

# SKYLINE

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# Welcome back

**SKYLINE**  
Magazine

*There it is, we have started the last term for the children. It is unbelievable how fast time goes by. You will see in Skyline Junior the evolution our kids have had throughout the year although we still have couple of months left.*

*In this issue you will find some fantastic articles by two of our most prolific students, one of them, whose area of expertise is art, teaches us about the Ancient world, the other one, who has travelled to Thailand, takes us to that country and also to its cuisine.*

*Since this last month the 100 anniversary of the Titanic tragedy took place, we include an article about it and recommend the 1996 movie as Movie of the Month.*

*As for the Culture Corner, we introduce this month one of the American federal holidays to learn a little bit more about their traditions.*

*As always, you will find some plans for the upcoming month as well as a selection of our favourite tweets.*

*I want to thank, as every month, all of you, young and adult, because without your effort this magazine would not be possible.*

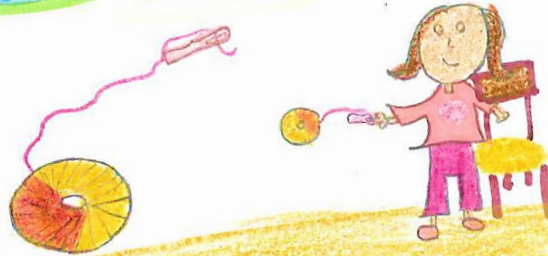
*I hope you enjoy the reading and remember that teaching you is our priority, you inspire us every day.*

*Learn well*

*Maria Menéndez*  
**Skyline English Centre**

# What do I do after school?

My name is Laura. After school, I do my homework.  
Then I see my pogram. I skate or ride on my bike.  
Then I wath TV. I like art.



I play with my sister in her bedroom.  
with a balloon.



Laura, 8

## My house

There is one purple bed, There is one pink sofa,  
There is one blue window, There is one pink door,  
There are three purple and pink tables,  
There are three purple chairs, There is one red and  
yellow chimney, There is one orange roof.

There is one purple and yellow toilet, There is  
one blue bath, There is one brown and  
blue computer, There are three  
red dolls, There are two pink and blue sink,





Mr. Beer lives in Foodland. Foodland is a big city, there are two moons. There is one cinema and one hundred houses. The grass is blue and the park is fun.

Mr. Beer's routine is very interesting.

First, he has a shower with his pet Cemarade. Then, he goes to school with his friend Ham and Pop corn. Next, he goes to the park with his mother Eake and his dad Wine.

Finally, he has dinner in the garden with his teddy bear, his pet number two.

Every day, he reads comics and eats chips and sweets.

~~At~~ At the weekend takes photos with his family and his sister, Ms. Nutritive Apple.

In Foodland every body are vegetables <sup>they</sup> don't go to school.

They dance <sup>with</sup> their grandparents every day.

The doctor Aubergine goes to work with his lunch box and the teacher Mr. Potato goes to the language center with his dictionary.



## Jessy and Buddy's favourite food

Jessy: I like cake, I like eggs,

but I don't like apple, I don't like ice-cream

Buddy: I like fish, I don't like sweets.

Jessy: I like orange; I don't like chocolate.

but I like milk. I don't like eggs.

Buddy: I like cherries, I don't like milk.

but I like cake. I don't like sweets.

Jessy: I don't like ice-cream.

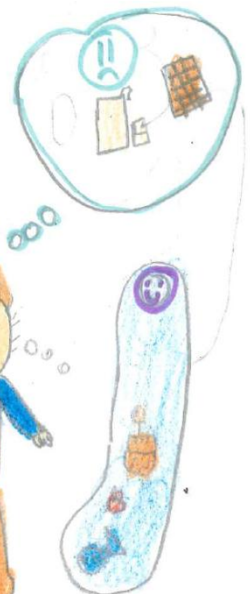
Andrea, 7 years old



Jessy



Buddy







M D L J D

The television programme is for leisure. The name of the programme is Live of the Juan and Daniel. You can see it on mto.

