**Geometry Dash 2.2**

You might have heard of geometry dash before. You may have heard it has not gotten an update sense six years ago! Over time, geometry dash has been slowly getting fewer and fewer players.

But, because the owner of the game has announced that 2.2 is coming out November, the game has gotten increased players! But this will be nothing till geometry dash 2.2 comes out. All the players are coming because they are excited for the update, but when the update comes out, there will be a massive boost in players coming back to the game. But how much? Right now, the game has about 54 million downloads. The update will release things like walking on walls and camera movement which will make the game a lot more fun! When the update comes out, it may double, or even triple! Depending on the fact 2.2 has been highly awaited, the graph may look like this.A red graph with a arrow pointing up

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-Gabriel

Linguistic Artistry

By Erin Rushkowski

Linguistic artistry,

2 words I’ve held in my heart,

Word art,

Painting with language.

Feelings of love,

Feelings of power,

Feelings of sadness,

Of rage,

Of joy.

Linguistic artistry,

An art,

A dream,

A lifestyle.

The way words flow,

Like a river,

Flowing to an ocean,

Like a song,

Flowing to my ears,

Linguistic artistry,

The way it calls,

And I’m just glad,

I can hear it.

Dad Jokes

By Vakis

I had a happy childhood. My dad used to put me in tires and roll me down hills. Those were Goodyears.

The bank keeps calling me to give me compliments. They say I have an “outstanding balance.”

Daughter: I have a lot of friends named Nathan. There’s Nathan Miller, Nathan Radcliff, Nathan Lewis… Me: When they are together, do you call them the United Nathans?

What do you call a dog that can do magic? A Labracabrador.

A pirate walks into a bar with a paper towel on his head. The bartender says, “What’s with the paper towel?” The pirate says, “Arrr! I’ve got a Bounty on me head!”

Swamp Broccoli Fritters

by Hawthorne Barnes

Ingredients

2 medium crowns broccoli ½ cup flour 2 cloves garlic 1 egg ½ cup grated parmesan ¾ tsp salt 3 Tbsp canola oil.

Tools

Knife, cutting board, dry measuring cups, medium pot with lid, colander, potato masher, medium bowl, small bowl, whisk, measuring spoons, large skillet, turner spatula.

Recipe

Step1: Cut broccoli into small florets. Measure 3 cups and add to medium pot. Step2: Add 1 inch of water to pot. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Step3: Cover pot and steam broccoli for 5 minutes. Step4: Drain broccoli in colander. Add to medium bowl. Mash into small pieces. Step5: Smash and peel garlic. Mince and add to broccoli. Step6: Crack egg into a small bowl. Throw away shells and wash your hands. Whisk until smooth. Step7: Add egg, flour, parmesan, and salt to broccoli. Mix well. Step8: Measure ¼ cup batter. Use hands to flatten into a 2 inch patty. Make 6-8 patties. Step9: Heat oil in skillet over medium-high heat for 1 minute. Step10: Carefully add patties to skillet. Step11: Cook broccoli fritters for 2-3 minutes, until browned on bottom. Step12: Flip fritters. Cook 1-2 min on other side, until browned.

Lionel Messi

By: Austin Bache

Lionel Messi has played for 3 clubs and is looking forward to a fourth. He played for Barcelona, where he started his career, then transferred to PSG in August of 2021. His current team is Inter Miami. He transferred to Inter Miami in July 2023.

Messi’s career stats are 821 goals, 361 assists, in 1,045 appearances. He also has an average of 0.79 goals per game with an impressive 57 Hat-Tricks. He has made 108 Penalty kicks and 65 free kicks. Messi has 316 Man of the matches as well.

His Club stats are 715 goals, 308 assists, with 867 club appearances. He has a great goals per game average of 0.82 in club matches. Messi has 48 club hat tricks along with 84 club penalty kicks, and 54 club free kicks. All his 316 man of the matches have been for his clubs.

His international stats are 178 appearances, and in them he has 106 international goals and 53 international assists. He averages 0.60 goals per international game and 9 international hat tricks. He has scored 24 international penalty kick goals with 11 free kick goals.

