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I've been playing Mario + Rabbids Kingdom Battle and it's awesome! I've just defeated the midboss on level 3, Calavera, and can't wait to find out what comes next. Wanna know which character from the game you are? Find out pgs 44-45! Have fun YAKs!

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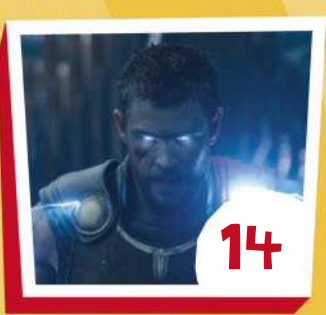
THIS MONTH!

Dom and Chris
checkout
the latest
Star Wars toys!



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KINGDOM BATTLE



 **SHOUT OUT! Rabbid Yoshi - what an awesome dude!**



RIGHT
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THESE MANIACS ARE 100% AWSM!

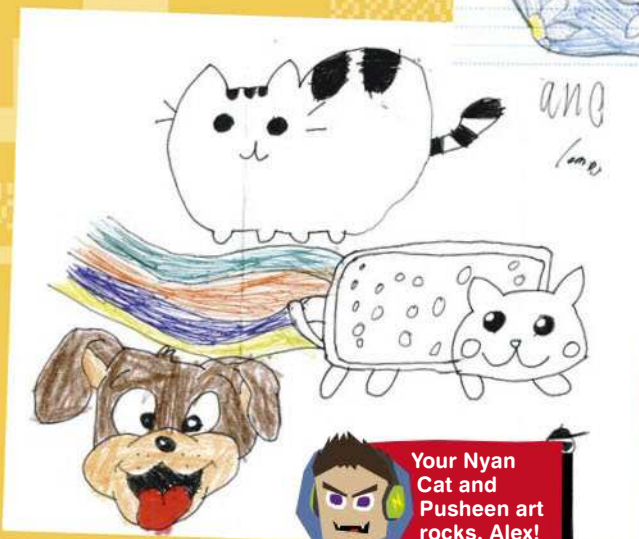


Kitty, VIC

"I really like Garfield the Cat and your magazine!"



We hate Mondays but we love this Garfield pic!



"Hey MANIA, you rock!"



Alex, QLD



Your Nyan Cat and Pusheen art rocks, Alex!

"This is one of my best drawings!"



Callum, TAS



AWSM Minecraft drawing, Callum!



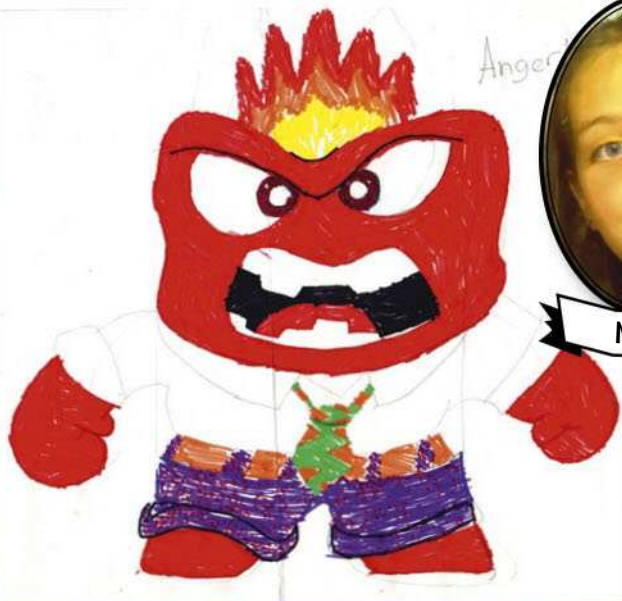
SHOUT OUT TO THE FLASH FOR RUNNIN' REAL FAST!



Ella, VIC

"Hello MANIA, I enjoy reading your mags!"

Thanks, Ella! That's an AWSM drawing!



Mia, QLD

"I drew Anger from Inside Out!"

This Anger makes us feel like Happy!



WIN! WIN!

Get your face in the mag and score an awesome prize pack! This month's winners score a copy of *The Greatest Magician in the World* book. Send in your letter with your best drawing, plus a photo of yourself to:

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Julian, VIC

"Check out my Pokémon team!"



That's a wikkid Pikachu, Julian!



SHOUT OUT TO WARIO FOR BEING A RAD BAD DUDE!



MOVIES

JUMP TO HYPERSPACE

THE LAST JEDI HYPE TRAIN IS STARTING UP! ALL ABOARD, YAKS!



THE ARMY OF THE FIRST ORDER EXPANDS!

BB-9E: the BB-unit used by the First Order. We're taking bets on whether or not the "E" stands for "Evil"!

ELITE PRAETORIAN GUARD: These red-armored warriors are the personal guards of Supreme Leader Snoke. Are their fighting skills as deadly as their fashion sense?

EXECUTIONER TROOPERS: Their job is to punish members of the First Order who are guilty of treason. Finn better watch out if he doesn't want to lose his head!

THE BATTLE OF CRAIT

The First Order will attack the Resistance's secret base on the mineral mining planet Crait. Are the Resistance's ski-speeders strong enough to take on the First Order's AT-M6?

ALL TERRAIN MEGACALIBER SIX: The AT-M6 is so big it makes the AT-AT walker look like a puppy! The MegaCaliber cannon on its back is a force to be reckoned with!

VERSUS

SKI-SPEEDER: These fast speeders are designed to fly at low-altitudes. They keep balance with a stabilizer that drags along the planet's surface.



QUICK RUMOURS

Finn and Resistance member Rose Tico are going to infiltrate a First Order compound.

The Resistance will hire a computer hacker named DJ. He's a bit shady and can't be fully trusted. He'll team up with whoever offers the most money!

Rey and Luke will face off against Kylo and the other Knights of Ren on Ahch-To.



A JEDI NO MORE?

In the first trailer for *The Last Jedi*, Luke Skywalker drops this bombshell line: "I only know one truth: It's time for the Jedi to end." What do you think it means, YAKs?

- A)** Luke has gone to the dark side.
- B)** Luke wants to balance the force, so there are no Jedi or Sith.
- C)** Luke is still upset that he failed to restart the Jedi Order.

YOUR ANSWER:



COMING ATTRACTIONS

The third *Star Wars* spinoff movie will be about Obi-Wan Kenobi and is set during the period between *Revenge of the Sith* and *A New Hope*! Will we get to see a really young Luke Skywalker?

MANIA'S MOST WANTED STAR WARS SPINOFFS

CHRIS: A Dengar and Bossk team up!

DOM: A Teek movie!

MATT: How C-3PO got his red arm!





TV

STAY LEGENDARY!

WE'VE GOT A LION'S SHARE OF THEORIES ABOUT THE NEW SEASON OF VOLTRON!



WHAT HAPPENED LAST SEASON?

Keith is now the new leader of Voltron and pilots the Black Lion!

Lance now pilots the Red Lion and Princess Allura pilots the Blue!

The Paladins travelled to an alternate reality where the Altean's were the bad guys!

We met Prince Lotor; Zarkon's son and heir to the Galran Empire.

Season Three ends with Zarkon reawakening! What could this mean for the Paladins and Lotor?!

COULD WE GET AN EVIL VOLTRON IN SEASON 4?

Lotor stole the comet of trans-reality metal from the Paladins – the same metal used to make Voltron! They've already used it to build a battleship, is there a chance it could transform into a mech?

WHAT DO YOU THINK: YES // NO?



TUNE IN!



WELCOME TO THE WAYNE

NEW EPS AIR MON TO THURS FROM 20TH NOVEMBER @ 4.30PM ON NICKELODEON!

Join siblings Olly and Saraline, and their best bud Ansi as they explore the mysterious Wayne apartments, where every new secret they uncover is stranger than the last! Robots! Vampires! AWSM!



RUMOUR: THIS SHIRO IS AN EVIL CLONE!

The bad guys let Shiro escape from a Galran cruiser because of something called "Operation KURON". He can no longer bond with the Black Lion because he's not the real Shiro!

His hair is a different colour on the sides; he has headaches because all of his memories are downloads of the real Shiro's! In Japanese, Kuro = black, Shiro = white! Could this Shiro turn bad next season?

WHAT DO YOU THINK: YES // NO?

BUT DID YOU KNOW?

Voltron is based on the 1984 series Voltron: Defender of the Universe!

That series was based on the Japanese anime Beast King GoLion!

The sequel to Voltron was called Vehicle Team Voltron. That Voltron was made of cars, boats and planes!

WHAT DO WE WANNA SEE IN SEASON 4?



CHRIS

KEITH VS. LOTOR SWORD-FIGHT!



DOM

A CHARACTER FROM AN ALTERNATE REALITY!



MATT

THEY DISCOVER A SIXTH LION FOR SHIRO TO PILOT!



SEASONS 1 TO 3 OF VOLTRON: LEGENDARY DEFENDER ARE STREAMING ON NETFLIX! SEASON 4 IS SET TO AIR LATER THIS YEAR!

JUSTICE LEAGUE ACTION

NEW EPS AIR WEEKENDS FROM NOVEMBER 4TH @ 11AM ON CARTOON NETWORK!

The World's Greatest Heroes are back for another round of super-powered action! Join Batman, Superman and stacks of other heroes as they throw down with Red Lanterns, Lex Luthor and Brainiac!





WIRED

LEVEL UP!

WE CHAT WITH THE VIDEO GAME OBSESSED MUSIC DUO
HYPER POTIONS!

MANIA: How did you get into music?

IAN: "I've loved music for as long as I can remember."

KEVIN: "I always wanted to make music and never really knew how to. It started as an after school hobby for me."

MANIA: Describe your music in three words:

IAN: "Happy, friendly, nostalgic."

MANIA: What's the secret to getting a crowd hyped during a set?

