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OBOB: On to Regionals!

By Perrin & Oonamae

Congratulations to all the OBOB participants for the 2017/18 competition. We hope to see you back next year with new books and new teams.

The OBOB finals have happened and the winning team has been declared. The Dementors have won the

and neck. There were 17 OBOB supporters there to watch and the teams had lots of fun. The Dementors called the coin flip and decided to go second, so the team Non-stop started the OBOB battle. There were many quick answers and countless amounts of teamwork in this OBOB battle. The second half of the battle

but I enjoyed the first point battles a bit more than the single elimination rounds."

Are you proud of your achievements in OBOB so far?:

Gage: "I am proud of my teams achievements and we have had lots of fun."



school competition and will be going to the state regionals on March 10th. The Dementors pulled ahead during the content questions and won the battle 72 to 43.

OBOB inspires people to read. It teaches kids to comprehend what they're reading and pay attention. It also teaches us team spirit and how to work together. We would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's OBOB competitions. Thank you for reading and learning every day.

We would also like to thank Katie and Dan Westerman. They organized schedules, asked questions for OBOB battles, and kept us all up to date on what was happening in the competitions. We watched the final competition and the two teams were neck

and neck. There were 17 OBOB supporters there to watch and the teams had lots of fun. The Dementors called the coin flip and decided to go second, so the team Non-stop started the OBOB battle. There were many quick answers and countless amounts of teamwork in this OBOB battle. The second half of the battle

Interview with Dementors teammate, Gage Wagner:

How do you feel about your recent win?

Gage: "I feel really excited that we've won and that we're going to the regionals."

Have you liked your OBOB experience so far?

Gage: "I have liked my OBOB experience so far and the competition has been tough,

Interview with NON-Stop teammate, Mary Helen Munger:

How do you feel about your performance during OBOB?:

Mary Helen: "I feel pretty good about our team's performance. The Dementors was the only team we lost to and they were really good. Next, year we will try to get to the Regionals!"

Non-stop:
Pictured Left

Vaughn
Kaia
Zahra
Magda
Mary Helen

Dementors:
Pictured right

Gage
Jordan
Zev
Jack

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Valentine's Day Poem

By: Abby

Valentine's Day
All the candy
Love
Everyone is happy
Nice friends who give you treats
Time for hugs
I love this holiday
Nice people give you valentines
Envelopes filled with cards
Secret admirers follow you around

Decorate for the holiday
Angels
You get heart shaped candies!

Homemade Ice Cream Recipes!

By Novalee Hughes

Have you ever youu wanted a tasty treat, and your parent won't get you the nice refreshing frozen treat? Well, you can make some with just some ingredients around the house. There are lots of ways you can make ice cream; with a bag, with a tin can, and probably lots of other ways to make your delicious treat. I hope you think this is as good as what you hoped. Enjoy!!!

Ice Cream Recipe 1 (vanilla):

What You'll Need:

- 1 1/2 cups half and half
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup rock salt
- 3 cups ice
- 1 gallon-size ziploc bag or tin can
- 1 pint-size ziploc bag or tin can
- Dish towel

What You Do:

Start by filling the gallon-size zip-lock bag with half the ice. Now carefully measure and pour the half and half into the small pint-size bag along with the vanilla and sugar. Make sure the top is tightly sealed!



Pack the rest of the ice around the cream-filled bag and then sprinkle with the rest of the rock salt. Zip-lock, wrap in the dish towel and shake the bag. While you're shaking the bag, make sure to check the time.

Enlist you're shaking, make sure to check the bag after one to two minutes of good shaking. Now your ice cream is ready to enjoy!

at least 2 hours or until ice cream is to a desired consistency.

Prior to serving, let ice cream sit at room temp for 5 minutes to soften enough for easy scooping.

Recipes were reviewed from the Interent for this article.

Ice Cream #2 (no eggs)

What You'll Need:

- 1 cup Dutch process cocoa powder, unsweetened
- 1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 1/2 cups whole milk
- 3/4 cups heavy cream
- 2TB vanilla extract

What You Do:

In a bowl, combine cocoa and both sugars, whisking to combine well. Add milk and whisk until sugars are dissolved. Stir in heavy cream and vanilla.

