

## STRIKING GOLD

How Marvel has become one of the most successful production companies of all time.

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Critics predicted that by the end of 2018, Marvel would make more than \$860 million from film productions. Turns out, they made more than \$4 billion! Two main factors have allowed the Marvel company to rise to the top and make it one of the most successful movie companies out there. These two main reasons are their profits and ratings.

The main reason Marvel movies are so prosperous is because of the money they have made from their most recent productions. According to [forbes.com](http://forbes.com), *Black Panther* made \$700 million in customs, or international taxes, alone. *Infinity War* also made \$2.045 billion in theatres world-wide. [Newsday.com](http://Newsday.com) stated that *Infinity War* was rated #4 of the most profitable movies of all time. This shows that Marvel movies are so successful because if people see a movie that they enjoy, then they might be interested in other movies from the same company. That means that a lot of people showed interest in older Marvel productions, and they were excited to see the more recent films.

Ratings also play a big role in the escalation of the Marvel institution.

[Rottentomatoes.com](http://Rottentomatoes.com), an American reviewing website, claimed that *Guardians of the Galaxy (Vol.1)* and *Thor: Ragnarok* were rated 92% out of 100% by the viewers who watched the movies. With the original *Iron Man*, Rotten Tomatoes deemed it a 93% success and 91% of audiences



Marvel Comic's main creative leader, Stan Lee (1922- 2018), at the *Avengers: Age of Ultron* premiere in Hollywood.  
(Source: [Daily Mail](http://Daily Mail))

around the world rated it highly. This proves that Marvel is a very successful film production company because the ratings, both old and new, are positive from viewers around the globe.

In conclusion, Marvel is extremely successful. Ratings and profits have made this company rise to the top.

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# Rising to the Top of Online Shopping



*Amazon is huge company, and it will soon get bigger. (Source: Wccftech)*

## How Amazon Became Such a Success

BY NICOLAS M.,  
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Amazon is an online shopping company that is making a boom in the shopping industry. How did Amazon become the big company it is today? Well, they are selling about 200 million products per year.

Amazon has many big milestones in the late 1990's. According to Britannica.com it states that Amazon had made \$148 million in 1997. It had 1 million customer accounts during their first few years in 1997. A year later, it had \$610 million in 1998. Jeff Bezos, the owner of Amazon became the Time Magazine 1999 Person of the year. This shows how Amazon has grown into the online super store that it is today and the big events they've had in all of their success.

Amazon also has had many big milestones in the mid-2000s and late 2010s. According to the website called [www.telegraph.co.uk](http://www.telegraph.co.uk) explains that Amazon Prime premium membership package launched in the USA 2005, then the UK 2 years later. In 2007 the Kindle book e-reader launched. The Kindle Fire, the company's tablet, was unveiled. Echo, Amazon's voice-activated and home gadget device, launched in the US in

2014. Amazon celebrated its 20th birthday with market capitalization standing in excess of \$245bn. This shows that Amazon had a big boom in the mid-2000s and late 2010s from making new items like the Kindle, Echo, and many other items.

Many things happened in the year of 2016. According to an article on [cnn.buisness.com](http://cnn.buisness.com), states that the company hosted a second Prime Day and subscribers' orders jumped more than 60% global compared to the first Prime Day. Amazon introduced Prime Reading, which offers unlimited access to the rotating selection of over 1,000 books, Audible narration and magazines. This shows that Amazon was smart to host a second prime day, and to make Prime Reading because it is an option for \$10.99 per month and for people who want to read books.

In conclusion, Amazon has had many important milestones in all of their success of being an online shopping company. As you can see here Amazon is making a boom because of the many things like getting many customers, new devices, many apps and stores.



*The screen that holds it all. (Source: CNBC.com)*

## Behind the Screen of an Internet Superstore

BY LEXI P., ABI B. AND  
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Imagine you are going holiday shopping and you walk in the stores but everything is gone! Amazon.com, one of the most popular online shopping websites, is starting to make people question, will shopping in stores stick around much longer? Amazon has gained a lot of power and has already closed down stores, and therefore a lot of people are switching to online shopping. Shopping stores may not stick around much longer because Amazon.com has more power, and lots of success, this allows Amazon to take over other shopping stores.

Over the years, Amazon has become very popular. According to Entrepreneur.org, Amazon started off by only selling books in 1995. Now Amazon is one of the most popular e-commerce companies in the world, meaning it's one of the most popular online shopping stores in the world, and it sells much more than just books. Also, according to Snap.com Amazon's Echo Dot, its own product and brand, is one reason it is so popular. This shows that it has become very popular and more and more people use Amazon. If people keep switching to online shopping Amazon will keep gaining more power over shopping at an actual

store.

Amazon also makes more money than other stores. According to Entrepreneur.org, it says that Amazon has crossed the \$1 hundred billion mark. Also in Snap.com, it says that Amazon has taken over stores and is on the way to take over more stores like Macy's, Best Buy, Barnes and Nobles, health care departments/ pharmacies, etc. This shows that Amazon is more successful than other stores so it makes more money than shopping stores. This gives Amazon an easy chance to take over all shopping stores.

Additionally, stores are starting to close down because of Amazon. Toys R Us is one of those many stores. According to Business Insider.com, Toys R Us's debt was \$5 billion, but Amazon drew in more customers so Toys R Us closed. On ABCnews.com, it states that Amazon is in court to buy all empty Toys R Us stores. This shows that Amazon has enough power to take down some of the most popular stores on Earth.

In conclusion, it looks like Amazon will eventually take over shopping with a real shopping cart. This is because it has more popularity, makes more money than stores, and has more power.

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# SPORTS



*The day Pele made history by scoring with one of the best kicks of all time.  
(Source: The Telegraph)*

## A World-Wide Soccer Player Who Changed the World

BY CHRISTOPHER I. AND ZACHARY P.

Who is Pele? Edson Arantes Do Nascimento, also known as Pele, is a worldwide soccer star who was more than just an athlete, so let's just start from the beginning. Pele has a very interesting life and history

Pele was born on October 23, 1940 In Tres Coracoes, Brazil. In Pele's early life he was often seen kicking a ball of clothing and socks because he couldn't afford a real soccer ball and when he played soccer people would call his team the shoeless one because none of them could afford real soccer shoes, according to Pele's soccer player Biography.

Pele became famous through a successful professional soccer career. He was the youngest soccer player to ever win the World Cup, and Pele was

appointed as minister of sport for Brazil in 1995 serving until 1998. In 1993, Pele was inducted into the national soccer hall of fame. In Pele's first world cup he won the game by scoring two goals in the finals against Sweden (70 facts about Pele).

Pele played soccer for two decades before he retired from his fantastic career. Towards the end of his career he promoted world friendship and fraternity, more than any other ambassador anywhere in the world (Pele soccer player Biography). This shows that not only was he a great soccer player but also a good person.

In conclusion, Pele the king of soccer, is the greatest soccer player in all of history. Not only did he have great soccer achievements but he continues to be an inspiration to others for his for great personality.

## Three Reasons Durant Beats Westbrook

BY CALEB J., AIDEN J. AND TRISTAN M.

Kevin Durant has 1517 personal fouls and Russell Westbrook has 1868 personal fouls. Have you ever wondered who is a better basketball player, Russell Westbrook or Kevin Durant? Without a doubt, Kevin Durant is better than Russell Westbrook. We feel this way because of his superior stats, honors or awards and his advantages in the game.

One reason that Durant is better is because of his awards. Durant has more awards than Westbrook. According to LandofBasketball.com, Durant has more Finals MVP awards than Westbrook. Westbrook has zero Finals MVP awards and Durant has two Finals MVP awards. Also, Durant has six all NBA First team awards and Westbrook has only two. On top of all this, Durant has been a scoring leader four times and Westbrook has been a leader only twice. Finally, Durant has been rookie of the year once and Russell has never been rookie of the year. All of this shows that Kevin Durant is better than Russell Westbrook because he has gotten more awards which means he is a more valuable to his team and is a better player than Westbrook.

Another reason Durant is better is because he has better career stats and percentages than Westbrook. According to both LandofBasketball.com and BasketballReference.com, Durant has scored 21,163 points and Westbrook has scored 17,313 points in their careers. Durant has 5,560 rebounds and

Westbrook has 5,001 rebounds. Durant has 863 blocks and Westbrook has 218. Durant's field goal percentage is .491% and Russell's is .436%. Durant's three-point percentage is .384% and Westbrook's is .309%. Durant's free-throw percentage is .883%. Westbrook's is .812%. These stats all prove that Kevin Durant has scored more points for his team in his career than Russell Westbrook. He has more rebounds which allows his team to have possession of the ball more and he also has more blocks to stop the other team from passing or scoring.

The final reason that we think that Kevin Durant is better than Russell Westbrook is that Durant's physical attributes make him a stronger player, plus he has more NBA experience. Information from NBA.com states that Durant's height is 6 feet 9 inches and Westbrook is 6 feet 3 inches. Russell is 200 pounds but, Kevin is 240 pounds. Durant has been in the NBA for 11 years and Westbrook has been in the NBA for 10 years. These reasons show that he is taller so he can guard other tall people and he can also get more rebounds. He also has one more year of experience in the NBA. This means he is used to the pressure. He weighs more so he is less likely to fall down.

In conclusion, we wholeheartedly believe that Kevin Durant is better than Russell Westbrook. Some evidence that supports this is his experience, stats, awards, honors, and advantages.



*Kevin Durant guarding Russell Westbrook (Source: USA Today)*



# Why Mochado is Better than Seager

BY EIAN S. AND ARTIN F.

Did you know that Many Mochado has hit 513 home runs in his whole career? This is an amazing stat. We strongly believe that Many Mochado is a better player than Corey Seagar. Mochado has superior stats and more awards than Seagar.

One reason that Mochado is a better player is because of his

stats. Many Mochado is a veteran in baseball. He hit 37 homeruns in 2018. In his whole career in the major leagues he hit 513 homeruns. He got 188 hits in 2018. In his whole career he hit 1050 hits. In the 2018 season, he hit 107 RBIs. He has hit 179 RBIs in his whole career. On the other hand, Seagar has hit only 54 home runs in his whole career. He hit 2 home runs this season. He has hit 27 hits this season. In his whole

career he has hit 412 hits in his whole career. All of this shows that Many Mochado has better stats and therefore is a better player than Corey Seagar since Mochado is helping his team win.

Another reason Many Mochado is a better baseball player is because he has more awards than Corey Seagar. Mochado is a 4-time All Star, 2-time Golden Glove winner, and 2-time Platinum

Glove earner. On the other hand, Corey Seager is a 2-time All Star, and has not won any Golden or Platinum Glove awards. So this shows that many Mochado is a better player than Seager because he has more awards.

In conclusion Many Mochado is an excellent player. Mochado compared to Seager has better stats and more awards, making him a more valuable to his team.



Many Mochado making a diving play. (Source: Zimbio)

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# SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

## Technology: A Danger for Kids

BY GRADEN C., FAHIM R.,  
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Today, about 94% of children have access to technology, so there is no doubt technology is very popular among children. But there are many terrifying and negative effects that it can have. Here are four horrifying facts that will make children stay away from technology.

