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## Welcome back



The good weather has arrived, therefore, the next month will be a bit hard for our students because they are already thinking about their holidays. That is why we offer you a fantastic idea for your children on page 10, for the first time they will be able to attend the Valencia CF Foundation Football Camp.

However, there are still loads of things to do before you go on holidays. You can attend different courses, actually, in our city we have courses for all tastes, from fashion to street dance. We hope you decide to take part in some and tell us about it. As always, you can check out the amazing work our kids do every week, including, this time, two stories from children upper levels.

I would like to send best of luck to our students who are taking Selectividad next moth as well as those who are taking the Cambridge certificates, also next moth. You have been working really hard during the year and you deserve to pass it and, if possible, to get a high mark.

For cinema lovers, particularly action movies, I hope to enjoy reading about the movie of the month, full of interesting information about *The Avengers*, and some curiosities for the fans.

Some students have taken the time to write about different topics, but 9 would like to point out an article about plastic caps to make us aware of recycling for a good reason.

Our teacher, Sara shares with us her experience in Chicago including a recipe for delicious cinnamon swirls.

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

*María Menéndez* **Skyline English Centre** 

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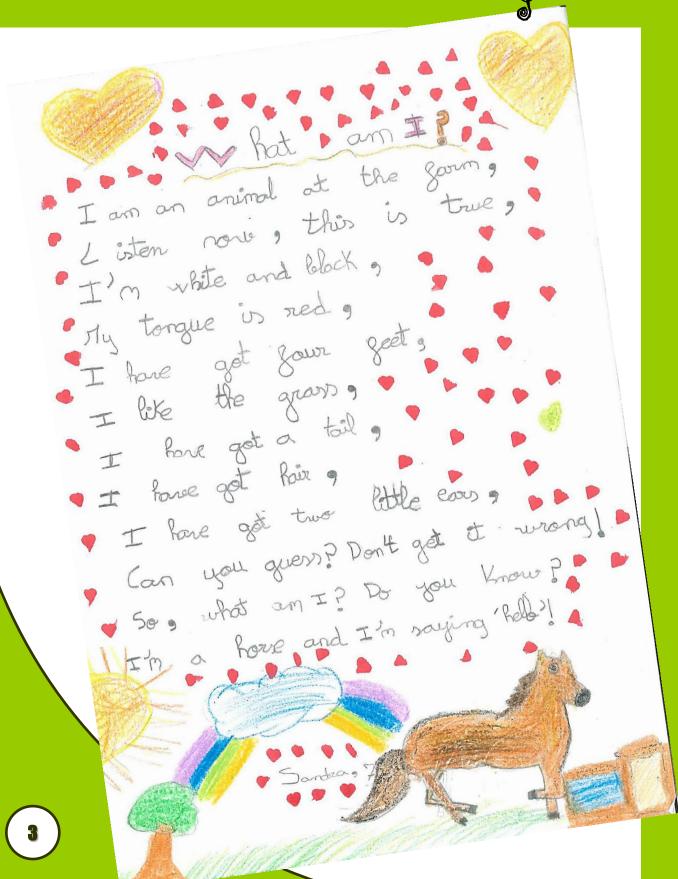




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## Skyline in the state of the sta



## Story time



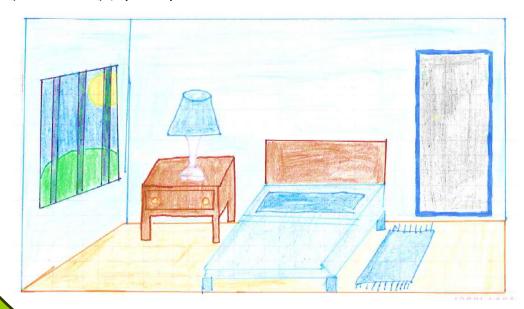
### The Mystery of the Blue Room

It was a cold night and I couldn't believe what had happened some minutes before...

Suddenly, something happened; I heard a heartrending scream that crossed the sky and all the birds flew scared.

That night the most mysterious crime of was committed. The room was closed from the inside and its only window had bars. It was blue, with a blue bed on the right, a bedside table, a blue lamp on it, a big mirror and a blue carpet. I never found an explanation for it, there weren't any footprints or a murder weapon. The girl appeared lying on the floor, with a wound on her chest.

