

16. COMPETITIONS

WIN! A SUPERTHINGS POWER MACHINES BUNDLE

WE'VE teamed up with Magic Box Toys to offer ten lucky winners the chance to win an awesome SuperThings Power Machines bundle!

A new ultra rare glow-in-the-dark character – Dr Volt – arrives in Kaboom City! Volt is the clever inventor of the Power Machines, and has two rare gold leaders and six rare silver team captains.

When a riot breaks out in the lab, half of Volt's force become villains who then escape with a number of Power Machines. Now the battle to save Kaboom City continues!

With 80 characters to collect, there are also eight Power Jets, eight Giant Power Bots and eight Battle Spinners to collect, plus great value packs and the ultimate Battle Arena Playset.

Each bundle will include eight One Packs, two Power Jets, a Power Bot, a Battle Spinner and a Starter Pack. To be in with a chance of winning, just answer this question:

Which of these vehicles would you typically find on a farm?
a) Crane b) Tractor c) Forklift

Find out more at
www.superthings.com



ENTER NOW! MARK YOUR ENTRY VOLT

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WIN! A STABILO STATIONERY BUNDLE

CREATE something special this spring with these wonderful STABILO goodies that are up for grabs!

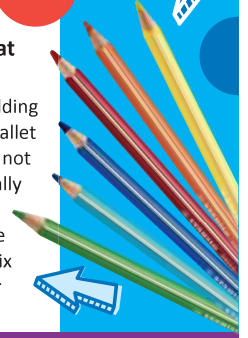
The STABILO power felt tip pens are perfect for adding a splash of colour to your page and you can win a wallet of 18, so the colour combinations are endless! Why not try designing something for someone environmentally conscious with the STABILO GREENcolors?! Their hexagonal shape and 24 colour options means there is a colour for every occasion. If you're looking to mix up card designs or add some lovely lettering to your creations, then the STABILO Pen 68 are ideal for the job. The quick drying non-smudge ink is great for ensuring your lettering stays in pristine condition.

We have nine STABILO bundles up for grabs. To be in with a chance of winning, just answer this question:

Which two colours make purple when mixed together?
a) Brown & blue b) Red & blue
c) Green & blue

ENTER NOW! MARK YOUR ENTRY PEN

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RASPBERRY PI FOUNDATION

Advertisement feature

SEND A MESSAGE TO ASTRONAUTS IN SPACE.

THE European Space Agency (ESA) and the Raspberry Pi Foundation are offering you the chance to take part in Astro Pi – Mission Zero!

Astro Pi – Mission Zero gives YOU the chance to write a simple computer program and send a message to the astronauts on board the International Space Station (ISS)!

Taking part is free and easy, and you don't need any coding experience. Just ask a parent or teacher to register at astro-pi.org/mission-zero!

ASTRO PI MISSION ZERO

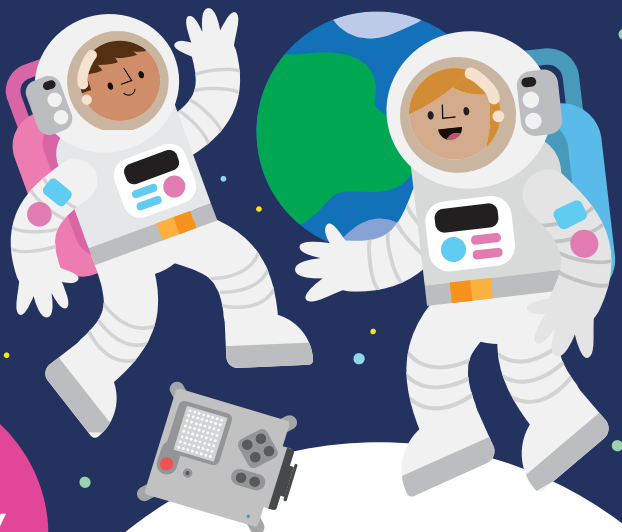
“ You are promoted to real ISS scientists. Congratulations! ”

– Thomas Pesquet, ESA astronaut



Thomas points to Astro Pi computers on board the ISS

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 19 MARCH!



