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Ah, the sweet smell of spring. It's such a refreshing time! The warm sunshine feels so good on our skin, and melts away our winter blues. Colourful blooms are popping up, and it's the perfect time to start planting the garden or spend time outside.

Spring starts next week, so we're sharing our favourite quotes about the season:

“Blossom by blossom the spring begins.” - *Algernon Charles Swinburne*

“Spring is nature's way of saying: Let's party!” - *Robin Williams*

“Spring adds new life and new beauty to all that is.” - *Jessica Harrelson*

“In the spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours.” - *Mark Twain*

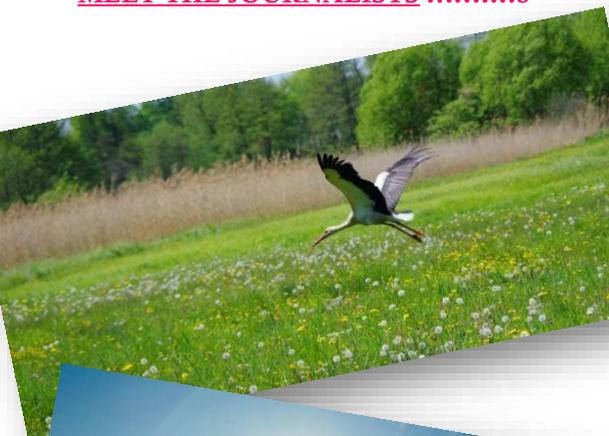
Having said that we invite you to find out more about spring in this TBT edition. You can read about spring in different parts of the world - in Vietnam, in Australia and of course in Poland 😊

Moreover you can inspire yourself reading about “gangster cinema” or “energetic spring films”.

And you cannot miss our fourth graders works about their favourite animals – some are really interesting and some are sweet and funny.

In our “meme review” you will also find jokes about springtime.

Now, put your feet up and enjoy 😊!



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SPRING IS COMING

Spring is coming and nothing is going to change it 😊. I think that Polish spring is the best, because Poles have interesting traditions concerning this season. For example Drowning Marzanna or painting Easter eggs. During spring you can feel how nature comes to life. It is green and beautiful. You can smell the flowers, hear the birds singing and see people during Easter eat the special breakfast. It consists of: sour soup with egg, “Babka” and “Mazurek” cakes. Spring is a unique season. Do not waste a single moment during this beautiful season. Go out into the fresh air and enjoy the nature!

Author: Staś Pszczółkowski

Is it better to sit at home or ride a bike during the spring and have lots of exercise? Well, everyone has their opinion, but I prefer to do what I feel like. The fact is, I do not overdo it with sports, but it is also not good to waste time at home. During bad weather, it's better to stay at home, but when it's warm and the sun is shining, it's better to play sports and be active.

Author: Franek Oziębło

Birds are coming from warm countries, flowers are blooming, animals are waking up from winter sleep - these are the signs of spring. Life is awakening during this season. The time is changing. We can also do lots of sports which we can't do in winter like riding a bike, playing tennis and volleyball. We can hear birds singing and smell millions of flowers. It rains a lot and there are thunderstorms, which is common in spring. Nature shimmers with all the colours. I really miss the taste of ice cream. I feel so good at spring time and I like those longer days so much.

Author: Staś Pszczółkowski

My favourite spring activity is sailing. I like it because I can do it despite the fact that I have twisted my ankle. I think it is very easy sport, but all my friends say it is difficult. It's relaxing and exciting. In spring I can listen to the sound of rain, rustling leaves and flowers, birds singing. I see life, animals, plants, water, wind. I can smell spring. I taste... nothing. I feel happiness.

Author: Iza Czernek

Spring is an amazing time when the nature wakes up. People don't stay at home and they go outside. In this season we play basketball, volleyball, table tennis or football. Also we can go jogging and running. The biggest advantage of spring is that we can practise sports outside. My favourite sports are basketball and volleyball. In spring I also like running with my best friend Zosia. I love sports so it is not always easy for me to choose my favourite one. The best in spring is that the weather is nice and the sun often shines. At this time of the year I also like walking with friends to the park and play basketball or beach volleyball.

Author: Ola Więch



SPRING IN VIETNAM

Spring is a short season in Vietnam which lasts from February to April. Spring is the best time for foreigners to travel to Vietnam because they will have an opportunity to understand Vietnamese culture during the biggest holiday – Tet Lunar New Year.

