



What does it mean to be human?

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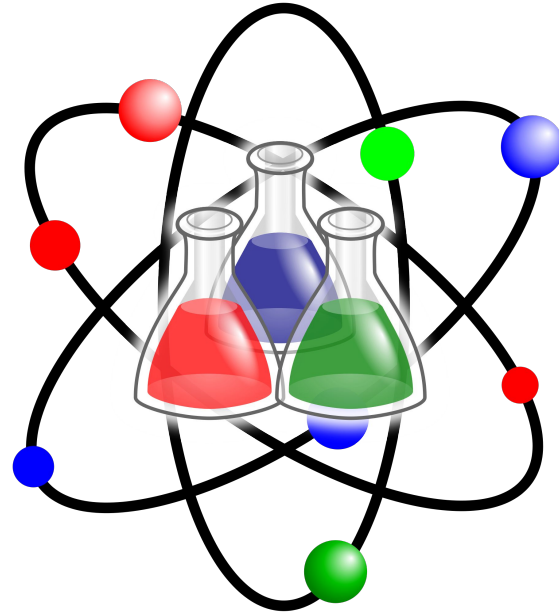
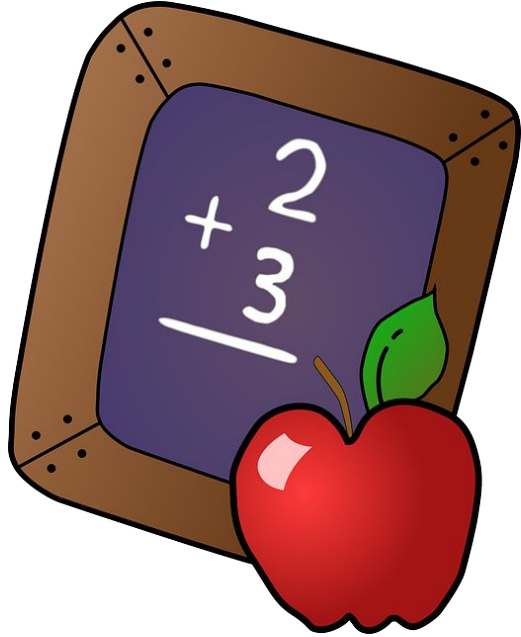


Our Childhood

A person's childhood lasts for years, much longer than other animals. A time spent learning more than just basic instincts.



Well... what do we learn?



Our Hands

... which are well suited for many tasks. Writing, art, and language have all come from our ability to accurately manipulate the world around us.

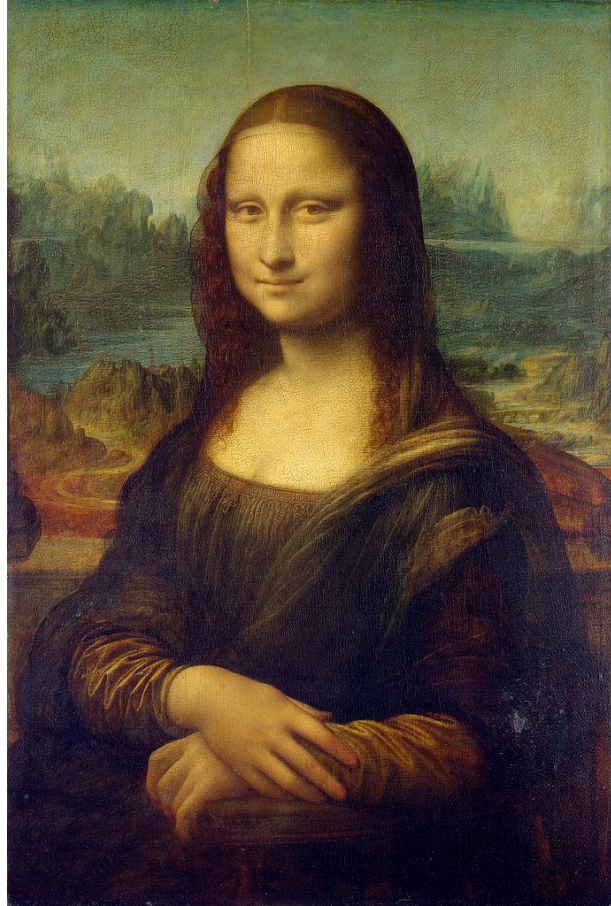


A Simple Collage

So what have people accomplished with long childhoods and clever hands?







