Share a Story

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The Giant Banana and the Giants

by Connor Timmins

3 – 4 Years Old
1st Place
Once upon a time there was a giant banana.
Banana really liked to jump really high and eat broccoli.
Banana saw two big giants fighting and told them not to fight and they all became friends.

The End
The Flying Bat and His Friends
by Grace Howard

3 – 4 Years Old
2nd Place
Once there was a bat and he flew to a star.
And he gave the star to a dog. And then he taught the dog how to fly. Then there was a cat who wanted to learn to fly too. And then he was like “Not Again!”
And then he said maybe I should own a place to teach animals how to fly. Except the ones with wings. And then they all flew together to get Rainbow Rocks.

The End
Snow Day
by Matthew Vernot

3 – 4 Years Old
3rd Place
I go outside. It’s winter.
I’m going to do snow angels. And then, I’m going to have snowball fights with Gideon and Daddy.
Then, I’m going to make snow diggers.
The Pirate who Found Gold
by Maxwell Bertke

5 Years Old
1st Place
Once upon a time, there was a pirate and his name was Max the Pirate and he sailed the seven seas. And then one day he lost his pirate ship and he had to use a water boat.
He used his water boat to go all across the seven seas and he didn’t even have warm clothes for the cold ones. He was frigid.

Chapter 2

He found his pirate ship, then he sailed the seven seas again until he got to where he was needed. He found treasure.
He found all sorts of treasure like a golden dog bowl, a golden crown and golden money and golden necklace. He went home and he collected all his money and he went out to buy something. He went out to buy some veggies and fruits. And then he was rich.

The End
I Love My Family
by William Poling

5 Years Old
2nd Place

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When I walk in the woods, my mom saw a pretty butterfly. She caught it in a jar. I caught a roly poly.
We loved them and looked at them with a magnifying glass.
Then we let them go and we were sad because we missed them.
Fall is Approaching
by Halley Czerwinski

5 Years Old
3rd Place
The birds were flying south for the winter
But the birds could not fight the wind
The birds met many predators but the birds escaped.
Bella’s Journey
by Mason Condon

6 Years Old
1st Place
Once upon a time, there lived a dog named Bella. My family adopted her after she was lost in Mississippi and brought to Toledo. She is a one year old black lab who is very loveable.
Bella likes to take walks in the park and watch for squirrels and rabbits. She also likes to play ball, ride in the car and eat biscuits.
We all love Bella. She is a good friend and is so much fun. Bella completes our family.
13 Cats on a Porch
by Lia Bandeen

6 Years Old
2nd Place
Once upon a time there were 13 cats on a porch.
Once, the other cats laughed at a cat because he had a short tail.
But soon he made a new friend and they played with each other every day!
Candy Land
by Eric Sarnecky

6 Years Old
3rd Place
My family lives in Candy Land. My family eats candy. We make a candy monster. Then we eat the monster.
We make a candy cake. We put marshmallows in the candy oven. We crumble up candy canes. Then we bake it. We eat it.
We go to the candy store. We get food for dinner. Popi bakes it. Then we eat dinner.

The End
My Thanksgiving
by Jacob Howard

7 Years Old
1st Place
This Thanksgiving was very cool. Hannah carved the turkey on a big platter, and Grace ate turkey and gravy in the front yard. Grandpa played Roblox on the roof. My aunt and uncle drew on the wall with crayons.
After we were done eating, Hannah washed the dishes in the baby’s high chair at Grandma’s house. Then, we got Grandpa off the roof and hopped in the car to drive to the mountains and hike.
We hiked in the mountains. It was very fun. Last we drove home and the girls went to bed, and Dad let me play computer until midnight.
The Girl who Got Lost in the Woods
by Destinee Sarnecky

7 Years Old
2nd Place
My mom said I have to go pick berries in the woods, so I did listen to her. The berries were far away. I got lost. I didn’t know how to get back to my house.

My mom was worried. She was like I don’t know where she is. She should be back by now.
I saw a big tree and a big house. I have a big tree by my house so maybe it’s my house. I thought my mom was standing there waiting for me. I went to go check but no it was not her.

I went by. I saw two big trees and a big house. I sobbed. I said “I will never find it.”
I walked and I walked. I stopped sobbing. This time it was my house. My mom saw me and I gave my mom a hug. I said “I thought I could never find you.”
The Journey
by Maddy Tomaszewski

7 Years Old
3rd Place
Once upon a time the kids wanted to go on a journey. Their mother said no at first. But then she said yes.
The kids went in a scary forest. They heard a noise. It was a bear! They ran to the North Pole.
They found it! At last! They saw Santa.
Breadstick Met Barie Bella by Amiyah Jones

8 Years Old
1st Place
One day Breadstick met Barie Bella.
She said “hello” to breadstick and breadstick said hello.
She asked what is wrong breadstick?
They went out to eat and they ordered noodles to eat. Barie Bella said you can’t eat because you are something to eat.
Barie Bella ate breadstick with her noodles. She was sad that she did not have it anymore. The breadstick came back to life. They had a wedding and they lived happily ever after. Barie Bella no longer ate breadsticks.
Perseverance Pays
by Zachary Michael

8 Years Old
2nd Place
One sunny day on a Hawaii beach, a mouse, a zebra, and a lemur were hopelessly stranded on an island.

They wanted to return to Africa, their homeland. Blocking the way there, though, were three fierce dwarfs. They controlled the island and would stop them from getting home.
The mouse and the lemur rode on the zebra’s back while he swam. It was then that they met the first dwarf. He threatened, “Don’t cross!” but the zebra defeated him and they moved on.