The television prog Juan, 10 from Monday to Friday.

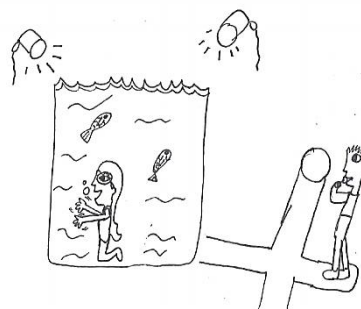
It is 30 minutes long. The television programme is at 22.00.



Channel : CNV

Duration : 1 ½ h

Name : Aquatic games



It's about seven players and one host. There are many test in a big aquarium. When a player loses they are eliminated. When get you when you level up and money.



They are two sisters and one day they dream with dancing and they go to the dance academy. They ask their parents but they didn't let them dance, then they escape and their dreams come true.

Claudia, 10

Nobelia, 12

Victoria, 11.

Marina, 12

Juan, 10

Daniel, 11.

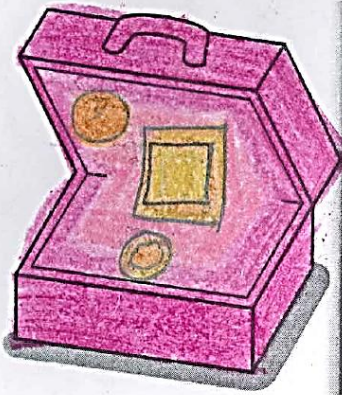
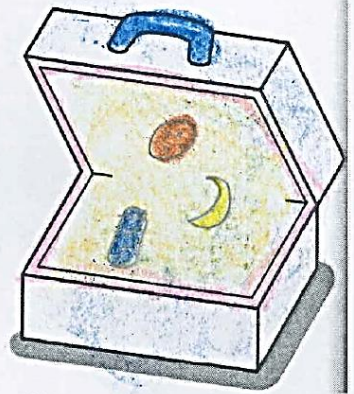
Mercedes, 12



## MY LUNCH BOX

In my lunch box I've  
got a biscuit. I've got a  
banana. I've got  
water.

Julia, 6



In my lunch box I've got  
a nutella sandwich, and  
a chocolate biscuit, and a  
chocolate pancake

Sandra, 7.

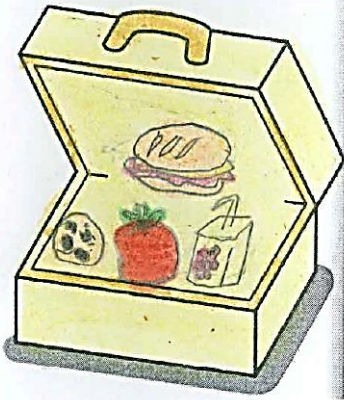
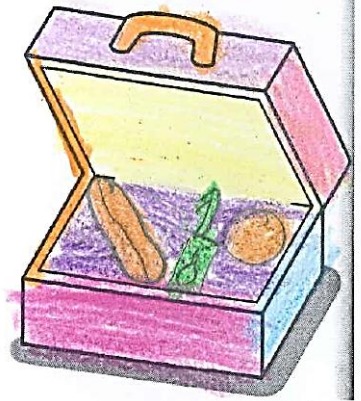
In my lunch box I've got a  
nutella sandwich, a chocolate  
biscuit and two drinks. I ha-  
ven't got a banana.

Estela, 7.



## MY LUNCH BOX

In my lunch box I've got  
a nutella sandwich  
I've got a chocolate biscuit, I've  
got a pear and drink.  
Alberto, 7



In my lunch box I've got a  
ham and cheese sandwich and a  
biscuit. I've got a drink.  
I've got an apple  
Pablo 8 años





# Tweets of the month



**Marilyn Valderrama** @MarilynVille

7 de abr

Never allow yourself to be defined by someone else's opinion of you.



**devon sawa** @DevonESawa

8 de abr

Now I know "fish" is plural for a fish. But what about a Filet-O-Fish. Do you say "couple of Filet-O-Fish" or "couple of Filet-O-Fishes"?



