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SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

Beth Kralely grew the control plants. She planted two beans in cotton. They were placed in the light and watered as needed. They grew but never blossomed. The color was a dark green.

Nancy Dunton planted two beans the same way Beth planted the control plants. The difference was that she put hers in the closet where they got almost no light. They grew much taller than Beth's and were a lighter yellowish green.

Colleen Campbell glued two beans together with Elmer's glue to see if they would germinate. They did, breaking the seal. As they grew they twisted together.

Tim gunio planted six beans in soil. When they came up he took half the bean off two plants. On another two plants he took the whole bean off. On the last two he left the whole bean on. The one's with the whole seeds grew best. They blossomed and now have little beans. The ones with half a bean were not as big but they did grow and are blossoming. The ones with no beans grew slowly. They died but we aren't really sure why because when Tim took the plants home before Christmas. His cat chewed the tops off these!

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EXPERIMENTING IN 415

In Room 415 we are starting the analyzing of liquids which is called chromatography.

To do the experiment you will need newsprint or chromatography paper, a plate, water, and green, red and blue ink.

First you crease the paper and lay it on the plate. Mix the colors of ink together. Then you dip the paper in the water and let the paper dry overnight. In the morning you should find the colors that were mixed, separated into the colors you started with.

Tom Cowles

Room 406 has been doing experiments on friction. We have proved that friction produces heat. We sure could use some of that friction on these winter mornings. We also proved that grease reduces friction - so why does my mother tell me to stay out of it?

Charles Ruff - 406

In our class we are starting to study Geometry. We also have pictures of animals and we would pick one out and write a story about it. We saw some movies about economics, taxes and banking.

Rick Armstrong -412

In Social Studies we are learning about government. There are 3 branches. The Legislative, the Judicial and the Executive. The legislative branch is made up of Congress. There are 2 parts of Congress, the House of Representatives and the Senate. The House of Representatives has 437 members. Every state has a different number of members, because it is based on population. The House of Representatives makes the law. In the Senate there are 100 members. There are 2 for every state. The Senate makes laws too. When the laws are made they are taken to the Executive branch, which is the President and his cabinet. He will either sign it to become a law or veto it. If he vetoes it, it might not become a law. Then the Congress will take it back and vote for it. If the House of Representatives and the Senate vote 2/3 of votes in favor, it will become a law.

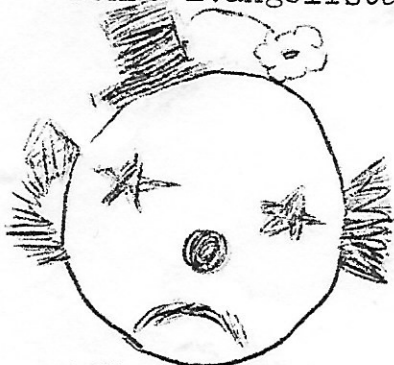
The second branch is the Executive branch. This is made up of the President and his Cabinet.

The third branch is the Judicial branch. In here is the Supreme Court. This is the highest court in the U.S. Most cases that take place here are from lower courts. There are 8 justices and 1 chief justice. The chief Justice is Earl Warren. The Judicial branch enforces the law or interprets it. Lisa Ballierer - 414

THE SAD CLOWN

One day the circus
came to town.
In the circus I
saw acrobats,
riders, horses, and
wild animals. But
best of all the
clowns. Everyone
like's the clowns
because they
look so funny and
always smile.
That day I saw
a sad clown. Why
are you so sad
I asked? Because
they drew my
mouth upside down.

Donna Evangelista-408



SQUARE DANCING IN 416

Our class has started to square-dance. We have three complete sets, and we each have a partner. We dance for a short period on afternoons on days that we do not have gym. We do dances like the Grand Square, and the Forward Six. The dances are fun to learn, and we enjoy square-dancing in school.

Lisa DeVuyst - 416

An East German was talking to an American. He said have a good house, car and job. I can't complain. The American said, I to have a good house, car and job, but I can complain.

