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*What a man takes in by
contemplation, that he pours out
in love.*

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Talk about Holidays!

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Holidays - every student's dream come true. From Christmas to Lunar New Year, from Easter to the summer holiday, who doesn't get hyped when there's a holiday coming up? I bet we've all complained about the length of our breaks from work, from school, but what if I told you there's a holiday for every single day of the year?

First let's talk about the holidays we Hongkongers celebrate. The word 'holiday' is actually derived from 'holy' and 'day', representing the days of religious festivals or rituals. Now, it just means any special day worth commemorating. For example, in remembrance of an influential historical figure, founding day of a nation, celebration of cultural events, etc. Alternatively, festivals like Ching Ming Festival or Mid-Autumn Festival where we celebrate with family gatherings, unique activities, and specific foods. There are also some holidays where there is rarely any celebration, like Labour Day. These are public holidays, or as we call them, 'Red Days'.

Yet there are holidays where we don't get a day off. For example, Halloween or April Fool's Day. Technically, they're holidays, but not considered official. And yes, there is a holiday designed to each and every single date that isn't as well-known as the ones on the calendar. Here are some hilarious unofficial holidays just for laughs:

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December

Chocolate Covered Anything Day

Whatever you're eating or drinking, satiate your love for chocolate in every bite and sip! Dedicate your day to this delicious treat and you just might end up discovering the best dish of the century through your trials of mixing chocolate with food (or drink!).



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November

Absurdity Day

All things weird, irrational and wacky belong to this day; let your "inner goofy" shine and be shown to the world. Beep Bloop Bwaaa.

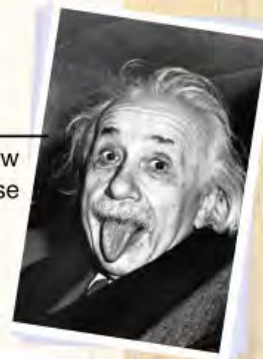


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July

Stick Out Your Tongue Day

Whether you're trying to poke fun at someone, tease your friends, or show how blue your tongue has turned after eating candies, this is the best day for an excuse to do so. Make sure to explain yourselves in case you offend or anger anyone!



And, definitely one of my favourites:

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May

Lost Sock Memorial Day

You rarely lose one shoe, but it's a different case for socks - it's something that just disappears one day and it's very frustrating. Mourn the loss of your sock or search for the partners of the single socks that have been waiting patiently in the back of your closet.



"The last thing I remember is being thrown into the dryer."

Be sure to check out <https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun> for more holidays you'd never have imagined existed.

Why You Should Pay Attention in Lessons

Scarlett Chan 2 Love



Once upon a time, there was a primary six student called Lukas. He loved daydreaming in class, thinking of what he should eat for lunch, where he could go after school, and sometimes he would even doze off in lessons. Therefore, the parent-school message column in his handbook was always covered with teachers' words like 'Dear Parents, your child...' but his parents had no idea what to do because they needed to work and stay in Shenzhen for a long term because of their job.

One day, Lukas continued with his daily routine as usual in class. The math teacher was angry at his attitude and told Lukas to stand in the corner. I think you can guess what happened next. Lukas was still able to sleep while standing up. If there was a sleeping competition, Lukas would definitely be the champion. The math teacher was frustrated but could not do anything but isolate Lukas.

The next day Lukas' class teacher was telling the class the details of a picnic. She talked nonstop like a machine gun about the details of the picnic. All the students listened carefully because they all wanted to have a happy picnic. All except one...

'So remember to bring a boat to the picnic.'

Lukas was horrified so he called his dad. His dad thought it was an odd thing to request but still had to find a way to help his son to get a boat for the picnic in order to show that his son really did pay attention during the class. After three days, they finally borrowed one from his dad's friend.

Finally, the happy picnic day came. Lukas' dad drove him and the boat to Tai Po Waterfront Park. When he waved



to his classmates, they burst out laughing. Nobody else had brought a boat. Lukas asked, 'Hey? Why didn't you all bring a boat?' Lukas' classmate, Charmin said, 'The teacher told us that it might be cold so we should bring a COAT!'

"Arrgghhh!!!!" Lukas wished he could run to Antarctica to live with the penguins, or Africa to live with the elephants.

Therefore, this is the reason why you should pay 100% attention during lessons.

