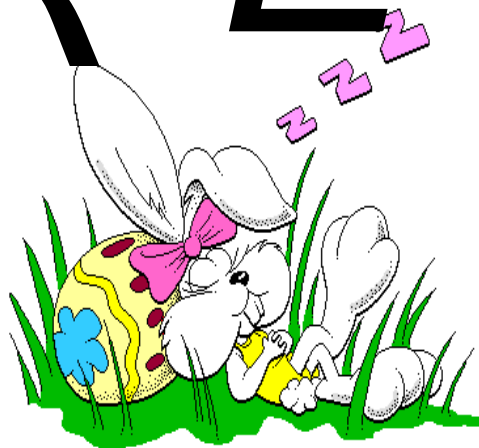




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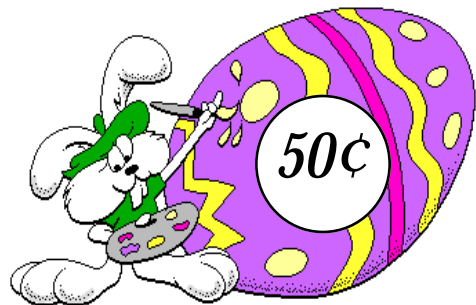
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Wonderful Me!

by Leyla Zacarias, Mrs. Kling's Class

My name is Leyla and I was born on February 3, 1991. I have a mom and dad. My mom's name is Leyla and my dad's name is Medardo. I have a baby cousin Gisselle; she likes to play with me a lot. Gisselle likes to play hide and go seek. My dad likes to watch the football game on television. My mom gets tired when she comes home from work. What my parents like most is to go to Universal City Walk, and we have fun together. Sometimes we go to watch a funny movie. Sometimes we like to visit our friends late at night, and stay a while, and tell jokes. Then we

go home to sleep or watch a little T.V. We have lots of fun together on the weekend.



There are things that I like best. I like to collect seashells. Every time I go to the beach, I will look for seashells, then I will go in the water. I have some seashells at home. I like to go to parties and dance a lot. I like to dance because I like the music. My favorite colors are pink and red. They are my favorite colors because they remind me of the colors of flowers. My favorite thing to do is to draw. I like to draw because I feel as if I were an artist.



What I like best is to read books. I like to read a lot because I learn things. Sometimes, I pretend to be in the adventures of the books. My favorite television shows are "The Rugrats" and "Doug." I like those shows because they're funny.



I love to eat at McDonald's. I love the fries because they taste great! Those are some things I love.

There are a lot of things that drive me crazy! I hate it when my little cousin says that everything that is mine is hers,

and that makes me mad. I hate it when I catch a cold because I get a fever.

I hate cockroaches because they're brown and I hate brown. They are nasty and they



crunch when I step on them. I hate it when my little cousin gets all the attention. I get very jealous because they don't pay attention to me. I hate white milk because it doesn't have a lot of flavor. I don't like worms because they're very, very slimy. I don't like burritos because they taste nasty. Those are all the things that I hate!



Grouchy Costumer: Give me some cockroach powder.

Clerk: Shall I wrap it up?

Grouchy Costumer: No, I'll send the roaches down to eat it here!

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I am a Mexican-American



By Aldo Parra, Ms. Ou's Class

My parents come from Mexico and I feel proud of that. I see myself as both Mexican and American because my father and mother are Mexican, but I was born here in the United States.

My mother told me one day that I was supposed to be born in Mexico, but my mom wanted to go to the U.S. to see Ricky Martin. She did not know that she was going to give birth so quickly. So, when she arrived in California, I was born. "The concert was fantastic," she would say. But something greater happened. She met the love of her life and married him not long after. She liked California so much that she decided to stay. I am fortunate to be born in America because I am in the country of the free.

There are some similarities between the culture of Mexico and the U.S. For example, the religious holidays that we



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celebrate are New Year's, Christmas, Kings' Day and Mexican Flag Day almost all the ones that we celebrate here.



The typical foods that we eat in Mexico are pozole, tamales, enchiladas, and tortillas. The things that we travel with are airplanes, buses, trains, cars, and bikes.

I have been to Mexico a few times. The weather in Mexico is warm, tropical and cold. There are so many wonderful places to go. For example, Puerto Vallarta and Acapulco are good places to get a sun tan. Did you know that one dollar here is worth ten pesos in Mexico?



A baby rabbit kept pestering his mother.

“Where did I come from, Mom? Huh? Huh?

Where did I come from?”