**Vinny Guadagnino** @VINNYGUADAGNINO

15 de abr

"I used to think enemies were the worst people in the world, but that was until I met fake friends and realized that they're a lot worse."



**Will Smith** @WillSmith

15 de abr

They say, "you don't know what you've got until it's gone." Truth is "you knew exactly what you had, you just never thought you'd lose it."



**Dalai Lama** @DalaiLama

16 de abr

Having a more compassionate attitude helps you communicate more easily with your fellow human beings.



**Hustle Man** @ImTracyMorgan

21 de abr

What I hate most about Twitter: finishing a good tweet, having -1 characters left, and then having to decide which grammar crime to commit

**Send us your favourite tweets**  
**@skylinecentre**

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# News

## What to do

✓ The Catering Trade Association in Valladolid is carrying out an interesting gastronomic activity in our city. '**Los jueves ¡de tapas!**' You can enjoy a drink and a portion for only 2€ in more than 90 places around the city.



✓ Paulo Pederneiras brings us the most important Brazilian dance company, Grupo Corpo, founded in 1975, which mixes classical movements with popular dances from their country. It can be enjoyed in Calderon Theatre on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May.



✓ To commemorate the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our neighborhood, you can hand in your poster for the festivities of Parque Alameda and Paula López until 9<sup>th</sup> May at the information desk of "Jose M<sup>a</sup> Luelmo" Community Centre.

✓ If you like reading, this is perfect for you, The 2012 Book Fair. Whatever your age or interests, you should pay a visit from 26<sup>th</sup> April until 6<sup>th</sup> May at the Millennium Dome.







# Movie of the month

## Titanic

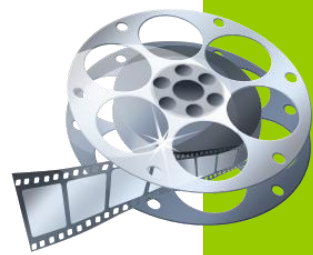
There are some big names in directing and, undoubtedly, James Cameron is one of them. Back in 1995 he started the production of what would become the most expensive movie in history, only to be surpassed by Cameron himself with *Avatar*. The movie was released on December 19<sup>th</sup> 1996 and has been again released, this time in 3D, to commemorate the 100 years of the tragedy.

Although some critics predicted a huge failure due to the high cost, that was not even close to reality, not only was *Titanic* a profitable film, but also it got 14 Oscar nominations and won 11 of those.

The main plot is the love story between a Third Class boy and a First Class girl. However, this is not the most important thing in the film. *Titanic* was a revolution in terms of technology, Cameron has an outstanding technology applied to movies background (*Terminator 2*, *Abyss*). He wanted the movie to make history and he sure did. The production team tried to show the real tragedy and they had a bunch of resources for that. Although the main characters were completely fictional, some actual passengers were portrayed on the film.



Realism was a key part of the project and Cameron decided to start the film with real footage of the ship and the beginning of the voyage as well as real footage of the shipwrecked under the sea. They even created a miniature of the ship in Baja California. Also, an indispensable part of the film was the music and that is why the director chose Celine Dion for the soundtrack, which was a good decision and the Oscars proved him right. For some of us, that can be the best of the film, for others, the love story or the sinking itself, whatever part, this movie will always be part of cinema history.



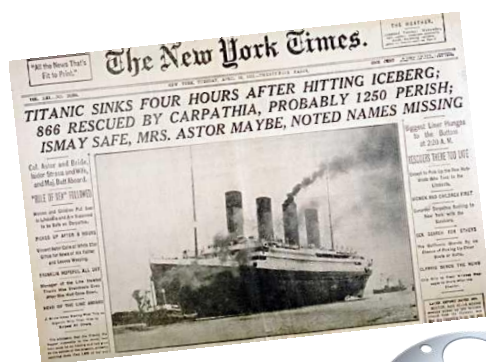


# Movie of the month

## Titanic

On 10<sup>th</sup> April 1912, the second of the three Olympic-class ocean liners (the others were the RMS Olympic and the HMHS Britannic) set off from Southampton, England. It had taken three years and \$7,500,000 to build the Titanic. This ship was famous at the time because of its size, capacity and luxury; however, the reason why she went down on history was the tragedy that took place 4 days after. She made two port calls, one in France and another in Ireland, and was bound to New York.

