

Task 4: Minecraft

Should children be allowed to play Minecraft?

I think minecraft is good because it's educational for young children. It makes them count how many blocks they need for their creation and keeps them entertained for long periods of time. It also brings out their imagination by letting them build whatever they want like planes, space, buildings and even moving theme parks making it come to life. You can even create worlds.

On some servers it can also be social so people can talk to each other and make friends online and have extra fun. It's very bright and colorful making children stimulated so they can become focused, excited and happy.

Minecraft is also interactive by helping their fingers grow resulting in better writing, on some platforms it helps you move about more making them better at sports.

Minecraft can be bad because people can use rude words in servers upsetting other players. Minecraft can be dangerous because of people pretending to be older than they actually are and take other players passwords and logins and take money from them. There could be a lot of cyberbullies being cruel to other people by destroying their builds, being annoying and even bullying them. People can also get too involved in the game and stay indoors all day and never go out to play.

My opinion is that children should be allowed to play minecraft but only for limited times.



✓ Well done.
This is well
presented with
balanced arguments.

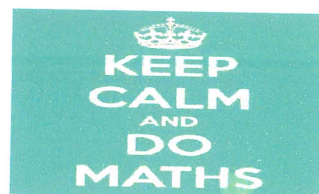
Pets or Animals

I have 12 pets altogether, because of my 9 fish. I have 9 fish, 1 dog (Kober), 1 cat (Fluffy) and a hamster (Scampers). The reason why we got Kober is because I had another cat, Maggie but she died. So we got Kober! Fluffy just had an operation a few days ago, but she is ok now. She lives upstairs in my mum and dad's room.

Let's start talking about Scampers now. He is now half way older than he should be! We think it may be because he escaped behind the walls about three times, and stayed in there for about a week! Anyway scampers is getting old now so he barely moves. The only time you will catch him moving is around is when he is eating food at night.

Why we need maths

by Erin Richards



Everyone needs maths because it helps us in our day to day lives. If we didn't have maths then we wouldn't be able to do all the exciting things we can do now... Do you know how many things we use maths for?

The majority of the population love to shop. If you didn't understand maths then you couldn't buy anything because you wouldn't know how much money you would need! If you did manage to buy something then you wouldn't know how much change you should have, so if you were given the incorrect amount back, you wouldn't notice. In sales when there's a percentage off you need to be able to calculate what an item will cost after the reduction.

Another area of maths is time. If we couldn't tell the time then we could be really early for things or extremely late. Imagine that happening to you on your first day of a new club! When you go to secondary school, you would need to catch the school bus on time. Consequently if you didn't then you would miss school.

If you want to be a..

- 1) Any teacher
- 2) Accountant
- 3) Baker/cook
- 4) Carpenter
- 5) Shop owner/assistant
- 6) Builder
- 7) Designer

If you don't understand maths then they're not an option. In most jobs you need to know maths.

So all in all I think everyone should do maths so everyone can do their dream job and have fun.

We  Maths

the limit
does not
exist

✓ Great points well presented
Erin.

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Should children be allowed to play



Some parents think that Minecraft is giving their children too much screen time because they play on it too much. The parents are concerned for their children's health and socializing with other children, so they do not have enough friends. Parents are also concerned for their child's eyes as it puts a strain on their child's eyes. Adults with children from zero to five can tell them that having too much screen time will give them "square eyes" and they will believe it. But children from six and over will know that this is impossible so they are harder to convince.

Children argue that Minecraft helps their problem solving skills because they could be stuck in a monster spawner room, fall down a mine or get followed by a pack of zombies, skeletons, creepers etc. They have to take refuge from the monsters (preferably a house) and then come up with a way to defend themselves.

Another good reason to be allowed to play Minecraft is that it is safe (no guns, sex or blood) so younger children do not see anything inappropriate. Although parents argue that you can die on Minecraft you just disappear, you're stuff circling around where you're body would be and you go back to spawnpoint (or next to the closest bed if you made one).

