



Achievement Post

Scholars Visit the White House for Halloween

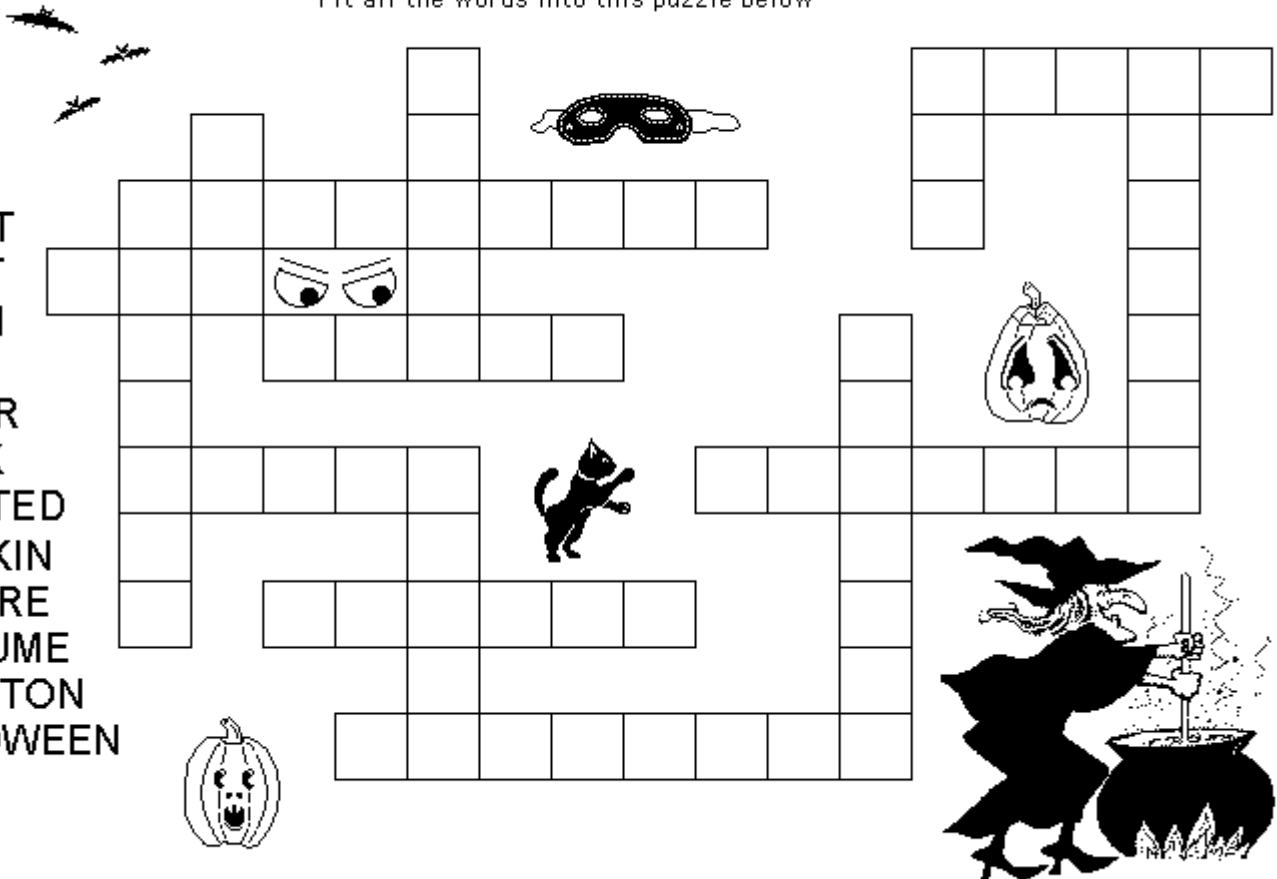


Puzzles & Games

Halloween Crossword

Fit all the words into this puzzle below

BOO
CAT
BAT
GHOST
TREAT
WITCH
TRICK
SPIDER
BLACK
HAUNTED
PUMPKIN
VAMPIRE
COSTUME
SKELETON
HALLOWEEN



Puzzles & Games

Tricky Halloween Word Search



c s c a r y m m u m o o n
 j k a f l o w e r e w k t
 h c y r e t s n o m l h r
 c w k i n d k i h o d s i
 t l o g i r e g a o w p c
 i h o h k a l h l r y i k
 w y p t p c e t l b p d o
 c d s e m u t s o c e e r
 h b t n u l o c w a e r t
 b o i m p a n a e l r i r
 l n r h a u n t e d c p e
 a e i b m o z m n r j m a
 c s p a s n i l b o g a t
 k w s t s o h g w n a v g



bat	ghosts	scary
black	goblins	skeleton
bones	halloween	spider
broom	haunted	spirits
caldron	monster	spooky
cat	moon	trick or treat
costumes	mummy	vampire
creepy	night	werewolf
dracula	owl	witch
frighten	pumpkin	zombie

Sports & Entertainment

Who's that Girl, Aaliyah?

By Makhi Davis

Aaliyah Dana Haughton was born on January 16, 1979 and died on August 25, 2001. She performed under the mononym **Aaliyah** and was an American R&B recording artist, film actress and model. Aaliyah was a great singer. Aaliyah was born in Brooklyn, New York. Aaliyah and eight others were killed in an airplane crash in the Bahamas after filming the music video for the single "Rock the Boat". The pilot, Luis Morales, was unlicensed at the time of the accident. Aaliyah sold 32 million albums worldwide. She is listed by Billboard Records as the tenth most successful female R&B artist of the past 25 years and 27th most successful R&B artist overall.

The Los Angeles Lakers

By Xavier Brown

