



Summer Poetry



If you have ever been on a road trip or you are looking forward to one this summer, you will be able to relate to this poem!

Maybe you will write a road trip poem this summer!

Road Trip

By Oriana Letzelter, grade 7

In New York, you pack up and leave fast,
In New Jersey, you **beep**beep**beep*and* honk honk honk*!*
In Delaware, you leave with lots and lots of speed,
In Maryland, you wait wait wait for traffic to go,
In Washington D.C. you go around it so you aren't stressed,
In Virginia, you have lots of fun and finally, get some rest.
In a week, you have to repeat in reverse!

My NBA Mock Draft

By: Brady Cole, grade 7



There is an NBA draft every year that introduces teenagers and some young adults get drafted to their dream job, playing basketball for millions of dollars a year. There is a draft

lottery, so these teams know exactly which pick they get. Then, a week after, the players that declared to be drafted, there is an NBA combine. The NBA combine is where players measure height, weight, body fat, that stuff. Then they do drills and they go through those and then they have a 5 on 5 scrimmage. The teams get the players' info, and can decide to schedule workouts with them. In the upcoming weeks, these guys can decide whether to go back to college, or go into the draft. There is a 3 week span where NBA teams can trade their picks, and then the draft begins. During the draft, trades can also be made, but these selections I think they'll make are on if these teams don't make any trades, (pretty unlikely). If you want to watch the draft, it is on Thursday, June 20, the time and channel is unknown at this point. Therefore, this is what I feel every team should choose with their picks.

(The bios under players are for the more knowledgeable NBA fans.)

1) New Orleans Pelicans- Zion Williamson

This pick is basically a lock at this point. He's a 6'7, 284 pound machine who gets to the hoop at will, has a decent outside shot, who is an insane athlete, (has a 45 inch vertical), and is a great defender. He has the most upside in this draft, and could be a all time great when all set and done.

2) Memphis Grizzlies- Ja Morant

The only problem with this pick is they're gonna have to move Mike Conley, but it's worth the trade. Conley isn't a part of their future, and Morant is a pure point, that's super athletic, but has a inconsistent jumper, but when his jumpers going down, he's unstoppable. When he can't get in his groove, he'll move the ball, averaging 10 assists. To go along with 24.5 points in college, if he can maintain that, he'll be a superstar for years to come.

- 3) New York Knicks- Rj Barrett
- 4) Los Angeles Lakers- Darius Garland
- 5) Cleveland Cavaliers- Deandre Hunter
- 6) Phoenix Suns- Coby White
- 7) Chicago Bulls- Cam Reddish
- 8) Atlanta Hawks- Jarrett Culver
- 9) Washington Wizards- Nassir Little
- 10) Atlanta Hawks- Jaxon Hayes
- 11) Minnesota Timberwolves- Kevin Porter Jr
- 12) Charlotte Hornets- Sekou Doumbouya
- 13) Miami Heat- Rui Hachimura
- 14) Boston Celtics- Pj Washington
- 15) Detroit Pistons- Romeo Langford
- 16) Orlando Magic- Nickeil Alexander-Walker
- 17) Brooklyn Nets- Mfiondu Kabengele
- 18) Indiana Pacers- Cam Johnson
- 19) San Antonio Spurs- Goga Bitadze
- 20) Boston Celtics- Carsen Edwards
- 21) Oklahoma City Thunder- Keldon Johnson
- 22) Boston Celtics- KZ Okpala
- 23) Utah Jazz- Ty Jerome
- 24) Philadelphia 76ers- Chuma Okeke
- 25) Portland Trailblazers- Darius Bazley
- 26) Cleveland Cavaliers- Bruno Fernando
- 27) Brooklyn Nets- Matisse Thybulle
- 28) Golden State Warriors- Talen-Horton Tucker
- 29) San Antonio Spurs- Luke Samanic
- 30) Milwaukee Bucks- Nic Claxton

