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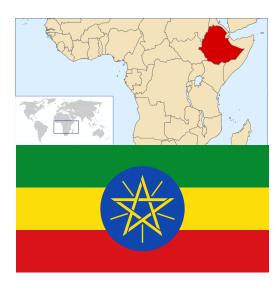
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## **Today's Country**

## Ethiopia

Facts: Ethiopia is a country on the Horn of Africa. Its capital and largest city is Addis Ababa. Ethiopia is 420,000 sq. mi. and has a population of over 117 million people, making it the 12th largest country in the world. Aside from that, Ethiopia is the second most populous country in Africa and the most populous landlocked country in the world!

The countries that border Ethiopia are Eritrea and Djibouti to the North, Somalia to the East, Kenya to the South, South Sudan to the West and Sudan to the Northwest.



Ethiopia is a land of geological wonders. First of all,

there's the Great Rift Valley, a fault line splitting the country in two, as well as a liquid lava lake that has been there since the 1960's. That's right, Ethiopia has a whole bunch of volcanoes.

**History:** Ethiopia has a famous history of never being colonized. In fact, the Italians were actually trying to colonize them, but the Ethiopians fought back. At the battle of Adwa, the Ethiopians defeated the Italians. That battle prevented Italy from expanding its colonial empire throughout the Horn of Africa. In honor of Ethiopia not being colonized, the colors of the Ethiopian flag (red, yellow, and green) became the Pan-African colors.

**Christianity:** Ethiopia is one of the rare countries that has a balance of Christianity and Islam. The country is 43.5% Ethiopian Orthadox, 33.9% Muslim, and 18.6% Protestant.

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# What's up? News for kids

#### **New Chinese video gaming law:**

There's a new law in China which makes it so that kids are not allowed to play videogames on weekdays and only get to play one hour per day on the weekend. This is an example of how much control China exerts over its population.

#### 20th Anniversary of 9/11:

On September 11, 2001, 4 terrorists hijacked planes. 2 of the planes crashed into the Twin Towers. 1 crashed into the Pentagon. On the last plane, the passengers fought back and crashed the plane into a field in Pennsylvania. We think that plane was going to crash into the White House or the Capitol. Please take a moment to remember the 2,996 people who died in the most devastating attack on US soil.

# The Toy Review Series: The History of Toy Soldiers

Toy soldiers have long been a well-known toy in the realm of all things fun. In fact, we can date toy soldiers back all of the way to Ancient Egypt, where boys acted out battles and trained to be military geniuses. Toy soldiers have even been found in the tombs of the

Pharaohs! But, toy soldiers really took off with the tin soldier, produced in Germany as early as the 1730s by molding metal between two pieces of slate.



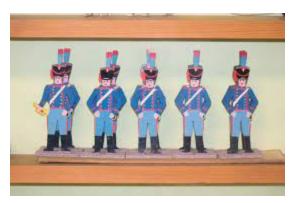
Tin soldiers became widespread in the 18th century due to the military exploits of Frederick the Great. Unlike other toy soldiers, tin soldiers were the first to be mass produced, and in 1775 brothers Johann Gottfried Hilpert and Johann Georg Hilpert (imagine two siblings having the same name!) established a workshop where they created

early form of an assembly line in Nuremberg for soldiers and other figures. Today, the largest tin soldier is 32 ft tall and located in New Westminster, Canada. It weighs five tons.

Miniature soldiers were not just a kid's toy in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries. In fact, military strategists used them to plan out battle tactics, each toy soldier representing a real one on the



battlefield. Toy soldiers also inspired many great generals and military geniuses. Winston Churchill himself had a large collection as a child.



In 1893 the toy soldier company W. Britain (William Britain) revolutionized toy soldiers by developing the method of hollow-casting, allowing toy soldiers to be made cheaper and lighter than the German ones before them. After this, figures began to be made out of hollow cast lead, glue and sawdust, and more. By 1950, rising production costs and the new

introduction of plastic meant that shopkeepers liked lighter, cheaper, and less fragile toys. This led to a change of many toy soldiers from wood and lead to plastic. The first American plastic toy soldiers were made as early as 1937 and the first British ones were made in 1946.

