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We enjoyed having you at YAWP this summer.
Enjoy reading these.
Keep on Writing!!!
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By Raquel Anaya-Vargas

It was determined that we the humanity have been inhaling more carbon dioxide since the 17 century. The cause is way too much carbon dioxide from global warming. This is because humans burn fossil fuels and destroy forests.

Deforestation may lead to Animal Extinction. Although forests take up to 30 percent of the world/land. In addition deforestation controls climate change.
By Ruth Anaya-Vargas

Well according to my research, scientists say that it will take up to 360 years to reveal all aquatic animals by knowing the entire ocean itself. But on the other hand there will always be mysteries of the ocean. Marine life involves plants and also animals including other organisms that live in the ocean. It has been stated that there are over 1 million known species and “as many as 9 million species we haven’t discovered yet” (Discovery Education) but once a creature is identified it takes awhile to give the creature a scientific label.

Mother Teresa once said: “We know only too well that what we are doing is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. But if the drop were not there, the ocean would be missing something.”

Another quote by Wyland “The ocean stirs the heart, inspires the imagination and bring eternal joy to the soul”
Where I'm From

By: Anna Cho

I'm from hot summer days when I splash into a cool, clear pool. I eat ice cream and play with my friends.
I'm from an air-conditioned but messy house, from reading books to my brother and making him laugh.
I'm from warm, sunny evenings when I ride my shiny, purple bike up and down the street and the shadows become long and tall.
I'm from snuggling under warm blankets and drinking hot cocoa and watching TV.
I'm from bright, green grass and bushes, from the gigantic tree in my backyard.
I'm from sitting on a comfy couch to read a book.
I'm from talking to and spending time with my family.
Stanford Prison Experiment
Effects and Personality Traits

Guards vs. Prisoners

Both groups were male college students with good mental health.

Sadistic ("The Stanford prison experiment: Still powerful after all these years." 1997)
Abusive
Higher levels of aggressiveness
Higher levels of Machiavellianism
More commanding
Influenced by power
Lower levels of sympathy
(Carnahan, McFarland, 2007)

Low self-esteem
Lost their identity
Humiliated
Embarrassed ("The real lesson of the Stanford prison experiment." 2015)
Had no power ("The man who played with absolute power." 2017)
Suffered trauma and breakdowns (Zimbardo, Mastach, Haney. 2000. p. 606-7)

By Yuna Choi
Laziness can be genetic according to a study by scientists “A mutation in a gene with a critical role in the brain could explain why some people are ‘couch potatoes’ according to researchers” (Gander, 2014). That isn’t the case for everyone, but using the other sources I found, people can increase productivity by taking frequent breaks in their work schedule. I think that using free time as an incentive for employees to work harder would increase productivity. For example, Borris works five hours a day and he sells $500,000 worth of cars in one week. As a reward for his work, the company he works for gives him 3 days off of work. Seeing this reward, other workers will try to work harder to get days off of work. Therefore, using free time as a reward should be employed (da dum tss) as a system for companies.
My Planet

By: Olivia Holzhauer

The name of my planet is Peaceland. It can support all lifeforms that Earth does. It has 3 continents, 2 oceans, and the climate can reach a maximum of 90 degrees in all of Peaceland. Humans can live on this planet under the circumstances that there is gender equality, they follow the law, and they have to go to school. The planet’s continents names are Peckcey, Coju, and Maideriene. My planet is awesome!
By Bohdan Hundman

Left handedness, Right or Wrong?

Now the magical stage of development has arrived. What hand will your child use?

Whichever one he or she uses there should be no fear whatsoever. Millions of questions are going to be asked and many fears and misconceptions will arrive. Many of these fears arise from pride and wanting the best for your children, but don’t worry because these rumors and myths will be proven left or right, once and for all.

Studies now show that research for handwriting has varied significantly. The differences between genders no longer apply here. In Tan’s (1985) study, the positive relation of IQ with hand skill in female left-handers cannot be explained by competition with males. What this displays is that if your child is left handed then it has no direct weakness or strength depending on their gender. This study has further changed in what scientists are looking for. The situation changes and now researchers are not looking for the various strengths and weakness but just what your child prefers. “Studies of handedness more often concern preference than measures of strength or skill” (Annett, 1967). There should be now no fear of what hand your child chosses and no matter what happens there should be abundant support and love.
By Sonam Jain

Choosing a job that you are passionate about eliminates possible chances of you giving up or growing tired of your work. As supported by Eddie Cuffin of *Elite Daily*, “When you work somewhere that you are passionate about, putting in extra hours isn’t as much of a burden as it is when you don’t like what you’re doing”. Furthermore, if you are truly passionate about your job, the extra effort or hours you put will be solely because you genuinely want to, rather than because you’re working for a promotion. With true passion, comes diligence, so if you possess a deep passion for what you do, the success will follow and “as the years pass, you will almost surely develop deep expertise at whatever it is you’ve been doing” (Frank, 2016).

