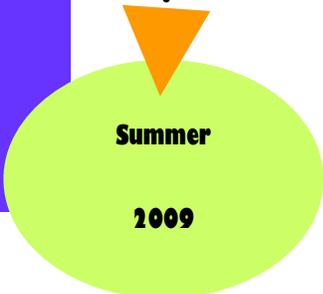




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Congratulations to All Graduating Seniors!

According to the YALSA, these are the 2009 Top Ten Best Books for Young Adults

- Bowman, Robin.** *It's Complicated: The American Teenager.*
- Conner, Leslie.** *Waiting for Normal .*
- de la Pena, Matt.** *Mexican WhiteBoy.*
- Dowd, Siobhan.** *Bog Child.*
- Fletcher, Christine.** *Ten Cents a Dance.*
- Monninger, Joseph.** *Baby.*
- Pratchett, Terry.** *Nation.*
- Tamaki, Mariko and Jillian Tamaki.** *Skim.*
- Collins, Suzanne.** *The Hunger Games.*
- Voorhees, Coert.** *The Brothers Torres.*

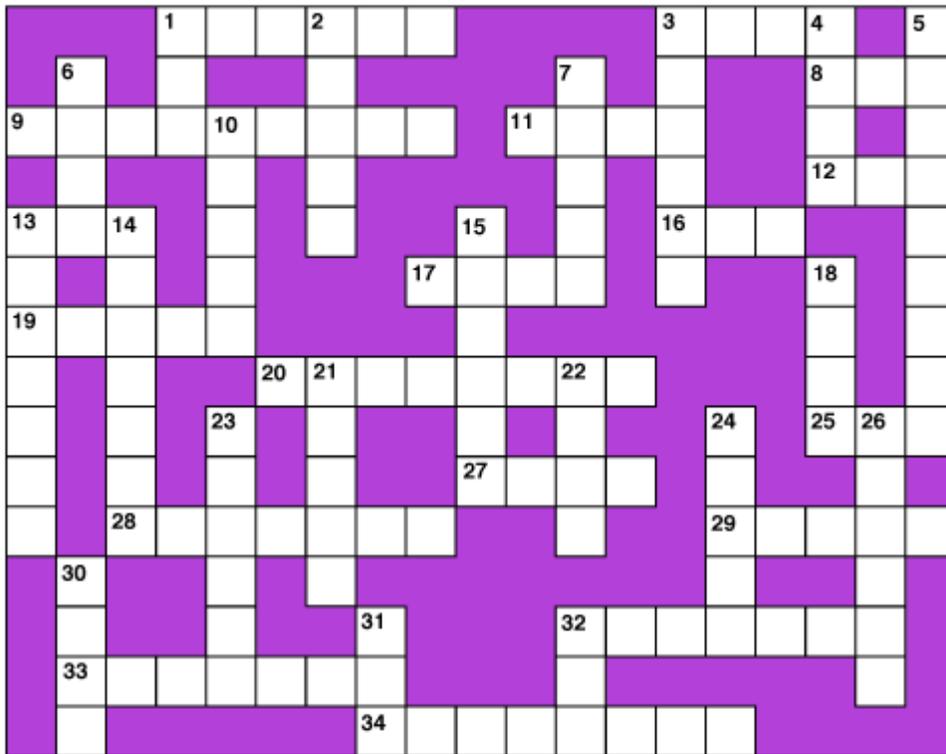
DREAM BIG
 If there ever were a time to dare,
 To make a difference
 To embark on something worth doing
 It is now.
 Not for any grand cause, necessarily-
 but for something that tugs at your heart
 Something that is worth your aspiration
 Something that is your dream
 You owe it to yourself
 To make your days count
 Have fun. Dig deep. Stretch.
 Dream big.
 Know, though,

That things worth doing
 Seldom come easy.
 There will be times when you want to
 Turn around
 Pack it up and call it quits
 Those times tell you
 That you are pushing yourself
 And that you are not afraid to learn by trying.
 Persist.
 Because with an idea
 Determination and the right tools
 You can do great things.
 Let your instincts, your intellect
 And let your heart guide you.
 Trust.

Believe in the incredible power
 Of the human mind
 Of doing something that makes a difference
 Of working hard
 Of laughing and hoping
 Of lasting friends
 Of all the things that will cross your path.
 Next year
 The start of something new
 Brings the hope of something great
 Anything is possible
 There is only one you
 And you will pass this way but once
 Do it right.
 -Author Unknown



SUMMER CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Light rain
3. String _____
8. Single
9. Jumping & hopping game
11. Summer month
12. Have lunch
13. Very warm
16. City home for wild animals
17. Summer month
19. Sandy spot
20. Water sport
25. Used to pave roads
27. Relax

28. Step back
 29. Very humid weather
 32. Warm weather foot wear
 33. _____ storm
 34. Thrilling
- ## DOWN
1. Short form of sister
 2. Time piece
 3. Cool wind
 4. Musical symbol
 5. Summer month
 6. Go it alone
 7. Weather word

10. Capture
13. Leisure activities
14. Follows a car
15. June 21
18. Always do your _____
21. Pools are full of this
22. Birds home
23. Suntan _____
24. Hot & _____
26. Summer month
30. Better _____ than never
31. _____ you sleeping?
32. Take a seat

Do you often get bored in the summer? Here is a solution. Get up. Take a walk. Make it an adventure. To make your walk more interesting, try to find the following things.

- A purple flower.
- Any type of insect.
- An ice-cream truck/store.
- People wearing summer colors. (Pink, blue, yellow, green, purple.)
- Something you have never seen before.
- A blooming flower.
- Someone watering their lawn.
- A drinking fountain.

**Be intent upon the perfection
of the present day.
-- William Law**

Graham Cracker Icebox Cake (no cooking necessary!)

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 16 oz. pkg. graham crackers
- 2 (3.5 oz.) pkgs. instant vanilla pudding mix
- 3 cups whole milk
- 8 oz. container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 16 oz. container chocolate frosting

Preparation:

Blend the pudding mix, whipped topping, and milk in a medium sized bowl. Stir until well blended.

Place one single layer of graham crackers in the bottom of a 9x13" baking pan. Do not crumble, but leave the crackers whole. You can fill in gaps with crackers broken in half if necessary. Spoon half of the pudding mixture over the crackers and spread evenly. Repeat with another layer of crackers and

remaining pudding mixture. Top with another layer of graham crackers. Cover the pan with plastic wrap and chill in the refrigerator for 30 minutes to set up a bit.

Stir the frosting and spread it over the whole cake up to the edges of pan. Cover and refrigerate cake for at least 4 hours before serving. 14 servings

