

Abraham Lincoln

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GRADE 8

On February 12, 1809, Abraham Lincoln was born. He was the second son of Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks. His parents, his sister Sarah, and him moved across the Ohio River to unsettled woods. (Which would later become Spencer County in 1818.) Lincoln never liked manual labor and always preferred to read. He was mainly self educated with only one year in school. Lincoln married Mary Todd on November 4, 1842. Mary Todd was from a wealthy slave owning fam-

ily from Kentucky. They lived in Springfield, Illinois, close to Lincoln's work, who was a lawyer. They had four children together. Their first son's name was Robert who died at a young age. Their second son, Edward, died around the age of four. Their third son's name was "Willie", who died at about the age of twelve due to a fever. Their fourth son, Thomas (Tad), died at the age of eighteen due to heart failure.

In 1843, Lincoln ran for the House of Representatives, as a Whig. He was defeated by John J. Hardin. Lincoln was later elected in 1846 to the House of Representatives. A few years later, he was elected as the 16th president of the United States on November 6, 1860. He won by a landslide, with his

total of electoral votes being at 180, while everyone else's combined only had 123.

Lincoln was president during the Civil War. He was leader of the Union (the North). The Confederates fired at the Union's Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861. One of the greatest speeches in American History, and Lincoln's most famous speech is the Gettysburg Address. It was surprisingly short, but had a lot of meaning.

Abraham Lincoln was attending a play at Ford's Theater on April 14, 1865. He was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth while he was watching a show. Lincoln was shot in the back of the head and died on April 15, 1865, five days after the Civil War ended.

More Recycling

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Do you think more people need to recycle? In the article, "How Much Do Americans Throw Away?" the text states, "In sum Americans waste or cause to be wasted nearly one million pounds of material per person each year." In addition, all the materials that we use are being put in a fire when it can be used or recycled again. Recycling would lead to a cleaner community, protect the environment, and create less landfill waste.

Although the article "Environmental Importances" states, "recycling is very important as a waste with a huge negative impacts on the natural environment. Harmful chemicals and greenhouse gases are released from rubbish in landfill sites." One effect of this is if we do not recycle, this will continue to happen and gases and chemicals will be released. Together the people in the community, we need to help prevent this from happening and step up. On the other hand, in the

article "What would happen if everyone recycled?" it states, "The world would look a lot different everyone recycled. Most likely, it would be cleaner and make more use of available sources. Landfills would shrink tremendously." The author of this article is stating the more we work together the world will become cleaner and safer, causing less work to be needed done. If we recycle, we will not have to worry about landfill waste, because we will have done our job with more sources available.

Together, we can cause less work to be done. According to the article "Reducing and Reusing Basics" it states "Making a new product requires a lot of materials and energy. As a result reduction and reusing are the most effective ways you can save natural resources, protect the environment and save money." Most people in this world are not rich. In addition, most people use coupons to help save money. If more people recycle not only will you be helping the environment, you are saving money for yourself. Some people already to this

day recycle. Most people do not recycle so they are in a habit of throwing things away. One problem there might be is most people do not pay attention on what to recycle. The problem is people in this society do not recycle. How can we help more people in this world recycle?

These details prove that the harder we try to get people to recycle, we will eventually get somewhere. Together the town, environment, and world can become a cleaner, safer, and stronger environment. Because of this, this will probably lead to keeping the environment healthier causing it to be a cleaner community and less landfill waste.

