

# the BULLDOG BARKER

Williams Bay High School • 500 W. Geneva St. • Williams Bay, WI 53191

## Ah! The Innocence of a First Grader!

By Olivia Wiley

Have you ever wondered what goes on in the mind of a first-grader? Well, I have. So I decided to go straight to the source. I asked ten first graders seven very important questions that my classmates and I came up with. Here are their responses.

### Q: How do you get a job?

A: "Like...get a suit? (What else do you do?) "And talk to the boss?"

"You have to go to college and school."

"Go to college."

"I don't know."

"They have to write a paper." (Do you know what that paper is called?)

"Uh. No."

### Q: Are you excited about high school?

A: "You do a lot of homework?"

"A little bit."

"Kind of. Because of, well, you have to do lots of homework and you have to get your driver's license."

"Yeah." (Why?) "I wanna get a job. I wanna be a pilot."

"Yes." (Why are you excited?) "I don't know."

### Q: Why do you think giraffes are so tall?

A: "Because they eat leaves?"

"Because they eat a lot."

"They eat food." (What kind of food?) "Grass."

"Mm...they grow by eating leaves."

"So they can reach leaves."

Now, this next response was very interesting. At first, I didn't understand what this student meant, but it certainly was entertaining.

"I don't even know what abs are." (Abs?) "Yeah. I don't even know what those are." ( Oh! You probably misheard me. I meant to say giraffes.) "Oh. I don't know what those are."

"Because they eat a lot of food."

### Q: Who is your favorite movie star or celebrity?

A: "I don't know what a celebrity is."

"What's a celebrity?" (Like, a very famous person.) "Oh. I don't have one."

"Probably *The Voice*." (Who from the voice?) "The lady...I forgot her name."

"I don't know."

This next question was a very big question to ask. These three students took very careful consideration into what they wanted to say, and to be honest, I'm very surprised by their answers.

### Q: What can we do to achieve world peace?

A: "By helping others."

"Everyone chooses what they want and what they believe."

"Uh. Find...Find some stuff fun you can do."

### Q: Who is the president of the United States?

A: "Oh no...I know this! I know this...I don't know! Ugh! I used to know."

"I don't know."

"Uhhhh...I do..but I don't know."

"Uh..I don't know."

"Joe?"

### Q: Where do you think birds come from?

A: "Eggs."

"They come from eggs?"

"Eggs."

"TREES."

There you have it, folks! The first graders have spoken. Now, I wonder what else they're thinking about...



## What Are The Juniors Loving Right Now?

By Sarah Beinetti



### Songs:

“Burberry” by Myke Towers and Ñengo Flow -Andre Gomez

“Paradise” by Marco Luka -Skylar Hemminger

“The Color Violet” by Tory Lanez -Hailee Monroe

“No Hands” by Waka Flocka Flame -Charlie Pecht

“Dah Dah Dahdah” by Nardo Wick -Zach Malisow

“Family Ties” by Baby Keem -Parker Wojcik

“Feathered Indians” by Tyler Childers -Olivia Wiley

“Time Machine” by Autoheart -Abby Sennett

### Movies:

*The Christmas Chronicles* -Hailee Monroe

*Jaws* -Trevor Quinn

*Free Guy* -Charlie Pecht

*Ford v. Ferrari* -Joe Sorensen

*The Elvis Biopic* -Abby Sennett

### Celebs:

Kanye West -Jake Bradbury

Matt Damon -Skylar Hemminger

Miles Teller-Sofia Slay and Sarah Beinetti

Lee Yongbok -Brooke Peyer

Taylor Swift -Abby Sennett

Adam Driver -Olivia Wiley

### Shows:

*Rick and Morty* -Charlie Pecht

*Outer Banks* -Parker Wojcik

*The Watcher* -Zach Malisow

*Andor* -Olivia Wiley

*Wizard of Paws* -Ben Broll

*Alice in Borderland* -Brooke Peyer



## How To Get A Cat To Like You

**DISCLAIMER:** You must obtain a cat to attempt these procedures.

By Marianna Garcia and Gabby Klein

The following list contains, but is not limited, to ways attain a cat's liking:



- Cover yourself in tuna juice
- Approach cat on all fours
- Scratch cat's glands behind the ear, then reach out with that same hand, and the cat will smell its scent on you and feel safe
- Offer them quality or gourmet food
- Avoid direct eye contact (especially prolonged)
- Avoid the playing, mentioning, or referencing of the show *Tom and Jerry* (as this is a very offensive and triggering show for cats)
- Never joke about their nine lives
- Play Doja Cat, but only the instrumental versions
- Banish all cucumbers from the facility, and pickles
- Do not expect dog behavior, or compare to dog behavior
- Never make them feel insecure about their eighteen toes- we're all built differently and that's beautiful
- Keep in mind that the *Warrior Cats* series is fictional and it would be cruel to expect cats to live up to such standards
- Treat a cat like you would a plant except don't water it, and actually feed it physical food (as cats unfortunately can't photosynthesize), and play with it more often, and pay attention to its little meows and communication cues
- Avoid the topic of *Cat Woman*
- Booping nose is the key (with consent of course)



Our apologies go out to Henry Edwards.  
In the November edition, we printed that he was a  
freshman.