However, adults have managed to retaliate that you can hack Minecraft so you can have guns and blood (known to Minecraft fans as MODs) so it gives children nightmares, a bad stomach or not eating their food. You can also hack so you can do an automatic kill (for example by typing the following: `/kill tbnrfrags/`). Many children are stopping playing Minecraft because of this.

Overall I think that children should play Minecraft because you need to have problem solving skills and it is also extremely fun!

WAR THUNDER

Should children be allowed to play War Thunder? Yes and no, the good news is that it is a fun game and is very educational on WWI-WWII. The bad news is that the manual says it is an animated and very violent game, but it is rated a pegi 12 so it can't be THAT violent. There are tank crews, plane crews and newly added boat crews. It is a tradition that on April fool's day they don't let you choose your own tank, plane or boat but the game chooses them for you.

The game is based between WWI-WWII. You choose which country you want to play as. Depending which country you choose, you then play to destroy your countries enemies e.g. the Germans, Americans, Russians, British or Italians. My favourite team is the British because that is my most worked on team. The tank I am working on is the heavy tank the Matilda.



The game teaches you about different battles that actually happened such as the siege of Malta, the battle of Britain and the attack on Pearl Harbour. However, the game also teaches you about violence and guns. My mum doesn't like this game as it has guns and weapons and is based on real life battles, but she trusts me not to speak badly of battles that happened during the world wars. My opinion is that all sensible children with their parent's permission should be allowed to play this game. I have learnt how tanks are operated, about different battles I have never heard of and about tactics (for example, which types of ammo to select to fire upon different enemy tanks or warships). This is the only game I have with weapons in because my mum doesn't like these sort of games, but it is more educational than some other games like call of duty which I am not allowed to get.

By Ewan

✓ Well done Ewan. You make really good points that are well considered.

Try putting your arguments for and against, and your conclusions in separate paragraphs.

Dear Mr Walden

My name is Jude Foy ~~and~~ even though I'm not a superhero I really like your books especially your book Earthfall. I was wondering if you would make it into a movie because it would work perfectly as one and me and all the people that enjoyed the book could see it in a motion picture picture.

If you did make Earthfall into a movie you would have to get old abandoned city with a network of underground train tunnels. Also would make a 3 books in one movie or the book one movie. I think you should use the people who made Jurassic world or the people who made the Maze Runner as both stories are energetic just like yours.

I read in the story that there is a giant spaceship and it looks really hard to make in real life so I was thinking it might need to use CGI for quite a lot of it. I was wondering if you did make it a one book equals 4 movie would you keep the same actors in each movie. And there is the question about the age, would it be a 15 or a 12, I'm more thinking 12 because children like it would be alright.

If you do get this letter and want to invest that would be great. To tell you more about myself I've got a bio here. My name is Jude Foy, I am nine years old and love movies and so the books I like I want to make movies out of books even though the books are better it would be great seeing how you would like them to look like. I hope this letter reaches you.

Yours Sincerely

Jude

Well done Jude. A very considered letter.
Don't forget question marks.

Marvellous Maths

Maths is great; you can work out how much you're spending, the time you will get somewhere and how far you need to go. It is a subject that is needed for almost everything. Why should you love it? This text will tell exactly that.

Maths can be used for anything, even when you don't notice it. It is great use for everyday such as telling the time but what would our lives be like without it? Imagine not knowing how much to spend. Imagine arriving late because you didn't calculate how long it would take to get to the place you're going. What would we do without maths?