Too much screen time can lead to depression. According to [www.universe.byu.edu](http://www.universe.byu.edu), a study showed that 30% of 1,500 kids who used the internet for three hours or more a day were diagnosed with depression. If you don't know what depression can do, it might not seem like much. Unfortunately, depression can cause reckless behaviors like vandalism and breaking laws. It can also cause a severe academic decline, and sadly, suicidal thoughts and behaviors.

Screen time can also damage real world interactions. The site [www.goangelo.com](http://www.goangelo.com)

says that devices can severely damage social interactions, such as making friends, having conversations, empathy, etc., because you are spending more time with a screen than with other people. Social interaction is very important in the future, as many jobs require teamwork,

helping others, and talking overall.

Using devices excessively is also a major contributor to obesity. The source [www.screen.guide](http://www.screen.guide) says that the more technology a kid uses, the less physical exercise they get. Also, gaming, which is popular

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among kids, is usually paired with eating. Obesity can lead to health risks like heart disease or diabetes. Also, overweight children might get bullied in school, which could lead to social isolation, low self-esteem, and depression.

Lastly, devices expose blue light. According to [www.preventblindness.org](http://www.preventblindness.org), blue light from digital devices can lead to digital eyestrain and retina damage. This can cause sore or irritated eyes and difficulty

with some restrictions, the facts listed above will not happen to you or your child. According to [www.justmommies.com](http://www.justmommies.com), limiting children to two hours of tech a day is a good restriction. Also, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), screens should be off 30 minutes before bed, and no devices should be used in the bedroom before sleep. Devices should only be used after homework and chores are done.

Depression, social problems, obesity, and eye problems are four haunting facts about how technology affects children. To avoid these terrible problems, screen time restrictions are key to a good and healthy life.



*Is nighttime use a good choice? (Source: IFLScience)*

## PS4 Pro is Better Than Xbox 1X



*Xbox 1X vs. PS4 Pro. (Source: YouTube)*

BY AIDEN K., NATHAN Q.  
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Imagine its Christmas you can choose to get a PS4 Pro or Xbox

1 X, but you can't decide. But we are going to help you make this decision. In this article we are going to tell you why we think the PS4 Pro is better than

the Xbox 1 X.

One reason why the PS4 is better than the Xbox 1 X is that it is cheaper. According to TechandTime, "It's \$100 less expensive than the Xbox 1 X." The PS4 is an insane price of \$400 while the Xbox is a whopping \$500. This shows that the PS4 is better because more people have the opportunity to buy it than the Xbox and you can save a lot more money for the future. This also means that more people can have a refined gaming console in the PS4 Pro and save much more money.

Another reason the PS4 Pro is better than the Xbox 1 X, it has more storage than the Xbox. The website IGN states that the PS4 has more storage and if you do run out you can always buy extra storage (there is maximum 500 GB you can buy.) The PS4 has one terabyte of storage so if you buy all the extra storage you can have 1 terabyte and 500GB,

while the Xbox 1 X only has 1 terabyte. This shows that the PS4 is better than the Xbox because it allows you to buy or download more games.

The last reason why PS4 Pro is better is because the membership for the PlayStation has a longer and better history of giving out free games to members than the membership of the Xbox. This shows that the PS4 is better because it has a more generous membership than the Xbox. The membership allows you to get more popular video games for free and not having to go out and buy it, while the Xbox membership makes it so that if you want this one game you might have to buy and not get it for free.

In summary, there are several reasons why you should buy the PS4 Pro rather than the Xbox 1 X. The PS4 is cheaper, has more storage, and finally, has a more generous membership than the Xbox 1 X.



# Kinkajou: An Unknown Animal?

BY ALANA T., AUDREY K.,  
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You are in the rainforest and see a flash. Something flew from tree to tree. What is that? you wonder. Something lands on your shoulder and starts biting you. You have found a kinkajou! But what is a kinkajou? The kinkajou is an animal that probably not too many people have heard of. It is unique and has many awesome body features that benefit them to stay alive in their territory. Kinkajous have many suitable and shocking attributes that make them unrevealed.

The kinkajou has many rare features to help it survive in their ecosystem. National Geographic.com says, Kinkajous have gripping tail to swing from tree to tree. Also, kinkajous have 5-inch-long tongues to help get nectar. Their feet can also turn a 180 direction to run backwards from predators as fast as they can run forwards. Kinkajous are also nocturnal and their gold eyes can help them

see in the dark. Another unique characteristic is that they have webbing between their fingers so they can climb up trees. A very cool feature is that they have a tail that acts like an extra arm. They use their tail as a blanket in the night and also to get places. This shows that the Kinkajou has many different characteristics to help it adapt in their habitat. The features help the kinkajou get food, climb trees, and stay alive in their environment.

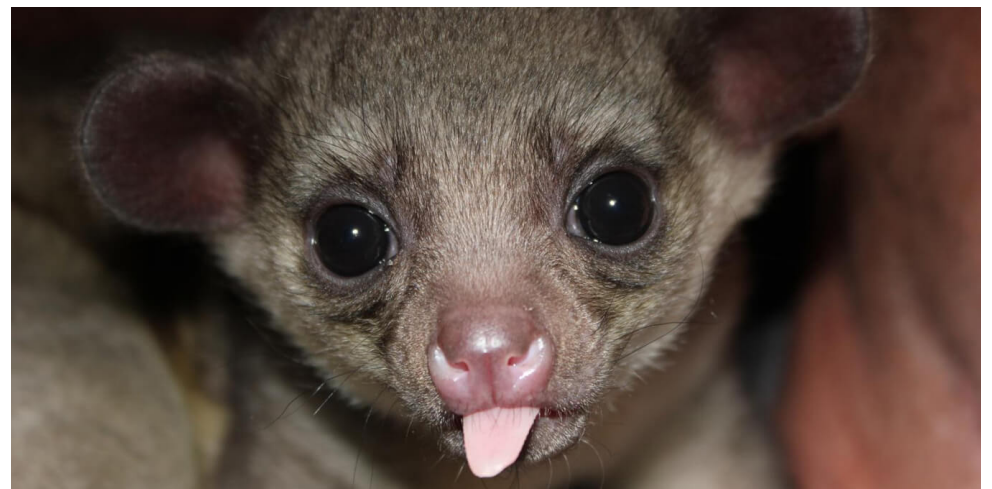
Many people say that they know what a kinkajou is, but they have many facts that make them almost unknown. Smithsonian.com and wildlife.waystation.org states that a kinkajou weighs three to seven pounds and they live in a tropical forest in Central South Africa. Kinkajous are not endangered but their numbers are thought to be decreasing. One weird thing about kinkajous is that they are kept as house pets in some countries. This shows that kinkajous are a special animal

that can live with many creative features. From being born to eating their first solid food, these creatures are an important animal to earth, and have so many facts to learn about.

The kinkajou has a lot of important information that you need to know! Kinkajous are arboreal, meaning they mainly stay in the tree canopy and rarely venture the ground. 90% of its diet consists of fruit such as figs, melons, mangoes, apples and bananas. This shows that the

kinkajou has a lot of important facts that almost make them a mystery.

In a nutshell, a kinkajou is a fascinating creature that has several incredible qualities. Some important abilities of the kinkajou are its long tail is used as a blanket at night and can wrap around trees for extra grip, it can see in the dark with its brown, golden, large eyes, and they can turn their feet in a 180 direction to run backwards as fast as they can run forward.



*Is this kinkajou as innocent as it looks? (Source: Texas Exotic Animals)*

# Old Consoles vs. New Consoles



*Which one is better? (Source: YouTube)*

BY ARYAMAN S. AND  
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Imagine you're walking down the street wanting to buy a new gaming console. Then you see two stores—one says new consoles and another says old consoles. Which one do you choose? There are several similarities and differences

between the consoles of today and the old gaming consoles.

There are many unique features of the new video game consoles. According to Toptenreviews.com it says, "Play station 4 Pro can hold up to 500 games and has 4k gaming quality." It also says "The Nintendo Switch can play on TV or you can take it off and

play it like a tablet with touch screen it's also very light weight and portable in tablet mode. The Xbox one S holds 500 GB to one to two TB. That is equivalent to 1000 games." This shows that newer consoles have better features, such as their weight, graphics, portability, and storage. These features of the newer consoles are better,

yet that makes them much more expensive.

The old consoles have their own special qualities. According to museumofplaying.org. It also says the Nintendo color came out with color, but that was much later than its original 1967 release. This shows that the old consoles have old technology and that means the old consoles are boring because if it had no color it would be boring to look at black and white the whole time.

There are some similarities between the new and old console technology. The makers of the consoles tried to use the technology they had from the old consoles to make new and improved consoles. Also, some of the old and new consoles are displayed on a TV. Also they run on a plug so you don't need to worry about batteries.

In conclusion the old consoles and new consoles have similarities and differences. Ultimately, it's your decision to choose old or new.



# Mysteries of the Universe: Dark Energy



*Dark energy may be the most mysterious thing in the universe. (Source: livescience.com)*

BY DANIEL R., WILLIAM S. AND SATHVIK A.

Our universe is constantly growing. Have you ever wondered what causes the universe to expand? The main reason is because of dark energy. Dark energy is a very special form of energy that has great impact on our solar system and beyond.

Dark energy is not too difficult to understand. On simple terms, according to HubbleSite.com and cosmos.com, dark energy is a strange repulsive force that is slowly pushing the universe outwards. It sends out a negative force that is immeasurable by telescopes, or satellites. This means that you can't see dark energy with the naked eye but we know that it is there based on gravitational changes.

Dark energy affects the

universe. According to space.com, dark energy causes the universe to expand at an accelerated rate of 67 km per second, which is very fast. This is equal to 41.6318699 miles per second, or 2497.912194 miles per hour. However, it appears to be a slow process due to the universe being so vast. We know this is causing the universe to expand because if the universe didn't have dark energy it would probably be quite small right now.

Dark energy has been around since the beginning of the universe. According the HubbleSite.com (check it out yourself), dark energy has been around for nine billion years! This is probably another reason the universe is so big. I mean come on, it's nine billion years of being boosted!

Dark energy is mysterious and



*Look how different they can be when they are next to each other. (Source: abcnews.go.com)*

## Crazy Things About Cats and Bobcats

BY MADISON M. AND MORGAN W.

Do you ever feel that some things don't make sense, well here is another what is the difference between bobcats and cats? Bobcats and cats have their own unique qualities and they have some similarities too. We are going to show you the differences between bobcats and cats also tell you the truth about cats' nine lives.

There are several similarities between cats and bobcats. First of all, bobcats are a type of cat. According to "Readers Digest" and "National Geographic," cats and bobcats are both nocturnal. Also some like fish, but they usually eat other foods. They also are like super cats because they both can jump really high.

Cats are unique. According to "Readers Digest," cats can sense earthquakes before they hit. Also in the same source, cats love chewing on cords! There is also evidence that cats don't like people taking their pictures.

Bobcats are also unique animals. According to "Defenders of Wildlife," bobcats catch their prey in one big leap. "National Geographic" states they are actually called "lynx rufus." They have long legs large paws, and are mostly brown or brownish red with white underbelly.