**He is a sophomore.**

## Get to Know Mr. Landers

By Zach Malisow

**Q: What is one difference you see here at Williams Bay compared to your previous school?**

A: One thing that really stands out at Williams Bay is the students' willingness to listen and understand what the expectations are for the day! Seeing that all of you are always ready for learning, even if it takes a little motivation, is very heartwarming and allows for smooth and happy days!

**Q: What made you want to teach physical education for the Bay?**

A: What really made me want to teach here in general was when I first walked in, there was a lot of school pride. I took one walk around the building and could feel that from the top down there was a lot of "bulldog pride" signs and paintings around the school. Whether it directly says it or not, you can see that everyone has some sort of passion for the place!

**Q: How did you develop your teaching style?**

A: It takes a lot of trial and adjustment from day to day and even class to class. Every class will be given the same lesson, but it takes some time to learn how each class and student perceives the information. So it is a balancing act to make sure everyone can understand and show their understanding in what you say!

**Q: Tell us more about yourself and what you like. How are you liking the Bay so far?**

A: I really went into depth into what I like in the audio version of the Bulldog Barker, so please go support your fellow Bulldogs and give it a listen! When it comes to teaching at Williams Bay, I really do not have any complaints! It is a very welcoming school that does not make it feel like work when coming in! The students and staff have really made an effort for the new teachers to feel welcome and at home, and they really have succeeded!

**Q: What do you hope to achieve this year?**

A: This year I really want to be able to make a positive impact on the students that either have my class or just haven't had it yet! I want to build a lot of positive relationships among these students so that they are able to give their best in my class and feel like they are able to be open and really try to be better in the physical realm!

**Q: What is your favorite thing about Williams Bay?**

A: My favorite part about Williams Bay is all of the students that I have been able to meet and have in class! Everybody has brought a different dynamic, and I have been able to learn a lot about each one of them whether it comes to teaching styles or who they are! As I said, it really doesn't feel like we're coming here to work; it is something that I enjoy doing every single day!

**Q: Favorite celebrity?**

A: I don't know if you would really call him a celebrity, but if you ever watch big sport games, then you would know the voice of Gus Johnson! He brings a level of passion to work every day that is unmatched that I would like to reach and be at constantly!

**Q: What was your favorite school subject when you were in school?**

A: Well, the easy answer would be physical education, but in high school, I was really big into math and history! I originally went to school to be a history major with a minor in mathematics but came back to my true passion for physical education!

**Q: How is your experience here so far? What are you looking forward to this year? Were your expectations for the school fulfilled?**

A: I've had a truly amazing experience so far this year! When coming into a new school, you always have high hopes for the year, and they have been met to this point!

## Get to Know Mr. Kujawa

By Zach Malisow

**Q: What is one difference you see here at Williams Bay compared to your previous school?**

A: I SEE A TIGHT-KNIT COMMUNITY. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN THE HIGH SCHOOL WENT TO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO HELP WITH HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES, IT WAS AMAZING TO SEE THE GENUINE INTEREST AND HEART-FELT INTERACTION BETWEEN THE OLDER AND YOUNGER KIDS.

**Q: What is your opinion on Taylor Swift and her new album?**

A: I DO NOT LISTEN TO HER MUSIC SO I CANNOT COMMENT ON HER ALBUM.

**Q: What made you want to teach history for the Bay?**

A: THERE ARE TIMES IN LIFE WHERE A PERSON NEEDS TO MAKE A CHANGE PROFESSIONALLY. COMING TO THE BAY, AFTER HEARING ABOUT ITS REPUTATION, WAS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT I COULD NOT PASS UP.

**Q: How did you develop your teaching style?**

A: I WAS INFLUENCED BY MY TEACHERS FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE. THEY FOCUSED ON INVESTIGATING TOPICS THROUGH DOCUMENTS AND THROUGH PERSONALIZED WRITING. THEY ALSO MADE CLASS INTERESTING BY RELATING THEIR EXPERIENCES TO THEIR LESSONS.

**Q: Tell us more about yourself and what you like. How are you liking the Bay so far?**

A: THE STAFF AND STUDENTS HAVE BEEN WELCOMING. IT IS A CHALLENGE TO TEACH FIVE DIFFERENT CLASSES, BUT MY CLASSES HAVE BEEN ENJOYABLE.

**Q: What do you hope to achieve this year?**

A: EARNING THE RESPECT OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE STUDENT BODY.

**Q: What is your favorite thing about Williams Bay?**

A: THE TWO ICE CREAM SHOPS!