IAN/KEVIN: "Jump with them, dance with them, have fun with them! Make them know that you're happy to be performing for them. Sometimes it's hard to get a good picture of us at a show because we're constantly jumping!"

MANIA: Do you have any hobbies outside of music?

IAN: "Video games, skateboarding, playing kendama, watching movies, and food."

KEVIN: "Playing competitive games like Rocket League. I also really enjoy graphic design and video editing."

MANIA: Favourite videogames?

IAN: "Mega Man X, Pokémon series, Kingdom Hearts series."

KEVIN: "Phantasy Star Online, Dota 2, Rocket League, Overwatch."

MANIA: Is it true that you're actually two Shiba Inus?

IAN/KEVIN: "Yes. We walk across a keyboard and accidentally create music. I don't know how we've gotten this far."



LISTEN UP

Hyper Potions -
Friends

This track is a banger that'll make you want to dance so hard your sneakers fall apart! Check it out:
www.hyperpotions.com



REAL NAMES:
Kevin (L) and Ian (R).

FROM:
San Francisco and Philadelphia.

GENRE:
Electronic

FUN FACT:
Provided music for Sonic Mania!

HYPER POTIONS'S TOP GAME SOUNDTRACKS

IAN:

- 1) The Legend of Zelda: The Wind Waker
- 2) Mega Man X
- 3) Super Mario Land.

KEVIN:

- 1) Phantasy Star Online
- 2) Sonic Adventure 1 and 2
- 3) All the Pokémon games!



THE GRANDMASTER'S GRAND PUZZLE

1) RKON**R**AGA

2) O**L**IK

3) RD**A**GSA

4) AKIEYLR**V**

5) N**T**HRDUE

6) OJLR**I**MN

7) R**C**BUE /
E**B**RNAN

8) A**S**KARA

THE GLADIATOR
RING ISN'T THE
GRANDMASTER'S
ONLY CHALLENGE!
CAN YOU
UNSCRAMBLE ALL
OF THESE WORDS?




THE FIRST
LETTER OF
EACH WORD
IS **RED**!

ANSWERS:
1) RAGNAROK, 2) LOKI, 3) ASGARD, 4) VALKYRIE, 5) THUNDER, 6)
Mjolnir, 7) BRUCE BANNER, 8) SAKARA.

MARVEL VS.

MYTH

HOW DOES MARVEL'S GOD OF THUNDER STACK UP AGAINST NORSE MYTHOLOGY?



WOE IS
YEE, FOUL
ONE!

MYTH:

Thor rides a chariot pulled by two massive goats.

MARVEL:

He doesn't, but we really wish he did!

MYTH:

Thor has a magic hammer, Mjollnir, a magic belt that made him twice as strong and iron gloves that allowed him to hold Mjollnir.

MARVEL:

He's got the hammer but no gloves. He wears a belt but the only magic power it has is stopping his pants from falling down.

MYTH:

He's got red hair and a red beard.

MARVEL:

Nope, movie Thor is a blonde!



MYTH:

Thor's nickname is "Protector of mankind."

MARVEL:

It's not his nickname, but definitely his job!

NAY! NAY!
NAY!

MYTH:

The gods of Asgard gain immortality by eating the magical Golden Apples of Idunn.

MARVEL:

We don't think Thor has eaten a single piece of fruit in the movies, let alone a golden apple!



HEARKEN
TO ME!

MYTH:

He has a terrible temper and flies into uncontrollable rages!

MARVEL:

He's a hot-head for sure, but he's definitely no Hulk!



THOU
SHALL
FALL!

MYTH:

One time he dressed up as the goddess Freyja so he could pretend to marry a frost-giant that stole his hammer.

MARVEL:

Nope! Maybe in Thor 4?

MYTH:

Thor travels from Asgard to Midgard via a rainbow known as the Bifrost!

MARVEL:

Yep! Except instead of an actual rainbow it's a rainbow-coloured bridge!

MYTH:

Thor dies during the great battle known as Ragnarök

MARVEL:

Thor is set to appear in Avengers: Infinity War, so it looks like he'll make it out of Thor: Ragnarok alive.

THOR RAGNAROK THUNDERS INTO CINEMAS OCTOBER 26!



ROAD
TEST

ROADTEST

RESISTANCE MEMBERS DOM AND CHRIS WENT UNDERCOVER TO GET
A FIRST LOOK AT THE NEW STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI TOYS!

IT TOOK
ME ALL
MORNING TO
BUILD THIS!



DOM AND CHRIS CHECK OUT
THE SWEET NEW LEGO SETS!

I'M GONNA
SEE IF THIS
CAN REALLY
FLY!



GONNA SLICE
UP SO MANY
SANDWICHES
WITH THIS!

DOM CAN'T
LOOK AWAY
FROM THE
PORC!



BB-ATE!



CONS: YOU'LL GET
A WICKED CASE OF
HELMET HAIR.
PROS: YOU'LL GET
TO LOOK LIKE ACE
RESISTANCE PILOT
POE DAMERON!



THE NEW SPHERO DROIDS ARE EPIC!



R2-D2 IS MY FAVE!

GONNA FLY THIS BAD BOY TO TOSCHE STATION TO PICK UP SOME POWER CONVERTERS!



COME TO THE DARK SIDE - WE HAVE COOKIES!



WE GOT SOME RAD STAR WARS COOKIES!

ALRIGHT, YOU CONVINCED US!



MANIC MOVES

DANCE MASTER ALEX SHOWS US HOW TO IGNITE THE DANCE-FLOOR WITH SOME WIKKID MOVES!

STEP 1



Lean slightly over your left leg and cross your wrists over your knee.

Bring your fists to the outside of your hips and lean your body over your right leg.

STEP 2



Stand up straight and pull your hands up to your shoulders.

Hold this count - use it as a pose!

TO MAKE SURE YOUR RHYTHM FLOWS SMOOTHLY, HAVE A

1-2-3-4,
1-2-3-4

BEAT IN YOUR HEAD AT ALL TIMES!

STEP 3/4



STEP 5



The next four counts you're bouncing from side to side while you throw your arms in a circle starting with a bounce to the left, throwing your arms out to each side.

STEP 6



Bounce to the right and continue the throw of your arms by bringing them forward.

STEP 7



Bounce to the left and pull your arms in crossed across your chest.

STEP 8



Finally, bounce to the right and pull your arms straight out to the side, leading with your elbows.

REPEAT THIS SEQUENCE OVER AND OVER AND THROW IN SOME DIFFERENT MOVES WHEN IT FEELS RIGHT!



GET INTO THE GROOVE WITH JUST DANCE 2018 — OUT OCTOBER 26TH!

BETCHA DIDN'T KNOW!

JAM YOUR EYEBALLS INTO THESE WILD AND WACKY FACTS!

Do you have a stamp bro?



NO DOGS ALLOWED!

Dogs are banned from Antarctica because they could possibly spread diseases to seals!

SEA-MAIL!

If you take a dip in Susami Bay in Japan you can find the world's deepest postbox! It's 10 metres underwater.

A SANDWICH FAR, FAR AWAY

The Millennium Falcon's iconic shape was inspired by George Lucas taking a bite out of a hamburger and placing it down next to an olive on a toothpick.



Rahahah!

ACTUAL SIZE?



TINIEST PLANET!

16,647,940km²

The size of Pluto's entire surface area in square kilometres is smaller than Russia's surface area (17,098,322km²)!



BERRY CONFUSING!

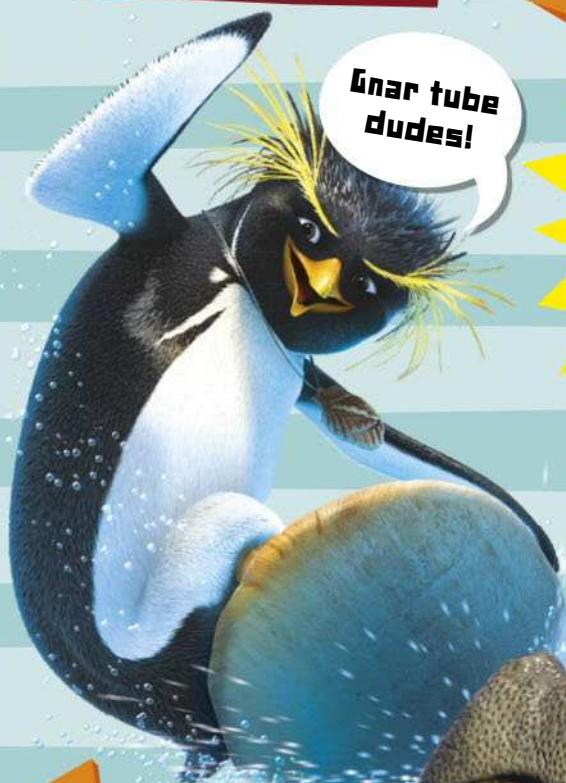
How's this for confusing: strawberries aren't actually berries but bananas, avocados and pumpkins are!



DON'T HAVE A COW!

Boanthropy is a psychological disorder that makes the sufferer believe that they're actually a cow.

I'm in a bad moo-d!



Gnar tube dudes!

SHAKE IT OFF!

It's thought that the handshake was invented as a way to check if someone was carrying a hidden weapon. The handclasp proved that your hand was empty and shaking was meant to dislodge any weapons hiding up their sleeves.

THINK PINK!

Hippopotamus' milk is pink! Unfortunately, it doesn't taste like strawberries.

SURF'S UP!

Australia has so many beaches that if you visited a new one everyday it'd take 27 years to visit them all!



I'm thirsty!

Mania CRAFT

MAP OF THE MONTH

Be transported to the fantasy world of Nira to embark on an epic quest! This map turns Minecraft into a rad RPG!

TERRA RESTORE 2 (BY MITHEY)

CRAFTY FACT:

If you shoot an arrow through lava it'll hit your target with fire damage!

