

The school festival is here. You've been thinking about it and preparing for it for about two months now. Are you ready? I'm not sure if my class are. We only really started doing things last Thursday. My class are selling cotton candy¹, by the way. You should bypass² all other stores and come straight for ours. It'll be the best cotton candy you'll have at this year's school festival. And, hopefully, it will be the driest as well. According to³ the weather forecast⁴, it might be a rainy festival. Come to 6G's classroom. Dry cotton candy.

Something You Don't Know (Artificial Intelligence⁵)

1. The phrase "artificial intelligence" was created by John McCarthy in 1955.
2. Stephen Hawking said that AI would either be the best thing that ever happened to the human race⁶, or the worst thing to ever happen to us.
3. By 2030, experts believe that 800 million jobs will be lost to AI. Many other types of jobs will also be created. We may have to completely rethink our society.
4. An AI machine can analyze⁷ in minutes what takes a human doctor a year. It is also more accurate⁸. IBM's Watson has a 90% success rate⁹ in detecting cancer. Doctors have a 50% rate.
5. When you shop on Amazon, AI is suggesting the "other products you might like" at the bottom of the page. Amazon's AI knows more about your shopping habits¹⁰ than you think.

AI reaches the International Space Station

Last Friday, an AI robot called CIMON was launched from Earth. It was launched on one of SpaceX's reusable¹¹ rockets along with a lot of other equipment¹² and supplies¹³ for the International Space Station¹⁴. It will take about a day to arrive. CIMON stands for Crew Interactive MOBILE companion. It is an AI system that has taken years and \$6 million to build. Once it is on the space station it will be put to use immediately.



CIMON has a face and is completely round, so it won't cause injuries¹⁵. It has fans¹⁶ on all sides, so it can move through the air at will. (It will obviously float in the zero gravity¹⁷ of the space station). If the astronauts call its name, it will come to them. It can respond¹⁸ to questions and can display documents or other information. It can show how to repair things and it can find tools and other things on the space station.

What's the missing number?

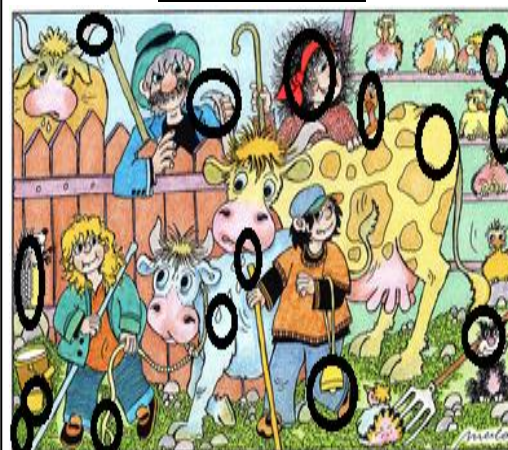
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$$1 \text{ red apple} + 2 \text{ green apples} + 2 \text{ green apples} = 230$$

$$1 \text{ yellow apple} + 2 \text{ green apples} + 1 \text{ red apple} = 210$$

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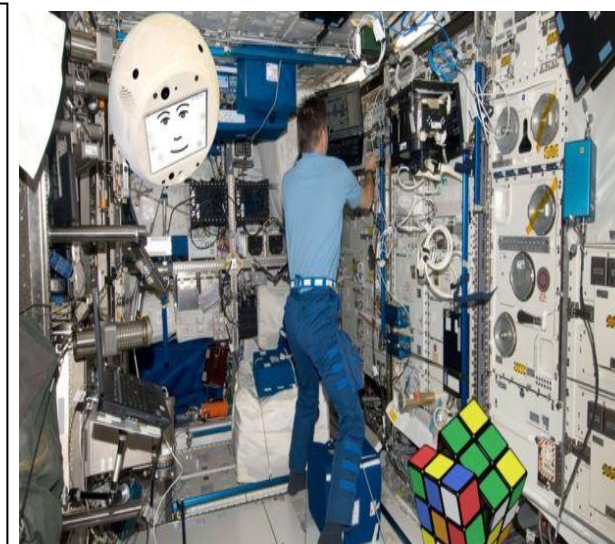
Last Week's Answers



Announcements

The 5th and 6th grade English major students have a meeting on Thursday. The short term and long term students will talk to each other to get advice.

The designers hope that CIMON will reduce¹⁹ the crew's workload²⁰ and give them more time to relax. CIMON can sense the mood of the astronauts by listening to their voices, and it can respond appropriately²¹. Hopefully the AI robot won't suddenly become evil²² and kill all of the astronauts onboard before taking over the space station but, if it does, it has a kill switch²³. It isn't possible to have a floating AI robot here on Earth, but it will be one day.



