

# THE SKINNER CITIZEN

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## Colorado Teacher March

By Sherlyn H.G.

On April 28th schools across Colorado cancelled classes in many districts so teachers had the opportunity to march to the state capitol in Denver. The reason for the march? Legislature isn't listening to what the teachers have to say.

Teachers in other states are marching for the same reason which is that they want a better pay, more funding to schools so there students have the best education, and also a better retirement plan for the teachers. In a interview from the Denver Post one of the teachers named Garkow says " I think it's time that Colorado state legislature pays up. And unfortunately, it's the teachers who are going to have really push them to do that."

Many teachers have been fighting to have a better pay for a while now which is something they really deserve because they work hard to give the best education to their students. Most teachers have to use money from their own pocket to get supplies for their classrooms and students; teachers struggle on daily bases and they still decide to be teachers when their salary isn't the best. Many teachers support their schools in anyway they can but they too have a family and bills to take care of and it's not fair for them to have a bad salary, Being a teacher is an important job and they deserve to be paid equally like any other job. Also, a number of schools don't have good funding, which means they don't have the best support in technology and kids don't have the best education either.

Big school districts such as Denver Public Schools decided to be part of the march to help the teachers. Many students also decided to be part of it by walking with teachers.

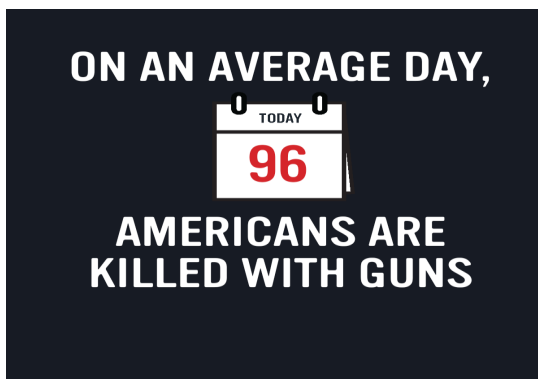
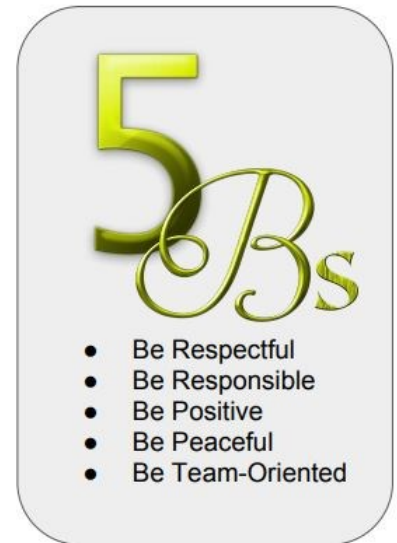
# Fortnite

By Carlos M.

Fortnite is currently taking over the world! It is a survival game that incorporates building for cover and for endgame.

Fortnite is so popular because they add new new updates every week and people like those constant updates. Also unlike other survival games, you can build and that's important so you can have cover during battle or like at end game when you are low on health you can build something to protect yourself. Right now, Fortnite is free, but they add new seasons like season 4 which have a the battle pass that you have to pay 10 or 25 dollars for skins, emotes and picaxe.

To conclude, Fortnite is one of the most popular games. Who knows how long it will last - Fortnite might go dead in a few months, but right now Fortnite is still fine for me. I will still play fortnite because it incorporates a lot of survival techniques, and overall it's a fun game to play in your free time.



## Gun Control

By Logan E

Gun control a big problem in our world there is a average of 96 Americans die to gun a day that mean 35,040 people die a year due to people that have guns. These people that do this massive shooting want something that they can get or they could be on drugs. People with a criminal record have more of a chance to probably kill people with firearms. Roughly 16,459 murders were committed in the United States during 2016. Of these, about 11,961 or 73% were committed with firearms.

Gun control is one of the most divisive issues in American politics. Firearms can only be sold to people that are over 21 But younger people buy them from other people and get them, then they do something bad like a massive shooting. They have were certain people can buy guns but it never say criminals could buy them which should be a rule were criminals can buy guns because they have more of a chance to do something bad again. dealers interested in obtaining a Federal Firearms License or the FFL must be at least 21 years of age.