You might have heard the saying "Cats have nine lives." According to the article "Fun Fact 9 Lives" in "Wonderopolis," without a doubt cats only have one life. The nine lives idea was actually a myth that has been around for a very long time. Ancient Egypt thought cats had nine lives and were warriors. Why nine lives? No one knows? The myth that cats have nine lives exists in many cultures. Turkish and Arabic legends claim cats have six lives, but we also know that is not true.

In conclusion, cats and bobcats aren't the same but they have some similarities that we now know.

## Xbox: Is It Worth It?

BY MATTHEW M. AND KENTER T.

Is the Xbox One X worth it? We strongly believe that the Xbox One X is not a good buy. It is nothing really special and it's very expensive.

The first reason why the Xbox One X is not worth it is because Xbox One S and Xbox One X are very similar consoles. Both have the same storage, the same

touch sensor, HDR, Bluray, and the same amount of pixels, according to Xbox.com. Also, both consoles have bundles and a mic to speak with your friends. This proves that the Xbox One X is not worth it because it is basically the same thing as the Xbox One S.

Another reason why not to buy the Xbox One X is because it is very expensive. According to Xbox.com, it has a price of

\$500.00 dollars. However the Xbox One S is only \$300.00. Why would you pay \$200.00 more when the Xbox One X is the practically the same as the Xbox One S? We recommend saving your money and buying the Xbox One S.

In conclusion, there are many facts why you should not buy the Xbox One X comparing to Xbox One S. One of these reasons was the price and much more.



*Xbox One X is not worth it comparing to Xbox One S. (Source: Value Walk)*



# Apple Devices: Pricey Yet Essential

BY RIGBY W., MAX M.T. AND SAMEER S.

While Apple's devices can be very pricey, we will show you some good technology that you might like and some facts about these to help you decide what to buy. Apple's new devices and updates work very well. Here's a look at Apple's newest devices.

Apple has had many updates to their operating systems. According to apple.com, the latest is IOS 12 and it works very well and has many features such as faster app loading and a much faster camera that includes augmented reality. Other features include screen notification, stack search and share photo collages. Also siri being more intelligent than before the update, and last but not least better privacy all of this proves that IOS 12 update was a very great update.

As for the iPads, Apple has come up with three new iPads along with three new sizes, according to apple.com. These iPads are the

iPad Pro 2, the iPad Mini 4 and the iPad. The A12x, A8 bionic chips and the new 12mp and the new 8mp were added to the iPads. There is a 4k and 1080p. The iPads are compatible with the first and second generation apple pens and you can add keyboards USBC connector and lightning connector. The 12.9 inch iPad pro has

personal wifi and can hold up to 1 terabyte of horse power while the iPad mini 4 has personal wifi but only 128 gigabytes. The iPad doesn't have personal wifi either. This shows that apples iPads have many new technologies that work very well.

The new MacBook Air 13 inch,

which is the newest MacBook laptop, starts at a price of \$1999! This computer has one and a half terabytes of memory and touch ID. This 13.3 inch screen has a LED backlit and weighs only 2.57 pounds and it has one whole day of battery life. It also includes a force touch track pad, meaning the force track pad lets you force click by pressing on it and may help you click better. MacBook has a 12 inch LED backlit Retina display and 10 hours of battery life. This computer also has a force track pad and weighs 2.03 according to Best Buy and apple.com. As you can see Apple computers are very impressive because of their great features and efficiency.

In conclusion, Apple devices have many great features and technology despite being expensive.



Here is one example of an Apple product. (Source: Apple)

# The Secret Dangers That Sea Turtles Face

BY MATTHEW A. AND BRADY M.

A baby sea turtle is walking around, looking for the water and some light, instead, it sees a camp fire, walks into it and never comes out. This is one of the many reasons why sea turtles aren't surviving to adulthood because—and it's all because of us humans. Sea turtles will soon be extinct for a variety of reasons, including litter, and predators, but the good news is there are ways to save them.

Turtles are dying because of litter. According to the Sea Turtles National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, one reason sea turtles are dying is because of trash floating in the ocean. Fishermen sometimes leave plastic bags and nets in the ocean. This kills the turtles because plastic bags and fishing nets look very similar to jelly fish, which are their prey, so they end up suffocating in the bags. This shows that turtles are dying from litter because the litter

draws them in since the turtles think it is food and they end up suffocating much of the time. Therefore, we need to control litter in the ocean to stop this.

Predators are also killing baby sea turtles. According to the article "Sea Turtles Fascinating Facts" by NOAA's National Ocean Service, only a few sea turtles survive until adulthood because of land and sea predators, estimating only about 1 in 1000 to 1 in 10,000 surviving. This shows that other animals prey on them because their predators are killing most of the babies before they get to adulthood.

There are ways to help save these poor sea turtles. According to US Fish and Wild Life, you should not construct campfires during nesting season because baby sea turtles can get distracted by the fire and crawl into the fire. If you encounter a sea turtle on the beach you should let them be, because it

could distract them from laying their eggs. This shows that sea turtles need to be protected by sea turtle programs, the government and everyone else, including us, or they could face

extinction.

In summary, litter and predators are the reasons for sea turtles are endangered. However, we can still do our part to save them.



Sea turtles that were lucky enough to make it to the ocean. (Source: Coconut Bay Beach Resort & Spa)



# HEALTH & LIFESTYLE

## Violent Video Games & Our Youth



*PUBG has realistic guns so it is not appropriate for kids. (Source: Steam)*

### Three Shocking Facts About PUBG and Children

BY BIJAN T. AND IAN W.

PUBG is a battle Royale game that starts with 100 players and there is a dangerous storm that will slowly take away your health if you continue to stay in the storm. Some people might think that PUBG is entertaining and fun. While it might be entertaining and fun for a lot of people, it is not appropriate for children. We strongly feel that PUBG is bad for kids. PUBG is gory, has real life guns, and affects kids' anger.

The first reason why PUBG is bad for kids is because it is gory. According to commonsensemedia.org, when you kill someone in PUBG it shows blood on the floor, also the blood stays there for a couple of minutes during the match. This shows that PUBG is bad for kids because kids are exposed to disgusting and inappropriate things on the screen. If it is gory they remember what happens and they talk about what happens in the game. They will remember what happens for a long time.

The second reason why PUBG is bad for kids is because it has

realistic guns. According to pubg.gamepedia.com, it says that in game the guns look very realistic. It could cause kids to want guns in real life because they think real life guns are fun to have because they like when they kill someone. So that means if they have fun they will want real life guns. This shows that PUBG is bad for kids because the guns look so realistic and they use the guns that are also in the military.

The third reason why PUBG is bad for kids because affects kids' behavior. According to commonsensemedia.org, some studies shows that media violence can be a risk factor for aggressive behavior and other negative outcomes. In addition, The-in-game chat is frequently filled with offensive words to people. This shows that there are a lot of people online being offensive, kids learn to be violent and their behavior is change for the negative.

In conclusion, PUBG is bad for kids. It has realistic guns, it is gory, and it affects kids' behavior.



*Kids exposed to Fortnite violence. (Source: MakeUseOf)*

### Why Fortnite is a Horrible Game for Kids

BY JAVEZ F. AND ARIO F.

Do you like Fortnite? Well if you do, then too bad because we are going to tell you why Fortnite is bad for kids. Here are two reason why Fortnite is bad for kids.

Kids who play violent games like Fortnite become more aggressive. According to Scholastic, they do not know how bad violence is, the kids copy the aggressive in their mind and show more aggressive behavior. Fortnite is bad for kids because it makes them more violence and aggressive. If they did not play Fortnite they would not see too much violence there for they wouldn't be able to keep the violence.

Another reason why Fortnite is bad for kids is that has a lot of guns. According to time.com, the guns in Fortnite are SMG, assault rifle, rocket launchers, pistols and shotguns these guns show kid how to use real gun in real life this is why Fortnite is a bad game also the reason why gun are bad for kid is because it teaches kids how to reload a guns and shoot guns this game also includes killing which is not good for kids because they learn bad behavior or violence.

In conclusion there are reasons why Fortnite is a bad game. These reasons are it makes kid more aggressive and it has guns.



*Fortnite teaches violence. (Source: Xbox)*



# Similarities of Two Super Cars

BY JOSHUA M. AND CALEB H.

There are many sports cars manufactures and we will be talking the similarities and differences of Bugatti and Lamborghini.

What's better, a Lamborghini or a Bugatti? That's for the driver to decide. There are many differences and similarities from the Bugatti to the Lamborghini.

The Lamborghini has many unique characteristics, starting from the Lamborghini 350 GTV, a two seated coupe with V12 engine to the newest,



*Bugatti vs. Lamborghini (Source: YouTube)*

Lamborghini, the Lamborghini Egoista. According to [www.history.com](http://www.history.com). The brand was first created in 1916 by Ferruccio Lamborghini after World War II. Ferruccio started out making tractors then in 1916 he had an idea making air-conditioning and heating system, and in doing that he got rich. His first car was made in 1963 called the Lamborghini 350 GTV. The company logo featured a bull, a

reference to Ferruccio Lamborghini's zodiac sign: Taurus the bull. One of the newest models is the Terzo Millennio but we did as much looking to find the engine to it but didn't find it.

According to Bugatti.com, in 1900 following exhibitions in Amsterdam and Antwerp as well as the newspaper reviews, Carlo Bugatti was exhibited in the world fair in Paris. The furniture he exhibited in the world fair won him the silver medal. In 1901 Carlo Bugatti exhibited the first of his very own cars in an international exhibition in Milan. For example, he built the type 2, with the help of the Gulinelli brothers, what had won them an award from the French automobile club.

Today, Bugatti manufactures modern cars. One of the well-known Bugattis is the Bugatti Veyron. The Veyron is named after the French racer Pierre Veyron. It

has a 16 cylinder, 630 horsepower engine. Bugatti continues to make more cars that are more advanced and faster cars than their last models.

The Lamborghini and Bugatti have some of the similarities. They both started in the 1900s, they both are well known supercars, and they both cost tons and tons of money. For example, a top-level Lamborghini costs \$4.5 million and a top-level bugatti costs \$3.4 million. Their top speeds are both in the 200s miles per hour. Some of the differences are in horsepower. The Lamborghini Centenario has 770 Hp and the bugatti Chiron has a Hp of 1,500.

In conclusion, Bugatti and Lamborghini are very similar in speed, cost and the time they started to be manufactured in many ways.

# Carls Jr. vs. McDonalds

BY HALEY C. AND CLAIRE B.

Have you ever wondered which fast food restaurant is better: Carls Jr., or McDonalds. Well, we strongly believe that McDonalds is better.

Have you ever wondered if Carl's Jr. is copying McDonalds? McDonalds was founded in 1940 and Carl's was founded in 1941, according to [moneyinc.com](http://moneyinc.com). Is this just a coincidence? Or did Carl's Jr. purposely copy McDonalds? We believe that since Carl's Jr. was founded just one year after McDonalds, that Carl's intentionally copied McDonalds. Also, according to [fastfoodnutrition.org](http://fastfoodnutrition.org), both McDonalds and Carl's Jr. have most of the same food like the kid's hamburger, cheese burger, and chicken nuggets. This shows that Carls Jr. started after so Carls could have set a lower price so then more customers would come paying less to Carls Jr. than McDonalds.

