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Only the **brainiest** will solve our puzzles...

PLANNING A VACATION?

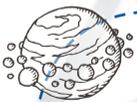
You won't believe where this guy went!

Best spots in **Hollywood**

Test: What kind of stories do you like?

THE FIRST **MUSIC VIDEO** FROM OUTER SPACE

ANIMALS IN SPACE



Celebrate with these incredible dishes!



MOVIE REVIEW: THE SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES

THE WORST NATURAL DISASTERS

Everybody can ride a bike!

Could you be a

a costume designer?



Meet the guy

Vacations ... in outer space?

The first space tourist was Dennis Tito, a California millionaire.

His love for space began when he was just a teenager, in 1957, when the Soviet Union launched the Sputnik, the world's first artificial satellite.

His first attempt to fly to space came in the early 1990s. His dream was to fly to the Mir Space Station, but the collapse of the Soviet Union put his plans on hold.

In April 2000, Tito moved to Moscow, where he lived in an apartment in Star City, the Russian cosmonauts' headquarters. He began his training.

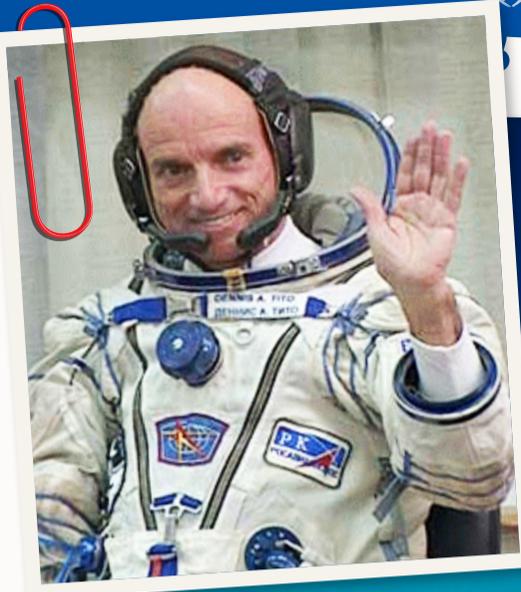
Tito was offered the opportunity to fly to the International Space Station, which at the time was barely two and a half years old.

On April 28, 2001, Dennis Tito became the first space tourist, spending 7 days, 22 hours and 4 minutes in space, orbiting the Earth 128 times. He paid 20 million dollars!

Not many companies provide trips to space. Virgin Galactic will offer space flights departing from Spaceport America, the world's first Commercial Spaceport, located in New Mexico, USA.

Space Adventures was founded in 1998, and is the only company currently providing opportunities for space tourism.

The price of a space flight for tourists begins at around \$100,000. So if your plans include a space vacation, you'd better start saving now!!



Satellite Space Station



Imagine you are the next space tourist. *What would you eat? What kind of clothing would you take? Would you need any special training?*



**VACATION
TO SPACE**
IN PASSENGER'S
OWN CARE



Spaceport America

LANDING ON

Lights, camera, action!



Hollywood is known as the capital of the movie and entertainment industry. Since 1911, when the Nestor Company established the first studio and shot the first film, this southern California city has attracted everyone who wants to shine like a star.

Everyone knows the iconic Hollywood sign. It was built in 1923 to promote a real estate development called Hollywoodland. In 1949 it became the property of the city of Los Angeles, and since then it has come to represent the hopes and dreams of aspiring actors.

The Hollywood Walk of Fame runs along fifteen blocks of Hollywood Boulevard and three blocks of Vine Street. More than 2,500 stars honor actors, musicians, directors, musical groups, and fictional characters. Special stars are dedicated to famous basketball player Magic Johnson, and the astronauts of Apollo 11.

Grauman's Chinese Theater may be the most famous movie theater in the world. Many movies premiere here, and for many years it hosted the Academy Awards Ceremony. Its founder, Sid Grauman, created the Walk of Fame, and the stars in front of the theater are reserved for the biggest celebrities.

Universal Studios in Hollywood offers many thrilling rides based on some of their most famous movies: Transformers, Jurassic Park, The Mummy, Despicable Me, and The Simpsons. You can also take a tour of the studios and experience scenes from movies like The War of the Worlds, Jaws, and Psycho.