Pour mixture into the freezer bowl of ice cream maker. *(If you don't have an ice cream maker then you can follow the "What You Do" instructions from the other recipe, but you will need to add the last 5 ingredients from the other recipes to this one.)* Let run for 30 minutes, or until mixture is thick, soft, and creamy.

Transfer to airtight container and freeze

Movie Review- Star Wars: Episode VIII The Last Jedi

By: Joey Lacey

If you like Star Wars and have not seen The Last Jedi, I have tips for you. (I saw it twice. Once in 3D and the other in standard). There are many ways to see the newest episode (standard form, 3D or even 3D IMAX).

If you want to feel like you're in the battle, then try 3D! You'll feel like you are fighting alongside Rey in a lightsaber duel, or co-piloting with Chewbacca in the Millennium Falcon! If you watch it in 3D, sometimes the glasses are hard on your nose and they are a distraction. If you don't want the distraction of fussing with the glasses or if 3D makes you sick, watch it in standard form. Another thing to think about is the rating.

It is PG -13, which means it is recommended for viewers who are

13 years old or older. Last, 3D IMAX and 3D are more expensive than standard viewing. A 3D ticket can cost up to \$10.50, when a standard ticket is only \$7.50. No matter how you see it, it's a great movie!

In this episode, you learn a lot about Rey's backstory, her family and why her parents left. Viewers are introduced to some interesting new characters, while also getting to see some old favorites. Rey and Poe continue to have important roles and it's weird how they haven't really met each other yet. There are also a bunch of new vehicles like the Drednought and the Supermacey. I really liked it and I hope you do too.

In my opinion, The Last Jedi really relates to the earlier stories in Episode VI-Return of the Jedi and Episode IV-A New Hope. There were lots of scenes, songs and stories that reference my two favorite episodes. I am a huge Star Wars fan and give The Last Jedi a five star rating. And I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.

Our Friend Bob 2

By Joey Lacey

As in our other story I welcome you back to [Our Friend Bob 2](#), but this time it's different.

Bob and his best friend Steven were on a walk to Bob's house when Bob heard a noise. He looked at where it was coming from. He saw Old Man Marley swimming along muttering something. Old Man Marley was a very grumpy old man who didn't like anyone, especially Bob. Bob was always trying to cheer him up (it never works).

Today, Old Man Marley was a especially grumpy. So Bob talks to Steven about Old Man Marley and how Marley is acting so weird (Marley is always weird). So, Steven and Bob follow him to his house. Then they walk up to him.

"What do you want?" said Marley.

"Just to ask you some questions," said Bob.

"You just asked one," said Marley.

"Why are you acting so weird?" asked Bob.

"None of your business," said Marley.

Marley left, so Bob and Steven left to go to Bob's house. They discussed it, and decided to try to be Marley's friend. The next day they went to go see Marley. When they found him he was crying. Then when he saw Bob he stopped crying.

"What do you want?" said Marley.

"We want to be your friend," Bob replied coolly.

"Why me?" said Marley.

"Because we like you," said Steven.

"Fine," said Marley.

So Marley, Bob, and Steven lived as best friends forever.

The End.

The Griffin

By Bing Xia

Chapter 1

Chuck suddenly yelled "Watch out!". Set had captured our amulet maker, Tom. "Run!" I yelled (My name is Alex, Alex Xia).

We hopped into our Laxstix hover car. We drove off to Xia enterprises. Set followed us. We tried to shake Set off, but he kept on coming our way. That is when Tom decided to make a risky turn. EEEAARR!! The hover car screeched and crashed near a cave with bones laying at the cave mouth.

"I got you now!" Set said. "If it wasn't for the cave, we would be dead." We decided to go in the cave and brace the horrors waiting in the cave.

