

What do you know?

Colorado Kids: December 3, 2019

1. Which of these lessons might you get from Shannon Messenger, based on the interview?
 - q. Before you start writing, make a very detailed outline of exactly what is going to happen.
 - n. Writing is a combination of planning and letting your imagination run free.
 - r. You should never write about anything you have not personally experienced.
 - t. all of the above

2. What current crisis is the subject of “The Boy at the Back of the Class”?
 - r. The refugee crisis
 - l. The opioid crisis
 - y. Climate change
 - n. all of the above

3. Which of these statements about Albania is true?
 - v. They just had a very destructive earthquake there.
 - t. The country is near Greece and Serbia.
 - x. Albania is one of the Balkan countries.
 - w. all of the above

4. According to the article, why are astronomers upset with Elon Musk’s Starlink project?
 - u. They feel high speed Internet access is not important.
 - e. They’re afraid one of the little satellites will fall and damage an observatory.
 - i. Reflections of light from the satellites are making it hard to see faint stars and other objects.
 - o. all of the above

5. What might you see if you went to Breckinridge this Saturday, December 7?
 - o. People picking oranges from the trees on Main Street.
 - u. A herd of zebras walking down Main Street.
 - a. A whole bunch of Santas running down Main Street.
 - e. all of the above

6. What was the main joke in this week’s Big Nate?
 - d. Nate gave Gina a whole long lecture on how wrong she was, but it turns out she was right.
 - e. Rubber ducks can’t fit in a terrarium.
 - f. Gina made a silly mistake because, of course, a rubber duck couldn’t be company.
 - g. all of the above

Fill in the letters to the correct answers above to solve this puzzler:

This Australian city was named for a famous scientist by the crew of a ship on which he had taken a famous voyage a few years earlier.

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What do you think?

Shannon Messenger uses a combination of planning and instinct for her writing. Do you like working with outlines, just letting your imagination take over, or, like her, a combination? Explain your answer.

Proofreading:

There are five errors in this passage. Can you find them all? Correct each mistake in the space above it.

They make a plant to help track down Ahmets parents and bring them to england before the gate's close, but times ticking.

Summarize the story:

Use three sentences to tell about this week's Big Nate.

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Look it up!

Shannon Messenger is a popular author of fantasy novels. For each of these famous books in that genre, tell the author and the year the novel was published. We've done the first one for you.

The Hobbit	J.R.R. Tolkien	1937
A Wizard of Earthsea		
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland		
The Voyage of the Dawn Treader		
The Last Unicorn		
The Lightning Thief		