The Los Angeles Lakers had 57 wins last season and 25 losses. Their win percentage is 69%. The NBA lockout and the cancellation of preseason and the first two weeks of regular season might help the team prepare to make another title run. The Lakers won the Championship in 2009 but failed to make the NBA Finals in 2010. I like the Lakers because I like their top player, Kobe Bryant. Bryant is sure to be a Hall of Famer as soon as he decides to retire. I think he may be one of the best NBA players of all time.

Cam Newton 101

By Kenny Wright

Cam Newton was born on May 11, 1989. Cam Newton is 6'5", 22 years old, and weighs 244 pounds. Newton went to Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama for college. He stayed at Auburn for 3 years before leaving college early to participate in the NFL draft. Newton was the number 1 pick in the 2011 NFL draft. He is now a quarterback for the North Carolina Panthers.

Newton was one of the top players in college. He was the leader of his team. As a boy, he loved football. He loved to run and throw the ball. His hometown is College Park, Georgia.

So far Newton has been playing well. He has 7 touchdowns, 6 interceptions, 1,610 yards, and a rating of 84.3. Cam Newton continues to shine despite having so many haters. A lot of people doubted that he could be a good starting NFL quarterback. He was amazing in college, but will he be good in the NFL? So far Newton has proved those haters wrong. If he keeps this up, he will become a celebrity and a well-known player.

The Biography of Tony Romo

By Malik Davis

Tony Romo was born on April 21, 1980 in San Diego, California. Tony was accepted into Eastern Illinois College.

Tony Romo has played in the NFL for nine years. Tony Romo led the Cowboys to 13 wins in 2007. Tony Romo helped guide Dallas to the club's 17th NFC East Division title and Dallas' first playoff win since 1996. This is so amazing!!! Tony Romo has had a lot of injuries, but if he can find a way to stay healthy, he will have an outstanding career.

Sports & Entertainment

The Biography of Nicki Minaj

voice was featured in seven songs on Billboard's Hot 100 in 2010.

