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## President Lee mourns loss of sailors

On April 19, President Lee Myung-bak delivered a nationwide speech related to the sunken naval ship Cheonan. During his speech, the president shed tears as he called out the names of the dead and missing sailors and commemorated them.

President Lee said that the government was determined to find out the cause of the disaster. He also pledged to take resolute measures against those responsible for the sinking. "As the president, I will ascertain the cause of the Cheonan's sinking to the last detail," he said.

## Uganda crowns teenage king

Ugandan King Oyo turned 18 and was given full responsibility to control the Tooro kingdom.

He succeeded his father in 1995. He was only 3 when he took the throne. Oyo is currently the youngest king in the world.

Until his coronation, which took place on April 17, an appointed board of advisers helped him rule the kingdom. Now that King Oyo has reached adulthood and has been crowned, he is capable of making decisions without consulting his advisers.



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## Iran tops 'negative' list

According to a poll conducted by BBC and Yomiuri Shimbun, Iran seemed to have the most negative influence in the world. About 56 percent of the \*respondents said that Iran had the most negative influence in the world. Pakistan (51 percent), Israel (50 percent) and North Korea (48 percent) followed.

Germany was selected as the most \*favorably viewed country. Around 59 percent of the respondents said that Germany's influence in the world was positive.

The poll was conducted from November last year to February this year. Around 30,000 people participated.

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## Korean film to be shown in France

"Poetry," a Korean film, will be released in France in August. According to production company officials, a French movie \*distributor invested \$35,000 in the production of the movie.

"Poetry" is about a woman who raises her teenage granddaughter.

The woman is in her mid-60s. She accidentally attends a \*literature course and writes poems for the first time.

The film, which was invited to this year's Cannes Film Festival, was directed by Lee Chang-dong.



### Word Guide

President Lee mourns loss of sailors 이명박 대통령 천안함 사망자 애도하다: \*shed tears 눈물을 흘리다 \*commemorate 기념하다 \*resolute 확고한  
\*ascertain 알아내다  
Uganda crowns teenage king 우간다 10대 국왕 왕위에 앉하다: \*responsibility 책임감 \*succeed 계승하다 \*coronation 대관식 \*adviser 고문, 조연자  
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# Iceland's volcanic ash grounds flights



A passenger points at a board at the Frankfurt airport's flight information system, which shows many flights as 'CANCELLED' on April 18. (AP Photo/Reuters)



A motorist drives along a road near Eyjafjallajökull volcano on April 17. (AP Photo/Reuters)

A massive cloud of ash from an Icelandic volcano that erupted April 14 has paralyzed air travel across Europe and other parts of the world.

Flights across Europe and other continents were canceled, stranding tens of thousands of air passengers in what has been one of the worst travel disruptions since World War II.

Ireland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Belgium closed their airspace. France and Germany followed. According to Eurocontrol, some 16,000 flights were canceled on April 16 alone.

"We made it all the way to takeoff on the plane. They even showed us the safety video," 29-year-old Brit Sarah Davis told the Associated Press. "I'm upset. I only get so much vacation."

U.S. President Barack Obama and other world leaders were kept from attending Polish President Lech

Kaczynski's funeral.

Korea, as was rest of the Asia, has also been affected. About 90 flights between Seoul and Europe were canceled over the three days since April 16. Canceled were routes to and from London, Paris, Helsinki, Amsterdam, and Frankfurt, among others.

A volcano beneath Iceland's Eyjafjallajökull (ay-yah-FYAH'-plah-yer-kuh-duhl) glacier began erupting April 14. It melted a 250 meter glacier around it, triggering several floods and shooting smoke and steam into the sky.

The ash cloud drifted at between 6,000 meters and 11,000 meters, where it could cause jet engine failure and affect airplane visibility.

As of April 18, the volcano continued to spit out ash and cause small-scale eruptions.

The International Air Transport

Association said the volcano was costing the aviation industry more than \$200 million in losses every day.

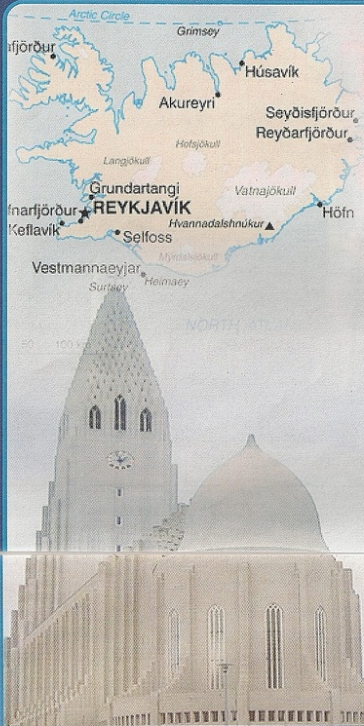
Businesses around the world were also worried. They said that the travel ban could wreak havoc on the transportation of food supplies and other essential goods.