Head to astro-pi.org/mission-zero to start your mission!



Raspberry Pi

17. BIG INTERVIEW by Serena Lacey

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● You've just launched a new podcast with WWF called *Call of the Wild*, so what can you tell us about it?

I'm so excited by it and I really hope that people enjoy the journey we take them on. It's a new thing for WWF, and for any kind of charity organisation in that sense. This seems to be the perfect way we could create this series and delve into some of the key areas about the environment and try to learn as much about it as we can. To try and learn about the things we can do that might help make a difference, and hopefully learn some cool stuff and hear from some interesting people. I think it is something that is needed and it's something that I very much believe in.

● How did you choose the different topics for each episode?

It's a massive subject and I think we are very, very lucky to have access to the resources that WWF have. They've been leading in this area for decades, so they had a pretty good idea of what we could be talking about and who we could be talking to. The first episode is kind of a good look at the natural world, and who better to hear from than Sir David Attenborough? Then we go into oceans and plastics, climate, travel, deforestation, nature and re-wilding.

● How was it interviewing Sir David Attenborough for the podcast?

He is even better than you want him to be! I will probably always be one of my proudest achievements and proudest moments. He was just amazing, he really listened and was so insightful and hopeful, while also really addressing the severity of the situation. It was just everything that I wanted the conversation to be. It really does feel like the perfect place to start our podcast and I'm really buzzing about it. I'm quite honest and open in it as well; you can hear how nervous I am at the start of the podcast. I read a little letter that I wrote and I wanted to read to him as kind of a thank you for being one of my greatest inspirations.

● Are you hoping to follow in his footsteps with your work for WWF?

No-one is ever going to come close to being as incredible as David Attenborough has been for everyone. But I think, very much, I would like to try to carry on his legacy. If I can emulate [copy] a tiny bit of what he has done in his career, and if that tiny contribution is my life's work, then that will be everything. It felt a little bit like that in our conversation, a bit like he was saying that it really is over to the young people to lead this fight and bring about this change. I think he is saying that to us all. He has more than done his bit and he is saying now it is our turn, what are we going to do?



CONNECT WITH NATURE

ACTOR and WWF ambassador Cel Spellman has launched a new podcast where he talks about our planet. Each episode Cel will be joined by a special guest, including the legendary Sir David Attenborough! We caught up with Cel to talk podcasts, the planet and interviewing Sir David.

● What everyday things do you think we can do?

The first thing I always tell people is to get back out there and go and reconnect with nature and the natural world that's around you. Once you have that connection, that breeds an interest and you maybe want to learn more or go out and help – maybe an animal that you saw in your local nature reserve, or maybe to re-wild some green spaces. Then I think looking at where we are spending money. Rather than spending £3 on a T-shirt from an online shop, visit the charity shop in your local town centre. That's a great way to make your spending more ethical. Also, your voice is massive. We all have one and it is something we can actually use. Whether it's how we spend our money or going and speaking to your local MP, signing that petition that is going to be shared in the House of Commons or all around the world. If you're not happy about something, tell the company and let them know that you're not happy about it. You don't know if you are going to be that one last voice, that one final signature that brings change. Then finally just being a bit more conscious about what you eat and the impact that you are having on the planet.

● Do you think the last year has helped us all remember the importance of nature?

Gosh, yeah. We're not going to actually realise the full effect until we are really out the other side of it. I think it's going to be a fascinating case study – when the big machines stop, look how quickly nature can bounce back. The air pollution drops and suddenly you're hearing loads more birds in the garden. I think people have really turned to nature as a refuge and a bit of respite [a rest], and I think so many people have found places on their doorstep that they didn't know were there before. I think it really has opened people's eyes and ears to it and, in turn, made them realise that there is a lot more out there that is worth protecting and worth fighting for. It's quite sad that humans have just had this wilful nature of destroying it without a care in the world. I just hope that we don't forget it. Nature does so much for us and we really all do rely on it, so let's all care for it that little bit more.