Majority of individuals who thoroughly enjoy their work are much more likely to stay with the company, for they are usually much happier to be doing whatever it is they’re doing. Additionally, Nicole Fallon of *Business News Daily* exclaimed “Numerous studies have shown that happy people tend to earn higher salaries — and it stands to reason that these high-earners are happy — at least in part — because they have jobs they love.” All in all, jobs have a large impact on not only your happiness, but also on your health, so it is vital to choose the right job for yourself. The only way to truly be satisfied both in your job and in life in general “is to do what you believe is great work, and the only way to do great work is to love what you do” (Tokumitsu, 2014, pg 2).
By Princess Jones

Savion Glover the world famous tap dancer

FROM THE START OF SAVION'S LIFE...

- Savion was born on November 19, 1973
- He was born in Newark, New Jersey
- Started dancing at the age of seven (7)
- His favorite color is red
- He is happily married and has one son

YOUTH AND ADULT LIFE

- Savion was taught by the one and only Sammy Davis jr.
- He also starred on an HBO movie called “The Rat Pack”
- “Glover himself, recognized over generations of both casual and ardent fans of dance, was humble and understated when discussing his life and work.”[Savion (19 March, 2017)]
- He inspired a lot of people. Many people look up to him as an influential person.
Lament of a Hypocrite

By: Alex Lin

I- The End

O World! O Time! O Space! Why have you left? Where have you gone?

You have rendered us all defenseless and meek,

Rendered us utterly hopeless and weak.

Now, now, where have you stealthily withdrawn?

Come now, it’s time for you to speak.

And yet, can we truly ask for an end much better?

What little I remember of times past

Was full of roles miscast

As we followed every sin to the letter

And to only those we remained steadfast.

Nevertheless, why do I remain?

To slowly ponder and weep?

To pitifully cry myself asleep?

No, I find the answer not so arcane:

This is my harvest to reap.

II: The Story

This tale starts off not with neither princesses nor austere, rural peace,
But with the shocking tale of modernity:
One where peace was never there to even cease
And where humans are worth so little apiece.
Would anyone wish for this to last an eternity?

Humans, rulers of all the land, skies and seas,
Wasted their efforts bickering over mere opinions.
Precious time devoured by diseases
Of all kinds; we are the only ones who can seize
The day, and yet we always abuse our earthly dominions.

Humans are so peculiarly stuck in bigotry and doublethink:
Trading golden creativity for dull, base skills in schools,
Worshipping two gods without so much as a blink,
Are we really using our brains to think?
Or are we ever stuck as simple fools?

Whether you trust in your soul or in your brain,
Under doublethink, both civil life and politics
Are stuck attempting to repair what shouldn’t be fixed.
And if nothing else, let this remain:
Oil and water should never mix.

What do you see? Open your eyes!
I see corpses where there ought to be none.
I see a government aiming to oppress and terrorize.
I see a saddening reluctance to be civil and compromise.
You see it now? You’ve had your fun...
III: Wonder

I see now where many a thing had gone wrong...
Funny how once complex riddles seem near the end:
   We all just needed a place to belong,
   We all just needed to get along,
   And yet, my unknown friend...

   Was it not for the best?
Like a chain of colored dominoes,
   When we fall, we stay at rest.
   Perhaps at our behest,
   This storybook chose to close.

   Before it ever becomes like that,
Learn from us and take time for growth.
   Now, it seems it is you all who are up at bat.
   This is how the world ends, just like that.
Never with conflict and fury, but with indifference and sloth.
By Rohan Patel

**RACE IN SPORTS**

The Effects of Racial Diversity

According to a study, racially diverse teams are less likely to succeed than a team of mostly one race in team sports like basketball.

Average Household Income

Income can affect the opportunities children have. Usually, white families will make almost $20,000 more than black families, giving their white children a better chance to play expensive sports like baseball and swimming.

American Swimmers in Olympics

Black baseball players represent only 8.05% of the MLB. Due to their lack of income as children, more African-Americans are not able to play on travel teams, an essential to play in the MLB. Additionally, more MLB scouts are now looking to nab Latino players straight out of their home countries, boosting their percentage.

