

LAWNDALE KIDS NEWS

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Meet the Librarian, the Wonderful Ms. Broyles

Julie Broyles, the Lawndale Library Children’s Librarian, is from Seattle. She got her doctorate degree from the University of Washington and she also got her masters degree. At a school she attended she studied Cultural Anthropology. She has lived in British Columbia and Canada. On a vacation she went to Coronado Island. She moved from Seattle to Minnesota for a job and she went from Minnesota to California for a change.

Ms. Broyles started working at the Lawndale Library in October 2011. Her favorite

part of working at the library is working with kids of all ages. Ms. Broyles has a sister named Dana and also a brother named Scott. She has a cat named Maxine, who is a tabby cat and is 16 years old. She also likes to watch movies on holidays. Ms. Broyles favorite movie is the original *Wizard of Oz*. She also likes to travel in planes. Ms. Broyles has a Nissan car. Ms. Broyle’s favorite TV show is *The Big Bang Theory*. Her favorite animals are cats and dolphins.

by Mia A.

The Crazy Life of Ms. Broyles

Julie Broyles is a 60-year-old woman who lived in Seattle, Washington but now lives in sunny Los Angeles. She has a cat named Maxine that is a grey and white rescue cat. She has one brother and one sister. Her sister’s name is Dana and she is 65 years old. Her brother’s name is Scott and he is 67 years old. She has been working at the Lawndale Library since 2011.

On holidays, she spends time with her friends. Sometimes she travels to Seattle to visit her mom. Her favorite movie is *The Wizard of Oz*. She has a Nissan Rogue. Her favorite TV show is *The Big Bang Theory*. Her favorite type of book to read is realistic fiction. Her favorite animals are cats, but besides cats, her next favorite animals are dolphins. Ms. Broyles is very interesting!

by Hang L.

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Lawndale Kids Reporters and Ms. Broyles

Super Fun Unforgettable Experiences

Families will love Sea World because it is family friendly, nice, and an unforgettable experience. The best time to go is during the summer in the morning, so it is not packed. A good place to stay is the Sheraton Hotel. It is a great hotel to go to because it is close to Sea World and very nice. A good place to eat is a store where they have refillable souvenir cups, fruit and cookies.

One fun thing to do at Sea World is to go to shows and sit in the Splash Zone. Going to the touch tanks is fun as well. It is not expensive to get to. You could get there by driving. People will want

to come back again because it is fun, awesome, and an exciting experience. Sitting in the Splash Zone in different shows, you may get splashed by dogs, orca whales, and bottlenose dolphins. At the touch tanks, fish come up to your hand and tickle it. You can touch dolphins, baby sharks, stingrays, and sea urchins. It's good to go during the summer because in the afternoon you can go to the Splash Zone. Also, it's good to go in the morning because it is nice and cool.



by Mia A.

The Energetic Performer Takes the Stage



Demi Lovato

Radio stations play lots of pop music. Pop music is a very popular type of music. For example, Demi Lovato does lots of songs in which she sings energetically. Lovato writes lyrics about things that most people can experience in real life. For example, her song, *Made In the USA*, tells a story that can be real and not just part of a song.

Lovato's songs are for boys and girls of all ages. One reason why some people dislike her songs is because she writes so many love songs. However, a reason why many people like her music is because she writes songs that people can relate to. They are very energetic and not boring. Lovato has so many fans because

she sings interesting songs that are super catchy. Lovato was a famous singer and Disney star. In 2012 and 2013 she appeared on the X Factor and she became more famous. Lovato is a very famous artist now.

by Hang L.

TV Review: Making it Pop

Make it Pop is a girly-girl, K-Pop TV series. It is rated PG. It is a musical about three girls and two boys. The characters are Megan Lee as Sun Hi, Louriza Tronco as Jodi, and Erika

Tham as Corki. The boys are John-Alan Slachta as Jared and Dale Whibley as Caleb. The setting is Mackendrick Prep School.

This show makes you very energetic. This

show is recommended for girls ages eight to 11 years old. One of the directors is Keith Samples. This show is awesome!

by Debbie L.