"Some businesses will be affected by the inability for freight to get in and out of the country," Howard Archer, chief economist at HIS Global Insight in London told the Associated Press. "As long as the disruption is not too long, this should not be a major problem. The main problem will be for goods that are perishable."

On the other hand, rail, bus and ferry tour operators were experiencing increased sales as people turned to ground transportation to get to their destinations.

By Kim Min-hee and news reports





# Iceland

Iceland is an island country located in the North Atlantic Ocean just south of the \*Arctic Circle.

From London, it takes about three hours by plane to get there. From New York, it takes five hours – it is the United States' closest European destination.

Because it is situated along the mid-ocean ridge of the Atlantic Ocean, Iceland is \*volcanically active. The country is known for its glaciers, which take up 11 percent of its surface. Glacier exploration attracts visitors from around the world.

Seventy percent of the country's surface also stands 400 meters above sea level and is \*uninhabitable.

Iceland, a country of about 320,000 people, is a rich country. Its main export item is fisheries products. But in the last decade, manufacturing and service industries, including financial services, have also developed. However, the country is currently \*reeling from a currency crisis that started in 2008.

The capital of Iceland is Reykjavik, a highly metropolitan city. Icelandic is the main language used, but English is also widely spoken.

The country enjoys milder temperatures than in most places of similar latitude thanks to the warm North Atlantic Current.



1. What caused the flights to be cancelled?

- a) floods
- b) volcanic ash in the air
- c) Polish president's death

2. Which is a route that was affected by the volcano?

- a) between Seoul and London
- b) between Seoul and Tokyo
- c) between Seoul and Busan

3. What kind of products did Howard Archer say would be affected by the flight cancellations?

- a) aviation products
- b) durable products
- c) perishable products



## Word Guide

Iceland's volcanic ash grounds flights 아이슬란드 화산재로 비행기 결항 \*erupt 분출하다 \*strand 밧을 묶다 \*disruption 혼란 \*airspace 영공 \*only get so much-~가 많지 않다 \*glacier 빙하 \*spit out 내뿜다 \*aviation industry 항공업계 \*wreak havoc on-~에 피해를 입히다 \*perishable 잘 상하는, 썩는  
Iceland 아이슬란드 \*Arctic Circle 북극권 한계선 \*volcanically active 화산 활동이 활발한 \*uninhabitable 사람이 살 수 없는 \*reel from-~때문에 휘청거리다

Answer: 1.b 2.a 3.c



# Second Naro launch scheduled for June 9



Naro-1 lifts off from Naro Space Center on Aug. 25 last year.  
Ahn Hoon/The Korea Herald

The second launch of Naro, Korea's first satellite rocket, will take place on June 9, Education Ministry officials said April 19. The rocket was jointly developed with Russia.

If the launch is \*deterred by weather or other circumstances, the launch will take place on June 19.

"Considering all technical details and other conditions, we have confirmed the date of Naro's second launch," an official said at a press conference.

The time of the launch will be between 4:30 p.m. and 6:40 p.m. Later afternoon was chosen as the scientists in charge may be exhausted in the early morning hours from their all-night preparation.

The precise time will be \*pinpointed on the actual launching date, in consideration of the \*orbit of other satellites and the expected movement of \*spatial objects, which may possibly

\*collide with Naro.

The detailed Naro schedule will be reported to neighboring countries, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the U.N.-affiliated International Maritime Organization in order to \*safeguard airspace and the surrounding seas, officials said.

Preparations for the second Naro launch started on April 8 as the Science Technology Satellite No. 2 was transferred from the KAIST Satellite Technology Research Center in Daejeon to the Naro Space Center in Goheung, South Jeolla Province.

The first-stage rocket and the satellite are presently being \*assembled. The combination will be joined by the second-stage rocket in May.


The completed Naro will be moved to the \*launching pad two days before the actual launching date, after a final check. The first launching attempt of

Naro ended in failure last August.

The KSLV-1, also called Naro-1, was a 140-ton, two-stage rocket jointly developed by the Korea Aerospace Research Institute and Russia's Khrunichev State Space Science and Production Center. It was designed to place a 100-kilogram scientific satellite into low Earth orbit.

