

# The Dalton Star

The first person to find the hidden code in the issue gets a prize!  
Talk to Max Solotar if you think you have it.

<http://survivalguide.wetpaint.com>

By Lily Friedberg & Billie Fabrikant

This is the James Kim Survival Guide. Nobody knows who made it, and there are no top contributors on the wetpaint site. It is really confusing, but also pretty awesome, but also REALLY CREEPY\*.

This will be a short series about the website, and this one is called ...

## SURVIVAL PRIORITIES

This is a clipping from the website:

In most survival situations, four priorities must be addressed before any other needs are met:

1. Finding or making shelter is the most important survival priority because it allows a person to stay protected from the elements, and thus hopefully warm and dry.
2. Humans can live for only about three days without water.
3. Fire helps to purify water, provide warmth, scare away dangerous animals, and signal to other people.
4. A human can survive for weeks without food, but hunger impairs judgment and clarity of mind, and makes one weak and susceptible to disease.

See you next time in Shelters!

## The Fate of Time Travel

By Emmanuelle Garey Levine

The way that most people think of time it's all happening at once in which case we can travel into the future, but logically that time space has not evolved yet meaning it would be impossible to travel *forward* in time. The past time space though has already evolved so it may be possible to travel *backwards* in time. Although, if that phase of matter or of time or space has already (a) been used in present matter in which case it's impossible to travel to any other dimensions such as height, width, depth and time or (b) it may have simply been ripped to shreds in possibly the gravitational pull of a huge mass or a black hole. In my view time dimensions are infinite so we might be able to travel to the past but never the future because the future would be the present by the time it evolved enough for us to see it.

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## Weird Instruments

By Mac Taback

I am writing about either weird or "demented" instruments.  
They are *really* weird!!!  
Here are some of them

### Aeolian Wind Harp

Played by the wind; free of the touch of human hands

### Amazing Pencilina

Collision of dulcimer, bass, koto, and slide guitar

### Aquaggaswack

29 hanging pot lids, a gong tree with a wide sonic palette

### Atlantic City Boardwalk Hall Organ

World's largest and loudest musical instrument,  
150 tons and 33,112 pipes

### Balalaika

3-string folk instrument from Russia and the Ukraine

### Bamboo Saxophones

Sax's crafted by Ángel Sampedor del Rio

### Bandura Ukrainian Bandura by Dwight Newton

### Bass Stick

A "virtual instrument" from the minds of Animusic

### Bazantar

5-string acoustic bass - with an extra 33 strings

### Beer Bottle Organ

Instead of pipes, this organ uses beer bottles

### Bikelophone

A palette of sonic exploration, with a bicycle hub

### Bonang

A Javanese Gamelen instrument

AREN'T THESE SOOOO WEIRD???

## CYBER PETS

By Danielle Clark

Hi! I am here to tell you about the ADORABLE Cyber Pets. Cyber pets are basically fun online pets that you can add to any website. They are so COOL! You can make anything from hedgehogs to pet pencils. ( The pet pencil things are REALLY WEIRD!) They are SO easy to make. You just go to [www.widgetbox.com](http://www.widgetbox.com), and then click on the smiley face that says FUN next to it, and then click on Cyber Pets. Then, you just make whatever you want, You can change the color, and the name. HAVE FUN!



## MATH CHALLENGE

By Daniela Nasser

$$1.58769 \times 43427 = ?$$

$$2.855632467874 \times 9986 = ?$$

If you think you have gotten one of the answers give it to Jake Weiss or send it to the email address [JMWeiss7@gmail.com](mailto:JMWeiss7@gmail.com). Make sure to identify yourself if you choose to do an email. The end of the competition is Wednesday, April 16. There are prizes...!

## Energy

By Teddy Katz

When you think of energy, you think of food that you eat. This is because food contains calories, which are a form of energy. If you look on the nutrition facts of a food product you will always find a label that says **calories**. All right, maybe not in bold. On the other hand, sometimes it is. The calories from the food go through your body and store themselves in your bones (it might sound funny if the calories stored themselves in stores). But the calories store themselves in a store *before* you eat it. After you eat it, the food goes through the water works and eventually gets taken out. This would take place unless the calories were part of gravy. Depending on whom it belonged to, the calories would probably end up in the garbage. If the calories were in a chocolate chip cookie then the food would definitely go through the water works.

Energy is more than just calories. There are two kinds of energy: reusable energy and non-reusable energy. The problem with non-reusable energy is obvious: It can only be used once. Oil is non-reusable energy, which is why people always talk about not having enough oil. Fortunately, someone found a substitute for the oil. This substitute comes from corn. People can keep growing corn, so it was an important discovery. But then the government kept demanding more and more of this oil-like liquid, which is why corn to eat has gotten so expensive.

A kind of energy is heat (If you haven't heard of it then there's nothing I can do to help you). Heat is caused by molecules wobbling. All right, I admit it: you wobble (in other words: shiver) when you're cold. But the reason for that is that you obviously want to get warmer if you're cold enough to be shivering. Shivering causes the molecules to wobble, which causes heat. Let's get back to the subject. The faster the molecules wobble, the hotter they get. This is why you get hot when you run around (or maybe straight). -459.4 degrees F (-273 degrees C) is the coldest anything can get. It's when the molecules stop moving altogether. It would be impossible to cool something to that temperature even if you had a super-mega-freezer. This is because you couldn't take the last bit of energy out of that unfortunate object (if you're going to test this, maybe the object to be cooled should be the gravy from the first paragraph. Oops! I forgot we trashed it).

Ending article... Ending article...Beep! Beep! Beep! That's my article-ending machine. I'm sorry for the inconvenience the sound might have caused you, but it is very helpful for ending articles. Just remember that article-ending machines use energy too. Everything uses energy. The energy from the article-ending machine will run out soon, so I better put it into action...

## NOAH'S MOTORBOAT: THE END OF THE VOYAGE

By Jake Weiss

Reminder: Good, here's the X. Let's go in. Alright, let's keep going. Aha! Here's the cavern! Alright, we can stay here for the night. And we'll be safe. At least for now.

The last part of the Noah's Motorboat story will be told in the third person.

Every sensible person (as many humans in the world are not) knows that there is really no such thing as complete safety. If your parents are sleeping on either side of you, you might consider yourself "safe." But really, a man who had damaged his brain by falling off a tree twenty-four years ago could just come and shoot you. That proves my point.

The brave Noah Zoo who you have been hearing about for at least two months was no exception to this theory. Even in an underwater cavern, away from great white sharks, he was certainly not safe.

Noah and the animals, all in their scuba masks, could not use the steamship, so over the weeks he built a small boat made of rock. They went out the other side of the cave and into the sea. They were in danger. Any creature could just jump out at them and kill them all. The boat went above the surface.

"Land! I see land!" yelled Noah.

The animals raise their legs and opened their mouths. Noah landed. The animals were safe. He was a hero. When he died, his grave said "The Sea is True Safety."

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