Book Review: The Silverback Ivan, The One and Only Ivan

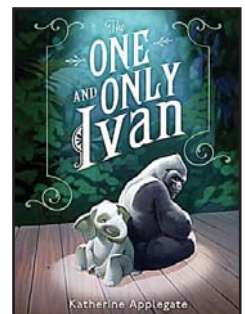
The One and Only Ivan by K.A. Applegate, is based on a real gorilla named Ivan. The book is good because it's so funny and it's a heart-warming story. Everyone will love this book.

Probably you will never see a silverback gorilla unless you read *The*

One and Only Ivan. This book won the Newbery Medal in 2013. This book is about a silverback gorilla named Ivan and his friends at the exit eight Big Top Mall and Video Arcade. Ivan is a sweet and kind silverback gorilla. His friend, Stella, is a smart and helpful elephant. Bob

is a smart and clever stray dog. Ruby is a sweet and funny baby elephant. My favorite character is Ivan because he is sweet, kind and funny. I like this book because it's funny and a heart-warming book. Everyone will love this book!

by Delilah C.



Movie Review: Escape the Maze

The Maze Runner is an action-filled dramatic movie. This movie is rated PG-13. Dylan O'Brien is the main character with Kaya Scodelario right by his side. O'Brien plays the character Thomas. Scodelario plays the character Teresa, the only

girl to ever come to the maze. Another actor named Thomas Brodie-Sangster plays Newt, one of the leaders.

The Maze Runner is about a group of kids who are stuck in a huge maze. The maze changes course every night. The movie is

sad because people die in it. It is also good because of the drama, which is entertaining. Everyone from age nine to 42 will love this movie.

by Alyza A.



Autumn Crossword Puzzle



DOWN

- 1. Carved pumpkin
- 3. Leaves on trees
- 5. Used to gather leaves
- 7. Horn of plenty
- 12. Month preceding December
- 13. They change color in fall
- 15. Fruit of the oak tree

ACROSS

- 2. Holiday for giving thanks
- 4. In astronomy, the first day of autumn is called the autumnal _____
- 6. Month preceding November
- 8. Holiday on October 31
- 9. Traditional Thanksgiving bird
- 10. To gather; to reap
- 11. Grows on tall stalks
- 14. Mexican Holiday on the first of November



ANSWERS: Across: 2. Thanksgiving, 4. equinox, 6. October, 8. Halloween, 9. turkey, 10. harvest, 11. corn, 14. Day of the Dead Down: 1. Jack-o'-lantern, 3. foliage, 5. rake, 7. cornucopia, 12. November, 13. leaves, 15. acorn

A Review of Zelda

The video game the *Legend of Zelda* is a game popular to this day. The game by Nintendo was made on a cartridge for the Nintendo Entertainment Disc System (NES) or the Famicom, in Japan. In this

video game, the main character, Link, has to go on adventures to find eight trifold pieces to save Princess Zelda. This game is suitable for all ages, both girls and boys. This game will spark your curiosity. There are secrets that

help you to complete the game. This game is similar to *Hyrule Warriors*, another adventure game. The game is fun to play and watch.

by Jarod R.

A Legendary Review

Nintendo makes the *Legend of Zelda*. It is a NES game, which is an old cartridge by Nintendo. NES means Nintendo Entertainment System. The main character of the video game is Link. People usually mistake his name for Zelda. In the game he needs to find eight trifold pieces to get to Ganon to save Princess

Zelda. The video game takes place in a fantasyland named Hyrule. Hyrule has lots of magic and fairies.

In another game of the *Legend of Zelda*, *Majora's Mask*, the game has a moon with a terrifying face. In this game the moon falls and crashes into a city in Hyrule.

The *Legend of Zelda* is a lovable, amazing, and fun game. Most people love adventure and magic. Anybody would be amazed at how many dungeons there are. The player can also kill evil creatures that will try to kill him. Everyone will like this video game because it is about adventure.

by Devon R.



illustration by Jarod R.



illustration by Devon R.