Lungs Simulation in 7th Grade Science

Text and Diagram by Luca Flach, grade 7

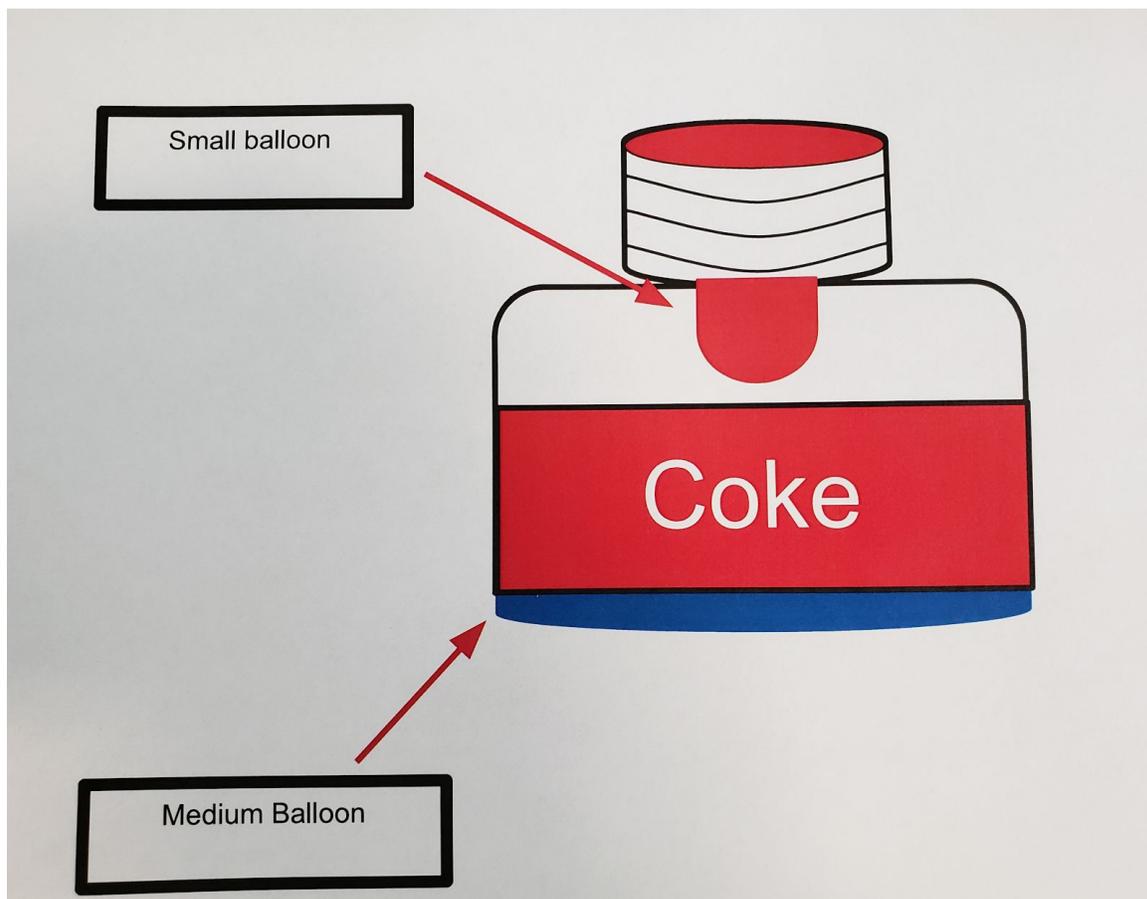
In science class, we made lung models out of soda bottles and balloons. We did this so we could see how lungs work because we were studying the respiratory system and cardiovascular system. We prepared for quizzes and the final exam.

You need:

- Tape
- 1 small balloon
- 1 medium balloon
- Scissors
- 1 soda bottle

Steps:

1. Cut 20 ounce soda bottle in half.
2. Roll small balloon over the opening at the top.
3. Cut the medium balloon in half so it's one flat piece.
4. Cut $\frac{1}{2}$ inch off the top part of the balloon.
5. Tape medium balloon piece to the bottom
6. Pull or push to make the balloon inflate.