Selling firearms online also falls under these regulations. Per an article titled *8 facts about gun control in the US, written by Kathleen Schuster in February, 2018*: "Although the purchase may be paid for online, the gun itself must be shipped to a registered FFL holder, who then conducts the necessary background check before handing the firearm over to its owner".

Only a dozen of the USA's 50 states require purchase permits for handguns. Of those states, only three states, California, Connecticut and Hawaii require permits for the purchase of rifles and shotguns. California, for example, requires applicants to pass a written test and enroll in a gun safety class to obtain purchase permits.

# Paul Tamburello

By Finn M.



For this issue, I had the privilege to interview Paul Tamburello, the founder of Little Man Ice Cream and has worked on many other things in this neighborhood. He got this idea from the roadside architecture that were made in the 1920's. So he decided it would no matter what be a ginormous something. His friends Reed Weimer and Chandler Romeo inspired the shop by showing him a picture of a big Milk Can and he chose that to make since he was planning on an Ice Cream shop. He decided to do ice cream because he owned the 2 buildings next to it and he wanted something fun.

His dream growing up was to own a business. Which he has accomplished since he owns a real estate business and Little Man Ice Cream. His biggest job is to do real estate and he did that before he created Little Man. Little Man has also won the Mayor's design award which is a huge accomplishment.

You may have heard rumors that they are expanding and Yes! They are. They are going to expand to Stapleton and they have a 78 ft long airplane wing from the first commuter plane to go to Europe. The Ice cream store will be under the wing. They will also expand to Fort Collins where they will create a handheld Ice cream maker with a crank on the side. Their factory in West Colfax will be crazy like the Willy Wonka factory.

There is also a lot of science that goes into making Ice Cream. Like the different compounds in the Ice Cream flavors. Of Course, there is milk and water in Ice Cream. Immediately after they mix it they must put it in a hardening paste that turns it to 30 degrees below 0 so that you don't get Ice crystals.

It is very important to him to engage in the community. He is hoping to give kids the sense of leadership and he is doing that with employing many younger workers. He sponsors many schools including Skinner. He is a very great person with an immense impact on the community.



## Yodeling Youngster

By Sophie S

Mason Ramsey is the 11 year old viral yodeler who shot to fame overnight after a video of him singing in his local Walmart was posted. Otherwise known as the

Walmart Yodeling Kid, he has made it to Coachella, made his debut on Ellen, and is currently performing on tour. Thousands of fans have been showing up to his nationwide concerts, and it doesn't look like they'll stop anytime soon, as we can see from his Instagram, which is being managed by his grandmother. He recently released his first song, Famous, which was a huge hit with the public. At Coachella, Mason was cheered on by Justin Bieber, who is now one of the yodelers biggest fans. He also loves Hank Williams, and sings lots of covers to his songs. By now, almost all of the country has at least heard of Mason, his rise to fame and ambitions.

Mason was born in Golconda, Illinois, where he spent his life on the family's farm until he became the Walmart Yodeling Kid. He has been yodeling with his grandfather since age 3, and has always had a dream of making it to the Grand Ole Opry House, which looks like it might happen. It seems that his three favorite things are yodeling, his fans, and his family and hometown.

Ramsey's yodeling is quite good, and his tune doesn't sound too off in Famous. However, many have noticed how his singing changed from the first viral Walmart video to his latest original. In the Walmart video, his pitch would fluctuate up and down, which seems to be part of the reason the public was so drawn to it in the first place. However, in Famous, Ramsey seemed to lose his classic country pitch in a newer sounding song. Of course, it is still very recognizable as a country song, just not quite so much as would have been expected. However, we can still tell that Ramsey is a talented and practiced yodeler.





## A Brief History of Skinner

By Immanuel J. and Roman R.

Skinner [Middle School] was built in 1922 and quickly began its journey as one of Denver's best and first middle school. As many students complain today the dress code has been here from the start. The dress code started when boys expressed their concerns about the girls dress which later led to it being unapproved which subsequently led to the dress code that we have today, something that many students (myself included) detest.

Moving on to Skinner's history. Skinner's first principal was named Emma Brown who was principal from 1923 to 1939. An interesting fact about Skinner is that it's auditorium used to have a balcony however it was removed sometime in the 1980s, and was replaced by a new room on the third floor known as the PDC. Skinner used to be smaller however a new part of the building was added in the 1990s introducing the science wing, library, and music room to be added.