To save the world you need to defeat dungeons to receive terra restore pieces!

You'll face perilous challenges! Mob rushes, parkour puzzles and even boss battles!

There's a huge overworld with tonnes of different and AWSM environments to explore!

CRAFTY FACT:

If you kill a zombie on Easy Mode there's a 1 in 100 chance it will drop a carrot!

CRAFTY FACT:

It's harder to find pumpkins than it is to find diamonds!

CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH



Can you...

- Play a session without breaking any wood blocks?
10 points
- Only use a Gold Sword as a weapon?
10 points
- Dive into a sea of lava and survive?
10 points
- Kill a ghast with its own fireball?
10 points
- Obtain a dragon egg!
10 points

YOUR SCORE:

___ / 50

SKIN OF THE MONTH



FIRE AND ICE (CREATED BY XUENE)

This skin is too hot to handle and too cold to hold!

ONLY MINECRAFTERS WILL UNDERSTAND...

CRAFTY FACT:

There's a 1 in 10,000 chance that the Minecraft title screen will say "Mincraft" instead!

"Nice house. It'd be a shame if something happened to it..."

The fear of seeing a Creeper outside of your window.

When people tell you to play more games and you're like "What other games?"

When you dig straight down and can't climb back up!

When you see an Enderman and then wonder where it disappeared to...

FREAKY FUN HALLOWEEN

PREPARE YOURSELVES BOILS AND GHOULS FOR THE FREAKIEST HALLOWEEN GUIDE POSSIBLE!



FAKE WORMS



WHATCHA NEED:

- A pack of bendy straws
- Instant Raspberry Jelly (Depending on how much you want to make!)
- A large glass/cup



HOW TO MAKE THEM:

- 1) Prepare the jelly as per the box instructions.
- 2) Stretch out all of the straws.
- 3) Place the straws into the cup with the bendy end at the bottom.
- 4) Pour the jelly mix over the straws. Don't worry about making them equal; they'll level themselves out.
- 5) Put the jelly covered straws in the fridge to chill and set.
- 6) To loosen the jelly, run each straw under hot water for a few seconds.
- 7) Pinch the straw from the top down to squeeze out the worms.
- 8) Place the individual worms on some baking paper and chill them again so they can set.

FAKE WOUNDS

HOW TO MAKE THEM:

- 1) Mix in half a teaspoon of the fake blood recipe with the PVA glue.
- 2) Tear up a square of toilet paper into tiny bits and mix that in too.
- 3) If you think it needs to be darker, add more red food colouring.
- 4) Apply the bloody mixture to your arm. Smooth out the edges to make it look more natural.
- 5) Use the toothpick to shape the wound.
- 6) Use a hair-dryer to dry it out.



WHATCHA NEED:

The Fake Blood mix
Red food dye
PVA Glue
Toilet paper
Toothpick



Wanna feel like a vampire?
This fake blood is edible!



FAKE BLOOD

WHATCHA NEED:

1/2 cup glucose syrup
2 tablespoons chocolate syrup.
Red food colouring

HOW TO MAKE IT:

Combine all three in a bowl!
The more food colouring you add the darker it'll be.
The more chocolate syrup you add the less transparent it will be.



TOTES
COOL

RAD TOYS!



SILENT BUT DEADLY

LEGO Kylo Ren's TIE Fighter

Stockists: All leading toy retailers.

\$129⁹⁹

\$220



SHRED HARD

Grit Elite Scooter

Stockists: Available from independent retailers; www.gritscooters.com.au

\$19



NOT SO DESPICABLE TOYS!

Despicable Me Mega Construx

Stockists: Big W

\$49

\$39



SHELL POWER!

TMNT Micro Mutant Playsets

Stockists: Target, Big W and independent toy retailers.

\$10



\$29



USE THE FORCE

VTech Star Wars BB-8 and Stormtrooper Camera Watches

Stockists: JB Hi-Fi, Toys R Us and selected toy retailers.

\$89⁹⁹

DA BOMB!

LEGO Resistance Bomber

Stockists: All leading toy retailers.



\$179⁹⁹



\$39⁹⁹

BANANA BOMBS!

Minions Bunch O Balloons (100 Pack)

Stockists: Rebel



\$12⁹⁹

SURE SHOT!

X-Shot Turbo Advance

Stockists: Kmart, Target, Toys "R" Us and Big W.



**\$14⁹⁹
EACH**

INTERGALACTIC ACTION!

The Last Jedi 3.75" figures

Stockists: All leading toy retailers.

AIN'T THAT SOMETHING!

We'll be doggone! These Guinness World Records are super impressive!

HEAVIEST BICYCLE!

This rideable bike weighs 850kg and was built by Jeff Peeters from Belgium!

WANNA RACE?



MOST MASHED POTATO EATEN IN 30 SECONDS!

Andre Ortoff slammed down 598g in just 30 seconds in Augsburg Germany on June 17, 2016.



SHORTEST MARRIED COUPLE!

Paulo Gabriel da Silva Barros and Katyucia Lie Hoshino from Brazil have a combined height of only 181.41 cm.



FURTHEST FLIGHT BY A HOVERBOARD

On April 30 2016 Franky Zapata from France flew 2,252.4 metres. Wikkid!



HOW DO I STEER?

LONGEST FINGERNAILS

Ayanna William from the USA has fingernails that measure a combined 576.4cm!



GREAT BALLS OF...

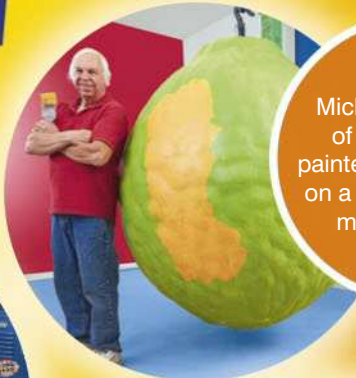
STICKERS

John Fischer from the USA owns a sticker ball weighing a whopping 105kg!



PAINT

Michael Carmichel of Indiana USA, painted 17,994 layers on a baseball. It now measures 2.77 metres.



TAPE

Weighing 907.18kg and measuring 3.89 metres this tape ball was made by the Portland Promise Centre and finished in May 2011.



Guinness World Records 2018 is available now!

WELL PLAYED GAMER!

No noobs here - only gamer champions and their tremendous feats!



LARGEST MECHANICAL WINGS ON A COSPLAYER

This League of Legends costume has a wingspan measuring 426cm and belongs to Leo Simon from the UK.

OLDEST VIDEOGAMES YOUTUBER!

81-year-old Shirley Curry from the USA has 238 449 subscribers on her YouTube channel. She's a big fan of The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim.



GREETINGS DOVAHKIIN!

GOOD
GAME
MANIACS!

MOST GOALS SCORED IN A GAME OF ROCKET LEAGUE

Shashipreetham Rao Ravella from India and Jamal Gianni Ragno from the UK scored 56 goals in a game of Rocket League in a team of two.





LARGEST COLLECTION OF ZELDA GEAR

Anne Harnes from Norway owns 1,816 items and also dresses up as Princess Zelda.



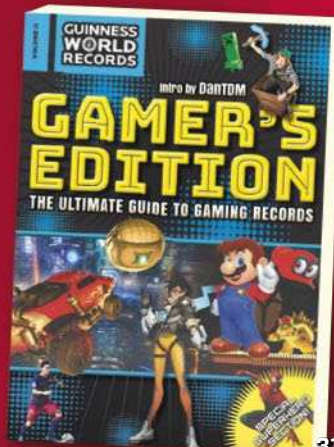
JUST CALL ME WOLVIE!

LARGEST GAME BOY!

A whopping 1.01 metres tall and 0.62 metres wide, this mega retro console was created by Iihan Unal from Belgium.

LARGEST COLLECTION OF X-MEN GEAR

Erik Jaskolka from the USA has a stash of 15,400 items!



**Guinness World Records
2018 Gamer's Edition
is available now!**



PETZ

PET PALS!

Give your fur-pals credit for being awesome!

Lyla, NSW



"WHERE'S THE CHEESE?"

LYLA AND HER POOLY SAY, "CHEESE!"

"I JUST WANNA NAPI!"

SONNY IS USING THUNDERCAT TO SHOW OFF HIS TOYS!

Sonny, NSW

AIR HOG!
If you're feeling stressed at San Francisco International Airport you can relax with the help of Lilou! This hog is part of the "Wag Brigade" – a team of therapy animals who help panicking and anxious travellers chill out with pats and hugs!



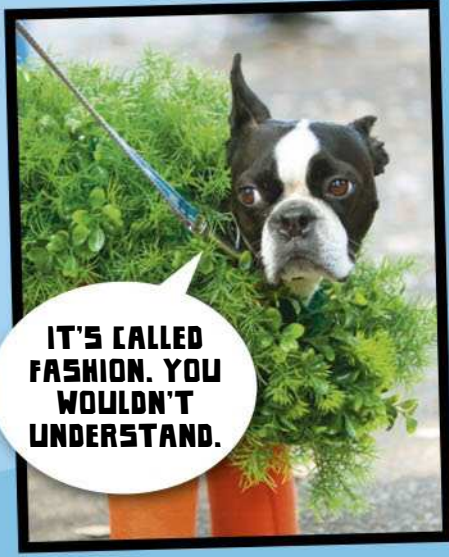
YOGA GOATS!
Goat Yoga is exactly what it sounds like. Come for the stretching and meditation, stay for the goats running around on top of you! Be warned, they like to climb up you while you're doing a downward facing dog.



FREAKY FACTOID

Squirrels can't see the colour red!

LOL PETZ



**IT'S CALLED
FASHION. YOU
WOULDN'T
UNDERSTAND.**



**DON'T TALK TO
ME UNTIL I'VE
HAD MY MORNING
COFFEE!**



**STAY ON
YOUR SIDE OF
THE BOWL!**



**I HAD AN
ACCIDENT...**



**NOW WHO'S
SLOW?!**

WIN!