In the latter half of the 20th century, toy soldiers shifted from just a kid's toy to a collectors item. Some changes to toy soldiers were the invention of the "Overmolding" system which allowed different colors of plastic to be injected into a mold at different stages, creating a colored figure without the need of pain, and the Lois Marx and Company producer which produced both realistic soldiers



and historical collector's items. During the 1990s, extremely nicely painted metal toy soldiers began to be produced for the ever increasing collectors' market. These toy soldiers were painted with acrylic paint instead of the old gloss coat enamel, allowing figures to be much more detailed and historically accurate.

Today, toy soldiers are still a big part of the toy world, but now that there are so many other toys to choose from, they are becoming more and more of a collector's item. Still, the popularity of the toy lives on despite thousands of years of history.

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## **Exclusive interview with Evalynn**

# **Smythe**

Here we are with another interview! This time: Evalynn Smythe! Read on to learn \u00e4more about this amazing missionary kid!

**Reporter:** Hi Evalynn, and thanks for being interviewed for the Pastor's Child Magazine, and I think being the 20th kid to be interviewed. So, like normal, we have three main questions for you today. Our first question is:

Is it cool to be a missionary kid in India?

**Evalynn:** I like it because we can meet new people.

**Reporter:** Is it strange to be in a different place and live in a different culture?

**Evalynn:** Well, sometimes I get a bit shy but sometimes I don't.

**Reporter:** What is Church like in India? Is it in Hindi or English?

**Evalynn:** It's in Hindi, but sometimes the pastor says English words.

**Reporter:** Sometimes churches in other countries are actually made up of a lot of American people. Is that the same in India?

**Evalynn:** It's mostly Indian people.

**Reporter:** Our second question is:

What is India like compared to America?

**Evalynn:** Well, there it is really dirty.

**Reporter:** Really dirty?

**Evalynn:** Yeah. And there's lots of dogs

and cows and no sidewalks also.

**Reporter:** So you have to walk in the

street?

**Evalynn:** Well, also we have to bike in the street, but we stay on the side. I also like it because there are these things called (inaudible) on the road, and you bike on the bikes, and there are these, I don't know how to explain them, but they're like little square shaped things with wheels and people push them.

**Reporter:** Oh, cool! Like carts.

**Evalynn:** Yeah. But they're a little bigger.

**Reporter:** What are some cool games that

kids play in India?

**Evalynn:** Well, they play tag, hide and seek sometimes, but sometimes we just run around. We mostly don't play games. We just run around and talk.

**Reporter:** That sounds like my recess. What are some Hindi words that you think other kids might find interesting?

**Evalynn:** I don't know many, I just know enough to get around. I don't always understand.

**Reporter:** When you buy stuff from the market or go talk to other people is it usually your mom or dad who does the talking?

**Evalynn:** I sometimes talk, but I sometimes let my mom and dad do the talking.

**Reporter:** Our third question is:

What is it like having two younger siblings?

**Evalynn:** It's fun, but sometimes it's a bit hard because we fight.

**Reporter:** Do you think that you play with your siblings more than other kids in India, or is it the other way around?

**Evalynn:** I play with my siblings more because they're like right there.

**Reporter:** When you play with other kids is it you and your siblings playing with other kids, or do you play with other kids alone?

**Evalynn:** I play with other kids alone. I have two friends who are Phoebe and Nushka. So I play with them (Inaudible). Abigail, I don't think she has any friends she

just runs around.

**Reporter:** So she just runs around and

talks.

Evalynn: Talks, yeah.

**Reporter:** That was the last question for today. Thanks for being interviewed.

**Evalynn:** I liked it.

If you would like to see the interview go to <a href="https://photos.app.goo.gl/joAQDvJBqbmSehy56">https://photos.app.goo.gl/joAQDvJBqbmSehy56</a>. Make sure to turn the volume all the way up!

Reporter: CJ Dunlop, Editor in Chief of the Pastor's Child Magazine Cameraman: CJ Dunlop, Editor in Chief of the Pastor's Child Magazine

## **Advice Column**

#	Question	Answer
1:	Sometimes I get bored, and don't know what to do. What are some games that you would suggest that I try playing?  - Anonymous	Some cool games that you might like to try would be Telestrations, a game that is Telephone but with drawings, Charty Party, a game that is Apples to Apples with charts, Lunacy, a quick, fun card game that is sort of similar to Spot It, and Sleeping Queens, an awesome card game that isn't really similar to any others that I can think of.
2:	What do I do if I receive a present that I don't really like? - PCreader1234567	<b>Do</b> thank the person who gave you the present. You don't have to go really far and send them videos of you having a lot of fun with the

	present if you aren't actually having that much fun with it. <b>Don't</b> yell or pout about not getting what you wanted. You did not deserve the present in the first place, and whoever gave it to you was very loving to do so.
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Any questions you need advice on? Email them to us at thepastorschild@gmail.com.