Another reason why McDonalds is better than Carl's is because McDonalds is quicker. According to [moneyinc.com](http://moneyinc.com), McDonalds serves faster and Carl's Jr. does not serve as fast.

This shows that people can go to McDonalds and enjoy their food quickly, while on the other hand at Carls Jr you must wait a long time.

Finally, the third reason why McDonalds is better is because it has advantages over Carl's. McDonalds uses bright colors to advertise and their restaurants are located near to freeways and public areas, according to [awgsaleservices.com](http://awgsaleservices.com). This gives them an advantage because the colors in the signs make people hungry, it's called physiology.

In conclusion this is why we strongly believe that MacDonald's is a better fast food restaurant than Carls Jr.



*McDonald's advertising uses bright colors. (Source: Reader's Digest)*

# The Painstaking Truth About McD's

BY BELLEGRACE G., AUBREY H., ELLA B. AND MALAYA O.

The average woman is supposed to consume 2000 calories a day, according to [healthline.com](http://healthline.com). Yet when you go into McDonalds and buy their buttermilk crispy tenders you are putting 2500 calories in your body in just one meal! Yikes! We wholeheartedly believe that McDonalds is a horrible fast food restaurant. McDonalds hurts animals, puts bad ingredients in their food and has no fresh food.

The first reason you should not eat McDonalds is because they put horrible ingredients in their food, which is bad for your health. According to the website [Odyssey](http://Odyssey), McDonalds puts many preservatives in their food. Preservatives are chemicals made for food to last longer. That's why those apples from your happy meal are never turn brown. If you thought that was bad enough they put yeast in their food. Yeast is a fungus that is always growing. This shows that when you eat McDonalds you are putting unhealthy chemicals in your body.

The second reason you should not



*Full of fat! (Source: The Impulsive Buy)*

eat McDonalds is because they treat animals poorly. According to the website [Odyssey](http://Odyssey), McDonalds hangs alive chicks in shackles, and dunks them in boiling hot water. This shows McDonalds is a horrible business and we should not support their outrageous behavior.

The last reason you should not eat McDonalds is because their food is not fresh. According to the website [Odyssey](http://Odyssey), McDonalds' food is not fresh because their food can last 180 days without rotting. McDonalds also makes people weigh more because of sugars, fats and preservatives. This shows when you think your food is fresh, it's really not.

In conclusion, McDonalds is very unhealthy and bad for your health. Think twice before you eat McDonalds!



# Three Shocking Principles Why Cafeteria Food is Unhealthy

BY SHIBANI B., NATALIE Q., AND SAMANTHA K.

You're a kid. It's lunchtime. You're in the school cafeteria. You are buying your lunch and you smell something putrid. You look at the food and make a face, wondering if it's healthy. So, the real question is: Is cafeteria food healthy for you? We firmly and strongly believe that cafeteria food is awful for you and your health. Cafeteria food can make you obese, give you health problems, and doesn't give you enough nutrients.

One reason why cafeteria food is bad for you because it causes obesity. According to [livestrong.com](http://livestrong.com), unhealthy cafeteria food helps contribute to being obese. Also, [healthland.time.com](http://healthland.time.com) states, "Researchers found that kids who ate school lunches were 29% more likely to be obese..." Another reason cafeteria food is unhealthy is because, according to [caffoodnsueats.weebly.com](http://caffoodnsueats.weebly.com), 1 in 3 children eating cafeteria food are overweight. "Obese children are

more likely than their peers to become obese adults..." supports [uscusa.org](http://uscusa.org). Studies from [caffoodnsueats.weebly.com](http://caffoodnsueats.weebly.com) confirms that each year in the United States, 300,000 deaths are occurred by obesity. This shows that you are more likely to be obese if you eat cafeteria food and obesity causes death and other health problems in your future.

Another reason cafeteria food is unhealthy is because it causes many health problems such as memory loss, cancer, and other life taking diseases. On the website [thelunchmob.co](http://thelunchmob.co) it says, "Unhealthy lunches decrease brain power and can also cause memory loss." It also says some other health problems you have a higher chance of getting are heart diseases, diabetes, and cancer. [caffoodnsueats.weebly.com](http://caffoodnsueats.weebly.com) explains, "... consequences... can be heart attack, stroke, high blood pressure, diabetes, knee and joint problems, and various types of cancer and death." Lastly, [uscusa.org](http://uscusa.org) claims an "... increased risk of type II diabetes,

hypertension, and other chronic diseases." This shows that if you get those problems you will have a short life. And cafeteria food is the main cause behind these unhealthy results.

Lastly, there is no nutrition in most school cafeteria food. According to [artinstitutes.edu](http://artinstitutes.edu) this website insists that school lunches have very low nutrition. In fact, they are actually processed food. To those people who don't know what processed foods are, they are high in fat, sugar, and salt. On [caffoodnsueats.com](http://caffoodnsueats.com) it restates that fatty food served in cafeterias have barely any nutrition. Another text called [schoolnutrition.org](http://schoolnutrition.org) states

that we should "...require cafeterias to offer more fruit, vegetables, and whole grains and limit sodium calories and unhealthy fat in every school meal." This shows if you don't get nutrition or you eat processed foods, that could be bad. That is bad because if you don't get enough nutrition your body needs to grow, your organs could stop working and you could die.

To finalize, most cafeteria foods are unhealthy for you and can cause serious, life-threatening health issues, including death. In our opinion, you should think twice before you get in line to buy school lunch.



*This school food is very "delicious looking". Do you really want to eat this? (Source: Just A Pinch)*

## Astonishing Facts About Two Fast Food Chains

BY OWEN C., NICHOLAS H. AND LOGAN H.

It is your birthday and your parents tell you that you can get anything you want to eat. The choices are McDonalds or In-n-Out. Where would you go? We believe In-n-Out is better for a variety of reasons.

In-n-Out is a popular burger chain with a variety of menu choices and an interesting business structure. According to Business Insider, it states, "Enter the 'Protein Style' hamburger. It can only be found in the not that secret 'secret menu.' The protein style burger has tomatoes, beef patty, and lettuce bun and all it is only 240 calories,



*McDonald's and In-n-Out's logos. (Source: Quora)*

which is equal to the same amount of the calories of a small bag of chips." This shows that it is a lot less calories than an average burger. You can have fun with the In-n-Out food, too. Once someone ordered a 100x100 burger, which are 100 paddies and 100 slices of cheese. It cost \$9766 and was estimated to be 19,790 calories. But the bad news, according to the former manager, the restaurant does not allow the 100x100 burger anymore, and now only sell the 4x4, so there goes our dreams of the 6x6! The 4x4 is already ridiculously hard to wrap and anything bigger would be a total mess. Can you imagine how messy a 100x100 was? In-n-Out's menu also has "animal style fries" on it.

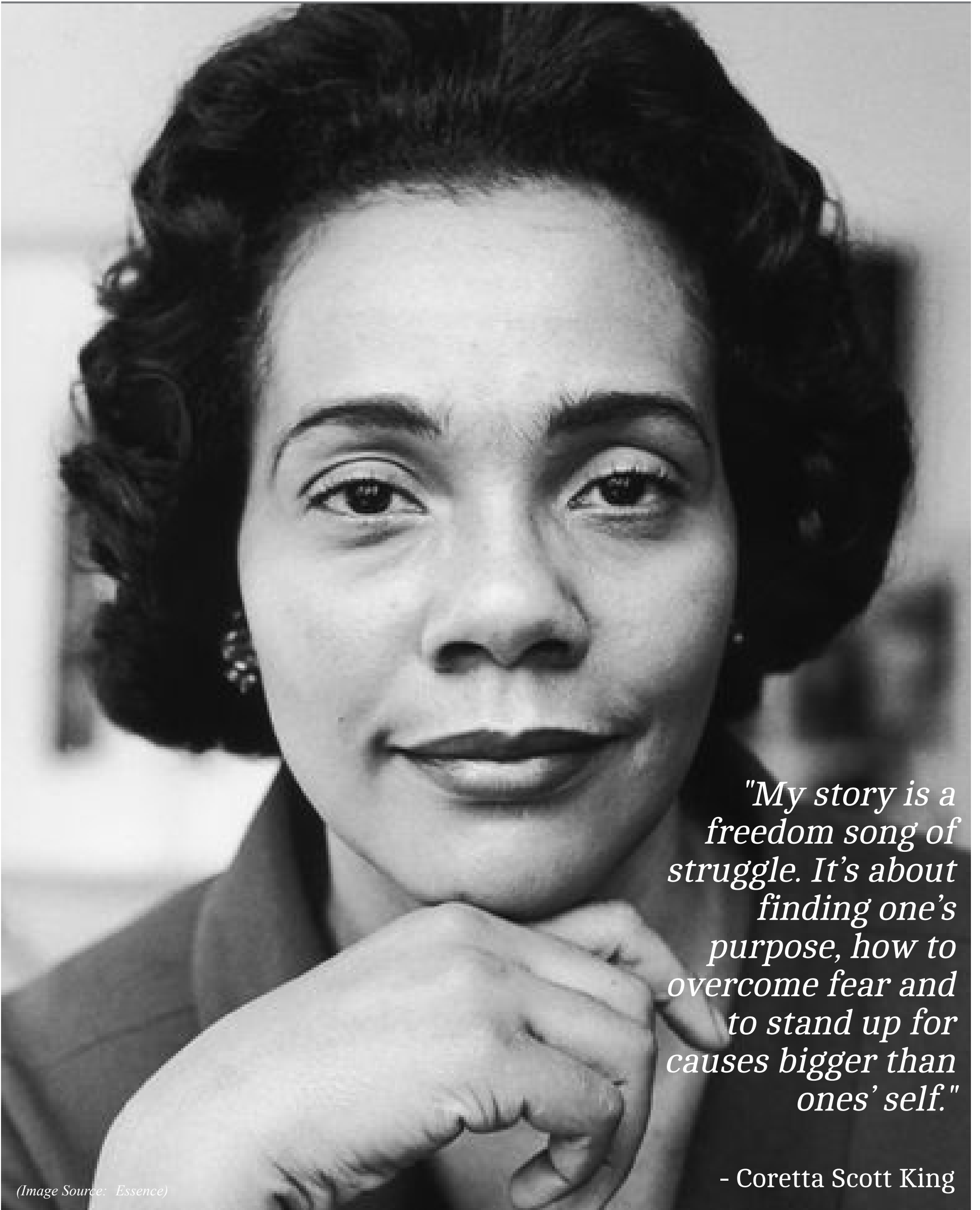
According to the website Mashed, when you eat the animal style fries sometimes when you get to the bottom the fries are soggy, so the best way to get your fries is to say at the counter is say to get them "fried well" and they will be nice and crispy. Aside from the food In-n-Out serves, managers at In-n-Out get paid around \$160,000 dollars a year, according to Business Insider. For comparison, the average tech worker in Silicon Valley makes \$114,654 yearly. This shows that In-n-Out pays pretty well!