Sewol Ferry Disaster

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

On the morning of April 16 2014, a passenger boat carrying 476 people from Incheon towards Jeju in South Korea sank. Out of the 476 passengers 325 of them were secondary students from Danwon High School in Ansan City. The 6,825 ton vessel sent out a distress signal about 2.7 kilometers north of Byeongpungdo at 8:58 Korean Standard Time. In total 304 passengers and crew members died in the disaster, while the remaining 172 survivors were rescued by fishing boats and other commercial vessels 40 minutes after the Korean Coast Guard.



Danwon High School was closed until April 24, when it opened up to its 75 surviving juniors. Yellow ribbons were tied to the gates and a shrine of flowers and hundreds of notes adorned the school's entrance. A makeshift memorial was placed in the gym with walls of flowers and pictures of the dead and missing. After this terrible incident the school's vice principal Kang Min-kyu, who was rescued from the ferry, took his own life.



The incident caused out spread social and political reaction within South Korea. Many criticized the actions of the captain and crew, as well as the ferry operator and regulators who oversaw its operations. The Korean government was also criticized for its disaster of a response, including poor showing of the then South Korean coast guard and attempts to downplay government culpability.

On May 15 2014, the captain and three crew members were charged with murder, while the eleven other members of the crew were indicted for abandoning ship. There also was an arrest warrant issued for Yoo Byung-eun, the owner of the Chonghaejin Marine, which operated *Sewol*, but he could not be found even with a nationwide manhunt. Only on July 22 2014, they had found Yoo deceased in a field 415 kilometers south of Seoul.

The South Korean Coast Guard believes that the cause may have been the sudden turn caused the cargo pit to shift to port. Causing the ship to become unmanageable for the crew. This theory had been proven by the analysis of the ship's Automatic Identification System data. Experts such as Lee Sang-yun, a professor of environment and maritime technology at Pukyong National University, have also



agreed. Another cause may have been the decreasing of the restoring force which cause the ship to capsize. The *Prosecution/Police Coalition Investigations Headquarters* is currently investigating secondary causes which could have lessened the ship's restoring force. This was a terrible accident that took many lives such as students, teachers, and other families. Till this day they are still investigating what really happened on that dreadful day.

“Danwon High School.” *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 26 Apr. 2019, en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danwon_High_School.

“Sinking of MV Sewol.” *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 16 May 2019, en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinking_of_MV_Sewol#Survivors_and_casualties.

NU'EST

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

NU'EST is a South Korean boy group formed under Pledis Entertainment, which debuted on March 15 2012 with song “Face.” The group consists of five members, JR, Aron, Baekho, and Ren. Before debut the members were backup dancers for other groups from there company and released their own music video for “Love Letter” as Pledis Boys. After their debut members started in their own



reality show *Making of a Star: NU'EST Landing Operation*.

They later returned with their first EP, *Action*, on July 11 and later became ambassadors for Korea’s Scout Association. During their promotions NU'EST began to expand to the global markets, holding events in Japan, Australia, other parts of Asia, United States, and performances at KCON. During December NU'EST also started doing endorsements for McDonald’s. They returned again the next year with their second EP, *Hello*, on February 13. On August 22, NU'EST released their third EP, *Sleep Talking*, and in July the next year they released their first full album, *Re:BIRTH*. On November 5 NU'EST released their first Japanese single “Shalala Ring”.



During 2015 promotions of their digital single "I'm Bad", Baekho could not participate due to recovery of vocal cord polyps surgery. However he did contribute to their B-side track "A Scene Without You". The group also held their first solo showcase in North America in Dallas on May 3. Their fourth EP, *Q Is*, was released on February 17 2016 with lead single "Overcome". NU'EST released their fifth EP, *Canvas*, with lead single "Love Paint (Every Afternoon)" in August. Finally after four years of promotions the boys finally got their first win on the music show *The Show*.



