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The Purple Gem By Sam S., Rm 16



On a good afternoon, I had a nap in the car when my mom and I were moving to a new house. One hour passed and then I woke up from the nap. I looked out the window of the car and saw the night sky. As we passed the old hospital and saw an old guy with a shiny gem in his hand, he threw the gem at the car, and it went straight through the window of the car.

The gem was glowing with energy and pulsing like it was alive, so then I put it in my pocket.

When my mom and I got to the new house, I had some questions like, *Why is it so small?* or *Why is the roof pink?* My mom just ignored me, so I decided to walk in.

When I did, the gem shocked me with electricity and faded red then faded back to purple. As I tried to walk in again, I expected the gem to shock me, but it did not.

I walked to my room and my stuff was already put there by movers, and I put the gem on my desk.

"Come downstairs, dear," my mom said. I walked down stairs, and when I got down stairs, I saw my mom was holding the gem.

She said, "Did you find a rock outside? You know the rule is no rocks in the house," and then she threw the rock outside, and it landed in the pond.

Just then at that very moment, it turned into an octopus, tossed a fish in the air, and launched to the stars. Then the octopus turned back to a gem and



shattered! It glitched like a video game and shattered. I thought that was weird, so I turned

around and saw the most terrifying thing I've ever seen—a dragon-like creature with a scaly tongue, talons that are as sharp as knives, blood red eyes, cat ears, and with a roar that sounds like ten million screaming souls.

I then screamed so loud it made glass shatter and the dragon lowered his head and closed his eyes. I thought it was going to attack but then he said, "Ride me," in a deep, deep gravelly voice.



I said, "Do you need a cough drop?" and he said, "Yes, thanks!"

I gave him the cough drop and his voice was soft and loud. When I got on his back, he flew and flew and flew so high I could touch the moon. We flew over to a giant taco person and fought him. Then we found a green wall of ones and zeros and I knew just what to do next. I needed to go in the wall, so I said, "Goodbye, friend."

The dragon said, "Huh? Why do you have to leave?"

"Because I need to go home," I said, and with one step I had teleported home in my old bed in my old room in my old house. No purple rock, no dragon, no new house, and no octopus, so that meant I was dreaming.

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Interview with Mr. Schormann

By Karina S., Kaitlyn L., & Kathlynd H., Rm 28

Did you know that Mr. Schormann is a famous actor? He is a fun and creative teacher at Azevada that loves to teach and spend time with his family. Mr. Schormann was busy at the time we tried to

interview him, but eventually we got all his answers. We hope you enjoy the interview.

What are some of your weaknesses as a teacher? I need to keep up more on the latest technologies.

When you have nothing else to do relating to school, what do you like doing?

Spending time with my family, working in my yard, lifting weights, being outdoors, and doing some creative story writing.

Do you have any secret talents?

Drawing, creating short stories, landscape design, and acting.

If you won the lottery, what would you do?

First, I would take my entire family on a vacation to Hawaii. Then, I would financially assist my family to make their lives easier, and find a way to help some less fortunate people.

What inspires you to teach?

Making a positive difference in a child's life.

What makes a good day at school?

Students learning together, discovering together, and having fun while doing it!

Does technology help make teaching easier or harder?

It has its pros and cons. Students need to keep up with modern times, but also need to have basic skills that a computer should not be relied upon.

Are there any embarrassing teaching moments you're willing to share? What are they?

Not that I recall. I have a pretty good sense of humor, so I go with the flow of whatever may happen.

What's the best/worst thing about being a teacher?

The best part is being a positive male role model to my students. The worst part...all the correcting I have to do!

In which other teacher's class would you like to enroll, even for a day? Why?

Mrs. Dekker. She's funny, energetic, and VERY animated when explaining things. Her students learn and have fun!



How many years have you worked at Azevada? 23 years

Were you ever a police officer? (If yes) where? When? Not in real life, only on TV shows.

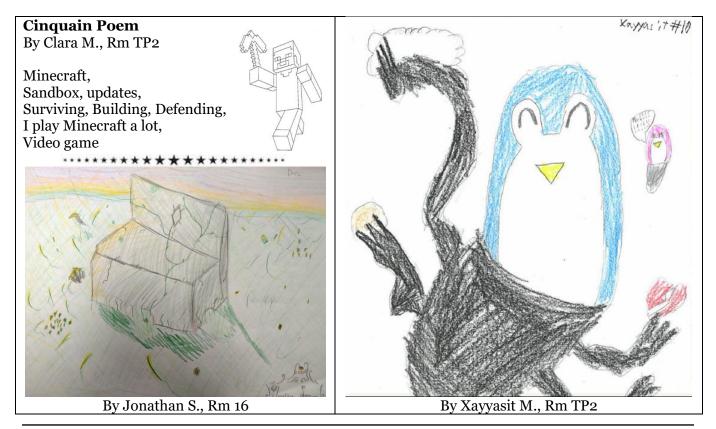
Do you have any kids? Two daughters. Olivia (20) Hanna (18).







By Sam S., Rm 16





Bumblebee: The Last By Keane S., Rm TP2