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STUDENT FRIENDLY APPS



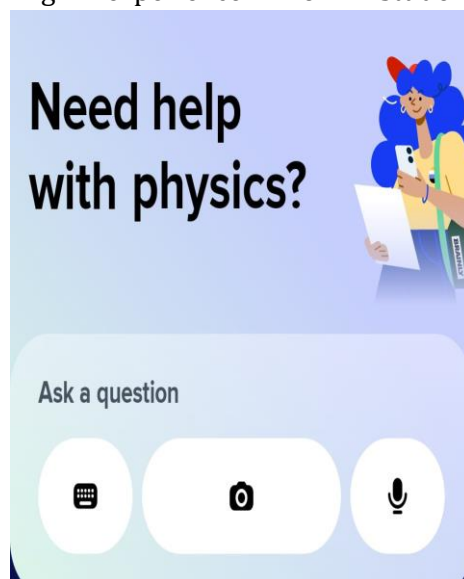
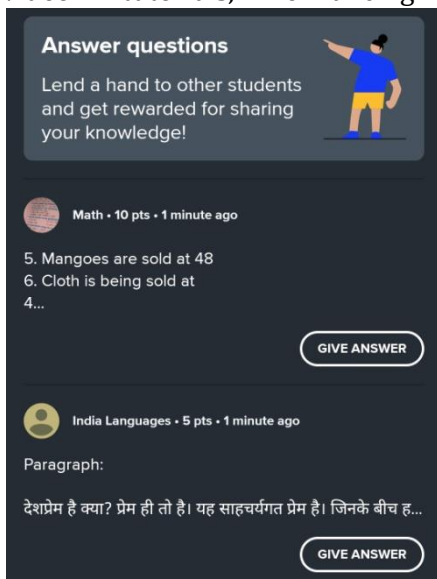
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Brainly is an educational app and website designed for students to ask and answer academic questions. Covering subjects like math, science, history, and English, it facilitates peer-to-peer learning.

Users can post questions and receive answers from the community, which includes students, teachers, and experts. Brainly uses gamification with points, rankings, and badges to encourage participation.

Moderators ensure answer quality, making the platform reliable. Accessible via web and mobile app, Brainly supports multiple languages, catering to a global audience.

While free to use, it offers a premium subscription, Brainly Plus, for additional features like ad-free usage and faster responses. The platform also provides educational tools such as step-by-step solutions and video tutorials, enhancing the learning experience for students worldwide.



DUO LINGO

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Problems are servants. Problems bring possibilities; they help you grow and lead a better life. Trust me when I say problems can be solved by the help of apps.

Whether you want to stay fit, wake up early, learn a new language, or remember things, there is an app out there to help you. These apps offer students the convenience of accessing educational resources, tools, and support from their devices.

We students have busy schedules with many commitments, including studies, sports, and hobbies. These apps ensure that we stay on track.

One of the best learning apps for students is Duolingo. The words you use determine the way you feel. The language you choose shapes the way you perceive reality. Whether it's your passion for acquiring knowledge or enhancing your skills for professional reasons, this app is perfect for you if you want to become proficient in a new language.



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UNKNOWN FACTS ABOUT TECHNOLOGY

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1. The Firefox logo isn't a fox...

Mozilla Firefox's logo is a red panda and not a fox. You might not think it makes sense with the word "fox" being in the name but a very little-known fact is that the red panda's nickname is "Firefox."

2. The first ever computer virus was called, "Creeper"

In 1971, Creeper was the first-ever computer virus developed. It was created as an experiment to see how it could spread between computers and displayed a message, "I'm the Creeper, catch me if you can!"

3. Google was misspelled

Google was originally supposed to be named Googol which is the mathematical term for the number one followed by 100 zeroes (so like the term "million," etc.) but it was misspelt, and they ended up just sticking with Google.

4. There are phobias for tech

There are various phobias these days as people become more suspicious of technology. Technophobia is the fear of technology, Cyberphobia is the fear of computers, and Nomophobia is the fear of being without a mobile phone.

5. "Man of the Year" 1982: The Computer

In 1982, the TIME magazine, "Man of the Year" was named, and it was the computer! *Applause*

6. You can still visit the world's first webpage

The first webpage went live on 6 August 1991 running on a NeXT computer at the European Organisation for Nuclear Research. It was made by Tim Berners-Lee and it is still online today.

7. There's a website just to tell you the internet's age

The website, howoldistheinternet.net, counts down the internet's age and today (5 November 2021) it is 11926 days old. It includes an internet timeline of events such as the birth in 1989, the release of Linux in 1991, the first Microsoft Windows browser in 1993, the first live stream in 1993, the first banner ad in 1994, the first major online leak in 1999, etc. You can also add your birthday to check how old the internet was on the day you were born.