**Q: Favorite celebrity?**

A: DO NOT HAVE ONE.

**Q: What was your favorite subject when you were in school?**

A: GOVERNMENT. WE HAD A BILL MAKING ASSESSMENT THAT LASTED THE ENTIRE SEMESTER. MANY STEPS TO COMPLETE ALONG THE WAY.

**Q: How is your experience here so far? What are you looking forward to this year? Were your expectations for the school fulfilled?**

A: IT'S BEEN GREAT. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE TO BUILD STRONG TEACHER-STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS

Special thank you to all who submitted questions.



# Holiday Trivia

By Sofia Normington-Slay



- How tall is the tallest Christmas tree ever?
  - 189 ft
  - 221 ft
  - 453 ft
- What is the highest-grossing Christmas movie of all time?
  - Home Alone*
  - Elf*
  - A Christmas Story*
- How many U.S. households put up a Christmas tree?
  - 800,000
  - 25 million
  - 95 million
- How many packages does USPS deliver during the holidays?
  - 800 million
  - 1 billion
  - 5 billion
- In *Home Alone*, where are the McCallisters going on vacation when they forget Kevin?
  - Florida
  - New York
  - Paris
- What is another name for eggnog?
  - Egg Milk
  - Milk Punch
  - Chicken Milk
- What actor played six roles in *The Polar Express*?
  - Tom Felton
  - Tom Cruise
  - Tom Hanks
- How many lights were on the Griswold's house in *Christmas Vacation*?
  - 25,000
  - 50,000
  - 100,000
- How many ghosts are there in *A Christmas Carol*?
  - 3
  - 4
  - 7
- What was the first state to declare Christmas an official holiday?
  - Alabama
  - Texas
  - Wisconsin
- Do the majority of people use a real or artificial Christmas tree?
  - Real
  - Artificial
  - Both are used equally
- How fast does Santa Claus' sleigh have to travel to visit every house on Christmas Eve?
  - 900,000 mph
  - 2 million mph
  - 5 million mph

# Put on Your Dancing Shoes!

## 7th and 8th Grade 1st Dance Interview

By Gabby Klein and Marianna Garcia

- What's your opinion on the beach theme?**  
 "I hated it."  
 "We had a Hawaiian theme in spring so it was kind of the same thing."  
 "Oh! That was the best part."
- What's your opinion on the music?**  
 "It was good."  
 "There were songs that weren't the best, but they were still good."  
 "It was pretty good. They played *Bad Bunny* so it was good."
- What was your favorite song that was played during the dance?**  
 "I don't remember; they were just good."
- Did you ask anyone to go with you?**  
 "No!"
- What's your go-to dance move?**  
 "Fortnite."
- What's the smoothest way to ask someone to dance with you?**  
 "Just ask them."  
 "You just grab them and start dancing."  
 "Just pick them up and start dancing."
- What did you wear?**  
 "A hoodie."  
 "I wore shorts and a tank top."  
 "I wore shorts and a white T-shirt."
- What was the weirdest thing that happened that night?**  
 "I fell."  
 "Someone lost their eyelash curler."
- Did it live up to your expectations?**  
 "They didn't even turn the lights off."  
 "The songs were like Kidz Bop at the end."
- Do you think the dance should've lasted longer?**  
 "Yes."  
 "It was too short."



27 Best Christmas Trivia Questions to Impress Your Family This Holiday  
 Christmas Trivia: 50 Fun Questions with Answers - Parade  
 30 Holiday facts we'll bet you didn't know | tctimes.com



- Sources
- 12: c
  - 11: b
  - 10: a
  - 9: b
  - 8: a
  - 7: c
  - 6: b
  - 5: c
  - 4: a
  - 3: c
  - 2: a
  - 1: b

Answer Key

# A (SPOILER-FREE) REVIEW OF *BLACK PANTHER: WAKANDA FOREVER*

By Aaron Johnson

## Quick Facts:

Release date: November 11, 2022

Rating: PG-13

Runtime: 2h 41m

Budget: \$250 million



## Pre-Release Conflicts and Skepticism

Marvel fans waited in great anticipation for the release of the second installment of the *Black Panther* franchise; after all, the first movie, starring Chadwick Boseman as T'Challa, was a great success. It achieved a total of \$1.348 billion at the box office and received high acclaim from critics with a Rotten Tomatoes score of 95%, the highest critics' score in the entire Marvel franchise. Needless to say, there were high expectations for its sequel.

However, everything changed on August 28, 2020 with the tragic and seemingly-sudden death of Chadwick Boseman, who passed away due to colon cancer. The world was shocked at this news, but Boseman had been fighting this cancer since 2016, when he was first diagnosed. His friends, family, and fans mourned for him: Ryan Coogler, the director of *Black Panther*, even considered leaving the industry altogether. And what Boseman's death meant for the future of the Marvel Cinematic Universe was unclear, for the script of the sequel had already been written. Fans wondered if T'Challa's character would be portrayed by another actor, but Marvel Studios President Kevin Feige decided that it "felt like it was much too soon to recast... And [he and the directors] had talked about how, as extraordinary and fantastical as [Marvel's] characters and stories are, there's a relatable and human element to everything [Marvel does]" (Freitag). So, Boseman's real-life passing would translate to T'Challa's on-screen death.

