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Welcome back

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Time definitely flies. It seems as if it was yesterday when we started this project, with only a handful of people being involved. Today, I can proudly say that a lot of students have written for this magazine and every month I realize how willing they are to talk about something they like. Last month, we celebrated Halloween with our kids, they had so much fun at the party! Also, as every year, after Halloween, we start our SKYLINE FOOD RACE, this will be the fourth year already! Last year, we could raise 126 kg, which were taken to the local food bank, all our students and staff helped with what they had and, I hope, this time we have the same success or, if possible, more.

In this issue you will find some of the work our kids have been doing, they work hard from the word go. One of our students shares with us one of his favourite spots and another one introduces a family-run business from the city which turns out to be one of the biggest international companies related to the production of "churros". Our teacher, Natalia, takes us to the Czech Republic, always from her unique experience. As always, we offer you some ideas for your free time during November, with the help of a very important part of our staff. It would be great that you try the recipe and tell us about it. Since last month we enjoyed Halloween, in the culture corner you will read about some urban legends, don't be afraid, though, they are just legends, aren't they?...

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

Learn well

SKYLINE RULES

We have to tidy the classroom.

We have to raise our hands to speak.

We have to listen to the teacher

We have to study a lot

We have to speak in English

We have to behave correctly

Sandra, 8

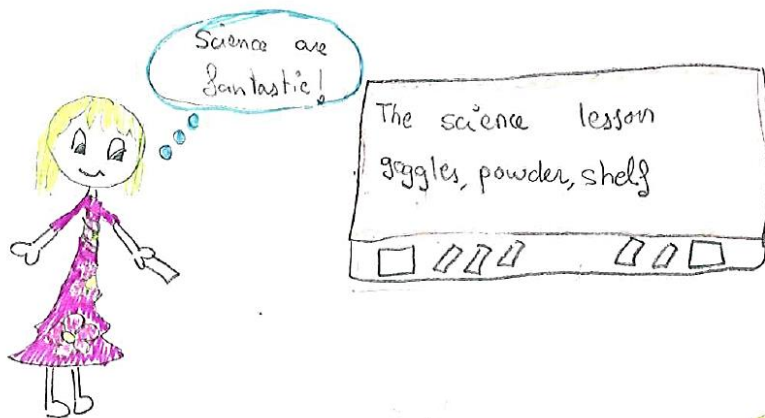
Julia, 8

Daniel, 9

Victor, 8

My Science Lesson

I really enjoy science because it is very interesting! I learn new things too and also it is very important for my life in the future. Last month, we studied many things. We studied the cells, the ecosystem, the human body, the plants and the animals and the reproduction. What I liked the most was the human body. All this was interesting, and very funny. This month, we are talking about the universe and I learnt all the plants too. The solar system is amazing! - Now I can name all the planets, the parts of the human body and the environment. We don't use goggles, and we never do experiments



THE SCIENCE LESSON

Lidia, 10

HALLOWEEN

31th october of 1972.

The people were in the house. One day, the scarecrow left the garden and went to the houses. In the house was a man, a woman, and a small child. The scarecrow said - My candy - The people of the house were scared and closed the door. The scarecrow was very angry and threw tomatoes at the door and windows. The scarecrow went to the next house. In this house was one man. The scarecrow invented trick or treat. The houses had tomatoes and this is how Halloween ends.



Halloween day

It was Halloween and my friends and I were wearing a Halloween costume; witch and we had a cauldron and some people gave us some candies.

We were having a good time.

We found an abandoned house and I entered.

When we were in the house, we found a cemetery.

It was a haunted house! I thought.

There was a lot of spider webs. Then I saw a ghost and I shouted.

My friends and I ran to my house. When we arrived home, my friend Carol opened the door and she turned on the lights. We listened to some noise.

There was a vampire who he had a pumpkin in the hand.

We ran to the living-room and we saw a lot of big spiders. It was terrible!

We ran to my bedroom, there was a bat in the wall with a skull. Under the bed we found a Zombie and a horrible skeleton and I shouted but then I woke up!

It was a terrible nightmare.



Tweets of the month



Kunal Nayyar @kunalnayyar

30 Oct

Get up, keep fighting, keep pushing, keep clawing for every inch of success. The other option is to quit. And that's not an option. At all.