Believe it or not, the United States produces the third most films in the world. Find out which countries make more movies.



Animals In Space: A Timeline

1945

The first living organisms sent to space were fruit flies. They were launched in a Nazi V2 rocket, and recovered alive by parachute.

1949 - 1952

The Albert Project begins, with a monkey named Albert sent in a V2 rocket that failed before reaching enough altitude. There were six Alberts in total, and only the sixth one made it back alive.

Albert the monkey



1960

The first space craft to return animals alive from orbit was the Sputnik 5. Two dogs, Belka and Strelka, a gray rabbit, 42 mice, two rats, and some fruit flies made it back to Earth.

1959

Two monkeys, Able and Baker, became the first to successfully return to Earth after a space flight. They were weightless for nine minutes out of their 16-minute flight.



Laika

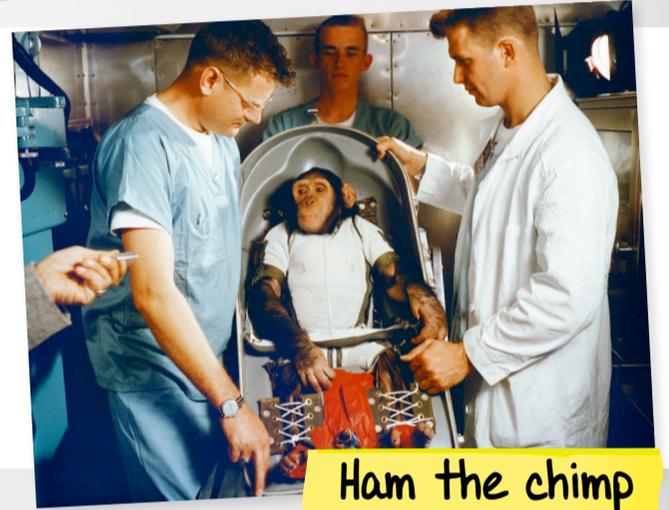
1950

The first living being to orbit the Earth on board the Sputnik II was Laika, a female dog. Poor Laika did not make it back to Earth, and scientists believe she died very soon after take-off, from stress and heat.



1961

Ham the chimp reached an altitude of 253 km, aboard the Mercury Redstone rocket. After he died, in 1983, scientists kept his skeleton for ongoing examination, and the rest of his body was laid to rest in front of the International Space Hall of Fame, in New Mexico.



Ham the chimp

Veterok and Ugolyok



1966

Two Russian dogs, Veterok and Ugolyok, orbited for 22 days, before landing safely. They hold the record for the longest space flight by dogs.



Felicette

1963

Felicette, a French cat, had electrodes implanted in her skin to transmit the changes in her vital functions. She made it safely back to Earth.

1964 - 1966

China launched mice, rats, and dogs into space.



1968

The Soviet Zond 5 became the first spacecraft to circle the moon. Two Russian tortoises, wine flies, mealworms, plants, seeds, and bacteria were on board.

1970

Spacecraft carried biological payloads, like rabbits, turtles, insects, fish, jellyfish, amoeba, and algae. In 1973, two female spiders, Arabella and Anita, were sent to the NASA space station Skylab. They remained there for 59 days.

Arabella and Anita



Nowadays, living organisms are sent to space to examine how they react to specific conditions. Scientists are trying to learn as much as possible about living in outer space.

Do you think that it's OK to send animals to space? Some people believe that many human lives would have been lost if our furry friends had not been sent to space.

What would animal rights groups think about all this? What do you think?