McDonald's has many interesting facts that you may not have known about. According Business Insider, sometimes there will be "pink slime" in burgers. Pink slime is stuffed in the burgers and

when you take a bite, pink slime will sludge out of the burger. Also, have you ever wondered why McDonald's nuggets don't rot? It's because the nuggets need to be moist to rot. The nuggets are full of chemicals which makes them dry. McDonalds uses dimethylpolysioxane in their nuggets to prevent them from foaming, which is also found in putty, caulks, and cosmetics. Also, the only animal food that comes from cow to McDonalds is dairy. The eggs come from caged hens to keep the prices low, so customers keep coming. If your parent ever told you fast food isn't good for you, they were right! The drive through is always ready for the customer to come. For example, the burger only is in the grill for 40 seconds, all of this is according to Business Insider. This evidence pretty much proves that all the food at McDonalds is not good for you.

In conclusion, as you can see there are more positive facts about In-n-Out than McDonald's. For these reasons, we recommend In-n-Out!





*"My story is a freedom song of struggle. It's about finding one's purpose, how to overcome fear and to stand up for causes bigger than ones' self."*

- Coretta Scott King



# A Woman Who Helped Our Nation

BY SUPRITA Y., ELAINE K. AND TAMARA A.

“My story is a freedom song of struggle. It’s about finding one’s purpose, how to overcome fear and to stand up for causes bigger than ones’ self.” These words were spoken by Coretta Scott King, the wife of Martin Luther King Jr. Coretta Scott King had many interesting and important

events in her life from birth to death.

There were some important events in Coretta’s childhood. According to notable-biographies.com, Coretta Scott King was born on April 27, 1927 in Perry County, Alabama. Her

parents, Obadiah and Bernice Scott, were farmers. Coretta enrolled in Lincoln High School in Marion, Alabama. Most of her early schooling was segregated. She was often bullied by white kids, but always stood up for herself. As you can see when Coretta was in school she was not treated fairly because of her race. Of course this did not only effect Coretta, but this also affected other innocent blacks. Later in her life one of her goals would be to change this.

Many noteworthy events in

Coretta’s life happened in her college life. According to notablebiographies.com, Coretta graduated high school in 1945 as valedictorian, which means a student with highest grades, which led to her earning a scholarship to Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio. She was also the first African American to major in elementary education. At Antioch, the teachers there



(Source: Brides.com)

wouldn’t let Coretta teach because of her skin color. This made her more determined than ever, according to notable-biographies.com. Later, she he was awarded a fellowship to the New England conservatory of music in Boston, Mass-

achusetts. This shows that Coretta was successful in school and very educated. It also shows that she had an interest in music.

While in school, Coretta met Martin Luther King Jr. Even and though she claimed she wasn’t that attracted to him they began to date. Eventually she got married to Martin Luther King Jr. and became an activist. Because she and MLK were activists, her family was a target for white supremacists groups, or groups that think they are better than African

Americans. This shows that she wouldn’t give up because throughout life; Coretta faced many hard times where she was discriminated for having a different skin color.

As Martin Luther King’s wife, Coretta helped him and was part of the civil rights movement as an activist as well. Coretta Scott King also joined the National Association and said, “I was active on all of them. From the first, I had been determined to get ahead, not just for myself, but to do something for my people and all people. I took to my heart the words of Horace Mann: ‘Be ashamed to die until you have won victory for humanity’” according to brainyquotes.com. As you can see, one thing Coretta Scott King was known for was being an activist. This also shows that she helped her husband very much with the civil rights movement.

On April 4, 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. was struck by

a sniper bullet while standing on a balcony outside the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee. In Atlanta, Coretta dedicated the new King Center complex on its ground in 1981. Even after her husband’s death, Coretta stayed active with her demonstrations against apartheid,

or a system of segregation, in South Africa. She also fought for 15 years to make Martin’s birthday recognized because he was important to America history. In 1983, Ronald Reagan signed a bill that established Martin Luther King Day a federal holiday, according to notablebiographies.com. This shows that Coretta Scott king did many things, even though Martin Luther King died.

Coretta Scott King suffered a heart attack and a stroke in August 2005. Less than six months later she died on January 30, 2006, while seeking treatment for ovarian cancer at a hospital in Playas de Rosarita, Mexico. She was 78 years old. Coretta’s funeral was held in Georgia and over 14,000 people attended, including notable people such as current and former presidents George W. Bush, George H.W Bush, Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton. Barack Obama, then a senator, was also present. This shows that Coretta’s past work was admired by many important

people.

In conclusion, Coretta Scott King was a very important person in African-American history.



(Source: African American Registry)



# Sloths Make Bad Pets



*Don't be fooled by this adorable face. (Source: Readers Digest)*

BY SOFIA S. AND, LUCIA P.

Have you ever thought of a sloth as aggressive? If so, you're correct. We strongly believe that sloths are not good pets. Sloths need special care, have really sharp claws and the get aggravated easily.

Sloths need a specialized diet, making them not good pets. According to totescute.com, sloths eat leaf buds, twigs, fruits, insects and rodents. They also eat up to 50 different types of trees in the American tropical rain forest. Sloths are omnivores. This proves if you do not live near a rain forest you will not be able to feed your sloth a proper diet and it will die sooner.

Sloths can hurt you, so therefore we don't recommend having them in your house as a pet. According to livescience.com, two toed sloths are dangerous.

And even though sloths might look slow they actually can move very fast, and they have sharp claws that with one swipe they can even kill you. Therefore, if you aggravate a sloth it can seriously injure you or kill you with their claws making them dangerous to have around.

The last reason was there lazy. According to totescute.com sloths sleep for 15 to 20 hours a day and have very little time for social activity. Also the word sloth translates to lazy in another language. This proves my point because it is a total waste of time and money.

In conclusion there are the many reasons why sloths are not good pets. Some reasons include sloths have a specialized diet, sloths can hurt you and they are lazy.

# Dogs vs. Cats

BY ZACH I. AND XANDER L.

If you're bored out of your mind, all you've got to do is go get a dog and they'll make your day 10 times better. Just imagine playing fetch, tug of war and catch with your dog. But, beware of those cats because all they'll do is trap you in a staring contest. In our opinion, we

without a doubt believe that dogs are better pets than cats. Dogs cause fewer allergies in people; dogs improve your health, and make you have a good social life.

Dogs cause fewer allergies in people than cats. According to Canidae.com, cats cause more allergies to kids because of the proteins in them. People are twice as likely to get allergies from cats as dogs, according to an article on livescience.com. This proves that you should get a dog instead of a cat because

who likes to sneeze, cough and have watery eyes? Allergies can also cause skin rashes and other allergic reactions, too.

Another reason why dogs make



*You can't find a cat as cute as this. (Source: Huff Post)*

better pets than cats is because they keep you healthy, fit, help you lose weight, improve your more social life, and stave off stress and depression. This proves that dogs are better pets than cats because would you like a boring cat that helps you with nothing or a dog that's fun and keeps you healthy by being playful and trained (Huffpost.com).

In conclusion we think dogs are better than cats in our opinion because they cause fewer allergies than cats and improve your health and social life.



*Which is better? Target or Walmart? (Source: stylesage.co)*

# Target and Walmart Truths

BY RACHEL O. AND KAITLYN P.

Imagine, you're a tourist in a new city and you're going to a party. You need to buy chips and salsa from any store you find around town. You then find a Target and Walmart. Which store would you want to buy the chips and salsa from? Target and Walmart may seem the same but there are actually a few differences such as prices, how much the employees make a week, and how many locations they have. It is up to the shopper to decide, and here are some guidelines that might help you.

There was a recently a debate on which has better prices, Target or Walmart. On Clark.com, a website about Target and Walmart price comparisons, we compared the price of several everyday items at both stores. 1.) Febreze at Target costs \$4.99 and at Walmart it costs \$4.94. You save 5 cents by buying Febreze at Walmart. 2.) The next item we chose is Windex Original Glass Cleaner spray. At Target you pay \$3.09 and at Walmart you pay \$3.12. You will save 3 cents by purchasing the item at Target. 3.) Our last item we chose is the Shark Navigator Freestyle Cordless Stick Vacuum. You save no money by shopping at one store over the other because

Target and Walmart priced it the same. This shows that it doesn't really matter where you shop, everything is priced pretty similarly.

If you want to find a good paying job compare Target and Walmart for employee wages. If you want to work at Walmart you get paid \$14.30 an hour, according to Walmart corporate. If you work five hours of work you'll earn \$71.50. From Target you get \$10.06, according to indeed.com, so if you work five hours you will earn \$50.30. This shows that Walmart pays better than Target. If you subtract the two amounts you get a \$21.20 difference.

Many people question whether Target or Walmart have more stores. According to Walmart Corporate Website, they have 11,718 stores worldwide. Compared to Target, according to the Target Corporation Website, they have 1,822 stores worldwide. So this shows that if you're somewhere and need to grab something from Target or Walmart there is most likely a Walmart store waiting nearby.

In conclusion, there are major differences between Target and Walmart. Their prices vary as well as how much employees make and how many stores they have worldwide.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Incredible Disneyland & Disneyworld

BY NADINE F. AND TIFFANY T.

Did you know that Walt Disney almost built Disneyland in Burbank, California in 1953? How convenient would that have been for us living here in Stevenson Ranch? Today, Disneyland is located in Anaheim, California and Disneyworld is in Orlando, Florida. Disneyland and Disneyworld both are amazing magical parks, but still people argue about which park is better. Both parks have their own unique qualities as well as similarities.

Disneyland is unique in many different ways. According to a travel article written in Readers Digest, on July 17, 1955 Walt Disney officially opens Disneyland. Walt Disney's brother bought the first ticket to Disneyland and bought the first Mickey Mouse too. Nearly 3.6 million people visited the park the year Walt Disney first opened it, which was 63 years ago. The haunted mansion is the saddest place in the happiest place on Earth. Disneyland's shortest attraction lasted only two months and it was the Mickey mouse puppet show. Today the fastest ride is splash mountain and it is very popular.

Did you know that Disney and was almost built in Burbank, California in 1953. Walt Disney nicknamed the opening of Disneyland, Black Sunday. The opening was so bad that they had stop doing everything that day the cement was not dry, so all the ladies who were wearing high heels were stuck in the cement and some of the rides stopped working for a while that the tourists went mad, but Walt Disney made it right the very

next week and Disneyland was reopened. These days, many people are trying to avoid that same day to make new and better efficient rides. According to Disney.Go.com, popular roller coasters are Pirates of the Caribbean, Splash mountain, Big thunder Mountain Rail and Indiana Jones Adventure and they are the most busiest rides in Disneyland.

Disneyworld is unique in many

ways. According to Readers Digest and [disneyland.disney.go.com](http://disneyland.disney.go.com), Expedition Everest, Rock "n" Rollercoaster, Test Track, Seven Dwarfs Mine Train, Mission Space, The Barnstormer, Kali River Rapids, Guardians of the Galaxy, Toy Story Mania, Haunted Mansion, Kilimanjaro Safari, Revenge of the Mummy, and Primeval Whirl are the best rides at Disneyworld. Hotels are Disney's Boardwalk Inn, Disney's Animal Kingdom Lounge, Disney's Kingdom Lounge, Disney's Contemporary Resort, Disney's Grand Floridian Resort and Spa, Disney's Polynesian, Disney's Wilderness Lodge, and Disney's Yacht Club. The interesting facts are Haunted Mansion comes in variations, find a missing key in Muppet's, look for old style crank handle phone, get a Autograph from Pixar Great,

and see water painted images by a janitor.