We the People

of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Article 1

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch in that State.

It is necessary that the Representatives who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, and seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be seven Years in that State in which they shall be chosen.

Representatives and electors shall be appointed among the several States, which may be included within the same State, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, within any State bound to deliver up the Service of Persons, and including Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons. The actual Enumeration shall be taken every tenth Year from the first of the Month of August in the Year in which the Enumeration shall be taken. The Number of Representatives shall not exceed one for every thirty thousand, but each State shall have at least one Representative, and until such Enumeration shall be made, the State of New Hampshire shall be entitled to have three, Massachusetts eight, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations six, Connecticut five, New York six, New Jersey four, Pennsylvania eight, Delaware six, Maryland six, North Carolina five, South Carolina five, and Georgia three.

When vacancies happen in the Representation from any of the States, the Electors in that State shall choose in lieu of the Person so vacated.

The House of Representatives shall choose their Speaker and other Officers, and shall have the sole Power of Impeachment.

Section 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof for seven Years, and each Senator shall have one Vote.

In all Vacancies that may happen in the Senate, the Electors in that State shall be qualified to elect in the same Manner as if the Electors of that State had the Electors of the whole State, and the Electors in each State shall have one Vote.

The Vice President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but he shall not vote, unless he be equally voted for.

The Senate shall choose their other Officers, and shall sit in the City of New York, in the absence of the Vice President, unless he shall appoint another Officer of the United States.

The Senate shall have the Power to try all Impeachments. When sitting for that Purpose, they shall be on Oath or Affirmation. When the President of the United States shall be tried, the Chief Justice shall preside. And no Person shall be convicted without the Concurrence of two thirds of the Members present.

Judgment in Cases of Impeachment shall not extend further than to removal from Office, and disqualification to hold any office of Honor, Trust, or Profit under the United States; but the Party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to Suit, Judgment, Execution, and Penal servitude, according to Law.

Section 4. The Times, Places and Manner of holding Elections for Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such Regulations, except as to the Place of choosing Senators.

The Congress shall assemble at least once in every Year, and such Meeting shall be on the first Monday in December, unless they shall by Law appoint a different Day.

Section 5. Each House shall be the Judge of the Elections, Returns and Qualifications of its own Members, and the Majority of each shall constitute a Quorum to do Business, and a Majority may determine the Rules of their Proceedings, may adjourn from day to day, and may by aye or nay give assent to Bills.

Each House may determine the Rules of its Proceedings, punish its Members for disorderly Behaviour, and with the Concurrence of two thirds expel a Member.

Each House shall keep a Journal of its Proceedings, and from time to time publish the same, excepting such Parts as may in their Judgment require Secrecy.

Neither House shall give any Title of Nobility, or any other Title of Honor, without the Consent of the other, or give any Vote thereon, nor shall any other Thing be done which tends to the Honor of the one House without the Consent of the other.

Section 6. The Senators and Representatives shall receive a Compensation for their Services, to be ascertained by Law, and each of them shall, while he is so engaged, hold his Office during the Term of which he was elected, and in all Cases, except Treason, Felony, and Breach of the Peace, be privileged from Arrest during their Attendance at the Session of their respective Houses, and on going to or coming from the same, except for Misdemeanors committed in other than the said Sessions.

No Senator or Representative shall, during the Time in which he is so elected, be appointed to any civil Office under the Authority of the United States, which shall have been created, or the Emolument whereof shall be increased during such Term, and no Person holding any such Office shall be elected or appointed to either of the said Houses.

Section 7. All Bills for raising Revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives; but the Senate may propose or concur with Amendments as on other Bills.

A Summary (for those of you who were asleep)

1. A long childhood gives people knowledge and concepts of creativity
2. Hands (with the all important opposable thumbs) allow us to express that creativity
3. As a species we have acted on those creative, intelligent ideas to make things for more than just function.





Thank You!