



Some apps we love

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We love using apps to play games, watch movies and more. Here are just some of our favorites:

YouTube is awesome because you can watch your favorite videos. Some of the videos that Logan likes to watch are professional sports where everyone is doing their best, but Danny prefers sports fails. Jake likes to watch videos about Airsoft guns and gear (it's a little like paintball, but without all the mess).

Snapchat is amazing because you can text your friends and send them pictures. The filters for the pictures can change your face — you can add dog faces or even make your friends look like pizzas. Netflix is fun



App-happy Kidsday reporters are, from left, Angel Sanchez, Jake Appel, Logan Murphy and Daniel DeLuca.

because you can watch entire movies without commercials.

In Madden NFL Mobile, you can make your own football team and pick your own players from the current and old-timer roster. Flip Master is a game where you perform stunts on a trampoline.

Angel's favorite app is Super Mario Run. It's like playing on a Nintendo console, but you can

take it with you. Angel also enjoys Color Switch. It's a strategy game to match colors of different shapes as you tap the screen. It's hard, but he is very good at it.

Audible is a good app because it reads to you, and you can pick a book you like. Logan likes it because it makes it easier to understand books for both school and enjoyment.

I help in the church nursery

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One of my favorite things to do on Sundays is go to my church, Bethpage Assembly of God, and work in the nursery. I help take care of the babies while their parents attend services. I play with them, I have them color and I give them crackers to eat. I even clean up their messes. I also help organize the supply cabinets.

Church services are from

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. I do it because it is fun and it helps the parents concentrate while our pastor is speaking.

The nursery is arranged so parents drop the babies off and sign them in. I need to know if they have allergies. Sometimes some of the kids need to be separated because they fight over toys. I try to help them work that out. What is interesting is how they play silently and sometimes they get along with each other.



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CLASS OF THE WEEK Sue Casey, Debbie Dombrowski, Heather Mason and Kerstin Murphy's seventh- and eighth-grade students, **JONAS E. SALK MIDDLE SCHOOL**, Levittown

advice



ASK AMY
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DEAR READERS: This week I am running topical "Best Of" columns while I'm on a book tour, meeting readers of my memoir, "Strangers Tend to Tell Me Things," which is now out in paperback. I'll be back next week with more answers and advice directed toward a fresh batch of dilemmas.

DEAR AMY: Our next-door neighbor is someone most people would think of as an ornery old man — who is probably an alcoholic. He rarely acknowledges anyone, drinks and smokes while tinkering in his garage every day and does things like keeping the kids' soccer balls when they land in his yard until a parent comes to retrieve it with the child. We ignore his alcohol breath and unpleasant personality and have a civil relationship with him. We have taught our children to be respectful, no matter how much they dislike him (unlike some others in the neighborhood). He has been a good neighbor by informing us when our garage door is open late at night,

our outdoor pipes are leaking or gushing water, etc. I have asked him for advice on what to do regarding an outdoor household problem, and he has voluntarily fixed it for us with supplies from his garage. He doesn't stop until it's done correctly in line with his high standards. We thank him profusely and have "repaid" him with bottles of good wine, which makes him very happy. Are we being "enablers" by repaying a likely alcoholic with wine?

Enabler

DEAR ENABLER: Sidestepping the issue of enabling, I'd like to point out that when you give your neighbor wine, you are providing him with the tools to make him less competent, healthy and (selfishly speaking) less useful to you. If you were really grateful, you could also throw in a carton of smokes, making him happy but decreasing his life span.

There are many ways to thank this good neighbor that don't involve feeding his addiction — for instance, you could give him a gift card to his favorite hardware store. You also could offer to rake his leaves or shovel the walk this winter.

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DAILY BRIDGE CLUB | By Frank Stewart

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ J 7 5
♥ A 9 7 6 5 2
♦ 8 4 3
♣ K

WEST

♠ 9 6 4 3 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ J 9 6 5
♣ 3

EAST

♠ Q 8
♥ J 8 4 3
♦ 7 2
♣ 7 6 5 4 2

SOUTH

♠ A K 10
♥ None
♦ A K Q 10
♣ A Q J 10 9 8

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♦	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
7 ♣(!)	All Pass		

Opening lead — ♥ K

"If at first you don't succeed, you may already be at your level of incompetence." — corollary to the Peter Principle

Too many declarers give a contract just one chance — and if at first they don't succeed, they're toast. At today's seven clubs, South took the ace of hearts and threw his 10 of spades. He overtook the king of trumps and cashed five more trumps and the A-K

of spades. Declarer then took the top diamonds but lost the 13th trick to West, who had clung to his diamonds.

South basically gave himself one chance. How would you play the grand slam?

GOOD LUCK

South should play a low heart from dummy at Trick One, ruff in his hand and take the A-K of spades. If East-West played low, South would lead a trump to dummy's king, discard the 10 of spades on the ace of hearts, and hope for luck in diamonds.

But when East's queen of spades falls, South can draw trumps, lead a spade to dummy and discard his 10 of diamonds on the ace of hearts.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold:
♠ J 7 5
♥ A 9 7 6 5 2
♦ 8 4 3
♣ K

Your partner opens one spade, and the next player bids two diamonds. What do you say?
ANSWER: This case is close. If the hand were J 7 5, A K 7 6 5 2, 8 4 3, 2, I would favor a bid of two hearts, planning to support the spades cheaply next. As it is, the king of clubs may be wasted for offense, and the heart suit may not be a source of tricks. I would settle for a raise to two spades.