● You always say children are the ones who will make the changes that save our planet. When did you decide you wanted to make a change?

I think when I first reached out to WWF I was around 15 or 16. I was frustrated because I read about the planet heating up, yet we weren't doing anything about it. I didn't understand it and I think that is a feeling that a lot of young people feel, except now they're even more frustrated and they're even more angry. Around that time I was also on CBBC. I had a good connection with young people, so I wanted to use that to help communicate with them about the climate. That's the point where I emailed WWF. I realised I wanted to do what I could. I was very fortunate that I was on CBBC, but I think I would have done the same even if I hadn't been. I would have just found other ways to go and do it!



Call of the Wild is available now from all of your usual podcast providers

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WIN! WALLACE & GROMIT FUNKO POP!

CAN you complete our sudoku puzzle, filling in the numbers one to nine?

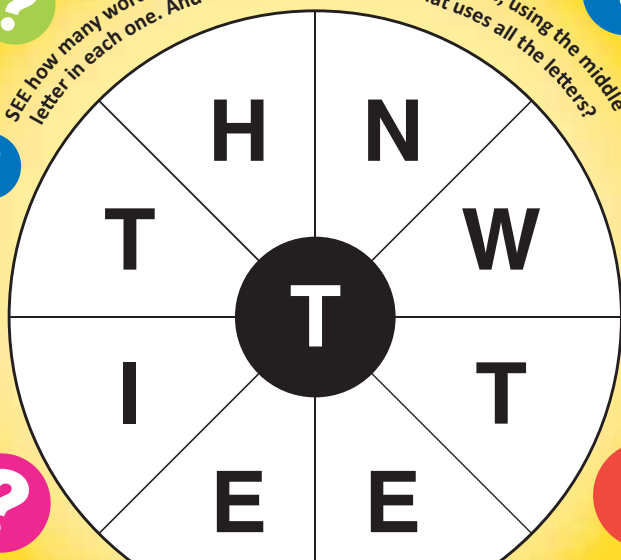
Celebrate the 25th anniversary of *Wallace & Gromit: A Close Shave* with these brand-new Funko Pop! collectables of Wallace, Gromit and Shaun the Sheep! One lucky winner will win all three Funko Pop! vinyl collectable figures.

FunkoEurope.com

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WORD WHEEL

SEE how many words of three or more letters you can make, using the middle letter in each one. And can you find the word that uses all the letters?



WORD LADDER

SEE if you can get from the top of the ladder to the bottom by changing one letter at a time to make a new word.

BAKE

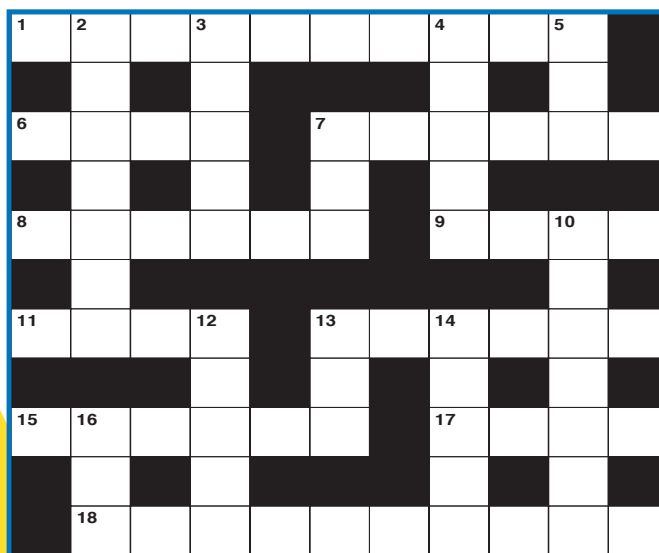
FOOD

WIN! MARVIN'S MAGIC PENS

CAN you complete our crossword puzzle by using the clues below?