The ship was prepared for three types of passengers. She accommodated 337 in First Class, 285 in Second Class and 721 in Third Class, as well as 885 crew members. A total number of 2228. Actually, she could have accommodated many more people, as many as 3339 people, including the crew. Luckily, there had been a coal strike some days before and a lot of cancellations had been made. The facilities found in the ship met the most luxurious hotels; first class passengers could enjoy a library, a barber shop, gymnasium, swimming pool, squash court, electric bath and a Verandah Café. Of course, Third class passengers did not have the same advantages; nevertheless, they had better conditions in the Titanic than in any other ship at that time. They slept in cabins for a maximum of ten people; there was only one bathroom for men and one bathroom for women. The classes were completely segregated, thus, a Third Class passenger was not allowed to any First Class area. The difference in class was clear in the use of materials, the Third Class toilets were made of iron, those in Second Class of porcelain and those in First Class were marble.





# Movie of the month

## Titanic

On 14th April 1912, four days into the crossing, Titanic struck an iceberg at around 23.40; it took about three hours for the ship to sink entirely. It has been said that the captain had been warned about the danger of the area because of the ice, yet, he continued the voyage without changing the direction. Titanic carried only 20 lifeboats, that is, for 1,178 people. Back then, regulations in terms of maritime safety were not the same as today and the White Star Line actually provided more lifeboat accommodation than was legally required. For the evacuation they followed to “women and children first” protocol, sadly, quite a big number of Third Class women and children died and an important number of First Class men survived. The sinking of Titanic caused 1,514 deaths. By the time another ship, Carpathia, arrived, they only found 710 people, the survivors of the sinking; this number should have been higher but some of the lifeboats were only half-full.



One of the legacies of the tragedy of Titanic was the establishment in 1914 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea.



Titanic's owner J. P. Morgan was scheduled to travel on the maiden voyage, but cancelled at the last minute.



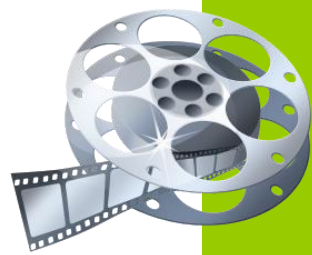
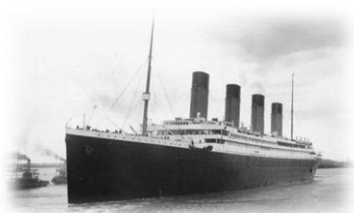
A number of expeditions were mounted to find Titanic but it was not until 1<sup>st</sup> September 1985 that a Franco-American expedition succeeded.



Only 328 bodies were recovered from the wreck.



The band kept on playing while the sinking.







# ART



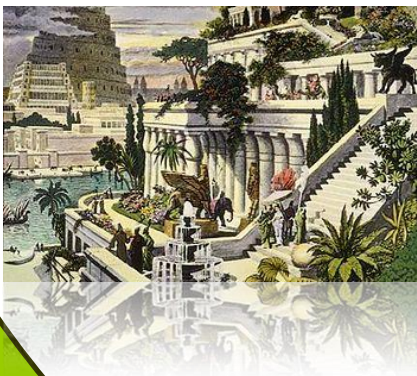
## *The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World*

In the 3rd Century, several historians wrote about the most important and spectacular monuments of their time. They considered these incredible buildings should be visited because they really were engineering and precious art works. All of them were situated in the territory of Alexander The Great's Empire, thus, the list is completely reduced to the Hellenistic world.