Quietly, they encountered the second dwarf. He declared “Don’t cross!” but the lemur triumphed over him with his acrobatics.
Finally, they faced the last dwarf. The mouse who felt very brave tried and tried to fight him and then, "Boom!" he killed him. They were safe! The ocean was clear. They learned that perseverance pays.
One day a girl named Alyssa was in school and she had a great new idea for drawing and she had a little dog named Stella.

Stella loved to sleep, eat and snuggle. She sometimes nibbles when you scratch her butt. She goes under your blanket if you are gentle and calm. If you’re crazy, she will get all crazy and jump, bite and chew.
Alyssa’s mom came to her school to pick up Alyssa and Sophia, Alyssa’s twin sister, to go home and they did their homework.

It was tomorrow and they went to school and the teacher said, “Today class we will do partners and learn to do Pen Pal letters today, OK?”
My partner was Morgan and his Pen Pal was Alise and my Pen Pal was Johoanna. She draws just like me and we are both 8 years old. We both like to read and we have much in common.

The End
By: Alyssa
My Life Story
by Hannah Thomas

9 Years Old
1st Place (Tie)
I was born in 2008. I’m a twin. I have three brothers. My first brother’s name is Cheran. My second brother’s name is Carban and my last brother’s name is Seann. My sister’s name is Phoebe. My mom’s name is Malesia. My name is Hannah. My mom is single but she is good. I have a pet named Hercules oh and he is a guinea pig. My mom’s ex-husband ran away with Cheran. My mom was looking for him 5 years ago and she found him!
Cheran was in the YAAW last year and the year before that. He does abstract. People say Cheran is like Mom but he says he is not like Mom. We are living in a townhome. Mom is in a preblicament when she saw car marks in the front yard.
My mom is going to law school and my brother is trying to start his own business. Me and Phoebe are just chillin’ while we are young.
When We Moved Here
by Phoebe M.E. Thomas

9 Years Old
1st Place (Tie)
When we came here my mom didn’t know where we were going.

When my mom was driving, one of my brothers yelled “Mom! There’s a big Toledo sign on a bridge!”

And mom drove right past it.

Oh... um, I forgot to introduce us. My fam’s names are Cherian, Corbian, Seann, Phoebe, Hannah, and last but not least my mom!
Since the government was paying we had to stay in a hotel for one day. When we moved to a new hotel called Crowns Inn Hotel it was fun but when my mom bought lemonade.

When we got done Mom or Cherian would clean it out with water and it was becesting.

We stayed in there for one month. Our room was 316.
Mom is doing fine. Charian he is going to start his own business. Me and Hannah are just trying to be as young as we can. And we are in 3rd grade. And our teacher is pregnant.
The Poor Child that Lived in the Orphanage
by Makayla Macleod

9 Years Old
3rd Place
Once upon a time…
There was no TV, no tablets, and no satellite.
The orphanage was great to him. Until the new kid came. He felt scared. He did not like him. Every time he ate lunch he cut in front of him. Every time it was free time he would kick him.
The owner of the orphanage went to see what's been happening.
Book Wars
by Brennan Miller

10 – 12 Years Old
1st Place
It was March 4, 1963. The PTA meeting was about to start.

The teachers said “Kids need to read more.”

The parents are worried that the teacher is right.

The kids were in the vent above the gym listening to the conversation.

“Oh no our parents are saying that kids need to read more,” said José,

The news was there also.
The news had broadcasted the event everywhere.
The kids said, “We have to stop our parents.”
The kids came to the gym.
A kid read a book that said doing stunts is cool.
The same kid said video games told him he would not die. The kid jumped into a pool of angry sharks.
The teachers and parents are both realizing that both are bad. Kids realized that parents are right. The people are happy, so they had a party.

The End
Swimming Fever
by Kate Hildebrand

10 – 12 Years Old
2nd Place
On one hot summer day a girl named Lilly was sitting in her house watching TV, her mom said go outside and swim.

No said Lilly.

Go now said Mom.

Fine, Lilly, her brothers Bo, Jo, and Andrew were outside swimming so then Lilly went to go get her little sister Katherine they both went out to swim. Then their dad came out and jumped in and splashed them with a huge cannonball!
Today we are going to go to the City Pool and swim said Mom.

Yah, said Bo and Jo.

Boo, said Andrew, Katherine and Lilly.

Lilly you should join the swim team! said Mom.

Lilly said Mom why said Lilly.

Because you love to swim and you should be outside more! said Mom.

Fine, said Lilly.

Great let’s go, said Mom!
When Lilly started swim she wasn’t the best at it, but as the year went on she got faster and faster. Wow Lilly you have really gotten faster, said Mom.
You look amazing, said Coach!
Now Lilly is at the Junior Olympics and she won and got a gold medal!

The End
Lola’s Adventure
by Isabella Acevedo

10 – 12 Years Old
3rd Place
Once upon a tine there was a fairy named Lola. She never really went on adventures. But in her mind she did. She imagined that she went to the sea and other places. Her mother and father the king and queen said she had to stay home. Because there were bigger things out there. So Lola never got to go on an adventure. So she made a plan to sneak out the next morning.
The next morning Lola woke up and got dressed. Her plan was going well until she saw her mother coming down the hall. She hurried to hide. She hid behind the curtains. Her mom walked right past her. Lola went right out the door. She tried to get out of town being seeable. She found a huge house. She went inside. When she got in there was something big and furry. It tried to eat her. She flew around the whole house because of that thing. She found a room and hid in it.
She looked around and saw a lot of fairy pictures. Then she saw a person in the bed. It was a kid child. Child woke up and saw Lola. She said “it’s a fairy.” Lola said “Please help me.” The child opened the window. She said “goodbye goodbye.” Lola made it back home. She her mom and dad a big hug. She loved her adventure. But she said “I’ll be safer next time!”

The End