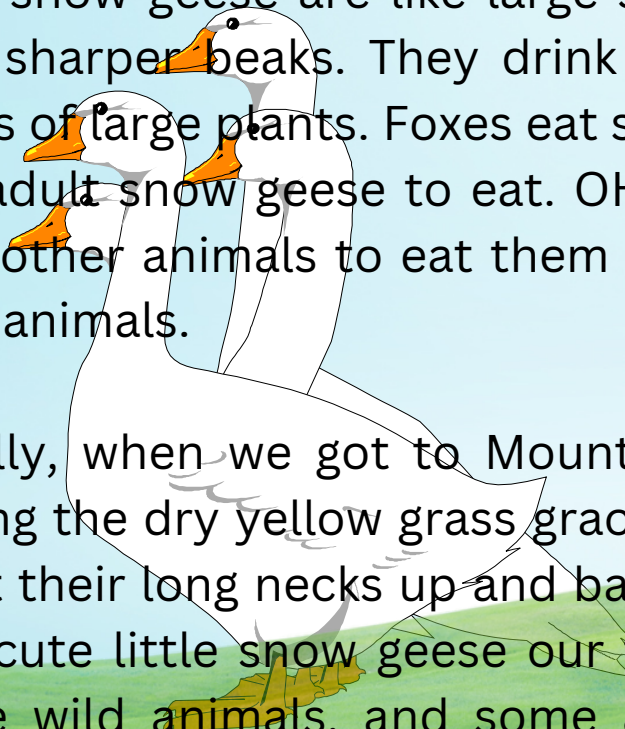
SNOW GEESE

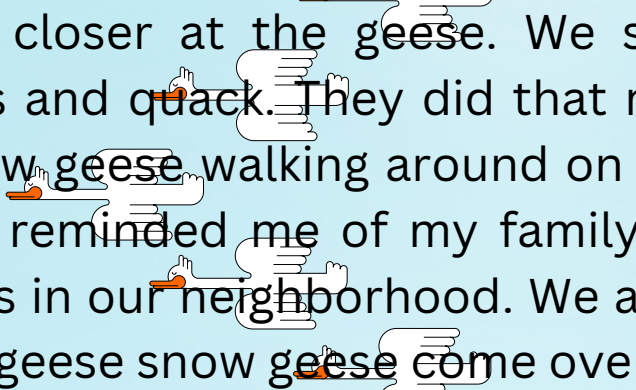
Ava Zeng (Ms. Warenkiewicz's class)

“There are snow geese everywhere!” I said, as me and my family were watching snow geese at Mount Vernon. We were standing by a farm eating delicious coconut and strawberry ice cream that daddy bought us from an ice cream shop.

On the way to the farm to watch snow geese, there was a large traffic jam. So, in the car we ate some snacks so that we would not get dizzy. We ate snacks like egg yolk crackers that was all mushed up by the heavy penguin backpack, brown Lindt chocolate that had red wrappings, and soft, shiny, and dark yellow chestnuts that looked mostly like heart shaped peaches. While we ate these three types of unhealthy snack, we watched a YouTube video about snow geese. We learned that snow geese are like large swans but with longer necks and sharper beaks. They drink water, eat grass, and other kinds of large plants. Foxes eat snow geese and humans hunt for adult snow geese to eat. OH NO! I do not want humans and other animals to eat them because we need to protect wild animals.

Finally, when we got to Mount Vernon, we saw the geese eating the dry yellow grass gracefully. To eat the grass, they bent their long necks up and back down. We wanted to feed the cute little snow geese our freezing ice cream, but they were wild animals, and some animals get sick if they eat human food. So, instead we just ate and ate until we did not have anything left to eat. Then we used large, black, and long





binoculars to look closer at the geese. We saw the geese flapping their wings and quack. They did that multiple times. When I saw the snow geese walking around on the soft, wide, and green grass, it reminded me of my family exploring the beautiful new things in our neighborhood. We also shouted at them saying “Snow geese snow geese come over here!”

But they just ignored us and kept doing what they were doing. So instead, we made silly rhyming poems about snow geese and we laughed and stomped on the ground until our tummies got sore. When it was getting dark, we were ready to go home.

