



ROAR!

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Students do work

Emma students establish permanent home in library

Supervisors university-wide have been shocked to discover this week that their students have finally developed work ethics. Emma Library is full to the brim with trembling students, bound together in fear of an undergrad's worst nightmare: a third.

Besides the occasional breakdown of the coffee machine, our lives have become uneventful and unchanging, while our brains become more and more saturated with knowledge we'll never use again. Many students have experienced severe cases of can't-be-bothered, spending hour upon hour hiding in the Wates Room. Others with more self-control have fared better: Ersong Shang, for one, has been spotted eating dinner in the library.

ROAR!, frankly, is shocked. All year long, students have claimed to be doing no work, yet now you are claiming to be doing too much. Nobody was available to comment on this: everyone was too busy



making spider diagrams.

In other news, nothing has happened. Nothing at all. No gossip, no nothing. Oh, apparently some engineers are busy having fun. Screw them, slackers. They'll be sorry when their project deadlines come around...

Even the sun appears to have given up on Cambridge this week, having given in to heavy rain storms, gale-force winds and grey

skies.

But there is hope. Rumours are spreading about the arrival of a Saviour. A joyful, embracing Saviour. A Saviour that loves us no matter what and wants us to have a bloody good time.

That Saviour is called May Week, and it's going to be awesome.

Chin up guys, not long to go...

pic from cambridge2000.com

Notices

Library notices... sustain your caffeine high for longer

Library stocks will regularly be replenished and can be asked for at the desk at the entrance. If we're out of cups in the Wates Room or toilet rolls, a librarian or student librarian should be able to supply you with some.

Subject parent applications

Successful subject parents will be informed as soon as possible, rather than by the 23rd. If you haven't heard from us by then it's not necessarily because you haven't been chosen!

Thank you to all who applied!

MCR grad talks... come and hear our grads talk about their research

The Easter term gradate talks will take place in the Harrods Room from 7 pm on Friday 10th June; food and drink will be provided. Speakers will be Aaron Alexander-Bloch and Asheque Shams.

Aaron's talk is entitled "The modularity or community structure of the brain and its disruption in schizophrenia". Modularity is a fundamental property of many systems, implying the existence of local communities or modules that are largely self-contained. For example, social networks display modularity in the formation of cliques.

His graduate talk will discuss his PhD work on the analysis of brain MRI scans of people with schizophrenia, which provides neurobiological evidence for a decrease in modularity in this devastating illness.

Asheque will talk about United States foreign policy during the 1971 South Asian Crisis. On 25th March 1971, the West Pakistan Army launched "Operation Searchlight" in Dhaka to neutralize the East Pakistani (now Bangladesh) opposition; nine months of brutal violence perpetrated by the Pakistani military and local Islamic collaborators followed. The US was well aware of the atrocities yet the Nixon administration's foreign policy stance was not only that of non-intervention but active support for West Pakistan.

COMING SOON TO A UNIVERSITY NEAR YOU...

MAY WEEK 2011

10 DAYS OF FUN, INCLUDING...

Alcohol! Balls! Garden parties!
Alcohol! Sun! Alcohol! Fireworks!
Punting! Alcohol!

FROM 19TH JUNE 2011

Image of the week

Found online. Cut out and keep in your wallet in case of accidental death.

Bile Card

In the event of my death I would like my gall bladder to be hurled forcibly at the Editor of the Daily Mail

Let your relatives know your wishes

ROAR! this week is 4 pages! 2 extra pages of rubbish to make up for a missed week!

ROAR! is also available online at www.ecsu.org.uk

To opt out of the paper version, please email roar@ecsu.org.uk

ROAR! submission deadline: Monday 10am

Recycle me when you're done! The post room floor doesn't particularly like me!

Rounders set

Now available to sign out from the Plodge (along with the frisbees)!

Please use on Parker's Piece, not the paddock.

In the mornin', I'm makin' waffles!

Waffles are now available every morning at breakfast. *ROAR!* recommends you get there early, however: once they're gone, they're gone, and catering don't budge.

Cold Red Bull now in the shop!

The ECSU shop is now in possession of a drinks chiller. You can't miss it - it's shaped like a massive Red Bull can. Lift the top basket to get to the other soft drinks.

Red Bull - £1, soft drinks 40p. Bargain.

Special breakfasts starting soon!

Special breakfasts start on Monday 30th in hall, and will run for a week. There will be a daily special choice (in the past this has included Mexican breakfasts, smoked haddock, salmon in scrambled eggs, pancetta and so on) for a set price.

This will be running for one week only! A great way to wake yourself up pre-quiz...

The bloody coffee room

For the love of god, keep the coffee room clean, pay for your drinks and stop breaking chairs. The librarians are starting to think we're idiots and will remove the machine. That is all.