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AWSM animal
pics, MANIACs!
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got a shot of you hangin'
with your dog, cat, sloth, or
whatever, send it in for your
chance to win!

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CRACK UP!



Q: What do demons eat for breakfast?

A: Devilled eggs!

Q: How can you help a starving cannibal?

A: Give them a hand!

Q: What is red, sweet and bites people?

A: A jampire!

Q: What would you find on a haunted beach?

A: A sand witch!

Q: What trees do ghosts like best?

A: Ceme-trees!

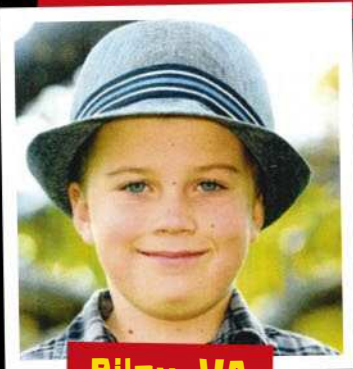
Q: Why can't you bury the people who live opposite a graveyard?

A: Because they're not dead yet!

RAD READER JOKE!

Q: Why should you never believe an atom?

A: Because they make up everything!



Riley, WA

PRIZE ALERT!

YOU COULD WIN!

Send us your best joke and a photo for the chance to win an awesome prize. This month's winner scores a Tech Deck BMX bike with real bike components and graphics!



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BUST A MOOVE!

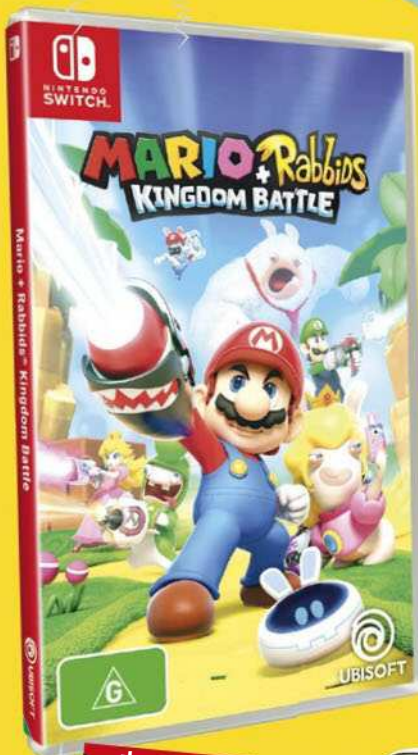
Get ready to groove with music and show off your wikkid dance moves. Just Dance 2018 is the newest instalment in the interactive dance series and possibly the best one yet, featuring wikkid tracks like Bruno Mars's "24K Magic", Jamiroquai's "Automation" and DNCE's "Kissing Strangers." Show your friends and family what you're made of!

Eight toe-tapping YAKs will score a copy of Just Dance 2018 for the Nintendo Switch, along with a Just Dance drink bottle, inflatable beach ball and sticker set!



\$1032
WORTH OF PRIZES

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KINGDOM BATTLE!

The Mushroom Kingdom is in chaos thanks to a group of evil Rabbids! Now Mario, Luigi, Princess Peach, and Yoshi will have to team up with some good Rabbids to save their home! Can you outwit unpredictable enemies on the battlefield and solve some brain-scratching puzzles? This turn-based combat game is a must play! Eight gamer YAKs will score a copy of Mario + Rabbids: Kingdom Battle for the Nintendo Switch!



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WORTH OF PRIZES

SPACE TIME!

You won't need the Force to tell the time when you've got a wikkid Star Wars watch! This smart-watch is out of this galaxy, and comes equipped with a camera, AWSM games and more! It comes in two styles: BB-8 or the First Order Stormtrooper! Telling the time has never been cooler! Seven Jedi Knights will score a wikkid VTech Star Wars camera watch!

MICRO MUTANTS!

Get ready to kick some shell with the AWSM Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle Micro Mutant collections! Tear up the streets of mini New York while fighting against the TMNT's archenemies! They're tiny, but they pack a lot of punch! Nine mutant MANIACs will score a prize pack containing a TMNT Micro Mutants Pet Turtle playset, a 9.5" Turtle Figure playset and a Transport Vehicle with figure.

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WIN

WIN

WIN

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\$880
WORTH OF PRIZES

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WIN

READY TO SHRED!

Get ready to tear up the streets with the new Grit Elite, ultimate trick scooter. This gnar ride is durable and lightweight, with a 4.5" solid deck, high-tensile fork, alloy-core wheels, flex brake and battle bars. You'll be the envy of everyone at the skatepark. Four AWSM riders will score a brand new Grit Elite Scooter!

WIN

WIN

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\$720
WORTH OF PRIZES

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WIN

WIN

LOCK'N'LOAD!

Get ready to own your friends with these wikkid foam dart launchers! The X-Shot Turbo Advance can hold up to 40-darts and hit targets up to 80 feet away, making it a must have for your AWSM arsenal! The X-Shot Rapid Fire is the perfect quick shot blaster! 12 hawk-eyed MANIACs will score a X-Shot Turbo Advance, X-Shot Bug Attack Rapid Fire Blaster and a X-Shot Bug Attack Creepeez Wall Crawling Bugs.

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HOOSEGOW

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

If you commit a crime you'll end up in the hoosegow (aka jail)!



DOG SOUP

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Another term for a glass of water (try it!)



DUCKY SHINCRACKER

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Someone who is a really good dancer.



SAUCEBOX

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Your mouth! Cram some chips in ya saucebox!

INGER

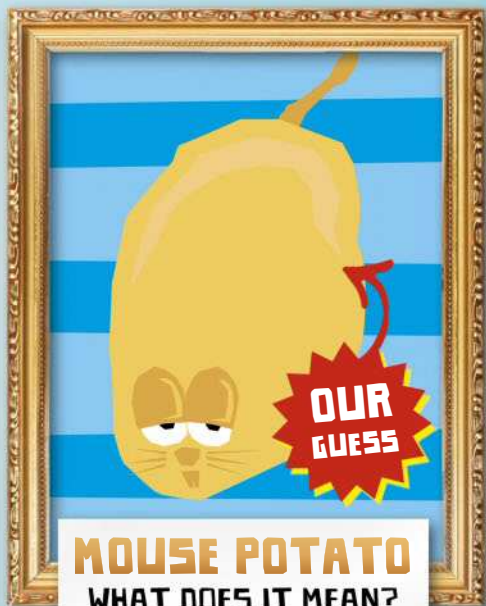
UP YOUR VOCAB
WITH SOME
WEIRD SLANG!



PUMBLEHOOK

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Another word for your bum!



MOUSE POTATO

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Someone who spends a lot of time on a computer!



MEATHOOK

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Another term for your hands!



EGGS IN COFFEE

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

If something is running smoothly or you like it, it's like eggs in coffee!

GOTTA GO FAST!

CAN YOU GUIDE SONIC AND TAILS THROUGH THESE PERILOUS PUZZLES AND DEFEAT DR. EGGMAN?

START

This is a cinch!



ON TO ACT 2!

OUR TIME: 15:59
YOUR TIME: _ : _ : _

MANIA
MAZE
ZONE:
ACT 1

MANIA MAZE ZONE: ACT 2



START

FINISH

OUR TIME: 12:32
YOUR TIME: _ : _ : _

CHECK UR RESULTS
ON PG. 68!

WHICH RABBIT R U?

TAKE THE QUIZ TO
FIND OUT!

Q2: What's better?

A) APPLES.

B) ORANGES.

Q1: What do you think about overalls?

A) THEY RULE!

B) I HATE THEM!

Q3: What's cooler?

A) DINOSAURS!

B) KNIGHTS!

Q4: Do you...

A) PREFER TO LEAD.

B) FOLLOW ORDERS.

Q5: Preferred battle strategy?

A) STRONG DEFENCE!

B) MASS-DESTRUCTION!

Q6: Moustaches are...

A) RAD!

B) LAME!

Q7: Selfies are...

A) LOOPY!

B) AWSM!

**MARIO + RABBITDS:
KINGDOM BATTLE
IS OUT NOW
ONLY ON
NINTENDO SWITCH!**

Q8: When challenged you...

- A) ARE FEARLESS!**
- B) WANT TO BE SOMEWHERE ELSE!**

RABBIT MARIO



You're the fearless leader of the Rabbits! Everyone looks up to you and will follow you into battle in a heartbeat!

Q9: Weapon of choice?

- A) AN EPIC BLASTER!**
- B) COOL MAGIC!**

RABBIT LUIGI



You prefer to hang at the back of the crowd, but you're always there to help a bro out when they're in trouble!

Q10: How would you describe your personality?

- A) CRAZY.**
- B) SASSY.**

RABBIT YOSHI



You're totally unpredictable and the life of the party! No one knows what wild thing you're gonna do next!

Q11: What's more important?

- A) ATTACKING THE ENEMY!**
- B) KEEPING YOUR TEAM ALIVE!**

RABBIT PEACH



You'd rather be hanging out with your friends and chilling out instead of fighting!

MOVIE MUTATOR

SOMEONE ACCIDENTALLY
LEFT OUR DVD COLLECTION
OUT IN THE SUN AND IT
MELTED!

CAN YOU FIGURE OUT
THE IDENTITY OF
THESE MELTED MOVIE
CHARACTERS?

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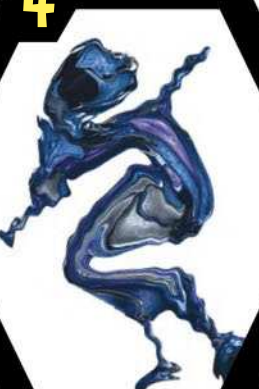
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4



8



6



7



ANSWERS:

1) Po, 2) Minton, 3) Dracula, 4) Blue Power
Ranger, 5) Maui, 6) Iron Man, 7) Harry
Potter, 8) R2-D2



MIXED UP MARIO!