The Battle of Shanghai



Jocast Wong 3 Faith

Background: The Battle of Shanghai was the first of the twenty-two major engagements fought between the National Revolutionary Army (NRA) of the Republic of China (ROC) and the Imperial Japanese Army (IJA) of the Empire of Japan during the Second Sino-Japanese War. It was one of the largest and bloodiest battles of the entire war.

The clinking sound of falling bullets echoed everywhere as Chinese soldiers entered the city for the Battle of Shanghai.

Bodies were strewn all over the streets. The sound of gunfire and exploding bombs was deafening. One by one, the Chinese soldiers hit the dust as the Japanese soldiers fired their guns and their tanks. Silent ambushes came from the Japanese air force, whose bullets could tear a soldier into smithereens. But there was still hope for the Chinese.

Austin ducked behind a bunch of sandbags as he loaded and fired, scoring two Japanese soldiers in one as they were sent flying. "Nice one, Austin!" his comrades cheered as they defended their base.

"Watch out!" Austin ducked under the sandbags as a Japanese aircraft approached, unloading its deadly ammo.

After the shower of the deadly rain, Austin emerged from the sandbags, only to find many of his soldiers dead, their bodies peppered with holes. One of the wounded stammered out "Help me!" as he clutched his bleeding shoulder and crawled towards Austin.

Austin knelt by the soldier's side and inspected the wound. Fortunately, the bullet had just scratched

the elbow and was bleeding uncontrollably. Knowing a bit of first aid, he pulled out a bottle of disinfection alcohol and sterilized the wound as the soldier grimaced with pain. "Thanks," the soldier whispered.

"Glad to help!" Austin replied. "By the way, what's your name?"

"My name is Henry."

"I'm Austin."

"Let's eliminate any Japanese opposition!" Henry shouted.

"Blast them!" Austin replied while shooting Japanese soldiers one by one.

"Behind you!" Henry warned. He intercepted a Japanese soldier, who had attempted to stab him. "Thanks for the reminder!"

"I'm out of ammo!" Henry cried.

"Take my gun!" Austin shouted to him, while he prepared to toss his gun. But it was too late. Austin watched with horror, as the Japanese soldiers surrounded Henry, pinning him to the ground, and dragged him away to their base.

"What news?" The general asked an exhausted Austin.

"All dead. Henry's been taken by the Japanese." Austin replied.

"That makes another 23 men lost. Thanks for the news. You are dismissed."





Back in his cabin, Austin was regretting his decision to abandon Henry. "Why did I run away? I should have gone after them!" But he couldn't change history. Exhausted from the battle, he lay down and rested.

He woke up the next day and prepared for battle. He had thought of a decision to save Henry from the Japanese. What he was thinking was to reunite with Henry.

Before the battle started, he made a speech for the remaining soldiers. "This battle decides the fate of Shanghai. I want you all to avenge my captured friend Henry. He served as a rightful soldier of the Chinese. I want you all to be like him. If you are shot, keep standing! If you are captured, use all your might to struggle for freedom. Fight for Henry! Fight for our country! TO WAR! TO VICTORY!" He cried. The last two words echoed all around the battlefield.

"CHARGE!" He ordered. The Chinese surged towards the Japanese like advancing waves while firing their guns with deadly precision. One by one, the Japanese soldiers were shot down, their blood spilling on the streets of Shanghai. "Wow!" exclaimed Austin as the Chinese troops gained control of a Japanese tank which was now firing at the Japanese aircraft. He then looked at the horizon, searching for the Japanese base. There it was, not far away. "Cover me!" He shouted, as he ran towards it.

The tank was a formidable weapon, blasting everything to dust as it rolled along, pulverizing any wounded soldier who was unlucky enough to be in its way. "Nearly there!" he shouted. Two guards were flanking the entrance. Before they

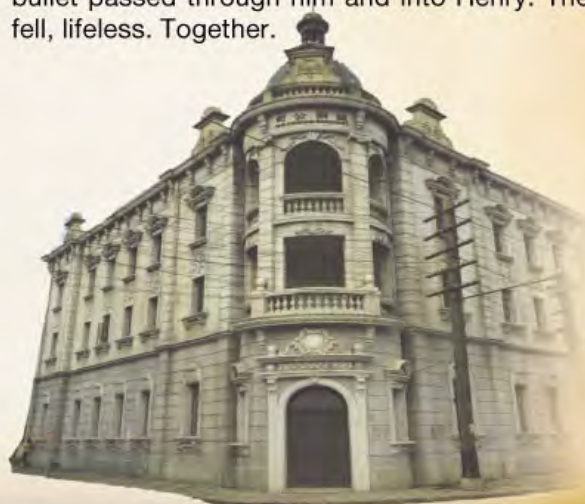
realized what was going on, they had already been shot dead. "Now, I want-----" Before he could finish his sentence, the tank suddenly exploded, sending his comrades to their deaths as the ground became littered with burning corpses. "I will avenge their deaths!" Austin screamed as he blasted the door open and ventured inside.