Skinner removed the Skinner Citizen temporarily in the 1990s as well however, it was reinstated in 2016. Skinner has participated in many different events most notably math and science events. Skinner also has many sport events such as football basketball and cross country. With all of this it looks like Skinner has a bright future ahead.

## Fortnite Season 4 Review

By Cooper, Beau, and Jack

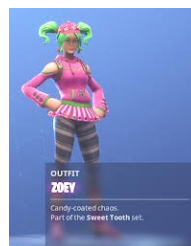
Fortnite Season 4 is live and is bringing new items skins emotes and the brand new sprays. I will be Reviewing all of the new content and giving you my humble opinion on them.

The first skin you get the carbide, it is very unique and it reminds me of the blue beetle from Batman. It is



the very first skin on the first tier of the battle pass. The reason it is a legendary skin is because it has its own challenges to unlock new armor for the skin. You complete all of the challenges to get armor by just leveling up your season level. If you don't want your carbide to wear the armor, you can change the style and take on and off armor. It poses a shocking resemblance to the tier 100 skin omega but in a different color.

The second skin in tier 1 you will get is part of the Advanced Forces set and it is called the Battle Hawk. He is unique because he has an eye patch where other skins don't. The Battle Hawk is a weird looking skin with his scars and war paint but he looks ok. Personally I never use him because of his interesting look . He looks like a basic soldier but is a nice skin to go with other back blings, gliders, and harvesting tools. It has a sandy camo color, black vest, and pockets.



The skin received on tier 47 is called Zoey. The skin has a shocking resemblance to strawberry shortcake. With green hair a pink hat with mints on it, a pink and green sweatshirt. With a skirt with more candy on it. She also has a glider and pickaxe to go with her outfit. You also unlock a back bling for her later in the battle pass.

The next skin is Technique. It is received at tier 23 and it is a epic skin. The skin itself is very cool with purple pants that have splatters of different colors of spray paint. She also has a grey sweatshirt with a hat and hood on with a spray paint mask hanging around her

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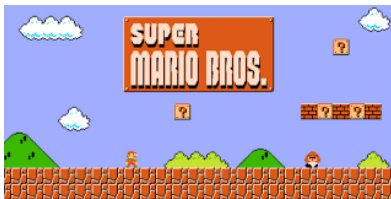
# Video Games

By Lily B and Markus H

Video Games. We all know them. They are the reality that we all want to live in. Video Games are screens that make you smile. Although they can be very addicting for you. Some can be scary and others can be soft and nice. It all depends on the game.



There are many different games that everybody plays these days. But one of the big ones is Fortnite. Everybody around my school is talking about the game Fortnite. This game is all about Battle. This is the game that changes all the minds of children. But it is a fun experience that everyone enjoys. This game takes, Xbox 1, PC, and PS4. There are also other Xboxes to play it on.



There are plenty of other games that everyone plays. Some of them are still old school. Such as Pac Man and Super Mario Brothers and games like that. There is no limit for anyone to play these games. Everyone gets to play. Also there are many different sites that will allow you to play games and one of the sites is called Unblocked Games. This site allows you to play games without having them be blocked. Most teachers despise that while they are teaching they see that a kid is playing games, so they block that site. But there is one site in the world that the teachers can't block the games. Fun Unblocked Games!

## NBA Playoffs\* written early May so some information may be "old news"

By Frankie and Rito

The NBA playoffs are still going on but here is a bit of a recap on what has happened so far!. Let's begin with the Golden State Warriors against the Pelicans. The Warriors won the first game against the Pelicans, the final score being 116-121. Their next game was on May 4th. Golden State is currently (2-0) while the Pelicans are (0-2). One of the top players, Stephen Curry scored 23.1 points for game 2 and during his whole career he has scored 14,434 points! The score for game 3 was (115-92) and as the Pelicans lost in game 3, they were kicked out of the playoffs. The Golden State Warriors have now moved on to the next round of the playoff.

The Rockets remained in the Western Conference and were playing Utah Jazz., but with their game 5 win against Utah Jazz., they too moved to the second round of the playoffs in the western conference. Our prediction is that the Warriors will beat the Rockets in the second round of playoffs because the Warriors have been going to the championship for the past few years, losing only 1 out of 4 years that they have gone.

