



# The Kippy Gazette

## Story-Making

If after being given a list of completely random words, what sort of story would you come up with? Here are a few stories written based on the following words:

***Neon snake, canoe, zebra, Miley Cyrus, acrobat, syrup, unicorn, pink gnomes, duck feathers, Dora the Explorer, joyful, water park, Harry Potter, smelly socks, hurricane, braces, diamonds & bouncy house.***

Story by Sam Fleischman

Once upon a time in Harry Potter World, Miley Cyrus lived in a bouncy house replica of Hogwarts. She had a pet neon snake named Bill and a unicorn named Joe. She had a large yard scattered with pink gnomes and duck feathers. Her house had only one television that played Dora the Explorer 24/7. Her dining room was filled with pictures of canoes and water parks. Her bedroom had zebra prints everywhere. Now, Miley herself loved maple syrup and joyful acrobats. She always wore the same smelly socks and diamond studded braces. Miley lived happily. She knew her schedule very well. In the morning she ate cereal for breakfast. Then she went swimming at the lake. After one hour she climbed out and braced herself for the daily hurricane. Then she rushed to her job at Ollivander's Wand Shop. By dinner she was starving and ate dinner calmly by herself. Miley was content with her life and went on living it for a long time, without any interruptions.

Story by Isabelle Balson

Once upon a time there were six best friends. A neon snake, a zebra, a unicorn, Dora the Explorer, Harry Potter and Miley Cyrus. The friends lived together in one big bouncy house. In the bouncy house was a small water park with a pond for canoes in it. This is where the friends liked to hang out. The water park was decorated with pink gnomes that had diamond braces. All of the six friends had a special talent. Harry Potter could chug syrup like no one else. The unicorn was an amazing acrobat. Dora was a master at making smelly socks. The neon snake could call up hurricanes and the zebra and Miley Cyrus (who were twins) had the power of always being joyful. These best friends used their powers to defeat evil, and finding a cure for melting ice cream, and duck feathers growing out of your beard.

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**Birthday, clown shoes, mayonnaise, carnival, Jim-Bob, purple-people-eater, flustered, grave-digger, golf cart, Cat Woman, hidden treasure, giraffe, a vat of ketchup, neon snake, Kippy cookies, tornado, roller skating, bamboozled, spaghetti.**

Story by Jackie Sizing

Today was my birthday. My grandpa surprised me with some clown shoes; he came to my house in a golf cart. Only because a man named Jim-Bob stole his vat of ketchup. He was very bamboozled! We went to the carnival and my grandpa was just watching me and my brother with a blank expression. You would tell he was still mad about his ketchup. We went on a ride called The Mayonnaise ride where they throw spaghetti at you the entire ride. Somehow that reminded my grandpa of the ketchup, so he started freaking out and put on roller skates going around in circles, which started a tornado. Cat Woman came down with a neon snake and Kippy cookies to save everyone. She released the snake to stop my grandpa roller skating so the tornado stopped. Then she gave everyone Kippy cookies to calm down. My grandpa was flustered. So he skated into a cave where he met a grave-digger. My brother and I followed him and he said there was a hidden treasure in it. So he led us into the cave. There was a giraffe but the giraffe didn't give us any trouble besides stomping on my grandpa's foot. His scream sounded like a little kindergartener who had just found out that blocks were knocked over. But we kept going. There was a roar and we discovered it was a purple-people-eater. He kept coming towards us. Thump, thump thump...it was silent. Then my grandpa threw a rock at it and it ran away like my brother on Halloween. We kept going and we found the treasure. It was my grandpa's vat of ketchup.

