

The Park Glen Press

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What's your



name?

For your name:

- Take the first three letters of your last name
- Add the first two letters of your first name

For your last name:

- Take the first two letters of your mother's maiden name
- Add the first three letters of the city in which you were born



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Wanted: Techies & Book Lovers

We have some amazing opportunities at our school for our kids to join and be part of extracurricular learning/developing. Mrs. Ross, our school librarian, is VERY active with our students. She sponsors 3 different clubs that the kids can be part of: Girls Can Code, Tech Ninja's, and Battle of the Books.



The Girls Can Code Club gives girls in 3rd & 4th grade a place and time to explore coding in a fun and friendly environment. To be a member, a girl can pick up a form from the library. They meet in the library on Monday mornings at 7:25 am. In this club, the girls select what coding activities they want to explore. They highlight different coding activities during meetings. The girls will be coding on Code.org, programming robots, making a video game using Bloxels, trying a variety of coding apps and participating in un-

plugged coding activities.

A Tech Ninja is a student technology leader. They assist in the library and classroom with technology. They demonstrate how to correctly use technology and how to be good digital citizens. Tech Ninjas are nominated by their teachers. We try to get 1 boy and 1 girl from each 3rd & 4th grade class. In Tech Ninjas, we do the following:

- *Coding- "21st Century Language"
- *Explore & learn how to use different apps & programs
- *Use a variety of technology devices
- *Program robots
- *Create & publish to a variety of digital platforms
- *Tips & Tricks for iPads & Chromebooks
- * Social Media Interns (selected Tech Ninjas will be able to tweet on



the Park Glen Elementary School's official twitter account @ParkGlenES using the hashtag #kidstweet)

Battle of the Books is a reading incentive program designed to improve reading comprehension and enthusiasm for reading using a fun and unique competition format. Club members are given a reading list of ten books and challenged to read as many books on the list as possible. They meet on Wednesday mornings at 7:25am to prepare for the 2 District competition teams. There will be 12 club members selected to be on our competition teams in January. The Keller ISD Battle of the Books District Competition will be at Fossil Ridge HS on Saturday, February 24th. We are the District reigning champions! To be a club member, a student in 3rd & 4th grade can pick up a form from the library.

My First Day of School

By Emma Chesser, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Flynn

On the first day of school I went to recess with my friends. We talked a lot. We had a lot of fun. We played a game. We had fun.



Snub-Nosed Monkeys

By Keziah Borg, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Lance

The winters are long and harsh where snub-nosed monkeys live. These little babies don't mind. They have lots of fur to keep them warm. They also get snuggly cuddles from their mommy, granny, aunts and daddy!



My Hobby

By Maliah Allen, Kindergarten, Ms. Benson

My favorite hobby is gymnastics because it is fun and challenging. When I grow up I want to win medals.



Math Problem

By David Walker, 4th Grade,
Mrs. Schiefelbein

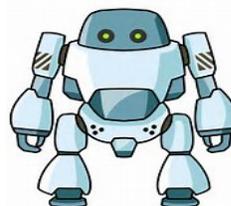


Mr. Weston has 93 ties. Forty-seven of his ties get cut. He buys 14 more ties to replace some that got cut. How many ties does he have now?

The Future

By Keny Woods, 4th Grade, Mrs. Massengale

In the future I would see robots and I would see hover cars. I would go in the future to Future Toys R Us – it would be very cool. I will ride in hover cars. That would be so awe-



some. And I would go to my future house. I would also see my future mom and dad and brother and sister. Then I would go to Pizza Hut – it was yummy. Then I would go to the playground. I played so much. Then I went back to Earth.

The Bravest Character in Star Wars

By Anna Pickett, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Lance

The thing about bravery is that sometimes people think it means to be strong like a superhero and stuff like that, but to me it means to stand up for yourself and be confident. I think that Princess Leia has shown the most bravery. She could have stayed in one spot the whole time while she hid from Darth Vader, but she didn't! She went with Han Solo, Luke Skywalker, C3-PO, R2-D2, and Chewbacca. The team went through many ups and downs, but they always fought hard. They helped each other too like when Princess Leia set Han free when he was frozen in carbonite. I think Princess Leia is very brave. Who would you choose?

