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We are the Champions!

Harrington team takes first place at this year's Battle of the Books County Competition

HMS Battle of the Books beat out 10 other local schools to take 1st place in the Burlington County Battle. The Battle was held at Harrington on April 7th. Medford Lakes placed second and Maple Shade was 3rd.

The winning team has been reading and preparing since September. They read and studied 15 books and had lots of meetings to practice in order to take the top spot!

Our winning team members are Ethan B., Sam G., Will C., Nidarshan N., Akansha P. and Harleen W. Great job, Harrington! The team was advised by Harrington's awesome librarian, Mrs. Gallagher.

If you like to read and love a good competition, consider joining Battle of the Books next year.



Teacher Talk

By Anika T. and Tessa S.

For this May edition of Teacher Talk, we thought it would be fun to ask some of our Harrington teachers some fun, random questions. Enjoy!

Questions:

1. What was the first concert that you attended?
2. What is your favorite book or book series?
3. If you could have any job for a day (take a break from teaching), what would it be?
4. What is your favorite restaurant? What do you like about it?
5. What college did you go to?

Mrs. Kraus

1. Hootie and the Blowfish
2. *Hunger Games*
3. Personal shopper or private softball instructor
4. Any authentic Mexican restaurant—I love enchiladas!
5. Rowan University

Ms. Paterno

1. James Taylor
2. James Herriot's *All Things Bright and Beautiful* and *All Creatures Great and Small*
3. Work at the Bronx Zoo—Feed the cheetahs and wash the elephants
4. Estia Tavern-Mediterranean food. Fish and hummus!!
5. Western Illinois University

Mr. Morrissey

1. Woodstock '94
2. Anything WWII related
3. Home builder
4. Yard House- I love the entire menu
5. Villanova University

Ms. Hennegan

1. Billy Joel
2. *Marley and Me* (any book with a dog as main character)
3. A pilot- I could fly to see exotic places like Fiji, Maldives, and Bora Bora
4. Cheesecake Factory-huge menu, lots of options and of course the cheesecake!
5. Douglass College, Rutgers University

Mrs. Smith

1. New Kid on the Block
2. *Tiger Eyes* by Judy Blume and *The Divergent* series
3. Interior Designer—I love decorating rooms, and I love shopping!
4. Olive Garden—the breadsticks!!
5. Stockton University

Ms. Palladino

1. Luke Bryan
2. *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult
3. Marine biologist
4. Ragazzi—I love Italian dishes
5. Rowan University

Ms. Bramhall

1. The Jonas Brothers
2. *Harry Potter*
3. I would want to be a captain on a fishing charter, so I could fish all day.
4. The Cheesecake Factory— I love the bread at the beginning!

5. BA from Rowan University and currently working on Master's at Arizona State

Mrs. Schlett

1. No Doubt
2. Jane Austen books have always been my favorite.
3. I would love to be a cuddler in a NICU.
4. Howards in LBI...I love the french fried lobster! I also love Ohana at Disney World. Great memories at both places.
5. Rowan University

Mr. Pottieger

1. Chance the Rapper
2. *Hunger Games*
3. I love sports and would love to be a sports broadcaster.
4. Wendys! The 4 for 4 deal!
5. Stevenson University

Mr. Jacob

1. Dave Matthews Band
2. *Hunger Games*
3. I think I would like to be an architect because I love to design and build things using math.
4. Le Femina in Medford. Great italian food and I taught the owners son, so always a good time.
5. Eastern University for my BA, Wilmington University for MA, and Rutger's for supervisor's certification.

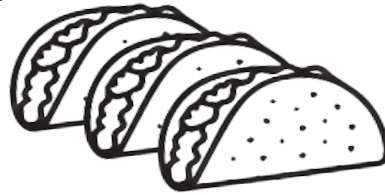
May - National Days

By: Henry H.