The baby rabbit nagged until its mother finally said, “Stop bothering me, Junior. If you must know you were pulled out of a magician’s hat.”



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Teacher! Don't Throw That Pokemon Card Away!



by Abhishake Rohilla, Ms. Capadocia's Class



Teacher! Don't throw that Pokemon card away.
It's my best card.
It's my all-time favorite card.
It is very unique to me!



Even though you hate it,
It is stained,
And it is scratched;
But, it is the best
And no one's ever had it!



Yes, I know it is ripped,
And very old,
And wrinkled,
It is bent,
You can't see the name.



If you throw that card away,
You'll hurt my feelings!





An Spectacular Season For The Lakers

By Douglas E. Ortega, Mr. Mizrahi's Class



The new *L.A. Lakers* are in first place with 32 wins and 7 losses.

They are on pace to 67 wins which is second in *Laker's* history to the 1971-1972 *Laker's* team. *Lakers'* stars of the team are Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant, and Glen Rice. The *Lakers* have brought in A.C. Green, and Ron Harper for their experience. The *Lakers* use Derek Fisher, Robert

Horry, and A.C. Green off the bench.

The big difference with the new *Lakers* is their coach, Phil Jackson, who came to the *Lakers* from Chicago where he won six championships. He signed a contract for five years for thirty million dollars. He pushes the *Lakers* and encourages them to have confidence in themselves to win more games.



Teacher: Sam, what is the outside of a tree called?

Sam: I don't know.

Teacher: Bark, Sam, bark.

Sam: Bow, wow, wow!



Why Visit The L.A. Zoo?

By Tansy Aguilar, Ms. Miller's Class



I would like to recommend the L.A. Zoo for our class field trip. It is a fun and exciting place to go. We can learn about different kinds of animals. We get to learn about their habitats and their life spans. We also get to understand the animals better.



animals hunt their own food in the wilderness. We can also learn about some of the animals' habitats, and how many kinds and types of animals there are. One important thing we can also learn is how to treat animals properly.



In the zoo we will have an opportunity to see the animals in person and maybe we will even get to pet them. We could also give food to some of the animals, for example, rabbits and birds.



I think the L.A. Zoo is a good place to go because animals are important and are a part of our natural environment. Animals are something you can get amazed with. They play, they do tricks and they make funny faces. We also enjoy watching them. It is also a good place to go because we learn

Sam had just completed his first day at school...
 "What did you learn today?" asked his mother.
 "Not enough," said Sammy. "I have to go back tomorrow!"



about science and animals can teach us first hand science.



Going to the zoo means a lot because if we have a pet and it gets sick we are going to know how to take care of it. We should learn the right way to treat animals. Animals are important because they have feelings like humans do, but look differently. They can even protect

humans. For example, if you have a dog, it can protect your home while you are away.



Ms. Miller, I think we should go to the zoo because we need to learn about Science. Not only do we enjoy observing the animals, we can also learn about them. The zoo is a fun and exciting place to learn, and we learn in a fun way.



To Protect and To Serve

by James Chang, Ms. Charkoudian's Class

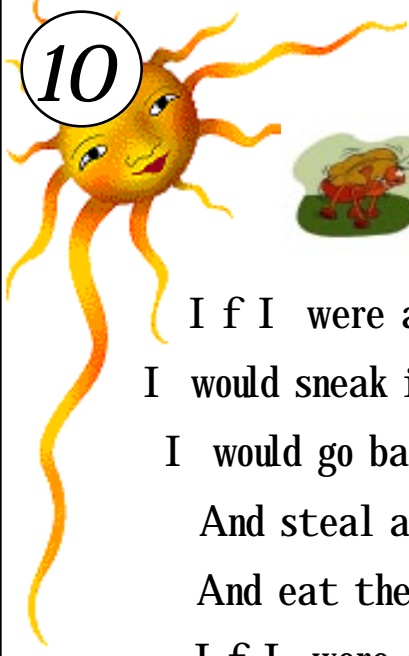



When I grow up, I want to be a police officer. I want to be a police officer because I can help save people from robbers. Sometimes, robbers have guns that they use to kill police officers.

Robbers and bad guys could kill people on the freeway and they could crash people's cars. Sometimes people could die and because of that, I wil catch the bad guys. I can stop them from doing bad things. When robbers steal stuff from other people, it think it is very important for me to become a police officer, so I can help catch them.