SOMETHING HAS SERIOUSLY GONE WRONG HERE (APART FROM RABBIDS DRESSED AS MARIO CHARACTERS THAT IS)! CAN YOU SPOT THE 8 DIFFERENCES???



ANSWERS: Mario's moustache is missing; Rabbid-Luigi has a third eye; Rabbid-Peach's crown is a different colour; Luigi is missing; Peach's dress is a different colour; Mario's hat emblem is upside down; Yoshi's head is a different colour; Rabbid Kong is there.

LEGENDARY SUDOKU!

SOLVE THESE SUDOKU PUZZLES TO ACTIVATE VOLTRON'S OPERATING SYSTEM AND AWAKEN THE EPIC MECH!

THE RULES

- Fill the grids so that each column, row and 2x3 box contains the numbers 1-6!
- Time yourself and see how fast you can complete the grids!

PUZZLE ONE: EASY MODE



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5		4		3	
3			6	2	
6	5			1	
	3			5	1
2	1	5		6	3

TIME'S UP: 15:23
UR TIME: ___:___

PUZZLE TWO: HARD MODE



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2					
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	5		3		

TIME'S UP: 18:49
UR TIME: ___:___

CHECK UR ANSWERS ON PG 68!

SUPER MARIO SEARCH!

CAN YOU LEVEL UP BY FINDING ALL OF THE HIDDEN MARIO CHARACTERS?



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B	O	B	O	M	B	A	Z	N	E	G	R	H	T	Q
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Z	U	V	B	K	L	Q	X	C	O	L	G	S	Q	E
S	F	O	P	H	J	E	U	M	N	P	H	N	H	N
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WORDS-TO-FIND:

MARIO	KOOPA
LUIGI	BULLET BILL
PEACH	PIRANHA PLANT
BOWSER	CHAIN CHOMP
NEW DONK CITY	BOB-OMB
GOOMBA	YOSHI

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PG 68!

PRIZE PASS

Want to score a sweet stash of prizes? Write in, MANIACs!

For your chance to grab the goodies in WIN THIS! simply number the boxes in the giveaways you want to enter – you can enter as many as you like, just remember to number them in order, with 1 being the prize you would most like to win! To be in the running to win a prize, draw us a picture of a Raving Rabbid!



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Giddy-up
moosey!





Dragon Ball FighterZ Keeps Getting Cooler!

Dragon Ball FighterZ is an upcoming 2D Dragon Ball fighting game that we're mad excited about! News has just hit that it'll have a six player 3-on-3 mode, Super Saiyan Blue will make an appearance, and there will be an extra story mode where you play as Android 16! We can't wait!

Secret of Mana is Getting Remade!

A remake of classic SNES RPG Secret of Mana is coming next year! It'll be hitting the PS4 and PS Vita, and will feature the full original game remade in 3D! We think we preferred how it looked in 2D though, YAKs – we're gonna play the SNES version on the SNES Mini!



Build Your Own Jurassic World!

If you love Jurassic World, you can have a shot at building your own park next year! Jurassic World Evolution has been announced, which will let you create and run your own dinosaur park and research new dinosaurs on consoles and PC next year! We hope the T-Rex doesn't break loose!



Platform: PS4, Switch,
Xbox One, PC
Style: Action
Publisher: Warner Bros
Out: November 15

LEGO Marvel Heroes 2

The LEGO Marvel Heroes are back! The main villain of this game will be Kang the Conqueror, who travels back through time from the 30th century and ends up tangling with the Marvel heroes! The game will have an enormous roster, with just about every hero you could think of – think Howard the Duck in an Iron Man suit, and a combined version of Carnage and Venom called Carnom! We can't wait to dig in and LOL at Starlord, Thor, and the rest of the blocky gang!



Platform: PC, PS4
Style: Platformer
Publisher: Accolade
Out: October 31

Bubsy: The Woolies Strike Back

Bubsy, one of the gaming icons of the 90s, is back! Most YAKs won't have played Bubsy's older adventures, but for some older gamers this is exciting news – Bubsy was a wise-cracking bobcat who could float through the air and run like the wind! In this new game, his 'Golden Fleece' wool has been stolen by aliens. We're not sure if his new adventure will live up to his old ones, but we're glad that Bubsy is back anyway!

Platform: Switch
Style: Strategy
Publisher: Ubisoft
Price: \$89.95



Mario + Rabbids Kingdom Battle

Gameplay: The Mario/Rabbids strategy mash-up game we never knew we wanted is here! The Rabbids are transported into the Mushroom Kingdom, and they have to team up with Mario and his mates to take down other Rabbids that have turned bad! The plot isn't too important – all you need to know is that Mario and the Rabbids have guns now, and it's crazy and goofy and funny! When you encounter baddies, the game moves into a turn based strategy game, where you guide three characters through battle. You move between cover, use special abilities, and have your characters work together to beat the bad Rabbids! This is not at all what you might expect from a Mario or a Rabbids game, but it totally works! This game is smart, clever, and funny, and although it's not quite as good a strategy game as Fire Emblem it's still super cool!

Graphics: The Mushroom Kingdom looks amazing on the Switch! Mario and Rabbids got us super excited for Super Mario Odyssey, because as much as we like the crazy rabbits, seeing Mario and his pals looking so good is a real highlight! There are heaps of LOLs in the background, so make sure you keep your eyes peeled!



Platform: PS4,
Switch, Xbox One, PC
Style: Platformer
Publisher: Sega
Price: \$29.95



Sonic Mania

Gameplay: Sonic's made a comeback, so of course he had to name his new game after us! Sonic, Tails and Knuckles go back to their roots in Sonic Mania, running fast through 2D pixel-art environments, tackling enemies and going as fast as they can! Sonic Mania is a mix of remixed levels from older Sonic games and brand new levels, meaning that there's heaps of familiar content for big Sonic fans, but also heaps of new stuff! That means that some of the things we don't love about Sonic are in here as well, and the level designs can be a little mean (curse you, Chemical Zone 1!), but they've really nailed the feeling of going really fast, and the levels are packed full of secrets and different paths! If you're a fan of the blue blur, Sonic Mania is definitely worth picking up – it's his best game in ages!

Graphics: Sonic Mania looks like a super improved version of the Sonic games of old! It took us right back to our childhoods, but we reckon the levels still look AWSM all these years later. Sonic is best in 2D for sure, and the sense of speed when he gets going is amazing!



Platform: PS4, PC
Style: Adventure
Publisher: Prideful Sloth
Price: \$29.95



Yonder: The Cloud Catcher Chronicles

Gameplay: Yonder is a super chill game about exploring and crafting! You find yourself on the island nation of Gemea, and it's up to you to explore, finding goods scattered around the world, chatting to people and completing simple missions! There's not much challenge in Yonder, and there's no combat of any kind. You can't die, but that's cool – we really enjoyed how relaxed the game is! There's not much to the story, and we finished the game pretty fast, but working your way around the map, unlocking new crafting recipes and taking on side-quests, is exciting. You can even start up farms and look after the game's weird animals on them, or go fishing to try and catch as many different kinds of fish as you can! Yonder is a cool game, and its world is fun to hang out in, as long as you're not expecting a deep experience!

Graphics: Yonder is a really gorgeous game – our favourite part of the game was sightseeing all the cool stuff scattered around the game world! We took heaps of screenshots and loved looking over them afterwards! It won't take long to see everything, unfortunately, but we still love this game's graphics!

**HOT!**

A really beautiful game!

**NOT!**

Very simple missions!

**MANIA
SCORE****7/10**

Platform: 3DS
 Style: Puzzle/platformer
 Publisher: Nintendo
 Price: \$59.95



Hey! Pikmin

Gameplay: The Pikmin are back for a new kind of adventure! This game isn't anything like the previous three – it's a 2D platformer, where you play Olimar as he guides the Pikmin through smaller environments, collecting objects to power your ship! You control Olimar with the control stick and hurl Pikmin with the stylus. It's a pretty simple game, and not on par with some of the great 2D Nintendo games, but we had a lot of fun with Hey, Pikmin! There are some cool puzzles in the game, the Pikmin themselves are super charming, and the game has really good amiibo support for heaps of figures! It's got a great sense of humour too, with all the ordinary objects you find having wacky names – for instance, a magnet is called an 'Attractive Gate', and a chess pawn is an 'Unassuming Lighthouse'! These had us LOLing!

Graphics: Hey! Pikmin has a very simple look to it, and no 3D support, so don't expect it to blow your mind! The Pikmin are still pretty cute, though, as are the enemies they can take down! We also loved finding all the different objects in the game and reading Olimar's weird descriptions of them!





Namco Museum

Namco Museum has made its way to Switch! By far the highlight of the package is Pac-Man VS, an AWSM multiplayer Pac-Man spin-off that you'll need two Switches and three friends to play properly! That's not super convenient, of course, and unfortunately the rest of the collection is a little light. There are eleven games in here, but a few of them have aged poorly! Pac-Man and Galaga are always reliable, at least, and retro fans will definitely enjoy the history lesson!

Platform: Switch
Style: Retro
Publisher: Bandai Namco
Price: \$39.00

HOT!
Some total retro classics!

NOT!
Not many must-play games on here!

MANIA SCORE **6** /10

Mega Man Collection 2

Mega Man Collection 2 continues on from the first, featuring Mega Man 7-10! 7 is the weakest game here, while 8, which was originally on the PlayStation 1, is pretty AWSM and funny! 9 and 10 are more recent games, but were developed to look like NES games, and we think they're pretty cool! These games are super hard though, and while the first Collection let you have 'save states', this one goes old-skool and makes you replay entire levels if you die!