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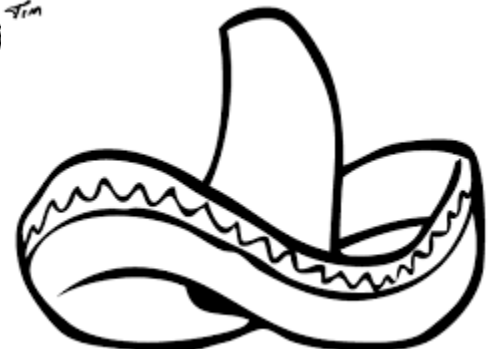
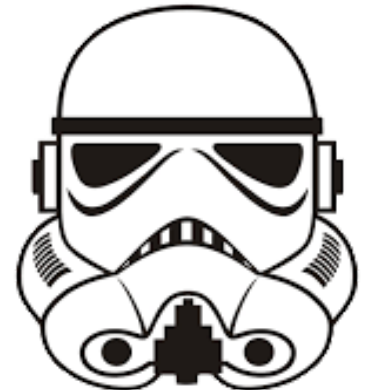
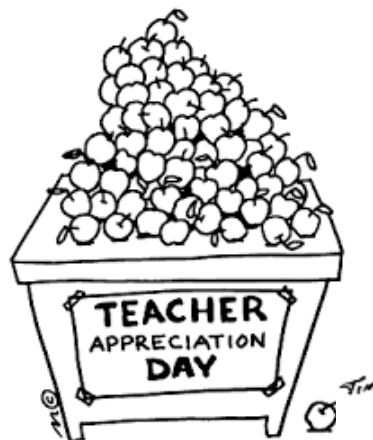
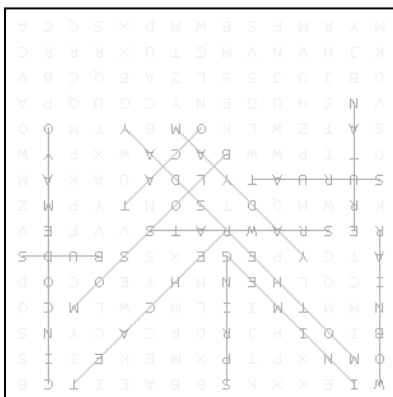
Your Monthly Puzzle

By: Olivia A.



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Mother's Day
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Spring
Star Wars
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Taurus
Teacher

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Battle of Hogwarts Anniversary

By: Joanna L.

Introducing International Harry Potter Day!

There's no better time to break out your wand and binge read the Harry Potter series than May 2. Created 15 years after the release of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, International Harry Potter Day is the official anniversary of the Battle of Hogwarts. On this day, 1998, Lord Voldemort is defeated in the final battle of the Second Wizarding War.



Surprisingly, this anniversary is not fanmade. In 2012, British prime minister David Cameron declared it an official holiday, saying, “In order to fully commemorate and immortalize her work, we have decided to officially declare May 2nd as an official international holiday, in honor of the date that protagonist Harry Potter conquered the main antagonist of the series, Lord Voldemort.”

More than two decades after the initial release of the books, the series still has an enormous impact on everyone's childhood. And with more than 500 million copies sold, and the Guinness World Record for highest-selling series by a single author, it's no wonder.

There are theme parks, retail stores, fanfiction, escape rooms, and collections dedicated to Harry Potter, with millions of fans (Potterheads) worldwide.

“We hope that children and adults alike will be reminded of Harry Potter's strong and courageous character on this day, as well as of the true credit that Ms. Rowling has made to society,” Cameron said.

Even if you don't support the problematic author, there's nothing wrong with enjoying her work.

Chapter 8- The Flaming T-Rex

By G.S

See the last edition of [Paw Prints](#) to catch up on *How to Use Superpowers 101!*

River's POV

The trio of (now) heroes continued to train with Danger. No more of those monsters showed up and the city was mostly back to normal. The incident was still all over the news, seeing as it only happened two days ago. Mae, Birb, and River were now sitting in their living room enjoying some Chinese food while they watched *Fast and Furious*.