Fans were skeptical about how *Wakanda Forever* would turn out in the end. After all, the last several MCU projects (e.g. *Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness*, *Thor: Love and Thunder*, *She-Hulk: Attorney at Law*) disappointed many in terms of character development, pacing, and plot. Now added to these worries were the absence of the original film's main character and a last-minute script change. The question on many fans' minds: "How can you have a Black Panther movie without the Black Panther?"

## The Review

According to Disney+, the synopsis of the movie is as follows:

"Queen Ramonda, Shuri, M'Baku, Okoye and the Dora Milaje fight to protect their nation from intervening world powers in the wake of King T'Challa's death. As the Wakandans strive to embrace their next chapter, the heroes must band together with Nakia and Everett Ross to forge a new path for their beloved kingdom."

Not unexpectedly, the story of *Wakanda Forever* centers around grief for King T'Challa, and this topic alone is covered beautifully by Ryan Coogler, who often consulted Chadwick Boseman's family for guidance on how to handle his character's death. This, in combination with the cast's outstanding performances, led to a heart-wrenching portrayal of the grief that follows death on the scale of both the family and the nation. To some, this is where the movie truly shines; the first half of the movie and its exposition are key in making the rest of the story impactful.

The music in the movie is composed by Ludwig Göransson, who created the music behind the original *Black Panther* in addition to other popular works such as *Creed*, *Venom*, and *The Mandalorian*. The score is centered around African instrumentals, rhythms, and melodies, creating another layer of connection to the characters and the setting at both the movie's saddest and suspenseful moments. Rihanna is also featured in the credits with new songs "Lift Me Up" and "Born Again."

As mentioned above, the first act of the movie is arguably its best, as it combines some of the greatest elements of the Marvel franchise: heart, humor, and action. Mystery about the movie's antagonists surrounds both the characters and the audience, and the new protagonists are given a proper (though grief-stricken) introduction. As the story progresses, audiences find themselves wondering which side they're supposed to be rooting for. Visuals and chase sequences are reminiscent of that of the first movie, providing audiences with a small sense of nostalgia and reminding them of the unique style and story of Wakanda. At this point, the movie appears genuinely promising.

However, as the story continues, *Wakanda Forever* unfortunately dips into some of the pitfalls of other recent MCU projects. A new and exciting character is introduced, but they are both underwritten and underutilized in the story. There are several over-complicated subplots, namely one CIA-centered storyline that could have been cut altogether; in fact, doing so would have both made the movie more coherent and cut its 2 hours and 41-minute runtime down slightly. And, of course, there is the grandiose battle sequence at the end of the film that not even a story centered around grief can escape in the MCU (though, the fight in *Wakanda Forever* does feel more necessary than that of *WandaVision*). All of these constraints come from something that it cannot help: it is Marvel property, and must therefore carry out the narrative that the wider cinematic universe has planned, something that detracts from *Wakanda Forever's* existence as an individual body of work.

While there are some faults in the movie, they are outweighed by its successes. The visuals are on-par if not exceeding that of the first movie; Ryan Coogler's careful direction allows for beautiful shots—specifically the water effects throughout the entire movie—and the large budget gives the CGI department liberty to make sure everything looks futuristic yet authentic. The movie is co-starred by Letitia Wright and Angela Bassett—portraying Shuri and Queen Ramonda, respectively—who play their demanding roles wonderfully in all of their characters' emotions. Wright, whose character was primarily a deuteragonist for comic relief in the first installment, steps into the spotlight for *Wakanda Forever*, and while the transition from supporting character to protagonist does not always work, Wright's dynamic performance is enough to justify her character's significance. Other outstanding performances include those of Lupita Nyong'o (Nakia), Danai Gurira (Okoye), and Tenoch Huerta (Namor), all of which bring something unique to the movie. Another accomplishment of this film—even more so than the original—is its dedication to representation: the main cast is composed primarily of Black women, and the antagonist, Namor, is the first character in the MCU with an indigenous or Mesoamerican background. Crafting this character correctly was important to Coogler, as he wanted it to be meaningful: "You can research whatever culture you want," he told Entertainment Weekly, "but if you have people from that culture and they have that knowledge and experience—not just from books, but from being alive—the approach is totally different... That's what inclusion means. It's not just putting some brown-skinned people in front of the camera or giving them an important role. It's how you're creating the movie" (Wehniainen). In comparison to other MCU projects, however, the greatest strength of this movie lies in its ability to take time to sit in its sadness.