NU'EST W, their subunit, was formed while

member Minhyun

made it to the final ranking of reality tv show *Produce 101 Season 2*. Which led to him later debuting with the rest of the final eleven in group Wanna One. NU'EST W released a total of three EP's such as *W*, *Here*, *Who You* and *Wake;N*. After the return of Minhyun following Wanna One's disbandment NU'EST W disbanded as well. The group continued to promote as its original five



member group.

In 2019 NU'EST chose to renew their contracts with Pledis Entertainment and released a special digital single "A Song For You" on their 7th debut anniversary. On April 3 Minhyun released a digital solo song called "Universe" a pre-release for their upcoming album. Their sixth EP was released on April 29 titled *Happily Ever After* with lead single "Bet Bet".

"NU'EST." *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 30 May 2019, en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NU%27EST.



Have you seen the Monarch Way Station? We're helping monarch butterflies here at MH!

EXID

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

EXID which stands for “Exceed in Dreaming” is a South Korean girl group under Banna Culture. The group debuted in February of 2012 with six members, LE, Hani, Jeonghwa, Dami, Yuji and Haeryeong. With the single “Whoz That Girl” from their digital single album on February 16, 2012. Their debut song peaked at number 36 on Gaon Singles Chart and sold 840,000 digital copies. However both Dami and Yuji left the group to focus on their studies, while Haeryeong left to pursue a career in acting. Two members were added after their departure, Solji and Hyelin, which creates the now nine line up of EXID.



EXID was originally named “WT” which stood for “Who’s That”, however they changed the name a couple months before debut. With the new members EXID returned in August 2012, with their second single “I Feel Good” from their first EP *Hippity Hop*. Which reached number 13 on Gaon Albums Chart and sold 1,500 copies. In October they released a new digital single called “Every Night”, as well as an alternate version of LE’s self-written song called “Phone Call”. “Every Night” reached number 43 on Gaon Albums Chart and sold 105,000 digital copies. On December 6, EXID won the rookie award at the 20th Korea Culture & Entertainment Awards.

In 2014 the girls gained a bunch of popularity with single “Up and Down”, which reached number one on Gaon Singles Chart four months after its release due to fan recordings becoming a viral sensation. The song was released on August 27 2014 and originally didn’t chart well. However after a fancam of member Hani performing the song, the song went viral around every social media outlet in Korea and even went as far as America and the rest of the world. The video has been viewed of 29 million times since its release. The



girls took their first music show win with this song on January 8 another on January 9, and a third on January 11 2015.

In February of 2015, member Solji participated in MBC's singing competition *King of Mask Singer* and became the first winner of the show. On April 13, EXID released their second EP "Ah Yeah" which they won first a total of four times. In May, they made their first American performance at the Korean Music Festival in Los Angeles, California. As well as on November 7, they won MBC Music Star Award at Melon Music Awards. Ten days later their music video for "Hot Pink" was released, which gave them



a total of two wins on music shows with this song.

On March 18 2016; EXID held their first Chinese fan meeting called 'EXID's LEGGO Show in Shanghai'. On June 1, the group released their first studio album named *Street*, which is made of 12 tracks all either written or composed by member LE. Title track "L.I.E" gave them a total of three wins on music shows, while the album

peaked number two on Gaon Album Chart. However after their release of Chinese single "Cream" member Solji would be taking off promotions till 2018 due to health reasons. After this the girls continued as a group of four releasing many other albums and singles.

In 2018, member Solji returns and the girls make a full comeback with single album / *Love You* on November 11. The title track of the same name reached number five on Billboard's World Digital Song Sales. On May 10 2019 EXID released their newest single 'Me & You' with their album *We*.



However after promotions are done members Hani and Junghwa will not continue with the group. Due to them not renewing their contracts and focusing on other activities. However they say this won't be the end of EXID and they will continue together in the future.

