

*Monthly Newsletter*



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## **ASK KHALID**

If you need some advice, ask Khalid!  
This is an opportunity for you to gain tips and advice from a fellow scholar. Khalid wants to help and support you.

Maybe you are having a difficult time with a sibling. Possibly you find your assignments challenging and do not know how to handle your workload.

Did you make your parents unhappy recently and are having a hard time smoothing things over?  
Need some help? Ask Khalid



## A WORD FROM OUR EDITOR...

# **MONEY MOVES DURING THE FIRST PANDEMIC**

**BY SAPHYR BROWN**

Did you know that Madam CJ Walker was the first colored woman to become a millionaire during the first pandemic? She first came up with the idea after she developed a scalp disorder in the 1890s. She then started experimenting with home hair care products and store bought ones.

In 1905, Walker was hired as an agent for hair care by Annie Turnbo Malone, a successful black hair-care product seller, and moved to Denver, Colorado. She and her husband worked on hair-care advertisements, while Walker perfected her hair products. It was her husband who thought she should use the name “Madam CJ Walker” because it was more recognizable.

In 1907, Walker and her husband traveled around the South and Southeast giving lecture demonstrations about their hair products called the, “Walker Method,” using her own formula for pomade, and the use of heated combs. She established Madam CJ Walker Laboratories to manufacture cosmetics.

The money from her business led her to be one of the first black American women to be a millionaire. Madam CJ Walker then organized clubs and conventions, which recognized educational efforts among African Americans. We thank her for helping to pave the way for African American female entrepreneurs.

# ASK KHALID

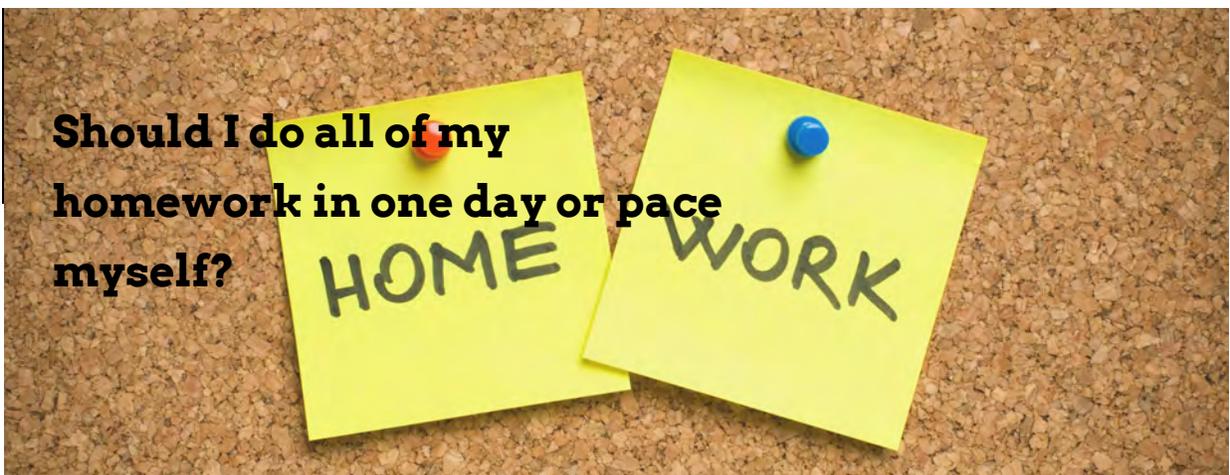


**I want my parents to adopt but they say that I am too much trouble.**

**What do I do to make it easier for my parents? I want a sibling.**

What you will need to do is work on your parents not seeing you as too much trouble. That way they will be more willing to adopt and you will have a sibling.

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**Should I do all of my homework in one day or pace myself?**

It depends on when the assignment is due. Don't rush through your assignments and yes, it's a good idea to pace yourself.



## CLASS COMPETITION WINNERS

above: *Impressionist Painter Aniyah Parker Nelson*

below: *Emoji Designer Saphyr Brown*

On a fieldtrip to the Barnes Foundation with SAHGE Academy, students learned how to paint like an impressionist this month. They used the following acronym which describes the features of impressionist painters:

E - Shows everyday life

L - Uses natural light

B - Innovative use of brushstrokes

O - Created outdoors

W - Depicts water and/or weather

Later in the month, students were tasked with creating their own emoji. This one was a class pleaser since there seems to not be an emoji that quite captures when you die laughing. We also thought it was a great touch of the upside down heart for the nose.



## TASTY TREATS FOR YOU!

by *Starr Lynn Allen and Brooklyn-Amaya Thompson*

### The Starrtastic Slushy

First you will need Minute Maid Peach Punch and/or Minute Maid Mango Punch, Use lemon juice, whether real lemon or bottled. Next you need some strawberry syrup but don't forget to add ice to the blender!

Ok, so if you use both juices then you do half and half but if you only use one juice then you will fill your blender cup to a little over the ice. For the lemon juice, you just need a little splash. Now I don't measure the syrup. I just do what looks good so you can do that to your liking as well.



### Brooklyn-Amaya's Best Mac n Cheese

To make this lovely macaroni and cheese, you need a box of pasta noodles. It could be any pasta of your choice. You will use the whole box. Boil the pasta for 10-15 mins. Test it out to see if it is the softness that you prefer.

Next, you need cheese. I like to use the shredded Triple Cheddar Cheese by Sargento. I used one 8oz package. It wasn't that cheesy so if you would like yours more cheesy then use half of another bag.

After that, add milk. Let's say about two cups if you like it creamy. I used almond milk but I would advise you not to use the vanilla flavor because it changes the taste.

Finally, mix all ingredients until you get a good consistency. If you want to spice it up, then why not add some veggies or meat that you like? Remember to spice up your mac n cheese with salt, pepper, and anything you want. Boom, there you have it!

# WOMEN & BUSINESS



Pictured: During the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1918, Madam CJ Walker is known to be the first female self-made millionaire.

## COVID-19 HAS AFFECTED THE RISE OF FEMALE BLACK-OWNED BUSINESSES

### ANIYAH PARKER NELSON & MAMA KIYA

For years, the start of female black-owned businesses have been outpacing every racial and ethnic group category. According to Forbes, black women represent 36% of all Black-owned employer businesses and 42% of new women-owned businesses. Yet, black women are only 13% of the total US population. Higher levels of education and the drive to overcome barriers have led to the continual wave of black women entrepreneurship over the past several years.

Statistics and trends for black business ownership in 2020, state the following:

- Black-owned businesses generated \$150.2 billion in gross revenue as recently as 2012.
- The most popular category for black-owned businesses is health care.
- World Wide Technology is the largest black-owned business in the country.

Overall, female black-owned businesses have been growing, but they haven't been without their challenges. Not only have they been challenged during the current Covid-19 pandemic but they have been affected disproportionately more than other business owners. Banks and donors do not fund and support these businesses as they do other demographic groups. This threatens the progress that so many black women have worked to make. Although, Madam CJ Walker was able to thrive during the first pandemic, female black business ownership is being threatened by the current one. Support Female Black-Owned Businesses.

# COMICS

## THE FIGHT AT HERO HILL KOBI OBENG & KHALID MUHAMMAD

Superheroes Todd and Martha are watching the news on a foggy day near the town of Hero Hill.

As Todd and Martha watch the news, they learn that there is a battle at Hero Hill. The Red Army has come to take over the land of the people. The army is invading with their tanks.

Todd and Martha quickly fly to the scene. The people of Hero Hill are rushed into Todd's protective bubble to be blown to the safe base. Now, Todd and Martha can work together to defeat the Red Army.