He reloaded and fired at any Japanese soldier that was in his way, while shouting, "This is for Shanghai!" He spared no one, even the wounded as he investigated the rooms, looking for Henry. Finally there he was! Bound with ropes and thrown in the medical room.

"I'm so glad that you survived!" Austin exclaimed as he loosened the ropes.

"Thank you!" Henry hugged Austin.

"I came here to get you. We may not survive on the way out, but we will go together! We will---" Before he could finish his sentence, the sound of gunfire erupted, and a bullet passed through him and into Henry. They fell, lifeless. Together.



Cliché Concepts in YA Literature

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YA literature is the specific book genre that targets readers aged 13-18, and features characters in those age groups, looking to address the issues adolescents confront in their daily lives. Nonetheless, though the various genres range from eye-opening contemporary to mystical fantasy, there are certain clichés that tend to overlap, and we're here to discuss them today. (Spoiler Alert!)

THE CHOSEN ONE:

Popular in more fantastical elements of the genre, 'The Chosen One' can be seen in storylines that tend to make reference to a prophecy that has been unfulfilled for centuries, until a particular person is born with a unique, never-before-seen power that is solely theirs. Normally they only have one chance at defeating evil in the world with this special skill. (Because clearly, if the villain kills this special snowflake, the world is doomed for all eternity because there is no one else competent enough to save it!) In the Harry Potter series, it is prophesized that there will be one with the power to vanquish the Dark Lord Voldemort, to free the world from the most powerful and dangerous wizard of all time – none other than Harry Potter himself, destined to destroy evil and chosen from amongst all others.

LOVE TRIANGLES:

The bane of those with common sense, love triangles are most popularly featured with a female protagonist, and two male side characters – often portrayed as extremely attractive, capable and smitten with the protagonist. This usually occurs not too long after her debut into a whole new world. Often one is presented as the brooding bad boy, the other a more cleaned-up nice guy, love triangles have usually always been presented to an extent in which the choice is obvious, and characterization is poorly executed (and admittedly, can be done without). In *The Selection*, America Singer is torn between the most popular guy in town, Aspen, and the prince, gentleman Maxon.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT:

Perhaps Disney movies have instilled a more romantic sense into its audiences, and although science has shown that it takes at least four months for genuine feelings to establish, the YA genre is not known for its usage of slow burn. Instead, instantaneous affections for "the One", and a willingness to sacrifice everything for the individual is more common! Despite the romance hinted at in the blurb, readers are actually more concerned about the story. In *The Fault in Our Stars*, Hazel meets Augustus Waters for the first time eight pages into the book, and BAMM! They're inseparable.

PARENTAL PROBLEMS:

Tending to happen in the more otherworldly genres such as fantasy and science fiction, parental problems tend to be categorized as "absent", "unconcerned" or "problematic". They are often dead in the protagonist's life, making them an orphan, somehow being eerily unknowing about their child's secret life possessing powers that defy the regular norm. Or of strained relationships due to conflicting morals or abusive situations. In *Eleanor & Park*, we see a dysfunctional household with an abusive step-father and abandonment issues. Eleanor lives in fear, with a grudge against her parents.



TEEN ANGST:

We all go through rough patches in life – some mental, some emotional – that change who we are as individuals. And while there's nothing wrong with expressing characters who have experienced issues such as mental illnesses or saddening backgrounds, authors who include such just for the sake of making characters more 'sympathetic', and no other concrete reason, can be rather offensive for those who have really experienced these things. Writers write for many reasons, but a popular factor is to reshape the world around them based on what they know, so handling these particular characters with care and respect is pretty important. In *Thirteen Reasons Why*, Hannah had committed suicide due to a series of events concerning bullying and betrayal. Recently there has been a number of teenage suicide cases addressed in novels.