Will Ferrell @WillyFerrell

30 Oct

When I'm bored I send a text to a random number saying "I hid the body."



Robert Hoffman @HoffmanRobert

21 Oct

Can someone tell me why in the heaping hell Candy Crush doesn't have an actual candy line yet? I WANT THEM!



Kaley Cuoco @KaleyCuoco

14 Oct

The sad realization that you are awake before Starbucks actually opens



Kristin Chenoweth @KChenoweth

2 Oct

They say that doesnt kill makes u stronger. At this point i should be able to bench press a Buick.



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Also on 

News

Music

Rosa López

Rosa López comes to Valladolid to offer a very unique concert, specially created for the theatre, in which she will remember all the hits she has sung in her career. Teatro Zorrilla will hold the event on November 9th, tickets cost between 24 and 30 Euros.



Theatre + Museum

Theatrical visits to Palacio Santa Cruz

Univerisity of Valladolid starts a cultural activity, theatrical visits to Palacio Santa Cruz. They intend to make visitors interested in the history, architecture and art inside the palace. Visitors will meet the historical figures who lived there throughout the years.



Exhibitions

"¿Sí? Dígame. Short history of the telephone and more".

An interesting exhibition that gives us the opportunity to learn about the history of the telephone, from the end of the 19th century to the beginning of the 21st century. From the first steps of the machine itself to the evolution of the mobile phone. It will take place at Science Museum until November 24th.



Other Activities



The Legend of Pisuergera

The tourist ship cruises again the river that gives it its name. A very special route to know our city from a very different approach. Perfect for families and people of old ages. You can enjoy it on Saturdays from 12 to 18 p.m. and on Sundays at midday.

A place to enjoy with my bike

Now many people have a bike and ride it sometimes. You can see a lot of people with their bikes in the city, but not many of them know places to enjoy with the bike. Many of these people only ride at the weekend and every time on the same paths. In Valladolid there are a lot of places to ride the bike. If you want to ride the bike, you must know that you are going to climb some hill. When you go out of Valladolid you must climb because Valladolid is a valley, you don't have to climb much but you can go to places very hard to climb. When you climb you need to go down and this is very enjoyable and dangerous. If you go down some hills, you must be careful and, of course, you always have to bring your helmet which could save your life.

The place that I love to go is a trail near Adaja river. To take this way you need to go to Puente duero and when you cross the bridge, turn right. This is a very comfortable trail but when you are near Adaja river, you take a narrow trail which is very enjoyable and you are very close to the river and have a very hard climb. There is a decline in the middle of the climb which is the most enjoyable decline that I have ever gone down and you arrive in the same place that you start the climb. If you don't go down that decline and you continue the ascent, the decline is easy and if you continue this way you arrive in Viana de Cega. From Viana to Boecillo there is another enjoyable trail between the trees. When you arrive in Boecillo, you have to take the same way as cars to go to Laguna. In Laguna you can go near the irrigation ditch and that way takes you to Puente duero and then you can go home. This is the way that I love to ride my bike in and I hope that you can enjoy with it if you want.





Inblan is a leader company in the manufacturing of industrial deep-Fryers, churro makers, cotton candy machines, cream puff makers, popcorn poppers and kneading machines for pastry-making, bread-making, confectionery industries, traders and hotel trade in general.

Established in 1958, Inblan is a family-owned company with a long tradition and great prestige in the sector. It has always aimed at fully satisfaction of its customers. Their constant innovation in technology and design allows them to offer their clients product flexibility, therefore, they are constantly adapting to their needs. Inblan confirms its international vocation with its ongoing presence in more than 60 countries in the five continents like Germany, Belgium, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Norway, Portugal, UK, Czech Republic, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, USA, Mexico, Panama, Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Brunei, China, Korea, Japan, Malaysia, Egypt, Tunisia, New Zealand...

They offer full service like understanding their costumers' needs, designing & making machines & selling them, also they're teaching to use the machines in their factories. This company has a turnover of more than 568.000€ a year.

They've had an impact on the media because they have a lot of initiative and they're the first company in introducing this kind of products in the Chinese market. INBLAN has 12 workers in several jobs at this moment.