In the Eastern Conference, in the first round the Cavaliers beat the Indiana pacers winning the series 4-3 while the Toronto Raptors beat the Washington Wizards 4-2. The 76s swept the Miami Heat 4-2. The Celtics beat the Milwaukee Bucks in game seven winning the series 4-3.

The Cleveland Cavaliers are playing the Toronto Raptors in round 2 of the playoffs. In round 1, game 5, LeBron made a game winning shot to lead the series 3-2. As for the Celtics vs the 76s, the Celtics were leading the series 3-0., but then the 76ers beat the Celtics yesterday. Nevertheless, they are still down in the playoffs 3-1.

In our opinion , the Cavaliers are going to win, but we hope no matter what it is a great series.



Curry



Harden



LeBron



## The REAL history behind Cinco de Mayo

By Sara H

There is an annual celebration on May 5th, called Cinco De Mayo that honors the Mexican Army's victory over the French empire at the battle of Puebla. There are many ways of celebrating Cinco De mayo. Because of the different perspectives that the U.S and Mexico had of Battle of Puebla, therefore it recognize the different ways that people handle Cinco de mayo.

There are many people in America that celebrate Cinco de Mayo don't know anything about it. It was May 5th 1862, When the Mexican Army had won the battle over the French Empire. Cinco de mayo stands means the 5th day of may in Spanish. This victory was during the Franco-Mexican War. What had started the war was when Mexico was financially struggling and could not pay back the European government. That had caused France, Britain and Spain to send naval forces to demand payment.

Somehow, France, Britain and Spain had a parley with Mexico and withdrew their forces. However, Napoleon III the ruler of France, had thought it was a good idea to carve an empire on the Mexican territory. Napoleon had ordered a well armed French fleet to march into Veracruz and driving President Juarez and his government into retreat. Juarez was getting ready for the Battle of Puebla by sending 2,000 loyal men to Puebla. What had caused the French to retreat from the war was that 500 of their men had died and fewer than 100 men who were fighting for Mexico had died. Mexico had won the battle of Puebla on May 5th 1862.

In the United States, there are parades to commemorate the victory of Mexico. There are traditions that include military parades, recreation of the battle of Puebla and many other festival activities. On the other hand, for the people in Mexico May 5th is nothing but a normal day. For Mexicans, it is not a federal holiday so all of the stores and the banks stay the same. Exactly as to why this holiday has become a western custom, this holiday is not what it seems in Mexico.

## Your POSSIBLE Future ...

By Sonja P and Elise M



Which of the following do YOU enjoy the most?

- A) Interacting with people
- B) Bargaining or debating
- C) Creating and Designing things
- D) Helping people out when they're in need of care

Which of the following do YOU enjoy the most?

- A) Talking on the phone
- B) Reading
- C) Finding color combinations & sketching
- D) Becoming a superhero

Which of the following do YOU enjoy the most?

- A) Meeting with new people and starting to get to know them
- B) Interviewing people and supporting evidence
- C) Making budgets and sticking with them
- D) Problem solving

Which of the following would YOU enjoy the most?

- A) \$84,360 and work on average 5 hours a day
- B) \$139,880 and work on average 8 hours a day
- C) \$52,810 and work on average 6-7 hours a day
- D) \$166,400 and work on average 9 hours a day

RESULTS were mostly ...

As: Think about going into the sales business

Bs: Think about becoming a lawyer or working in court

Cs: Consider the designing business

Ds: Perhaps the health care industry is for you.