“Have you guys thought about where that monster-bear-thing came from in the first place?” River asked. Mae looked up from their phone while Birb continued looking at the TV.

“Yeah, I was also wondering why it had powers,” Mae said. “Or, more like *how* it had powers...” Mae corrected.

Birb finally looked over from the TV. “I agree. It's weird enough that we have powers but animals too? And we don't know if there's more out there.”

"I hope there aren't," River said worriedly. "If there are, there's no telling what kinds of animals with what kinds of powers are out there."

"That's true... It sucks that the best we could do is hope," Mae said. They went back to scrolling through twitter and Birb went back to intensely watching *Fast and Furious*.

Yeah...hope. River thought. They sighed and got up to get water.

Thud.

"Guys... Did you just feel that? It felt like the whole room shook," River said. Mae and Birb looked over at River, confused.

Thud.

"Well, I felt it that time..." Mae said.

"What was that?" Birb asked.

Thud.

This time, it felt bigger. Mae got up from where they were sitting and looked out the window. "Um guys... We have another problem..."

Birb and River both rushed over to the windows of their apartment. "A dinosaur? You're kidding!" River threw their hands up and started walking away from the window.

"Not only that, but everything's on fire... Which means that it probably spits fire." Birb said.

"Great! Not only is it a dinosaur, but it's a dragon-dinosaur! How the heck are we supposed to deal with this?!" River exclaimed, starting to pace.

"Well, I think there's only one option... We have to help the people." Mae said. Birb and River nodded their heads. The trio scrambled to get their shoes and headed out towards the flaming t-rex.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

By: Reagan R.

From the days of May 2nd to May 6th, the US celebrates teacher appreciation week. It is observed during the first week of May every year, and is celebrated by doing acts of kindness for teachers, in order to give them the credit they deserve.

To start, Teacher Appreciation Week began in 1953, as proposed by Eleanor Roosevelt. It is said that a woman wrote her letters requesting for help with her teachers' cause. Roosevelt took this issue to congress, but it was not until 1980 that the National Education Association recognized it to be nationally observed. From its start until 1984, National Teacher Day was on March 7th, but then it was moved to May and a week was dedicated to the cause.

To celebrate teacher appreciation week, students and other members of the community do kind acts for teachers in the community. For example, small gifts, cards, or helping around the classroom, are all ways of participating in Teacher Appreciation Week. So with this year's Teacher Appreciation Week coming up, make sure you show your teachers how much we love them, because we cannot have a successful society without them.

Books and their First Lines

Fantasy Edition

By. Joanna L.

Here are some recommendations based on my favorite fantasy books!

"The bottom of the lake tasted like mud, salt, and regret. The water was so thick it was agony keeping my eyes open, but thank the great gods I did. Otherwise, I would have missed the dragon."

- *Six Crimson Cranes* by Elizabeth Lim

"The myths of my people say only a true bride of the Sea God can bring an end to his insatiable wrath."

- *The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea* by Axie Oh

"Joost had two problems: the moon and his mustache."

- *Six of Crows* by Leigh Bardugo

"On a drowsy Sunday afternoon, a man in a long dark coat hesitated in front of a house on a tree-lined street. He hadn't parked a car, nor had he come by taxi. No neighbor had seen him strolling along the sidewalk. He simply appeared, as if stepping between one shadow and the next."

- *The Cruel Prince* by Holly Black

"In glittering Shanghai, a monster awakens."

- *These Violent Delights* by Chloe Gong

"People lived because she killed. And if that meant braving the Arz where even the sun was afraid to glimpse, then so be it."

- *We Hunt the Flame* by Hafsah Faizal

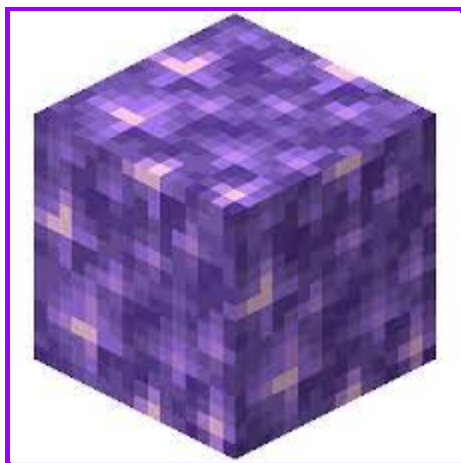
"When Joan was six, she decided she was going to be Superman when she grew up."

