

## Game on, Charles

The famous saying, "Two can keep a secret if one of them is dead," has certainly come a long way these past few years. First airing mid-June of 2010, the hit ABC Family show "Pretty Little Liars" just recently had the premiere of their sixth season. With more revelations about A, and scenes that will tug on your heart strings while making it race at the same time, this season can easily be called the most horrifying one yet! Kicking off the #SummerOfAnswers with season six's first episode "Game On, Charles," producers surely left PLL fans begging for answers. There were screams, cries for help, trickery, rebellion, everything you would expect from this unpredictable set of characters. (Visit the website to see the full PLL article) -Jeyda

## Too Kind?

No matter how you were raised, at one point or another we've all probably heard that giving is better than receiving. And how much truthful can this statement get? However, recent news has sparked a debate. Can there really be an extreme to this saying? The story begins at the Dakota Valley Elementary School in Aurora Colorado. As an ordinary school lunches were provided for its students on a daily basis. Come on, we all know how this works. A student chooses something on the menu, the lunch lady gives it to them, and the student pays for it. However, even the most bright minded child can occasionally forget their money at home.



And so, as it goes some students at the elementary school forgot their cash at home. Seeing that no money was in their school accounts, the kitchen manager Della Curry, decided to show an act of kindness. She didn't charge the students for their meals, and so they got it for free. Eventually, this deed was uncovered by the school officials. And much to Curry's dismay, she was dismissed from her occupation. In other words, she was fired. News about this spread all over the country. Was firing Curry a justifiable action? Although it was technically considered as stealing, she did do it for the children. (Read the rest on our website) -Ekaterina Z.

## Head Transplant

Have you ever wondered what your life would be like if you could switch your head onto a new body? Well, now it is believed that you can! Actually, it hasn't been tested on humans yet. Scientists and surgeons have been practicing head transplants on animals, such as mice. None of them ever survived for a long time, though, only a few days. The first head transplant was completed in 1970. However, the monkey that the operation was done on could not walk and died in nine days. \*cricket, cricket, cricket.\* An Italian surgeon, however, is 100% positive that he can perform the first human head transplant successfully in two years Dr. Sergio Canavero (the Italian surgeon) announced the operation he is planning on carrying out on a person suffering from a muscle-wasting disease. Recently, a volunteer was chosen: Valery Spiridonov, a 30-year-old computer scientist from Vladimir, Russia, is suffering from Werdnig-Hoffman disease. This is a rare genetic muscle-wasting condition also known as type 1 spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). People rarely get past 20 years old with this disease. (Read the full article on the website) -Aji M.



## Ask an 8th Grader

"I have had this crush on someone for a while, now. I figured out a few months ago that he might have a crush on me (which made me really happy!) However, he is starting to talk a lot and spend more time with another girl. If I didn't know better, I would think I am almost 100% sure that he has a crush on her now, even though he might still have some feelings for me. I thought that he would like me again if I dressed cuter and talked to him more, before that other girl beat me to him. It doesn't seem to be working! A lot of times I feel kind of stiff talking to him because he gets kind of defensive. For example, I ask, "Do you have a phone?" and he answers, "Why?" I don't know why I can't just talk to him normally, unlike his other crush who talks fluently. WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO? HOW CAN I TALK TO HIM? HOW CAN I MAKE HIM STILL LIKE ME? PLEASE HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!"

- Curly the Concerned

Dear Curly the Concerned,

Crushes are one of the evil and good things that come with growing up. They can make you have butterflies yet you can get your heart crushed when they don't go with you. But, crushes are regular people too! So talk to them like you're talking to your friend. "An object at rest will stay at rest until a force moves that object" - Isaac Newton. In this term I mean the object is supposed to be a relationship. Be that force! Start a conversation, or find a way to "casually" bump into them. Guys say that we are confusing, but they are the ones who don't share their feelings. He just might have been scared of his feelings. Give him time, but don't change yourself for him. If he liked you before, just be yourself and he'll come around

Good Luck!  
- 8th grader

Leaves on trees are glowing green  
Sunshine spreads around the scene  
As the dancing rays come down  
Warming soil that is brown  
And wind blows throughout the trees  
Rocking gently in its breeze  
Wisps of grass stick from the ground  
Listening to the cheerful sound  
And the gushing rivers flee  
Rumbling like a busy bee  
And as the sky looms over towns  
Slowly leave all darkened frowns  
As the warmth comes in to clean  
In full glory we've not seen  
Gathering people all around  
It is summer that we've found!