The Peking Duck

A lexical conundrum, as one North Courter was seen *mill(y)ing* around South Court after NatSci dinner...

The Duck is getting *crosser* at boaties avoiding detection. You don't get love bites by "falling over", *Connor*.

And I keep forgetting about that Maynard spooning thing...

Quack!

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Posh punting: the guide

In absence of any sport reports... something exercise-related

When I go home, I spend hour after hour defending my choice of university to my friends. 'Cambridge isn't stuck-up!' I cry. 'Sure, it's in an old city, but it's not lost in the past. In fact, we're just like any students - we even go out clubbing!'

They never believe me.

Last May Week, a friend of mine from home came up to visit. I was determined to show him that Cambridge wasn't a stuffy place for rich kids.

So, just like students at any university, we bought some cava and some strawberries, hired a punt from Scudamores, put on our boater hats, and drifted off to Grantchester.

It was only then that I became painfully aware of my hypocrisy. Let's face it - we're all, no matter how common we might think we are, destined for toffdom - because it's FUN to do stuff that posh people do. But that's fine! In fact, I think we should embrace it. In my opinion, there's nothing wrong with pretending to be posh if you do it properly... Therefore, I've made this guide to successful punting.

Pre-trip

Go to the shops. Posh people go to Cambridge Wine Merchants and get

their best champers, daahling. But we're not posh - we're only pretending. Instead, go to Sainsbury's and buy their £3.50 cava. Bargain. While you're there, grab some strawberries and some paper napkins. Daddy's little girl shouldn't get her fingers all sticky. Now dress up. Girls - summery dresses are a must. Guys... well for the proper posh effect you'll need something Jack Wills... but a straw hat will do just as well.

At the hire-shop

Saunter in talking about Daddy, the ponies and how lashed you got last night. Surreptitiously show the punt people at Scudamores your FreEPOS (half price, bargain) while shouting loudly about expensive stuff. The tourists will love it.

How to punt

The most important thing to bear in mind while punting is that if you end up in the water, you're probably doing it wrong. Other than that, anything goes. You're meant to be posh - and posh people are supposed to be completely oblivious to quaint things such as steering a boat. For the full effect, crash into as many banks as possible and say 'gracious... more champers, dear!'.

Where to go

You have two choices: Grantchester

or the Backs. They are equally posh, but avoid the Backs unless you enjoy telling tall stories very loudly to bemused tourists. On top of that, the route to Grantchester is through the most English-looking landscapes in the country: bonus posh-points. Lord Byron used to hang out up here - he's about as aristocratic and Cantabrigian as it gets.

For extra posh...

Brush up on your received pronunciation and take a picnic basket. But most importantly, revel in taking part in a ridiculous Cambridge tradition.

Welfare: week 5

Thursday 26th

5.15pm - Aerobics (Old Library)

Friday 27th

7.45am - Jogging (meet at the Plodge)

3.30pm - Tea and Cake (bar)

Saturday 28th

Nothing :('

Sunday 29th

Brunch

Monday 30th

7.45am - Jogging (meet at the Plodge)

3.30pm - Tea and Cake
7.30pm - Karate (U. Hall)

Tuesday 31st

8pm - Master's Film Night

Wednesday 1st

7.45am Yoga (Old Library, bring £4)

3.30pm - Tea and Cake
5.45pm - BBQ

Roarigami

Recycle your copy of Roar!

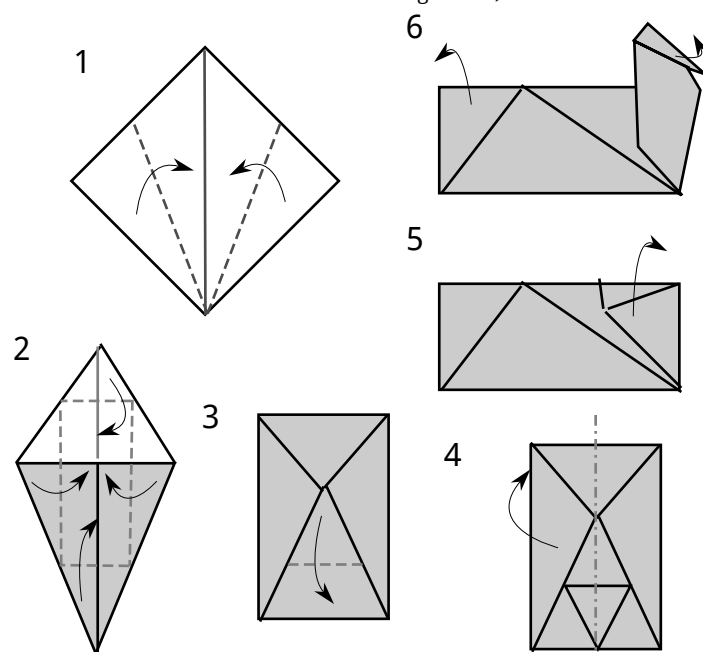
Recycle your *ROAR!* Make an origami duck! Before you begin: rip off/fold up the bottom of the page to make a square.