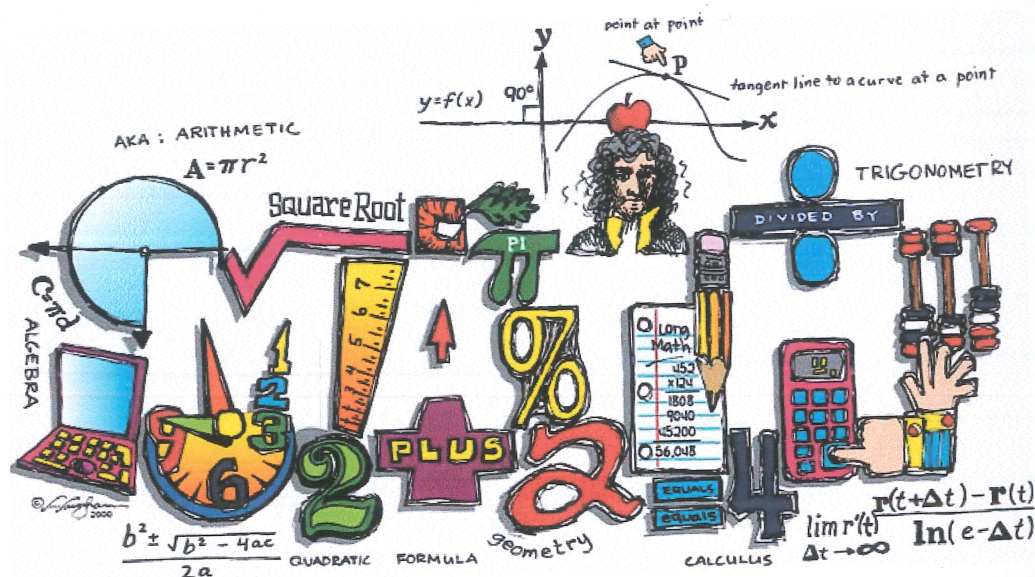
Our world we live on would be hopeless without maths, what would anyone do? How could people run a successful shop or a business? You couldn't. How would people know when to leave? They wouldn't. How would you know how much fence you need to buy to surround your house? You wouldn't.

Think about making food. If we didn't have maths how much flour would you put in a cake and how would you be able to equally share a cake. You wouldn't be able to cook edible food without maths you would either burn it or it would be raw: you couldn't eat it, you wouldn't even be able to feed it to your dog.

Engineers need maths for making a house. If they didn't have it the house would fall down, it will end up out of place and definitely not safe to live in. The builders would either order too many or too little brick. How would the support poles fit without precise angles? They just wouldn't.

Lastly, but very importantly-SPORT! What would be the point of it without scoring, winning or losing? How could you play a cricket game without counting the runs you make? Why would you try to hit the ball as hard as you can without the excitement of getting a six? How would you know when to stop or change ends in a football match? How would you know which position your team members were?

So that is why we need maths (there are too many to mention.) It's great!



By Will Brewer

✓ Well done!
Great persuasive
text.

Slime

How to make glittery fluffy galaxy slime. You will need:

- . PVA glue**
- . Shaving foam**
- . Food colouring**
- . Glitter**

You will need to:

- 1. Pour enough glue into bottom of your container to cover it.**
- 2. Then add food colouring (if desired)**
- 3. After that, mix the food colouring and glue together until you have the right colour**
- 4. Next add about 1.5x as much shaving foam as glue.**
- 5. Now, mix together until you have the right consistency for you.**
- 6. Finally, add Glitter and mix it until it is just right for YOU!**



So that is how you make wonderful Galaxy Slime.

By

Lona Moran

I like deer because they are cute, fuzzy and friendly.

A Report about deer's by Ava Beth Mallett

Favorite animal is a deer. I think deer are awesome and amazing. Their fur is a great great and grand color.

Deer are mammals and ^{are} part of the same animal family that include Moose, Reindeer, Elk and other species of animals. Deer live in a forest where they have protection and from the weather. Deer have long legs typically suited to the environments they live in.

Each year male deer grow new antlers. One particular type of deer, reindeer, have horns instead of antlers. Most deer are mostly born with spots but lose them within a year.

Deer are called a lot of names, here are some examples:

Male deer are called "bucks".

Female deer are called "stags".

Young deer are called "does".

~~Does~~ are called fawns. Baby deer are called fawns.

Deer like to eat lots of fruit and nuts.

Deer are good ^{at} swimming and can jump really high. Baby deer will take their first steps within half an hour. How amazing!

I love them because they are cute, fuzzy and, of course, they are little creatures to meet.