The main characteristic of this company is the good quality of their products.

In this period of crisis, there are a lot of unemployed people that invested a little money in setting up a bakery or a stall selling churros because you don't need invest a lot of money and you start to earn money soon. To set up a stall selling churros you only need a place, a machine for making churros and a deep fryer. To make churros you only need flower, water, a little salt and oil to fry them.





PRODUCTS

Manual churro maker: it's designed to make any type of churros such as the straight churro, porra (an extra-thick churro) loop-shaped churro, ring-shaped churro and others, which are obtained just by changing the dough exit nozzle. It can produce up to 10 churros per cut. This churro maker is mainly featured by an innovator cutting System of churros attached to the machine, which allows us to work comfortably avoiding producing oil splashes. The cutting system is executed by a lever mechanism activated when opening and closing (making a fist) your hand transmitting this movement to a mobile carriage found at the lower part of the machine. Then, in this part a cutting wire placed at the dough exit makes two churro cuts with the same maneuver, forward and backwards. Apart from the new cutting system, this machine is equipped with a modern anti-return device of dough pressure known as cam pawl which helps us to exert minimum effort on pushing process and dough discharge. A manually activated rack flywheel executes this process.



Automatic churro maker: The InBlan automatic churro maker is designed to make churros. It is characterized by a continuous dough feeder and a multi-sized cutter system with regulator of speed. Its dough expulsion system by rollers can refine the churro pastry getting in that way an excellent quality product. It is also very simple to use and to clean. It is the most sophisticated churro maker in the market and it is not necessary to be professional in order to get the most superb churros.



Accessories: You can buy as well hot chocolate dispensers and thermos, star molds for churros, flour containers, water heaters...

Deep fryer: There are two types of deep fryer, electric or propane system.



Pastry Blender: This multipurpose pastry blender is ideal to make any type of stiff, medium-stiff, soft and liquid pastries given the variety of stirring arms that comes with. It can be adapted to any type of business in the food field, thus, it includes a speed adjustment. Its design includes a resistor plate to heat the products in the mixing receptacle. Then, temperature is controlled by a thermostat that regulates it and also allows selecting the desired temperature on the resistor plate. This operation is executed with a selector to improve the heating process. This pastry blender is meant for food business being useful in countless fields such as hotel business, confectionary and bread-making etc.



Popcorn popper: These single/double popcorn poppers are innovative machines as they introduce a modern design, providing user-friendly and trouble-free installation. The Poppers work perfectly in any hotel business given the minimum space they take up. This popper, made of stainless steel, includes a diffuser placed in the container that allows a more evenly heat distribution and favors popping the corn, obtaining a great quality product.



Cream puff maker: The Inblan Cream Puff maker has revolutionized and simplified handicraft means used to make Cream Puff in the hotel business and confectionary markets. Being unique in the market, this machine is able to produce 200 Cream Puffs per minute thanks to its leading-edge system of automatic cutting. By this system an even dough cut is achieved, therefore an excellent final product is obtained in the fritter. All of these advantages offer a total hygiene guarantee and great profitability. It is made entirely of stainless steel and aluminum; it is user-friendly and has an easy installation. It also includes a rotating brace with height adjustment to facilitate the making-process.



Cotton Candy Machine: The Inblan Cotton candy machine is mainly featured by an easy handling, great output and quality final products. Advantageously, it offers the possibility to make a product on a constant basis; hence, the sugar loading process is continuous. Besides, it can be placed in the interior of any type of establishment, either a steady or a travelling one. They offer two different types of models on the market: by electrical heating or butane gas.