Dashed lines mean valley fold (fold towards you), dot-dash lines mean mountain fold (fold away from

you/backward).

Grey shading indicates the back of the page, white indicates the front. Happy folding!

(*ROAR!* accepts no responsibility for the Editor's poorly drawn diagrams...)



Если вы перевели это, хорошо сделано, вы выиграете шоколада

Revealed: the duck with no arms

Seen that white duck who runs around like a penguin? Ever thought that he looks like he lacks arms?

ROAR! has done some research and discovered that (s)he is not a freak of interduck breeding, but is actually an Indian Runner Duck.

These ducks run, not waddle, and only the females can quack. Beatrix Potter's famous *Jemima Puddle-Duck* was apparently a Runner. Amazin'.



But... then what's a Peking Duck?

Three choices:

1) Peking Duck - the Chinese dish. This is a dish known for its crispy skin, best served in pancakes with oodles of plum sauce and a bit of limp salad.

2) Pekin Duck - An intelligent breed of white duck used to make the above dish. Apparently very popular in the US.

3) THE Peking Duck - voyeur extraordinaire. His true identity remains secret... but rest assured, he can see you.

Concert!

This Sunday 29th May we will be presenting singer Fran Costigan, who is an Emma alumnus currently studying at the Birmingham Conservatoire. Fran will be singing a selection of songs by Mozart, Brahms, Schumann, Duparc, Faure and Barber, accompanied on the piano by Sali Toms. It's £2 for entry, in the Old Library and starts at 9.00pm. How about putting aside *The Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire* for a bit and come along? Music after all is good for the brain (of course, of course) and you get a free drink too.

Letters

Re: Bar prices rocket

1) The only price change that is being discussed is one to correct for the most recent rise in VAT; and 2) a better headline would therefore be 'JCR Bar waits 4 months before passing on VAT rise'.

Mike Gross, Bursar

Update: Following last time's article, prices have gone up. Increases appear to be small. When asked, bar staff didn't actually know what had changed. Typical!

Comments? Suggestions? Gossip?

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I-SPY: CAMBRIDGE TOURISTS

How many can YOU spot this term?

Tourists taking photos in Front Court

I-SPY points: 5

Date: _____



Tourists asking which college they're in

I-SPY points: 10

Date: _____

Tourists who ask the way to 'the main Cambridge University' (they mean King's Chapel... but send them to Sidgwick)

I-SPY points: 15

Date: _____

Rubbish punting skills

I-SPY points: 5

Date: _____

Self-appointed tourist group leader proudly chatting rubbish about the Uni (making bold statements such as 'the students have to wear gowns to lectures')

I-SPY points: 25

Date: _____



Drunken member of hen/stag party falling off punt

I-SPY points: 50

Date: _____

Tourist with over-sized camera taking photos of absolutely everything

I-SPY points: 5

Date: _____



School trips walking in crocodile formation and taking up the entire path

I-SPY points: 35

Date: _____

True love and matching outfits xxxxxx



The Procrastination Page

Suduckus, dot-to-dots, wordsearches...

Easy (0.39)



Medium (0.50)



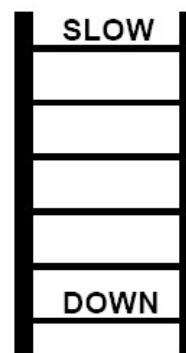
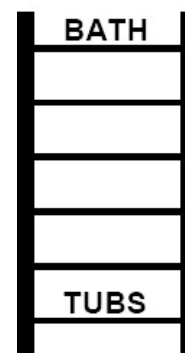
Hard (0.61)



Very hard (0.78)

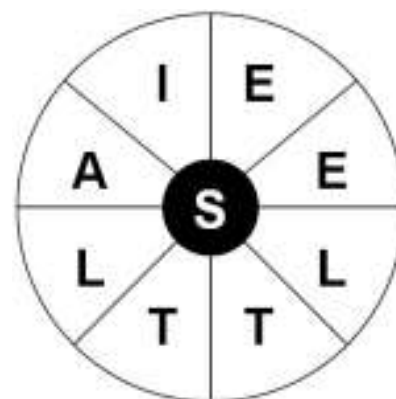


Change the start word into the end word progressively, creating an existing word at each step. At each step you can change one existing letter.



Word wheel: Make as many words as you can using the letters in the wheel. You must always use the central letter somewhere in the word. Can you find a 9 letter word?

Proper nouns aren't allowed, cheaters.