If I Were ..

by Ms. Ruz's Students

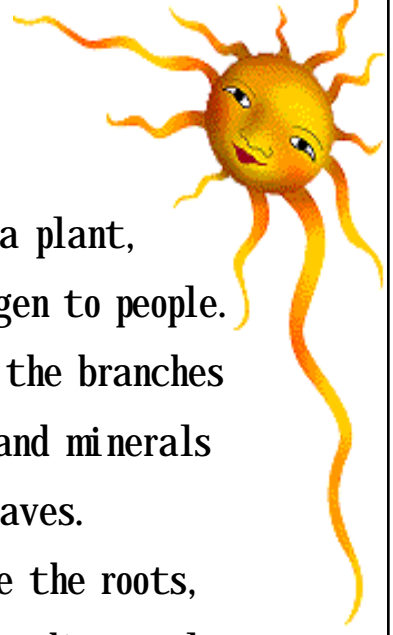
I f I were an ant,
I would sneak in a house
I would go back home,
And steal a cake.
And eat the cake,
I f I were an ant

By Mary Yazlyan



I f I were a bee
I 'd see Emily,
The butterfly, my best friend.
I would fly across the
biggest river,
And see a salmon
Swimming and jumping
To find his friends.
Then I would fly to my hive
To make honey,
So I could eat,

By Nayda Melissa Estrada



I f I were a plant,
I would give oxygen to people.
My arms would be the branches
Carrying water and minerals
to the leaves.
My legs would be the roots,
tickling the dirt early
in the morning.
My body would be the trunk,
standing tall in the middle
of the park

by Anthony Nuñez



I f I were a golden eagle,
I would soar in the sky.
My hands would be the wings,
Lifting me up to the clouds.
I would see a mighty dragon,
Roaring his mighty roar.
I would say hello
I f I were a golden eagle..

By Andrew Mercado

Eat Now -- Pay Waiter

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by Deidre Rivas & Luisa Benitez
Mr. Gonzalez's Class



Read the above graph and answer the following questions!

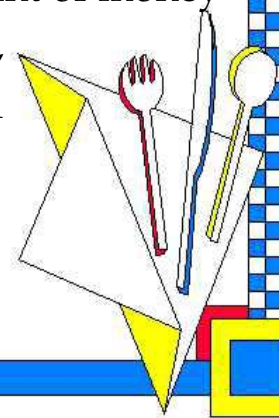
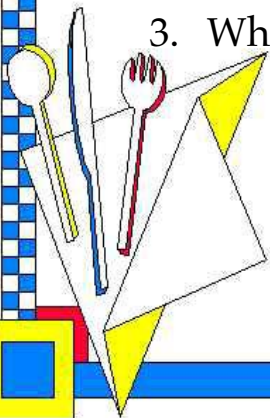
1. How much do you have to pay for one lasagna and cheese cake?

2. If a girl bought two Pastas and four Cheese Cakes, how much would she spend?

3. What is the half of the cost of one lasagna plus one spaghetti order?

4. How much would you receive in change when you bought four lasagnas and one pasta, if you paid with with two \$20 bills?

5. If five people gave you an equal amount of money for one pizza, how much did each person give you?



Cubism Gallery

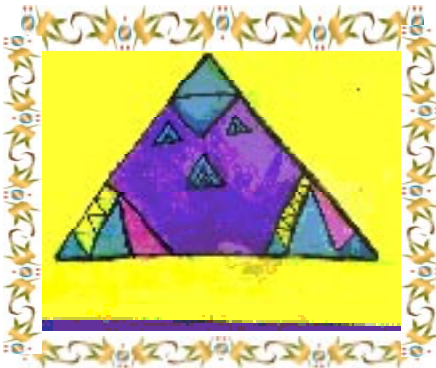
by Ms. Kaluzniacki's Cubism Artists



Cubism is a form of art that began in France in the year 1907 with Pablo Picasso.

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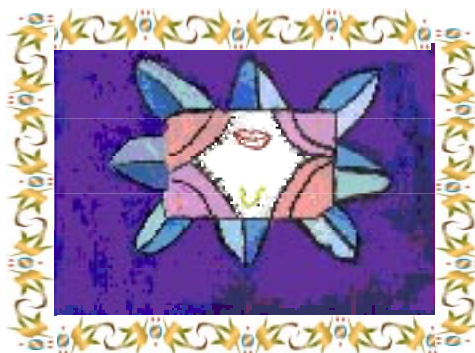
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- 1. Marcela Deprada
- 2. Stephanie Rivera
- 3. Samantha Juarez
- 4. Joseph Galdamez
- 5. Zully Gonzalez
- 6. Mayra Argueta
- 7. Carolina Castellanos