By Nolan Roberts, 2nd Grade,
Mrs. Flynn

I know Luke Skywalker is the bravest Star Wars character because he defeated a powerful villain (but didn't know he was fighting his own father). He got his hand cut off by Darth Vader and fell off a tall platform. Luke is also brave because he found out Darth Vader is his FATHER!

By Tyler Lucas, 3rd Grade,
Mr. Thompson

I think that the bravest character is Luke Skywalker because he defeated the best leader of the dark side, Darth Vader.

My Sister and Me

By Ryleigh Laughter, 3rd Grade, Mr. Thompson

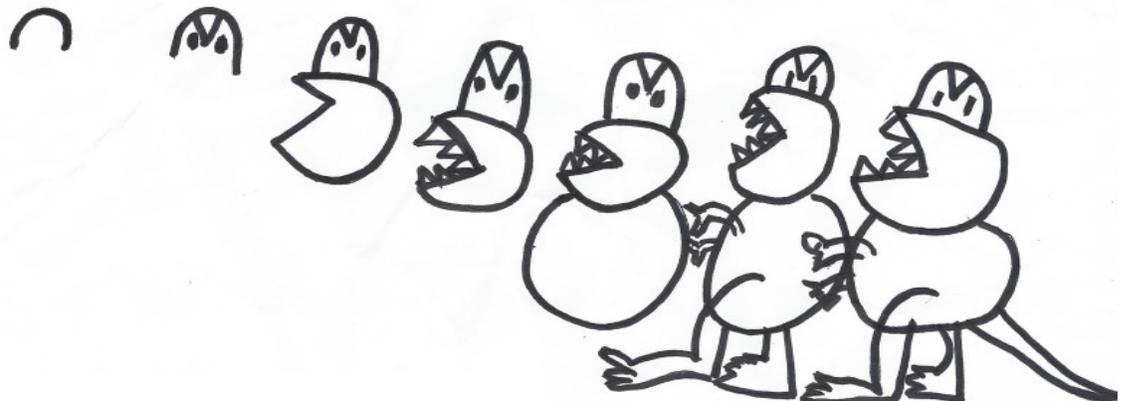
I have a great sister, her name is Brynna. I like her because she's nice, loving, and always willing to play with me. We usually play school, puzzles or family together. We watch movies and shows together. Sisters are the best. Together we

are super sisters. Brynna is 5 years old and her birthday is on March 2. We make a great team. Sisters are a gift from God. Because I have a SISTER, I have a BEST FRIEND!



How To Draw a T-Rex

By Arley Rae Forbus,
2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra



If You Were An Animal, What Kind Would You Be and Why?

By Sienna Mancuso, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Flynn

I would be a dragon because I want to fly and breath fire and water. I also want to help people and help the world! I want to be a nice dragon.

By Lam Duong, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was an animal I would be a tiger because none of the animals will see me. I can also swim if I was a tiger. I could run fast to catch prey. I would eat lots of meat and catch lots of deer. I wish I was a tiger.

By Madison Norris, 2nd Grade, Ms. Andes

I would be a lion because they eat meat and don't eat grass or anything. They have sharp claws to kill other animals and eat them. Also, when they are a baby they look so cute!

By Alex Payne, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was an animal I would be a fennec fox because with their big ears they can go walking for days without cooling off in the desert. And their ears store water like a cactus. They are like foxes, but smaller and with bigger ears!

By Omar Taha, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

I want to be a cheetah!! I want to be a cheetah because it's our school's logo and it shows respect, kindness, bravery, not giving up, cooperation, honesty and niceness.

By Ty Puckett, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Flynn

If I could be any animal I would be a crocodile. I would have lots of sharp teeth and I would hunt for fish with my mouth open in the water. I would be a great swimmer! I really like crocodiles!

