

DG Cool Pick



MEGA MAGZ!

We couldn't keep our hands off Magz! Sure, they look like something for your little brother, but they're a blast for anyone! The magnet bars stick to the metal balls, making it possible to put together the coolest creations. Trust us—you'll love 'em!

Fifty-six piece Magz set, \$14.99; available at toy stores nationwide or at www.magz.com.

Then & Now



REESE WITHERSPOON

Star of *Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde*.

Then: Photo courtesy of Cinemastars.
Now: Photo courtesy of Touchstone Home Entertainment.

Who invented that?

Silly Putty



You can stretch it like taffy, mold it like clay, or bounce it like a rubber ball. But as amazing as Silly Putty is, its own inventor couldn't think of a use for it!

During World War II, scientist James Wright was looking for a substitute for rubber when he came up with Silly Putty. Wright's mixture of silicon oil and boric acid didn't cut it as a rubber replacement, but it did have unique qualities. He sent samples to engineers worldwide, but none of them could think of a practical use for it. Then, in 1949, toyshop owner Ruth Fallgatter was handed a piece at a party—and couldn't put it down. The "bouncing putty" soon outsold everything in her catalog except crayons!

Since then, more than 4.5 tons of Silly Putty have been produced—enough to make a ball the size of the Goodyear blimp!

Foreign Phrases



FRANCE

Some people say that French is the most beautiful language in the world. What do you think?

Hello: *Bonjour*
(bon-ZHOOR)

Good-bye: *Au revoir*
(oh ruh-VWHAR)

Yes: *Oui* (wee)

No: *Non* (non)

Thank you
Merci (mehr-SEE)

What's your name?
Quel est ton nom?
(kel eh ton non)

My name is...
Je m'appelle
(zhuh ma-PEL...)

one: *un* (un)

two: *deux* (duh)

three: *trois* (trwa)

four: *quatre* (katr)

five: *cing* (sank)

six: *six* (sees)

seven: *sept* (set)

eight: *huit* (weet)

nine: *neuf* (nuhf)

ten: *dix* (dees)

red: *rouge* (roozh)

orange: *orange*
(o-RONZH)

yellow: *jaune* (zhohn)

green: *vert* (vehr)

blue: *bleu* (bluh)

purple: *violet*
(vee-o-LAY)

pink: *rose* (roz)

black: *noir* (nwar)

white: *blanc* (blon)

brown: *marron*
(ma-RON)

Poll Results...

from the survey in our April/May issue.



Your favorite sports are:

- 1: Basketball
- 2: Soccer
- 3: Swimming

Your favorite activities are:



- 1: Sports
- 2: Listening to Music
- 3: Reading
- 4: Crafts/Art



Your favorite stores are:

- 1: Limited Too
- 2: Old Navy
- 3: Target



Your favorite TV shows are:

- 1: Lizzie McGuire
- 2: SpongeBob SquarePants
- 3: That's So Raven
- 4: 7th Heaven



Your favorite movie stars are:

- 1: Hilary Duff
- 2: Reese Witherspoon
- 3: Jennifer Lopez



Your favorite singers are:

- 1: Avril Lavigne
- 2: Eminem
- 3: Britney Spears

In Our Mail



Rose, age 7, Del.



Morgan, age 8, Colo.



Jaci, age 10, Ill.

Did You Know



Shopping for Dollars

Do you just love to shop? Ever wish you could turn that passion into a business—and make some major bucks in the process? Meet Meg Whitman, the CEO (chief executive officer) of eBay, “the world’s largest online marketplace.” If you’ve ever visited eBay (www.ebay.com), you know you can buy almost anything there, new or used, with just a few mouse clicks! EBay started out as a place for people to meet online and sell things they no longer wanted, sort of like a huge online garage sale. Few people knew about the site, but Meg realized eBay had potential. In just a few years, she managed to turn it into one of the most successful Internet businesses in the world, with more than 67 million users. Now that’s a woman who knows shopping!