8. The Deep Web is 400x bigger than the internet we know

The Deep Web are the sites that aren't picked up by a search engine like Google. We generally associate the word Deep Web with the Dark Web but they aren't actually the same thing.

The Dark Web – which basically consists of encrypted websites with hidden IP addresses making their users and locations anonymous – is a subset of the Deep Web. Obviously, being able to hide identities like that will create a popular space for criminals to sell their illegal content, etc. But the Dark Web only takes up 0.01% of the Deep Web.

The Deep Web is also just things like where your password-protected email accounts are held, parts of paid subscription services and other similar protected data. The Surface Web (what gets picked up by a search engine) only consists of 0.03% of the internet.

9. Computers were called “Electronic Brains”

In the 1950s, personal computers were called “Electronic Brains”, which is pretty accurate but still sounds a bit weird.

10. Amazon almost had a different name

Jeff Bezos, founder of Amazon, first registered the company as Cadabra Inc. in 1994, with the word Abracadabra in mind. However, after realizing it could be misspelled and over the phone it sounded like “cadaver”, he decided to change it. After an epiphany, while sifting through the dictionary, he decided on Amazon.

TRENDING FOOD REVIEW

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I went to the KFC restaurant Chrompet with my family, one lovely day on June 22, 2024. There wasn't even a seat for us because the restaurant was that packed. At last, one of the families offered us a place to stay.

The smell of the chicken tempted us so much that we bought two boxes: one for popcorn chicken medium and another for peri-peri chicken. Our order was delivered to our table a short while later. The peri peri chicken tasted like heaven when I took my first bite of it. We relished every morsel of the chicken, leaving my palate yearning for more. The bones had been removed from our cartons by that point.

I had a dream the following morning about eating KFC chicken, but it was only a dream. Afterwards, I intended to make my own homemade KFC chicken. I could still taste the chicken from KFC.

Tender boneless chicken, corn flour, eggs, curd, salt, pepper, chili powder, and Britannia rusk for crunch are needed for preparation. After my mother bought the chicken, I cleaned it, seasoned it with salt, pepper, and a small amount of turmeric powder and curd. After a thorough mixing and a 15-minute refrigeration period, add the corn flour to the bowl. Next, crack three eggs into a single container and well stir. Lastly, place the well-ground rusk in the mixer. It's time to remove the chicken from the refrigerator, turn on the stove, and add enough oil.

Heat the oil to a medium temperature before dipping the chicken in corn flour, then egg, then rusk crumbs, and placing it in the fry pan. Peri Peri began to fry till it turned a golden brown, which really satisfied my nose and eyes. Lastly, coriander leaves were added as a garnish, leaving my mouth watering. It was incredibly delicious, crunchy, juicy, and appealing. There aren't enough adjectives to describe the flavour; my entire family loved it and began posting their own evaluations.

The Elegance and Tradition of French Cuisine

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French cuisine epitomizes elegance and sophistication, rooted in centuries of culinary tradition. It emphasizes high-quality ingredients, meticulous techniques, and natural flavours.

Each region offers unique specialties, from Burgundy's boeuf bourguignon to Provence's ratatouille. Iconic dishes like baguettes, croissants, escargot, coq au vin, crème Brulé, and macarons showcase its diversity.

Techniques such as sautéing and braising, along with foundational sauces like béchamel, are pivotal. Influencing global gastronomy, French cuisine is revered for both haute cuisine's luxury and nouvelle cuisine's innovation, making it a cornerstone of culinary excellence worldwide.

MY VIEWS ON INDO-CHINESE FOOD

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Have you ever had Chinese food from Indochina? This food is the ideal fusion of Chinese cuisine and Indian flavors. Some examples of dishes are momos, noodles, spring rolls, chow mein, and Schezwan fried rice. Those who enjoy spicy food will adore these recipes.

Protein from meat or tofu, carbs from grains or noodles, and vitamins and minerals from veggies provide a balanced diet. Schezwan chicken fried rice is my particular favourite dish. This dish of spicy fried chicken served with rice, soy sauce, and vegetables like beans and carrots is quite delicious.

Your palate is taken on a flavourful roller coaster with every bend and twist by the mouth-watering cuisine. Don't pass up this mouth-watering meal.