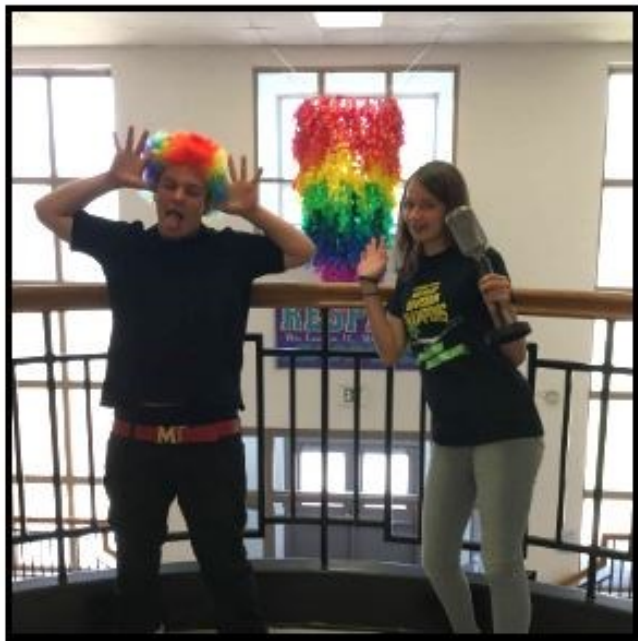
## Best Couple

Melicia & Monte



## Best Sneeze

Oliver Ciel-Tilton &  
Lucia Reyland-Slawson



Most Likely to be on a  
Reality TV Show

Bobby Montoya & Will Bauman



## Class Clown

Jose Baylon &  
Madi Menke

## 8th Grade Superlatives

Gathered by Jade D and Lucy E



## Most Shy

Ellen Clark & Christian Guigon



## Most Likely to be in the Olympics

Gavin Shary & Evie Phillips



## Most Artistic

Jade DeCamillis &  
Simon Mast



## Most Likely to become President of the United States

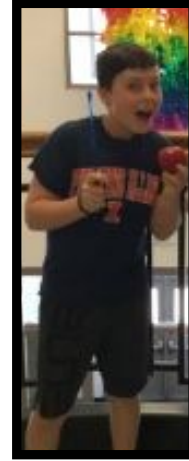


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# Summer Fun

By Cole C and Orlando F

If you are bored at home with nothing to do on summer vacation, this article will give you some ideas for what to do and that are fun for the whole family!



The first thing you could do is get a sandwich from a restaurant of your choosing and eat at a park! This is a fun way to have lunch and get a breath of fresh air! It is also not expensive and safe!

Another thing you can do is go to Elych Gardens theme and waterpark. The tickets are \$69.99 each. Though it may be a little expensive, the family will have tons of fun on the rides and in the pools!



Lakeside is a little cheaper than Elyches, but it is just as fun! They have cool and thrilling rides, like the Hurricane, Tower of Zoom, and of course, the Cyclone.



If you are an early bird, fishing is also a good option! You may want to get up early (3:00 - 4:00 AM) in order to catch some good fish!

Have a Good Summer!

## Fortnite Season 4 Review Continued ...

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neck. She goes well with the spray paint flying trail and the brite bag. One of the legendary skins in the season 4 battle pass is received at tier 71. The skin Valor looks a lot like wonder woman with a outfit with a skirt and sort of helmet. The skin in my opinion does not really go with any back blings you get in the battle pass.

But it would go good with a lot of the pickaxes. In my opinion I don't think it should be a legendary and I feel like it would be more of an epic.

The second to last skin is Squad leader and it is received at tier 87. It is the skin that goes with the back bling standard issue. The skin looks cool because on one arm he has a long sleeve and the other one is just his whole arm with his cool tattoo. He also has a cool hairdo and overall i think he's a great skin.

The glider intrepid is a really cool glider that is part of the carbide set you recieve on tier 79. I think it is one of the coolest gliders ever implemented into the game. It has a cool electric flying trail and it is a slim and sleek glider. This glider goes great with the maxed out carbide because their in the same set.



The Wings of Valor is a new glider that is received on tier 39 and is in the theme with the skin valor and the harvesting tool for a hole theme. It is superhero based and has red wings. Personally i think it looks cool and is another great addition to season 4.

The last skin you unlock in tier 100 is the omega skin which is the final skin and he is a legendary . He has glowing reddish eyes and when upgraded all the way he looks like he belongs in Tron because he has glowing lights around his body which make his stand out especially because he is the last skin you unlock.

The Sugar Crush is a part of the Sweet Tooth set like the Zoey. The glider is covered in peppermints and all kinds of sugar goodies. It is received on tier 15. Personally I do not use it because I have the Royale Dragon glider but it is a nice looking glider for new players.

The picaxe you get on tier 7 is the gale force and it goes with the valor superhero skin. It kind of looks like a bird and it has a sharp spike at the top. IT's part of the valiant set.