This case was investigated by numerous detectives with world fame. Each one had their theories, some thought that the door could have been closed from outside with a hook, others that the murderer could have stayed under the bed..., the majority think that se committed suicide but now it isn't known because it is a mystery.



## Story time



#### A Normal Tale

We were tired after a long dinner one evening but nobody wanted to go home. Then somebody shouted: "Bring the wine!" It was Marcus, a big, strong man. Everybody turned to look at him.

Lifting his glass of wine, he said: "It's strange, you know", we all stopped talking, "It's strange" he said again. "People always say they see ghosts, well, I have".

Somebody said: "Tell us the story Marcus" we lit our cigars, ordered another bottle of champagne and listened to his story.

"When I used to travel to America, I liked sailing on certain ships. Kamtschatka used to be my favourite. It isn't my favourite now and I never want to travel on it again. I remember one night in my cabin; I heard some voices and sounds. It was very strange. When I went to the corridor, I saw a dead man on the floor, there wasn't any blood on the floor so I thought that it was a heart attack. I couldn't help him.

But it was a dream, when I woke up, as the sun started rising, I found myself wondering the empty streets with no idea where I was going.



## Tweets of the month





Condescending Wonka @OhWonka

1 May

Oh, so life is short? Name something longer that you do.

Expand



Tiny Buddha @tinybuddha

11 May

"I have done my best.' That is about all the philosophy of living one needs." ~Lin Yutang

Expand



ashton kutcher @aplusk

16 Ma

I don't believe in good days and bad days. I just have days when I learn a little and days when I learn a lot. Today I learned a lot.

Expand



Kimberly VanDerBeek @KimberlilyVDB

18 May

If you are consumed with what's going wrong in your life, then you have no room to appreciate what's going right.

Expand



Wilmer Valderrama @WillyVille

20 May

If you don't celebrate what you DO have.. You won't have the skills to celebrate you WILL have ... WV

Expand



Mekhi Phifer @MekhiPhifer

25 May

As far as I know, we only have one life to live! So with our short time on this earth let's inspire one another and be better! Love is luv!! Expand

> Send us your favourite tweets @skylinecentre







## News

#### What to do

✓ Haute Couture designer Jose Manuel Alonso will lecture for the third time in our city on how to get the best out of you. This Fashion Stylish Course will take place on June 3<sup>rd</sup> in Hotel Vinci. If you want to register, you can do so in info@alonsize.com





✓ If you want to remember the popular fairy tales from your childhood or take your children into the world of *Hansel and Gretel, Cinderella..,* you should not miss the exhibition that you can find in Sala Revilla until June 24<sup>th</sup>.

✓ Do you have anything at home that you don't use anymore? If so, you must visit *Crossing Things*, on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>, take all those things you don't need anymore to Feria de Muestras and you may find something that you really like. Also, you can donate them to different NGOs there.



## A plastic cap for help



Today there are still people who believe that the collection of caps for charity is one of many urban legends that spread by word of mouth.

But this is true! Through a method as simple as saving the plastic caps of bottles and place them in the bags of the association entitled to it, anyone can help out people with a disability to develop activities that need funds.

It is something that anyone can do without any work and that helps many people who need a large investment to pay for therapies.

#### Where can you take you caps?

There are some places where you can take them in all cities. Also, you can call SEUR and they will collect them (free shipping, to be met by SEUR).

Here are some different collecting locations in Valladolid:

- ❖Raza Records: Juan Agapito St. and 11 Revilla St.,
- ❖Cafe Berlin: Cardenal St. with Arribas St.
- ❖Hostal Ramón y Cajal: 12 Ramón y Cajal Av., (call 5º E please)
- ❖Bar Frenesí: 3 Juan Mambrilla St.
- ❖Bar-Hamburgueseria Brooklin: 54 Cauce Walk
- ❖Macrobiotica do-in : 19 San martin St.
- ❖Diez y Diez Café y Copas: Marqués del Duero St.
- ❖Tattoo Mantis: 14 San Blas St.
- ❖Gimnasio Atholos: 69 Panaderos St.
- ❖Hogar del pintor: 19 Segovia Av.
- Las Artes Bar: Portugalete Square.
- ❖Grupo Nautas: Polígono San Cristóbal, Valladolid (Oro, 24 nave 8, )
- ❖Nuevo Rincón del Cómico: 1 Nochebuena St.
- ❖In our suburb, we can go to Veterinarian Centre in Covaresa in Miguel de Unamuno St., 11.