Nancy Delles - 416

MAYFLOWER PASSENGERS TELL OF TRIALS!

We are having a rough trip. Storms are coming. Water is coming over the deck and comes down to where we sleep. Most of our fresh water is gone. The meat is spoiling. All there is to eat is hard bread. Earlier the main part of the ship cracked. One of the men had a screw and mended it. We still think it might sink. Many of us are sick and some are dying. The children are bored. They are playing they-are in the new land. The fires have gone out. We are afraid to sleep.

Sincerely,
Thomas McLain

It is very cold on the ship and there is hardly anything to eat. The pork and beef are spoiled.

We are all wet, and there is a big storm and waves come on deck. Many people are sick and some have died. Most of the water is gone. The lanterns went out. Even the little fires could not burn. We are all soaked. Then with a sound like a big shot, the main part of the ship cracked! We were thankful that one of the men had brought a very long iron screw. After a few days the storm passed. But the sea and sky stayed gray and dark. For the rest of the trip waves rolled over the deck. Everyone thought the ship would sink. Now you can understand why we are happy to see land.

Laurie Sandle-407

The voyage I'm taking is rough and dangerous. Winds are very strong, so strong they blew down the mast. There are only bread and water left. All the meat spoiled and got dirty. I want to get to America as fast as possible to get better food. One sailor wanted to get there so badly that he was seeing things. One time he jumped off the deck, because he thought he saw land. One sailor thinks we're off course but I'm sure we'll get there.

Chris McWilton-407

Room 420 made a castle. We had it out in the hall for a while. We made it out of cardboard. Then we painted it gray. Darline, Melisa, Mark, John, Jim, Kathy, Don, David, made a castle. The castle had a kitchen, stable, fence, drawbridge, and lots of other things. It was lots of fun to make.

Dotty Townsend-420

PRESIDENTS REPORTS

In room 411 we each picked a president. Then we made a picture as best as we could of him. Then we wrote a report on him without writing his name in it. We hung it out in the hall. Then we made an answer key with colored paper over the president's name. Then you read about the president, and you try to guess which one it is. Then you lift up the colored paper and see if your guess is right.

Edward Maruggi-411

RENAISSANCE

Our room, 416, has been studying the Renaissance. Mrs. Wright and our student teacher, Miss Byrsyck, taught us about this period.

One thing that I thought was interesting were the Crusades. Adults and children traveled east to try to recapture Jerusalem, the Holy Land. One thing was accomplished: they brought back ideas and souvenirs. They were not successful in winning back the Holy Land for long.

Laurie Hill-416

SKATING

Skating is fun when you know how, but if you don't, it's pretty easy to fall. I can't skate very well myself. One reason I always fall is because there are lots of trees where I go skating, and I always bump into them. Whenever I try to avoid the trees I fall. I must keep trying to improve my skating skill. I realize that the only way I can do this is to keep skating. ---Nancy Ulrich-416

HAPPINESS IS:

Hearing the last clock minute of the week go tick.

Not taking a shower in gym.

Falling down the stairs so it hurts just enough to go home, but playing outside as soon as you get home.

Danny Livingston-418

INDIANS

Indians were the first ones to live in the United States. There are 470,000 Indians in North America. Indians lived in tribes in the old days. Now they live on reservations. They use Indians for making buildings because they don't get dizzy. Here are some names of reservations, Onondaga, Navaho, St. Regis, Iroquois. Indians lived in Pueblos, hogans, log-houses and tepees.

Kent Beers-411

NEGROES

Negroes came from Africa. They were brought over and sold at a slave auction. They were put to work on a plantation as slaves. After the Civil War they were set free. Most of them moved up north and got good jobs. There are about 20,000,000 Negroes today. Many of them are athletes, musicians, and some are in politics. Cleveland now has a Negroe mayor.

Edward Maruggi-411

Once there was a Russian named Rudolf.

