



Make a Pitch!

News from Thursday, April 13th Listen to the Episode ▷

Flag football may be headed to the Olympics. A final vote on adding this super-popular, non-contact sport to the 2028 games in Los Angeles will take place in October.

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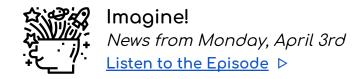
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Mamathi Vinoth, a nine-year-old girl from Canada, is a hula hooping superstar with six world records to her name. Among them, most hops in one minute while spinning a hula hoop on her ankle. To train, Mamathi spends hours practicing every week.

Design an experiment to see how long you (and your friends or family) can keep a hula hoop going under different conditions. For example, how long can you hula hoop while standing on one foot? With your eyes closed?



Lolita, a 57-year-old killer whale at Seaquarium in Miami, is finally returning home. After decades of work by animal activists, she will be placed in a natural sea pen in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Washington. There, handlers hope that she will learn to fish for herself and reconnect with her pod through underwater sounds. Then, she may get a chance to leave the sea pen and re-enter the wild.

Imagine that you are Lolita, returning to the ocean and reuniting with your famil Write a short story from Lolita's point of view about your first day back where you belong.						
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A popular Disney attraction is getting a massive makeover. Splash Mountain has already been torn down at Disney World in Florida, and May 30th is the last day to ride it at Disneyland in California. The change is happening because the ride is based on a 1946 Disney movie that many people believe is racist.

Design your own amusement park ride that could replace Splash Mountain. Choose a theme for the ride and draw a map that shows its features.					



The city of Chicago has a new mayor, Brandon Johnson. While running for mayor, Mr. Johnson focused on neighborhood schools. He will replace outgoing mayor Lori Lightfoot.

Imagine that you were just elected mayor of your hometown. Make a list of the first five changes or improvements you'd make to benefit your community.

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