The next pic is the lollipopper and it goes with the zoey skin and the sugar crash glider. It is just a twisty

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# This duo is a REMINDER to be ourselves

By Sara H

The Reminders are a very talented group that write insightful music that people can enjoy and dance to. They are known for their inspiring and enliven songs. They are identified internationally because of the concerts, tours, music awards, and news, TV appearances. Their performances are filled with excitement and high energy. The duo are both entertaining and meaningful. The Reminders are companions through life and music. They took their time out of their day to come to Skinner Middle School and give 3 amazing shows for each grade. At the end of the performance I had the honor to meet them. They let me know a few very interesting things about their lives when I asked the following questions.

## Where are you from?

“I am from Queens New York but I have been in Colorado for really long time so we are from here at this point.” (Aja)

“I was born in Belgium but we have lived here for a really long time so we are practically from here.” (Samir)

## How does your background affect the type of music you write?

“My family is a really diverse family, so there’s Jamaican, French Creole. There’s Puerto Rican there's Dominican, so i think that i have been exposed to a lot of different kinds of music and I'm really inclined to music that's uplifting, inspiring, as well as being really into dancing and partying. I think being exposed to so many different types of music, being in New York City really opened my eyes to a bigger world of different sounds.” (Aja)

“Coming from Belgium, and being raised in the Congo, so coming from such diverse background and having to travel a lot, we try to incorporate that in our music as well.” (Samir)

## How did you guys meet?

“We had lived in Colorado Springs and we had friends that were friends with each other, so then we met each other.” (Aja)

## How long have wanted to be in the music production?

“I’ve always loved music since I was small” (Aja)

“I think I was roughly about 11, Just performing around the house and around the neighborhood.” (Samir)

## How long has The Reminders been a group?

“Since 2005, and we seriously started to perform and make music since 2008.” (Samir)

## What is the process in writing a song?



“So we have an involved writing process. We listen a lot and observe a lot. Then we take that information from our environment and our surroundings and the people we are interacting with and to make a not either mentally or on paper. Since we spend so much time together, we combined experiences so we can sit down and have all of these different words and references to create an emotion or a feeling through the song writing. Then we create melodies and drum patterns and rhythms to support what it is that we are saying.” (Aja)

## What is your main message you try to send to your listeners?

“ Uplifting, just trying to empower people and let them know that they can achieve whatever it is that they have or whatever goal that they have set and are going to



## *Reminders Continued ...*

have to work hard to accomplish it.” (Samir)

“Another thing that we try to do is that people are governed by a lot of fear. People are afraid to express themselves hundred percent. I think what we are trying to do is to encourage people to overcome what it is that is holding you back and recognize that they are not valid fears. By doing what you love to do in front of people you won’t die and celebrate yourself in way that helps you to be courageous. So whatever it is you want to do we are just trying to promote courage even if it’s just the courage to make a difficult decision in your life.” (Aja)

### **What age group listens to you the most?**

“All age groups especially at our concerts we have everything from babies, teenagers, people in their 20s and elders, everybody.” (Samir)

### **How has Denver affected the way you write your music?**

“ I think we just have been exposed to a lot of roots music and folks music, and just being in nature gives you a space to think.” (Aja)

“I feel like Colorado helps because you got people coming from the west coast, the east coast, and a lot of people ending up in the military so people from all over the place are here and you get that mixture.” (Samir)

### **Do you get criticism and if you do how do you deal with it?**

“ I think that when we do have criticism, you know once you put yourself out there you have to accept the fact that criticism is a part of it. How much your affected by it is up to you. With us in particular, we take a lot of criticism about a lot of different things but we can’t control the way that people feel about we have done, we can only control the way we feel about what we do. We try to be at events like this and be around people that need out message and will be inclined to our music so that it can influence positivity.” (Aja)

“You can’t please everybody, someone is always going to have something to say. It’s just about the matter of how you feel about what it is you do and that you know your doing the right thing.” (Samir)





# Avengers: Infinity War Review

By Mason R

This year, another movie was released by Marvel, called "Avengers Infinity War". The film had huge expectations as it was a Marvel film, and the budget was one of the highest of all time. Luckily, it delivered on those expectations and was a critical and commercial success. I loved the movie and in this review, I will explain why.