Collect plastic caps help raise money and help the environment by recycling them. There are no disadvantages!







## Football Summer Camp



This summer arrives to Valladolid the 1st Valencia CF Foundation Football Camp. It will be during first week of July, from the 2nd to the 6th, since 9 a.m. until 8 o'clock in the evening. The Camp will take place in Mojados (Valladolid) and boys and girls between 6 and 16 years old can participate. The Camp includes football 7 and 11 matches, an excursion to "El Valle de los 6 Sentidos", multi-sport activities, formative talks, sports videos, activities in the swimming pool, leisure area and gifts. The Camp is based on social-educative and sports objectives. Participators will live together with education, respect and sport values. Trainings of the Camp will be carried out by official trainers of the School of Valencia CF who try to improve technical and tactical aspects of the children. Participators will have 3 daily meals and a bus service depending on the demand. First day of the Camp, the football students will get a welcome kit with the official Camp equipment (t-shirt, pants and a pair of long socks), two official Camp t-shirts and the official Camp cap. Then, all the days, they will have football training and will stop to rest, drink and eat. Afterwards, they will play other sports and will go to the swimming pool. After lunch, they will see videos about Valencia FC and they will train one more time. After the training has finished, they will come back home until next day.







For more information:

http://www.futbolyentrenadores.com/index.php



#### 06/2012

Street dance is believed to have existed since beginning of the early 20<sup>th</sup>century in urban America and, of course, it evolved out of urban and suburban spaces in some form of underground culture. It is usually improvisational and available in open spaces such as streets, parks, parties... Lately, TV programs like *America's Best dance Crew* and movies such as *Step Up* and its sequels have popularized this type of dance among a wider audience.

Nowadays, there are a lot of dance competitions at an international level, Battle of the Year, Juste Debout...

This year we can enjoy this type of dance in our city during three days (28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June) at L.A.V.A. For only 5€/day you can learn about the different styles of street dance and witness some incredible battles. More than 100 dancers will take part during nine hours. Five national artists and three international ones will attend the event.





28th Thursday: Workshops

**29th Friday:** Street Dances Championship (Prize 600€)

Free Style Battle (Prize 200€)

30th Saturday: Workshops

**Bboying Contest** 

Night Party

## Parque Alameda and Paula López Festivities 2012

#### 2012 From 7th to 10th June

#### Before the festivies...

#### Conferences:

#### Monday 4th

19:15: Discussion on gender violence

#### Tuesday 5th

18:15: Discussion on public safety (Lecturer Mr. Eduardo Otero, National Police Chief Inspector). Location: "Jose Mª Luelmo" Community Centre, Room 3





#### From 28th May to 7th June:

4th Mus Tournament. In collaboration with Terranova Café

#### From 1st to 15th June:

Oil painting exhibition by the 2012 Painting Workshop students. Location: "Jose Mª Luelmo" Community Centre

#### Saturday 2nd

Theatre play "The lady receives a letter" by Victor Ruiz Iriarte, performed by the neighbourhood theatre company Alfredo Quintero. Location: "Jose Mª Luelmo" Community Centre. Invitation required.

Traditional mass. Location: our park. If the weather is not good, it will be celebrated in the church (Vega Sicilia St.)

## Parque Alameda and Paula López Festivities 2012

#### 2012 From 7th to 10th June

#### Thursday 7th

From 17:00 to 21.00: inflatable bouncers for children and adults

"Superman"/ "Mechanical Bull" (children under 12 with an adult)

"Dale que Dale" (for children over 7)

Location: next to "Jose Ma Luelmo" Community Centre.

Friday 8th, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th Handcraft Fair.

Activities for children on Saturday and Sunday: jugglers, toys...

Location: Baden-Powell Square.





**Friday 8th** (Location: next to "Jose Ma Luelmo" Community Centre)

19:00 La Torzida Street Band: Drums and Batuka

20:00 Opening speech with Mr. Francisco J. Sardón Peláez, President of ASPAYM Castilla y León.

Presentation of prizes for the 7th Poster Contest and the 4th Mus Tournament.

'Chupinazo' (the firing of a rocket) to mark the start of the festivities.

Jimenos Band performance. Tribute to Joaquin Sabina.

Cookies and lemonade for the attending people.