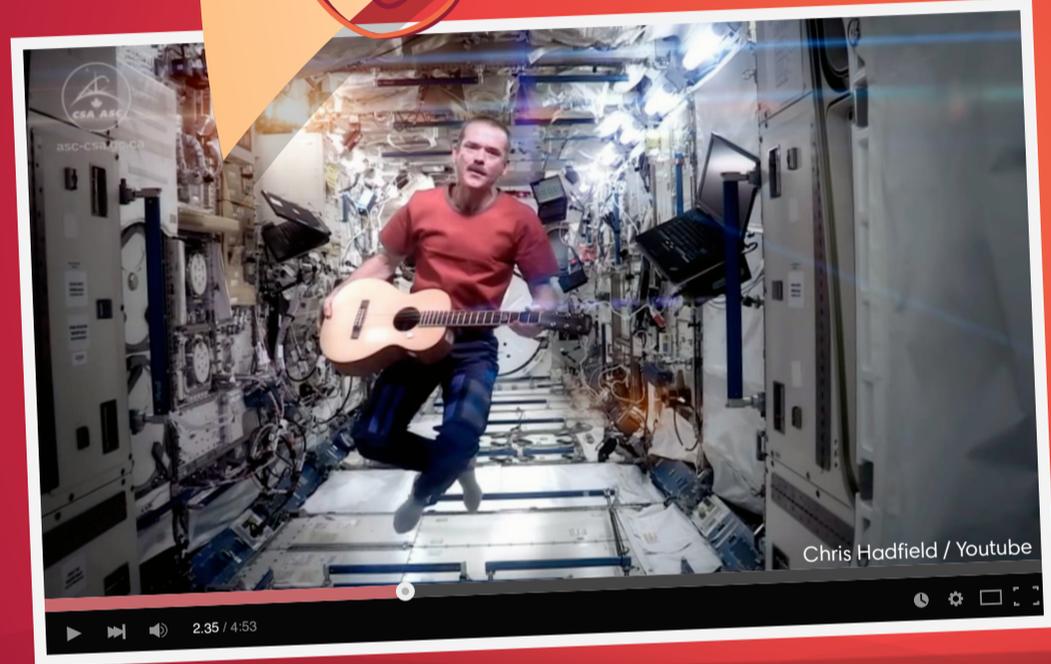
Do research to learn more about other animals sent to space.

2013

The latest animal launch happened in 2013. Iran sent a live monkey aboard the Pishgam space capsule. It returned safely.



The Story Behind THE TUNE



Space Oddity by David Bowie

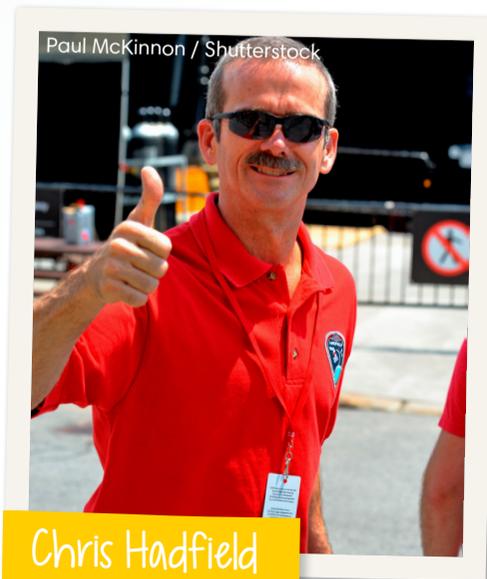
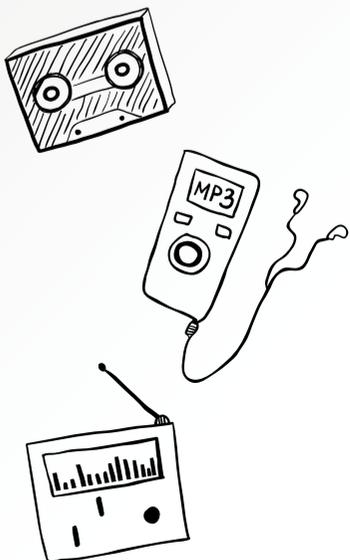
The first music video recorded in outer space was a version of the song **Space Oddity**, by **David Bowie**.

Canadian astronaut **Chris Hadfield** recorded the song before leaving the International Space Station.

The video became a huge success, but had to be taken off of YouTube, because there was an agreement to make it available for only one year. After negotiations with the publishing company and David Bowie, the video is now once again available.

Visit Commander Chris Hadfield's YouTube channel to see the video. You can also visit his Web page to learn about his accomplishments.

Have fun writing new lyrics to the song with your group. *You can even record it!*



Why did the cow go to outer space?
To visit the Milky Way.



What did the alien say to the cat?

Take me to your litter!



What did the alien say when he was out of room?

I'm all spaced out!



Why did the sun go to school?
To get brighter!



How can you tell that a vampire likes baseball?

He turns into a bat every night.



What do sea monsters eat for lunch?

Fish and ships



What do you call a witch who lives at the beach?