The rocket lifted off successfully from the Naro Space Center 485 kilometers south of Seoul, but the satellite did not gain proper orbital \*velocity and fell back to the Earth shortly after takeoff.

An independent panel confirmed that one of the two \*fairings – used to cover and protect the satellite – failed to separate properly. This prevented the satellite from gaining sufficient velocity to reach the desired orbit. Korea has spent 502.4 billion won (\$428.1 million) on the Naro project since August 2002.

 By Bae Hyun-jung (tellme@heraldm.com)



# Korea's aerospace industry



Korea's aerospace industry is still in its beginning stage. Korea is far behind its East Asian neighbors, not to mention traditional \*powerhouses like the United States and Russia.

However, Korea has made fast progress over the years.

Last year, Korea opened a space center in South Jeolla Province. Only 12 other countries in the world have their own space centers.

The Naro Space Center has a launch pad capable of sending four rockets a year into space, a main control center, a radar \*tracking station and other facilities.

Korea has sent 10 satellites into space, but all of them

with help of other countries. The country sent its first micro-satellite, named Uribyol 1, into orbit in 1992. Uribyol 1 was made in the U.K. with assistance from University of Surrey.

The aerospace industry is a high-technology oriented, \*high value-added sector. Many countries are \*keen on applying the knowledge gained in the area to other fields.

President Lee Myung-bak \*made a commitment to support the development of the country's aerospace industry despite the high costs. He said that efforts will be made so the country could become one of the seven leading aerospace nations during the next decade. 🎧



1. What could make the second launch be moved to a later date than June 9?  
a) Failure of the first attempt  
b) Cost problem  
c) Bad weather
2. Why will the Naro launch take place in late afternoon?  
a) To allow more time for examination  
b) So the scientists can get some rest  
c) To allow Russian scientists to observe the event
3. Which is not true about the Naro-1 launch?  
a) The rocket lifted off successfully.  
b) A problem arose with one of the fairings.  
c) It gained proper orbital velocity.



## Word Guide

Second Naro launch scheduled for June 9 나로호 2차 6월 9일에 발사: \*deterred by~ ~에 의해 그만두게 되다 \*pinpoint (위치, 시간을) 정확히 해주다 \*orbit 궤도  
 \*spatial 공간의 \*collide with~ ~와 충돌하다 \*safeguard 보호하다 \*assemble 조립하다 \*launching pad 발사대 \*velocity 속도 \*fairing 페어링 (위성보호 덮개)  
 Korea's aerospace industry 한국의 항공우주 산업 \*powerhouse 대국, 강자 \*track 추적하다 \*high value-added 부가가치가 높은  
 \*keen on~ ~를 간절히 하고 싶어하는 \*make a commitment to~ ~를 하기로 약속하다

Answer: 1) c) 2) b) 3) c





# College grads favor Samsung Electronics

Samsung Electronics has been selected as college students' most desirable \*workplace.

Online \*recruiting company Job Korea and Campusmon conducted a survey of 1,631 college students.

Out of the country's top 100 companies, 18.6 percent of the students selected Samsung Electronics as their No. 1 choice.

Korean Airlines (8.2 percent) and CJ Cheiljedang (7.8 percent) \*trailed Samsung Electronics. Kookmin Bank, SK Telecom, Posco, Asiana Airlines, Lotte Shopping, Samsung SDI and



Korea Electric Power Corporation were also among the companies that were preferred by college students.

Samsung Electronics has \*maintained the top place for seven consecutive years since Job Korea started the annual survey. Apart from Samsung Electronics, POSCO, SK Telecom, Kookmin Bank and Korean Airlines also made the top 10 seven years in row.

Most of the students who participated in the survey prioritized corporate image and corporate culture when choosing a

\*desired work place.

By Yeom Min-a (mina@heraldm.com)

## Corporate image

SAMSUNG

삼성전자

Corporate image is the public image or reputation of a company.

Corporate image has a big influence on the company. If it has a good corporate image, customers will want to use that company's goods or services. This could lead to higher \*profits. On the contrary, if a company does not \*appeal to the public, it will have a harder time

earning a profit.

Companies try their best to have a good corporate image. Companies make sure they are selling quality products, check how their products are sold and see if customers are getting proper after-sales service.

There are other factors that \*contribute to the creation of corporate

image. One of these factors is the media.

If the media \*highlights good deeds of a company, the public might have a positive image of the company. But if there are negative reports of a company, such as \*recalls of products, the corporate image would drop.