## Wakanda (continued)

Other writers may have chosen to simply skip forward in time to move away from the grief, or recast the character of T'Challa and continue the story as it was originally planned. Coogler instead chose to take that grief and build something from it, to ask big questions about life, loss, and legacy—to take something tragic and turn it into something transformative.

Overall, *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* is a great film, especially in comparison to the MCU's other recent projects. Its elements of heart, humor, and action found the balance that *Thor: Love and Thunder* lacked, and its character development far surpassed that of *Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness* (if any existed). While the movie still feels similar to past MCU projects with its plot points and characters required to move the massive universe forward, it also brings something new and fresh into the Marvel franchise. Rotten Tomatoes' critics rate it as a Certified Fresh 84%, while the audiences believe it deserves more, giving it an outstanding score of 95%. Taking all factors into consideration, I would personally rate this movie as an 8.5/10—if you're a fan of the MCU, it's definitely worth the watch.

### Sources:

Black Panther: Wakanda Forever Box Office. Box Office Mojo. (n.d.). Retrieved November 13, 2022, from <https://www.boxofficemojo.com/release/r12992866817/>.

Na. (n.d.). Black Panther. Rotten Tomatoes. Retrieved November 13, 2022, from [https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/black\\_panther\\_2018](https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/black_panther_2018).

Freitag, L. (2022, October 27). Chadwick Boseman's Family Had Regular Input Into Black Panther 2's Creative Process. CBR. Retrieved November 13, 2022, from <https://www.cbr.com/black-panther-wakanda-forever-chadwick-boseman-family-input/>.

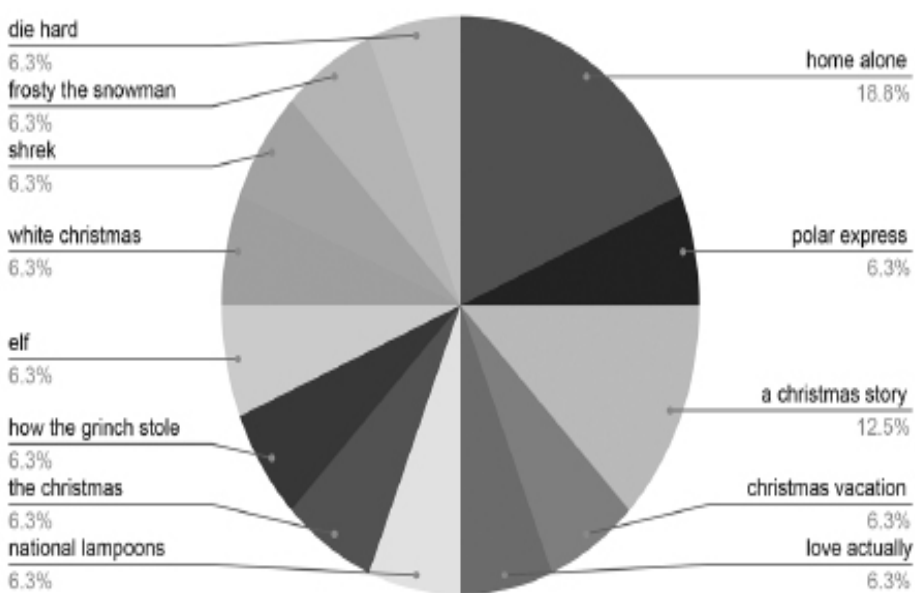
Black Panther: Wakanda Forever, Disney+. (2022, November 9). Retrieved November 13, 2022, from <https://www.disneyplus.com/movies/black-panther-wakanda-forever/7MAO-NYZ92wDT>.

Wehniainen, G. (2022, November 13). Simone Ledward Boseman Praised This Key Part Of 'Black Panther: Wakanda Forever'. Bustle. Retrieved November 13, 2022, from.

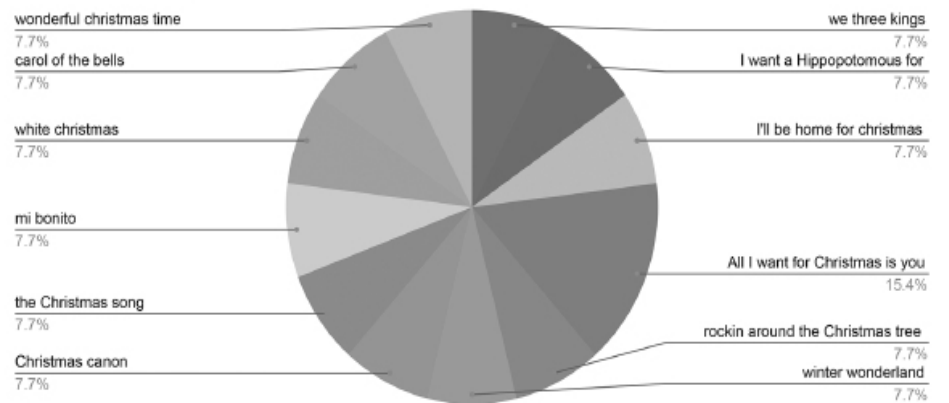
"Certified Fresh" indicates that a movie has received over a 75% score from critics on Rotten Tomatoes.

