

This is the last English news of 2017. Has it been a good year? Mine's been pretty good. I hope yours has, too. And, this will be the last English news for the 6th grade. Good luck at university, or whatever you decide to do next. Come back and see us one day. But, not too soon. Ha ha. And it is one week to Christmas. Santa must be getting ready. It is going to take him a long time to put all of my presents in his sleigh¹. I hope he will be able to carry them all. I think, next year, I will just ask him to add an extra 10 zeroes² to my banks balance³. Ha ha.

Something Interesting (Walt Disney)

1. Before Mickey Mouse, Disney made Oswald the Lucky Rabbit. He was working at a different studio and when he left he wasn't allowed to⁴ take Oswald with him so he came up with Mickey.
2. Until 1947 Walt Disney did the voice for Mickey Mouse.
3. Mickey Mouse's original⁵ name was Mortimer Mouse. Walt Disney's wife thought the name was too pompous⁶ so she persuaded⁷ him to change it.
4. Disney had an apartment⁸ over the firehouse⁹ on Main Street in Disneyland California. He liked to work there and enjoyed watching people enjoy his park. Everything has been left untouched¹⁰ since he died, like a shrine¹¹.
5. His full name was Walter Elias Disney.



Last Week's Answers



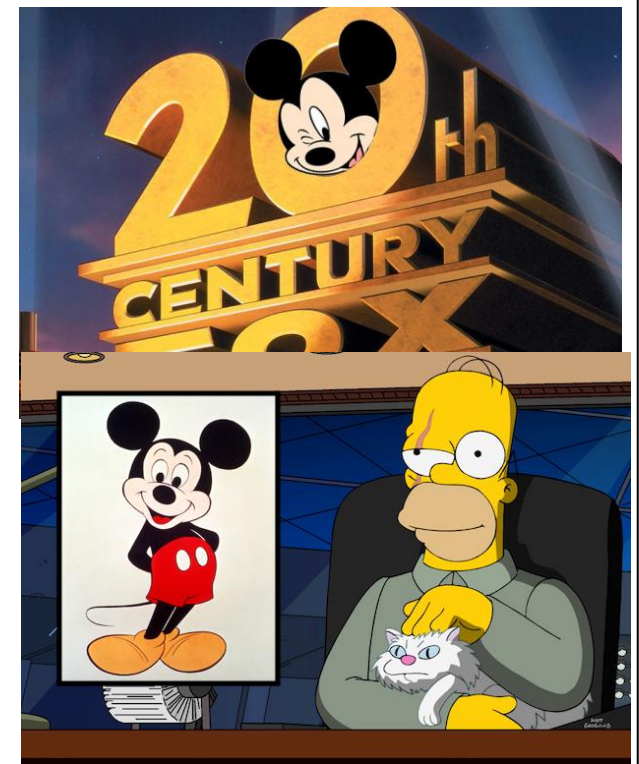
Announcements

Monday: Hallelujah #4. Christmas prep PM. Tuesday: Christmas prep PM. Wednesday: Class 1,2, Hallelujah 3, Cleaning 4. Thursday: Students in at 13:00. Christmas assembly – 13:30 and 18:30

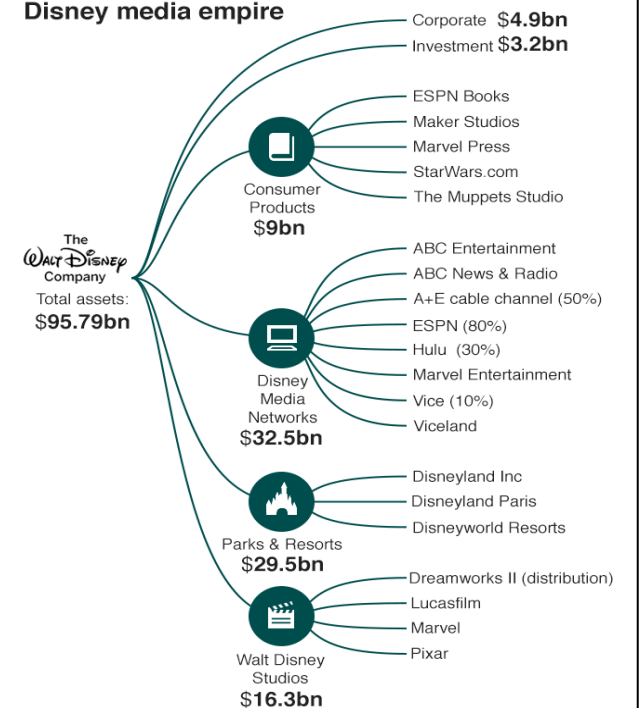
Disney Buys 20th Century Fox

Last week, it was announced that the Disney Corporation¹² is going to buy 20th Century Fox. They are going to pay \$52.4 billion. \$52,400,000,000!! 5,886,144,400,000 yen! With this acquisition¹³ they will be able to add many famous movie and TV franchises¹⁴ to their catalogue¹⁵. They will also be buying many TV shows and, most importantly, online streaming¹⁶ site Hulu. The main reason for this acquisition is that Disney can see the way of the future. Recently, people are turning away from regular TVs and watching the majority¹⁷ of their media online. Disney is going to miss out on¹⁸ that and lose to Netflix, Amazon and Apple, which all have streaming services. With this whopping¹⁹ amount of money, Disney will have a huge back catalogue and a way to bring it to people. Fox, the owner of 20th Century Fox, will keep its news arm²⁰ (which is a great shame²¹), its sports channels and will also receive 25% of Disney.