THE PLOT TWIST THAT ISN'T REALLY A PLOT TWIST:

There are so many examples of this that we've grouped them all into one giant category. Basically, every plot twist that has been heavily hinted at or overdone in stories that people could see a mile away: the protagonist being descended from an all-powerful race/royal family, the bad guy being related to the protagonist somehow, the character that was brought back to life...need we say more? Plot twists are meant to surprise the reader, so having predictable events occur seriously lessens the excitement. In *The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell*, we all had it coming when it was revealed that Froggy was indeed the missing prince.

THE MARY SUE:

The clichés to end all clichés, the Mary Sue can be described as the epitome of a writer's laziness, and for good reason. Named for the character of a *Star Trek* magazine in 1973, the term has now emerged to describe a female character (with the male equivalent being a Gary Stu) that is utterly flawless, manages to capture the

affections of every character within the franchise she is in, and excels at everything without very much effort at all. The Mary Sue is an all-powerful individual that everyone in the story admires, bears extremely rare powers, and ultimately possesses a uniqueness that destroy their original franchise's unwritten rules. In *Twilight*, Bella Swan is beloved by almost every character, has a guy ready to save her in any situation at all times, gets her happily-ever-after, and outshines everyone else in everything she does.

Though some of these clichés have been used together, and turn up in all sorts of works, YA literature has not lost its value in both entertainment and enjoyment. There are still many themes that have shown great diversity in terms of plot, characters and worlds, and have far more unique works than clichéd ones for those who seek them to read. Furthermore, clichés are

overdone for a reason – though common, they were once literary tropes that were used in stories that became beloved, so there's nothing wrong with using them as long as you use them in a new manner.



World Wide Women

Female Figures in History

Brianna Wilson 5 Faith

Women have always been part of history, but have never been fully credited for their contributions to the human race as a whole. Therefore, today I will address four of the countless women who wanted change, and fought for their beliefs to instill purpose in their lives, often when there was little to be found.

ELIZA HAMILTON (1757 - 1857)

Born Elizabeth Schuyler, Eliza was the second daughter of General Philip Schuyler, associated with the Revolutionary War that allowed the United States of America its freedom. She was known to be a spirited and headstrong young woman in her youth, although she would later become better known after having married Alexander Hamilton – a founding father of the country. Throughout her entire life, she upheld the great faith instilled within her at a young age and through her upbringing. Despite the infidelity and early death of her husband, Eliza spent the rest of her life doing her best to preserve her husband's legacy, by arguing with his critics and founding America's first private orphanage. Ultimately, she passed away fifty years after her husband. Both end up becoming the titular characters in the acclaimed musical 'Hamilton.'



CHING SHIH (1775 - 1844)



Serving as a legend in her own right, Ching Shih managed to succeed at becoming two things that others in her career path never managed to accomplish – becoming a female pirate, and dying from old age. When her first pirate husband Cheng I suddenly died, she took it upon herself to inherit his floating empire, and soon earned the title of being the most famous female pirate of all time. Leading the Red Flag fleet, she was unstoppable in her conquests due to the coalitions her late husband had formed. Through building loyalties with previous fleet captains, and making herself more essential to the raid operations from Macau to Canton, she was able to succeed. Furthermore, Ching Shih implemented draconian regulations for people to follow – as cruel

punishments were ensured for those who stepped out of line. When she retired, she had negotiated terms with the Chinese government to keep her wealth, and ended up dying surrounded by her relatives at the age of 60, having run a gambling den for the rest of her years.

ROSA PARKS (1913 - 2005)

It all started in the most mundane of places – when a black woman refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white person in the ‘colored’ section while all the seats had already been taken in the ‘white’ section. Rosa’s defiance eventually became an important symbol in both civil rights movements surrounding racial equality, and as a global icon for racial segregation. She was also an important activist in the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), and spent the rest of her life fighting for justice. As a woman who was “tired of just being tired”, she eventually became the first woman allowed to lay in honor of the Capitol Rotunda, and has a dedicated day – Rosa Parks Day, celebrated on her birthday, 4th February – to commemorate her actions.



KATHERINE JOHNSON (1918 -)

Showing a gift for mathematics at a very young age, Katherine decided to pursue a career as a research mathematician, despite understanding how difficult it was, for someone like herself – an African-American woman – to accomplish. It would only be after several teaching jobs that she achieved such a goal. However, she still faced elements of segregation while working for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA, which was later on replaced by NASA), such as having to go to different bathrooms to her white colleagues, and never having her name written on a report due to her gender. However, she soon became integral to important space missions, for her calculations were critical to their success, and eventually became part of the beginning of the Space Shuttle program. To quote from her, upon success, “women need to be more aggressive and assertive.”