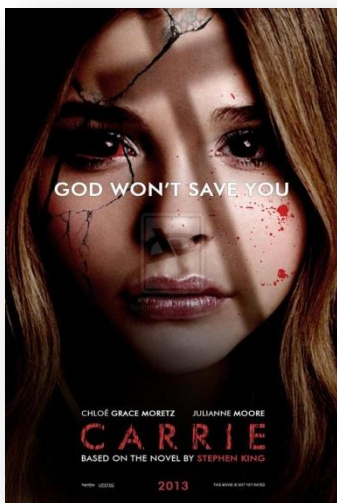
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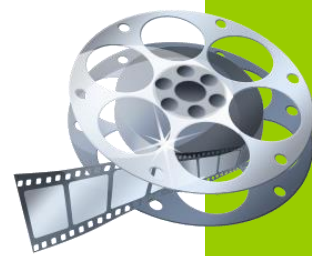
Movie of the month

CARRIE

In 1974 Stephen King's *Carrie* was published, although he had already written three novels, it was the fourth the one that got published. Carrie White is a teenager who lives with an insane religious mother in a small town called Chamberlain, Maine. She is an outcast. Her mother, considering almost everything to be a sin, does not explain her daughter the concept of menstruation, and when Carrie gets her first period in the shower at school, she thinks she is bleeding to death. One may think, "poor girl" and feel compassion, however, her classmates don't, instead, they throw sanitary napkins at her. From this moment everything changes as the girl starts to realize she has telekinetic powers. In the group who teases her we find two important characters, Susan Snell and Chris Hargensen, examples of repent and cruelty. Chris, who rebels against the teacher who tries to punish them for their acts, gets expelled for three days and plots to humiliate Carrie. On the other hand, Sue, who feels horrible about what happened, tries to make amends convincing her boyfriend to take Carrie to prom.



Meanwhile, Carrie tries to control her new powers and live with her crazy mother, who beats her as punishment for getting her first period and tries to keep her from attending the dance. However, Carrie rebels on prom night and uses her powers to get rid of her mum.





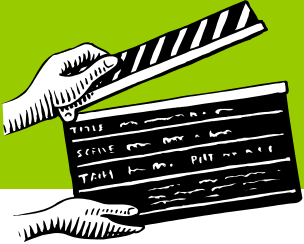
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CARRIE

t prom everything goes smoothly until Carrie and Tommy (Sue's boyfriend) are elected to be king and queen, Chris' friend set that up. When they go on stage, Chris and her boyfriend drop a bucket full of pig's blood, they had previously killed a pig themselves. The bucket accidentally kills Tommy and all the blood is poured over Carrie. At the moment she unleashes her rage and uses her powers to get vengeance on everyone.

In 1976, Brian de Palma would make a film adaptation of the novel, getting a lot of different award nominations. It is very similar to the novel except for the end. As well this year, Kimberly Peirce, has made a remake of it or a new adaptation of the novel. In both films we can see the same key moments and in both we have a similar ending, with some differences. Unlike the films, the book shows us what really happened next. In the movies we can deduce that a lot of people die and that's it, the book offers us a thorough explanation. Carrie destroyed the town, not only the high school; 440 people died that night and 18 went missing. King explains how the incident came to be known as "the Black Prom" and went on to be considered one of the biggest American tragedies. It also explains how Sue wrote a memoir book to remind everybody of what happened in Chamberlain and how scientists began to study telekinesis because of the incident.





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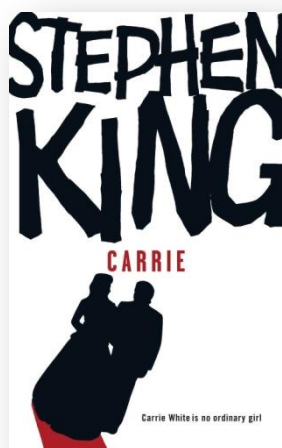
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Topics

Bullying: this is the most important aspect of the book and films. In the movie there is a question that appears repeatedly: "What did Carrie White ever do to you?". Carrie is bullied for no reason. She has enough in her plate with the crazy mother and school is hell for her. This story should make people reflect upon the damage that bullying can have on a teenager.

Cruelty: It appears throughout all the story, kids don't show any mercy, specially Chris, whose cruelty apparently has no limits. Carrie's mother can be considered as cruel as Chris, because being a crazy "religious" person is not excuse for her behaviour with Carrie.

Revenge: it is the consequence of bullying and cruelty. If Carrie's mum had been supportive, if Chris had plotted to humiliate Carrie and if she had not been bullying, she would have probably learnt how to use her powers without hurting anyone. Revenge is the result of cruelty and it is always carried out with more cruelty.