How to be a Gymnast

In order to be a gymnast, one should always eat a healthy breakfast but not too much. For example, you should eat fruits, vegetables, and meats. You should bring water and a healthy snack to the gym for energy. If you eat a heavy meal before gymnastics, you won't feel well. If someone is trying to complete a flip and gets frustrated, they should take a

break and take a couple of breaths. Also, if you keep practicing, you'll get it! A lot of people in the world know how to do gymnastics.

You should always stretch before you actually get started. You shouldn't wear shoes when you do gymnastics and you should always wear something

appropriate. You should never wear a dress or a skirt.

My favorite gymnast is Gabby Douglas. She is the best gymnast because she is an Olympian.

by Jaiya F.

Man-Eating Plants! A Fantasy Short Story

On April 26, 1986, a nuclear reactor blew up at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant in Ukraine.

The plants grew slowly. In this day and age, the plants have fully grown to a height of four stories. They eat people, animals and they especially love cats. The plants are especially weak to physical weapons like swords. The plants first attacked Europe.

The plants smashed through buildings eating everything and there was even a fight for cats to see which plant would eat the cats. The plants love French bread. They went to the Eiffel Tower and made it fall, killing everyone inside. Then the army came to kill the deadly plants but they only killed ten of the plants.

There were 30 plants still remaining. Then

they even conquered all of the places around France. At the time, the only safe places were Australia, North America, South America, and Antarctica. The plants jumped on a boat, heading to Australia. However, the Australian forces killed them. All of them.

The End.

by Alesandro N.



Halloween Ghost Pretzels

**Ingredients:**

Pretzel sticks - about 20
1/2 bag white chocolate chips
10 semi-sweet chocolate chips

Directions:

Microwave the white chocolate chips for 1 minute on half power, stir and heat for 10 second intervals until smooth. Dip the pretzels and lay on parchment paper or stick into a bowl filled with grains or rice to keep upright. Allow to cool and harden. Heat the semi-sweet chocolate chips for 10 seconds on half power, stir

and heat again for 5 seconds or until melted and smooth. Using a toothpick, dip into melted chocolate and form eyes and a mouth. Let harden and serve.

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We Want Candy!

The Best Candy in the World

Kids like candy such as Tootsie Pops because they take a lot of time to lick. A popular type of candy is Tootsie Pops. There are many different flavors of Tootsie Pops. For example, there is cherry, strawberry, banana, and green apple. There is one more flavor that many kids like and that is chocolate. Tootsie Pops are found in many stores, such as Target and Wal-Mart. They are also found in the market. Kids like them because they are yummy and sweet. Also, kids like them because they come in different colors and flavors. Many kids lick the lollipop. It takes forever to get to the middle. The middle is filled with chewy chocolate. This is many kids' favorite part. Finally, they are a yummy candy to eat!

by Angelina D.

Survey!

What is your favorite candy?

survey conducted by Illieana G.