This purchase is another step on the path to three companies owning nearly all of the media in the western world. It seems that the monopolies and mergers commission²² didn't have a problem with this, but I don't know why. If all of the news channels are owned by the same company, where is the neutrality²³? Oh well. Welcome to the future. Let's watch Fox News.



Disney media empire



Source: US Securities and Exchange Commission

BBC

- 1.Sleigh そり 2.Zero ゼロ 3.Bank balance 残高 4.Allow to ~を許す 5.Original 元の 6.Pompous 偉そうな 7.Persuade 説得する 8.Apartment アパート 9.Firehouse 消防署 10.Untouched 触れていない 11.Shrine 神社 12.Corporation 民間企業 13.Acquisition 買収 14.Franchise フランチャイズ・シリーズ 15.Catalogue バック・カタログ ◆過去に出版やリリースされた本や CD などで、その時点でも需要があると考えられるもの。 16.Streaming ストリーミング 17.The majority 過半数 18.Miss out on 失う 19.Whopping とてつもなく大きい 20.Arm 部門 21.Shame 残念 22.Monopolies and mergers commission 欧州連合競争法 23.Neutrality 中立状態

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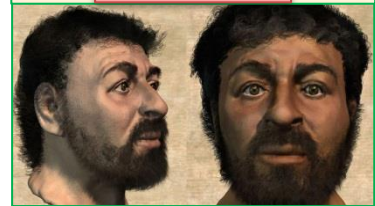
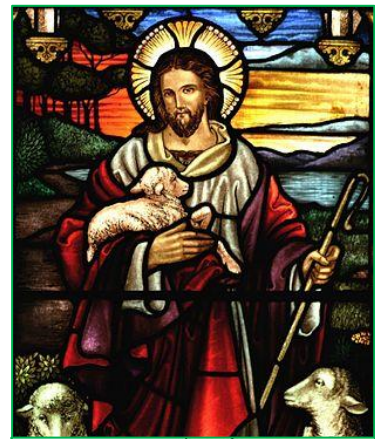
Hello everyone! This is the last week of school before winter vacation. You all are busy preparing for Christmas. I hope you enjoy the Christmas Pageant, and have a wonderful winter vacation! - Krystal

★ Matthew 1:18-25 ★

¹⁸ This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us"). ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

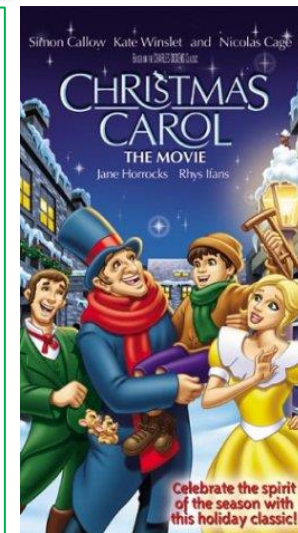
★ The Most Famous Person Ever! ★

Jesus, who is also called Jesus of Nazareth or Jesus Christ, was a Jewish preacher, healer, and religious leader. The stories of his birth, life, and death were written about in the New Testament of the Bible, particularly in the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. He was also written about by Roman historians such as Josephus and Tacitus. Almost all historians today agree that he was a real person. Jesus was born around the year 4 BC in a town called Bethlehem. At that time, Bethlehem was part of the Roman Empire. Now, it is part of the West Bank, a Palestinian territory. He probably spoke Aramaic, an old language spoken by Jews in the region. Although Christians all around the world celebrate Jesus's birthday on December 25, it's not his actual birthday. Based on historical evidence and descriptions of his birth in the Bible, he was probably born in September. However, because pagans already celebrated the winter solstice in December, the Christian church decided to celebrate Jesus's birthday around the same time to convert more people to Christianity. So, what did the real Jesus look like? Most pictures of Jesus show him with light skin, blue eyes, and brown hair. However, Middle Eastern people usually have darker skin, brown eyes, and dark hair, so Jesus probably looked like this, too. Jesus was crucified by the order of the Roman governor Pontius Pilate around 30-33 AD. He was about 33-36 years old when he died.



Merry Christmas Around the World

Australia Merry Christmas	USA Merry Christmas	France Joyeux Noel
Germany Fröhliche Weihnachten	Mexico Feliz Navidad	Canada Merry Christmas
England Merry Christmas	Brazil Feliz Natal	Italy Buon Natale
Netherlands Vrolijk kerstfeest	Russia Pozdrevlyayu s prazdnikom	Sweden God Jul



English Lounge Tuesday Movie @ 4:30

Christmas Carol: The Movie (2001, 81 minutes)

This is an animated film based on the classic Christmas story by Charles Dickens. Ebenezer Scrooge is a grumpy old man who hates Christmas. On Christmas Eve, he is haunted by the ghost of his dead business partner, Jacob Marley. Marley is still suffering for his greed and selfishness, and he tells Scrooge that he must listen to the three ghosts of Christmas if he doesn't want to meet the same fate. Will the ghosts of Christmas past, present and yet to come be able to change Scrooge? Watch and find out!

New words: Matthew マタイによる福音書 Messiah 救世主 pledge to be married 婚約する pregnant 妊娠している Holy Spirit 聖霊 faithful 正しい expose to public disgrace 表ざたにする have in mind 決心する divorce 縁を切る consider 考える conceive 宿す give birth 産む fulfill 実現する prophet 預言者 virgin おとめ command 命じる consummate 関係を持つ preacher 説教者 healer 信仰療法を行なう人 New Testament 新約聖書 gospel 福音 Mark マルコによる福音書 Luke ルカによる福音書 John ヨハネによる福音書 historian 歴史家 evidence 証拠 pagan 非キリスト教徒 winter solstice 冬至 convert 改宗させる Middle Eastern 中東の crucify 十字架に磔にする