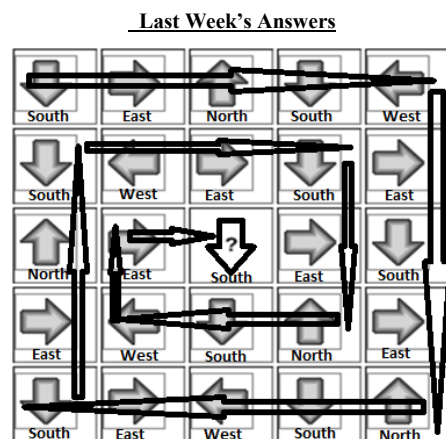
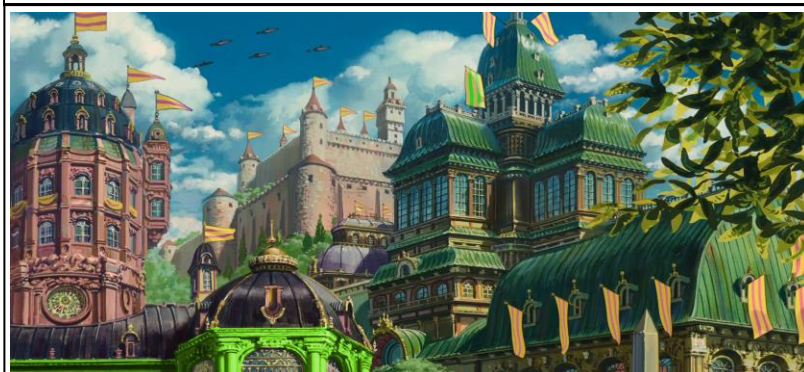


Well, we've made it. The summer vacation is upon¹ us. Today is a Monday, which I'm sure most of you don't like, but from tomorrow we are officially² on holiday, so you can relax. Although, there are summer classes for a week, but that's not real school, so don't worry. Are you going to go anywhere or do anything? In England students have about 8 weeks of holiday in the summer. That is great for the students but it drives the parents mad³! Ha ha. The holiday is so long because the school year fits⁴ the agricultural calendar⁵. Students were supposed to⁶ help their parents on the farm.

Something You Didn't Know (Pokemon)

1. The Pokemon game was created⁷ by Satoshi Tajiri in 1995. It took him 6 years to make.
2. The idea for the game came from his hobby of insect collecting⁸.
3. There are currently⁹ 722 Pokemon characters but more will be released¹⁰ in November this year.
4. When Tajiri was designing the Pokemon game he lived at home and relied on¹¹ his parents for support. Now the Pokemon franchise¹² is worth over \$50 billion.
5. In 1997 an episode of the Pokemon cartoon caused¹³ 635 children in Japan to have epileptic seizures¹⁴. The episode had rapid¹⁵ explosions¹⁶ of red and blue.
6. Pokemon Go has been downloaded hundreds of millions of times. It has made Nintendo's shares¹⁷ become more valuable¹⁸. Do you have any?
7. Pokemon Go has been banned¹⁹ in Saudi Arabia so be careful if you're going there.

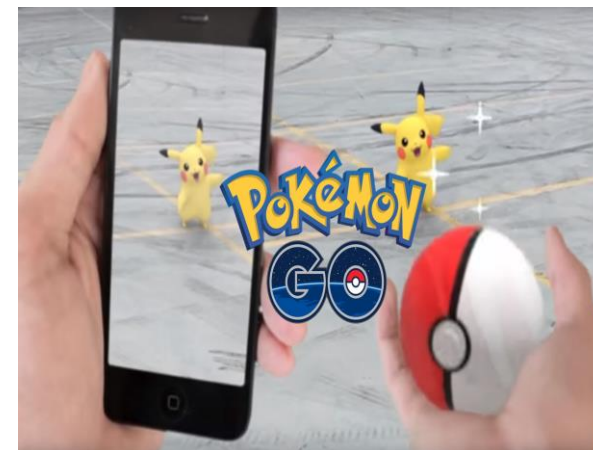


Announcements

Oooh! Announcements? Well, I have assembly first. Then some sixth grade classes. Then some fourth and fifth grade classes. Then coffee and more classes.

Juno Probe Sends Back First Pictures of Jupiter

Last week, the hugely popular²⁰ game, Pokemon Go, was released in Japan. The game was released in America almost a month ago but the people in the country that invented Pokemon have had to wait. But the wait is over! The game is now available²¹ here so Japanese people too can now walk around glued to²² their phones; walking in front of cars and falling over. Yeah!



I'm sure you all know what Pokemon are. The original game became popular when I was still at high school. Pokemon Go has brought those loveable characters to²³ the augmented reality²⁴ world that we now live in. Using your phone you walk around a city and try to find Pokemon characters. These characters are obviously²⁵ not real.

The aim²⁶ of the game is to try to catch as many of the characters as you can and then you can fight other people. If you do play this game, be careful. If you are not paying attention to²⁷ your surroundings²⁸ it is very easy to have an accident²⁹. This technology is amazing and I wonder what will come next. I'm looking forward to augmented reality phone calls; so the person you are talking to is superimposed³⁰ on your room.



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5.Agricultural calendar 農家スケジュール 6.Suppose to ~するはず 7.Create 造る 8.Insect collecting 昆虫採集 9.Currently 現在 10.Release 販売する 11.Rely on ~を頼りにする 12.Franchise フランチャイズ 13.Cause 原因になる 14.Epileptic seizure てんかん発作 15.Rapid 早く
16.Explosion 爆発 17.Share 株 18.Valuable 価値がある 19.Ban 禁止する 20.Hugely popular 大人気 21.Available 販売しています 22.Glued to くぎ付けになる 23.Brought _ to 作り出す
24.Augmented reality 拡張現実 25.Obviously 明らかに 26.Aim 目標 27.Pay attention to ~に集中する 28.Surroundings 環境 29.Accident 事故 30.Superimposed 重ね合わせる