Although Carrie becomes a mass murderer, at the end, you still feel pity for her; she has been a victim all her life and she did not deserve to die. Specially because, before dying, she forgives Sue and thanks to that forgiveness Sue survives that night.

There have been other adaptations to Stephen King's novel both in Broadway and television. It is one of the most frequently banned books in American schools.



URBANY (Legends)

An urban legend is defined as a folklore story which may or may not have happened, however, it is told as if it was true. These stories are told with great detail to make them sound more believable, as well, tellers usually give the reference of it happening to a friend of a friend. There are some urban legends that travel from country to country suffering some small variations although the gist is always the same. Urban legends are usually told in special occasions such as slumber parties, campfires or Halloween.

Bloody Mary

Bloody Mary was a witch who was thought to kill little girls. Some farmers managed to capture and burn her. As she burned, Bloody Mary screamed a curse at the villagers. If anyone mentioned her name aloud before a mirror, she would send her spirit to revenge herself upon them for her terrible death. When she was dead, the villagers went to the house in the wood and found the unmarked graves of the little girls the evil witch had murdered. She had used their blood to make her young again.

From that day to this, anyone foolish enough to chant Bloody Mary's name three times before a darkened mirror will summon the vengeful spirit of the witch.



URBANY (Legends)

Llorona, Omen of Death

They say that the Llorona was once a poor young girl who loved a rich nobleman, and together they had three children. The girl wished to marry the nobleman, but he refused her. He told her that he might have considered marrying her if she had not born the three out-of-wedlock children, which he considered a disgrace. The girl was determined to have the nobleman for her own, so she drowned her children to prove her love to him. But still he would have none of her and married another. Mad with grief, the girl walked along the river, weeping and calling for her children. But they were gone. So she drowned herself. For her crime, her spirit was condemned to wander the waterways, weeping and searching for her children until the end of time. It was said that whenever the wailing woman appears, someone will die.



The Vanishing Hitchhiker

Possibly one of the oldest urban legends still being told the story tells of a motorist who picks up a female hitchhiker on a lonely stretch of road. He then drives her home only to find that she has disappeared from his backseat. After knocking on her door he is told the girl died in a car accident years ago in the very same spot that he picked her up.

This specific legend has its Spanish variation to “the girl in the curve”.

URBANY (Legends)

The Killer in the Backseat

This is one of those popular urban legends that just never seems to die. It tells the story of a woman who is driving down a dark road at night only to have a strange car pull up behind her and start flashing its lights. As she takes off on her exit and approaches her home the stranger continues to follow her. She pulls up in her driveway ready to make a mad dash to her front door only to hear the stranger behind her get out of his car and yell to her to lock her door and call 911. Only after the police arrive does she learn that the stranger was actually trying to protect her. In her backseat was a man holding a butcher knife ready to stab her to death. The stranger had noticed his shadowy form and started flashing his lights to get her attention after which the figure slouched back down in the seat.

The Sewer Alligator

This story, one of the most popular of all urban legends, asserts that the New York City sewer system is infested with deadly alligators. In the most popular versions, the animals were brought north from Florida by people who wanted to keep them as pets. When the gators started getting too big and violent, they were released into the sewers. This story dates back to the 1930s, when sensationalist newspapers started reporting countless stories of alligators being found in and around New York City, with some even claiming that police were making regular trips underground to hunt the creatures down. Nearly all of these stories are false, and the few that are true almost undoubtedly concern animals that escaped from local zoos, but the sewer alligator story has continued to be passed down through the years, and it still exists today in many different forms.



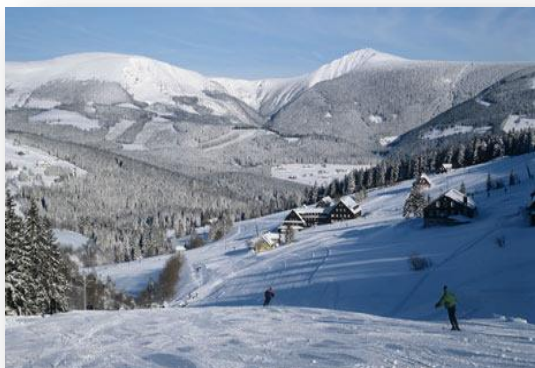


The Czech Republic



In the central Europe, bordered by Germany, Poland, Austria and Slovakia, there is a little country with a graceful name: The Czech Republic. I've been there thousands of times, but I am unable to recall where my obsession started. Living still in Poland, I considered Czechoslovakia (at that time) an obligatory destination for all the Poles. So was it for me. And not only because it was a short drive from my former house, not even because it was much cheaper, but simply because of sense of popular belief that Czech people are kind-hearted, modest and polite. Very early in my life I was assured that this notion was true.