His best accomplishments are his 8 Ballon D'ors and his 1 World Cup in 2022. He has other accomplishments like his 4 champions leagues in 2006, 2007, 2011, and 2015 all with Barcelona! With Barcelona he also won 10 La Liga titles in the following seasons, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2017-18, and 2018-19 season. Messi won his first Copa America in 2021 a year before his first World Cup title! Messi also has the most assists with 361 in the history of the amazing sport of soccer. In 2012 Lionel Messi became the first person to score 5 goals in a UEFA Champions League Match. I mentioned his 8 Ballon D’ors but here are the years he won them. Messi won the Ballon D’or in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2019, 2021, and 2023.

Lionel Messi is undoubtedly one of the greatest soccer players of all time. Some people may say Christiano Ronaldo or Pele are the greatest soccer players of all time. But it is Lionel Messi for me. Who is yours?

**The World Series**

By: MJ Boston

The 2023 world series is coming up! The winner of the AL (American League), the Texas Rangers and the winner of the NL (National League) the Arizona Diamondbacks are playing in the best-of-7 world series to become 2023 champions. During game 1, the Texas Rangers beat the Diamondbacks, but in game 2 the, Arizona came back and beat the Rangers. Guess What? The Tampa Bay Rays right fielder, Josh Lowe, has a brother on the Texas Rangers! So, who do you think will win the 2023 MLB world championship; the Arizona Diamondbacks or the Texas Rangers?

***Who am I?***

By: Penelope Eaton

As I walk around,

I look down,

down down at the ground

And I wonder-

How do people see me?

Am I brave? Am I kind?

Am I witty?

And then I wonder-

Am I bad?

Am I unquestionably

undoubtedly mad?

And then I wonder-

Am I neither?

Am I mean? Am I keen?

Am I either?

And then I understand-

It doesn’t matter

What they think

Though all their chatter

Makes me pink

What matters is what I think.

**Funny Jokes**

Why do magicians do well in school? They’re good at trick questions!

Why did the kid eat his homework? Because his teacher told him it would be a piece of cake!

What did the pig say on a hot day? I'm bacon!

Why do bees have sticky hair? Because they use a honeycomb!

By: Lauren Howard

**Music Word Search**

**BY SCHUYLER F.**

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**Crescendo Piano Strings Brass Percussion Bass**

**Pianissimo Mezzo Forte Woodwind Keyboards Drums Guitar**

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By Xavier

The Amazing Animal the Aye-aye

By Reo Kenourgios

Have you ever heard of the amazing animal the aye-aye? If so, you have most likely heard of their not so adorable nature. Yet there is much more to these unique animals than what meets the eye. Aye-Ayes are a type of lemur that lives in the trees of Madagascar. They eat mostly juices and beetles. The aye- ayes have a flat face with a short nose and large eyes and ears. The aye-ayes are considered an endangered species due to their ‘unique’ appearance. But should they really be treated like this due to their ugliness?

Poems by Sofie Kovalenko

Losing Yourself

Have you ever lost yourself?

What did it cost yourself?

Did you lose your friends?

I guess it depends.

Did you get wealth?

Did you gain better health?

Did you feel like a lost dog?

Or as stiff as a log?

But if it happens, just remember

to pull yourself out of the slump and

get yourself together.

When You're Not There

What happens when we are not there?

We think we can just set up a camara and understand the world around us,

Afterwards, the knowledge we share.

What if I told you,

The camara effects the outcome,

The thought can make you feel glum.

Per say you are watching an animal,

The animal will see you and act radical.

Same outcome with a camara.

So, until we invent new technology,

we will forever question,

What happens when we are not there?

**Pokémon Journeys Series Review**

By Leo

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The series starts with two young people each trying to follow their dreams and become the best from their town but as the story goes on, they become friends and realize the true meaning of their dreams. The overall show has a ton of comedy and has many funny scenes and connections between characters. Despite the comedy the show does have some action and as the show progresses you slowly understand the characters more. The first characters shown are Ash and Goh and they dream to catch mew and become the greatest Pokémon master by catching strong Pokémon.

Cartoon animal in shorts and a mask

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Riddles and Knock-Knock Jokes

By Jonah

What kind of tree has the sharpest needles? A porcupine.

Why couldn’t the bicycle stand up on its own? Because it was two tired.

What has eight legs, three heads, six eyes, two wings, and two tails? A man holding a chicken while riding a horse.

What did the chimpanzee use to escape its cage? A monkey wrench.

Knock knock. Is your refrigerator running? Knock knock. *Who’s there? Yes. Who’s there?*

Owls say. Go catch it. You.