By Yeom Min-a (mina@heraldm.com)

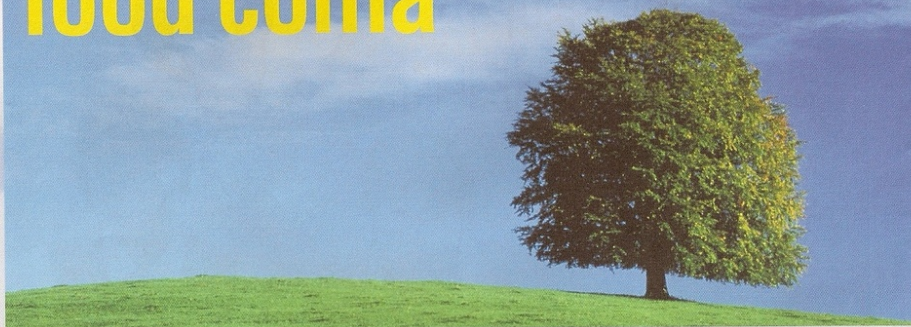


### Word Guide

College grads favor Samsung Electronics 대졸들은 삼성전자를 선호한다. \*workplace 직장 \*recruit 채용하다 \*trail 뒤를 따르다 \*maintain 유지하다 \*desired 희망했던  
Corporate image 기업 이미지 \*profit 이익 \*appeal to~의 관심을 끌다 \*contribute 기여하다 \*highlight 강조하다 \*recall 회수



# Fighting off food coma



It is that time of the year again. The time where your eyelids become heavier and your body is overcome with drowsiness after meal consumption. In spring, it is common for people to experience these feelings following meals. This phenomenon is called "postprandial somnolence," or colloquially referred to as "food coma."

Food coma symptoms include sleepiness, sluggishness and lack of motivation. In most cases, people experience symptoms after lunch. But that doesn't mean it doesn't happen after breakfast or dinner. It can basically happen at any time of the day.

There are a number of reasons why people suffer from food comas. One widely accepted reason is related to digestion and the quantity of food eaten. When one eats food, energy is required for the body to digest it. If one decides to be greedy and pig out, a lot of energy is used up for digestion. This in turn leaves little energy for other body functions, thus making the person tired.

Another food coma cause has to do with the type of food consumed. When foods with a high glycemic index are eaten, the insulin level rises. This causes the brain to take up more tryptophan, a type of amino acid. Increased levels of

tryptophan in the brain raises serotonin and melatonin levels in the body, which both induce sleepiness. Processed products such as sugar and white flour are examples of foods with a high glycemic index.

It is hard to resist sleepiness induced by a food coma, so many people just give in and let themselves crawl into bed. This is not a good way to deal with the symptoms. A wiser decision is to try one of the following:

- 1) Stand up and walk around or go out to take a brisk walk.
- 2) Take long, deep breaths.
- 3) Wash your face with cold water.
- 4) Bend over forwards while standing or sitting to put your head below the heart. This helps oxygen get to the brain.
- 5) Engage in activities and try to stay active instead of staying immobile.

Also, here are some tips to avoid getting food coma:

- 1) Make sure to eat breakfast. Remember how food comas are caused by pigging out? If you skip breakfast, there is a higher chance of overeating later.





- 2) Avoid eating too much \*carbohydrates or foods with a high glycemic index.
- 3) Take deep breaths throughout the day. Deep breaths help carry fresh oxygen to the brain so it relaxes and \*revitalizes the body.
- 4) Eat small snacks during the day. Protein bars or fruits containing vitamins are healthy midday snacks.
- 5) Get some sun. Sunlight not only lifts your mood, but is

the \*primary source for vitamin D.

As winter is officially over, the weather is getting warmer by the day. Many people might be suffering from food comas due to the sudden shift in the weather. Some people may still want to \*hibernate and stay lazily in bed.

By Yoo Bo-lam (boamyo@heraldm.com)



1. What is a colloquial term for postprandial somnolence?
  - a) Food coma
  - b) Food poisoning
  - c) Processed food
2. What is not an example of processed food?
  - a) White flour
  - b) Sugar
  - c) Egg
3. At what time of the day do most people experience a food coma?
  - a) Breakfast
  - b) Lunch
  - c) Dinner