A sand witch



LOL!

What do you call a cow that works for a gardener?

A lawn moo-er

NOT FUNNY



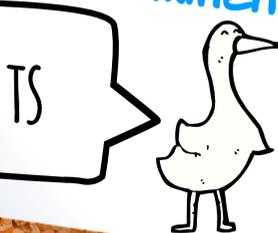
What's the most musical part of a chicken?

The drumstick!

BA-DUM-

What do ducks watch on TV?

Duckumentaries!





I SAW IT
FIRST



I read
it first



The Spiderwick Chronicles

Year: 2008

Director: Mark Waters

Starring: Freddie Highmore

Sarah Bolger

Mary-Louise Parker

Nick Nolte

Martin Short

Seth Rogen

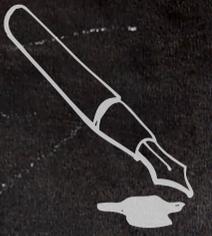
Plot:

Twin brothers Jared and Simon Grace, their mother, and their sister, move to an old house inherited from their elderly aunt, Lucinda Spiderwick. Exploring the new home, Jared finds a secret door that leads to the study of Arthur Spiderwick, the late owner of the house. He finds a book, a field guide to fairies, and opens it. He discovers a world of fairies, ogres, and goblins lurking all over the house. The children set out on an incredible adventure, trying to defeat an evil ogre that wants to rule the world.

This movie is based on the five books of The Spiderwick Chronicles, written by Holly Black and illustrated by Tony de Terlizzi.

Get together with some classmates and write an alternate ending to the movie. Act it out in front of the class.

Think,
Thought,
Thought.



There's always room for a story that can transport people to another place.

-- J.K. Rowling

There's a story behind everything. How a picture got on a wall. How a scar got on your face. Sometimes the stories are simple, and sometimes they are hard and heartbreaking. But behind all your stories is always your mother's story, because hers is where yours begin.

-- Mitch Albom, *For One More Day*

SHARE IT!

IT IS TIME
TO SHARE
YOUR
STORY!

Tell friends about:

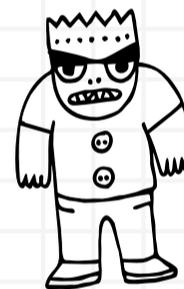
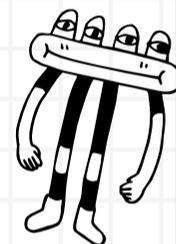
- the best vacation you've ever taken
- your family traditions and celebrations
- the scariest experience you've ever had



What kind of stories do you like?

Are you a thrill seeker, devouring scary movies or books? A hopeless romantic, who craves love stories? Do you enjoy action, dramas, or thrillers?

- **1. When someone tries to scare you, you ...**
- jump thirty feet in the air
 - laugh
 - start thinking about how to get back at them
- **2. You are face to face with the scariest monster you can imagine. What is your reaction?**
- faint and hope a super hero saves you
 - try to find out its weakest point to defeat it
 - fight until one of you drops dead
- **3. Your sister wants to see the new romantic movie. You ...**
- tell her you'll buy the tickets
 - make up an excuse not to go
 - you go with her, but only if she buys popcorn
- **4. Your best friend recommended you to read the new dramatic novel. You ...**
- start reading, with a box of tissues near you
 - tell her you'll read it only if a ghost is the main character
 - hope there is a car chase scene in one of the chapters
- **5. All your family goes to watch the latest thriller. You ...**
- go, but your hands are sweating all the time
 - enjoy the movie, but wish for a little more action
 - are so into the plot that you barely notice your sister's screams



Now count how many a's, b's, or c's you have to find out what kind of stories you like.

- You prefer romantic comedies or dramas.** You do not like to suffer or be on the edge of your seat. You do not mind shedding a few tears once in a while.
- You definitely love being scared!** You look fear right in the eye; the scarier the movie or book, the better!
- You love action-packed thrillers!** You dive into to the topic head on, and lose yourself in the story.

Riding a bike ... pretty easy, right?

Riding a bike through the Dolomites, the Alps, and the Pyrenees, with only one leg and one arm? **Not so easy!**

Christian Haettich is a French cyclist who participated in a race called The Haute Route. This is a brand new race, held for the first time in 2011. The first race was only across the Pyrenees, but by 2014 it had become a three-week race, crossing also the Dolomites and the Alps. Most riders enter only the first event, but a few of them complete the Triple Crown.