23:00 Open air dance: "Macrodisco Tony"

## Parque Alameda and Paula López Festivities 2012

#### 2012 From 7th to 10th June

#### Saturday 9th

11:00 "The Game of the Rainbow" in collaboration with "E.A.T.L. PANDORA" (between 6 and 12 years old). Location: our park

18:00 Street Band and 2nd annual running of bulls and "capea" for all ages, "FLAU Y CIA cattle farming"

Location: next to "Jose Ma Luelmo" Community Centre.

20:00 Foam Party

Location: next to "Jose Ma Luelmo"

Community Centre

23:00 Open air dance: "Macrodisco

Tony"

Location: next to "Jose Ma Luelmo"

Community Centre



#### Sunday 10th

12:30 7th "Run and Eat" Walk.

14:00 Neighbourhood luch, (1€). Location: our park 20:00 Closing with the clowns "Alonso y Hnas Rampin"









It was 2008 and a new superhero movie was released, *Iron Man* was portrayed by Robert Downey Jr. together with quite a well known cast including Jeff Bridges and Gwyneth Paltrow. This film was such a huge success all over the world that somebody had one crazy idea, a movie based on Marvel's Avengers, not just one superhero but the mightiest superheroes of all times assembled in the Avengers Initiative. Crazy as it seemed, Marvel studios decided to launch individual films for some of the superheroes, *Iron Man 1 and 2, The Incredible Hulk, Thor* and *Captain America*. After the credits of the films there was a spoiler scene to introduce the Initiative, this way, the fans of Marvel would be looking forward for the movie.

The individual films had a clear target, to introduce the members of the Avengers, as if all those movies were the lead up to *The Avengers*.



This is the first time that something like that has been made in cinema. Usually, it is very complicated to have the same actors for sequels, imagine how difficult having the actors for several movies has been. As a matter of fact all the actors signed with the for producers for more movies. example, Chris Evans (Captain America) is engaged for six movies.







The choice of the director could not have been better, Joss Whedon, known for *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* Series, is an expert in action and entertainment. Being a fan of his work you can see his signature all over the film, for instance, the first attack to S.H.I.E.L.D headquarters reminds as to the last episode of *Buffy*. He is undoubtedly a master when directing action and it has been well proved in this film.

The visual effects are just stunning; actually the film contains 2,200 visual effects that were completed by 14 companies.

The budget was approximately of about \$220 million, and it has earned \$1,209,669,000 worldwide. It has rapidly become one of the highest-crossing films of all times. With these earnings it is obvious that a second installment is coming, but we will have to wait some time. Luckily, meanwhile, we will enjoy *Iron Man 3, Thor 2* and *Captain America 2*.









## Characters

## MARVEL

#### Tony Stark/Iron Man

He is an engineering prodigy who built himself a suit and became a technologically advanced superhero. He is the CEO of Stark Industries and defines himself as a genius, playboy and philanthropist. He has formerly appeared in *Iron Man 1* and *Iron Man 2*. The third installment is due for release on May 3, 2013.



#### Captain America/Steve Rogers

Back in World War II, he was a weak soldier who was recruited to become a super soldier. The scientist who made that happen was no other that Howard Stark, Tony Stark's father. Captain America represents all the good values in a scout and all the physical strength that you can think of. He first appeared in *Captain America*. The First Avenger, the sequel will come in 2014

#### Thor

He is the son of Odin, king of Asgard, and brother of Loki. In the past he was arrogant and not worthy but after his time on Earth, he became the man he was supposed to be. He is destined to be king of Asgard. He first appeared in *Thor* and will come back on November 15, 2013 with *Thor* 2



#### Bruce Banner/Hulk

After being exposed to gamma radiation, every time Bruce gets angry "the other", as he calls Hulk, appears. Bruce is all about control to avoid setting the beast free. He is reluctant to participate in the iniciative because he is afraid of losing control. He formerly appeared in *Hulk* and *The Incredible Hulk*.





## Characters



#### Natasha Romanoff/Black Widow

She is an outstanding spy, sometimes mercenary. In her past he fought against the west but then, she became member of S.H.I.E.L.D. She has worked with Hawkeye and they have a special relationship. We saw her in *Iron Man 2*.



#### Clint Barton/Hawkeye

He has no superpowers, just a high skill set, he is a trained archer. Hawkeye has always been one of the goodies, however, during a big part of the Avengers, he is under the influence of Loki. His connection to the group is Black Widow. We saw him previously on *Thor*.