- 1.Cotton candy わたあめ 2.Bypass 迂回する 3.According to~によると 4.Weather forecast 天気予報 5.Artificial Intelligence 人工知能 6.Human race 人類 7.Analyze 分析する 8.Accurate 正確な 9.Success rate 成功率 10.Shopping habits 買い物習性 11.Reusable 再利用できる 12.Equipment 道具 13.Supplies 供給品 14.International Space Station 国際宇宙ステーション 15.Injury けが 16.Fan 扇風機 17.Zero gravity 無重力 18.Respond 返事する 19.Reduce 減らす 20.Workload 仕事量 21.Appropriately 適切に 22.Evil 悪 23.Kill switch 殺すスイッチ (電源消す)

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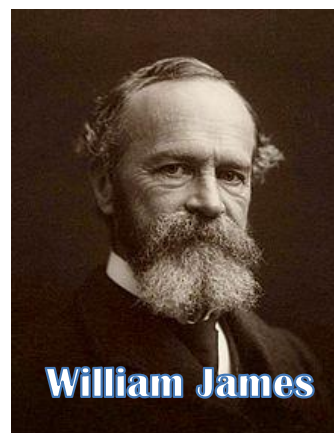


Strange World Records

Do you like mustard? I do. I love a little bit on my steak, or sometimes on a ham sandwich. The spiciness can make any meat taste better. But, anything more than a drop the size of a pea makes me cry and hold my nose with both hands. Not Andre Ortoff. He appears to love mustard. He has the world record for the most mustard drunk from a tube in 30 seconds. 416g! Almost half a kilogram. He must have something seriously wrong with him. Here's a record we could try to beat. I tell you what, I will buy an ice cream for any student that can beat his record.

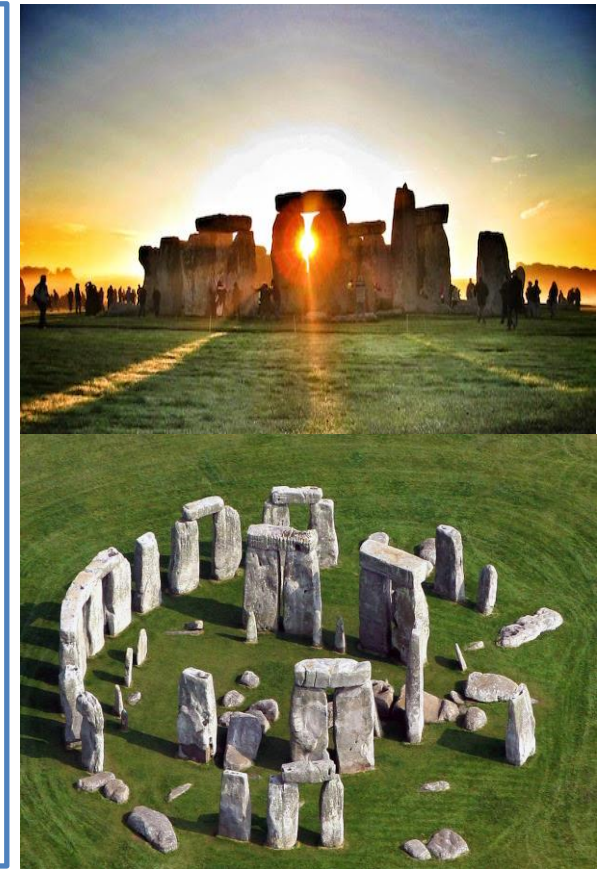


The greatest weapon against stress is our ability to choose one thought over another.



★ Places you should visit ★

If you have the time and the money, you should definitely visit Stonehenge. It is located in the center of England and was probably built in 3000BC. It is a ring of standing stones (each one 4m high and 25 tons) with more stones on top of them to make a lintel¹. Some of these stones have fallen down. Nobody knows how, why or when it was made, but the stones come from a quarry² 40km north of Stonehenge. Stonehenge appears to be aligned³ with the sun at its highest in the middle of summer and at its lowest in the middle of winter, so it could have been a place to celebrate these important times of the year. You cannot touch the stones, but just walking around them is an amazing feeling. You should go.



★ A Strange World Food ★

Stargazy Pie

I have been doing strange British foods for a few weeks now, so here's another one. This is basically a fish, egg and potato pie. The only thing strange about it is that the fish heads are left poking⁴ out of the pie, as though they are gazing at the stars. Hence⁵ the name, "stargazy". This is actually done to allow the fish oil to drain back into the pie during cooking. This gives the pie more flavor and keeps it moist⁶.



1.lintel まぐさ 2.quarry 石切り場 3.align 整列する 4.poke 突き出る 5.hence この理由で 6.moist 湿った