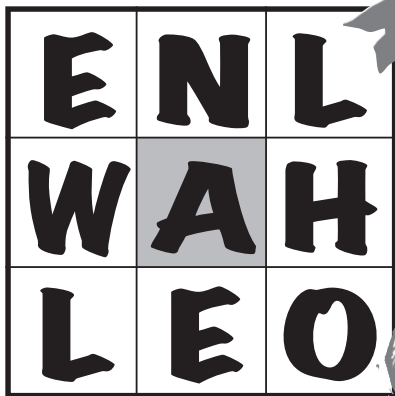


TARGET WORD PUZZLE



How many words of three or more letters can you find in our Target Word Puzzle? Each letter shown here may be used only once per word. Each word found must contain the center letter and there must be one nine-letter word in your list. No proper nouns and no hyphenated words are allowed.



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THE WORDS OF ETHEL BARRYMORE



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Ethel Barrymore was born on August 15, 1879 in Philadelphia, and died June 18, 1959 in Hollywood. Ethel Barrymore, of the Barrymore family of actors, was a stage performer in New York City and considered the "First Lady of the American Stage." She is Drew Barrymore's great-aunt. In 1897, Ethel was not well known. During a performance of *Secret Service*, where she was to play an insignificant role as a nurse, the leading actress became sick and went home wearing her costume. Ethel, who was still in her nurse's costume, was told that she must perform the role, and dressed as a nurse. Ethel did not know the part, but improvised impressively, and saved the show. After that, she was noticed by audiences. She performed in many plays and movies.

It is rumored that Winston Churchill asked Ethel to marry him, but she was not comfortable being a politician's wife, so she refused, although they remained close friends.

"You must learn day by day, year by year, to broaden your horizons. The more things you love, the more things you are interested in, the more you enjoy, the more you are indignant about."

The Staff of The Learning Curve reminds you, **Value Your Education!**

Learn more about Ethel Barrymore online at Wikipedia.

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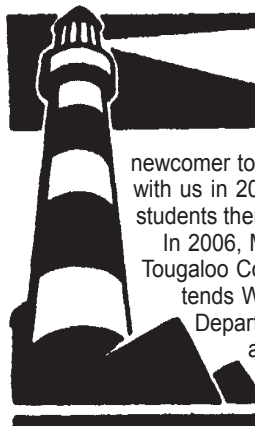
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HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

OFF THE CHARTS!

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

The spotlight for October is shining on **Mrs. Ashley Drakes-Lowe**. Mrs. Ashley is an after-school program tutor. She is also a newcomer to The Learning Curve. Mrs. Ashley was one of the first tutors to work with us in 2004. She was very young, but very responsible and helpful with the students then and now.

In 2006, Mrs. Ashley received her bachelor's degree in Political Science from Tougaloo College. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and attends Worldwide Church of God. Mrs. Ashley is currently employed at U.S. Department of Housing where her title is Equal Opportunity Specialist. She also received her Master's in Public Policy Administration from Jackson State University in 2010.

At an early age, Mrs. Ashley was home-schooled, which gave her a lot of independent practice in her academic studies. Mrs.

Ashley employs different methods to work with her students weaknesses and develop their strengths. She always sends them to the board to work out problems and enhance their math skills. She is good at discovering innovative strategies for bringing out the best in each child. The home-school methods that she grew up with give Mrs. Ashley a unique insight into one-on-one educational techniques, and the real benefits of individual attention in the classroom. We are proud to have Mrs. Ashley back on board assisting our K-8th grade students.

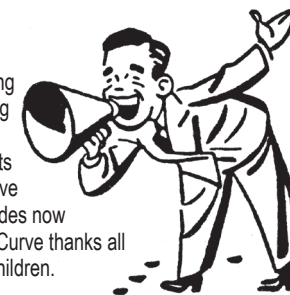


The Learning Curve Thanks You!

The Learning Curve is glad to kick off Hardy's and Brinkley's 21st Century After-school Programs. We appreciate parents especially for supporting children in their academics this year. We also thank our professional after-school tutors, who strive to make after-school exciting, challenging—and most of all—successful. We want all of our students to start life out on the right path by applying themselves to their lessons. It is a known fact that adult opportunities are more abundant to those who develop good work habits when young, and we know that all parent want

quality lives for their children. Studying hard in school is essential to achieving that end.

Our after-school program—if students attend regularly and try hard—will have a positive effect on both students' grades now and quality of life later. The Learning Curve thanks all of you for doing what is right for the children.



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ACT Workshop Schedule

Test Date	Saturday Classes	Weekly Classes	Registration Deadline
Oct. 22, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011	Oct. 17–20, 2011	Oct. 7, 2011
Dec. 10, 2011	Dec. 3, 2011	Dec. 5–8, 2011	Nov. 25, 2011
April 14, 2012	April 7, 2012	April 9–12, 2012	March 30, 2012
June 9, 2012	June 2, 2012	June 4–7, 2012	June 1, 2012

Weekly Classes	Subject	Time
Monday	Reading	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Math	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Science	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday	English	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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The Learning Curve asked its students what they wanted to do at the Mississippi State Fair:

David Saulter: What I want to eat at the Fair is a funnel cake. What I want to ride at the Fair is the Mega Drop.

Ayani Cockrell: At the Fair I will eat corndogs, funnel cakes, ice cream cones, candy apples, and pizza. I would like to ride the Ring of Fire, the Galaxy, the Haunted House, and the Freak Out.

Camia White: I am looking forward to riding the Mega Drop. I am looking forward to eating elephant ears.

Zaria Davis: I want to eat a funnel cake and chicken-on-a-stick. I look forward to performing my dance at the Fair.

Taylor Stasher: I look forward to eating funnel cake and riding the Mega Drop.

Darian Hearn: I would like to ride the Fire Ball and the Freak Out. I would like to eat funnel cakes.

October Birthdays

Cameron Ward October 2
Joseph Tucker, Jr.... October 12
Laura Pitts October 17
Lorelle White..... October 25
Elton Ward..... October 25
Kim Moore October 27

October's birthstones: October has two birthstones, the opal, a white stone, and the tourmaline, a pink stone. Legend has it that an opal will crack if worn by one who was not born in October. The Russian Empress, Catherine the Great, owned a tourmaline the size of a pigeon's egg that had been mistakenly thought to be a ruby.

October's birth flower is the marigold. Marigolds are native to the Western Hemisphere and were the sacred flower of the Aztecs, a native people of Mexico who developed their society into a rich Empire from the 14th to the 16th Centuries.



Did you know?

October has become famous as "Red October," due to the Russian October Revolution of 1917. Its immediate result was to depose Czar Nicholas II, and end the Romanov Dynasty and the Russian Empire. The new provisional government was an alliance of political reformers who had set up an unstable democracy. Russia was in a fragile state due to labor problems, hunger, and the anarchy of World War I. A February Revolution followed in the same year, creating the U.S.S.R.



Armed workers and soldiers escorting captured policemen in Petrograd, Russia – 1917

Learn more about the Russian Revolution (1917) online at Wikipedia.

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