By: Ekaterina Z

## Answer to the Joke:

Answer: A Big Mac, an Apple, and some Blackberries





**AWMS 7th and 8th Grade Spring Band Concert!** On Tuesday, June 2, the Anthony Wayne Middle School 7th and 8th grade band concert took place in our school's auditorium at 7:00 P.M. Many of the band students' friends and families came to support the band. Through the hard work of everyone involved, this year's concert was a great success.

Through the course of the night's program, the band students played seven songs in total: "Ceremony, Chant and Ritual," "A Saint-sational Trio," "Gadget," "In Endless Song," "Lament and Jig for Mickey," "Into the Storm," and "The American Way." The first song, "Ceremony, Chant, and Ritual," was an exciting song that had various fast-paced sections as well as slower sections. After that song, the band played "A Saint-sational Trio," which featured a Trumpet Trio consisting of Andy B., Luke J., and Alyssa O. The next song, "Gadget," highlighting the low brass instruments on the melody part, and sounding like a little gadget, through the use of sound effects by the percussion (the video is posted on the website). "In Endless Song," was a slow-paced song featuring Eduardo N. on the saxophone solo. To read the full article about the other songs and awards given out, visit the website *By: Andy B. (Check out the website to read the full article about the other songs and awards given out, and to watch a recording of "Gadget")*



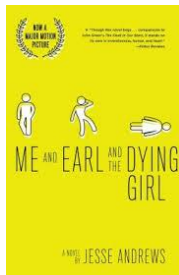
Rompers have never been more popular ever before. Maybe because we finally found the perfect combination of casual and formal. Match a romper with sandals to get a formal look and match them with sneakers and get a casual look! -Alexa

**NEW BOOKS**

Greg, an awkward high school kid who makes sucky films in his free time. Earl, Greg's best and only friend who lives in a house of druggies.

Rachel, a girl diagnosed with leukemia, also the only person who likes Greg's films.

Me and Earl and the Dying Girl is about Greg's life after he finds out that a childhood friend has cancer, and honesty, he wants nothing to do with it. After his mom pushes him to call her, he agrees, thinking it won't lead to anything-- but it snowballs. Big time. Their lives join together, as Earl becomes good friends with Rachel. As the days go by, Rachel becomes even sicker and Greg distances himself more. **Something to note: this isn't a love story.**



To read this funny and dramatic story, buy the book in your local book store or on any e-reader. Also this book is coming to the big screen June 15th! -Faith

**This Season, Mermaid Tails are In!**

Have you ever wished to have a tail like a mermaid and swim like one? Well, recently parents have been buying their kids swim tails to



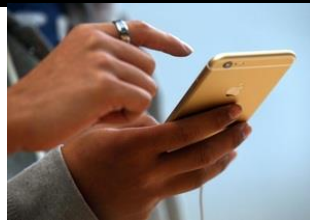
wear and swim like a mermaid. This tail comes in many different sparkling colors and in many sizes. Many websites like [mermaidswimtail.com](http://mermaidswimtail.com) and [www.mermaidtails.net](http://www.mermaidtails.net) sell these water toys but, other websites not having to do with mermaids sell swim tails as well.

However, after the water toy has been bought, some parents complain that their kids get tired too easily underwater. Also, the CBC news created an article about the safety concerns of wearing the mermaid tail. According to the CBC article it is hard for children to move around on the slippery edges of the pool while hopping, and swim safely in water with the tail. The mermaid tails cause excessive strain to the person's leg which causes blood circulation problems. Are mermaid swim tails adorable to wear or is it dangerous for kids? You decide

-Supritaa M.S.

**Bzzz! Why You Should Avoid that Text**

You have to cram for that test you have tomorrow, and you hear that universal ping. You got a text. Statistics show that answering texts while studying decreases your learning performance. Even if you think you can successfully multitask, this still affects you.



Basically, the experiment took 47 students at Columbia Falls High School, and for the first phase, it gave them passages to read. After reading, participants were asked to answer a few questions on what they read, with no distractions. In the second phase, the participants were asked to again, read passages and answer questions, but there was a catch. Programmers sent digital texts to the computer screens every 90 seconds. The results showed that only a few students did as well as the first phase. No one did better than in the first phase, and that's what was important. They tested many people of all gender, race and age.

This study proves that cell phones and texting do distract us. To keep us from getting distracted, we should turn off our cell phones, or put your phone on airplane mode. This, in turn, will help us concentrate on what we are doing. Go and give it a try today! -Rohit M.

**TECHNOLOGY**

**Shout out to Mrs. Cerullo for being a huge supporter of the Newspaper! This joke is for you:**

What does a computer virus eat? (Flip to the back for the answer)

