



# BRAIN

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# WAVE

## School News

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**Kozlova Varvara** took part in an annual festival called "Language" dedicated to the Days of Languages. Every year every school presents its talents who sing in different languages. The aim of this festival is to show the diversity of languages that children in Saint Petersburg study. Varvara sang a wonderful jazz composition in English.

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**Ireland** – a dream or reality? Alice Boardman, who organizes courses for foreign students from Ireland, invited our students to improve English, have great time doing different activities, such as horse riding, dancing and many others. It was so pleasant to spend time with her; we sang an Irish popular song. Students were really concerned, they wanted to know as much as they could, asking different questions.

## World News

### Neil Armstrong

Neil Alden Armstrong (August 5, 1930 – August 25, 2012) was an American astronaut and the first person to walk on the Moon. He was also an aerospace engineer, naval aviator, test pilot, and university professor. Armstrong's second and last spaceflight was as mission commander of the Apollo 11 moon landing in July 1969. Armstrong died in Cincinnati at the age of 82 on August 25, 2012, due to complications from blocked coronary arteries.

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October, 5 – World Smile Day. We should thank for it a painter Harvey Ball.

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October, 6, 1927 – the premiere of the first sound film "Jazz Singer".

## Hello dear friends!

### Teaching – ars Nobilissima

The whole country celebrates "Teacher's Day" on October 5. On this day former school-leavers and present students, parents and teachers are more closely united. Some of them remember funny school stories, others feel nostalgic about their childhood and youth. Everyone's life is connected with school for it is a unique place where students get an opportunity not only to meet regularly but get knowledge in different sciences and also start to understand valuable things.

School is a special world of inspiration. School motivates children "to explore strange new worlds, to seek out new life and new civilizations, to boldly go where no one has gone before"

**Ludmila Dmitrievna Tulupova, a teacher of English**

## MEET KYLE MACDONALD !

We live in a very interesting time. Today we have a wonderful opportunity to fulfill our wishes and plans. We can not only find out information and to communicate via the Internet, but make really unique things! For example you can make a lot of money or to become famous all over the world. Unbelievable projects are possible nowadays. Today I want to tell you a modern day fairy tale where a brave young man Kyle MacDonald magically turns one red paperclip into a cottage for his young girl.

Kyle MacDonald had a paperclip. One red paperclip, a dream, and a resume to write. He wanted to have his own home. He wanted something bigger than a paperclip. So he put an ad on Craigslist, the popular website, with the intention of changing that paperclip for something better. A girl in Vancouver offered him a pen in a form of fish in exchange for his paperclip. He traded this pen for a doorknob and the doorknob for a camping stove. Then the camping stove for a generator for a neon sign. There were many other changes after that and he finished by changing a role in the film for a two-storey stove. Then the camping stove for a generator for a neon sign. There were many other changes after that and he finished by changing a



role in the film for a two-storey farmhouse in Saskatchewan, Canada. How do you think the story is going to end or there is no any ending?

**Moral of the story:** take action and have fun! May be you can find your own paperclip and realize your dreams too? It's possible to succeed in life and achieve your dreams on your own terms.

**Alexander Firsov, 9 «B»**

## THE IG NOBEL PRIZE

The Ig Nobel Prizes are an American parody of the Nobel Prizes and are given each year in early October for ten unusual or trivial achievements in scientific research. The stated aim of the prizes is to "first make people laugh, and then make think". It is organized by the scientific humor magazine *Annals of Improbable Research (AIR)*, they are presented by a group that includes Nobel Laureates at a ceremony at Harvard University's Sanders Theater, and they are followed by a set of public lectures by the winners at MIT.

This year the Ig Nobel Prizes were awarded on September 21. Some unforgettable achievements and investigations were:

**Anatomy.** Frans de Waal and Jennifer Pokorny - discovered that chimpanzees can recognize other chimps from photos of their backs.

**Hydrodynamic.** Ruslan Krechetnikov and Hans Mayer - a study of how walking splashed a cup of coffee.

**World.** Company engineers SKN under Igor Petrov - for inventing the technology transformation of explosives in diamonds.

**Psychology.** Anita Eerland, Rolf Zwaan and Tulio Guadalupe - a study of why the Eiffel Tower seem smaller, if you turn your head to the left.