FUN RECIPE

BUFFALO CHICKEN MEATBALL SUNDAE

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INGREDIENTS:

For the Chicken Meatballs:

- 1 pound ground chicken
- 1/2 cup breadcrumbs
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup finely chopped celery
- 1/4 cup finely chopped green onions
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup buffalo wing sauce
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- Salt and pepper to taste

For the "Sundae" Toppings:

- 1 cup cooked macaroni and cheese (store-bought or homemade)
- 1/2 cup ranch dressing
- 1/4 cup buffalo wing sauce (for drizzling)

1/4 cup chopped celery (for garnish)

1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese (optional)

Fresh parsley or chives (for garnish)

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Preparation of the Meatballs:
 - Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C) and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
 - In a large bowl, combine ground chicken, breadcrumbs, Parmesan cheese, chopped celery, green onions, egg, buffalo wing sauce, garlic powder, onion powder, salt, and pepper.
 - Mix until well combined, but don't overmix.
 - Roll the mixture into small meatballs (about 1 inch in diameter) and place them on the prepared baking sheet.
 - Bake for 15-20 minutes, or until the meatballs are cooked through and have an internal temperature of 165°F (74°C).
2. Prepare the Sundae Base:
 - While the meatballs are baking, prepare the macaroni and cheese according to package instructions or your favorite recipe.
 - Keep it warm for assembling the sundae.
3. Assemble the Buffalo Chicken Meatball Sundae:
 - In a bowl or a small cup, place a scoop of warm macaroni and cheese as the "base."
 - Top the macaroni with 3-4 buffalo chicken meatballs.
 - Drizzle with ranch dressing and additional buffalo wing sauce for extra flavor.
 - Sprinkle with chopped celery, crumbled blue cheese (if using), and fresh parsley or chives for garnish.

Serve and Enjoy:

Serve immediately while everything is warm and gooey. Enjoy this unique and playful twist on classic comfort food!

WHY IT'S FUN:

Creative Presentation: Turning savoury chicken meatballs into a "sundae" makes for an unexpected and playful dish that's sure to be a conversation starter.

Layered Flavors: The combination of spicy buffalo chicken, creamy macaroni and cheese, and tangy ranch dressing creates a delightful medley of flavours.

Interactive: Each person can build their own "sundae" with the toppings they prefer, making it a fun, customizable dish.

FUN FACTS:

Buffalo Sauce Origins: Buffalo sauce originated in Buffalo, New York, and is known for its spicy and tangy flavour, making it a favourite for wings and more.

Comfort Food Fusion: Combining elements from different comfort foods into one dish shows how versatile and fun cooking can be!

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STUDENT'S PEN-LITERATURE

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A reader lives a thousand lives, while a layman lives one. Reading can take you to the heights of ecstasy and the lows of despair. This, however, depends on what the book is like and how the book is written.

Books like Introductory Microeconomics may not instigate much of a reaction, but books like *The Kite Runner* bring out a visceral reaction that makes one feel like their heart is being wrenched out of their body.

One such book is ***Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous*** by Ocean Vuong. This book is a letter to his illiterate mother. Vuong expresses this so beautifully that it brings tears to the reader's eyes more than once. He talks about his mother and how her Vietnamese parenting affected his development in a primarily American neighbourhood.

Most importantly, he talks about himself and how being different in a hyper-normative society and how to accept himself. Every page of the book is a journey; every chapter is a universe. This book reminds us of the temporality of life and to cherish it before it's gone.

To quote the book. **"To be gorgeous, even from the day you're born to the day you die, is to be gorgeous only briefly."**

5 REASONS WHY MY SCHOOL ROCKS

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- ✓ The Student Council elections at my school are a great way for kids to experience what real elections are like. Our students feel included in the decision-making process because they get to vote for their leaders.
- ✓ The concept of a clean and healthy environment is put forth by my school. They encouraged the students to plant seedlings in the schoolyard to ensure that we live up to our words.
- ✓ Educational field trips are arranged by SAN Academy to a variety of locations, including the Vandalur Zoo, the Birla Planetarium, and IIT Madras. Students benefit from this by having their perspectives and critical thinking skills expanded.
- ✓ SAN Academy continues its pursuit of knowledge even after school hours. They organize intra class competitions, after-school events, and assign worthwhile homework assignments including DIY projects and chart creation. Both extracurricular and co-curricular activities are valued equally at my school, and students are welcome to participate in any event.
- ✓ Students at SAN Academy have meaningful connections with their teachers, which enables them to effectively convey their wants and difficulties. Plus, the instructors use a variety of instructional tools, such as reading, seminars, and PowerPoints, to teach the subjects with fluency.

Super, Awesome, and Nurturing is what SAN would stand for, if it were an abbreviation. Since stars shine brighter than the sun, San Academy students liken themselves to them.



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JUGGLING LIKE A CHAMP - MY SUCCESS MANTRA

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It's common to compare success to juggling, and I wholeheartedly concur. It might be difficult to balance extracurricular activities and academics. My trade secret? Well-thought-out preparation.

I list every assignment and prioritize them based on their importance and urgency. With this methodical approach, I am able to plan my time so that I have enough time for my core subjects and still have time for my passions.