"EXID." *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 23 May 2019, en.wikipedia.org/wiki/EXID.

Ladies' Code

By Bridget Soden, grade 9



Ladies' Code is a South Korean girl group formed under Polaris Entertainment in 2013. The group's original line up consisted up of Ashley, RiSe, EunB, Sojung and Zuny. On March 7 2013 Ladies' Code made their debut with mini album *Code#01* and lead track "Bad Girl". The day after their debut, their song charted well on music charts including Bugs, Soribada, Mnet and Daum. Their first digital single "Hate You" was released on August 6 2013 and on September 5, they released their second mini album *Code#02 Pretty Pretty*.

On February 13 2014; Ladies' Code released their second digital single "So Wonderful". Later in August the girls released their new single "Kiss Kiss" and began promotions the following day. On September 3 2014 after returning from a recording of KBS "Open Concert" at DGIST, the girls were involved in a serious car accident. Taking the lives of EunB and RiSe, as well as many of the other members sustaining minor to major injuries. Ladies' Code held a memorial concert on August 22 2015 named "I'm Fine, Thank You: RiSe & EunB" at Shinagawa Stellar ball in Tokyo, Japan.



However this didn't stop the remaining girls from continuing together, they released a digital single title "I'll Smile Even If It Hurts" on the anniversary of RiSe death, September 7 2015. Later that next year in February Ladies' Code released their first album as a trio named *Myst3ry* and in October they released their second album *Strang3r*. In May of this year the girls released their newest single titled "Feedback" making it their first comeback in about 2 years.

These girls have come along way with everything that has happened to them. They will continue to work hard and never give up.

Animal Jam

By Jasleen Kaur, grade 7

I think some of you might know about the game which free and online called ANIMAL JAM, this game is one of my favorite games and in this article you will get to know about this game. This game is only for fun and get to know about other animals who lives in jungle and other who live in water, this game has a ANIMAL JAM junior for kids in kindergarten or in elementary school to learn about new things this game is kind of cool too, but I play the Animal Jam Play Wild. This

game has things to earn like diamonds  (that's how they look like) and gems  and they have this little box on the top of the

screen to know how much gems and diamonds you have like this and I will show how you have the screen when you play.



This one is when you login and when are logged in.



This is just a image from google and if you will play you will get to know about other stuff too, you can even become a member to unlock all of the jamma in the game. And you can even buy dens or you will have a simple den like this one and you are going to get this stuff to decorate your den and things you are given are or if you are a member you can buy amazing dens like this one.



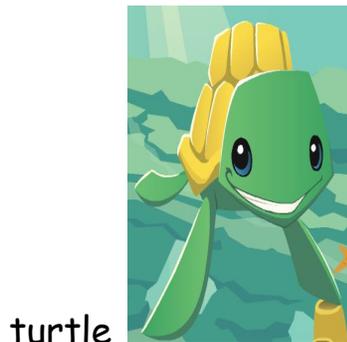


This one is one of my dens, the sunken ship. 🙌 😊 👍 😄 🙌 😄 😄 😄 😄

After these dens you can even buy stuff for your dens, if you will go to this home button like in the picture to the **right in the bottom** you will find items like shown in the picture like a cushion, pushies, trees, flags of different countries, rugs, sofa's, tables, chairs, and much more. And you can even have membership and be every animal like these but if you will enter the game first time it will have only these animals you will have to choose one.



And if you have membership you can be every single animal or buy all 1000 animals



An owl



, A fox



, An Octopus



A koala



A sheep



A dolphin



A Rhino



AND MANY MORE!!! 👍👍 😊

And this game have games in it like this(I am just showing you guys the screenshot I have taken.)



So I will show you guys the screen that pops up when you click on them. The first one BOWLING.



(I WAS JUST PLAYING THIS GAME ANOTHER JAMMER AND HE/SHE WAS MAKING RANDOM FACES 😊)

SECOND ONE PAIRS



(PLAYING WITH OTHER PERSON AGAIN BECAUSE THESE ARE PARTNER GAMES)

THIRD GAME IS SCOOPED.