By Ava Kellenberger, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was an animal I would be a cheetah because cheetahs are the fastest animal in the world. And it is our mascot and they are cute too.

Flying in the Air

By Abi Menefee, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt

Tubing can be fun, but when you fly into the air it can be even more fun. Now let me get to the good part. My family and friends were tubing at Lake of the Ozarks. The lake is the best place to chill out! But when you go tubing it's kind of not.

When I got on to the tube I started slow. Then I got fast. I went in circles 3 times with my sister, Bella. After the circles me and my sister went flying in the air. We went really high in the air. Everyone on the boat was laughing so hard!



We finally landed on the tubes and hit our faces on the tubes. Then we fell off the tubes, but we pulled ourselves up onto the tubes. That is a funny memory that I will never forget.

Dirt Bike

By Brett Gardner,
2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra

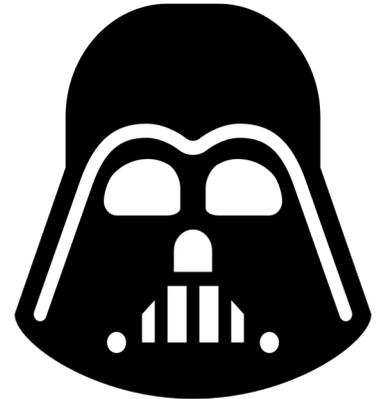
I went to ride it. It was shiny red, my favorite color. It rode it. It was slippery. It slid. I rode with four friends. I flew through the air.



The Star Wars Tour

By Allison Walker, Kindergarten, Mrs. Joyce

I went to Disney World and did a Star Wars Tour. We got an earbud to hear the tour guides talking to us. We walked everywhere. We even got to ride some rides. I did Jedi Training and had a blue light saber. I got to go on a big stage and fight Darth Vader. I won and he lost! We went to a party and ate yummy desserts. Me and Daddy saw Storm Troopers. We met BB-8 and Chewbacca. Then we saw Star Wars fireworks. There were big flames that went into the air. The fire made me warm. It was really fun!



My Favorite Animals

By Liam Guerra, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Flynn

My favorite animals are tigers and lions. I like them because they are part of the cat family. They remind me of Bumblebee, my orange cat I have at home. I think



tigers and lions are awesome because they have sharp claws and big teeth. They are like the kings of the jungle and the savannah. Tigers and lions are the coolest cats!

A Joke

By Westyn Evans,
2nd Grade, Mrs. Flynn

What do you call a gator wearing a vest?

- An
investagator



What Is Your Hobby?

By Isabella Barron, 3rd Grade, Mr. Hudson

My hobby is gaming because there's so much more to do! There's all sorts of them like Roblox, Minecraft, Prodigy, and I am Bread. You learn all sorts of new cool things! What would you do in gaming?



Fall

By Elise Pylant, 1st Grade, Mrs. Lyssy

When it was fall me and Henry played in the leaves in the forest. First we raked up the leaves. Then we piled up the leaves. Next we jumped in! Last we went home.



What Would You Do If You Were Locked Inside Your Favorite Store For A Night?

By Madison Norris, 2nd Grade, Ms. Andes

I would choose to stay in Dollar Tree over night and when I get locked in I would find a blanket and sleep with it for the night. I would play some games like sight words and stacking cups. It has a lot of kid things to do. And I would drink some water, and eat. I choose Dollar Tree because everything is only a dollar.

By Jacob Mulugeta, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was locked in my favorite store I would want to be locked in Target. First, I am going to play with all of the toys and play with video games. Then I am going to watch something. I will grab something to lay on. I'll grab something to eat, run back and grab a dessert. Then I will play more video games.

By Megan Rushing, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was locked in Toys R Us I would love it because it is a toy store only not just a section of toys in a store. I've never been since I was little. I would open every toy there like doll houses, dolls, Barbie's, Barbie houses, everything. I love Toys R Us. That is how I would love being locked in Toys R Us.

Vampire Gracie!