**Catherine Pekush, 10 «A»**

**BULLYING**

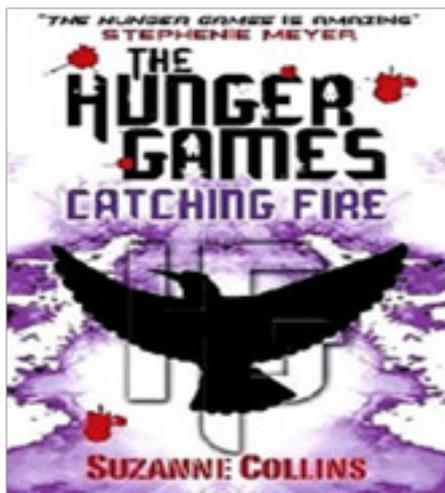
There are lots of reasons why people bully. People bully because it makes them feel superior over other people. People bully to get more attention. They think that it makes them popular, but in fact it makes them mean. People who bully are often scared of something. They are unhappy and they may be jealous of the people they are bullying. They make people feel like a victim, saying, "You are ugly, stupid" etc. I think people who bully need help. If they don't learn how to change their behavior, they usually end up in a trouble with law. The best defense against such people is to love yourself, be confident in yourself, and don't look like a victim. You should never try to beat people who bully at their own game. If teenagers need help they can turn to parents, friends, teachers. It is hard to solve such problems on your own.

**Guseinov Ruslan, 10 «A»**

**MY FAVOURITE BOOK**

Once I read a book "The Hunger Games" by Susan Collins and it became my favourite one.

This book is about 13 districts with one capital. All the districts are very poor but the capital has a lot of money. The districts didn't want the capital to have all of the money. So they joined together and fought against the capital. Of course the capital was better armed and it won. The capital finished the 13th district off. There were only twelve districts left. To remind everyone that the capital is stronger than all of the districts together it invented Hunger Games. From every district, a male or a female, ages 12-19 were picked and sent to the Games. There all of the tributes had to fight to death. There was only one winner allowed.



If you are curious what happened to them during the Games I really recommend you to read it.

**Julia Schroeter, 6 «A»**

**RIDDLES ABOUT WORDS AND LETTERS**

1. What is the difference between here and there?
2. Do you know anything that has four eyes?
3. What is the end of everything?
4. What is the word, the first two letters of which stand for a man, the first three for a woman, the first four for a brave man and the whole for a brave woman?
5. Why must your mother never put the letter «M» into the refrigerator?

**What and Why?**

1. What has fifty heads but can't think?
2. Why can't the word ever come to an end?
3. When is a clock dangerous?
4. What match can't be put in a match-box?
5. What star is not seen in the sky?

**We congratulate Helen Sherestkina from 11»A» who gave us right answers to the Quiz in №5 «Brainwave»**



*The world is so full  
of a number of things,  
I'm sure we should all be  
as happy as kings.  
R.L. Stevenson*

## English Humour

### CATS' PARADISE



Key West is the one of the Florida's Key islands in the USA and the southernmost city of the country. This place is very popular with tourists because of its mild, tropical climate, the sea and wonderful southern nature.

The main peculiarity of this city is an unusual kind attitude of local people to cats. City dwellers feed cats, look after and take care of them.

Thereby the citizens revere the memory of Ernest

Miller Hemingway, a great writer who lived in Key West in 1930-s.

Hemingway had a beloved pet, a six-fingered cat called Snowball. Now his 44 six- or even seven-fingered descendants live in the writer's house.

That's why six-fingered cats are the most honoured ones in the Key West. Now Hemingway's house and his cats are adjudged to be a national property.

**Catherine Antonova, 11 «А»**

### Cosmetics Line

Luke's wife bought a new line of expensive cosmetics guaranteed to make her look years younger. After a lengthy sitting before the mirror applying the "miracle" products she asked, "Darling, honestly what age would you say I am?" Looking over her carefully, Luke replied, "Judging from your skin, twenty; your hair, eighteen; and your figure, twenty-five." "Oh, you flatterer!" she gushed. "Hey, wait a minute!" Luke interrupted. "I haven't added them up yet."

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Why do women pay more attention to their appearance than to improving their minds? Because most men are stupid, but few are blind.

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– I suppose you carry a memento of some sort in that locket of yours?

– Yes, it is a lock of my husband's hair.

– But your husband is still alive?

– Yes, but his hair is gone.

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