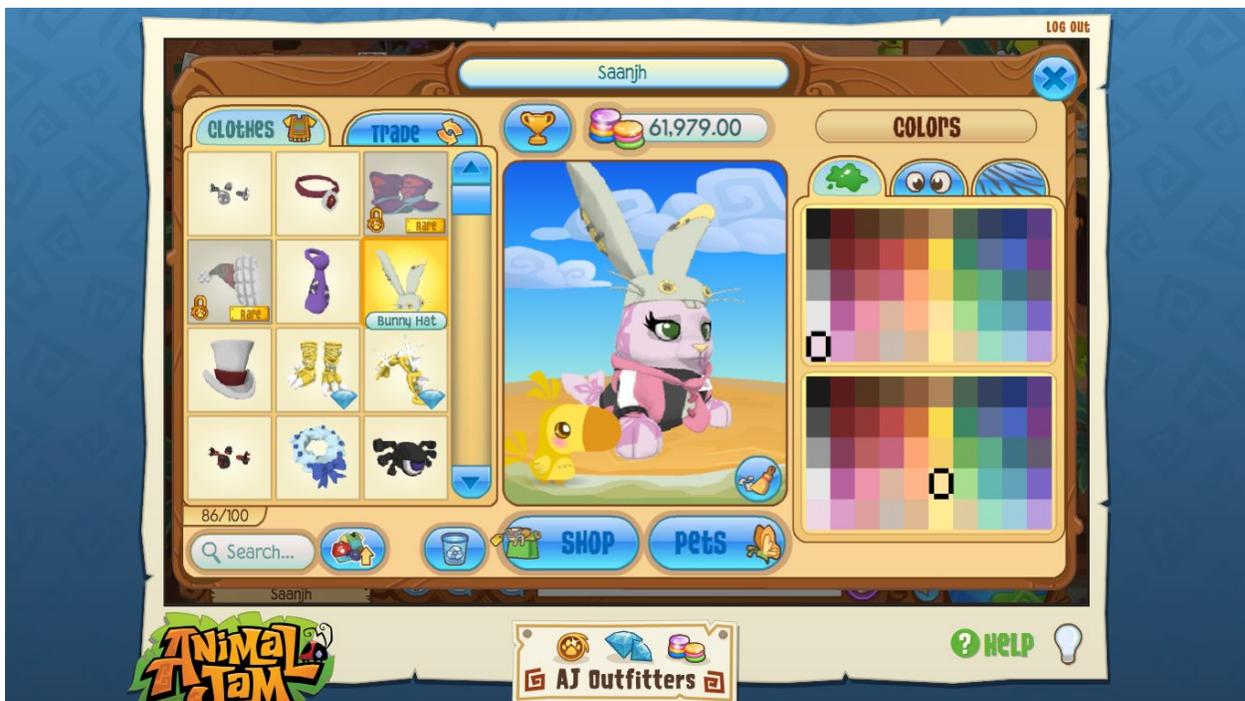
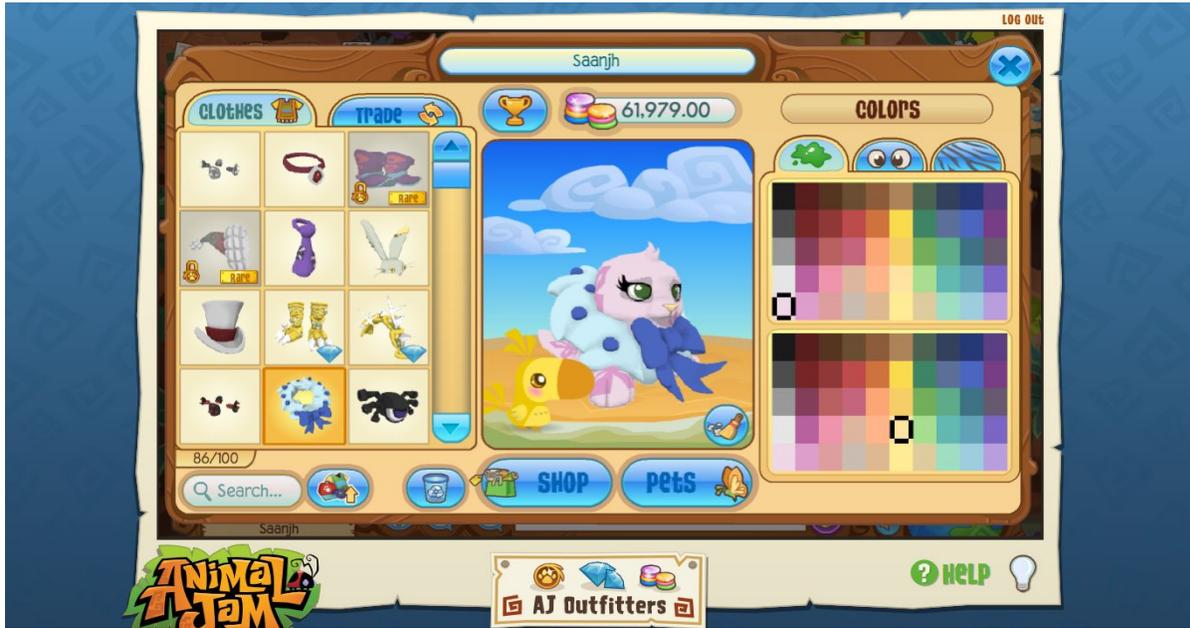
THIS ONE IS JAMAA DERBY (MY FAVORITE GAME)