By Madison Mulvey, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt

"Wake up! Wake up!" my mom said as I slowly opened my eyes. She had a frown on her face. She said it was 12 o'clock, I sprang up and my eyes were wide open, but I fell right back to sleep. My mom sprayed my face with water. I sprang up again and my mom looked me right in the eye. I knew if I didn't get up, I would be in big trouble!!

So, I got up and picked out my clothes and got dressed, but as soon as I got my socks on I heard a "Bomp! Bomp!" I was terrified. I dove under the covers. Then I heard it again! I was so scared I squeezed myself

and I shook! Then, I saw part of a black cape! Then, a little some kind of tiny pair of creepy hands, and I saw it—a Vampire Face!!! I ran straight to my sister's room and hid under the bed and peeked out, and sure enough there was the vampire! I ran straight downstairs and dove on top of the couch and hid straight under a big pile of thick blankets so the vampire wouldn't drink my blood through my neck!! I got up and went to go search for my sister, but I couldn't find her!

Turns out I was sleep-walking and running away from my sister, Gracie. I will never sleep walk again! When I woke up

I found myself face-flat asleep on the floor. I also had two blankets on me. I took off the blankets and got up off the floor. It was finally Sunday. I loved Sundays because there's no school and it was the weekend. It was also Spring Break! I went down stairs and once my family saw me, they busted out laughing! I said, "What's so funny?" Then they said, "You were sleep walking!" Then they busted out laughing again. I started to laugh and all ended well. Have a great day!!



What Would You Do If You Were Locked Inside Your Favorite Store For A Night?

By Heather Gilmore, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was locked in Toys R Us for the night I would take the toys and play with them. Then if I like them I will go to the check-out area then take them to my house and come back and turn off the security cameras. So all I would do is play with the toys. See if there are any tasty snacks that employees leave lying around. I would take a Barbie airplane set. I would take all the Lego sets I haven't done yet but I wanted to. Then I would go back to my house and get in my bed in the morning.

By Leo Paratore, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was stuck in a store I would be stuck in Academy. I would be stuck in Academy so I can have soccer cleats.

By William Nguyen, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

I will be locked in Toys R Us because I will build a fort in there. If I don't have food I will go to another shop and buy the food I want and bake and sleep in there. Then the next day I will wake up and I will eat breakfast then I got out and played with some toys. Then the next day I will go home.

By Landry Roberts, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra

If I was locked in my favorite store, Bahama Bucks, all night I would try all the slush flavors and decide between 10 which is my favorite! I would probably stay up all night and not go to school the next day!

By Bella Valle, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was locked in my favorite store for a night I would run and jump and eat food and grab toys and play with them. My favorite store is Kroger because there is a lot of toys there and a lot of food at Kroger. My mom loves Kroger. I like Kroger because there is a lot of toys and food. What is your favorite store and why do you like that store?

By Zea Rogers, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Day

If I was locked in my favorite store for a night I would pick Toys R Us. I would pick that because I could build a fort. I would order a pizza and stay up all night.

My Hobby

By Tatum Burson
4th Grade, Mrs. Schiefelbein

My favorite hobby is cheerleading. I have been cheering since I was three years old every year I get to be the girl on top of the stunts called the flyer. Three girls hold me up in the air while I do tricks and stunts. We get pretty, sparkly uniforms and go to competitions where we try to win medals and trophies. Each year we compete to go to Disney and perform in Florida. These are some of the reasons that cheerleading is my favorite hobby.



Code Fun

By Claire McFarland, 4th Grade,
Mrs. Massengale

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Use the code above to solve the secret message below.

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Decode This

By Jayce Laughter,
4th Grade, Mrs. Schiefelbein

Use the code to the left to solve the secret message to the right.

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The Bee

By Greyson Myers,
3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt

This is a story with three events. I'll start with the first. One warm day, back when I was four years old, my mom's friend Monica bought me and my brother Tucker stuffed animal bees. We each had our own. We brought them home and showed them to our Aunt Haley, who at the time was about sixteen. She said it was dumb. I decided to annoy her to the max.