Chapter 2

It felt like it had been an hour, so we decided to explore the cave. At first it was a faint scratch, but then it grew louder and louder and we saw... .. a griffin. It seemed to be hurt. We checked

it's wings and we found a giant scar in it's right wing muscle which meant it couldn't fly for a few months or so. The griffin was screeching like crazy, so we decided to stay with it and help it's wing muscle heal. Plus, where else would we go with Set waiting at the door. We put some ointment on the scar. Soon, the Griffin would be good as new, we hoped.

Chapter 3

It was morning already and we decided to check outside if Set was still there. We went outside and there was a lot of broken branches, burned grass, and debris from our hover car that had been blown to bits.

"Wow." Chuck said " Set must have freaked out after we went into the cave."

"We should probably put on and invisibility cloak spell and look for Set around here." Tom said.

"Okay," I said.

The Fruit Feast

By Julia Martin

Woosh! The slippery mask flew off the woman's face, flying like a paper airplane. She was wearing a black shirt with the letters SSS painted in white ink. A light above the kitchen shattered as she ran by. She ran with a metal tray full of strawberries and raspberries. She slid down the spiral staircase and jumped out of the glass window. The mysterious woman escaped and left. The mask floated off into the darkness.

Everybody was sleeping silently in their itchy cotton sheets, except for 14-year old, Michael Johnson. He woke up to a black mask slowing falling above his head. He looked at it and wondered where it came from. He got out of bed and curiously glanced at the open window above his closet. "Hmmm," he whispered to himself. Michael calmly went back to sleep, and was excited for the following day ahead of him.

It was the day everyone has been waiting for. The day of The Fruit Feast. People gathered around the water fountain in the middle of the town. But, there was one problem. There was no fruit! "Where did the fruit go!" shouted one villager. "Is this supposed to be a joke?" asked another. Michael then thought about that mask that appeared in his room the other day. He walked home and went upstairs. He thought about it for a while.

He ran over to where his friend Agatha worked. She worked at the police station downtown. Michael asked her, "Agatha can you please show me some security cameras near the kitchen where the Fruit Feast was last night? Please?" She answered, "I guess. Why?" "I think I know how to find the person who stole the fruit," responded Michael. "But the people were not sure if the fruit was actually not there," said Agatha. "Last night something happened and I don't have enough time to explain it to you right now. I promise I will when I have time," explained Michael. "Umm, well the camera room is getting fixed right now." gestured Agatha. Other people walked in the room and Michael had a quick glance inside. "It doesn't look like it is getting repaired." said Michael. "Got to go!" and Agatha zoomed off into another room down the hall. Michael made sure she wasn't looking, and then he walked toward the door slowly. He went inside.

Michael was amazed that there were so many computers. He searched, Downtown Kitchen. He typed in the time when he found the mask.

He found the secret spy. They

were doing flips and tricks, trying to not get hit by the laser beams. The person had a black shirt that said SSS on it. He spotted melons, scattered across the floor. Then the girl spoke. "When there is light,

there is a shadow." Said the dark figure in the moonlight.

Michael did some research and found what SSS meant. Secret Spy Society. Michael needed a couple more clues so he could put the puzzle together. "Oh!" he exclaimed. The person had long blonde hair. He got a bit frustrated and went to the library to read a peaceful story. Reading always calms Michael down. Minutes after he picked up a book, a tall woman came up to him. "What are you reading boy?" Said the woman. "Oh this, nothing. Just a boring book about- The woman interrupted, "That doesn't look boring to me," she said. Michael looked up at her huge black glasses. The woman has long blonde hair. "I got to go," said Michael, storming out the building.

Michael had an idea. He could walk around downtown and find people who have long blonde hair. He would ask them about the Fruit Feast and see if they look suspicious. The following hour, Michael was talking to people who had long blonde hair. None of them looked suspicious. Michael started to give up. This is a difficult mystery. Michael wanted to be the hero. He wanted to solve it.