Disneyland and Disneyworld have similarities, as well. Both have castles in the entrance and they both have Space Mountain, Disney Animal Kingdom Hotel, Splash Mountain, Jungle Cruise, Pirates of the Caribbean, Grizzly River Run, and Storybook Land Canal, according to the official Disney website. They also both have hidden Mickey Mouse faces that you can look for around the parks.

In conclusion, Disneyworld and Disneyland have lots in common and has their own unique things. Therefore, choose the one that suits you the best.



Which one do you think is better? (Source: Parents Magazine)





*Jumanji is filled with action. (Source: Virgin Megastore)*

# Jumanji: Full of Action & Comedy

BY MATTHEW B., EVAN S.  
AND JAKE M.

Imagine that you're a teenager and find a video game. All of the sudden, as you're trying to play the game, you get sucked into the game and are now a part of the game itself. This is the story of *Jumanji*. We strongly believe *Jumanji* is a good movie.

The movie *Jumanji* was released in Dec ,20,2017 , and made \$393,201,353 at the box office. In the movie there are some teenagers who get stuck in a video game and have to fight to put the gem in the lion mountain to get out of the game. They have three lives to survive the jungle. When Russle van Pilt,

the bad guy who wants the gem Yes they escape the bad guy

*Jumanji* is a great movie because it is action packed. For example, when they start the game they run out of the jungle they get attacked by the bad guys with guns, fist fighting , bombings, and explosions. After being saved by a character named Phin they then go in to sewers with some alligators. Then they fight people at the lion mountain. These events proves that this action packed movie with fighting all over the movie. Fighting is action that we love!

*Jumanji* is also a good movie because it has a lot of comedy. The movie has funny fights in it and funny destruction parts in it, as well. For example, like when Jack Black's character gets eaten by a hippo. There's also a funny dancing part. This proves that *Jumanji* is a very funny movie because all these funny scenes.

In conclusion, we believe that *Jumanji* is fun family action movie. We believe this because people like for the comedy and action.

# Universal Studios

BY CONSTANCE L. AND  
BRIANNA K.

Every day, Universal Studio makes 3.3 billion dollars. How could they possibly do it? We firmly and without a doubt believe that Universal Studios is a great place to visit. It is close to home and has lots of events that will keep you entertained.

According to the Universal Studios Official Website, the theme park is open from 10am-6pm. It has a variety of different seasonal events, including Halloween Horror Nights, Grinchmas Christmas, and last but not least, New Year's Eve. We recommend you to buy tickets online for only \$99.00 for each person.

The first reason we recommend visiting Universal is because we think that there are many fun things to choose from. The rides are really fun! Did you know that there are 16 rides in total at Universal Studios, according to UniversalStudios.com? They have so many roller coasters and shows. They have so many fun

events and shows. Personally, we thing Halloween is the scariest. It's so fun! If you have not been, trust us—it's worth your time.

We think you'll have a blast! The second reason we think you should visit Universal is because it is really close to home! For example, if you live in Stevenson Ranch, it would only about 37 minutes if there's no traffic. If there is traffic, then it would take about 50 minutes. This shows that Universal Studios is close to home even with traffic. This makes it easy to get there. It's practically in your backyard!

We would defiantly recommend you to go to Universal if you live in Los Angeles. In conclusion Universal is a great place to visit. We recommend making the trip because it is fun and very close to home.

In conclusion we think Universal is a great place to visit because it is fun and close to home.



*This picture is a famous picture and on a lot of movies. (Source: behance.net)*



# Villains: Voldemort

## vs. Olaf

BY ANAYIS S., LUCY L.  
AND ANIKA A.

Hey, you! Yes, you! Do you know who Voldemort is? How about Count Olaf, do you know who he is? Well, SPOILER ALERT, we are going to tell you which villain is more evil. Although Count Olaf is pretty evil, Voldemort is much more evil.

For those who don't know, Count Olaf (From the Series of Unfortunate Events) is a very bad villain that has captured some orphan children. Voldemort (From the Harry Potter series) is a murderer who is so evil that the witches and wizards are afraid to say his name.

What are Horcruxes? Pottermore.com and the Harry Potter series tell us that Horcruxes are things that hold people's souls. Voldemort made

eight of these dark objects. The bad part is to make a Horcrux you have to kill lots of people before you can split your soul. This shows that Voldemort is very evil because he killed a lot of people. To get his soul into a Horcrux, and if you kill Voldemort he will come back alive because his soul is in a different spot. To get to one piece of his soul, you have to go across a lake of inferi and drink a potion that replays your worst memory, and you have to kill all the other Horcruxes to actually have him dead. Worst of all you have to find all eight. Also the Horcruxes are in very, very, very, very, very dangerous places.

Who killed more people? Now for a comparison, Voldemort killed thousands of people but, Count Olaf, who only killed five people. This shows that Voldemort is more evil because he killed thousands of people and five is way less than a thousand.

The Chamber of Secrets. Voldemort opened a secret



Voldemort (Source: Harry Potter Wiki Fandom)

chamber he went to Hogwarts, a school of magic. The chamber was home to a deadly monster which Voldemort set loose in the school. Eventually the creature killed one of the school's students named Myrtle Elizabeth Warren, but Voldemort blamed his crime on Rubeus Hagrid who got expelled because of Voldemort.

This shows that Voldemort is more evil because if you can kill somebody, blame someone else, and feel no remorse, you must be very evil.

In conclusion, Voldemort is more evil than Count Olaf. He killed people, made Horcruxes and opened the Chamber of Secrets, who could be so cruel!

# Shrek

BY RYAN Y., CAYDEN W.  
AND TRISTEN K.

Imagine that you're in a dirty, muddy pond when a giant green ogre appears in your way. At first, you feel terrified. But then the ogre smiles at you. He's not mean after all. This is Shrek from the movie *Shrek*. In our opinion, *Shrek* is the best movie ever.

The movie takes place in a swamp area. Shrek wants to save the chained-up princess from an evil dragon. In the end, he saves the princess and marries her. *Shrek* was released in May of 2001. It made \$200 million in theaters, according to Rotten Tomatoes.

The first reason why we believe *Shrek* is a great movie is because it's funny and enjoyable. The movie was funny and enjoyable because the donkey can't stop talking.



Shrek and his donkey are both funny characters. (Source: Movie Web)

He just keeps talking in a funny voice and says funny things. It's also funny because Shrek wouldn't take off his helmet in front of the princess because he didn't want the princess to see what he really looked like. This is funny because usually in movies whoever saves a princess takes off their helmet and is very attractive, but Shrek isn't. He's an ugly, fat ogre.

(But he's really nice.)

Another reason why *Shrek* is a good movie is because of its characters. There are a bunch of funny characters. The gingerbread man is a good character because he said the king sent them to stay at the pond unless you go to the castle and get the princess. We liked Shrek because he is a good

character and a reason is that he is funny ogre. Then there's a funny donkey with a funny voice. His voice is the best part about him. Without good characters, there's no good movie.

In conclusion we think *Shrek* is the best movie because it's pretty funny movie and has good characters.





Xbox console. (Source: Windows Latest)

## Get an Xbox

BY AIDAN T., DIEGO D.  
AND HENRI M.

Do you think Xbox is the best console? Or do you think Xbox is the weakest? Read are story to find out if Xbox is extreme or unworthy. In our opinion, we truly think that you should get an Xbox.

One reason Xbox is great is because of its console. According to [www. Xbox. Com](http://www.Xbox.Com) the Xbox is a console made from Microsoft. It is the most powerful console out right now with over 1300+ games out and with 8+ bundles you can get. If you don't know which console to pick (Xbox one x or Xbox one s) you can go to [xbox.com](http://xbox.com) and choose what your personalities' are and it will

give you a recommendation. This shows that Xbox is a great console with a lot of different abilities.

Another reason why you should buy an Xbox is because of its software and graphics. Xbox one S delivers brilliant graphics from the HDR technology, premium audio, and fast reliable online gaming with friends. The Xbox has faster updating and installing by 326 GB per second. On the Xbox one X site it shows how Xbox one X is the most powerful console yet, according to [Xbox.com](http://Xbox.com)

In conclusion, you should get Xbox. The Xbox has a lot of good features to it like a lot of GB and really good HDR.

## Old Disney vs. New Disney Movies

BY CHELSEA H. AND ELLA K.

"If you can dream it, you can do it," once said by Walt Disney, the creator of many famous Disney movies. Old animated Disney movies and new animated Disney movies are very different. Disney has come a long way since 1937 when first Disney princess movie *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves* came out compared to *Coco* of 2017.

*Snow White and the Seven Dwarves* is one of the oldest Disney movies. It was released on December 21st of 1937, according to [nrm.org](http://nrm.org). It's about a princess with skin as white as snow. A vain, evil queen gets jealous of her beauty and tries to kill her as she fees to the woods and hides with seven dwarves in a cottage, where Prince Charming saves her with a true loves kiss. The movie took three years to make and was based off the Brother's Grim Fairy tale. The estimated cost was \$250,000, but it actually had a cost of \$1.5 million, which put Walt Disney into huge debt. Luckily, the movie became a huge success after many thought it would fail, and Walt Disney was able to pay off all of his debt and make some profit, according to [history.com](http://history.com).

November 22nd of 2017. It's about a boy who dreams to be a musician but can't because his family hates music. So he goes to his favorite singer's grave, Ernesto De La Cruz, where they keep his guitar and gets transported to the land of the dead where he finds his dead family members and unlocks the real history of his family. There are 500 individual pieces of clothes that were created for each crowd characters, according to [ohmydisney.com](http://ohmydisney.com). It cost about \$153.4 million and \$175 million to produce. Also it took six years to make.

While these two movies are very different in the making, they are also similar. They each had big costs, but *Coco* cost more by 151.9 million dollars, according to [ohmydisney.com](http://ohmydisney.com). Plus, each of the movies have extreme detail from the 500 individual pieces of clothing in *Coco* to the real makeup on Snow White according to the women of Ink and Paint department for real life-like complexion, all sourced from [ohmydisney.com](http://ohmydisney.com).

In conclusion, both of these movies have many differences and similarities, each of which comes down to the detail, and animation of characters.

*Coco* was released on



Snow White with rose pink cheeks (Source: Disney Princess)



# Wrinkle in Time vs. Harry Potter

BY ANABELLE A. AND CHRISTINE P.

Which is better? *Harry Potter* or *A Wrinkle in Time*? We strongly believe that *Harry Potter* is a better movie than *A Wrinkle in Time*.

*A Wrinkle in Time* takes place in the universe. There are three witches who want to help Meg, and Charles Wallis find their father, but in the universe there is a bad side of it and it's called the IT.

It's trying to stop them from finding their father. The three witches (Miss Who, Miss Whatsit and Miss Witch) try to take them to the universe to find their father, too.

*Harry Potter* takes place at Hogwarts. Harry Potter wants to kill Voldemort but he is too strong there is only one way, that is to destroy all of Voldemort's Horcrux that is different objects the he split his soul into. In the end Harry, Ron and Hermione kill Voldemort by

destroying his horcrux.