## What do the Juniors Enjoy? (Survey Conducted By Brooke Peyer)

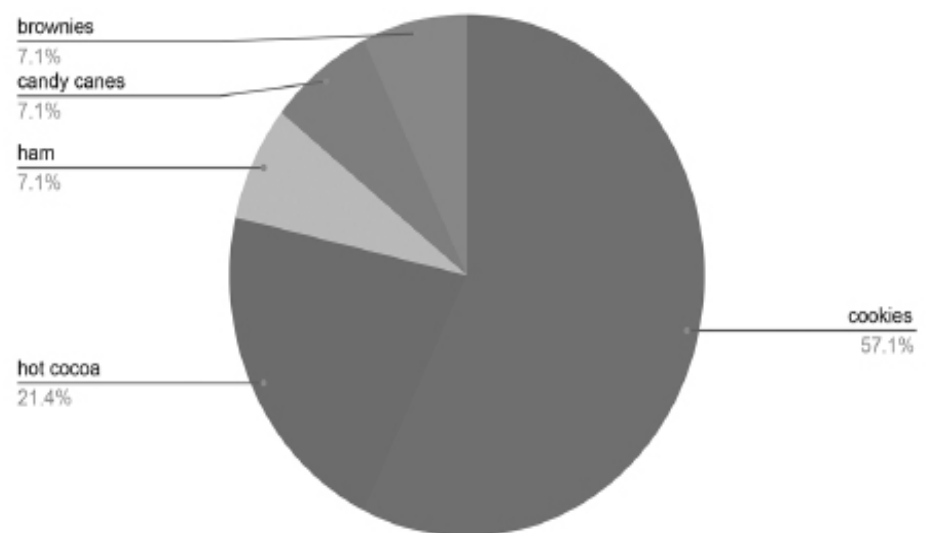
### Best Xmas Movie



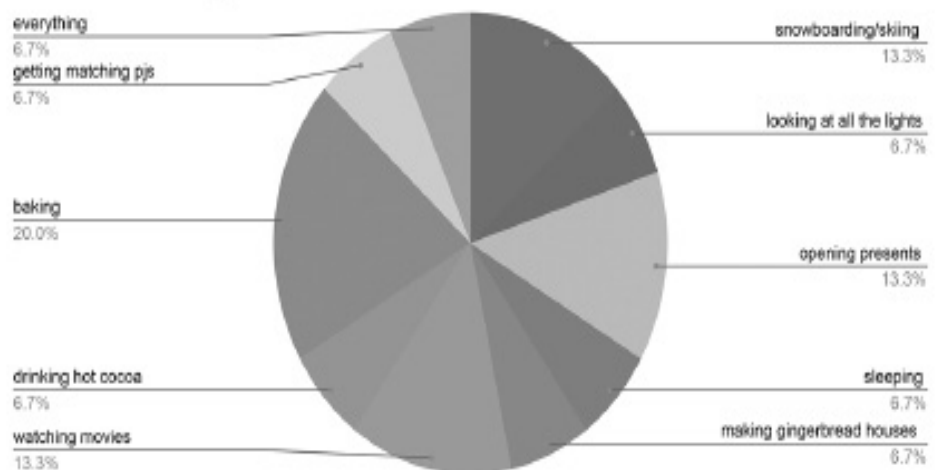
### Best Xmas Song



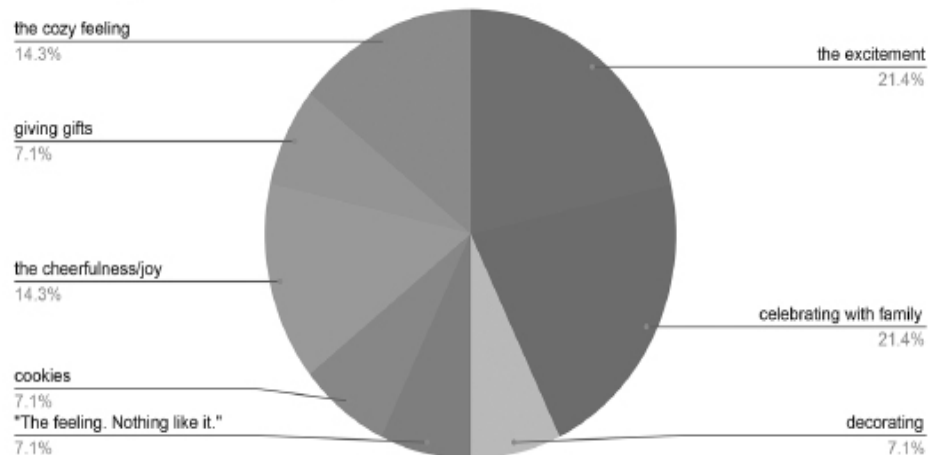
### Best Xmas Treat



### Best Xmas Activity



### Best thing about Xmas in general



# What the Word?

By Sarah Beinetti

Struggling with your writing? Want it to sound more professional? Here are some alternatives to common words/phrases that will help build a successful piece of writing.