### **Great Pyramid of Keops (Khufu)**

This pyramid is the biggest of the three that are still in Giza, Egypt. It was the highest building until the 14th Century, when the Lincoln Cathedral was built. It was the tomb of the Emperor of Keops and it was raised in the 26th Century b. c.

The pyramid was coated with white stone and the peak was decorated with gold. It should be very impressive to see that construction shining with the sun. Herodotus was there and visited the inside of the pyramid in 450 b.c. The Egyptian priests told him how the pyramid was built: the carved stones were lifted with machines that were made of small timbers.



### **Gardens of Babylon**

They were built in the 6th Century b. c., under the kingdom of Nebuchadnezzar II, king of the Chaldeans. Again, Herodotus wrote about this wonder that was in the Euphrates riverside, but it couldn't be visited by common people.

Nebuchadnezzar II was married to Amyitis, daughter of the king of the Medes, to create an alliance between the two nations. The queen missed the landscapes and the mountains of her country, so the king decided to recreate her birthplace building a complex with artificial mountains with hanging gardens. The gardens shouldn't handle literally. They should overhang like a terrace.





# ART



## Mausoleum at Halicarnassus

This was a huge tomb made of white marble. The queen Artemisia, wife and sister of the king Mausolo, ordered to build the tomb when the king died. In the 12th century the Mausoleum was still up, but an earthquake left only the base and in the next century it was finally destroyed by the Crusaders.

The tomb had 117 ionic columns and a sculpture of a quadriga with the portrait of the king and the queen. There were also more than 400 sculptures made by the most important sculptors of that time. Nowadays, some of those sculptures are in the British Museum.



## Temple of Artemis



The temple was built in the city of Ephesus, in modern Turkey. The place where it was erected was an ancient site of cult to the goddess Cybeles; that is why the statue of Artemis that was in the temple, had a crown with a tower. This sculpture was made of wood and coated with silver and gold. This goddess represented fertility and she was able to give or take lives. For appeasing her angry, the king of Lidia decided to build this temple in the 6th century b. c. The building works took 120 years, and several architects worked there.

The temple suffered a fire in 356 b. c. It is said that the fire started when Alexander the Great was born. It was reconstructed in 4th century b. c. but the Goths destroyed it in the 3rd century a. c.



# ART

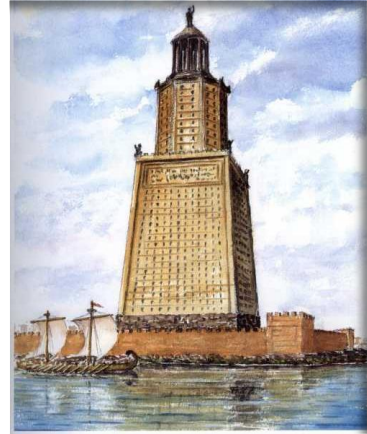


## Lighthouse in Alexandria

This tower was built in the 3rd century b. c. in the island of Pharos, in Alexandria, Egypt. About 115 meters high, it was the highest building for several centuries. A replica exists in China.

The lighthouse had a block of glass in the squared base to prevent the erosion of the sea. The rest of the construction was made of marble assembled with molten lead. During the day, a big metallic mirror reflected the sunlight and, in the night, there was a big bonfire that could be seen from 50 kilometers.

In the 14th century it was destroyed by an earthquake.



## Statue of Zeus in Olympia



This chryselephantine statue (made of gold and ivory) was executed by Fidias in the 5th century b. c. It was inside the temple of Zeus in Olympia, Greece.

The sculpture had 12 meters high and it was sitting in a throne with the naked bust, a cloak around his legs and a crown made of olive leaves. In his right hand, he had a small Nike and in the left one, he held a scepter with an eagle.

Nowadays, we can see this sculpture in some commemorative coins



## Colossus of Rhodes

It was a huge statue of Helios, the god of sun. It was made in the 3rd century b. c. and it was destroyed by an earthquake in III a. c.

It was made of iron and coated with bronze, and it had 32 meters high. In the 7th century a. c. the Turkish stole the bronze that was in the sea.