As he was walking home that night, he saw Agatha. They stopped under a street light to talk about the situation. "It's totally fine. It's okay that there won't be a Fruit Feast this year." Said Agatha. "But everyone was so excited to eat fruit!" Responded Michael. Agatha said, "It's not your job to find the thief. But thank you for trying." Michael said, "It's a real bummer." Agatha looked up at the light "When there is light, there is always a shadow." Michael turned around. "What did you just say?" Long blonde hair, works for police, and did gymnastics in college. "You did this." Michael pointed at her. Agatha started to run. Michael caught up to her. "Why?" Agatha caught her breath, "M...My family is poor and we are starving." Agatha whispered. "And you stole fruit so your family could eat." Explained Michael. "Yes!" Exclaimed Agatha. "I'm sorry!" Michael said, "You should be ashamed of yourself. You just lost your job."

He called the police that night and they thanked him for solving the mystery. Michael was finally a hero.

A Greenhill Adoption Story

-Mewni, A Loving Kitten Looking For A Home

By: Abby Ketchum

The other day, my sister, mom, brother, and I went to the Greenhill Humane Society. We were looking to adopt a cat named Marshmallow. My mom decided she wanted a cat, and I have no idea why. We thought that a friend for our little dog, Dot, would be good. She is not a very friendly pup, and we want her to make some friends to teach her to be less ferocious.

After we got there, we had to walk to the cat building. I thought it was very nice for the cats. They each had their own comfortable room. It had cat trees and food and lots of toys. They all seemed pretty happy, and they seemed glad they had their own spacious rooms. They had Jedi and Mewni and Marshmallow and two other cats that didn't have any papers that stated information. There was Jedi, Mewni, and MARSHMALLOW!

We went into Marshmallow's room and visited with him. He was a very big cat, and he was very fluffy too. He stayed at the top of his cat tree. We decided we could adopt him today and filled out the form. We were looking for an indoor cat, but Marshmallow was an outdoor cat. He also wasn't good with kids. So we decided to look at the other cats.

First, we went into Mewni's home and couldn't find her! We were about to go see Jedi when we saw a blanket move...we lifted it up and found Mewni! We visited with her for a while and then went to see the last cat.

When we saw Jedi, he was very cute. We were certain Jedi was the one. But he just crawled into his little cat tower. We visited with Mewni more and decided she was good. She was a little shy, but she had just gotten there and was only seven months old.

We went outside and decided to adopt Mewni. She was also an indoor cat and liked kids! After a while, we waited and waited for Mewni to be done getting her claws clipped and ears cleaned. We bought her a ball and blanket and got a free collar. After what felt like FOREVER Mewni was finally ours! We brought her home and changed her name to Charlotte. She was so happy to finally have a home!

Jade: Chapter 4-6

By: Jocelyn Hansen

Chapter 4: Styx

"RUN!!!!!!!" Adonis screeched. Jade was confused why he was scared.

He ran to a nearby cave, and the figure lost sight of them. He started to confess to Jade that he was a Atakapa marked wolf. He confessed everything. She told him she knew all along. She saw the mark when they met. "Who was that?" she asked. He told her it was Styx. "You mean the river that goes through the underworld?" she responded. "Yeah, he is a lost soul. He came out of there." Adonis said. "How do you go out of the river once you have gone in?" she asked. "I think he traded his soul. I don't know how he got out of there. But I do know there is no time to waste." he said. Styx had found them once again and the last thing she knew, they were on the run again.

Chapter 5: On The Run

Jade and Adonis have now been on the run for two weeks. They stopped every chance they had to eat or sleep or rest. But, not to long after they lied down, Styx would always find them no matter what. They met a Mermaid along the way, but shortly after they met her they would have to flee from Styx. The mermaid helped them get away from Styx, but before they left she offered them shelter

and a place for food. Later, Adonis and Jade soon discovered it was the Mermaid from the lake. Adonis yelled and screeched off the top of his lungs for Jade to get out of the way from a mermaids claws. They were on the run again. Styx had caught up to them again, but later found shelter in the near ravine. There was only one thing Jade was sure of and that was that they were on the run again. But now she had forgotten why she had left home and she was in the middle of a battlefield. In the middle of a war she didn't feel safe even the tiniest bit. She just wanted to go home. Styx had found them again. Adonis attacked him, and sooner than Jade knew it Styx had vanished into dust.