Platform: PS4, Xbox One
Style: Action Platformer
Publisher: Capcom
Price: \$22.95

HOT!
Four Mega Man games, three of them great!

NOT!
It's so incredibly hard!

MANIA SCORE **7** /10

man/a



YONDER
THE CLOUD CATCHER CHRONICLES

Cat Quest

iOS,
Action RPG,
\$7.99

This action RPG lets you send a cat on a huge quest! You're a cat with a sword, there's dragons involved – it's a classic videogame set up! This game is huge, looks AWSM, and is full of great jokes! Cat Quest is exciting, fun, and well worth \$8!

SCORE **9/10**

Puzzle Bobble Journey

iOS/Android,
Puzzle,
\$7.99

You might wonder why this game is \$8 when most match-3 games are free, but Puzzle Bobble is the original – all other games where you shoot coloured bubbles are inspired by it! There are 270 stages included, plus an 'easy' mode if you're struggling! It's cool, but be warned that it requires an online connection to play!

SCORE **7/10**

Balance the Hat

iOS,
Arcade,
Free

Balance the Hat is a super simple time-waster, but we kind of dig it! You need to swipe your finger to keep balance so that a 'hat' – which can be a cat, or some blocks, or many other things – stays atop a head! There's not much to it, but we enjoyed trying to beat each other's high scores!

SCORE **6/10**

Miracle Merchant

iOS/Android,
Cards,
\$2.99

In Miracle Merchant, you play a potion maker who needs to match customer audiences by drawing from four different decks of cards! It's a lot like solitaire, but with a bit more strategy involved – it's easy to learn but super addictive once you get going! It also looks amazing, with an AWSM art style!

SCORE **9/10**

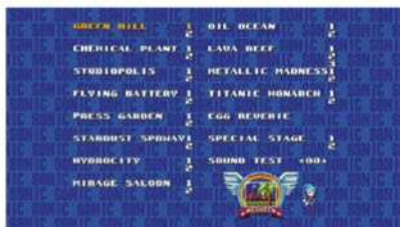
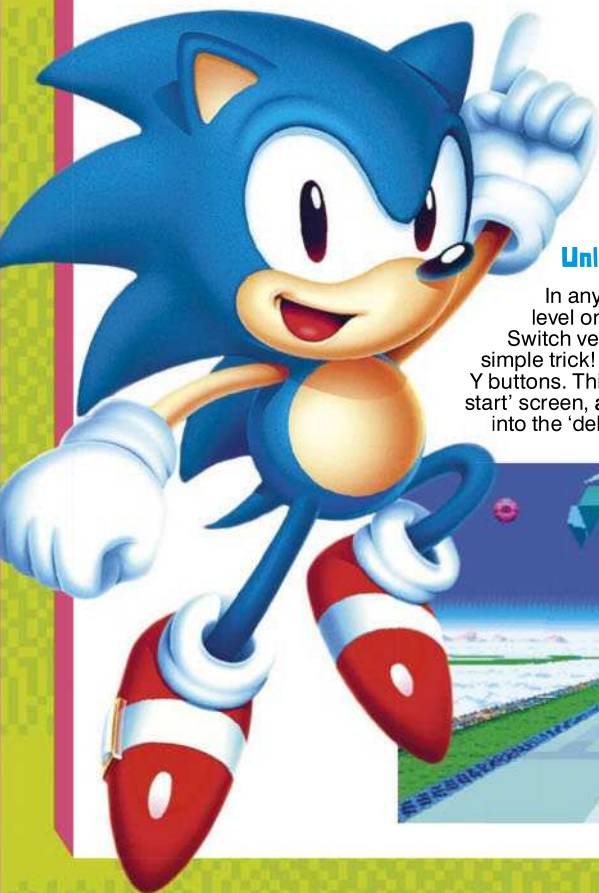
Platform: PS4, Xbox One, Switch, PC

SONIC MANIA

There's heaps hidden away in Sonic Mania, but you need to get good at one of the minigames to unlock everything!

Blue Sphere Unlocks

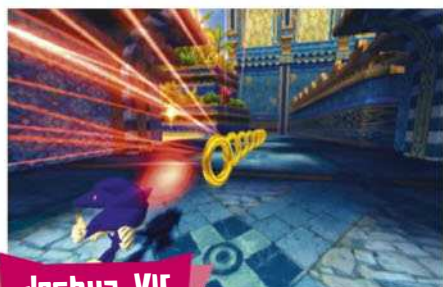
If you have 25 rings during a level and pass through a checkpoint, turn around and run back through that checkpoint to enter into a 'Get Blue Spheres' minigame, where you wander around a 3D arena collecting spheres! Get silver (collect all blue spheres) or gold (collect them with no errors) ratings to unlock a few bonuses, including new abilities, a playable version of Mean Bean Machine (basically Puyo Puyo, with optional multiplayer modes), & Knuckles' mode (which has Knuckles follow you around) and sound test. To access these as you unlock them, hover over 'no save' in the Mania menu and select 'secrets'!



Unlock Level Select (Switch version)

In any versions of the game you can select any level once you complete the game, but in the Switch version you can unlock a level select with a simple trick! On the main menu, hold down both B and Y buttons. This will eventually kick you back to the 'press start' screen, and once you press start it'll take you right into the 'debug' level select screen!





Joshua, VIC

Sonic and the Secret Rings (Wii)

"This game is epic! You can transform into the powerful Darkspine Sonic!"

We agree, Josh. Darkspine Sonic looks EPIC!



CHRIS



Paul, TAS

Minecraft (Xbox 360)

"This is my favourite game. You can make a lot of fun things!"

Minecraft is one of our fave games too! The crafting never ends!



MATT



Connor, SA

LEGO Worlds (PS4)

"You can build and create whatever you want. I like to explore in Adventure mode."

We love that there's so much to do in it!



DOM

YOU COULD WIN!

Send us a bite-sized review of your fave game (and which platform you play it on), along

with your photo, name, age and address! This month's winners score a copy of Facts by Tracey Turner. Send your entries to:

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DON'T FORGET TO SEND US YOUR PHOTOS, YAKS!

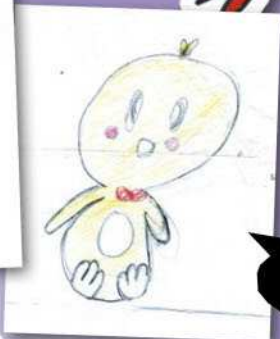
TOTALLY AWESM CARTOON AND ANIME ART!



TOON
GALLERY



Kingston,
NZ



Samantha,
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Mallalal,
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Hugh,
NSW



Sunny,
WA



WIN!

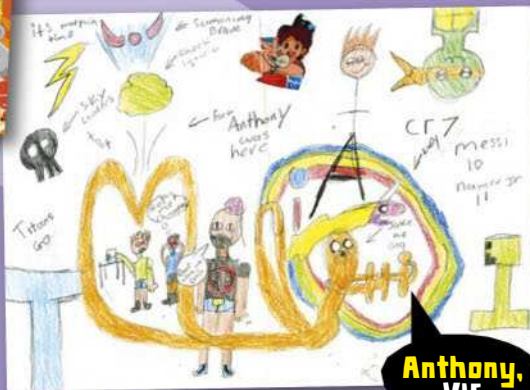
Got some anime art to show us? Send us your masterpieces and you could win. This month's winners score the **Awesome Book of Animals** by Adam Frost. Send your entries to:



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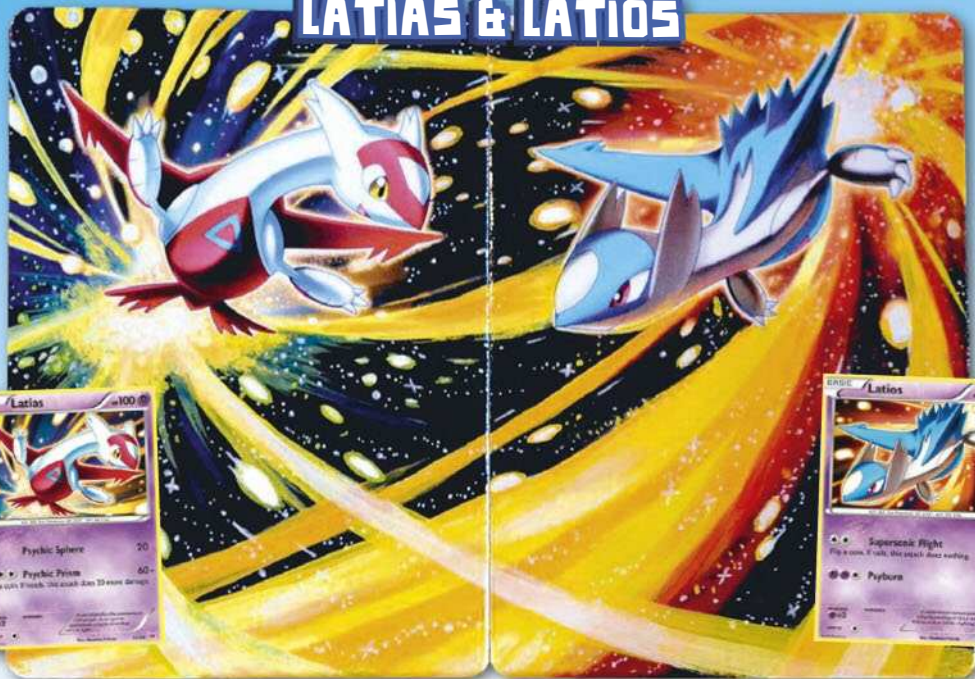
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RANGERS ON PATROL!

WE LEARN ABOUT PROTECTING ENDANGERED ANIMALS WITH WWF'S WILDLIFE LAW ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST AND THE PRESIDENT OF RANGER FEDERATION ASIA, **ROHIT SINGH!**



MANIA: How did you become a ranger?