#### Nick Fury

He is the head of S.H.I.E.L.D. and an intermediary between the U.S. government or the United Nations and various superheroes. He appeared is the previous Marvel films after the credits to recruit the ones who will become the Avengers.





#### Loki

He is Odin's adopted son and Thor's brother. He is actually a weak character driven by jealousy and a longing for power. He never fights alone and underestimates humankind. He first appeared in *Thor*:

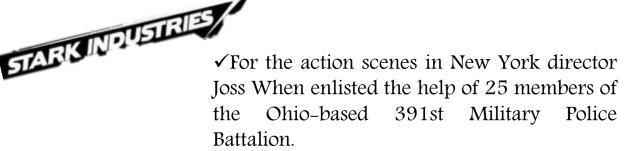




## Fun Facts



- ✓ As in most of the Marvel films, the creator of the comics Stan Lee has a cameo.
- ✓Tony Stark is wearing a Black Sabbath T-shirt paying tribute to their song called Iron Man.
- ✓ Somebody asks Bruce Banner if he is an alien, that somebody is actor Dean Stanton, known for his role in the movie *Alien*.
- ✓ After the final credits there is a second scene that was only shown in USA, in it the superheroes are eating in a restaurant mentioned by Iron Man during the final battle.
- ✓ This is the first time that Marvel is distributed by Walt Disney Pictures.



✓The movie lasts for three hours but they cut 30 minutes in post-production to include them in the DVD.

✓This is the first time that Hulk is really the same actor as Bruce Banner thanks to the technology used in *Avatar*.





## Sports Day



Sports day, sometimes referred to as Field Day, is a typical event generally held once a year in schools in both UK and USA. Everyone participates, students, teachers and even, in some schools, parents. Students can be divided by grades for teams or grades may be divided by classrooms for teams. Students are assigned a team color that they wear on sports day, and a variety of outdoor, team activities are performed for points.

This year, Sports Day will be really special due to the celebration of the Olympic Games, the London 2012 World Sport Day will take place on 25th June.

### Activities

#### Races

There is a variety of races that are popular with sports days. In a three-legged race, students are paired up; they stand next to each other and their two legs in the middle are tied together, giving them "three legs." Students will then race a specified, usually short, distance.

There is also the potato sack race. Here, children stand inside large potato sacks and jump the distance of the race.

Finally, there is a plain-old relay race. Generally, a round track is used and teams are spread around the track. The first child will run to the second and pass off a baton, the second child will run and pass the baton to the third child and so on until the last team member crosses the finish line.





## **Sports Day**



### Spoon and Egg Race

A spoon and egg race is another popular sports day activity. Each child will have a spoon and either a real egg---which can get messy---or a plastic Easter egg. The child will run with the egg on the spoon to a specified line and then back to their team. The next child will then do the same until each child in a team has gone. If the egg is dropped off anyone's spoon at any time, they must go back to the starting line and try again until they get it.

The first team to have all its children finish wins.

#### Water Balloon Toss

Students are paired up and given a water balloon. Every team is put an equal distance apart and one throws the balloon to the other. If it is caught, the student takes a step backward and then tosses it back to their partner. If it is dropped or pops on the child, that team is out. The teams that keep catching the balloon without breaking it will continue to take steps backward until only one team is left. If your sports day is going to include a water balloon toss, be sure to tell the students to bring a change of clothes.



#### Kickball

Set up the kickball field just like a baseball field, with four diamonds and a pitcher's mound. One team will spread out in the field and the other team will be kicking. Once three outs have been made, the teams switch sides. The length of the game is generally nine innings, just like baseball, but it is really up to the teachers running the sports day.



## TRAVELLING CORNER



## CHICAGO

The great city of the American Midwest, worldwide known as the "Windy City", lies on the west shore of the Michigan Lake. The third most populous city in the United States, after New York City and Los Angeles, has almost 3 million inhabitants.

Today, Chicago is a dynamic and culturally diverse city. It is an international centre for business as well as leisure travel, due in part to the city's transportation accessibility, a thriving business community, and world-class hotels, restaurants, shopping and other attractions.



#### MUST-SEE PLACES

Willis Tower Skydeck. For only \$16 you can live the breathtaking experience of flying 443 metres from the ground. Scary but absolutely worthy the experience of climbing up to the 103rd floor of the highest building in the USA and enjoying a 50-mile view and the frightening feeling of gazing into space. Hint! Choose a no foggy day so that you could make out the states of Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan.