Chapter 6: Summoned

Styx was back in the underworld cowering before Cerberus. You could tell there was disappointment in Hades eye; it was full of it. Hades said, "Oh, Styx why can't you kill one little girl and a dog?!" There was a long silence, occasional whimpering and barking came from Cerberus and Styx. Then there was a scream, like nothing this world had ever heard. Hades sucked more and more of life from the whimpering dog. As Styx's life drained, Hades became more and more powerful by the second. It wasn't possible before, but now times had changed.

ENDANGERED ANIMALS

By. Abby Ketchum

There are lots of endangered animals and I really want to help them. Endangered means that there are very few left and there are threats that can lead to extinction. Some animals are also threatened, which means there are things that happen to them that lead to extinction. Some animals are right on the edge, about to become extinct. Extinct means that there are none left and they will never come back.



There are organizations that try to help and save endangered animals, like the World Wildlife Fund. You can donate money to them and they will use that money to help save endangered animals, like pandas, tigers, sea turtles, and whales. They use 78% of their donations for finding solutions with governments to prevent endangerment. Saving money is a key feature for their plans.

There is also the International Rhino Fund. They help endangered

rhino species. Then there is the Project AWARE Foundation. They help sharks, and mainly they try to save all ocean animals from dying of pollution and debris.

If you really love animals and want to care for them...here are some ways you can help endangered animals.

*Donate to organizations such as WWF (World Wildlife Fund)

*Learn about endangered animals (Where they live, what they eat, etc.)

*Organize events so people can come and learn how to save endangered animals.

*Teach your class about endangered animals and how to help them.

Now, I love pandas and really want to help them. They are very important in the endangered animal world for many reasons.

Giant pandas were one of the most endangered animals in the world.

Now, thanks to organizations like the WWF, they are no longer endangered.

According to the WWF website, by combining science, political will, and working together you can really make a difference. BBC reporter Ms. Henley says that the Chinese people have done a great job in investing in panda habitats. They are also creating more panda reserves and expanding them.

By restoring their homes, the pandas are getting their bamboo back and getting more space for living. But, they are still vulnerable to become endangered again. Threats include habitat and food loss, and also illegal hunting. They are also vulnerable to climate change. Since the ones who don't live in zoos live in snowy mountains, the snow will melt and they will get too hot. But, luckily, they will migrate to places that have a more suitable temperature.

It is also sad they need to migrate. They are leaving their homes behind (and possibly family!) and they should not have to migrate. The change in climate also kills bamboo. Farmers in China cut down bamboo forests to make room for farming. They do this because China does not have enough land to plant enough food for the people in China.

This threatens pandas to extinction because the bamboo is their main food source. (An adult panda's diet is 99.9 percent bamboo.) It also is bad because pandas live in the bamboo forests. The bamboo hides the pandas and keep their babies away from predators.

So it threatens the pandas in three ways. People hunt them and take away their habitat and food. They are also losing habitat and food because of climate change. People also hunt pandas when it is ille

gal! And since people very rarely see pandas, they will pay a lot of money for panda fur and meat.

There are lots of endangered animals. Some of them are vulnerable, some are sort of endangered, and some are on the edge of extinction.

The brown panda is probably the most endangered animal in the whole world. There is only one left! So if you are planning to help endangered animals, I am sad to say, you would not be helping the brown panda. Since there is only one left, it cannot have babies and once it dies it will be extinct. But remember to help other animals too. It would mean a lot to me, and people everywhere.

If you want to know other things that cause animals to be endangered...here are different things that threaten animals to extinction.

*Habitat loss

*Food loss

*Illegal hunting

*Illegal capturing

*Roadside zoos/animal attractions

*Climate change/global warming

All of the endangered animals in the world would really love your help. They are living beings, just like you. Pandas have been restored from their horrible state, but there are still more animals that are endangered, vulnerable, and some are even on the brink of extinction. Everyone in the world can make a difference, and some differences can even start with a simple effort. If you believe in yourself, you really can make a difference.