The film is about almost all of the superheroes in the MCU, coming together to try to fight Thanos, a villain obsessed with collecting the infinity stones, stones full of power capable of destroying half of the universe, and Thanos is trying to destroy half of the universe, in order to try to "balance" the universe in his own vision. The heroes travel to different locations where the stones are located, in order to stop Thanos, but his power grows stronger and they know they are in the fight for their lives. The heroes also must deal with personal issues, as well, as the heroes must fight together again, despite the damage done in a previous movie in the MCU called "Captain America Civil War", which split the heroes apart. A great premise that pays off in the movie, as it keeps the viewer hooked, as there is action, humor and suspense. The directors brilliantly weave the story and use the characters brilliantly, as no character is ignored and they all have importance in the story. The film does have a long run time, but it is worth it, as you do not get bored, as I left satisfied, also there is a post credits scene that teases the next movie!

The cast includes Robert Downey Jr, as Tony Stark/Iron Man, Chris Hemsworth as Thor, Mark Ruffalo as Bruce Banner/Hulk, Chris Evans as Steve Rogers/Captain America, Scarlett Johansson as Black Widow, and Josh Brolin as Thanos, along with other numerous stars. All of the cast do incredible jobs, adding humor, drama and emotion into their performances. Josh Brolin, however, was the MVP of the film, as he does a terrific job with his character and you come to sympathize with him, even though he is the villain. The effects of his performance also affects the audience, as you become amazed by how good he is, and you become more sucked into the film, and forget about everything, besides that performance. The other actors are great with Brolin, as well, as they also give great performances, though not as great as Brolin, but still make the film a amazing experience.

Overall, the film is a masterpiece. The directors, the Russo brothers, craft a film that tugs on your heart-strings, makes you laugh, makes you get sucked into the film, and makes you enjoy the experience. You get your money's worth with the film and everyone who sees it will leave satisfied and hungry for the future of the MCU.

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rainbow lollipop. It's very simple and it would go well every sugar and candy thing in the battle pass.

The new lightning flying trail is where shocks of electricity and lightning come from your arms. It would go great with the carbide skin. The lightning looks like actual lightning from the sky and that's why i like it.

The new winning umbrella is called the wet paint, the umbrella is covered in spray paint and looks ok. I use it occasionally when I don't use my other gliders. The umbrella itself isn't their best umbrella that they've made but for players without other umbrellas it is a good option.

The interesting retro sci fi skydiving trail is very nice because they look like a blueish greenish la-

ser in the sky and what I like about it is it makes your hands glow green where others don't.

The heart flying trail is where pink trails and hearts come from it. I don't really like it but it would definitely go great with zoey or the cuddle team leader.

One of the interesting new flight trials is called the spray paint. Spray Paint basically begins to trail behind you as you fall. This looks cool because this is unexpected and unusual.

The final flying trail is shooting star. Shooting star is the coolest one because it makes you look like an actual shooting star or a comet. I think this one is worth the grind.

The season 4 battle pass is great and i would definitely recommend it for anyone who hasn't gotten it yet.



# Denver Bronco Draft

By Lorenzo G and Salvador R-H.

We are going to be doing an article about the Denver Broncos Draft 2018. And this is going to be an good article because the Broncos were really struggling last year and people will be interested in the new players that we are going to draft and recruit. And it is a interesting of the players we are getting this year. Because the new players we got are the ones we needed last year.

One exciting player we got is Bradley Chubb from NC State. He is an American football outside linebacker. He is now a defensive end for the Denver for the Denver Broncos. He is an exciting player because he is a really good defensive end. 2017, in his college year. He had 72 tackles in total and 10.0 sacks. On the NFL website they said "He finished second in the FBS with 26 tackles for loss and lit up quarterbacks 10 times, breaking up two passes, in addition to forcing three fumbles. He had a second-team All-ACC (coaches) and team Defensive MVP junior season (22 tackles for loss ranked in the top four nationally, 9.5 sacks, three forced fumbles)."

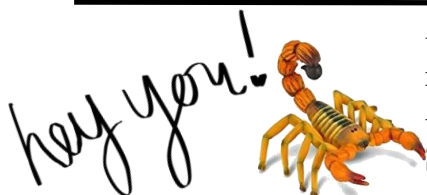


Another Exciting player we got this year is Case Keenum. He was a Quarterback for the Vikings. (They had a good season last year but the Eagles beat them so they couldn't go to the Super Bowl). And people are happy we got a new Quarterback because a lot of Broncos fans said that they didn't like her Current QBs. And that we got a good and experienced QB. This could affect the Denver Broncos in a good way.

