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# High School

By: Shamire Priestley



High School is hectic, running from one class to another.

High School is exiting and entertaining.

High School is all about learning, sports, challenges, and goals, you make during the school year.

In high school you make lots of choices, and go through a multiple of sad and exciting things during the year.

That's why you have family and friends to support you at whatever you do.♥

That is High School.



## Freshman Year

by: Matt Hoffman

My freshman year at Sunnyslope High School was a very fun and educational experience.

When I graduated from Royal Palm I was ready to move on to high school, but I wasn't aware of the fun electives that waited. Once I got to Sunnyslope I felt immediately at ease and relaxed. Mr. Birk, my first period teacher, was extremely kind and has started my day off nicely. All my other classes were good and my first day was good.

Deeper into the school year, when we actually started working, I found that the work was harder than I expected. I also discovered that the teachers don't hold the class back for one person, which pushed us to work hard. In some classes like German, drafting and math I was doing really well in, but in the other classes I was just average.

Most of my success I owe to Roger Miller. Without all the support, hard work and intelligent noggin on my shoulders I might have had some difficulty, but I made it and I had fun.

By: Ivan Ibanez

## Playing My Trumpet

It's a feeling I can grasp only by playing my trumpet. It's the feeling that I am flying, soaring through every single sound I make. But at the same time I don't know what goes on inside of me. I mean, on one hand I have this wonderful, beautiful feeling, but in the other I'm scared and nervous.

I don't know what is going to happen, I don't know if the audience will really like my playing or just say they did. I get unsure of myself, of really being there and about to perform. Well, time is up. I have to perform. Time to let loose all of the feelings, time to fly, time to be nervous and to be

*FANTASTIC.*





## **Making Sandals**

By: Courtney Laycock

One day after my mom got home she told use about making sandals. She said that "a girl that came in her work had some and she told her how to make them."

That day we went to "Old Navy" and got a pair of black sandals, than we went to "Arts and Craft Store" and bought beads and Super Glue. The day after that my oldest sister, Shaunacae, got to stay home with my mom and she made her shoes.

When my two sisters and I got home we made ours. We sat down at the table and picked out what design we wanted on ours and gave it to my mom to glue to the shoe for us. Then I asked mom, "Can I glue by myself?", She said "Fine but don't get the glue on you."

So I put a few on then I got one on me. I pulled it off and it hurt but I guess, I was told. So we glued and glued and about 2 minutes later I got another on me but this time it hurt more when I pulled it off.

Finally about 2 hours later we stopped to eat "Pizza and Wings." When we finished that we got done with our shoes, put them away, picked out clothes for the next day, and went to bed.

When we all woke up we wore out "Beaded Sandals" to school and everyone wanted some. So we were happy we had cute shoes. When we got home we told our mom all about the day at school and wore them from that day forth.. (But not when we had P.E.)

This summer my family and I went to Oaxaca, Mexico. I got to go on a plane for the very first time and I got to meet my grandmother for the very first time. We went to go visit the virgin in Juquila and we also got to visit the temples in Monte Alban. I had lots of fun in all the places I went to because I learned and saw new things that I never knew or have seen before.



I really loved to be with my grandparents because they were very nice and they were fun to be with.



I got to see my grandpa feed the animals and milk the cows; I also saw how my grandmother made cheese.

I was very sad when it came time to leave because I didn't want to leave my grandparents, but I knew that I couldn't stay. We cried all the way to the plane. It was very emotional for me to leave. I really loved Mexico and I would like to go again and spend some more time with my grandparents.

*Mariela Ramirez*

# A collection of riddles

1. It occurs once in a minute, twice in a week, and once in a year. What is it? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What shoes should you wear if your basement is flooded? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What type of bird never goes to a barber? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What has two gloves and four legs? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What runs but never gets out of breath? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What animal keeps the best time? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What always ends everything? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What goes up and never comes down? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What kind of birds are most frequently found in captivity? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What has four legs and only one foot? \_\_\_\_\_
11. What letters are the smartest? \_\_\_\_\_
12. What kind of bell doesn't ring? \_\_\_\_\_



## ANSWERS

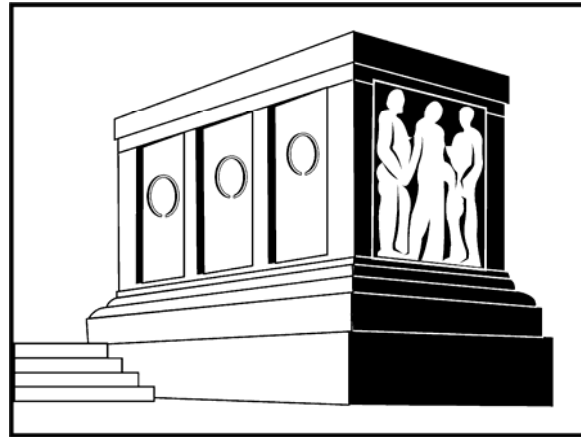
1E; 2F; 3I; 4K; 5B; 6A; 7L; 8I; 9G; 10C; 11H; 12D

- A. A watchdog
- B. A river
- C. A bed
- D. A dumbbell
- E. The letter "e"
- F. Pumps
- G. Jailbirds
- H. The Ys
- I. Your age
- J. A bald eagle
- K. Two baseball players
- L. The letter "g"

## Veterans Day, Nov. 11

World War I came to an end at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11, 1918.

Armistice Day was originally the name for this day to remember the fallen and the war's ending. It became Veterans Day in 1954 as a day to honor and remember veterans of all wars.



Some of the earliest memorial services honored unidentified soldiers killed in battle. The idea for the Tomb of the Unknowns came from a British chaplain serving in France who came across a grave with a rough wooden cross inscribed with the words, "An unknown British soldier of the Black Watch. The clergyman arranged for the remains to be returned to England, where they were laid to rest in Westminster Abbey on Armistice Day in 1920. The French honored their unknown dead at the Arc de Triumphe. An American general proposed a similar practice for unidentified American soldiers. In 1921, the body of an unknown soldier was interred in a tomb constructed in Arlington National Cemetery. Today, the Tomb of Unknowns is one of Arlington's most visited sites. It bears the words, "Here Rests In Honored Glory an American Soldier Known But To God."

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## Sadie Hawkins Day, Nov. 12



*Sadie Hawkins Day* was introduced by Al Capp in his *Lil' Abner* comic strip on November 15, 1938. In the strip, the mayor of the hillbilly town of Dogpatch was desperate to marry off his homely daughter, Sadie Hawkins. He devised an annual event -- a foot race in which the unmarried women in town would chase the eligible males, and any man who was caught would have to marry his pursuer. Sadie caught her man -- and the idea caught the fancy of Capp's readers. Within two years, more than 200 colleges were holding Sadie Hawkins Day events. Participants wore Dogpatch-style rags, ran races, and held mock weddings. Capp never specified a particular date for the holiday, but it always took place in November. Girl-ask-boy Sadie Hawkins Day dances were the rage for the next 40 years in high schools and colleges. Today, the celebration is usually held on the Saturday closest to November 9th.