Information gathered from several Internet Resources

Book Review- Restart By Gordon Korman

By. Perrin Terhes



Imagine waking up in a hospital not knowing who you are and staring into the face of a complete stranger who tells you she's your mom. In the book Restart by Gordon Korman, this happens to the main protagonist, Chase Ambrose. While Chase is climbing on his roof during the middle of the night, he falls off the roof and onto his head causing him to have amnesia. The only memory he has is of a little girl with curly blond hair and a blue dress.

Throughout the book Restart, the story changes as different people from the book tell their perspective of the story. Chase's two best friends, Aaron and Bear are a big part of the story too. They are both on the football team and peo-

ple look at them with the same fear as they do to Chase. The theme of this book is trying to prove that what people think is wrong even if it used to be true. Restart is also a mystery story. Chase is trying to figure out why he only remembers the little girl. Throughout the story he tries to remember where he met the girl and why he remembers her.

I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoyed any of Gordon Korman's other books or people who like mysteries or stories about overcoming what other people think. If you want to figure out who the little girl is and if Chase remembers more from his previous life you will have to read the book Restart!

The Adventures Of Dot The Dog

Abby Ketchum

Hello! My name is Dot. I am a bi-chon frise. I am about three years old. I have had lots of adventures, and I would love to share them with you. I love to have fun and I love my family. Here are some of my adventures!

One of my least favorite adventures was when it snowed. I had never experienced snow before, so I did not want to go on walks. It was cold and wet and icy and deep. And I had to wear a snow coat! I hated going outside in the FREEZING weather. The snow coat was tight and small. My mom didn't like the cold or snow, either. It was too cold and wet and icy and deep for her, too. It was pretty horrifying!

One of my favorite adventures was when I got to stay at a kennel for two

weeks! I made new doggy friends and learned some social skills. (pretty important if you are a dog!) I made a new dog friend and he was a boxer. When my mom came to take me home, I did not want to go. I didn't even have to stay in a cage! It was so fun. The rooms were dark and small, so I was glad to stay with my boxer friend in the lobby.



Star Wars Song
(set to 12 days of Christmas)

On the first day of war the Republic gave to me
- 1 Luke a training.

On the second day of war the Republic gave to me
- 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the third day of war the Republic gave to me
- 3 Supermacys, 2 little porgs, and 1 Luke a training.

On the fourth day war the Republic gave to me
- 4 Dreadnought, 3 Supermacys, 2 little porgs, and 1 Luke a training.

On the fifth day of war the Republic gave to me
- 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the sixth day of war the Republic gave to me
- 6 TIES a flying 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the seventh day war the Republic gave to me
- 7 stormtroopers 6 TIES a flying 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the eighth day of war the Republic gave to me
- 8 chewbaccas 7 stormtroopers 6 TIES a flying 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the ninth day of war the Republic gave to me
- 9 Rey's a battling 8 chewbaccas 7 stormtroopers 6 TIES a flying 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

On the last day of war the Republic gave to me
- 10 victories 9 Rey's a battling 8 chewbaccas 7 stormtroopers 6 TIES a flying 5 Kylo Rens 4 Dreadnought 3 Supermacys 2 little porgs and 1 Luke a training.

Polar Bears: An Endangered Species in a Harsh Climate

By: Oonamae Greene and Perrin Terhes

The polar bear is an animal highly at-risk and vulnerable. It is vulnerable to things like sea ice loss due to global warming. The Polar Bear needs the ice to hunt on, and it is their home. These creatures live up in Northern Canada close to Ottawa. This article is about loss of habitat and home. There are also tips about things you can do to help the Polar Bear.

Sea Ice Loss due to Global Warming:

Polar Bears are very strong swimmers, but they can't swim forever. It is important for polar bears to have sea ice for hunting, traveling, and thriving. Due to sea ice loss polar bear's homes are dwindling and sometimes polar bears become stranded at sea on small blocks of ice called sheets.

Polar bears live in Northern Canada so they are adapted to the harsh, freezing climate. Polar bears current population trend is unknown which could be good or bad, but sea ice loss isn't helping. Sea ice has slowly dropped over the years.