- *Only a Monster* by Vanessa Len

The Crystal SMP

A HMS Students' Server

By: Henry N.



Don't you ever feel like that you have done quite literally *Everything* in a game, you got all the collectibles, rewards, characters, endings, and the achievements. Well, you're not alone. I was always getting bored of Minecraft after an hour or two, soon after that I came across a server created by the kids of Harrington Middle School, called The Crystal SMP. Many of the students all bounded up and started a Minecraft server. Many wonders are here and nothing gets old here. The server restarts every one or two months, maybe even three if it's a favorite. There are many members of the SMP and discord server to meet up.

There's many things to explore such as a nation named Neverseen. A few groups called Mirno Village, The Black Dragons, and Mountaina. The Frosty Lounge, a club where to seek protection and make deals with the owner, Pax. The CSPD (Crystal SMP Police Department) and the FCI (Federal Crystal of Investigation). As well as a whole Government with a president, a few rivalries are against The President, but the biggest one is *The Resistance*, a rival gang with its members unknown, one of the unsolved cases will or never be solved? If you wanna join now? Be quick, you could easily be accused of being a rival against the Government! So work fast, and thrive to be powerful and have a spot in the VIP section of the Frosty Lounge! Now this is something that would be considerate for playing when bored of Minecraft.

Discord Password: <https://discord.gg/dBdp6RFc>

Type this in your Search Bar on your Personal Gaming PC

You will be needing the Discord on your computer, or mobile.

THE IMPORTANT AMERICAN DEBATE

By Ethan L.

Recently, there has been an extremely big debate in and out of the United States. It has to do with a certain state. Specifically, Ohio. Or, what people think of as Ohio. Even though it doesn't exist. So, I conducted a poll and asked students and staff from Harrington this question: Is Ohio a state?

Yes: 56

No: 59



In conclusion, no. Ohio does not exist. It's a rip in the fabric of reality that people claim to be real. If someone says that Ohio does exist, DO NOT TRUST THEM WITH YOUR MONEY. THEY WILL NOT PAY YOU BACK.

Mother's Day Gift Ideas

By: Tessa S. & Anika T.

Looking for an idea to show your mom (or grandma, aunt, or other special lady) how much you appreciate her? Check out the list below for some great gift options. Whether you have money to spend or are on a tight budget, show your mom how much she means to you and how much you appreciate all that she does.

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| - Purse/handbag/wrist wallet | - Massage gun |
| - Personalized necklace/bracelet | - Claw clips |
| - Mom/kid keychain | - Pajama set |
| - Candles | - Her favorite candy |
| - Reusable cups/tumbler | - Athletic clothes |
| - Perfume | - Gardening tools |
| - Makeup/skincare | - Recipe book |
| - Hair styling tools | - Nail care kit |
| - Face massager/jade roller | - Sunglasses |
| - Body scrubs | - Lotion |
| - Amazon Alexa/Google Home | - Exercise equipment |

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| - Makeup bag | - Visor/hat |
| - Travel bags | - Homemade card |
| - Kitchen appliances | - Phone case |
| - Blankets/new bedding | - Apron |
| - Slippers | - Clothes |
| - Home decor | - Headbands |
| - Funny mom shirts | - E-book reading device |
| - Satin pillowcase | - Diffuser |
| - Photo album/scrapbook | - Nail polish |
| - Kitchen storage containers | - Journal |

Deeper Thinking

Odd Thoughts To Make You Think About Society

By Miss Grace E. K.