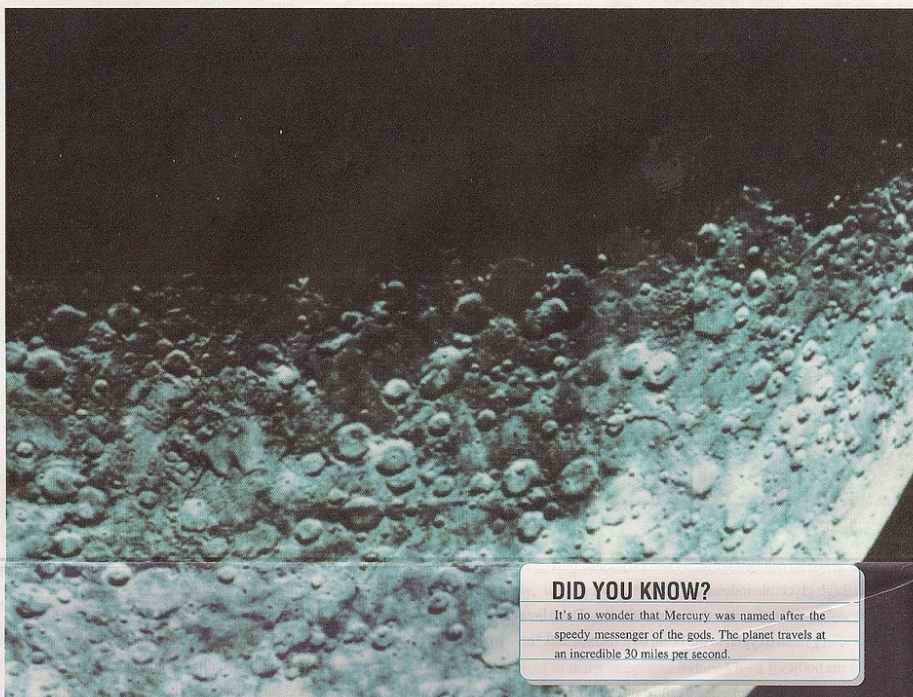


### Word Guide

Fighting off food coma 식곤증을 물리치는 법: \*drowsiness 졸림 \*colloquially 일상적인 대화체의 \*sluggishness 나른함 \*pig out 돼지같이 먹다  
 \*glycemic index 혈당지수 \*insulin 인슐린 \*induce 유발하다 \*processed 가공된 \*brisk 빠른 \*immobile 움직이지 않는 \*carbohydrate 탄수화물  
 \*revitalize 새로운 활력을 주다 \*primary 주된 \*hibernate冬眠하다

Answer: 1) a 2) c 3) b





#### DID YOU KNOW?

It's no wonder that Mercury was named after the speedy messenger of the gods. The planet travels at an incredible 30 miles per second.

#### NEWS

## Where are the gray whales?



\*Conservationists are worried about a possible drop in the population of California gray whales. According to whale watchers in California, \*sightings have dropped from 25 a day in good years to about five a day this season.

"Where are the whales?" "Where are the whales?" the Associated Press quoted Bill Reese, a boat captain, as saying recently.

The recovery of the California gray whale population, which the locals love to watch from cliff tops and boats as they swim south to Baja, had been an environmental success story. With only about 12,000 remaining, the whales were \*listed as endangered in 1970. Authorities put a ban on commercial hunting. With regular monitoring, the mammals' population

\*rebounded to more than 20,000.

They were removed from the endangered list in 1994.

After being taken off the list, monitoring has weakened. Only three survey counts have been released in the past decade. The International Whaling Commission will also allow some hunting over the next decade. The 2006 count suggested the species' population is still about 20,000.

However, a \*calf count conducted last year was the lowest since 2001.

By Kim Min-hee (mhkim@heraldm.com)



# The planet nearest to the sun



Mariner 10 space probe, which sent back to Earth valuable pictures and other data about Mercury © Corbis

Mercury is the first of our eight planets, the closest to the Sun. Because it seems to move so quickly across the night sky, it was named for the \*wing-footed Roman god. Mercury is visible to the \*naked eye from Earth, just before dawn and just after sundown.

Mercury is only slightly bigger than Earth's Moon. Its entire surface is airless, though many different gases surround the planet. Mercury is also a place of extreme temperatures. Its hottest temperature is 755°F and its coldest is 280°F.

In 1974 and 1975 the spacecraft Mariner 10 flew close to Mercury, sending back pictures and other information.

Scientists found the planet's surface covered with a layer of broken rock called "regolith."

Mercury also has large \*ice patches at its north pole.

Some regions of Mercury are covered with heavy \*craters, probably created when the planet ran into other bodies as it was forming. Other regions show gently \*rolling plains. These may have been smoothed by volcanic lava flow. The planet also features long \*steep cliffs called "scarps" in some areas.