African-American swimmers have been a rarity in the Olympics. Swimming can cost up to $2,000 per year, which is too much for the average black family. So, we get a lesser amount of black swimmers.
Sports Played as a Child

Because of the income gap, white children are more likely to have the opportunity to experience different sports. Meanwhile, black children do not have as many opportunities and focus on a few sports. Additionally, they may seem sports as their only way to success, which is why they put in more effort and we always see them in basketball and football.

Athletes to Run Marathon in under 2:10

In one month

17 Americans have run the marathon in 2:10 or under. 32 Kenyans of the Kalenjin tribe did it in October of 2011. This tribe produces great long-distance runners because of their location at a high altitude and the physical advantage of being skinny, both of which help them become great long-distance runners.
VALERIE’S WORST DAYS

BY AMIRA SHEKARRI

CHAPTER ONE

Valerie just woke up. She went to her bathroom to get ready when a bucket of water fell on her head. “AN-NA” she shouted. So instead of brushing her teeth first, she took a bath. By the time she was ready for breakfast, she was 5 minutes late to the school bus. “If I’m late to school, it’s all your fault”. Instead of a normal breakfast, she had a granola bar. Things couldn’t get worse but they did!

They just had to be in traffic. She was 25 minutes late to school. The class was taking a math quiz. When the teacher saw she was struggling, he asked her if she studied. “I forgot to.” She started to turn green in the face but soon a little while after she vomited all over her quiz! She went to the nurse and got sent home early.

First she had a hot bath, then ate some soup and went to bed. She had the flu so she couldn’t go to school for a week. When she woke up, she had a headache because her sister was blasting music on the radio. “Stop” Valerie said weakly. “Ok, no need to be bossy.”

“Honey, I am going to the store to buy some medicine.” “Ok, mom.” 15 minutes later, someone came into their house. “Who’s that?” said Anna. A guy with a black suit with a gun in his pocket came in. Anna ran to her room, opened up a secret chest and inside was a sword. Anna took the sword out. She ran out of her room and did some karate moves. Shortly after, their mom came in. “Girls, are you ok?” “I’m fine” said Valerie. “You should check Anna.” Anna was limping around the house. “Anna, are you ok?” “I think I broke my ankle.” Anna quickly got in the car and they drove to the hospital.

When they got home, Anna had crutches. Anna said she was going to do her homework. 20 minutes later, Anna finished her homework and went to dinner. Valerie was really worried about her sister so that night she went to her sister’s room and they had a talk. The next morning, Anna said bye to Valerie. “Have a nice day,” said Valerie. Anna grabbed her crutches and left without looking back.

When Anna came back from school, something strange had happened. The bookshelf was on top of Valerie’s arm. Valerie said that one of the men in the black suit came back. “I was going to call the police when he pushed the bookshelf on my arm. Can you help me now?” Valerie’s arm was very sore so they went to the hospital. Valerie’s arm got checked out. The doctor said that her arm was not broken but she got a sling anyway. On the entire drive home, their mom kept murmuring, “We need to get a better security system.”

THE END.
Mr. Linden's Library

BY ZAHARA SHEKARRI

Dear Diary,

One day I was at the library minding my own beeswax checking out books. I saw a leather book with golden edges and diamond and ruby jewels. I asked Mr. Linden “Is this a good book?” and Mr. Linden said, “No, it is cursed.” I said “Yah right!” So stupid me checked out the book. When I got home I opened the book and started reading. Then I suddenly felt a tingly feeling I WAS SHRINKING!!! ALL HAPPY AND DANDY NOW I’M THE SIZE OF A NACHO A NACHO YOU HEAR ME!!! Then a portal opened in the corner of the book and a clone of mini me popped out and PUSHED-ME-IN. Then everything turned black and that is the last thing I remembered before I ended up here. NOW I’M STUCK. HERE. IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE. NACHO SIZE. CAN THIS GET ANY WORSE?

Dear Diary,

Things got worse. There are GIGANTIC birds that try to eat me IN MY SLEEP. Like really? An ant monster STOLE my sandwich and now I’m roaming around this crazy place hungry. Did I forget to mention a monster with EIGHT ARMS STOLE MY WATER and broke my arm while doing it! Then my eyes popped open I was breaking into a cold sweat it all was a bad dream to calm down I stole took for my personal use ice cream from the freezer and three cookies from the cookie jar. Well I guess I’m out of paper so this is:

THE END
Does Birth Order Affect Personality?

**Eldest Child**
- Enjoys positions of leadership and power
- Takes risks and innovates
- Receptive to giving attention
- The most assertive

**Middle Child**
- Deals with feelings of affection
- Freedom to play with social norms
- Groomed rebelliously

**Youngest Child**
- Somewhat spoiled
- Good skills at manipulation, as well as social skills
- The most sensitive and caring

But is this true?