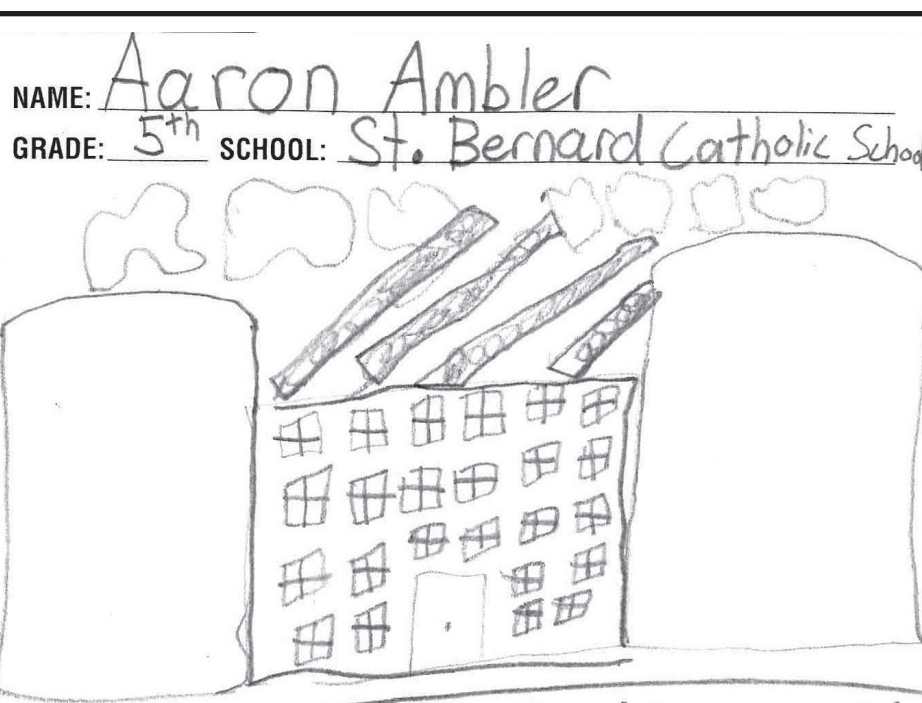
Cheetah

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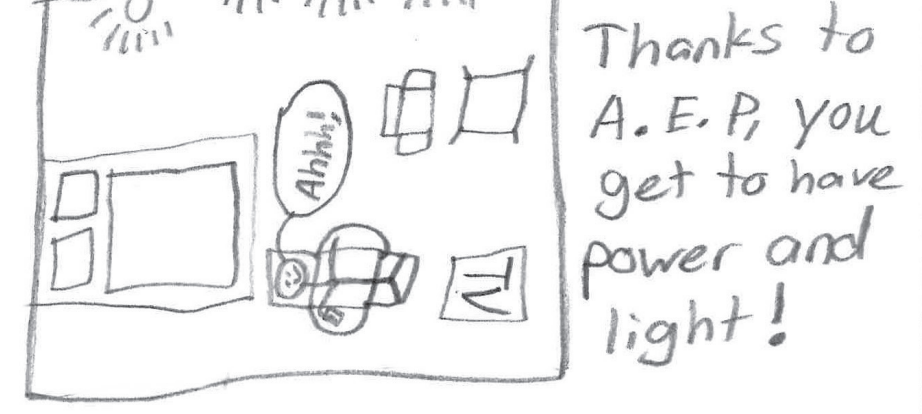
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Look at those spots shine. Vanishing now the cheetah. It jumps for its prey!



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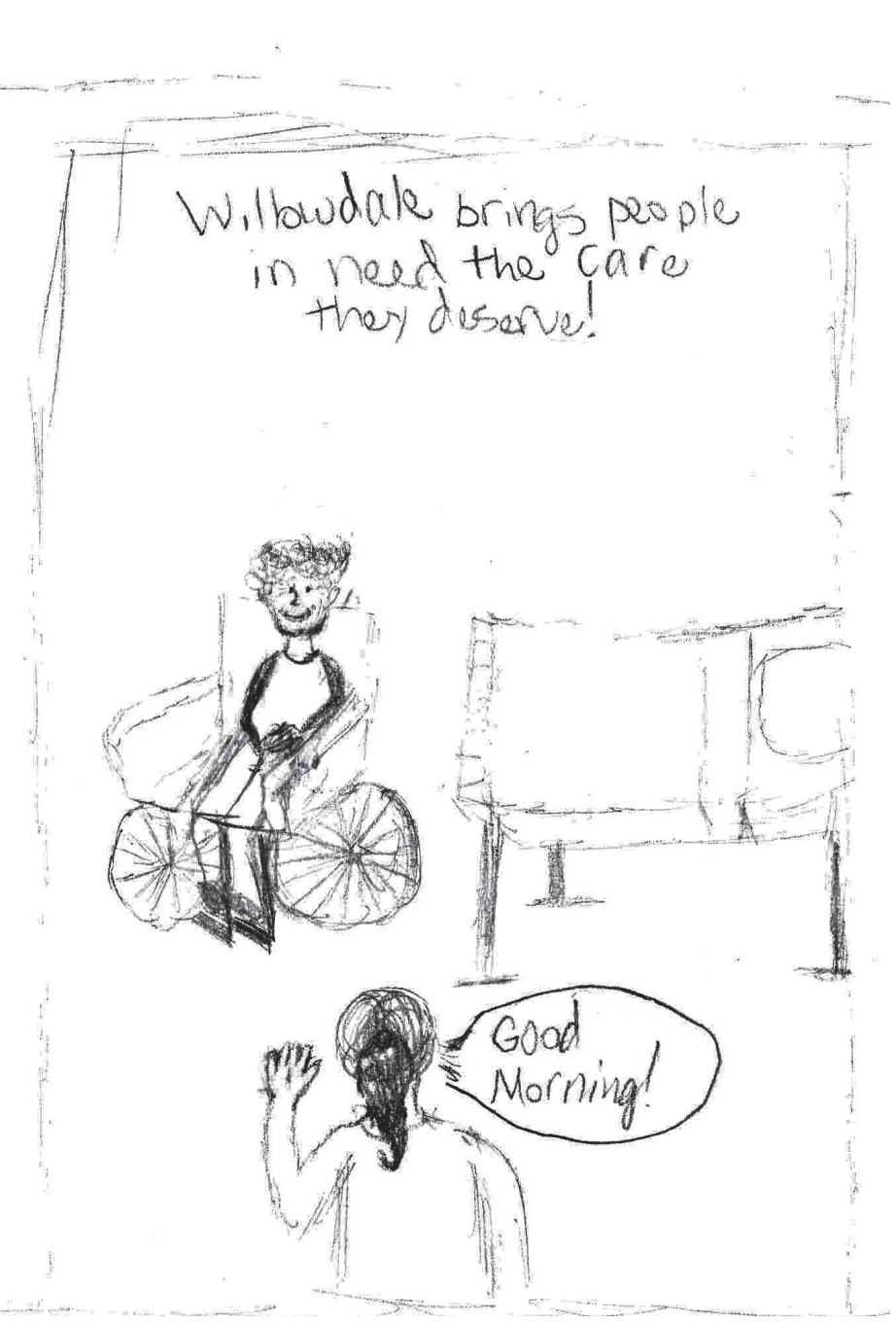
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