On the way back we went to a little town called La Conner which was a small town that only had one thousand people living there. There we read about the history of this town and learned that the town was 150 years old! We also saw a braille stone that reminded me of Helen Keller because she was blind and deaf so she could only use braille to understand what a book says. When we were back in the car, we listened to some excited music while we quietly chatted together until sister and I fell asleep.

When all of us settled back into the house, I was sweaty but also felt cheerful because I got to see the snow geese and La Conner! What a wonderful day!



A new teddy bear

Elena Guo (Mr. Kolb's class)



Once upon a time, in an unnamed land there were powerful magical cats. Cats were born with different powers but they could not fully control the magic power when they were young. The kittens were sent to Magic Cat Schools to learn how to control their powers and not make their powers all over the place.



There was an older sister named Mint. Her light green fur was shiny like sunshine sparkling in rain drops on mint leaves. She was in 3rd grade of Best Magical Cat School. She could control other cats' emotions and feelings by touching her magical tail on their bodies. However sometimes she jumbled up her emotions. One day, Mint tried to cheer up Ms. White but she was more gloomy and turned into a melting snowball (she would transfer to regular Ms. White when she was happier).

Mint had a younger sister named Lavender. She had fluffy and puffy purple fur that had a scent of lavender. She was in Kindergarten of the same school as Mint. She had a cloud over her head which followed her wherever she went. The secret was her cloud was made of cotton candy. When she was too bored, she ate a pinch of her cloud, which popped back right away. The problem was that whenever she got sad, the cloud rained heavily onto the floor and made big puddles. She would eventually learn how to stop the rain when she was sad.



Many cats lived with their families. However Mint and Lavender were different. They didn't have a family because they just lived by themselves. They lived in an old dusty shelter named Sweet Dreams with a few toys. One of the toys belonged to Lavender. The toy was a fluffy plump soft teddy bear. One warm summer afternoon, Lavender had a cozy nap until "pop!" a bit of fluff poked out of her teddy. Lavender suddenly woke up and saw her broken teddy. She burst into tears and her mind told her :!"don't cry! don't cry!" She squeezed her eyes but it didn't work. She moaned miserably. A puddle spread on the floor. You know cats hate water! Mint and other cats backed up all the way to the door.



Mint squeezed her eyes tight and concentrated the word "happy" in her head. Her tail jagged up and a magical light shotted from her tail to Lavender's tail. "Will it work or not?" she shook her body and opened her eyes. It didn't work. Lavender sat in the puddle and groaned and moaned. Mint tried to step into the puddle but she was too afraid. She stood still as a stone. The other cats mumbled and whispered. Mint became very angry because the other cats talked about her sister rudely. She tried to fight back but words cannot come out of her mouth. The puddle spread out and lots of things became floats. Mint jumped into a cardboard box and rowed all the way to Lavender. She hugged her tightly as best as she can. Lavender calmed down with a tiny smile spreading on her face but she was still sad. "Calm down! Calm down! We will make a new teddy bear as best as we can." Mint whispered to Lavender.

Mint said to the other cats steadily: "My sister is sad. Please stop laughing at her." The other cats felt ashamed of themselves. They wouldn't have to laugh at Lavender to make her cloud rain again. One cat said bravely: "we should help Mint build a new teddy bear for Lavender!" All of the cats agreed. So they started to ask: "what is the plan?" Mint wondered and pondered. Finally she said: "I need cloth, two buttons and hair for fluff." The cats got right into work. They gave old clothes to Mint, and cut two buttons from an old stuffy and pulled out their hairs for fluff. They brought them to Mint. "Thank you for giving me all the materials I need!" Mint said excitedly and gratefully.

Mint spent one hour on building the teddy bear. She yelled: "Lavender we built a new teddy bear just for you!" Lavender immediately turned and looked excitedly. She jumped and ran all the way to Mint to get the teddy bear! Lavender hugged it tightly and not anything popped out. "Thank you!" she was so excited and the words popped out. She bounded all the way to her bed and fell fast asleep. Her cloud turned light purple again.