Did you know that sea ice has been shedding at a rate of 13,500 sq miles since 1979? Sea ice loss is a big deal concerning climate change, because the sea ice used to regulate the temperatures of Earth. It does/ did this by reflecting the sun's rays



back up into the atmosphere and actually keeping the the planet cooler.

Since the planet is warming and melting the sea ice, global warming is toasting our Earth faster than ever before and putting the polar bear's habitat at extreme risk.

The Polar Bear isn't the only animal that needs the sea ice, the prey of the Polar Bear, the leopard seal, needs the ice to stay hidden and come up for air. The Polar Bear walks along the ice until finding an air hole, then the Polar Bear waits for a seal to surface and that's when the Polar Bear makes its move by swiping at the seal and killing it.

The Polar Bear also hunts small fish on the ice so it's of utmost importance that we save the ice caps while they are still here! So lets get involved by helping the environ-

ment and trying to raise awareness & banish fossil fuels from your life.

Getting Involved:

It might seem that the polar bears don't have a chance to survive, but there are some ways you can help. You can tell people about polar bears and how they're suffering. This helps other people get involved too. Hanging up posters about polar bears helps spread information. Just learning more about polar bears helps people understand more about how they are suffering and how to help.

*You can donate money to the Polar Bears International to help the polar bears and try to save them as well as recycling.

**GREEK MYTHOLOGY:
HOW THE GODS WERE BORN**

By Sofia Bronicel

Before the gods were even born, there was only Gaea and Ouranos. The first of the great Titans. Gaea was the Titaness of the earth. Her husband, Ouranos, was the Titan of the sky. Together they were anything and everything. Soon, they had children. Between the three of them, they were the hundred handed ones. With fifty heads and a hundred arms, they became the most monstrous of all Gaea's children.

Next, she gave birth to three more gigantic kin. These were the cyclopes. Their monstrous trait is the fact they only have one eye, and they were strong as a tornado over top an earthquake.

The last of her children were the six Titans and six Titanesses. They too were gigantic, yet looked more like her, humanesque. Along with their siblings, they had extreme

amounts of strength, but used it wisely.

Ouranos took one look at his first six children, and was disgusted. At once he threw them into the dark pit below the earth called Tartarus. Like any mother, Gaea was filled with sorrow for what her husband has done. She calls on her remaining children, I have made a sickle for you to take. Kill Ouranos! Save your brothers! Cronus was the only one brave enough to inherit the task. Then, he became king of the titans, with his sister Rhea as his queen.

Power took over Cronus, and he imprisoned his brothers in Tartarus. This enraged Gaea, and since she knew one of he and Rhea's six kin would overthrow him, she waited until the time was right to take her revenge.

Cronus, too, knew his child was to take his place, so, to keep his children from growing stronger, he swallowed them whole.

Rhea was deeply saddened by this, and one by one Cronus ate his first five children, Hestia, Demeter, Hera, Hades, and Poseidon. Rhea said to her husband, here is our sixth child. Do what you wish with him. She handed him a bundle. When Cronus swallowed it, he didn't know it was a rock, not his sixth son Zeus.

Zeus grew up on Crete, an island far away from where his father lies. Rhea had told him about the terrible deeds of his father, and Zeus vowed that when he was fully grown, he would rescue his brothers and sisters.

At last the time came, and Zeus assumed an alias of a cupbearer. One night he added poison to Cronus' drink. He became very ill and vomited up the stone "Zeus". Along followed the rest of his six children.

Alpine: CHAPTER 1, Snow Is Cold.

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If you have ever fallen out of a plane into a cactus garden then run over by a stampede of 400 first graders pelting you with rocks, you would have felt somewhat like how I felt six years ago. Now, I'm sure you know I am being hyperbolic, though I did fall, get crushed, and was pelted, but this was a totally different scenario.

It was January 13th, 2012. This day just so happened to be a Friday as well. And since I'm not the superstitious type, I thought nothing of it. Fat load of good that did me. Any way, on this particular day I was ready to ski down, The Matterhorn.