- Lollipops
- Gummy Bears
- Bubble Gum
- M&Ms
- Skittles
- Hershey's
- Snickers

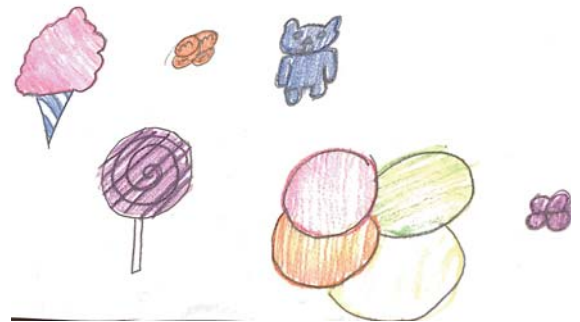
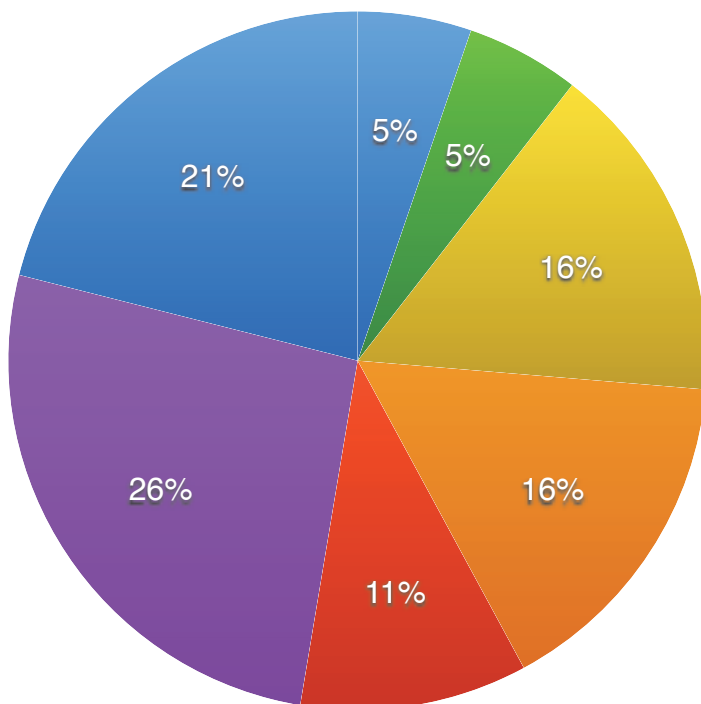
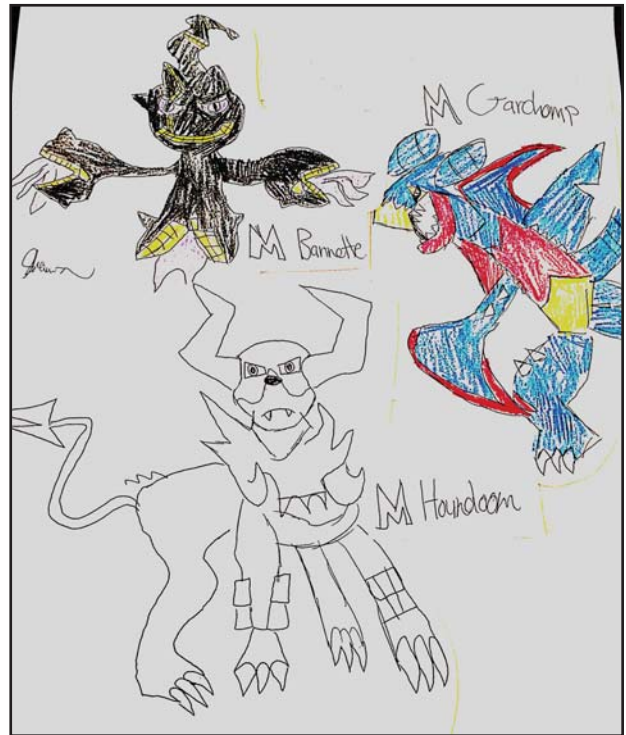


illustration by Illiena G.

Go with the Mega Flow!!!

Why and how do you Mega Evolve a Pokémon? You will need many items, some are: a keystone, mega ring, or bracelet, keystone holder pocket, a final form Pokémon, and a creation mega stone. Garchomp, Abomasnow, Houndoom, and Banette can all Mega evolve. Different steps are required for each. For Garchomp, you need to achieve master rank in Secret Bases by getting 1,000 or more flags. For Abomasnow you need to find sparkles on the ground. For Banette, you need to go to Mt. Pyre.

Personally, I like the Mega Evolution of Houndoom because it gets bigger and its horns stand up. He has bones on a lot of his body and he is ferocious. Mega Banette is creepy because it has zippers all over its body and it throws shadow balls everywhere. Also, I like Mega Garchomp because it is full of detail and has a lot of sharp body parts. Mega Garchomp is very fast. I think everyone will like Mega Evolution because it makes your Pokémon look intimidating.



by Shawn M.