My experiences in the Czech Republic can be divided into various groups. First of all: mountains. Being merely 4 years old I came across charming cottages, extensive forests and breathtaking landscapes. When I speak about the mountains I do not mean only hiking and climbing up peaks but also amazing experience of skiing. The Czech Republic probably is more famous for producing plastic gnomes than for its mountain resorts, but believe me it is really worth trying!!! There are Beskydy in Moravia on the Slovak and Polish borders. Pustevny, Jeseníky and Cervenohorské sedlo are popular resorts with well-maintained routes and drag lifts. All of the resorts are highly accessible both in winter and in summer.





The Czech Republic



Second group I would call: city tourism. Except from Prague, foreigners from the rest of the world do not know any other city in Czech Republic. Okay, Prague is certainly a must. Well-known for its mysterious astronomical clock, historical city centre, gothic cathedral (built by a French architect, which makes it not so typical as the rest of the Slavic buildings) and of course the Absinthe, it is a blend between history and modernity. Next to the old Charles VI Bridge you can encounter spectacular discos, art galleries, shopping centres and highly-stylish restaurants. It is a city for youngsters and seniors, the wealthy and the poorer; the atmosphere is really overwhelming... but let's stop for a moment: the Bohemia is not only Prague.

Brno is also a nice place to go. It is a quieter and more relaxing city. No herds of people, no tourists, no camera flashes. Instead of it, there are captivating pubs where you can try typical Czech cuisine (delicious!), go to one of the biggest ossuary in Europe (spooky!) and Spilberk Castle (astounding!).

Minor cities from Czech Republic such as Ostrava or Plzen are also on the list of places to visit if you like beer. They hold beer festivals but you should check their dates in advance. Czech beer "*pivo*" is really acceptable. You can also benefit from the inexpensive menus but the timetable is different from the Spanish one: you have to have lunch before 2 o'clock! At this time, the discount disappears!



Let's meet next year in Prague!



Chicken roasted with winter root vegetables



Ingredients

1 small celeriac, peeled and cut into 2½ cm/1in chunks
400g swede, peeled and cut into 2½ cm/1in chunks
2 large sweet potatoes, scrubbed and cut into 2½ cm/1in chunks
2 medium parsnips, scrubbed and quartered lengthways

2 large garlic cloves, thinly sliced
2 tbsp olive oil
½ tsp cumin seeds
a few sprigs of sage
4 skinless boneless chicken breast fillets, weighing about 140g/5oz each
4 slices prosciutto

Preheat the oven to 200C/gas 6/fan 180C. Put the celeriac, swede, sweet potato, parsnips and garlic in a large roasting tin. Sprinkle with the olive oil and cumin, and season with salt and pepper. Toss the vegetables together so they are lightly coated in oil. Put in the oven towards the top and roast for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, lay a couple of sage leaves on each chicken breast, then wrap each with a slice of prosciutto to enclose.

Take the roasting pan from the oven and turn the vegetables over. Now lay the chicken on top. Roast for 30- 35 minutes more, until the vegetables are tender and the chicken is done. Serve with steamed broccoli or lightly cooked Savoy cabbage.



LEARNING CORNER



IDIOMS

- ✓ **When pigs fly:** something that will never happen.

I will lend you my car when pigs fly.

- ✓ **Until the cows come home:** for a long time.

I can explain this until the cows come home but you will never get it.

PHRASAL VERBS

- ✓ **Carry off:** To complete successfully – perhaps despite a problem

Jane had a difficult role to play, but she carried it off.

- ✓ **Feel up to:** To feel capable of doing.

Old Mr. Smith didn't feel up to walking all that way.

IN OUR NEXT ISSUE...

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