Send in your answers and three lucky winners will win a set of Marvin's Magic pens. Create marvellous magic art using 25 magic pens with amazing powers! These magic pens allow you to write secret messages, create stunning 3D lettering, change colours and make your art vanish!

MarvinsMagic.com



ACROSS

- 1 Not natural; made by people (10)
- 6 Certain (4)
- 7 Price asked for goods (6)
- 8 Thin type of paper (6)
- 9 Money in coins or notes (4)
- 11 Jewels (4)
- 13 Living room (6)
- 15 Case for carrying money (6)
- 17 A platform projecting from the shore into the sea
- 18 Overstate (10)

DOWN

- 2 Sequence of actions done regularly (7)
- 3 Times (anag) (5)
- 4 ___ Newton: scientist who discovered gravity (5)
- 5 You walk on this (3)
- 7 What you use to play snooker (3)
- 10 Put an idea forward (7)
- 12 Latin American dance (5)
- 13 Large amount (3)
- 14 Opposite of lower (5)
- 16 Great serve in tennis (3)

CAN you spot the five changes we've made to this picture from *Scooby-Doo! The Sword and the Scoob*? Send in your answers and four lucky winners will win a copy of the DVD. Take a journey back in time to King Arthur's court in this legendary saga of wizards, knights, dragons... and Scooby-Doo! An evil sorceress tries to seize power in Camelot, so King Arthur needs the help of our favourite super sleuths to save his throne. But will their valiant efforts only make things royally worse?



Scooby-Doo! The Sword and the Scoob is available now on DVD and digital download.

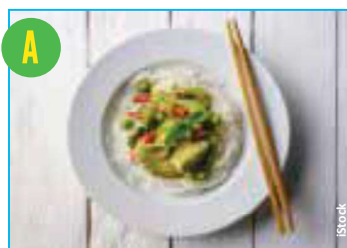
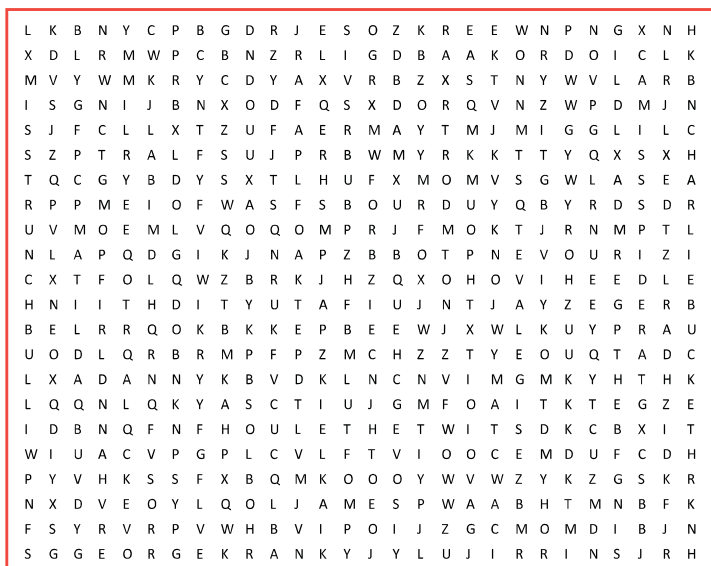


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WHERE ON EARTH?

CAN you guess which country these are all associated with?

CAN you find the words in our Roald Dahl-themed wordsearch? Remember that the words can be horizontal, vertical or diagonal.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Charlie Bucket | <input type="checkbox"/> George Kranky | <input type="checkbox"/> The Twits |

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

Spot the difference: Robin's head is bigger, Joel's jacket is now pink, badge is missing from Badger, Dragon is missing a tooth, extra light in front of the stage. **Word wheel:** tradition.
Word ladder: ears, cars, cabs, labs, lobes, lobe.
Where on Earth?: Malta

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