The Song of Courage

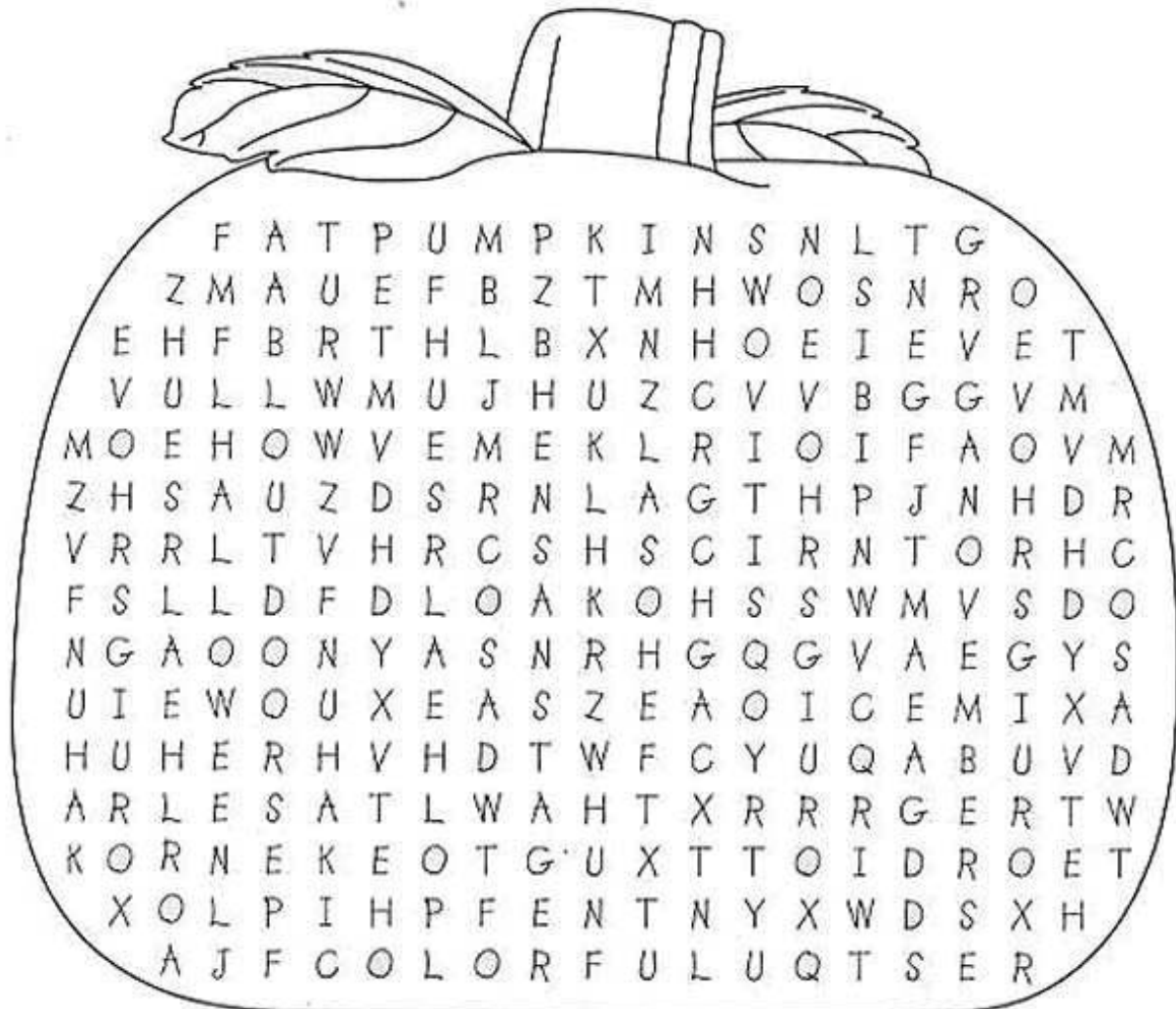


Rachel Platten started her career in 2003 and she can play the piano and guitar. She also sings. While her career was going smoothly, she released *Fight Song* in 2015 and became famous. *Fight Song* is a pop song about a girl with a lot of courage. The song is great because people feel empowered by her words. She also explains her feelings in the song and it's like she is talking to someone. All girls will like this song because they can find courage in the song's words.

by Madeleine P.

WORD SEARCH!

Find and circle the fall words from the word list.



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