Mercury takes 88 Earth days to go around the Sun once, which gives it a very short year.

But it takes 1,416 hours to complete one rotation about its axis, so it has a very long day.

Mercury has a sunrise only once in every two of its years. This is because, after one of its very long days, the Sun is in a different place in Mercury's sky. It takes three of Mercury's days (about 176 of our days) for the Sun to once again rise in the morning sky. 🎧

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## Word Guide

The planet nearest to the sun 태양에 가장 가까운 행성: \*wing-footed 길쭉이 파른

\*naked eye 육안 \*ice patch 작은 유빙 \*crater 분화구, 큰 구덩

\*rolling (산간, 시골 지역이) 완만하게 경사진 \*steep 가파른

Where are the gray whales? 캘리포니아 귀신고래는 어디에: \*conservationist 환경 보호

활동가 \*sighting 목격 \*list as endangered 멸종 위기 명단에 올리다 \*rebound 반등하다

\*call 고래 새끼



1. How long does it take Mercury to go around the Sun once?

a) 80 Earth days

b) 88 Earth days

c) 176 Earth days



## Kim Yu-na meets local fans at ice show

Kim Yu-na \*wrapped up her official 2009-2010 season at the "Festa on Ice 2010" skating show in Seoul on April 18.

Through the end of May, the Olympic gold medalist will spend her time with family while doing \*photo shoots and filming for brand \*endorsements.

For local fans, "Festa on Ice 2010," held at the Olympic Park Gymnastics Gymnasium in Jamsil, was a great chance to see the \*immensely popular skater up-close. About 11,000 people showed up to see the figure skating queen on the last day. The annual event, which combines figure skating and entertainment and is sponsored by KCC Engineering &



Construction, featured other world-leading figure skaters, including Shae-lynn Bourne, Kiira Korpi, Patrik Chan and Kwak Min-jung.

On April 18, Kim Yu-na opened the show by leading 14 other skaters onto the stage as "I've Gotta Feeling" by Black Eyed Peas played. She also performed "Meditation for Thais" in the show's first half.

As the show neared the end, Kim performed her Olympic-winning "007 James Bond Medley" program. \*Preceding the performance, Kim's Canadian coach Brian Orser made a surprise guest appearance. He was dressed in a tuxedo like the James Bond character and \*backflipped to the wild response of the audiences.

By Kim Min-hee (mhkim@heraldm.com)

## Jae-beom to star in U.S. movie



Months have passed since former 2PM leader Jae-beom. He left Korea after being criticized for leaving \*critical remarks about Korea on his MySpace account.

Although he \*withdrew from 2PM, he still continues to receive attention. After he went back to his \*hometown, Seattle, Washington, Jae-beom has been dancing and participating in competitions. Video clips of him dancing have been uploaded on YouTube.

Recent news came out that he would be appearing in the U.S. movie "Hype Nation."

According to an official of the movie, Jae-beom has signed a contract to star as the \*main character. Around 70 percent of the film will be shot in Korea so Jae-beom is expected to return for filming in June. "Hype Nation" deals with the lives of Western and Asian b-boys.

Movie officials are also looking for a member of a Korean girl group to appear in the movie. Last year, singer Son Dam-bi was originally given a role, but she \*dropped out after \*production of the movie was \*delayed.

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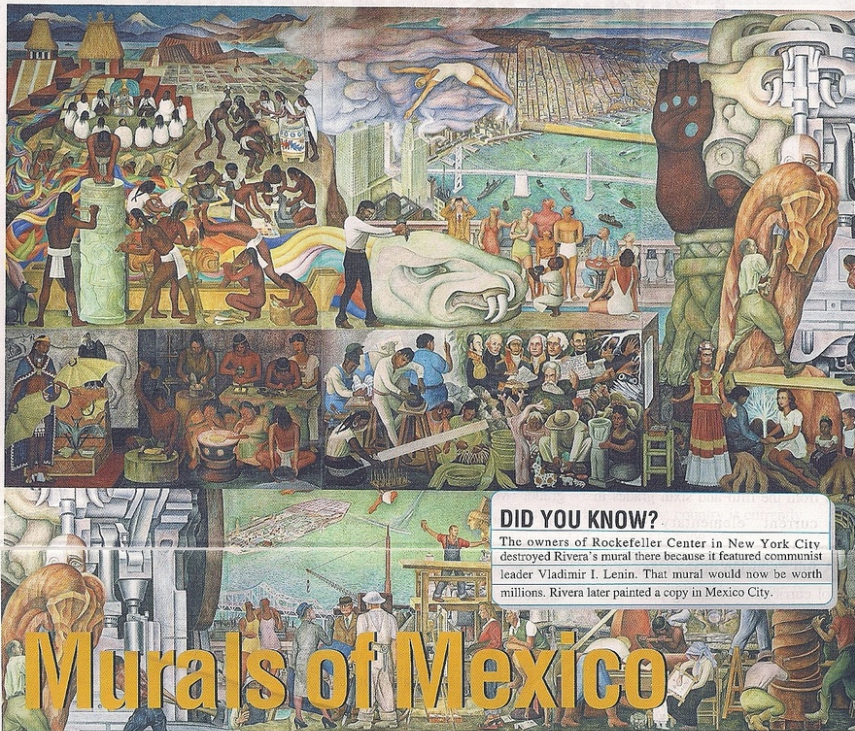
Kim Yu-na meets local fans at ice show 김연아 아이스쇼에서 한국 팬들 만나다: \*wrap up 마무리짓다 \*photo shoot 사진 촬영 \*endorsement 홍보