On the way up in the helicopter, my adrenaline levels were already high enough. Then, I made the large mistake of looking down. "N'oubliez pas qu'il y a beaucoup de vent, la glace sera



glissante, restez sur les crêtes, et pour l'amour de Dieu, mettez vos skis!" says my french partner in crime, Leon. From that I got: be sure to remember, it's very windy, the ice will be slippery, stay on the crests, and for God sake, put on your skis!

"Lucas!" Leave it to my sister to break me from my thoughts... "What Dama?" I answer in an annoyed tone. She wraps me up in a tight embrace. Then she whispers, "I'll be waiting at the bottom." I give her, Leon, and the others on the helicopter my goodbyes.

As soon as you can say 'mountain

top', I was freezing my nose off in the snow. I prepare myself for take-off. I think, Here we go... Then I push out with my right foot. The wind howls in my ear. All of the sudden, I hear a deep, rumbling boom.

"What on earth was that?" I ask myself. Then, as I ski down the mountain, I spot snow tumbling beside me. Like a switch being flipped, I realized what was happening, AVALANCHE!!!

Before I could even utter a word, the snow piles over me. The last thing I hear is my sister screaming my name. "LUCAS!!!!!"

Morning

Dedicated to Jason L. Thomas and Leslie J. Greene

Morning, everywhere joy.

Peacefully the **Dove** resting on the sky, flies.

Flight, colour, the music of the Morning, when the Earth of water and land rejoice in a parade of colour. To starting, but never to stopping.

The **Dove of the night** leaps up climbing higher lifting the Hazy curtain of night, unwinding. Feathers fly, creating the explosion of **Morning**. For the sky to become bright and let anew with the **song of the morning**.

Songs, so many songs, stirring the clouds, Casting the stars back in the surprise of the **song of morning**. The song of the waking up bird that lets the world slip

Into beauty, the song of the mountains urging you to be strong for the day ahead, the song of the creek as it murmurs softly to the sleeping animals, saying "it is morning, your heads are filled with the ideas for the new day, wake."

The night's whisper, slowly dissipates saying "dream time has flown away."

Morning, serene until the curtain breaks, the forest comes alive, the bear wakes her cubs, coaxing them out of slumber. **Life, forever life that the morning brings.**

Alive Morning.

Quiet Morning.

MORNING.



Steens Mountain Running Camp

By Mira Walker

I went to Steens Mountain Running camp when I was 8. Steens Mountain Running Camp was designed to give campers aged 13-19 a realistic wilderness running and camping experience. I am only 9 years old, but I went to this camp because my mother works there as a nurse, and I was able to go because my sister and I were considered guests, not campers. When I went to this camp, I was pretty scared, but after a few days I got use to it. I was scared of the older kids. My favorite part was helping reinforce the bathing creek. For a week, nobody could shower or bathe in a bathroom. We had to bath in a creek, and if we had to use the restroom, we would use an outhouse. We made a dam to keep the water in. I would put layers over layers: pebbles, moss, mud, sticks, more mud.

The camp was designed to give campers aged 13-19 a realistic wilderness running

and camping experience. Located in southern Oregon, 60 miles southwest of Burns on the Steens Mountain range that rises to 9,773 feet, Steens Mountain Running Camp provides high



school runners from around the country with the opportunity to experience high altitude conditioning. In addition to cardiovascular and muscular training, participants experience instruction in all of distance training and

racing, with emphasis on performance and improvement through motivational and self-image enhancement strategies. To enhance personal growth, those who participate must be willing to adapt to lack of urban conveniences lacking in the Steens Mountain Wilderness area. Steens Mountain Running Camp offers a number of distance running-related activities over a five-day period including a 30-mile hike/run, a cross canyon race, an uphill 5-kilometer race, and many other distance runs, based on participant's ability level, and plays. Camp counselors consist of college and professional runners from around the United States. In January 2003, the Bureau of Land Management approved the continuation of the commercial Steens Mountain Running Camp within the Steens Mountains wilderness area.