## **Book Recommendations**

Need new books to read? Well, maybe check out these:

- 1. Half Upon a Time (series) by James Riley (Recommended by Tiago)
- 2. All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr (for older readers)
- 3. The Complete Book Of Heraldry by Stephen Slater
- 4. Draw Out The Story: Ten Secrets To Creating Your Own Comics by Brian McLachlan Any other recommendations? Email them to <a href="mailto:thepastorschild@gmail.com">thepastorschild@gmail.com</a>.

# **Verse of the Day: Ephesians 2:4-5**

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved

## <u>Issue 19 Winners</u>

#### Joke Contest:

No jokes were submitted. But, for this week, there is a drawing contest! Submit a drawing by Wednesday, September 22nd in order to receive a special prize and have your drawing featured in Issue 21!

## Short Story: the Ant Series. Done.

Fred N. Antina soon found that there was no way out. Black Ant soldiers surrounded him 24/7, and eyes often peered through peepholes in his cell walls. The day of his arrest, Antina had been locked in a room with an interrogator. Although he was asked many questions, Antina managed to hold out, despite threats and accusations. But after a week, things didn't seem so good.

Days before, the rest of the spy team had met up at the designated area, only to find that one of their comrades was missing. Had he died in the launch? Had he been captured? Through stealthy communications, the spies sent an urgent message to Red Ant headquarters.

6/8/21 TEAM RED

URGENT MESSAGE

Meeting done. Antina missing. Help needed. Watch for informers. Send resources.

Upon receiving the message, Red Ant headquarters went into a panic. Was their operation safe? Were there any informers among them? What would the future of the spy program become? As urgent communications were sent between high ranking Red Ant officers, Antina remained locked in a cell. In a few days, he gave in. It was June 10th, 2021 when Antina was dragged out of his cell to the calm, plain, but terrifying interrogation room for another day of questions. There was his chained seat. There was the table. There was the man with the low hat.

Antina had resisted the man before. The man had tried many different tactics, but Antina was smart. Afterall, he had been trained as a highly elite soldier. But this time, the tactic was different. "Hello, soldier," the man said as Antina was pulled into his chair. The man then turned to the guards. "Don't bother, troops." Antina gaped open-mouthed. "What do you mean, don't bother?" "We Black Ants treat others respectfully. If you are nice to us, we'll be nice to you." The interrogation continued like this until Antina was fully convinced that the Black Ants would not harm him at all and that it would be of service to the entire Island if he just told this man a few things. A few things became many, and after a few hours, Antina had revealed the names and locations of all of his fellow spies and disrupted the entire Red Ant spy operation. "Thank you for your service, soldier," said the man once Antina had finished. "You may return to your new rooms."

"New rooms?" "Yes, soldier."

Antina was led by new, nicer looking guards into a brightly furnished room. "So these are the pleasures of Black Ant society," Antina said to himself before sitting himself down onto an armchair and writing out more facts that might be of use to the "greater good of the Island."

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# **Fun Activities**

## Video Games word search

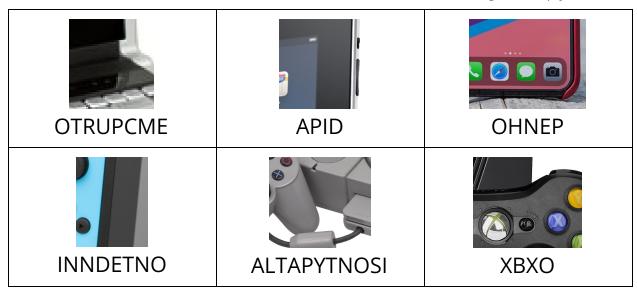
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## Word Bank:

Minecraft	Roblox	Fortnite	Among Us	Fall Guys		
Rocket League	Pokemon Go	Call of Duty	Zelda	Super Smash Bros		
Madden	The Sims	Super Mario	FIFA	Mario Kart		

#### **ZOOMED IN PICTURES!**

Below are 6 zoomed in pictures of devices you might play video games on. You have to find out what the devices are. The name is scrambled below the image to help you.