Spring comes after National New Year Holiday – TET (or Tết Nguyên Đán in Vietnamese). There is a myriad of cultural, historical and religious events to be held in spring, after the Tet Lunar New Year holiday.

In 2019, Tet Lunar New Year takes place from 5th February to 7th February.

Spring is a short season in Northern Vietnam which lasts from February to April.

In the North, it is getting warmer in spring with drizzling rains. The average temperature is around 19 degrees Celsius.

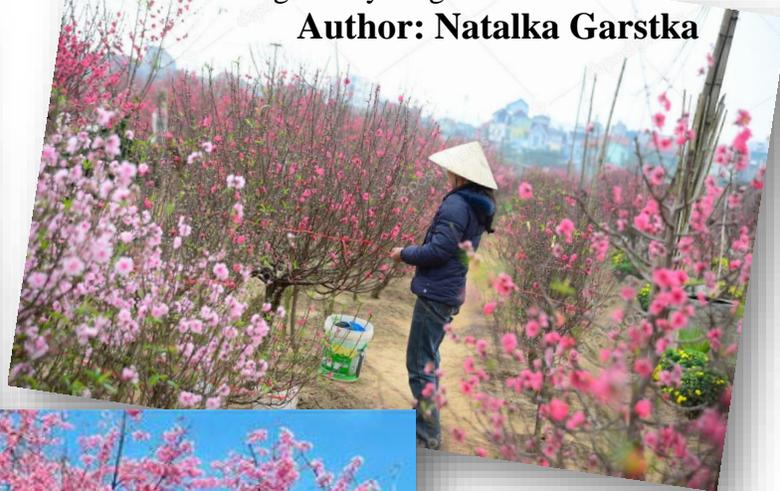
When spring comes, the weather starts warming up. Spring features a peaceful atmosphere, blue sky, bright sunshine and warm breezes, which is convenient for long trips, picnics, and visits. Sometimes you can see drizzling rain, too!

The mild climate of spring creates favourable conditions for the trees and flowers to grow (plants grow and bud). Springtime is the special time of development and revival of life.

In spring you can see all the flowers blooming, especially apricot and peach – two of the most characteristic spring flowers in Vietnam. Children are eager to buy new clothes with their parents for the National New Year and the flower market.

After a long, cold winter spring comes. In Poland the first day of spring is on March 21st. It lasts until June. However, the real starts in April, sometimes in May. It is the most wonderful time of the year. Flowers begin to bloom, hibernated animals wake up, birds sing. This is the season when days become longer than nights. It is very colourful. Sun shines and people are happy. The spring is the best time to come to Poland because foreigners can observe Polish culture during Easter or May holidays. When spring comes, the weather starts warming up. We organize picnics and we spend time outside. I love roller skating and cycling with friends.