"A study of Norwegians born between 1975 and 1979 found that educational achievement was highest in first-born children and diminished the further down the birth order you get, despite little difference in IQ."

"Research notes that middle children are the most secretive of all birth orders."

"Youngest children are manipulative, social outgoing, great at sales. They get away with murder as kids and know how to get around people.

https://www.psychologies.co.uk/birth-order-effect
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/05/15/birth-order-personality_n_7296232.html
http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S019188690200127X"
Introverts and Extroverts
Why are some people introverted and others are extroverted?

Blame your parents!

20% of people are naturally shy because of genes passed through many generations.

You're not the only one

One-third of the population is introverted. However, others favor those that are extroverted.

Introverts vs Extroverts


**Extroverts need others**

Extroverts need more stimulants to become happy because they are less sensitive to dopamine.


**Go outside!**

Introverts who use Internet for communication and entertainment do not get enough face-to-face interactions.

“Something is wrong with that book. I’m telling you,” Liam said.

“Well, what is it then?” Sophie retorted.

“I don’t know, but Agatha said it too.”

“Well, Aggie can be wrong. Anyways, Mr. Windsor suggested it.”

“Look, Sophie, I’m just looking out for you.”

“Thanks, but I’ll be fine on my own.”

“I know you will Soph, I’m sorry.”

“Well I better get home. Gram will be looking for me,” she said, voice softening.

“I hope the book isn’t rubbish. I’m late for school. See around Soph.”

“Bye Liam! Say hi to Gramp for me.”

As she walked down the narrow, crooked street alone Sophie couldn’t help but feel unsafe. “It’s just Liam,” she murmured. As she hummed, the book started whispering in a clear, beautiful voice. “Let me out.” Sophie thought this was very peculiar. It wasn’t because the book was talking. A lot of books that come out of the library are strange. No this was peculiar because the voice sounded just like hers. She quickly ran down the path and with a sudden jerk stopped at a small red house with two windows and a sturdy brown door. She quickly ran up and banged on the door.

“Gram, I’m home. Please let me in,” she yelled. As her grandmother opened the door, Sophie noticed different things about her grandmother such as her gram wasn’t in the usual pink sweater and blue jeans. Instead she was wearing purple lipstick and a black tank top and faded shorts and smoking a cigarette. This as very strange for Sophie as she thought of her Gram as cookie baking storytelling dog snuggling grandma.
The Psychology of Rubbernecking

Rubbernecking is the act of staring at something with interest. The most common forms of rubbernecking include everything from staring at car crashes on the highway as you drive by to watching the circus during a daredevil act. Most people tend to look at a car crash as they pass by. However, it is a huge problem and needs to be stopped. According to a 2003 study in the U.S., “rubbernecking was the cause of 16% of distraction-related traffic accidents” (Lee, 2004). The questions, however, are why we do rubberneck time and time again, even though we know the same thing will occur, and how can we stop it.

The psychology of rubbernecking is explained by Gray (2014), when she states that as humans, our nature is to be paradoxically drawn towards repulsive things due to the fact that it is exciting. This is explained in more depth by Roland Maiturow, a psychology professor at the University of Washington: “the accident provides a close encounter without yourself being directly involved being put at risk” (“Gawking”). This shows us evidence of why we are drawn to things such as a brawl, natural disaster, or car crash, because it provides us with an encounter without having to be in danger. According to Rozario, the author of The Culture of Calamity, in a modern world with an excess of information, the only things that seem to interest us are the extreme events of life, such as a bombing or other disaster. This theory complies with that of Gray by stating that we attracted to these things only because they excite us. Combined, they add onto the thoughts of Dr. Maiturow and show us that the ability to experience excitement without being put at risk of danger makes us interested.

However, there is a way to help stop this ‘disease’, and the answer is supported by governments around the world. The solution is a screen. This screen is a revolutionary new way to help reduce traffic and to lessen deaths. It works by covering the incident on the side of the road, so that the drivers don’t feel the need to look at the accident as they drive by. This seems to be useful as it dramatically reduces the traffic and reduces the amount of accidents. Another useful strategy to avoid the distraction is to pretend that the crash is not there. By doing these things we can save more lives.
By Angela Zhang

**West vs. East**

**History**
- One, successful rebellion
- History of civil unrest
- Personal rights, justice, equality
- Discipline, fixed power hierarchy

**Individualist**
- Personal achievement
- Free expression

**Collectivist**
- Role within a group
- Maintaining order