A Really good player we drafted in the 2018 Draft is Royce Freeman from Oregon. In the Article 247Sports it talks about how is a Dangerous running back and that he is a good pass Blocker. And Pass Blocking is SUPER important because if a defensive player gets passed the offensive line on a pass play; it's the running backs job to block him so the QB does not get sacked. In the Article 247Sports it they said, "Taken with the No. 71 overall pick (third round) by the Broncos, Freeman is a running back who can do almost anything — catch balls out of the backfield, get to the edge, bang it inside between the tackles, you name it. Other than wear-and-tear concerns, I don't really understand why he wasn't higher on the boards of some of the Draft experts I've talked to. "In pass-blocking, I'm able to use my size

very well," Freeman said following the Draft. "I feel like I can hold down space and I also can use my size to block guys that maybe some other backs can't. As far as getting out of the backfield, I feel like I can do it all. I feel like I can block, split out wide and go out and catch the ball for the team, and I can get the check-down. Anything you can do in the passing game, and however you can be utilized, that's what I can do."

Another good player we got in the 2018 Draft is Courtland Sutton from SMU. Having a good Wide receiver is good because if one gets injured, we have another one for backup. In the site Fansided There is an article by Cameron Parker about Sutton. And this is what he said, "He has a terrific catch radius and strong hands to be a dynamic weapon for a quarterback. Catching one-handed passes is an art and Sutton does it better than anyone in the NFL Draft class. John Elway and the brass goal is to make it a priority to add quality talent that can make an immediate impact as soon as possible. Sutton steps in as the number three wide receiver. The Denver Broncos lost Cody Latimer and Bennie Fowler in the offseason. Sutton, on tape, might be better than both of them right now."



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# World Cup Predictions

By Sawyer K and William K

The World Cup, a historical event, only once every four years, building the suspense for the most passionate event in soccer, country vs country, Brazil vs Argentina, Germany versus England, what more to ask for.

This year, the United States Men's National team failed to qualify for the 2018 World Cup, this was mainly due to a loss to Trinidad and Tobago in the final game of qualifying where they fell 2-1. This has sparked discussion on whether the US soccer's Developmental Academy (DA) is truly the best way of high-level player development. However, for now, the academy remains in place.

As far as the World Cup, here are some interesting facts and statistics about the tournament:

- The team that has won the most World Cups is Brazil, at 5
- The US men have qualified for the World Cup 9 times
- The World Cup occurs once every four years
- The most recent winner of the World Cup was Germany in 2014
- Only European and South American nations have ever won a World Cup
- The first ever World Cup was played in 1930 in Montevideo, Uruguay

Here are our 2018 Picks:

- Group A Advancers: 1 Uruguay and 2 Russia
- Group B Advancers: 1 Portugal and 2 Spain
- Group C Advancers: 1 France and 2 Denmark
- Group D Advancers: 1 Argentina and 2 Croatia
- Group E Advancers: 1 Brazil and 2 Costa Rica
- Group F Advancers: 1 Germany and 2 Sweden
- Group G Advancers: 1 Belgium and 2 England
- Group H Advancers: 1 Poland and 2 Colombia

Round of 16 Matchups and Winners:

- Uruguay vs Spain 1-2
- Portugal vs Russia 3-1
- France vs Croatia 2-0
- Argentina vs Denmark 2-1
- Brazil vs Sweden 1-1 (5-4 PK Brazil)
- Germany vs Costa Rica 3-0
- Belgium vs Colombia 2-2 (5-4 PK Columbia)
- Poland vs England 1-2



Quarterfinal Matchups and Winners:

- Argentina vs Portugal 0-0 (4-5 PK Portugal)
- France vs Spain 1-1 (Extra Time 2-1 France)
- Brazil vs Germany 2-3
- Columbia vs England 3-3 (5-4 PK Columbia)

Semifinal Matchups:

- Portugal vs Colombia 1-0
- France vs Germany 1-2

World Cup Final: Portugal vs Germany 0-0  
(Extra Time 1-0 Portugal)

World Cup Champions: Portugal