Jasper Lam 4 Peace

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Some young ones even choose to end their lives to get rid of the tremendous pressure. They think life is so dull and going to school is the only way of spending time, and that there won't be a change for the following years. The education system tries to cultivate students in all-round development, but fails to teach them the correct values towards life.

Life has a limit, and this is the reason we have to make the best out of it before the "clock" ends. Therefore, to get a better life, we should go to great lengths to change ourselves for the better. Many people think of changing, but they give up easily because it is hard to continue. Nonetheless, if changes are not made, the results are going to be the same. If Thomas Edison did not try different materials on lighting up a bulb, there might not be the existence of durable light bulbs in this modern age.



Think about your life again. How is life going to carry on? How is life going to be fulfilled in the end? Perhaps, doing the things you like is the answer. Find your interest, and choose a relevant career in which you can fully use your talents to serve others and bring happiness. Or maybe, fix your relationships with family and friends. Talk with them and learn more so as to enable a greater emotional support for and from the others.

Everyone has different expectations towards life. We all want to satisfy ourselves by achieving the goals in our lives and leaving no regrets. So what do you want to do to change your life? How do you take actions to achieve your targets? Do not hesitate and make a change from now. Strive for your dreams and fulfill your life. You might soon find that simple happiness is the solution.



Blade Runner 2049

Movie Review (Spoilers)

Andy Chan 4 Faith



Blade Runner 2049 is a long awaited sequel to the classic, original Blade Runner released back in 1982. It takes place 30 years after the first movie but still retains its own, unique feel. Both feature the same neo noir and cyberpunk themed sci-fi, but the sequel is set in a more futuristic setting with the combination of low life and high tech. It's got a classic feel and somehow blends with advanced technology and cybernetics quite well.

Blade runners are officers/special forces who are tasked to hunt down and kill or "retire" replicants, which are basically clones once created to serve as slaves in the past. They are more superior and more agile than normal human beings in terms of their strength, intelligence and abilities. A few weeks prior the first film's setting, they started a mutiny and began to oppose their "creators", so were declared illegal on Earth, and hence the introduction of Blade Runners.

The story's main protagonist, Officer K (played by Ryan Gosling) was tasked to hunt down a replicant. As a replicant himself he is recruited by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), but faces discrimination by his colleagues and even his neighbors. He is programed to control his emotions so it does not affect him the slightest. He lives with a holographic girlfriend Joi so I wouldn't say he's completely lonely. After his successful mission, he finds a box under a tree, just near areplicants' hiding base. The box contains the remains of a pregnant female replicant, but it was once thought that they weren't able to reproduce. To avoid leaking such classified information to the public, K's superior Lieutenant Joshi orders K to hunt down the replicant child in case of stirring another war between the replicants and humans.



K then visits the Wallace Corporation headquarters, which is the company that specializes in manufacturing replicants to identify the DNA of the deceased female replicant, K finds out that the replicant had romantic ties between a former blade runner Rick Deckard, who is actually the protagonist of the first Blade Runner film played by the same person, Harrison Ford. K then proceeds to follow the clues provided and eventually follows it back to the farm where he just "retired" the replicant mentioned above. He finds a carving on the tree which then gives him flashbacks of his childhood memory of a carved wooden toy horse. Since replicants' memories are artificial, Joi believes that he was actually born from a woman, not created. K then proceeds to an orphanage in search of records and then starts to look for more clues and eventually tracks down Deckard near the ruins of Las Vegas. Both then set out to reveal the truth behind society's darkest secret.

So, does the new film live up to the expectations of its predecessor after the long awaited wait and hype? Most definitely. For someone who has already watched the original, it gives a nostalgic feel and a sense of remembrance. The script is very well written with the occasional unexpected plot twist that sometimes left me wrong-footed. Visually, it's absolutely stunning. Practically every single frame in this movie feels like a work of art. Not to mention the gut-wrenching soundtrack, which fits in the dark, moody atmosphere of Los Angeles. The acting performances are exceptional, and the emotions and dialogue reflect the character development, especially from Harrison Ford and Ryan Gosling.

The movie as a whole is an absolute masterpiece. Not only has it succeeded in being a great sequel, it also raises the bar for the standards of all sci-fi films. It's aesthetically pleasing and the story is complex but intriguing. It is, without a doubt, one of if not the greatest sci-fi films ever created.