*Harry Potter* made more money than *Wrinkle in Time*, which only made \$105 million. *Harry Potter* made \$7.7 billion, according to Rotten Tomatoes. *Harry Potter* has been popular ever since then. Also *Harry Potter* has 8 movies total and they are working on the ninth one. There are two versions of *Wrinkle in Time*. This proves that *Harry Potter* is better than *Wrinkle in Time* because it made more money and it has more movies,

showing that it's probably more popular.

Another reason why *Harry Potter* is a better movie is because of ratings. *Harry Potter* got 5 out of 5 stars on Rotten Tomatoes. *A Wrinkle in Time* got 3 out of 5 stars. This shows that *Harry Potter* is better liked by viewers.

In conclusion, *Wrinkle in Time* is a good movie, but we agree that *Harry Potter* is better because of money made and ratings.



*Harry Potter is better than A Wrinkle in Time. (Source: Pambazuka News)*

## Two Reasons Why The Meg is the Best

BY ETHAN K., CAMERON P. AND BRAULIO C.

Watch out! Here he comes and be prepared for the Comp! If you want to be scared at the movies, or thrilled of action come and see *The Meg*. We strongly and without a doubt believe that *The Meg* is the best movie ever. We feel this because it is action packed and it has good graphics.

*The Meg* has a very interesting plot. It takes place in a deep sea trench. Jones wants to save the ocean, but the Meg, a giant shark, won't let him. Jones tries to kill the meg with bombs. In the end, Jones kills the meg and saves the

ocean. It came out in August 2018 and made \$213 million, according to rotten tomatoes .com

One reason why *The Meg* was a good movie is because it has good graphics. The movie had big sharks and other epic things. It had two giant sharks and a lot of explosions that make it really cool. This shows that *The Meg* has good graphics because of the sea creatures. Good graphics keeps the crowd amused and keeps their eyes on the screen.

*The Meg* is also a good movie because it is action-packed. It is action packed because it has bombs and explosives. Also it is

action packed because the meg jumps out of the water and destroys things and Terror! There is a LOT of death so it is a really action packed movie. This shows *The Meg* is a good movie because of its action. The many action scenes keep the crowds satisfied,

frightened, and keep them interesting.

*The Meg* is the best movies ever. The main reason of this is that it's action packed and it has amazing graphics that will blow you off your seat!



*Meg coming into the beach. (Source: Houston Press)*



# The Battle Between Nintendo Switch and Nintendo 3DS



Which one will win--Nintendo Switch or Nintendo 3DS? (Source: YouTube)

BY ERAVAN M., GEOFFERY S. AND PHINEAS H.

Which is better, the Nintendo Switch or the Nintendo 3ds? In our opinion, we strongly believe that the Switch is better! This is because it is easier to control, more storage and better graphics.

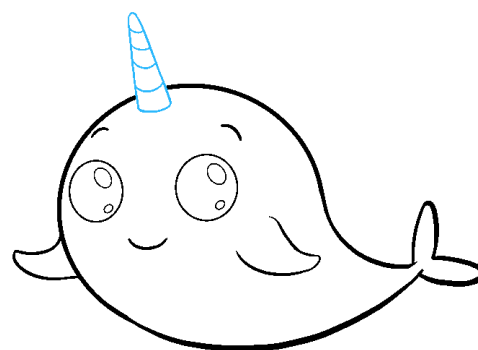
The Nintendo Switch is easier to use and control. Business Insider said that the Nintendo 3ds use a joy stick while the Nintendo Switch is touch screen. Joy sticks can break and are not easy to control. Sometimes the console does not react to the joy stick but the Nintendo Switch is touch screen and touch screen you use your fingers and it will all ways react to your finger. This shows that the Nintendo Switch is better to control because its touch screen. But the 3ds is not touch screen so it sometimes might not react to the joy stick.

Nintendo is better in storage, therefore making it a better product. According to Tom's Guide, the Switch has a larger

storage than the 3ds so it can contain more games than the 3ds which is one of the reasons the Nintendo switch is better than the 3ds. Though there might be games that will take up more storage they are rated better. This shows that if you were to buy many games a Switch would be the better option.

The Nintendo Switch also has better graphics than the 3ds. According to Tom's Guide, the Nintendo 3ds graphics are sometimes pixelated. But the Nintendo Switch's graphics are sometimes 3D and never pixelated. This shows that the Nintendo Switch is better to understand what being put on the screen. But on the 3ds you might not understand the screen because it's pixelated.

In conclusion, the Nintendo Switch is a better buy than the Nintendo 3ds. So, because the Nintendo Switch is easier to control, it has lots of storage, and it has better graphics it is better buy than the Nintendo 3ds.



Drawing the narwal's horn.  
(Source: [easydrawingguides.com](http://easydrawingguides.com))

## How to Draw Two Very Adorable Animals

BY JORDIN D., ERICA F. AND ANNA K.

There was a very bored child and they did not know what to do so she grabbed a piece of paper and a pencil. Fortunately for her, there was a newspaper sitting beside her and inside she found step by step instructions for drawing a fox and a narwhal. Her drawing turned out great! You, too, could draw like this girl. If you have some drawing skills, then keep reading to learn how to draw these two cute animals in only about 5-10 minutes.

Drawing a narwhal step by step is not as difficult as it might sound. According to [easydrawingguides.com](http://easydrawingguides.com), you start with a circle. Next, you draw two curved lines for the tail. After that you erase the lines between the circles and the tail. Then draw two fins on the tail. Then, draw cute cartoon eyes and eyebrows. Third, draw the fins—one of them you can see part of it and the other is nearly under the eye. Then draw the horn. Lastly, draw any designs you want and it is your option to color your drawing. This shows

this drawing is a little hard so a medium or experienced drawer could draw this. For a not so good drawer it will not turn out the way you want it to be.

Drawing a cute baby cartoon fox only takes a few minutes. According to [How2drawAnimals.com](http://How2drawAnimals.com), when you draw a baby fox step by step first you draw two upside-down u's & two circles in between them. Next, you draw the eyeballs and the cute pupils in inside the circles. Third, draw a nose which looks like an upside down heart (but only like  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a heart) and draw a chin. Next, draw head fur around where the ears will be, then draw the ears. Next, draw the chest fur and the front legs. After that, draw the body, the back legs, and the big furry tail. Lastly, it is optional to trace over the lines and color the fox in. This shows, that this drawing is for a drawer with medium experience because the steps are kind of difficult.

If you are a medium experienced drawer and can follow directions, you can draw these animals. A narwhal and a fox can be drawn in 5-10 minutes.



Here is the final drawing of the fox once you are done drawing it.  
(Source: [How2DrawAnimals.com](http://How2DrawAnimals.com))



# WORLD & TRAVEL

## Three Dangerous World Problems That Just Could Become Worse

BY TAYLOR C. AND BRODY C.

55.3 million People who die each year across the world and most of these deaths are caused by world problems. There are many different world problems happening every day. Some are natural disasters, people going hungry and poor education.

Natural disasters are causing major problems around the world. According to National Geographic, about 2,000 people are killed each year by lightning. Lightning is an electrical discharge caused by storm clouds and the ground. There are also tsunamis, huge waves that cause major destruction. These series of ocean waves send surges of water that sometimes reach the height over 100 feet. Tsunamis have 79 deaths per 1,000 people affected. This shows that natural disasters cause major problems because their massive destruction and death toll, so it makes natural disasters a big world problem.

A great percentage of people are going hungry world wide. According to [www.foodaidfoundation.org](http://www.foodaidfoundation.org) and [www.concernusa.org](http://www.concernusa.org), it showed that Asia is the continent with

the most people without food. Today, there are 795 million people who don't have food. Did you know that Central African Republic is the hungriest country in the world because 319 million people are without food. This shows that because this many citizens are going hungry, it is an extraordinary world problem.

In developing countries, the future generations aren't getting enough education. According to [www.globalcitizen.org](http://www.globalcitizen.org) it said that some countries have no funding into schools. Also they have untrained teachers. Did you know 93 million kids are denied education strictly because of disabilities? 130 million young women are denied because girls miss out due to there being less value in girls than boys in education. Unfortunately, global donor support (people donating toward funding) is decreasing at an alarming rate. This shows that education isn't developing as fast as it should be because of these problems.

In summary, world problems are occurring around the world. Some of these problems include natural disasters, hunger, and education issues.



*Tsunamis are a gigantic world problem. (Source: CNN)*



*Six Flags Magic Mountain with all the rides and fun things. (Source: Vice)*

## Thrilling Facts About Magic Mountain

BY SUAH O., ARNABI P., HANNAH J. AND RYAN K.

Six Flags Magic Mountain has lots of thrilling rides, has lots of stores and annual events. So have you ever been to Magic Mountain? If the answer is no there is lots of thrilling rides and so does Hurricane Harbor that will make you want to visit.

Magic Mountain opened in 1971 and is located in Valencia, California, which is about 40 miles outside of Los Angeles, according to the Magic Mountain official website. Children's tickets (ages 3-12) cost \$59.99 and adult tickets cost \$84.99. Magic Mountain has over 100 rides and attractions. It also has very fun annual events, for example Fright Fest, Friend Free Day, Holiday in the Park, fireworks nights, parades, and musical concerts. It is popular because there are six unique rides only found in Magic Mountain.

We like Magic Mountain

because it is fun. It is full of fun rides. Some of the rides are Super Man, Batman, Wonder Women, Drop of Doom, Twisted Colioth, Goliath, x2 and Full Throttle. The rides may be terrifying but that's what makes them fun. There are lots of twisted, loops and super fast rides.

We also like Magic Mountain because of Hurricane Harbor, which is a water park attach to Magic Mountain. Hurricane Harbor has about 23 rides. Some people like me call it "Iron Park" because of the thrilling rides. There are lots of slides that are called Tornado, Blake Snake, Summit, Bambooracer, etc. For the family there is a wave pool, and for the kids a lazy river in the Water Park Kingdom.

We think you should enter Magic Mountain for its thrilling rides. Magic Mountain is fun because it has thrilling rides and delicious food.



# Three Fascinating Reasons Why Disneyland is More Kid-Friendly

BY BRIANNA M. AND SOPHIA H.

You want to have a nice family trip that everyone can enjoy. But there's one problem: you're deciding between Universal and Disneyland. You know both are amazing parks, but which is more kid-friendly? In our opinion, we feel that Disneyland is more interactive for smaller kids. The majority of rides in Disneyland are kid-friendly, all of the characters are recognizable and kid-friendly, and there are several fun restaurants for kids.

Disneyland has more kid friendly rides than Universal Studios. Disneyland has at least 16 rides that are good for little ones, while Universal has much fewer. According to History.com, Universal allows kids under 40 inches to go on only four rides. If a small kid was to go there, it

wouldn't be very exciting or fun to them. In addition, there wouldn't be much for the parents and the kids to do. To have a more effective experience go to Disneyland. Disneyland has a variety of rides to choose from that even toddlers could ride. A few of those rides are Small World, Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan's Flight, and The Little Mermaid. Disneyland would be a better and more exciting experience for little kids.

In Disneyland there are also more kid friendly characters. In Disneyland all of the characters are kid friendly according to disneyarks.disney.go.com.