## AND

In conjunction with  
Along with  
Moreover  
Additionally  
Further

## BECAUSE

As a result of  
By reason of  
By cause of  
Due to  
In the interest of

## IN CONCLUSION

In short  
Above all  
Overall  
In closing  
In summation

## ON THE OTHER HAND

Rather  
Alternatively  
In contrast  
However  
In spite of



# The Williams Bay Catacombs

By Dylan Hulke

Few people are aware, but there are a small series of tunnels underneath the town of Williams Bay. Filled with cobwebs and potential cave-ins, these tunnels run from the old elementary school to the Williams Bay library, with a T-junction that branches off to the high school. While the exact purpose of these tunnels is unknown, the leading theory is that they were built during prohibition. The tunnel from the elementary school to a home near the Williams Bay library has been determined to have been built first, as the tunnel leading to the high school was not built at the time of discovery. This leads to the question: why were these tunnels expanded?

The first expedition (that we know of) into these tunnels was way back in the year of 1987-88, and led by Charles Johnson and Andy Smith, both of the graduating class of that year. While they didn't leave a large amount of information behind about what they discovered, there is no mention of a branch departing from one of the walls to the high school. How they discovered the tunnels is also unknown; however, they may have found them when they attended the elementary school and potentially had attended multiple expeditions before their final one. They noted their journey in an edition of the *Bulldog Barker* for that year that was recently rediscovered, saying that "The Tunnels seemingly stretched on forever, having no end to their all-encompassing darkness. The walls were cracking near the roof,

## Catacombs (continued)

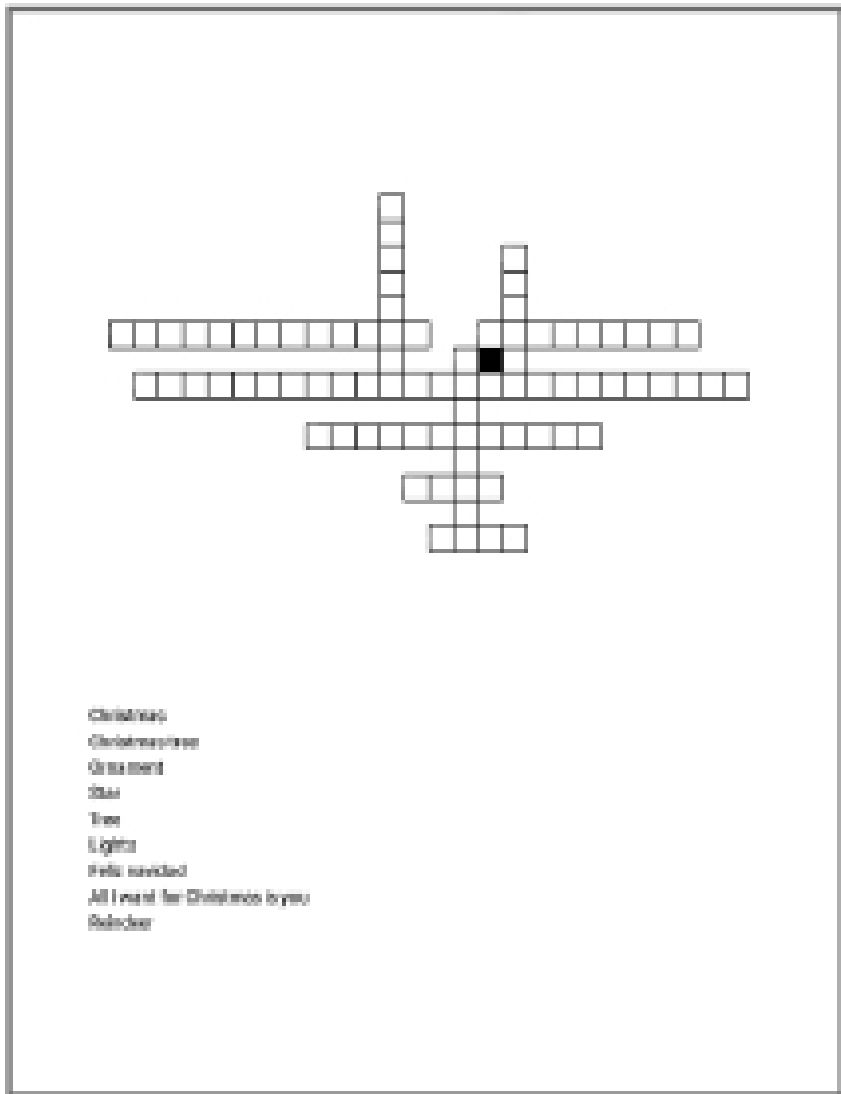
and it seemed as though they could fall apart at any moment" (Johnson, 1987). They estimated the tunnels to be roughly forty feet below the ground, just under the school's foundation.