I took hold of the bee. It was time. I went to Haley's room and she jumped real quick out of the way. I went away with the bee. The next day is the second story, which I will now tell from memory. Me and Tucker were throwing our bees around when suddenly I dropped mine. I soon figured out that it was weighted to always stand up. We had just gotten our next plan. When Haley came out of her room, Tucker took the bee and hurled it at Haley. She



moved out of the way, but she wasn't scared. But we had gotten an idea.

Tucker and I went to Haley's room and put the bee on the foot of Haley's bed. Not too long after, the bee hit the floor. We knew then that we scared her! We couldn't stop laughing! It was so funny! It may not seem funny reading about it, but if you were there it would be very funny. But every story ends and I'm afraid this one has to come to that ending point.

The Fear of a Kidnapper

By Charity Rummel, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt



Everybody has a fear, but I think mine is the worst of all to have. It was 9:30pm, time for me to go to bed. My sweet mom tucked me in and turned out the bright lights. I stayed in my room for a little bit. Then I ran to my mommy.

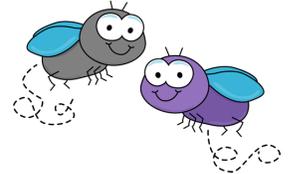
I started to tell her that there was a kidnapper. She said that no one is there. So she took me back to bed. I said to myself look at something that a kidnapper will miss. I looked at a dolls blue eyes. I couldn't stand all of the scary noises. I couldn't wait till the morning. It just started me to much.

I'm like nope. I was screaming and my tummy was shivering so I ran back to my mom. Then we went back to my room and she turned on the lights. She sat with me for a little bit, but then she left. I said to my self again look at something a kidnapper would miss. That I did, but then I started to close my eyes. Now I know that a kidnapper would never take me.

My Brother's Afraid of Flies

By Marcelo Snyder, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt

One day we were having guests over and we were having BBQ. When they got to the house my father went to cook the food. Then something big, something huge, came in our house!!! A big old fly came in. When my brother Dimitry saw it he screamed, "FLY!" It was a horse-fly. I got the fly swatter. Then another horsefly came in. When one landed—BAM! Got one. Then when the other fly landed—BAM! Got them. When I slapped the flies the flies laid there. I shouted "I got the flies". My brother Dimitry came and said "Thank You". Then we had BBQ together and when we finished we said, "from now on no flies in the house." Then the rest of the day we had a great time hanging out.