Is A.I. Really Good for Us?

Hailey Lun 1 Faith

Science improves our world and our lives as always and as fast as it can. Scientists have invented a lot to improve our lives and one significant example is, A.I., or Artificial Intelligence.

First of all, what is A.I.? A.I. can be robots or other computer systems that may have their own thoughts or their own preferences to make decisions. They have self-consciousness that doesn't need to be controlled by humans like the traditional robots.

Why do people love it so much and why has A.I. long been a popular issue or topic? I am going to provide 2 examples to prove its popularity.



A.I. in transportation

In America, people can already use self-driving cars to go out. It is also a kind of AI. But of course, it is not perfect yet. Self-driving transportations, like buses and taxis with no human drivers in the vehicles, will be commonly used in the future.

A.I. used in dealing with dangerous jobs

There are many kinds of dangerous jobs in this world. Bomb defusing is a case in point. Using AI to take over these jobs can save thousands of lives. Some other jobs and tasks, such as producing toxic substances, working under intense heat and ear-splitting noise, can employ the hybrid mode of using both A.I. and human force. Such a situation is named as robot integration.

However, there are some negative opinions about the wide use and development of A.I. So, why do some people hate it so much?

No jobs, no money

If A.I. is commonly used in different workplaces or fields, then the disparity between the rich and the poor will become larger and larger. The rich men will make good use of A.I. to help them gain more money while the poor will get poorer because their jobs will be taken over by AI robots.

Take over humans?

Stephen William Hawking said, humans finally will be taken over if we don't control A.I. robots properly. They will realise that humans may be the cause of the end of the world. We human beings have made the earth sick. We keep on logging trees, emitting greenhouse gases, wasting and polluting the water resources, etc. Therefore, A.I. robots may take over one day, like the Hollywood movie plots.

In conclusion, I think Artificial Intelligence is good for us. It helps us a lot so that we can enjoy a more convenient life. But still, we have to beware of it and learn to control it well. Or else, humans may be destroyed by A.I. one day.



Why Teenagers like Body Arts?



Brian Yim 4 Grace

It is easy to understand why teenagers like body arts. For one thing, they would like to take every opportunity to draw people's attention since most grew up under the impression that a unique appearance can help them stand out from the other teenagers more easily.

In the past, teens wore trendy clothes from famous brands like American Eagle, Uniqlo and Polo in order to gain the spotlight.

Nowadays, these methods have become too common. And if they want to be recognized easily, they have to make a tattoo or wear earrings. As an attentive user of Instagram, I realize that some young users often take selfies of their tattoo designs, attracting hundreds and thousands of likes from their followers. This encourages more teenagers to tattoo their bodies.

Idols are also very influential. Teenagers treat super stars — as role models and often imitate their behavior. For example,

- Justin Bibber, an international singer who loves tattoos.
- David Beckham, a former soccer player who is covered in tattoos, including his wife's name Victoria.
- Lady Gaga, an international pop star who has a motto on her body.

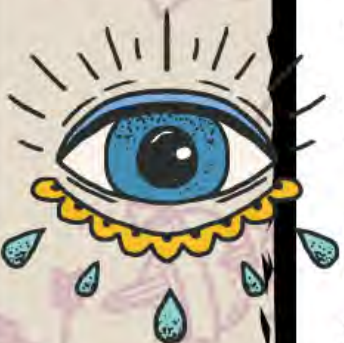
Teenagers follow these super stars' actions and it's no difference for tattoos. Teenagers often like to cosplay as their Super Star — some of which have tattoos. Therefore, some teenagers like body arts.

Although it is popular, there are some disadvantages of body art too.

Physically, teenagers have to suffer pain during the process of attaining a tattoo. Also, some may be allergic to tattoo inks.

Mentally, teenagers may regret their decisions which may be made on impulse. Unfortunately, they can hardly be undone in the future.

After probing into this matter, you may realize that body art is just one of the many pressing teen problems that deserves our urgent attention.



The Current State of Internet

Opinion

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Rocky Wong 3 Peace

The internet is popular for many reasons. Some people like it because of the amount of information it contains, some use it for its various functions, and some even enjoy it because of the anonymity it provides. The internet has become a must-have for many people nowadays, though the convenience it brings may also lead to some undeniable consequences.