# FUN ACTIVITIES ISSUE 19 & AUGUST SPECIAL EDITION ANSWER KEY:

Sorry, due to technical issues, the word search answer keys are not available this week.

Silly Forest Animals

**RED BAG: BADGER** 

TRY ELF TUB: BUTTERFLY

GNAT NAP AID: GIANT PANDA

WE ROPE DOCK: WOODPECKER

**ROB NEW BAR: BROWN BEAR** 

I ROW BALD: WILD BOAR

BE LAB RACK: BLACK BEAR

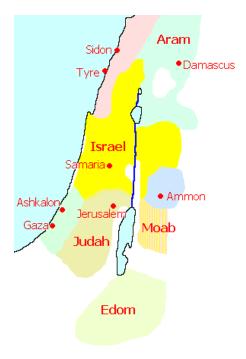
CUP IN ROPE: PORCUPINE

LOG RAIL: GORILLA

ECO TOY: COYOTE

## **Ammon**

### Ancient Biblical Kingdoms: For Kids!

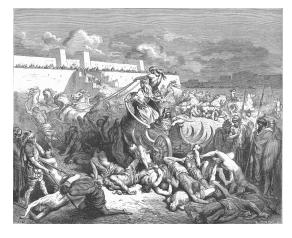


The nation of Ammon was a nation located on the east of the Jordan river whose origin is traced to Lot, Abraham's nephew. Although the Ammonites were a Canaanite kingdom, they were not listed as one of the kingdoms that Israel was told to drive out of Canaan. Still, the Israelites often clashed with the Ammonites, and were sometimes portrayed as God's punishment for the Israelites' sin.

The nation of Ammon has its first appearance in the book of Numbers, when the Amorite leaders Sihon and Og were defeated by the Hebrews under Moses. This happened after the Ammorites occupied a place called Hesbon in between the Moabite and Ammonite

territories.

The book of Joshua shows how the possession of Hesbon was contested, and the Ammonites and Israelites often fought for it. The Hebrews claimed that it was theirs because they had conquered it, and the Ammonites claimed that it was theirs in the first place. Once, the Ammonites invaded the land of Israel but were fought back by Jephta. Later, Saul celebrated a



victory over the Ammonites at Jabes, and David and Joab defeated the Ammonite leader Hanun. After that, David and Joab proceeded to capture all of the main settlements of the Ammonites, conquering Ammon. After David, Solomon married an Ammonite woman, Naamah, who was the mother of Rehoboam.

After the reign of king Solomon, the Ammonites did not think of Rehoboam as one of their own, even though he was half Ammonite, and took back their land from the Israelites.



Soon after Ammon became its own state, it became an Assyrian vassal, which means that although Ammon was still technically a country, Assyria had control over it. When the Assyrians were followed by the Babylonians, in 582 Ammon and Moab became a province. Judah followed and became a province in 587.

When in 539 the Persians took power, they became the new masters of the province of Ammon. The

Persians remained in control until the Macedonian king Alexander the Great took over in 334 BC. After his death and the following civil wars, the region became part of the Ptolemaic Empire, and in the third century BC was renamed Philadelphia after king Ptolemy II Philadelphus who ruled between 282 and 246.

After being renamed, the Ammonites were led by a Jewish family called the Tobiads, and their palace has been identified at Qasr al-Abd, a place halfway between Ammon and the Dead Sea. The Ammonites continued to play an important role in the region until the Seleucids conquered the area.

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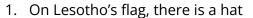
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# **MORE Flag Facts!**

Here are some more interesting facts about flags



2. Switzerland's flag is a square. So is Vatican City's

3. The two faces of Paraguay's flag are different

4. Belize is the only country whose flag has humans on it

5. Jamaica's flag is the only national flag without red, white, or blue

6. Afghanistan changed its flag 18 times during the 20th century and 5 times so far during the 21st century

7. When there was a referendum for the New Zealand flag, a nomination

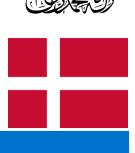
was a laser kiwi flag

8. Denmark's flag has been used for at least 393 years, making it the oldest continuously used national flag on record

9. You can find 7 different flags inside the flag of Norway

10. Estonia's flag mimics the winter landscape of the country with blue representing the sky, black representing the forest, and white representing the snow







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# KiDS Section:

# For KIDS 8 or younger



Hi all kids out there! I'm CJ, and today we are going to talk about stuffed animals. Since you are a kid, you most likely have a stuffed animal. You may or may not hug it a lot, but have you ever wondered how stuffed animals are made? Here is how a teddy bear is made:

First, a design of the teddy bear is put on a blueprint to make paper patterns. These paper patterns are then cut

and pinned to fabric.