# MEMORIAL DAY



**Memorial Day**, formerly known as **Decoration Day**, is an American holiday celebrated on the last Monday of May. It started after the American Civil War inspired by people from the South and how they honoured their dead. The essence of Memorial Day is to commemorate and pay tribute to those who fought and died in the Civil War. However, since the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century it has extended to all those fallen in wars for their country.



Memorial Day is celebrated at Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia, each year with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. The flag of the USA flies at half mast from dawn until noon. A lot of remembrance moments take place during the day but the most important one takes place at 2 pm. There are also thousand of parades throughout the country featuring marching bands and National Guard and veterans participating. In addition, Americans can enjoy the National Memorial Day concert on the west lawn of the United States Capitol or on TV through PBS and NPR and via American Forces Network to those who are overseas, stationed at bases in 175 countries as well as 140 U.S. Navy ships at sea.





# MEMORIAL DAY



This is one of the few federal holidays in the United States; hence, most people do not go to work. A lot of people use this three-day weekend to visit family or friends or to take a short holiday. Nowadays, Memorial Day is also related to the beginning of the summer season and people tend to gather for picnics and especially for barbecues.

## ***Memorial Day and Sports***



### ***Indianapolis 500***

It is an annually 200-lap automobile race held at the Memorial weekend since 1911. It takes place at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Speedway, Indiana.

### ***Coca-Cola 600***

It is the longest NASCAR Sprint Cup, 600 miles (more than 950 km). It has been held the same day as the Indy 500 since 1961, although the chances are that in the future it will be held the night before due to economical reasons.



### ***Memorial Tournament***

It is a PGA Tour golf tournament founded by Jack Nicklaus and carried out at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin Ohio. It has been held on or close to the Memorial Day weekend since 1976. The most characteristic feature of the tournament is the ceremony honouring past golfers, installing a plaque for the honorees near the clubhouse.







## THAILAND

### *Land of the eternal smile*

Thailand is the most popular tourist destination in Southeast Asia. You can find almost anything here: a thick jungle as green as it can be, crystal blue waters that feel more like an exotic spa, amazing urban life in its capital Bangkok, and retreat in a Buddhist monastery.

Exotic, cheap, yet equipped with every modern amenity you need, there is something for every interest and every budget, from beach-front backpacker bungalows to some of the best luxury hotels in the world. And despite the heavy flow of tourism, Thailand retains its culture and history.



### *What to see....*

There is an itinerary for everyone. You can choose and program your trip according to your interest: Historical and cultural attractions, beaches and islands, natural landscape, the hill tribes... The most popular attractions for the travellers could be: The Golden Triangle, its wonderful beaches, in the Andaman Sea or in the Gulf of Thailand, and Bangkok the largest city.



The Golden Triangle is in the north of the country, a region through Thailand, Laos and Myanmar. The local name is Sop Ruak, because this is where the Mekong meets the Ruak River, and it is the natural border between these three countries. It's a good place to enjoy the landscape from the river, and to hike through the hills and to visit the villages of the tribes.



## THAILAND

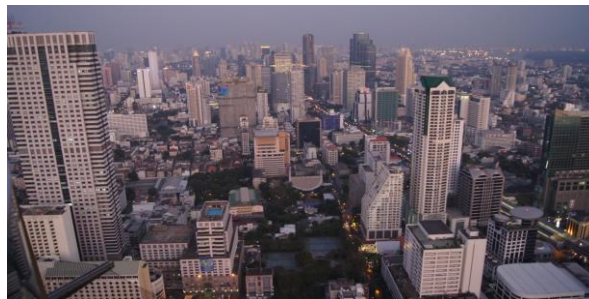
### *Land of the eternal smile*

**“The Beach”**... One of the most famous beaches in the world...a true paradise island, but now a massive tourist destination since the release of the film “the beach” in 2000! However, there are still “empty” and beautiful places and beaches to explore in the Andaman Sea, with white sand like flour, and plenty of coloured minnows just in your feet!.



