

# Family Learning Bulletin

September 2011

## News Last Month:

- William & Kate visited Canada.
- China opened the world's longest sea bridge, 42km long.
- Rupert Murdoch appeared before a panel of politicians to answer questions about phone hacking. His News of the World Sunday newspaper was closed down.
- The space shuttle Atlantis made its last flight.
- The final Harry Potter film was released.
- Huge numbers of people worked together to clear up after 3 days of serious riots in London.

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The simple gift of being kind is greater than all the wisdom of the wise.

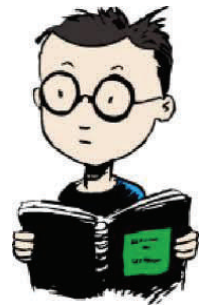
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### Next Month:

- A better you
- Concentration
- Website of the Month

## DEVELOPING YOUR VALUES

Have you ever spent some time deciding what is really important to you?  
 What are your core values?  
 How do you want to live your life?



**A set of personal values is like a good ladder that helps you to reach the top of the right wall.**

It is not always easy to decide. To help, ask yourself:

- (a) What in the past have I done that made me feel good about myself, and what made me feel bad about myself?
- (b) What qualities in other people do I think are important or I would like to have?



Below is a list of just some of the things you might like to consider.

*Calm Cleanliness Commitment Concern for others  
 Fairness Fun Goodness Hard work  
 Individuality Inner peace Integrity Loyalty Openness  
 Power Punctuality Reliability  
 Respect for others Self-giving Simplicity Skill Strength  
 Tranquillity Trust Truth Wisdom*



**WORD MORPH** Can you morph the word REST to the word FLAG in 5 moves, changing just one letter each time?

**GOOGLE CHALLENGE:** Do doors open outward or inward, and why?

## CAREER ABC

Cinema managers work for major cinema chains (which are often part of large leisure groups) and small independent or local cinemas. Responsibilities of the job include recruiting, training, managing and appraising staff, keeping financial and statistical records, writing reports and financial forecasts, promoting and marketing films, managing budgets, dealing with customer enquiries and complaints. The work can involve regular



long hours, evening, weekend and public holiday work. A degree in any subject is acceptable

for entry into the profession, although employers may prefer graduates with qualifications in subjects such as business studies, management, travel/tourism or recreation/leisure studies. Relevant experience is not normally needed, although part-time or holiday work can be beneficial. There is a lot of competition for these jobs. All candidates must be confident, commercially aware and capable of forming good relationships with a wide range of people. Good business and IT skills are also valuable.



## Website of the month

[www.blogger.com](http://www.blogger.com)

Create your own 'Blog' (a daily diary that you share with the world online) for free.



There are customisable templates and a video tutorial to help you set up.

You can get statistics about your Blog showing how many people have read it.

If your Blog becomes very popular there is even a facility to start making money from it! You can explore 'Blogs of note' which show you the ways that people Blog.

If you find that Twitter does not have enough words for what you want to say....try blogging!



## ENVIRONMENT MATTERS

We use £800 million worth of electricity by using washing machines, tumble dryers and dishwashers. This produces 5 million tonnes (28.5 million double-decker buses) of carbon dioxide each year.

Using an efficient tumble dryer can cut energy wastage by almost a third.



**Better still, dry clothes on a washing line!!**

## My Word!

### Growlery

A place to go when you are in a bad mood or upset.

A place to be alone and think things over.

How full would your school Growlery be?



## BRAINQUIZ

An island has an eccentric postal system. Postage can be anything from 1p to 15p and you must use exact postage.

Frustratingly, there is only space on envelopes to attach a maximum of three stamps and they only have three different denominations of stamps, can you work out what they are?



**LAST MONTH'S ANSWERS:** They have their backs to each other. **GOOGLECHALLENGE:** A ghost.  
**MATHEMAGICIAN:** 24 days