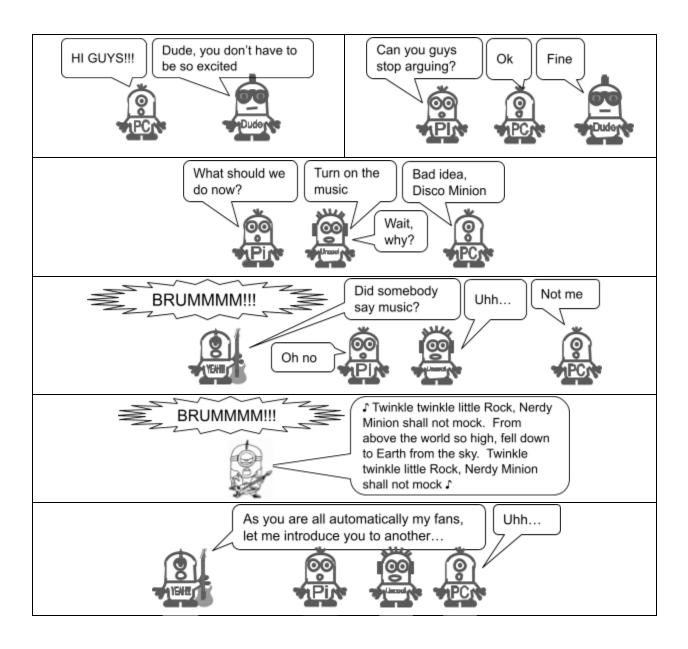
Second, the pieces of fabric are sewn together using sewing machines to create the skin of the teddy bear.

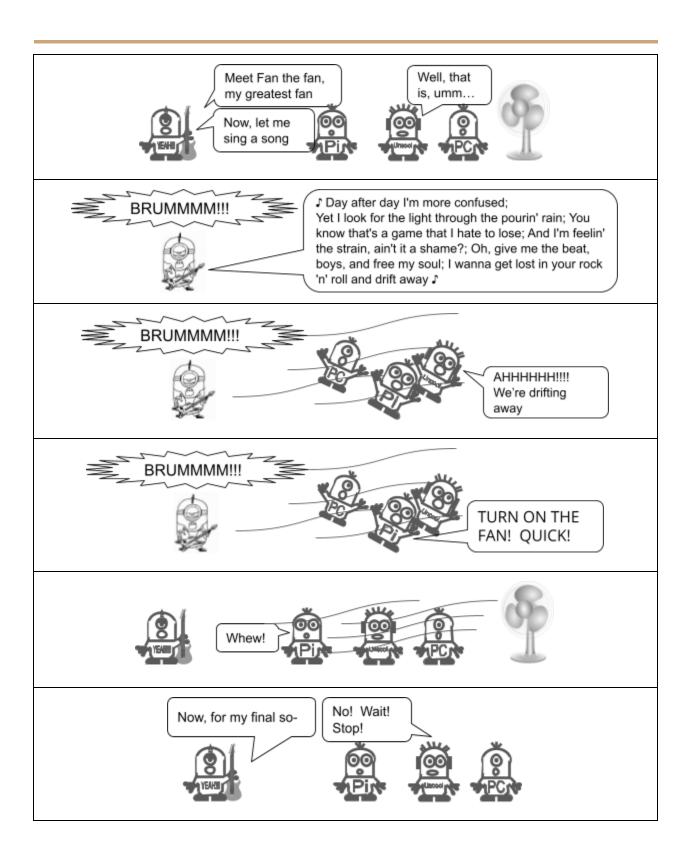
Third, the bear is stuffed through the back with stuffing.

Finally, the hole in the back of the teddy bear where the stuffing was pushed in is sewn closed, and details like clothes are added.

## **The Footnote Comics**

Unfortunately, due to technical difficulties, we could not put the footnote comics in, well, the footnotes. Because of that, we're putting them here.







The Pastor's Child Issue 20. Issue 21 coming out in two Sundays.

**Remember:** Church at 10:30 AM in the church building (525 A St NE). Prayer Service on Zoom or at church at 5:00 pm.

## Thanks for reading!

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