



Page	Title	Summary and Discussion Points	Content Area
2	Fighting widens in Middle East	Early in the morning on February 28, the US and Israel launched an attack on Iran. The fighting triggered widespread conflict in the Middle East. Why did the United States and Israel attack Iran? How did the attack unfold?	Social Studies
3	A time to honor women's history	This month, people around the globe will honor women's achievements, raise awareness about gender inequality, and inspire activism to support women. How can we address gender inequality? What women in your life inspire you?	Social Studies
5	Rock Hall nominees are chosen	The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio, has named the nominees for its new class of inductees. The list includes 17 individuals and groups, 10 of whom are first-time nominees. Are you familiar with the music of this year's honorees? Who else would you like to see on the list?	Music
9	A super storyteller	Football star Jalen Hurts is using his life's lessons to inspire young readers. Should professional athletes be role models? What messages from this story resonate with you?	ELA
15	Being creative is good for your health	Scientists at University College London in England have used new technology to pinpoint the physical effects of creative activities. Why would scientists want to study the connections between creativity and health? What creative activities do you enjoy most?	Science

FEATURE OF THE WEEK JUNIOR: Quiz of the week (page 30)

Invite students to look at this week's feature and answer the questions.

1. Why do you think the magazine has a "Quiz of the week" feature?
2. How, if at all, is this quiz different from other quizzes you have taken?
3. Challenge yourself to see how many questions you can correctly answer from this week's quiz.
4. Create your own quiz using information from this week's issue, and challenge a friend to see how many answers he or she can get correct!

	DEBATE	CREATE
ARTICLE	"Milan, Italy: Protests against fur" (page 7)	"Do fun activities on Pi Day" (page 24)
VOCABULARY	protests, activists, showcase, exclude	exploratorium, circumference, diameter, decimal
ACTIVITY	Direct students to read the article. Ask them to create four columns on a sheet of paper, labeling the first and third "Give-One" and the second and fourth "Get-One." Present the statement, "Fur should be banned," and instruct students to use the article and any additional research to fill in the "Give-One" column with supporting ideas. After five minutes, have students stand and find a partner. Each student should share one idea from their "Give-One" column with their partner and receive an idea in return to write in their "Get-One" column. Encourage them to repeat this process three more times, allowing them to gather a variety of perspectives from different partners. Next, guide students to repeat the exercise with the third and fourth columns, this time using the claim, "Fur should not be banned." Facilitate a class discussion where students vote for or against each claim and share the results to see which perspective resonates most with their classmates.	Write the symbol for Pi (π), and ask students what it represents. Explain that Pi is the ratio of a circle's circumference (the distance all the way around) to its diameter (the distance across). Regardless of the circle's size, this ratio always equals the same number, starting with 3.14159. What's fascinating about Pi is that it continues indefinitely without repeating. Ask why there is a day dedicated to this number—March 14—and encourage a discussion on its significance. Explore the classroom, their home, or the outdoors to find circular objects like cans, jars, glasses, bowls, and rugs. Invite them to measure the circumference of each object and divide it by its diameter to see how closely they can approximate Pi. Finally, encourage students to express their creativity by writing a "Pi-ku," a poem inspired by the traditional haiku form. Their Pi-ku should consist of 3 syllables in the first line, 1 syllable in the second line, and 4 syllables in the third line to celebrate Pi Day.
EXTEND	Learn more about the fur debate.	Learn 25 fascinating facts about Pi!

	CONNECT	ACT
ARTICLE	"Fighting widens in the Middle East" (page 2)	"A time to honor women's history" (page 3)
VOCABULARY	conflict, mission, compound, nuclear	gender inequality, activism, justice, summit
ACTIVITY	Direct students to find Iran on a world map, and to share why Iran is in the news this week. Invite small groups to discuss what they know or are curious about related to the recent attacks by the US and Israel on Iran. Consider questions such as why the United States and Israel attacked Iran, how the attack unfolded, how the conflict is expanding, how Iran has retaliated, how these events could impact the world economy, what the leaders of these countries have said, how American citizens feel about the conflict, the casualties so far, and what might happen next. Invite students to read and annotate the article to learn more. Challenge groups to imagine they have been asked to teach a group of eight-year-olds about this news event. In 50 words or less for each section, they must share what happened that led to the Feb. 28th attacks, what is happening now, and what they think will happen next.	Invite students to share what Women's History Month means to them. Direct them to the History Chicks website (or a similar platform) to select two notable women to learn more about. Encourage them to engage with the podcasts, videos, and written content about the women they choose. Challenge students to summarize what makes each woman unique or noteworthy, and to discuss how each has contributed to women's rights, equality, and advancement. They should also compare and contrast the similarities and differences between the two women. Next, ask students to choose a woman in their own lives to interview, write about, or create a video feature on. Guide them in preparing 5-10 thoughtful questions. Encourage them to take notes. Finally, challenge students to create a 30-second podcast, 30-second video, or 100-word report highlighting their subject and what makes her noteworthy and impactful.
EXTEND	Watch President Trump announce military attacks on Iran.	Visit the Smithsonian Women's History Museum.

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