According to universalstudioshollywood.com, however, Universal only has 13 characters/groups. This shows that Disneyland has more kid friendly characters. That is good that all the characters are kid friendly because your kids won't be scared by the characters at Disneyland. It will be more fun for kids to go to Disneyland than Universal for this

reason.

In Disneyland there are also more kid friendly restaurants. According to disneyarks.disney.go.com, Disneyland has multiple kid interactive restaurants. The restaurants are fun and themed. You can even meet and talk to characters. Universal has no kid friendly restaurants whatsoever

according to the official Universal website. Meeting characters will be more than sitting in a regular restaurant. That shows that Disneyland will be more fun and more exciting for kids, unlike Universal where there are no kid interactive restaurant throughout the park.

In conclusion Disneyland is clearly the more kid friendly theme park. Disneyland is more kid friendly because they have more kid friendly rides, characters, and restaurants.



What kid wouldn't want to go to this magical castle? (Source: YouTube)

# Different Schools Around the World



Schools all around the worlds are all connected in one way. (Source: personapartnersltd.com)

BY GABRIEL S.

Have you ever wondered what some schools are like around the world? This article includes facts about dropout rates, and what different countries learn different languages too

What are different dropout rates around the world? According to dosomething.org, about 1.5 million high school dropouts happen around the world each year. There is a certain number per country. The country that has the most is the United States averaging about 1.2 million students each year. However Finland has the least high school dropout each year. Finland has a 99% graduate rate each year (something.org and heee.org). This shows that some schools around the world are more successful and some other schools around the world are not as successful. This also could affect what jobs that country has

its citizens most employed in as well as how much money in different countries people make.

Schools around the world also have differences in teaching various languages. Different schools in Europe speak and learn English plus different languages too. According to the website NUFFIC, about 50% of Netherland schools speak English in some different classes like geography, history, and physical education. Other schools such as Mexico who also try to teach their students English and other languages.

As you can see there are many interesting schools around the world. In this article we included facts about drop out around the world, and how different schools in different countries also teach their students different languages.



# The Time of Your Life at Universal

BY SHAYLA T. AND BROOKE B.

Buckle up because you're going to be going on the rides of your life. Fast, exciting and heart-pounding are all emotions you'll feel at Universal Studios Hollywood. We strongly and without a doubt recommend going to Universal Studios.

Universal Studios is located in

Los Angeles, California and first opened in 1964. Today, the park makes about \$ 2.3 billion a year! The hours of the park are 10am – 6pm.

One reason why Universal Studios is a great amusement park because it has fun tours, and has great rides like Harry Potter rides and so many more rides. All of the other parks don't have the amazing ride like Despicable Me,

Harry Potter, the Simpsons, Transformer, King Kong, Fast and Furious, Fight of the Hippogriff, the Mummy, and Jurassic World!

Another reason why Universal studios is great because Universal Studios Hollywood has great dining places. Most of them have five stars, according to universalstudios.com. Some of the restaurants are called The Three Broom Sticks, Hogs Head, Crusty

Burgers, Moes Tavern, Cletus Chicken Shack, Luigis Pizza, Bubble Bee Man Taco Truck, and so much more. These restaurants cost \$14 or more.

In conclusion we strongly believe that Universal Studios is a great amusement park. It has awesome rides and great tour rides



*The studio tour is filled with action and breathtaking visuals. (Source: Universal Studios Hollywood)*

## Airbus A350 XWB 1000 Airplane or Boeing 787 9 Dreamliner?

BY LARRY F. AND BRYCE L.

Did you know that there are about 9,728 planes carrying about 1,270,406 people at any given time? Airbus' A350 XWB airplane and Boeing's 787 – 9 Dreamliner are very good airplanes, and today, we'll be sharing some facts about them. They are both used by major airlines like Singapore Airlines and Emirates.

We'll start with the Boeing 787 Dreamliner. According to boeing.com, the Dreamliner has 290 seats. This airplane has a range

of 8,790 miles on a full tank of fuel and its engines are the General Electric GENx-1B / Rolls Royce Trent 1000 engine. Its wingspan is 60 meters (197 feet) and its height is 17 meters (56 feet). Some special features of this airplane are that the interior of the cabin comes with LED lighting and windows that dim. Also there are exterior cameras that allow the passengers to see the outside of the plane from eight angles! There is also 4,397 cubic feet or 124.5 square meters of cargo space in the airplane.

Next is the A350 – 1000 XWB airplane from Airbus. According to airbus.com, the wingspan of this airplane is 64.75 m its height is 17.08 m and its range is 9196 mi. The seating on this airplane is 366 people. This

plane also has ambient lights and also features Wi-Fi connectivity and automatic emergency descent. Like the Boeing, it also has a General Electric GENx-1B / Rolls Royce Trent 1000 engine. It has 208.2 square meters of cargo

space.

These airplanes are both very good airplanes but in conclusion the Airbus A350 XWB Airplane is better. The Airbus has more seats, a longer range and more cargo space than the Boeing airplane.



*The Boeing 787 Dreamliner Airplane on a Test Flight. (Source: The Verge)*



# Three Horrific Theories of Why the Hindenburg Went Up in Flames

BY BRADY A., CLIVE J. AND MAX P.

Imagine this—you are watching an extremely large blimp come in to land. Hundreds of people gather around and stare to sky in excitement, when suddenly you hear a blood-curdling scream. You look up and the blimp has burst into flames. This is exactly what happened on May 6, 1937 in Lakehurst, New Jersey as the Hindenburg reached its final destination after a long journey from Germany. There are three theories that explain why the

Hindenburg exploded into a fiery ball of gas.

The Hindenburg was a zeppelin, which was an old airship used for transportation,

similar to the Goodyear blimp but way bigger. According to airships.net, the Hindenburg was 245 meters (804 feet) long, 41 meters (135.1 feet) wide, and it was able to lift 511,500 pounds. Its maximum speed was 84 miles per hour with a cruising speed of 76 miles per hour. For

*...the Hindenburg was manufactured to be filled with helium... [but] the Germans filled the Hindenburg with hydrogen.*

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comparison purposes, the Hindenburg was approximately four times the length of today's Goodyear blimp.

One theory about why the Hindenburg exploded is a hydrogen leak. According to airship.net, there was a rip in the hydrogen bags which was

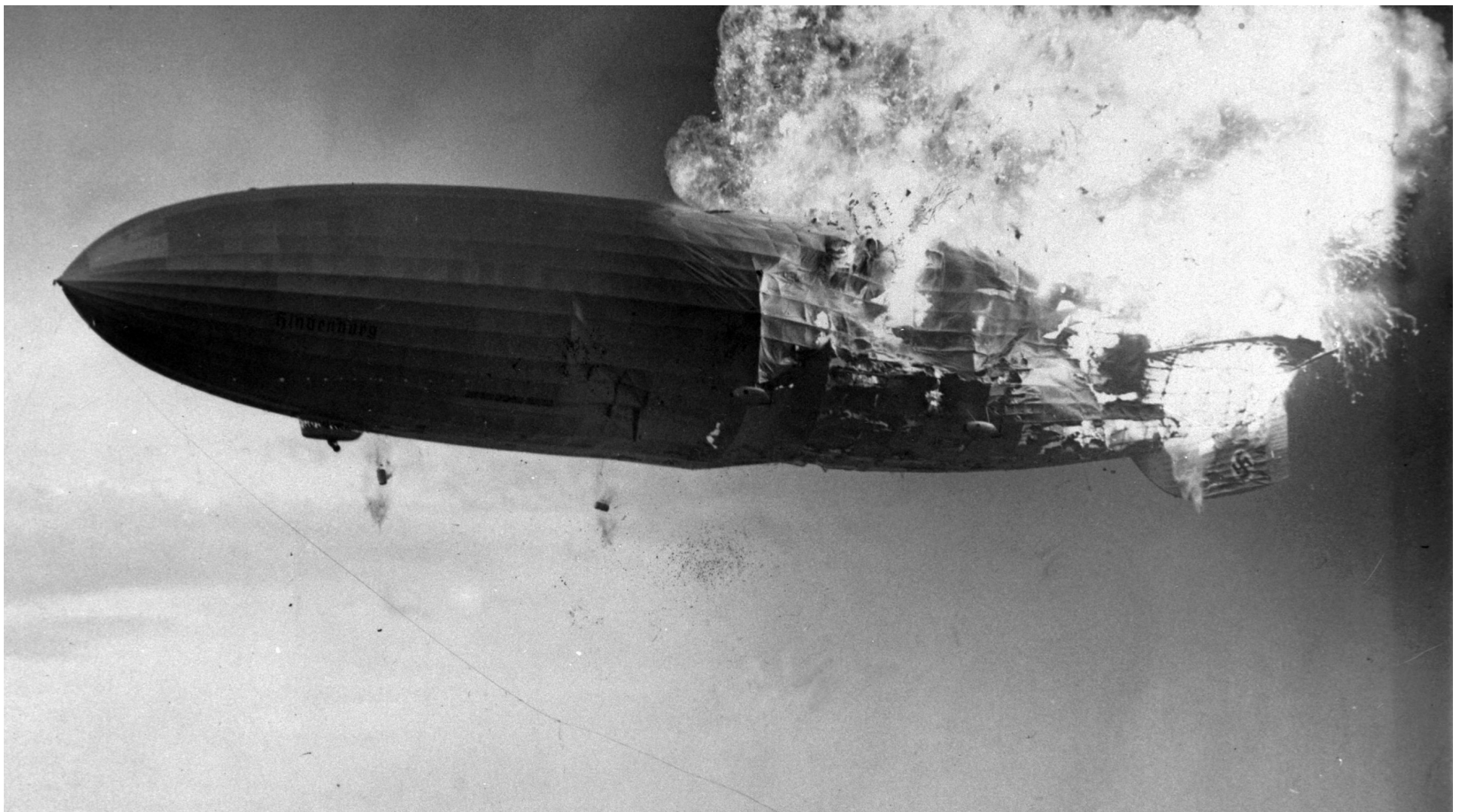
releasing hydrogen. When the hydrogen from the bags hit the oxygen in the air, "Kaboom!" When hydrogen and oxygen combine this creates a chemical reaction. This also leads us into the next theory.

Germany. Therefore, instead of filling it with helium the Germans filled the Hindenburg with hydrogen, which is a flammable gas. And when the bags ripped the hydrogen was released, causing the explosive chemical reaction.

Another theory about the Hindenburg explosion is a result of headwinds. The Hindenburg was flying in eastern headwinds but suddenly the headwinds changed to southwest so the Hindenburg had to change directions in a really fast turn to be able to land. While that was happening one of the cables inside snapped under the strain of the really fast turn and ripped the hole in the bag which released the hydrogen, according Airships.net.

In conclusion no one really knows why the Hindenburg went up in flames. However, there are three reasonable and plausible theories why the Hindenburg exploded.

A second theory about why the Hindenburg exploded is the hydrogen bags themselves. According to Britannica.com, it says that the Hindenburg was manufactured to be filled with helium. The U.S., who had a monopoly on helium at the time, decided not to sell helium to



*This is what the Hindenburg looked like. (Source: USA Today)*