By Catherine Gyebe

I am doing a biography on star Nicki Minaj. Nicki Minaj's real name is Onika Tanya Maraj. She was born in 1984 and grew up in New York City with an abusive, drug-addicted father. After attending La Guardia High School for the Arts, she was introduced to rapper Lil Wyane, who launched her career. Her 2010 debut album "Pink Friday" and her single "Your Love" topped the Billboard charts. A frequent cameo singer, Minaj's



Teddy Afro

By Liulty Kiros

When I tell you this, you will probably wonder what Ethiopia is? Well, Ethiopia is a country in east Africa that Teddy Afro is from. Teddy Afro is the most popular singer in Ethiopia at this time. Teddy Afro released his second album in 2001. The name of that particular album is Abugida, named after the Abugida Syllabary. Several tracks quickly caught the ear of many listeners in Ethiopia. "Haile Selassie" was a tribute to emperor Haile Selassie who ruled Ethiopia from 1930 - 1974.

Teddy Afro released his third album, Yasterseryal, in 2005. The release of this album coincided with elevated political tension in Ethiopia surrounding the Ethiopian general election in 2005. His politically- and socially-inspired songs acted as a call for unity and peace among the people of Ethiopia. This made the government, led by the TPLF for 17 years, very concerned. Consequently the government banned

four songs including "Yasetseryal" from playing on radios and TV.

Sadly Teddy Afro was accused of a hit-and-run manslaughter and was imprisoned in April 2008. Some sources claimed that the accusation was politically motivated following the release of several songs critical of the government, especially during the May 2005 election. Luckily, on August 13, 2009 Afro was released from prison eight months early on account of good behavior in prison.



APA News

APA Art Club Wins Chalk Drawing Competition

*By Elijah Giles
and Demetrius Pinkney*

This year Achievement Prep

Q: Who sponsored the competition and what other schools participated?

A: The DC collaborative sponsored the contest and other public schools in DC were allowed to enter.

Q: How did the APA Art Club do?

A: They worked together to make a big chalk drawing on the playground butterflies and they won first-runner up (second place) and \$25 to spend on art supplies.

Q: Does the APA Art Club always use chalk or do they get to use paint too?

A: So far the art club has used chalk, paint, water colors, colored pencils, and markers. Who knows what other medium we will introduce during the next enrichment session.

Q: Is the APA Art Club suppose to express the scholars feeling for things that are around them?

A: Yes, we do want scholars to express their emotions through their art work and on the last day of our first enrichment session, we went outside so that the scholars could be inspired by nature.



started an art club that meets during enrichment. Scholars in grades 4th-6th were allowed to join the art club. Recently the APA Art Club participated in a chalk drawing competition and I interviewed Ms. Sverdllove, one of the APA Art Club Coordinators, to get the competition details:

Q: Will we have this enrichment next year to see if we can try to get first place?

A: Absolutely!



Calling all Scholars!!

Would you like to join the Achievement Post team? We are looking for a few exceptional staff writers to join our news paper team. If you would like to try out to become a staff writer, the first thing you need to do is submit a writing sample. Write a sample article that could be published in the APA News, Sports & Entertainment, or Creative Writing sections of the Achievement Post. Your sample article must be at least one paragraph long. **Submit your sample article to Mr. Autin by Friday, November 4th.**

All sample articles submitted by the deadline will be reviewed by the Achievement Post editorial team. Those scholars with the best writing samples will receive a teacher recommendation form. If you receive a teacher recommendation form, you will have one week to get all of your teachers to sign your form confirming that you are passing their class and that you are consistently demonstrating each of the D.R.E.A.M values in their classroom.

The Achievement Post Staff Writers meet after school every Wednesday from 1:30-2:30. If you are invited to join the news paper, your parents must sign a permission slip confirming that you have a guaranteed ride home every Wednesday at 2:30. Scholars from all grades are encouraged to submit sample articles and the Achievement Post editorial team wishes all future staff writers the best of luck!



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