The amount of websites has rapidly increased along with the popularity of the internet. Now there are countless amounts of websites around and you can basically find whatever you can think of. With searching engines like Google, you can just type whatever you are interested in, and millions of relevant websites pop up in front of your eyes. Want to share your life with your friends? Social media like Facebook or Instagram have got you covered. The fast spreading uniqueness of the internet also brings its own

culture: where funny jokes, punch lines and even sarcasms and mean words spread really fast. I don't think this is a bad thing if we have more things to refer to and laugh about but if it goes to the extreme, that can be a disaster.



The tremendous amount of viewers means that wrong or fake information, especially when released on popular websites, can spread very easily. It can be a big problem because people nowadays believe the information easily whether it is true or not. A classic and ironic example of this is 'The Flat Earth Society'. A group of people who think the earth is actually flat like a plate and

that the government lied to everyone and the moon landing was fake, etc. The start of this 'society' has a lot to do with the fast spreading features of the internet. Another thing that the internet brings is the trend of 'prank videos'. Going viral from a single successful prank video, many people all around the world enjoyed the tricks, then used them on others, or even made their own. As a teenager, I do admit that watching people being tricked can be quite fun and enjoyable but I seriously do not think people should do it on a daily basis. Imagine what your school life would be like if you get tricked and are troubled every single day? I'm sure that wouldn't be fun, to say the least. Some might say the victims in those pranking videos are actors, so no one is really hurt. How will the viewers really know? Will they really care about whether the victims in those prank videos are actors to see if they should play their tricks? What will the public think of you when all they see is your pranking? Furthermore, remember, all the 'prankstars' are brought up by the internet.

So, the internet can be the home of unlimited information, or the place for sharing your personal life, and even the breeding grounds of childish noxious people. That's my perspective on the state of internet.



The first letter of the answer will be provided. A list of the correct answers about Hong Kong history would help you to solve the puzzle. Good Luck!

1. Who was the last Governor of Hong Kong?
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2. Which event did Hong Kong host for the 2008 Olympic Games?
E
3. Murray House is one of the few remaining Victorian buildings in Hong Kong. Where is it?
S
4. Where is the Old Clock Tower?
T
5. What symbol is featured on the Hong Kong flag?
B
6. Which festival is held on Cheung Chau Island every year?
B
7. The symbol of the Hong Kong Tourist Association is a Chinese junk. What is it called?
D
8. Every year in late March, an international sporting festival is held in Hong Kong that involves athletes and visitors from all over the world. What is the sport?
R
9. Where is the Hong Kong Police Museum?
W
10. What language is most widely spoken in Hong Kong?
C

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D	I	R	G	T	C	Q	R	A	Y	R	H	A
E	Q	U	E	S	T	R	I	A	N	R	I	N
A	L	G	D	I	G	I	H	G	I	N	T	T
Y	I	B	B	M	H	R	A	S	I	E	L	O
G	D	Y	A	S	I	E	P	H	E	T	C	N
C	U	S	D	H	H	A	U	L	C	Q	Y	E
N	K	E	L	A	T	A	C	E	G	N	H	S
C	L	V	R	T	B	L	R	D	B	T	A	E
R	I	E	E	S	T	A	N	L	E	Y	H	W
A	N	N	B	U	A	D	T	N	Q	B	T	Q
Q	G	S	I	I	E	T	H	R	R	N	L	N

This is the end of the word game. We hope that you enjoyed reading and enriching your knowledge in this school magazine.

1	Chris Patten	D	I	R	G	T	C	Q	R	A	Y	R	H	A	C
2	Edwinston	E	Q	L	E	S	T	R	I	A	N	R	I	N	A
3	Stanley	A	L	G	D	I	G	I	H	G	I	N	T	F	
4	Tsim Sha Tsui	Y	I	B	B	M	H	R	A	S	I	E	L	O	
5	Banham	G	G	D	A	S	I	E	P	H	E	T	C	N	
6	Hon'ble	C	U	S	D	H	A	V	E	L	C	Q	E		
7	Dak Ling	C	L	E	L	A	T	A	C	E	G	N	H	S	
8	Radya Sengun	C	L	E	R	T	R	L	R	D	B	T	A	E	
9	Wing Hin	R	I	E	S	T	A	N	L	E	Y	H	W		
10	Camrouse	A	N	N	B	A	D	T	N	Q	B	T	Q		
		Q	G	S	I	E	T	H	R	R	N	L	N		