One day as he gazed out the window he said, "It's raining". His wife replied, "No it isn't, its snowing." Rudolf answered, "No it isn't. Its raining". His wife said, "If you look at it closer you can see its snowing."

Rudolf then said, "Listen, Rudolf the Red knows rain dear".

Colleen Fairchild-421

One night they held a concert in a house that people said "was haunted". Schubert was composing and it sounded as though ghosts were tuning fiddles and base fiddles.

It was an eerie sound. But Schubert still wrote on. Then as it became morning, the ghosts had to hurry. It was day break. Schubert was asleep. Then it was morning, Schubert woke up. He forgot about the music paper! Sometime later he remembered. He went back. It wasn't there. He looked all over the house. He still couldn't find it. He looked in the basement, where was working last night. Then sometime later Schubert died. Then some people found it. They named it the Unfinished Symphony. It wasn't finished!

David Shearer-413

A VALENTINE

I'd like to write a Valentine,
On this Valentine day.
But it is very hard to find,
Something just right to say.
So I will say simply.
HAPPY VALENTINE!

Donna Evangelista-408

Question: Which is correct: The white of the egg is yellow, or the white of eggs are yellow?
Answer: Neither. The whites are never yellow.

THE MYTH OF FLOWERS

All the Greek Gods were going to do a play about the future. Athena was chosen to be a hippie.

Athena didn't have any flowers, so she decided to grow some. While she was carrying a basket of seeds, she fell. The seeds fell out of the basket and the wind carried them to earth.

That's how we got flowers. At least, this is my story. Believe it if you'd like.

Nancy Delles-416

On an island a great feast was taking place. The princess Linnea was to be fed to the volcano which was predicted to erupt.

She felt very sad and was weeping bitterly. Soon the guards came in and took her out of the room. They crept up to the rim of the volcano. Quickly the princess was thrown into the volcano.

With no warning, the volcano suddenly erupted. The unprepared people were smothered by the hot flowing lava, ashes, and cinders. The village was destroyed.

Finally the angry volcano calmed down. Then the sea roared, waves swept over the land. Sea gulls were screaming. Not sweet music!

It was years later when a girl and her widowed father discovered the island. The birds were singing and all was quiet and peaceful. They found the corpse of Linnea lying in a bed of lava.

A new civilization had taken over the island.

Many peaceful years past but then history repeated itself. The volcano erupted again, destroying everything in its path.

Lisa DeVuyt -416

A STREET SCENE

On Friday 1,22 century, I saw a ordinary every day street scene and this is what I saw. A man screaming, "Help! A giant atomic enigizide model 49B12 4917Z12 70 foot solar run cockroach has me!

While the cockroach had him Godzilla rose right through main street while Super-Cockroach killer was battling the giant atomic enigizide model 49B12 4917Z 70 foot solar run cockroach.

"Oh, what a boring scene, "I said after King Cong carried me to the Island of the Monsters.

Mark Smith-421

Question: Which of the stars should be made to obey the game laws?
Answer: Shooting Stars

THE LAST OF THE TALKING BANANAS

Few people know what happened to the last of the talking bananas. Since I am one of those who knows, I would like to share it with you. So here is the story of Alfred, the last talking banana to leave this earth.

Alfred lay in the warm Hawaiiin sun. He was thinking of the horrible disease which killed off all of the Talking Bananas except himself. He was the strongest and healthiest of them. No wonder he survived the Talkban Plague!

Just then a hungry fisherman came along and saw this nice, ripe, banana lying on the beach. He was about to eat it when Alfred shouted, "Oh no you don't!" Very startled, the fishermen rowed away as fast as he could. You can imagine how scared you would be if a banana said that!

Alfred lived for a long time since no one wanted to eat a banana that talked. He felt the cool leaves on his feet as he roamed the jungle. He sat down to rest and suddenly heard a chimpanzee call. The chimp was nearby, but Alfred needn't worry. He could scare anyone when he spoke.