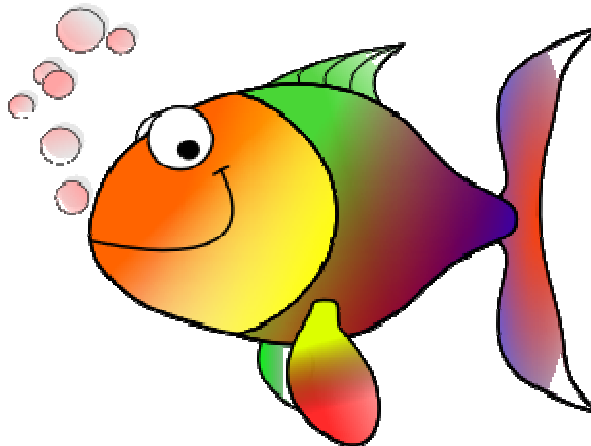
## Word Challenge

*Is there a word or thing which you absolutely hate? What if you were asked to write about it as if it were your favorite thing? Here are a few examples of this!*

### MOIST

I really like the world moist. I use it all the time! My friends get pretty annoyed with me. They say its like having gum on your shoe and you cant get it off. Want to know how I learned to love the word moist? When I was at my basketball game, we only had five players so I was running up and down the court and my coach said I was a moist player. It also makes every thing sound delicious, like moist pizza or moist brussel sprouts. I JUST LOVE IT!

-By Jackie Sizing



### FISH

I love fish. Fish sticks, fried fish. Fish. Fish. Fish. Almost every meal I have fish. I like other meats but fish is the best. A lot of people hate fish but I think it tastes amazing. My favorite type of fish is tuna fish. I like tuna when it's grilled. It's juicy and chewy and just delicious. Sometimes I catch my own fish and I eat it. One day I caught a big bass and I ate it and it and it was delicious. I also like salmon with my bagels. It is sooo yummy. Fish is like heaven to me. I don't know why but I just love it. Maybe one day I will hate fish. That would be sad.

-By Acadia Johanson-Gordet

## Create Your Own...**COUNTRY!!**

Campers were asked to create their own countries and here is what they came up with:

### **Air-Conditionia by Sam Fleischman**

The land of Air-Conditionia is always cold. In the winter it snows every day. In the summer it is never more than 60 degrees Fahrenheit. It is cool and never unbearably hot. A.Cia (for short) is in a 900 mile cloud. The sky above has millions of fans. They speak English. The houses don't have roofs so all the cool air comes from the sky. Most houses are one story so all the air gets everywhere. The country uses U.S. dollars. IT floats on top of North America. They have a president elected every 15 years. One of the best things is that no one ever dies of heat exhaustion. There are 2 million people that live there. The people usually don't move away from A.Cia frequently because no other countries have the conditions A.Cia has. Most people don't have light bulbs because they have natural light from the sun. Air-Conditionia is a great place to be!

### **Uniquity by Riya Bhattacharya**

Uniquity is a peaceful country where everyone accepts differences. They speak the complicated language of Unil, which was created by the first council. The council is the group of leaders. Uniquity made sure never to have a dictatorship (one leader). Each leader brings their own views and they come to a consensus or majority. The people love to wear bright clothing with funny or serious slogans. There is not one religion but many. People are allowed to believe in God but if they don't, it's okay. They each live in a three floor house. There are no painters and each family may decorate their house as they wish. There is one rule: minimal black. Uniquity is a very

convenient place to live. There is a lake that is full of trout, catfish and the rarest fish of all: chickenfish. There are also forests where there is plenty of game like deer, rabbit and pheasants. One of the occupations is a hunter, who goes and gets the game. There are also farms where the people can raise other animals, such as chickens, pigs, goats, cows and horses. The money system is fair. Everyone is distributed the same amount each week.

### **Tiki Tou by Mackenzie Cohn**

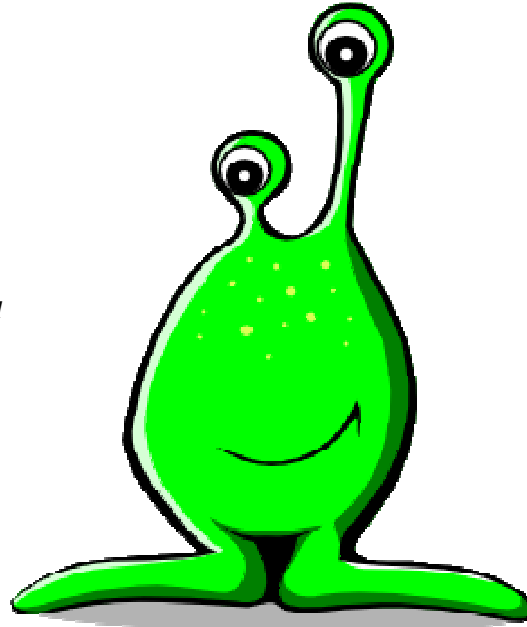
My country is called Tiki Tou. It's a group of 363 islands. On my island every girl's hair is never allowed to be cut and their hair is always perfect. Also, everything in my country can shape shift. They have a strict diet of caviar, a variety of cheeses, rainbow fruit, sun veggies, kane sugar, chocolate, grains, break of choice and dairy. Everything on the island is free. Everyone on the island wears silk and unicorn fur/hair/horn. Also, everyone wears a gold band around their head. Also everyone on the island has perfect voices.