ROHIT: "I've always loved animals. I started as a zookeeper at a bear rescue centre in India, and for the past nine years I've been working with WWF as part of their on-ground protection team."

MANIA: How much training is required?

ROHIT: "You have to be physically and mentally tough to work under extremely difficult and life-threatening conditions in remote areas. A lot of the knowledge and techniques rangers use are best learned through practice, so on the job training is really important."

MANIA: What does your daily routine look like?

ROHIT: "Daily duties include patrolling for poachers, checking for snares, setting camera traps to collect data, rescuing wild animals, working with local communities to gather intelligence, and educating the public about the need to protect endangered species."

MANIA: What is an average patrol like?

ROHIT: "Patrols can be on foot, motorbikes, boats or in trucks, so preparation is key. We first identify the hot

spots in the forest – the places we know animals like to visit such as water holes, areas with plenty of food, or places where valuable plants and trees grow."

MANIA: What's the biggest challenge you face as a ranger?

ROHIT: "The biggest challenge we face is the need for more rangers across the world. Our work covers such vast amounts of land, it is difficult to patrol every corner of the forest at the same time."

MANIA: Have you encountered any tigers in the wild?

ROHIT: "We almost bumped into a tigress that was with her cubs. She gave us a warning and we retreated."

MANIA: What else can be done to help protect these endangered species?

ROHIT: "The illegal wildlife trade is the largest direct threat to many beautiful and already endangered animals. Wherever you are you can contribute by creating awareness about the difficulties rangers face and the importance of wildlife."

FACT

THERE ARE ONLY AROUND 3,900 WILD TIGERS LEFT IN THE WORLD.



FACT

THERE WERE 3,200 TIGERS IN THE WORLD IN 2010, SO GLOBAL NUMBERS ARE SLOWLY ON THE RISE!



FACT

THE WORLD'S MOST ENDANGERED SPECIES INCLUDE: CHIMPANZEES, DOLPHINS, AFRICAN AND ASIAN ELEPHANTS, THE GIANT PANDA, GORILLAS, SNOW LEOPARDS, MARINE TURTLES, ORANGUTANS, POLAR BEARS, AFRICAN AND ASIAN RHINOS, THE ROCK WALLABY, TIGERS, TREE KANGAROOS AND WHALES.

FACT

TIGERS WERE DECLARED FUNCTIONALLY EXTINCT IN CAMBODIA!

CHECK OUT THE RANGERS ON THE FRONTLINE DOLO - NOW STREAMING ON LOVENATURE.COM!



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We love to get your letters and drawings, and yes, we do look at them all! Before you pop your stuff in an envelope make sure you do all the things on this list:

- 1) Include your name, address, email (if you have one), phone number and age.
- 2) Pop in a photograph of *you*. Please make sure it is a print photograph, not a scan or digital print out as they make your face look fuzzy if we print them in MANIA.
- 3) Write the name of the competition you're entering on the front of the envelope.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Entry is open to open to all residents of Australia and New Zealand. Entrants must be 16 years or younger. Entrants must have parent/guardian permission to enter. Only entries completed with these terms and conditions will be eligible. Entry is by fulfilling criteria noted with the competition. Competitions are games of skill and chance plays no part in determining winners. Competition opens 09/10/2017 09:00 AEST & closes 11/12/2017 17:00 AEST. Winners judged at Promoter's premises 12/12/2017 11:00 AEST. Winners of prizes over \$100 in value published in Issue #209 MANIA onsale date 08/01/2018. Prizes must be taken as offered and are not redeemable for cash. Allow four to six weeks for delivery of prizes from time of print. The Promoter is nextmedia Pty Ltd Locked Bag 5555 St Leonards 1590 (ABN 84 128 805 970). Prizes over \$100 in individual value include the following:

GRIT SCOOTER: Total value \$880 – 4 winners will receive a Grit Elite scooter. **JUST DANCE 2018:** Total value \$1,032 – 8 winners will receive a copy of Just Dance 2018 (Nintendo Switch), a Just Dance drink bottle, a Just Dance sticker set and a Just Dance inflatable beach ball.

ISSUE 202 WINNERS

BOARDGAMES: Koby Horne, NSW. Beckham Williams, NSW. Joshua Maiorano, SA. Jaxon Hays, QLD. **BUBBLE BALL TOY PACK:** Micah Hegarty, WA. Ben Lewis, QLD. Mikey Jensen, SA. **CRISP SCOOTER:** Alex Tassan, QLD. William Pealhey, VIC. Van Wild-Baldock, QLD.

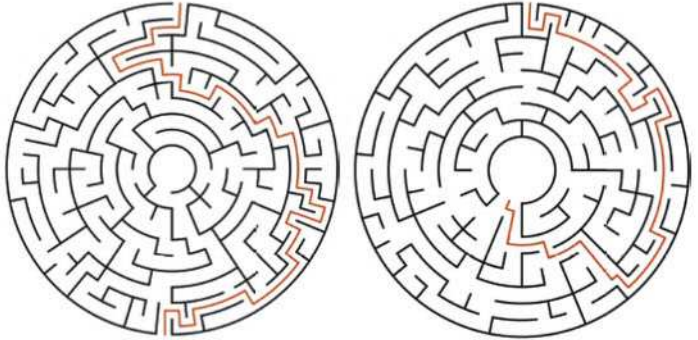
ISSUE 202 SUBS WINNERS

Ethan Bennik, NZ. Riley Brown, VIC. John Chase, VIC. Elspeth Christian, WA. Rachel Loli, QLD. Moira Maddock, NSW. Lorraine Murray, QLD. Nicholas Rapp, NSW. Elliot Smith, QLD.

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ANSWERS: Mazes pg. 42-43



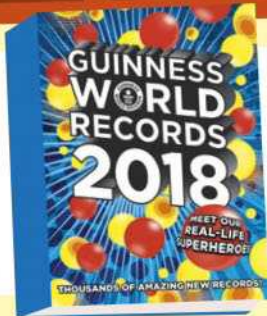
ANSWERS: Sudoku pg. 48

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ANSWERS: Word Find pg. 49

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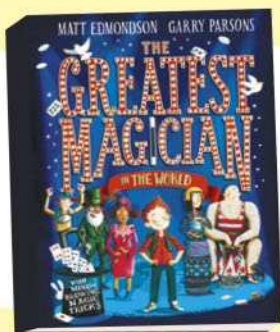
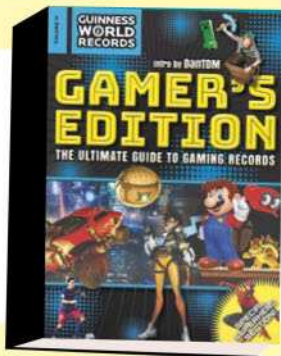


GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS 2018

They're amazing, they're fantastic and some are just downright freaky. Yep, Guinness World Records are back with another big yearbook. See the world's first human cyborg, the woman with the longest fingernails and a guy who can eat half a kilogram of mashed potato in 30 seconds, plus a whole lot more.

GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS GAMER'S EDITION VOLUME 11

Gaming records haven't been around that long but we're super impressed by how many there are. This book has all the fastest speed runs, longest gaming marathon records, plus a huge load of facts and stats about your favourite games. It's a must have in any gamer MANIAC's library.



THE GREATEST MAGICIAN IN THE WORLD BY MATT EDMONDSON AND GARRY PARSONS

This is a cool story about Elliot, a kid on a quest to become the greatest magician in the world. It's a fun story but the coolest thing about this book is that you get to learn a bunch of neat magic tricks along the way, including how to make an object vanish into thin air!

D-BOT SQUAD STALK ATTACK AND DEEP DIVE

Two more awesome D-Bot books have arrived with plenty of robot dinosaur action. Join Hunter and Charlie as they make a double d-bot to catch an argentinosauros and then Charlie and his team dive deep under the sea to catch five kronosauros!



THE ULTIMATE SKB QUIZ!

DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A SKATEBOARDER SUPREME?
ARE YOU RAD ENOUGH TO MASTER THIS QUIZ?



I'VE
GOTTA
LAND IT!

Q1) TONY
HAWK WAS THE
FIRST PERSON
TO LAND A
900-DEGREE
SPIN?

TRUE / FALSE

Q3) A "180" IS WHEN
YOU SPIN AROUND
ON THE SPOT AND
END FACING WHERE
YOU STARTED?

TRUE / FALSE

Q2) SKATEBOARDING
BECAME AN OLYMPIC SPORT
AT THE 2016 GAMES?

TRUE / FALSE

Q4) THE TOP OF YOUR DECK
IS KNOWN AS THE GRIP?

TRUE / FALSE

Q5) THE LONGEST SKATEBOARD MANUAL WAS 217M?

TRUE / FALSE

Q7) SKATEBOARDING WAS ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS SIDEWALK SURFING?

TRUE / FALSE

Q8) PUSHING OFF TO SKATE IS KNOWN AS A "SHUV-IT"?

TRUE / FALSE

Q9) THE PARTS THAT CONNECT THE WHEELS TO THE BOARD ARE THE "TRUCKS"?

TRUE / FALSE

Q6) SKATEBOARDING ORIGINATED FROM NEW YORK CITY?

TRUE / FALSE



COME BACK BOARD!

SCORE

0-3

You know that a skateboard is a piece of wood with wheels... and that's about it. You need to hit the streets and start practicing. Or maybe try scooters instead?

4-6

You've got potential, but you still need a bit of practice! Keep at it and you'll be backflipping with the best of them!

7-9

You're the king of the skatepark! McTwists, Gazelle Flips, Casperslides – you know these tricks like the back of your hand.





STAR WARS GALLERY

A GALLERY FAR, FAR AWAY...

The force is strong with this AWSM Star Wars art!