We think thoughts all day every day in many different ways. On average, we think about 6,000 thoughts a day. Some are basic things, such as a math problem or where to go to get some food. We think about friends. We think about family. But most of the time, we never stop to think about somethings in life that just don't make sense! Here's some deep thoughts that you've probably never thought of before.

- At any given point, your future self could be thinking about you!
- As you age, you go to less birthday parties and more funerals.
- Toothpaste is just soap for your teeth.
- You can't predict your next thought.
- You may have done something today that changed your entire future.
- When you can't sleep at night, what if it's because you're awake in someone else's dream / nightmare?
- When we catch fish, do they think that they're being abducted by aliens?
- Suspending someone for being absent for too long is punishing them for staying home with more time at home.
- You can often tell when a dream ends, but never when it starts.
- We get more starlight during the day than we do at night.
- Your future self is basically spying on you through memories.
- Teachers spend years in school to get a certificate that says that they can go back to school.

- When you are cleaning something you're just making room for the dust that will come tomorrow.
- Ice cubes float in a pool of their own blood.
- If Apple made a car, would it have windows?
- If you drop soap on the floor, is the floor clean or is the soap dirty?
- If two vegans are arguing, is it still considered a beef?
- If you get out of the shower clean, how does a towel get dirty?
- The voice in your head never needs to take a breath.
- It's impossible to stand on the stairs backwards.
- You have to pretend to fall asleep to actually fall asleep.
- Nothing is on fire, fire is just on things.
- Due to coin flips, George Washington still makes decisions to this day.
- A paper cut is a tree's last revenge.
- Camping is just being homeless for fun.
- You are an extra in the background of someone else's life.
- Electric toothbrushes can still do the job after dying.
- Searching for a new computer on your computer is forcing your computer to dig its own grave.
- The first person to ever draw an optical illusion must have thought that they were going insane.
- How did cats acquire such a fond taste for fish if they're afraid of water?
- The more talented the actor is the less you'll know about what they are truly like.
- Escalators don't break because they can only become stairs.
- When you bite down on something you're really biting up because you can't move your top jaw.
- You can never buy a mirror that's not used.
- If everyone in the world blinked at the same time no one would ever know.
- Just kidding is like the undo button of conversations.
- Because of shoes, a lot of places on Earth have never been touched.
- When computers get hot they freeze.
- Two people can never go to each other's funerals.
- If you took care of chickens wouldn't that make you a chicken tender?
- Why does your nose run but your feet smell?
- The voice in your head has grown up with you. It was a child at one point.
- Why is bacon called bacon and cookies called cookies if you bake cookies and cook bacon?
- If two mind readers are reading each other's minds, whose mind are they reading?
- Why are deliveries via ship called cargo, but in a car they're called in shipment?
- The youngest picture of you is actually the oldest picture of you.
- Scissors only come together to be divided.

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An Introduction to Color Theory 2

By: Ellie S.

Continuation of An Introduction to Color Theory from the last edition of Paw Prints

Why are color schemes so important?

Referring back to the previous edition of An Introduction to Color Theory; opposite colors, aka complementary colors, make one another pop out, and pairing them together draws the attention of the human eye. Not only that but it is also aesthetically pleasing. But you don't *have* to pair complementary colors together to make something look nice or aesthetically pleasing. There are other color schemes that do this too.

- **Monochromatic**

- Try pairing different shades of the same color together!

- **Analogous**

- Pick 3 colors right next to each other and match them together.

- **Split Complementary**

- Pick a color, go to the opposite color on the color wheel and use the colors next to it.

- **Triad**

- Divide the circle evenly into 3 different parts (make sure the lines are overlapping on top of the colors on the wheel), and choose the colors where the lines overlap!

- **Tetrad**

- Use two colors right next to each other and the colors opposite of each other

- **Square**

- Similar to triad, divide the circle into 4 parts (make sure the lines are overlapping on top of the colors on the wheel), and choose the colors where the lines overlap!

Color Schemes



An Eye For An Eye Part 2

[\(Check the March 2022 issue for part 1\)](#)

By Moxie