John Handcock Building. If you prefer enjoying the Chicagoans astonishing views having a luscious meal or drink forget about the John Handcock Observatory and stop five floors lower. On the 96<sup>th</sup> floor of Chicago's second highest building you can find the luxurious café and restaurant where you can enjoy cocktails and sunset for not very expensive prices.

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**The Lincoln Park Zoo**. If you need some peace and quiet after the exhausting sightseeing of the city you should visit the Lincoln Park Zoo and enjoy learning about reptiles, kangaroos, polar bears or penguins. Free entry, 365 days.

**The Green Mill.** Far from downtown but a must-visit was one of Al Capone's favourite bars. The Green Mill was opened in 1914 and by the early 1920s it was partially owned by Jack McGurn, one of Al Capone's cronies. McGurn later met a violent end, which surprised no one, but fortunately the music continued. Especially Jazz but also swing, blues and poetry slams can be enjoyed daily in the







**Try Chicago Stuffed Pizza**. The discussion is open with New Yorkers when talking about who prepares the best pizza. Chicago-style pizza has a buttery crust up to three cm tall at the edge which acting as a large bowl contains a lot of cheese, large amount of your favourite ingredients and chunky delicious tomato sauce.



Where to go out at night. This is not the city that never sleeps so you need to hurry up and forget about the late Spaniards habit of going out at midnight if you want to enjoy the night.

There are hundreds of different plans for a Saturday night. You can start with a delicious dinner from you favourite country food in Lincoln Park area, on Clark street, or in Uptown area around Broadway St. if you prefer Asian food or Ethiopian.

You will find stunning fancy cocktails bars and pubs at N.Clark St. & W.Division St., or if you prefer dancing and not spending a lot of money in drinks Wicker Park bars offer you the cheapest beer in the city.

## TRAVELLING CORNER



#### If you are into sports...

You can enjoy an utterly astounding NBA basketball or ice-hockey game at the *United Center*; home of the *Chicago Bulls* and Blackhawks during winter season or a baseball game if you travel in summer. Choose well between the White Sox or the Chicago Cubs, and don't get confused visiting the U.S. Cellular Field if you are looking for the Cubs at Wrigley Field or vice versa. American football lovers should travel in autumn to watch one of the stunning Bears games at Soldier Field.



**Travelling in summer**. Summer will give a plus to your travel, as apart from enjoying the hot sunny weather you could take advantage of swimming at the Michigan lake beach or attending to one of the thousand free music festivals that take place on the different neighborhood's streets. In addition, Millennium Park and Grant Park host varied music concerts every day from May to the end of

August.







## COOKING CORNER

#### Cinnamon swirl

#### Ingredients

3/4 cup milk
1/4 cup softened margarine
3 1/4 cups flour
1 (.25 ounce) package instant yeast
1/4 cup white sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup water
1 egg
1 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
1/2 cup softened margarine



- 1. Heat the milk in a small saucepan until it bubbles, then remove from heat. Mix in margarine; stir until melted. Let cool.
- 2. In a large mixing bowl, combine 2 1/4 cup flour, yeast, sugar and salt; mix well. Add water, egg and the milk mixture; beat well. Add the remaining flour, 1/2 cup at a time, stirring well after each addition. When the dough has pulled together, turn it out onto a lightly floured surface and knead until smooth, about 5 minutes.
- 3. Cover the dough with a damp cloth and let rest for 10 minutes. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, mix together brown sugar, cinnamon, softened margarine.



- 4. Roll out dough into a 12x9 inch rectangle. Spread dough with margarine/sugar mixture. Roll up dough and pinch seam to seal. Cut into 12 equal size rolls and place cut side up in 12 lightly greased muffin cups. Cover and let rise until doubled, about 30 minutes. Preheat oven to 190 °C.
- 5. Bake in the preheated oven for 20 minutes, or until browned. Remove from muffin cups to cool.

## LEARNING CORNER

#### **IDIOMS**



✓ To pull out all the stops: to make every possible effort to do something.

We're going to pull out all the stops on our presentation.

✓ To add Fuel To The Fire: to aggravate a situation by making it worse.

He was adding fuel to the fire about complaining about his toast while the kitchen was burning down.

#### PHRASAL VERBS

- ✓ Run for: to campaign for a government position
  Gore is running for president of the U.S.A.
- ✓ Lie with: to be decided by.

Whether or not you can go to the party lies with your father.

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