Christian was born in Alsace, in northeast France. At fifteen he was in an accident, and he lost his left leg from the hip down and his left arm below the elbow. He has a prosthetic leg for walking, but he cannot ride his bike with it.

He tried to participate in the 2000 Sydney Paralympics, but just before the games started he learned that his category would not be included. He then decided to ride sportives, events for amateurs, open to all cyclists.

Riding a bike was very hard at first, because he could not keep his balance. After a lot of training, almost a year, he finally felt confident. "I was extremely ill, I thought I would die, it was so difficult. I did it every day for fifteen days. Pedaling uphill with one leg is hard, it's just push and pull, if I forget one I fall. I can laugh about it now but it was very tough." -- BBC News Magazine

Find out what countries the cyclists have to pass through when competing in the Haute Route.



Natural disasters are caused by earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, and volcanic eruptions.

This is a list of the worst natural disasters that have happened since the year 2000.

Research when they struck and how deadly they were.

- Hurricane Katrina, United States
- Cyclone Nargis, Myanmar
- Typhoon Haiyan, Philippines
- Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami, Indian Ocean
- Haiti earthquake
- Kashmir earthquake, Pakistan
- Sichuan earthquake, China
- Japan earthquake and tsunami
- Tornado outbreak, United States
- Moore tornado, United States



Traditions and celebrations are part of every country's culture.

We celebrate with our family, sharing special moments. Around the world, people cook special meals that are a very important part of these celebrations. **Here are a few!**



Bread of the Dead, Mexico, Day of the Dead.

This Mexican celebration is held on November 2nd. Families visit the graves of their relatives and decorate them with all their favorite things and food. People also make an altar, dedicated to a deceased family member or a famous person. The bread of the dead is a delicious loaf, decorated with sugar and pieces of "bones."

Hákarl, Iceland, Thorraþlót (Mid-Winter Festival)

This festival is celebrated any time between January and February. Families get together for an evening dinner, where they recite poems and make speeches in honor of the Norse god Thor. They feast on traditional Viking food. Hákarl is rotten shark meat that has been fermented, cut into strings, and hung to dry. It takes several months for the dish to be ready, and it smells like ammonia.



Besan Burfi, India, Diwali

Diwali, or Festival of Lights, is celebrated between mid-October and mid-November. Before Diwali night, the day of the darkest new moon, people clean and decorate their houses and offices, dress up in new clothes, light candles inside and outside their homes, and participate in family prayers in honor of Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth and prosperity. Families exchange gifts and share Besan Burfi, fudge-like biscuits made of flour, ghee, sugar, and cardamom, topped with pistachios and other nuts.

Kahk, Egypt, Eid al-Fitr

Eid al-Fitr means Feast of Breaking the Fast, or Sugar Feast. It is celebrated by Muslims and marks the end of Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting. In Egypt it is a three-day feast, that involves family gatherings and cooking, and eating Kahk, cookies filled with nuts and powdered sugar. This festival is an occasion for showing gratitude to God, praying for mercy, peace, and blessings for all living beings across the globe.



TRENDY ME

IF YOU HAD TO DRESS UP FOR A MOVIE, **WHAT KIND WOULD YOU PICK?** A MOVIE SET IN THE FUTURE? **A MOVIE ABOUT PIRATES?** A HISTORIC DRAMA?

Clothes worn by actors in all these types of movies are very different. The person in charge of all the dresses, suits, and costumes is called the costume designer.

What does it take to be one?

- Creativity and a lot of imagination
- Good design skills
- Communication skills
- Knowledge of historical and modern fashions
- The ability to work under pressure
- Strong organizational skills

As a costume designer, you have to work closely with the producers, actors, hair and makeup teams, lighting crew, and camera operators.

The costume designer must first read the script and make sure he or she understands what the director wants.

Then research begins: into the fashions and fabrics that were used in the time period and location where the movie is set. The costume designer uses this information to create sketches, and when the designs are approved, the real work begins.

Props are a very important part of a costume. A cane, an umbrella, a purse, -- all of these accessories are also selected or designed by the costume designer.

Do you have what it takes to be a costume designer?