\*immensely 엄청나게, 대단히 \*precede ~에 앞서다 \*backflip 뒤로 공중제비를 낚다

Jae-beom to star in U.S. movie 재범 미국 영화에 출연한다: \*critical 비하하는 \*withdraw from ~에서 탈퇴하다 \*hometown 고향 \*drop out (참여하던 것에서) 빠지다 \*main character 주인공 \*production 제작 \*delay 미루다

Murals of Mexico 멕시코의 벽화들: \*bold 모양, 색깔 선 등이 선명한, 굵은 \*fellow 동료 \*revolutionary 혁명과 관련된 \*celebrate 찬양하다, 기리다 \*conquistador 정복자(16세기에 멕시코나 페루를 정복한 스페인 사람) \*peasant 소작농 \*flatten 납작하게 만들다 \*outline 윤곽을 보여주다 (나타내다)





#### DID YOU KNOW?

The owners of Rockefeller Center in New York City destroyed Rivera's mural there because it featured communist leader Vladimir I. Lenin. That mural would now be worth millions. Rivera later painted a copy in Mexico City.


When he was only 10 years old, Diego Rivera received a government scholarship to study art at the Academy of San Carlos in Mexico City. This would be the beginning of a brilliant art career.

Later, Rivera studied in Spain, and in 1909 he moved to Paris. There he became friends with important painters such as Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. While in France, Rivera began using simple forms and bold colors in his painting.

Rivera returned to Mexico in 1921 after meeting fellow Mexican painter David Alfaro Siqueiros. The two shared a goal. They decided to create a new, uniquely Mexican kind of art based on revolutionary themes. They wanted this art to decorate public buildings, so they decided to paint murals. Murals are paintings done on walls, either inside or outside of buildings. Rivera painted his first important mural, "Creation," for the National Preparatory School in Mexico City.

Rivera's many murals in his home country celebrated Mexican history and life. His paintings featured native Indians, Spanish conquistadores, Mexican peasants, factory workers, and famous philosophers, politicians, and other public figures. He liked to show how farming, industry, and culture were all connected in people's lives. His human figures had a flattened appearance and were outlined to emphasize their shape. His works were brightly colored and crowded with figures, which made his huge murals seem even larger.

Rivera was in the United States from 1930 to 1934. There he painted murals for the California School of Fine Arts in San Francisco, the Detroit Institute of Arts, and Rockefeller Center in New York City.

Rivera's wife, Frida Kahlo, was also an important painter. 

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## Children to start learning about Dokdo in 4<sup>th</sup> grade



The Korea Herald

Starting from next year, Korean children are going to learn about Dokdo from the fourth grade. Dokdo education starts from the fifth and sixth grades in the current elementary school curriculum.

"A full \*revision of the elementary school curriculum is taking place next

year, so we're going to review the \*reinforcement of Dokdo education in order to educate students from the fourth grade," Minister of Education, Science and Technology Ahn Byong-man said at the National Assembly on April 12.

As of now, the third and fourth grade textbooks only provide pictures of the

\*islets. The history and geography of Dokdo are included in the fifth and sixth grade textbooks since older students are more academically advanced than younger students to understand \*territorial conflict.

In Japan, fifth grade students will be learning that Dokdo (called Takeshima in Japan) is Japanese territory starting from next year. Last month, the Japanese government approved five fifth grade textbooks containing incorrect information about Dokdo for use in 2011. All five claim Japanese \*sovereignty over Dokdo and one even describes that Dokdo is being "illegally occupied by Korea."