*Owls say who? You who?*

I know. What? I’m still paying attention.

Why did the rooster run away from the wolf?

Because he was a chicken.

How do you make a millipede immobile?

You destroy its pair of legs, its other pair of legs, its other pair of legs...

A man was behind everyone in a race, so he put something on his hot dog. What did he put on?

Ketchup.

***KIRBY AND THE FORGOTTEN LANDS GAME REVIEW***

***By Cormac McCarthy***

Kirby and the Forgotten Land is a 2022 adventure and platform game developed by Nintendo for the Nintendo switch. The game is the 13th addition to the Kirby game series. First, I would like to talk about the objective of the game. These red guys called waddle dees get kidnapped and you must save them from disaster after getting sucked into a black hole and getting thrown in the forgotten lands. The game is semi-difficult and is incredibly fun. There are 6 worlds, as well as a top secret seventh one that is impossible. Next, I will review the games abilities. Okay, so my favorite ability must be the Chakram cutter. It does not do much damage but has incredibly rapid fire. There are 12 main abilities, but the upgrades can expand to 35. Now I want to complain about the fifth boss, sillydillo. He is only the fifth boss, and he is as hard as the final boss, fecto elfilis. I mean, WHO WOULD DO THAT? Sillydillo is so annoying because he has this one attack where he rolls at you, doing like 100 damage AND GIVING YOU NO TIME TO DODGE WHATSOEVER!!!!! People say you can beat him with the wild hammer easily, (the wild hammer is a hammer upgrade) but NOOOOO. I have tried it, and it is still hard. Ok now for the last part of the game review I would like to talk about waddle dee town. The town is where you end up after getting sucked up into the black hole and you find your fellow waddle dees trying to build a place to live. So, that is where you go whenever you start the game. You can upgrade the town by finding and rescuing waddle dees that have been hidden. So far, I've unlocked a movie theater, two special vending machines where you can get collectible figures, a colosseum where you can re-fight bosses for a chance to fight meta-night (who is a secret boss), a house, a café, a place where you can find secret codes in the town and Exhange them for rewards, a powerup shop (I spent a few hours trying to unlock that), and a pond where you can play a fishing minigame. Thank you for reading my game review of Kirby and the forgotten lands.

KNOCK, KNOCK!

By Brady

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***2023-2024 MLB Free Agents***

***By: Joey Ruffino***

The 2023 World Series is officially over the Texas Rangers have defeated the Arizona Diamondbacks and is the last team standing for the first time ever. However free agency is rapidly approaching. This year there are many big names on the market such as Shohei Ohtani the two-way sensation. He is expected to sign a deal with either the New York Mets or Los Angeles Dodgers. These teams both have astonishingly high payrolls and a bright, winning future ahead. The market will be filled with outstanding pitchers such as;

* Aaron Nola
* Blake Snell
* Clayton Kershaw
* Sonny Gray
* Josh Hader
* And Many More

Besides Shohei and other pitchers there are two players who stick out, I’m talking about former MVP, center fielder: Cody Bellinger. After two underwhelming seasons in 2021 and 2022, he got traded from the Dodgers to the Cubs for Jason Heyward. But in 2023 he. went. off. I mean hitting a .307 batting average and 26 home runs, that’s no joke it might have even landed him a few MVP votes. Let alone a huge contract. Juan Soto is also on the market after putting up .929 ops last year and a .986 fielding percentage he is a perfect fit for many teams, and the young star should be expecting quite a few offers this offseason.

If you haven’t already heard the Oakland Athletics are currently in the process of relocation to Las Vegas. After two God awful seasons in a row only winning 110 out of 324 games combined. Many people are saying that with Oakland’s shortage of money their franchise is going to be bad for years to come… but is it too late? In my eyes its not there are still some sneaky good players for not too much money these guys are players like Tommy Pham, Joey Wendle, and more.

The New York Mets by far have the most money in baseball so in my eyes after missing the playoffs last year its time for go big or go home, World Series or Bust. Like why not go out and at least try for guys like Shohei Ohtani, Juan Soto, Aaron Nola, all those big names. Because why not! It’s the reason why they have Steve Cohen To. Spend. Money. If they do this then the National League East might be a domination for years to come.

So, to all the baseball die-hards be prepared for a wild offseason! And Block Buster moves from almost every team.