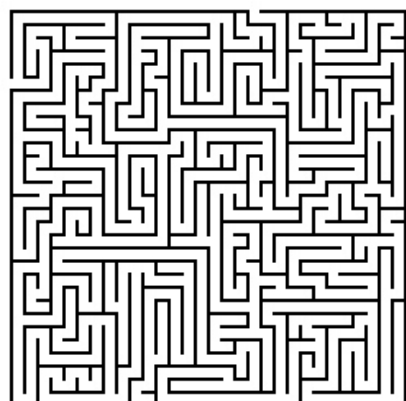
Prize crossword

Well done to the 6 people who got last week's anagram (Don't feed the ducks).

This week we have a concise crossword. Some of the answers are Cambridge-related, some

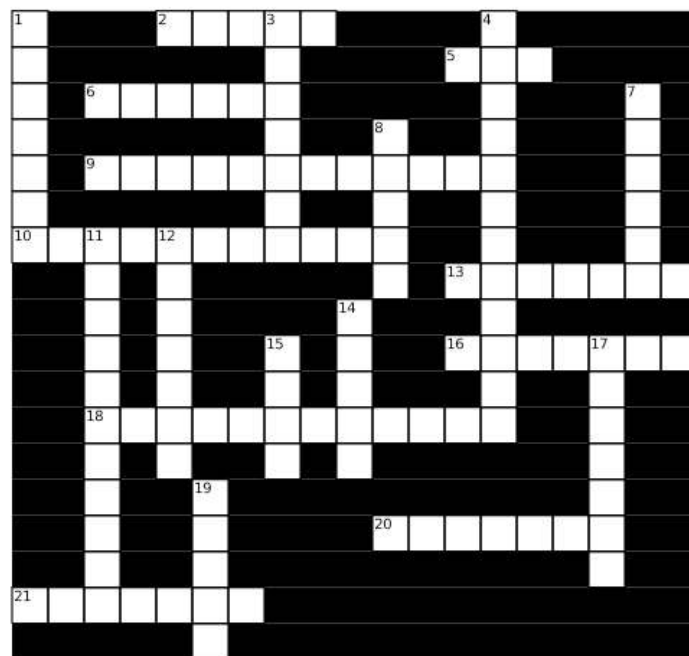
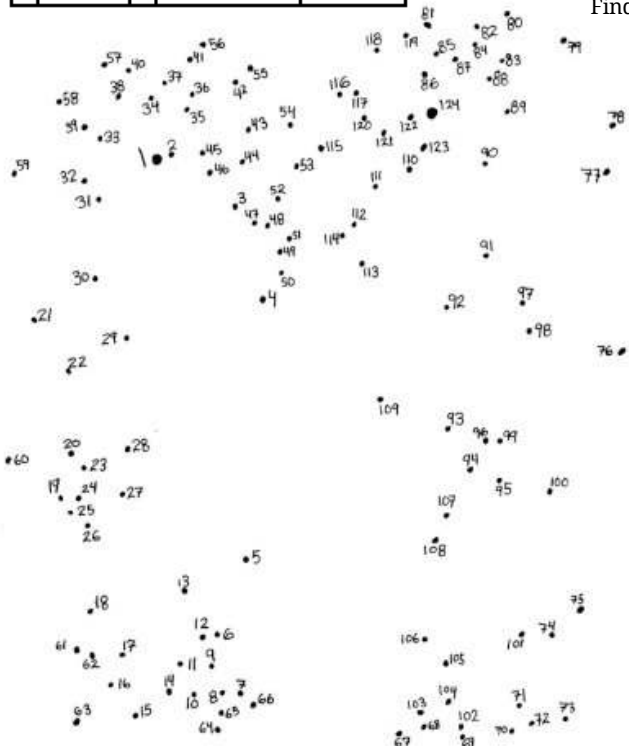
aren't.

I have loads of chocolate, and I don't really eat chocolate. So put your completed crosswords in my piggy and I'll pick a winner out of a hat!



D K G R I R O S L O A A
D P N K N O S N E O L T
E N A I R N O D O E S H
T B T N S D I O U H S I
N L E G N V A L K P L I
U O A S E O G E D O B I
L N D T H O T U P A M M
C D N O T G N I H S A W
U O A N A I R D I I D B
M N U D D T U E M O R U
I U L I S B O N D R I A
I L N P A A D T A B D E

Find 13 capital cities!



- Across
- The third little piggy's house was made of...
 - One for sorrow, two for...
 - Capital
 - Incredible
 - West African country (2 Words)
 - Helical tusked whale
 - Cambridge transportation
 - Male sex hormone
 - Green- or blue-headed duck
 - Our illustrious founder

- Down
- Rollercoaster/enemy
 - Lots of info, few words
 - Opposed to change
 - Ancient name for the Cam
 - Benefactor of coffee
 - Something you can learn from
 - Go backwards
 - Bloke in charge/tool for straight lines
 - Finish quickly
 - Gaelic gathering
 - Don't feed to ducks