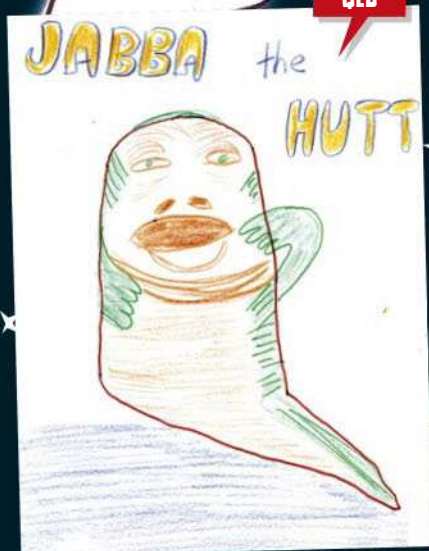
Sunny, WA



Bella, QLD

Laura, NSW

Samantha, VIC



Oscar, VIC

Maximus, WA



WIN!

Send us your Star Wars art and you could score a fantastic Staedtler pack! Send your entries to:

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Star Wars Gallery

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WHATCHA COLLECTIN'?



COLLECT IT!

"This is a quarter of our combined sports gear collection!"



Kitty and Phineas, VIC

A LOT OF POOH!



Deb Hoffmann loves collecting Pooh. Winnie the Pooh that is! She has amassed a Guinness World Record worthy collection with over 13,200 pieces of memorabilia featuring the yellow bear!

That's only a quarter?! EPIC!



BURGER KING



We'll give three guesses as to what Harry Sperl's favourite food is. Also known as "Hamburger Harry" he's collected over 3,700 burger related items ranging from posters to shirts and even a cheeseburger shaped waterbed!

THAT'S BANANAS!



Former grocery store worker, Christopher Crawcour, has been collecting banana stickers for over 25 years! All up he has over 30,000 different stickers which have come from different countries and include rare 1960s Chiquita labels.

YOU COULD WIN!

This month's winner scores a Tech Deck 96 mm Finger Board. To enter, send a pic of you and your collection and tell us about it! Mail it along with your name, age and address to:

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Collect it!
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Lorenzo Pescini has collected 8,650 different labels from bottles of water!

COMIC CRAZY!

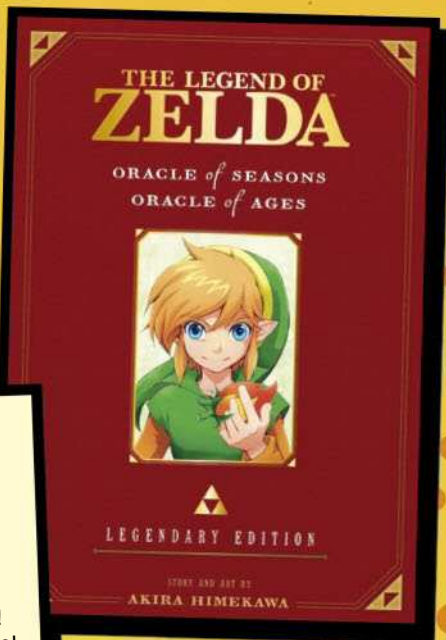
ARE YOU A SERIOUS COLLECTOR OR JUST LOOKING FOR SOMETHING COOL TO READ? THEN CHECK OUT THESE TOTALLY AWESOME COMICS, YAKS

THE LEGEND OF ZELDA: ORACLE OF SEASONS / ORACLE OF AGES (LEGENDARY EDITION)

WRITER/ARTIST: Akira Himekawa

PUBLISHER: VIZ Media

We ♥ the manga series based on the Legend of Zelda games!
Get ready to dive headfirst with Link into another epic adventure!
He'll have to brave the changing seasons and time itself to defeat the evil General Onox and the Sorceress of Shadows!



CHARACTER OF THE MONTH!

MAN-THING

Dr. Ted Sallis was once a man, but the combo of a failed Super-Soldier serum and swamp magic transformed him into the Man-Thing! He's a big swamp monster now and anything that feels fear will be burned if they touch him! Ouch!

BIZZARE BACK ISSUES

DR. DOOM ISN'T AN ACTUAL DOCTOR! HE NEVER FINISHED COLLEGE!



THE GOLDEN AGE GREEN LANTERN WAS WEAK AGAINST WOOD!

LOKI'S ORIGINAL WEAKNESS WAS THAT HE COULDN'T USE MAGIC IF HE WAS SOAKING WET!

SANTA REGULARLY GIVES A LUMP OF COAL TO DC'S ULTIMATE BAD GUY, DARKSEID.



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LEGACY COLLECTION 2

ROBO PETS!

THEY MIGHT BE ROBOTS BUT THESE PETS ARE STILL ADORABLE!

PLEO

Pleo is every MANIAC's perfect prehistoric pal. This robo dinosaur is curious about the world, can play and even learn things you like and dislike. It also responds to touch and has a personality that changes over time.



AIBO

Most AIBO are robotic dogs, but some look like lion-cubs and there is a space explorer model too. The most advanced AIBO walks and sees with a built in camera. It can also recognise voice commands too.



PARO

If you're a fan of marine mammals, this bright-eyed robot seal is a must have. It has tactile sensors so when you rub its forehead it coos and moves around. Paro was designed to help stressed patients, so pat one to chillax after a hard day at school!



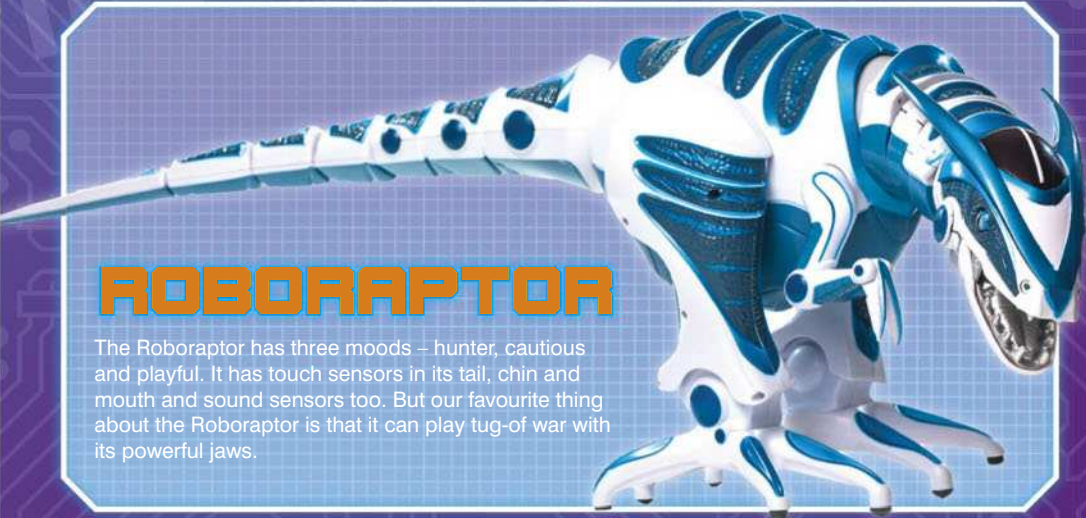
FURBY

Even hardnosed bikies can't resist a Furby's cuteness. They were released in 1998 and more than 40 million were sold worldwide. They could learn bits of English and after listening to their owners talk, they could develop their own language called Furbish-English.



ROBORAPTOR

The Roboraptor has three moods – hunter, cautious and playful. It has touch sensors in its tail, chin and mouth and sound sensors too. But our favourite thing about the Roboraptor is that it can play tug-of war with its powerful jaws.



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Designed by
Paolo Martin
for the Italian
car design firm
Pininfarina



To get in the car
its canopy roof
slides forward

It was based on
a Ferrari 512 S

TECH SPECS

PRODUCTION: 1970
COUNTRY: Italy
TOP SPEED: 220 mph (350 km/h)
MAX POWER: 550 HP (410 kW) @ 8,000 rpm
ACCELERATION: 0-60 mph (0-100 km/h) in 3.1 seconds
GEARBOX: 5-speed manual
PRICE: \$315,000 US (\$398,000 AUD)

Pininfarina sold
the only Modulo to
film director James
Glickenhaus who is
currently restoring
it to full operating
condition!

RIDE!

RIDE
OF THE
MONTH!

It debuted
at the 1970
Geneva Motor
Show

Despite being one-of-a-kind
and not road-worthy, it won
22 international design
awards!

It runs on
a 5.0L V12
engine!

All the wheels are partly
covered for protection!

Only one
was ever
made!

The car is really low
to the ground with a
height of only 0.94m!

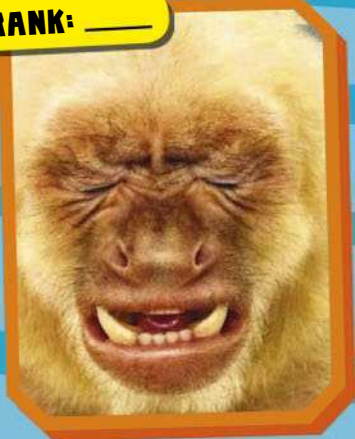
MANIA RATING



FURRY FACE OFF!

THERE THEY GO AGAIN! MANIA 'MALS PULLIN' GNARLY FACES AND MAKING US LOL!

RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____

Rank them from least (*16) to most funny (*1)!



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



RANK: _____



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Hey!

PIKMIN

NEXT ISSUE!

IT'S ALL GOING DOWN IN
MANIA #207!



WE UNITE THE JUSTICE
LEAGUE, EVEN THOUGH
BATMAN WON'T RETURN
OUR PHONECALLS!



GO BACK TO THE VERY BEGINNING
WITH POKÉMON: I CHOOSE YOU!



WE TIP
OUR HATS
TO MARIO
ODYSSEY!



SCORE A
FREE

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NITRO RACER

WITH EVERY ISSUE!

THINGS GET A BIT
NUTTY WHEN WE TAKE A
LOOK AT THE NUT JOB 2!



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