Banana Bread Recipe

By Vishwa

Ingredients

* 3 bananas (7 to 7-7/8 inches) very ripe bananas (about 1 ¼ to 1 ½ cups mashed)
* 1 large egg, beaten
* 1 ½-2 cups of all-purpose flour
* ½ cup of sugar (100 grams)
* 1 pinch of salt
* 15 grams each of chocolate chips, raisins, almonds, and pecans
* 1/3 cup (76 grams) butter, unsalted, and melted

8-10 servings

1 loaf

Prep Time:10 mins

Cook Time:60 mins

Total Time:70 mins

This recipe calls for a loaf pan. If baking in a 9x5 inch pan, bake for 45-55 minutes. The best bananas to use are those that are overripe. The yellow peels should be at least half browned, and the bananas inside squishy and browning.

Steps/Methods

1.Preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit (175 degrees Celsius). Butter a 9x5 inch loaf pan.

2.Mash the bananas and add the butter. In a mixing bowl, mash the ripe bananas with a fork until completely smooth. Stir the melted butter into the mashed bananas.

3.Mix in the remaining ingredients. Mix in the baking soda and salt. Stir in the sugar, beaten egg yolk, and vanilla extract. Mix in the flour. Mix in the chocolate chips, raisins, almonds, and pecans.

4. Bake the bread. Pour the batter into your prepared loaf pan. Bake for 55 to 65 minutes at 350 degrees Fahrenheit (175 Celsius), or until a toothpick or wooden skewer inserted into the center comes out clean. A few dry crumbs are okay; streaks of wet batter are not. If the outside of the loaf is browned but the center is still wet, loosely tent the loaf with foil and continue baking until the loaf is fully baked.

5. Cool and serve. Remove from oven and let cool in the pan for a few minutes. Then remove the banana bread from the pan and let cool completely before serving. Slice, serve, and enjoy!

Spiderman Across the Spider Verses

By Ty

The new movie, “Spiderman Across the Spider Verse” has got a lot of fame. The last movie that they did was Spiderman into the Spider Verse. It got a lot of views, so they knew they had to make a new one, but they did not think it was going to get views. But they were wrong. The movie skyrocketed with 9 million views from all the theaters like amc. It was the new popular movie everyone was talking about it. In my opinion it is a good movie and I think you should check it out.

A cartoon of a person in a garment

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**The Journey to Becoming a Black Belt**

**By Mateusz**

There are 3 main segments to becoming a black belt in my style Isshinryu

Focus

Power

And I will tell you about all of it BECAUSE I am one ;]

FOCUS

In our style focus is PARTICULARLY important because in our style we teach 2 things Self Defense and Respect. And one key of respect is Focus. We are respectful to every SENSEI and student, or we lose our belt and kyu.

POWER

In our style the SENSEIS focus mostly on power when it comes to defending yourself even if you mess up or do not have the perfect memory in KATAS and WEAPONS all the SENSEIS care about is POWER.

SENSEI- A teacher that is above the Black Belt RANK.

KYU- The rank or level a student is at.

KATA- A sequence of moves that make a form.

Best Desserts By Niko

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| Name | Ingredients | Directions |  |
| Flourless Chocolate Cake | * 4 Eggs * 1 1/2 cups (8oz) Ghirardelli 72% Cacao Extra Bittersweet Chocolate Baking Chips or 2 Ghirardelli 70% Cacao Extra Bittersweet Chocolate Baking Bars * 1/2 stick (1/4 cup) Butter * Powdered sugar, for dusting (optional) | 1. Preheat oven to 325 F. 2. Grease the sides of an 8-inch cake pan and line the bottom with a paper parchment circle. 3. In a mixer, whip eggs on high speed until doubled in volume, about 5 min. 4. In a medium bowl, set over a double boiler, melt chocolate and butter, stirring occasionally until smooth 5. Fold one-third of whipped eggs into chocolate mixture until only a few streaks of egg are visible. 6. Fold the remaining eggs in two parts until mixture homogenizes. 7. Pour batter into prepared cake pan and smooth surface. 8. Bake in hot water bath until cake has slightly risen, edges are just beginning to set and center temperature registers 140°F (15-20 mins). 9. Cool and refrigerate overnight. When removing cake from pan: place the pan in a bath of warm water until cake releases from the side then remove from pan. 10. Optional: Dust with powdered sugar to decorate |  |