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## Tallest dog in the world

This animal measures about 2.22 meters from head to tail and weighs about 111 kilograms. What do you think it is? Believe it or not, this description is of a dog. More specifically, it is a \*Great Dane, listed as the tallest dog in the world by the Guinness Book of World Records.

Named Giant George, the dog has held the "Tallest Dog" title since Feb. 22, 2010. He lives in Tucson, Arizona, with his owner David Nasser, his wife and 6-month-old baby.

Giant George is so big that he sleeps in his own king-sized bed and eats about 50



kilograms of food each month.

Though Giant George is unable to throw himself into his owner's arms like other small \*pooches, he gets to enjoy

many other \*privileges most dogs cannot even dream of. He made several magazine and TV appearances including The Oprah Winfrey Show and the Korean show TV Animal Farm, and has his own Facebook and Twitter pages.

"Besides being the tallest dog in the world, George has always been a meaningful dog that brought us happiness," said Nasser on TV Animal Farm. "I really hope he's the happiest dog in the world."

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Children to start learning about Dokdo in 4<sup>th</sup> grade 아이들 4학년 때부터 독도에 대해 배운다 \*revision 검토 \*reinforcement 강화 \*islet 작은 섬 \*territorial conflict

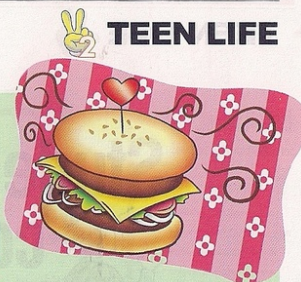
영토 분쟁 \*sovereignty 영유권

Tallest dog in the world 세상에서 가장 큰 개 \*Great Dane 그레이트 데인 (털이 짧고 몸집이 아주 큰 개) \*pooch 개 \*privilege 특권





## Reasons why youth obesity is rising



How often do you eat fast food? According to researchers, 44 percent of Korean youth eat fast food more than three times a week. About 18 percent suffer from obesity. Here are some reasons why the youth obesity rate is rising:

Many teenagers eat too much fast food. One hamburger set almost equals one day of recommended calorie intake. If you eat one hamburger set for breakfast, and if you eat lunch and dinner, you almost eat two days worth of food. If you eat fast food a lot, then it would be easier to become obese.

Did you know that the U.S. government banned TV advertisements of fast food because they thought this would reduce youth obesity? Fast food also contains lots of fat and sodium. For instance, French fries have twice more trans fatty acid than other snacks.

Secondly, it is because of a lack of exercise. During holidays and summer, what do you usually do? Researchers have showed

that about 50 percent of kids mostly watch TV or play computer games. Another problem is that we take our cars instead of walking, even if we are just going around the block.

Thirdly, stress is a factor. According to scientists, when they tested two similar people, the person who was stressed out more often put on more weight compared to the other person. Stress hormones store up fats and can increase the desire to eat. According to researchers, 70 percent of all obese people became obese due to stress.

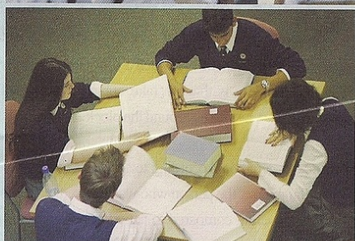
Lastly, another common cause of obesity is genetics. If everyone in your family is big, chances are you will be big, too.



By JH Student Reporter Chang Jae-Eun



# Students should attend co-ed schools



Some people claim that schools should separate students according to sex, while others emphasize advantages of co-ed schools. As far as I am concerned, boys and girls should study in the same school. Co-ed schools not only help students learn, they increase students' social abilities. Students also have a better understanding of the opposite sex.

Primarily, co-ed schools offer students the opportunity to get along with opposite sex by studying together. In order to successfully adapt to a society, people should help each other and recognize differences of both sexes. In co-ed schools, students naturally learn to get along with each other, acknowledging differences and similarities. In contrast, in boys' schools or girls' schools, students do not have such opportunities. In other words, to better prepare students for the real world, co-ed education is helpful.

Additionally, co-ed schools prevent students from picking up gender-based misconceptions. In the period of adolescence, most teenagers tend to have runaway imaginations or unreasonable expectations toward the opposite sex. But in co-ed schools, teenagers have access to sex education. In that sense, integrated school education is of great help to the establishment of proper gender understandings.

To conclude, students should attend integrated schools. Even though separated schools have benefits, integrated schools have more benefits.

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