The chimp came up and grabbed Alfred. "Oh no you don't!" he screamed. The animal laughed, poked Alfred in the stomach, and plopped the last Talking Banana into his mouth. So that is what happened to the last Talking Banana. (Poor Alfred)
Leni Kraai - 416

BOOKS

Books are red.
Books are blue.
Books are always good for you.
Jill Prachel - 421

How many words can you make out of this word? Valentine's Day Cards. I got 87 words. See if you can do the same. You may use proper nouns.

Barbara Godek - 402

MOBY DICK

This book was written by by Herman Melville. Ishmail was one of the crew and he tells the story. Its about Captain Ahab who tries to gather a crew so he can find Moby Dick. Cap- tain Ahab wanted to kill Moby Dick because he bit off the Captain's leg some years before. On their voyage they saw Moby Dick twice. They had a lot of adventures on the trip and some were terrible.

I recommend this book to everyone.
Joyce Hyman - 419

THOUGHTS ON LISTENING TO THE UNFIN- ISHED SYMPHONY

Someone walking through a lonely dark street and then it becomes day- light and the street begins to be- come busy and crowded and then as it becomes night it becomes less crowded and the walks on a non-crowded street and then something happens - he gets attacked or hit by something and wakes up in a hospital feeling better and when he goes to sleep he dreams about his accident and then he gets released from the hospital and goes back out on a lonely street again and then it becomes crowded and then he thinks someone is following him and gets attacked again and is back in a hospital and it keeps on and on until the last time he is killed.

Richard Hart - 420

WAR

John Landon - 410

What causes it?
Nobody knows.
If only a torch
Could be lighted
And peace come
Again.

War is an unwanted thing.
Men both good
And bad will start

To throw or fling
Things at us.
Grenades and guns
Might help stop it.
War will never stop.
Only start in another-generation

THE BLACK KNIGHT
BY LIZ WOOLSEY

CHAPTER I

It was August 10, 410 when Earl Whittington was born of Julia and Jonathan Whittington in Englan. Earl was born with blond hair and charming blue eyes. He was a very bright boy and solved all his problems cleverly.

Even when Earl was a little boy, he showed every sign of having royalty in his blood. For instance, when Earl was just three years old, he would take the maid's broom, and prance around the castle yelling CHARGE!

CHAPTER 2

A few years later, when Earl was having his seventh birthday, all the maids, the butlers his relatives and even the old gatekeeper gathered around a very long table filled with pigs with apples in their mouth, fresh food, vegetables and the like. What was the big occasion? Why all this fuss? Well, Earl Whittington was going over to Baron Knightzer's residence to serve as a pageboy!

So the next week, Earl was driven in a coach to serve for seven years at the Baron's castle. It took him two days and a night to get to Baron Knightzer's residence because his father had ordered the driver to go no faster than a mannerly trot. (You see, Earl's father didn't want to lose his dignity!)

CHAPTER 3

After Earl had served the Baron for a few years, he was called into the throne room and the Baron told him this "My boy, it's about time you went and watched the squires at work. You are ten now and you yourself will be a squire. It is my opinion that you should try it just once. Being a squire I mean.

With this remark, Earl was sent to the knights dormitory and served a knight that had just been dubbed. His name was Sir Charles Piney.

After awhile Earl said to Sir Charles "I think I would rather be a composer instead of a knight!"

"How do you know? Have you ever[?] composed anything before?" he asked.

"Oh yes! Just listen to this!" was Earl's reply.

Ohhhhh, now I am a page boy

Tomorrow I'll be one too

But four more years from now,

I'll be a squire for you!

And I'll be a squire the next day,

The next and next and next,

But please, please just you wait

"Cause a Knight is my - bait!

"That's very good! But I still

say you should be a knight!" Charles told Earl. "Well I really don't know. But I think that if I'm born to be a knight I should stick with it, so I will!" Earl said.

"A very wise decision! I'm very proud of you!" Charles said in agreement.

The next day, when Earl went to see his father he said, "Gee I just can't wait to be a squire!"

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