NEXT ONE SKY HIGH (MY FAVORITE GAME AGAIN)



Ok so I am not going to reveal all the games so the next thing about this game is you can make actual buddies and really chat with them but you can not swear and the good thing about this is that you cannot write bad things and cannot share any personal info! And you can change your look like this.





And you can even adopt pets like mine, this dodo.

And you guys can even go to the adventure base camp which look like this.



And the other parties like spring festival too, you can even host a party. I hope you try this game!

Summer Reading Opportunities for Prizes and Game Tickets!

The Castleton Public Library is having a Summer Reading Program again this year. Their newsletter says, "Summer fun at the library begins on **Wednesday, June 26, from 3:00-6:00 pm** when the library hosts our **Summer Reading Kickoff Party**. Come sign up for our Summer Reading Program and enjoy some free ice cream courtesy of Stewart's Shops! "



One of the prizes from CPL will be a free ticket to the August 26th ValleyCats Baseball Game.

Here is a form you can use to earn a free ticket to the July 20th Albany Empire Arena Football Game.

A collection of forms and a photo for the Albany Empire Reading with the Empire program. The items are pinned to an orange background. At the top left is a dark blue form titled 'READING WITH THE ALBANY EMPIRE' and 'STUDENTS ATTENDING "READING NIGHT AT THE EMPIRE" WILL RECEIVE:'. It lists a complimentary ticket to any regular season home game and a certificate of completion. It is powered by M&T Bank. To the right is a photo of a player in a red jersey, Malachi Jones, with the number 7. Below the photo is a form titled 'READING WITH THE ALBANY EMPIRE' and 'LIST THE FIVE BOOKS YOU READ AND HAVE A PARENT OR GUARDIAN INITIAL NEXT TO EACH.' It has five numbered lines for book titles and initials. At the bottom left is a larger form with a registration section for 'READING WITH THE EMPIRE' and a payment section. The registration section asks for student, school, parent/guardian, phone, and email information. The payment section lists options for student tickets (1 @ FREE), friends & family tickets, and concession vouchers (\$10). It also includes a section for 'ADDITIONAL TICKET OPTIONS AVAILABLE AT THEALBANYEMPIRE.COM/READING' and an 'ORDER TOTAL:' field.