Not every task is given the same amount of time, especially when an exam is approaching. In addition, I've mastered the priceless skill of saying no. Refusing more obligations protects one's physical and emotional health. I succeed in my juggling act by carefully organizing and setting wise priorities!

UNUSUAL QUOTES

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H.P. Lovecraft once said, "**The oldest and strongest emotion of mankind is fear, and the oldest and strongest kind of fear is fear of the unknown.**"

It is one of my all-time favourite quotes. That is an insightful statement that demonstrates just how much we have in common as a species.

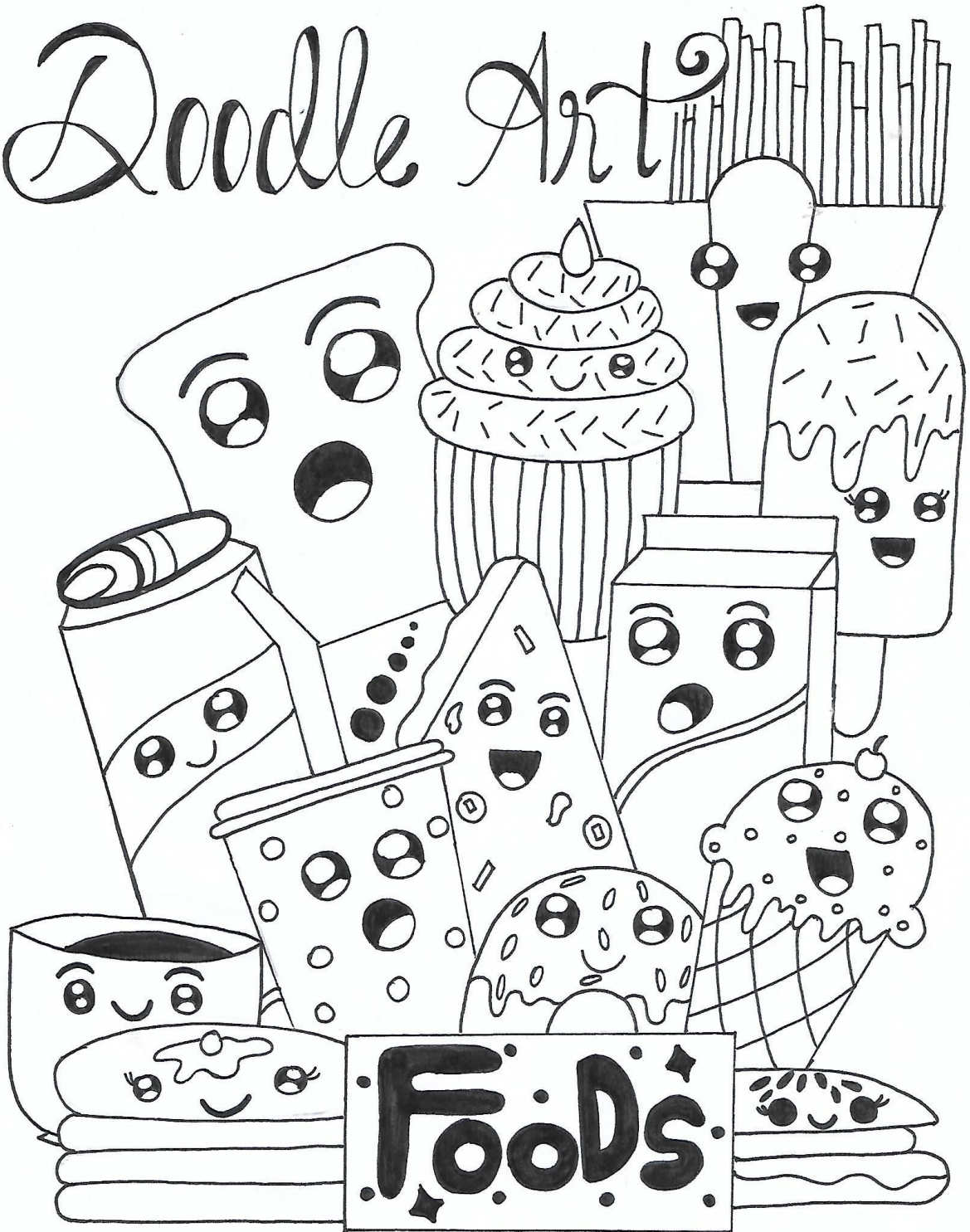
Humans have always had an inbuilt fear of things we do not fully comprehend. This has taken numerous forms, including superstition and religion. Many things still elicit in us a deep sense of unease that we are unable to comprehend or explain.

"Looks like I'm out of ammo—time to unleash my other superpowers!"

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