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Have you ever noticed that there are a ton of lights everywhere you go? In stores, homes, and gas stations. This is mostly because people are trying to get attention for their business, so they can get more money just by being noticed, they have the lights on their buildings super bright, trying to get more people to come to the shop or gas station. p. 02

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My associate and I wanted to know how good our school's water really is. So we asked different people to tell us their favorite water out of three choices. Sammy and I asked four different people and these were our results.





WHY DO SONGS GET STUCK IN OUR HEADS?

by Kelly Niven

Chances are, you've been a victim to earworms--repetitive songs that you can't get rid of in your head. These earworms happen to at least 90% of people once a week. Earworms are very frequent, but what causes them is a mystery still to this day. They seem to pop up out of nowhere, making it very hard to track them scientifically.

An earworm is just your head singing. These earworms seem to happen for at least 8 seconds, if not longer. Some songs that get stuck in your head are the following: "Poker Face" by Lady Gaga, "Ice Ice Baby" by Vanilla Ice, "Who Needs Love?" by Trippie Redd, "Happy" by Pharell Williams, "Don't Stop Believin'" by Journey, "Macarena" by Los del Río, "What Does The Fox Say?" by Ylvis, etc.

Some ways that you can get rid of these earworms is by listening to the entire song--earworms usually are just one part of the song, so listening to the entire song can mess up the earworm, listen to a different song, distract yourself with something to do, put your mind to work so the earworm/brain gets distracted, or ignore it, basically distracting the mind will most likely get rid of the earworm.

STAYING PROTECTED FROM THE FLU

by Journalism Student

This map shows the levels of flu illnesses in the U.S for the week January 4th as you can see many of the states have high levels of the flu.

Did you know that there are over 29 million cases of the flu in the U.S.? There are only about 88 thousand cases of the coronavirus worldwide. That's not all, there are over 16,000 reported deaths of the flu in the U.S. this year. That not only makes the flu very contagious but also quite possibly lethal if not treated. According to the CDC, the flu can be spread by infected droplets made when people with the flu talk, sneeze, or cough. People nearby can have these droplets land on their mouths or noses. They can even be inhaled by accident. This can happen to people within a 6-foot radius of the person with the flu.

Right about now you may be asking "how do I stay protected against the flu?" One of the best ways is to constantly wash your hands. You may also want to avoid touching your nose, mouth and eyes. Lastly, if you have a fever or feel sick make sure to stay home so you don't spread more germs and get other people sick.

BRIGHT LIGHTS CAUSE DAMAGE (CONT.)

by Jackson Garkey

The problem is, this is very harmful for the animals in the area, for birds who are migrating, mainly because they will get drawn to the light and get confused on where to go, this makes the birds get their direction all mixed up, so most birds in the city don't get to migrate as much as they did before there were bright lights were around.

As for the sea turtles, mom's make their nest on the sand and lay eggs there, when the baby turtles come out of their eggs, they will go straight towards the ocean, which is their natural habitat. But the problem is, a lot of the time people will put the lights in their house on bright at night, ones that can really mess up the animal's life, this is what causes turtles to move towards the lights and get run over by a car.

Bright lights need to stop, people should buy lights that at night are just bright enough for people to see, not so bright that it will mess up wildlife. Because if people keep on doing this, these animals might go extinct.

THE TRUE TASTE OF WATER (CONT.)

by Journalism Students

In this diagram, we used all the totals and average them. 50% of our Contestants choose number three as the best one, which is in the new water fountain by Mr. Hoover's class. The other 50% chose An old water fountain by the closed girls' bathroom.

Sammy and I also chose that fountain as our Favorite, but we are not included in the testing because we knew where the water fountains were located before we drank the water. No one highly enjoyed the water fountain in Mr.Dickson's class.



(1-5 rating. 5 being the best, 1 being the worst.)

Locat ion	Temp	Taste	Quali ty Opini on	Smell	Color
1	3	3	2.5	3.25	5
2	3.5	3.75	3.25	2.75	3.5
3	3.5	3.5	3.75	3.75	4.75
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This is how our volunteers recorded their opinions on the water using this diagram.