The City of Bangkok is a good place to start and to finish your trip. But it is not worth spending too much time. It’s an amazing city, but also a chaotic, and congested city, plenty of traffic and pollution.... There are very important temples and, definitely, if you like shopping, it is the best place!

Anyway, I recommend you a Thai experience, and I think it is a country where you will feel comfortable, and where it is difficult to find a reason to leave.



*Whatever your cup of tea is, they know how to make it in Thailand!!!*





## *Thai cuisine*

### *Pad Thai With Shrimps*

**Ingredients for 2/3 people, preparation time: 30 minutes.**

1/2 packet Thai rice noodles	ground pepper
3 tablespoons of vegetable oil	1 lime
1 egg	2 tablespoons of toasted and crushed peanuts
2 cups of bean sprouts	2 tablespoons of chopped turnip
2 chives	1 chopped shallot
some boiled shrimps or prawns	2 tablespoons of sugar
1 tablespoon of fish sauce	2 tablespoons of tamarind paste
3 cloves chopped garlic	1/3 cup of julienne pressed Tofu
1/2 teaspoon of ground dried chili pepper	1/2 quartered banana leaves (optional)

Thai cuisine is characterized by balance and strong flavours, especially lime juice, lemon grass and fresh coriander, the combination of which gives Thai food its distinctive taste.

PAD THAI is one of the most popular street foods in Bangkok. There are different kinds of this dish, but this is the most traditionally and commonly found, which is made with dried shrimp.

#### *Preparing the Ingredients*

1. Soak noodles in lukewarm water for 15 minutes while preparing the rest. When it is ready it should be flexible but not soft.
2. Grind the peanuts, and toast them in a pan until lightly brown, about 3 minutes on low heat.
3. Chop garlic, shallot and turnip, and cut the chives, leaving some for garnish.
4. Cut the banana leaves lengthwise and rub the cut immediately with lime juice to prevent it from turning dark.

# COOKING CORNER

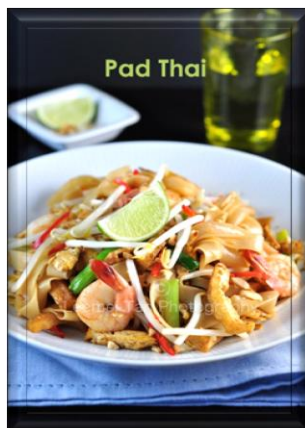
## *Pad Thai With Shrimps*

### *Cooking*

5. Heat up a wok or a large pan, and add the oil to the wok.
6. Drop the chopped shallots and garlic in. Stir for half a minute, then drop tofu and turnip in. Let the tofu brown, about 1 minute.
7. Add the drained noodles and ground dried chili pepper. Stir them.
8. When the noodles are ready, add the seasonings: ground chili pepper, fish sauce, sugar and tamarind. Stir to mix them well.
9. Add dried shrimps. Stir for a minute. Taste to see if you need more seasoning. Remember that the noodles should have strong flavour because they will be diluted by egg, bean sprouts and chives at the end.

### *The Final Touch*

10. When the noodles are cooked and chewy with desired seasonings, push the noodles aside to make room for the egg. Drop the egg in. Scramble the egg into the noodles. When the egg is cooked, add half of the bean sprouts (save the other half for garnish) and chives. Stir quickly to preserve the crunchiness of bean sprouts and green color of the chives. Pour the pad Thai Into a serving plate.





# LEARNING CORNER



## IDIOMS

- ✓ **To job someone's memory:** to help somebody to remember something they have forgotten.

*He didn't remember but the photograph jogged his memory.*

- ✓ **To shop till you drop:** To go shopping for a very long time until you are exhausted.

*With Julie you'll shop till you drop, so take comfortable shoes.*

## PHRASAL VERBS

- ✓ **Leave out:** to omit, not mention.

*The child's name was left out of the report.*

- ✓ **Take on:** To hire or engage staff.

*Business is good so the company is taking on extra staff..*

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Field Day



- Movie of the month:  
The Avengers



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