### **Pandora by Acadia Johanson-Gordet**

Hello and welcome to Pandora. This country is an amazing piece of land with ocean surrounding every side. It is filled with lush jungles and is inhabited with tame animals and humans. We aren't very high tech here on Pandora. So people usually travel by foot. Most people work on farms or own stores. Children run free for three seasons but come winter they mostly go to school. The children usually play with animals or play games with each other. On Pandora it is really warm and tropical so we eat a lot of

mangos, coconuts and things like that. There are an occasional vicious animal but they are killed and eaten. For clothing the people of Pandora wear light cloth skirts or shorts and girls wear light tank tops. To get food or

cloth you would trade stones or some sort of valuable objects. Pandora has mines full of precious stone used for trade. Pandora is an amazing country and we plan to keep it that way



## SURVEY SQUARE

Which do you like better:

**MOPS**

Or

**BROOMS???**

49 people were asked. Here are the results taken by SaraJane Vilardi

Mops: 18 votes

Brooms: 36 votes

*Brooms WIN!!*

## A Day In The Life of a Counselor

By Riya Bhattacharya

Have you ever wondered what a camper's perspective of a counselor's job is? Well campers were asked to describe a day as if they were a counselor.

This morning, I woke up at 2:00. These kids! I love working here, but I wish I could control these children better. My bunk is called Hide-Away. Spacey but there's a fireplace right in the middle! How inconvenient is that! Anyway, I've got seven kids and one co-counselor. Now let me explain something about these kids. They all have different personalities. Kailyn is super bubbly, bright and positive. I know we're not supposed to play favorites but she's my favorite kid. Now Jemma, her family is very rich and she's used to getting whatever she wants. She's bossy and putting others down is a special talent of hers. Sarah is the comedian of Hide-Away. Her jokes are always funny and she loves to laugh. Marilyn is the homesick kid. She cries every night and me and my co take turns comforting her. Jess is the quiet one. She's very "to herself" and she's not a fan of talking. When she does say something, though, it's very thoughtful and everyone listens to her. She's the go-to girl for advice. Nikki is quick on her feet. She's a wonderful leader and everyone loves her. She heads the

group discussions we have and she's naturally diplomatic. The last girl, Izzy, is the athlete. She does every sport imaginable and loves anything active. My co-counselor, Kaly, is my best friend here. We talk, we laugh, and we whisper together. So after I got all the kids under control, the music for morning assembly played. We lined up and Kaly and I tried to keep the girls quiet. After announcements, breakfast started. I tried to make sure no one snatched food. Chore time was next. All the girls were surprisingly efficient. They finished their chores quickly and the music played again. We all scattered and I went off to teach Drama. The girls in all of my classes are very sweet but today it was all about stage combat. I tried my best to bring out their anger. Finally, it was shower hour and I hustled my girls in and out of the shower. Dinnertime and the evening activity! Tonight was campfire. Me and Kaly did a song together. We did "Girlfriend" by Avril Lavigne. We ate delicious s'mores and went back to our bunks. Soon it was flashlight time and then....SLEEP.



### If You Could Be Any Disney Character...

#### Who Would You Be???

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

I would be Christopher Robin because he has a very adventurous life. Every day he gets into new mischief with his best friends. He gets to play in the woods every day.

-Riya Bhattacharya



**MICKEY MOUSE**

I would be Mickey Mouse. I would be Mickey Mouse because he began it all. He was the first Disney character and he is awesome! He has so many tv shows and he is so cute. He is worldwide famous and everyone loves him.

-Sam Fleischman