Cheetah Strong

By Gypsy Peniston, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra

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Dottie

By Landon Tinsman, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra



Amulet

By Madison Mulvey, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Pruitt



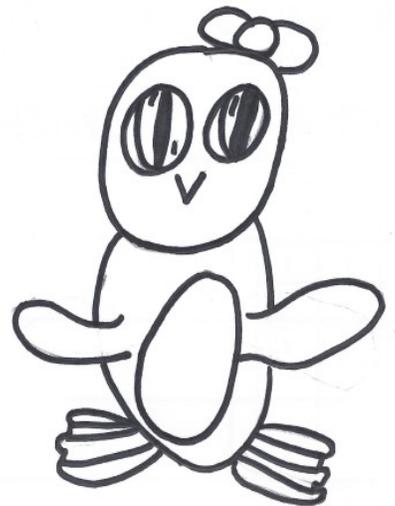
Helicopter

By Gerrin Mueller, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra



Strange Penguin

By Braelyn Vincent,
2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra



What It's Like To Be A Friend

By Fabiola Balsomi, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Guerra



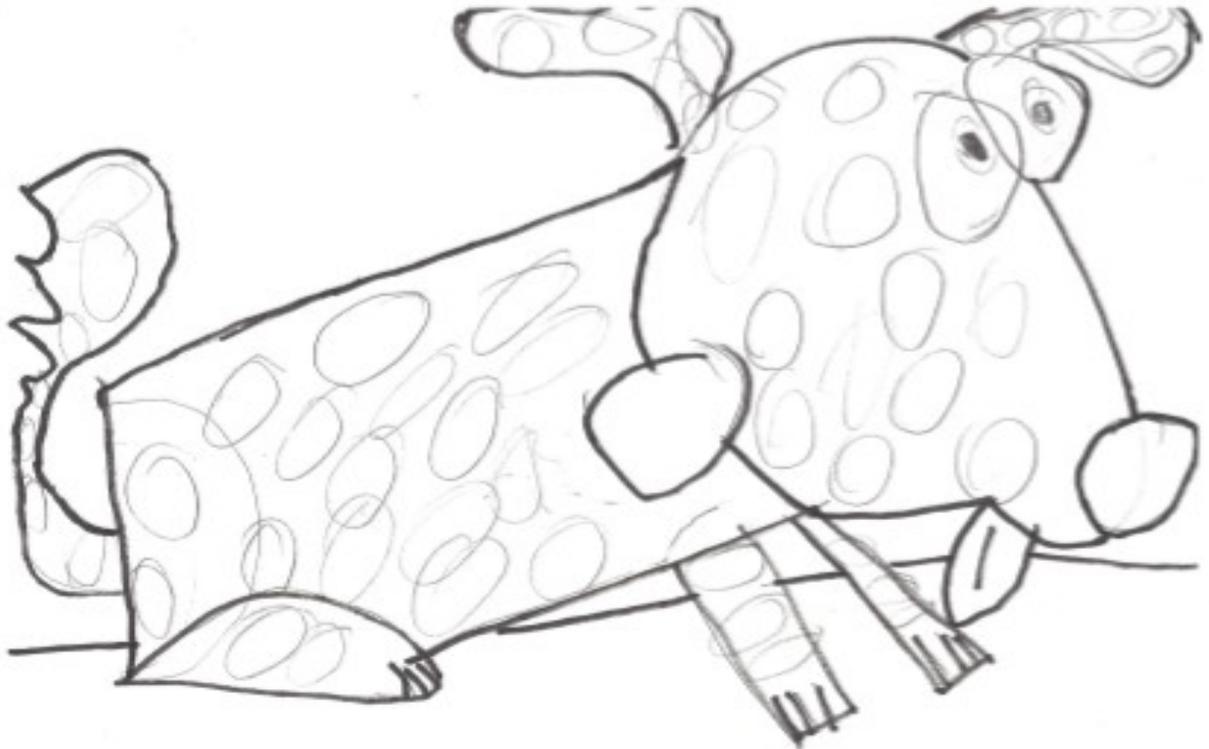
Pongomochita

By Henry McFarland, 2nd Grade, Mrs. Buchanan



Spot

By Nico Wood, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Lance



The Park Glen Press Wants YOU!

We are so excited to begin the second year of the Park Glen Press. What a great response we have had! Thank you to all of the students who have submitted their work. You have helped make Episode 1 our largest printing to date. The force is strong with the students of Park Glen Elementary. We look forward to our future Episodes. Write you must... submit you will!

Each student will receive one complimentary issue of this edition of The Park Glen Press. To view the paper in color, please visit the PTA website at www.parkglenpta.org

How to Submit to The Park Glen Press

Submit your content before the next deadline via email to Kristyn Laughter at kristyn.laughter@gmail.com or to your teacher.

Tips for Submissions

- Be sure to include a title for your work, your name, grade and teacher's name.
- Please do art work on white paper (no lines). Use pen or marker. Pencil does not copy very well.
- Black and white art copies best.
- Write neatly.
- Remember - Use the force to submit to the Park Glen Press.

**Next Deadline:
Friday, December 1**

Episode 2 Writing Prompt Ideas

- If you could change one thing about the world, what would it be? Why?
- What are you grateful for?
- What happens next? I was playing my favorite computer game when, all of a sudden, I was transported into my computer...
- If you could make a law that everybody had to follow, what law would you make and why?
- Describe your favorite Star Wars character. Why is this character your favorite?

Answer Key:

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Code Fun: Happy Halloween!
Decode This: Believe in Yourself!