These tunnels were lost to time after the Douglas-Orwell expedition, and only recently discovered by a member of the high school musical. This discovery took place during practice on November 7th, and was only fully realized once the rehearsal had concluded. Almost immediately, a small group was sent into the entrance of the tunnel to explore. It was found that one path led East, unknown at the time to be a direct path to the old school, and a collection of paths led to locations all over the school. These exit ways include the lecture center, teachers' lounge, maintenance closet, and the new elementary school office. The exit points are incredibly well hidden from the outside, and the only way someone would know how to get into the tunnels from them would be if they knew exactly where these entry points are. The initial journey into the tunnels only found the paths to other locations in the school, and it was unknown at the time that a larger path led to the old elementary school. Somewhat scarily, a copy of Bradley Galvin's *Time War* was almost immediately discovered upon entering the tunnel. Unlike its surroundings, this book was almost completely void of dust, implying that it had been left behind rather recently.

There was one more expedition into the tunnels on November 9th. This expedition confirmed the previously located exits/entrances, and pressed farther into the tunnels. The expedition went East, and eventually surfaced right inside the gym of the old school. The expedition resumed and followed the only remaining tunnel into a random backyard near the Williams Bay library. After the expedition surfaced, they backtracked to the high school, keeping an eye out for any more tunnels, rooms, or objects of interest. Unfortunately, nothing else was found in the system, and the expedition returned empty handed.

Sometime between 1916 and 2017, a tunnel system under the old Williams Bay elementary school was built. While it may be difficult to pinpoint an exact date, it's possible to make some assumptions about their construction date. A leading theory is that the school was expanded between 1920 and 1933, also the period of time known as prohibition. It's possible that a select few of school officials were made aware of a secret construction project, and while the legitimate expansion was taking place, an illegitimate tunnel system was being built. This proposes a very possible situation, as during prohibition, Williams Bay was home to the closest, largest distillery to Lake Geneva. This could have been a situation proposed by the Lake Geneva government to incentivize people to move there, as it had recently suffered a large population drop in the late 1910s. The promise of available liquor would have led to those in Chicago and other large cities, where, during the prohibition era, they had lots of gang violence regarding the transportation and production of alcohol moving into Lake Geneva. This seemingly worked, as during the previously stated time period, Lake Geneva had a large growth in population, returning to its previous levels. These tunnels would have been important for the distribution of liquor from the distilleries, which happened to be based nearby to the old elementary school. However, this theory would set a new record for the length of prohibition tunnels, as the longest discovered were about 150 feet long. This means it's very likely that these tunnels have some sort of alternative purpose that we are still unaware of.

While the exact purpose of these tunnels is unknown, the question remains: who has been using them?



## Chess Club

By Dylan Hulke

The Williams Bay High School Chess Club started as many other things do: with an idea. This idea was, of course, a space for high school students to play chess together. Its founders include yours truly, Charlie (Chuck) Pecht, Aaron Johnson, and Jose Pilo, along with a few other people. We have worked hard to ensure that the WBHS Chess Club is the best it could possibly be. The WBHS Chess Club is consistently rated as being one of, if not the best clubs in all of the Williams Bay School District [Citation Needed]. The members of the WBHS Chess Club include a wide range of people, from those with tons of experience to those who have never even played before, and proves to be a great place to learn the ins and outs of chess. In Chess Club, we often participate in both virtual and physical games, along with tournaments to find out who's the best of the best. This proves to be a fun experience for everyone involved, both spectators and players alike.

Chess Club meetings take place in Ms. Anderson's room every Tuesday and Friday during high school lunch. While attendance is optional, it is expected that members show up at least once a week. If you're interested in joining, feel free to stop by during one of our scheduled meetings or join the Chess Club Google Classroom (code: ub7linh) for more information.

## History Club Upcoming Events

- No December Monthly Member Meeting or Officer Meeting
- Burial Ground Committee meets every Thursday unless otherwise notified
- History Bowl teams meet every Wednesday unless otherwise notified
- Mama T's Culture & Cuisine Committee Adventure - Thursday, December 15th from 3:45 to 5PM. Bring money to pay for your own meal
- Boys' Basketball Concessions
  - Monday, December 5th - 5:30 to 9PM
  - Friday, December 9th - 5:30 to 9PM
  - Monday, December 19th - 5:30 to 9PM
  - Thursday, December 22nd - 5:30 to 9PM
- Clue Room Committee Field Trip - Saturday, December 10th from 9:45 to 11AM