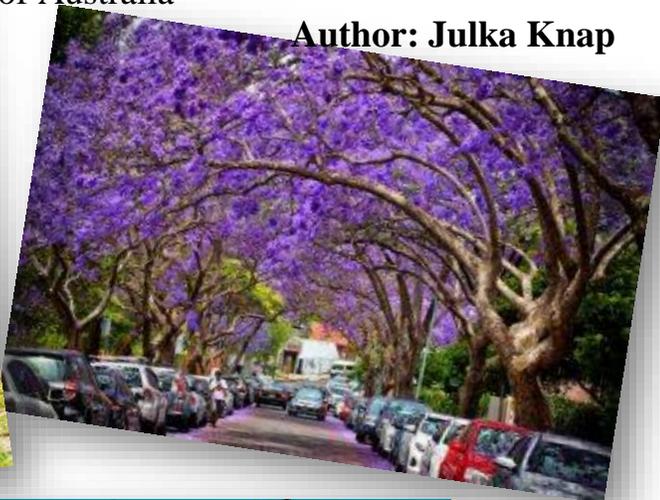
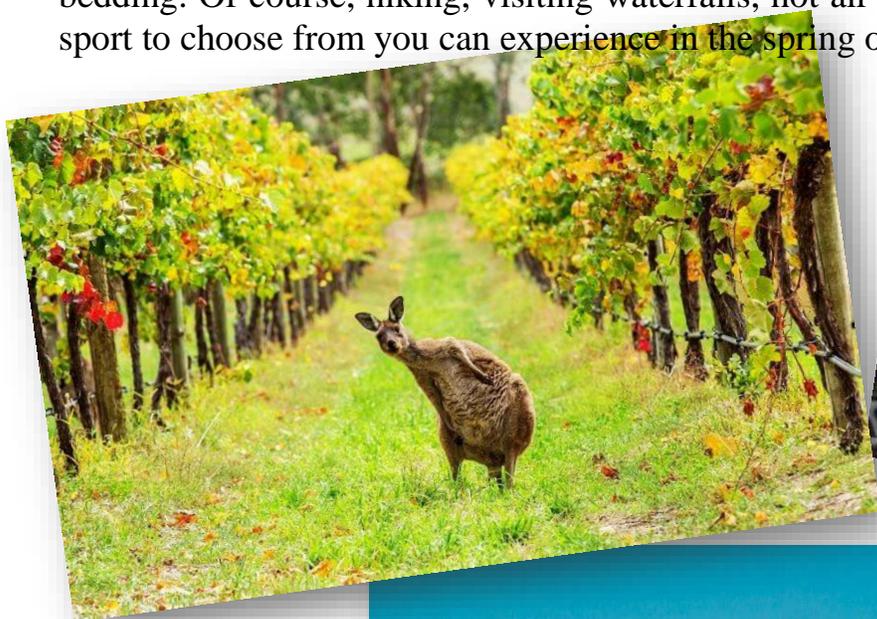
Author: Natalka Garstka



SPRING IN AUSTRALIA

Spring in Australia begins in September and ends at the end of November. It's different from spring in Poland. Australia is so big that the spring climate varies. Outdoor sports enthusiasts may want to head south to go skiing in the spring, and sunbathers to the north, enjoying warmer temperatures. Although Australia includes the tropic of Capricorn - creating a different climate in the north than in the south - the weather is generally mild and spring brings warm relief to travelers. It's warm in the north, but it's cool in the south. In northern Australia, the seasons are divided into two parts (wet season and dry season). And it's rainy season since spring. Spring rains occur there. Also, the sporadic cyclone is not something unusual. Spring is the perfect time in Australia for almost any kind of activity on warm days. Head south and go for spring skiing in the Snowy Mountains or go to the Northern Territories to relax by the beach. Australia is also campers friendly, with available campsites on the coast and near national parks. If you do not want to do this, try "glamping" (glamorous camping), where you still spend the night under the stars, but in something much bigger than a tent and with high class bed and bedding. Of course, hiking, visiting waterfalls, hot air balloon rides and almost any adrenaline sport to choose from you can experience in the spring of Australia

Author: Julka Knap



FILMS

Spring is here, so are new films. In March we can watch “Captain Marvel” – a story about one of the most important characters of Marvel universe. “Corgi” - movie about three dogs of queen Elizabeth II. This film shows the adventures of these dogs. And last but not least – Polish movie “Kurier” about Jan Nowak-Jeziorański’s mission during WW II.

Author: Marcin Stępień

Gangster Cinema

When we hear phrase “Gangster cinema” we usually think about financial scams, Italy, drugs and one big family. This movie genre was made in 1931. The first gangster movie was “The great train robbery”, but it was not until the second half of the twentieth century this film genre has been appreciated.

One of the most known gangster trilogy is “**The Godfather**”. The first part of the trilogy was shot in 1972 and tells the story of a mafia clan who came from Sicily. That classical movie was directed by Francis Ford Coppola based on Mario Puzo’s book with the same title. The author of one of the most recognizable movie music was Nino Rota. The main roles in whole trilogy are played by Marlon Brando (Vito Corleone), Al Pacino (Michael Corleone), Robert De Niro (young Vito Corleone), Talia Shire (Connie Corleone), Robert Duvall (Tom Hagen) and Diane Keaton (Kay Adams). It is interesting that **Elvis Presley** competed for the role of Tom Hagen.

Equally know gangster movie is “**Scarface**”, directed by Brian De Palma. The movie was created in 1983. The idea for the film was born in Pacino’s head after seeing the version of “Scarface” from 1931. Al himself played the main role. The film tells about young Cuban who come to America to overtake mob business. The movie won widespread recognition among the audience, but the critics had different opinion. This is why film was nominated to “Gold Raspberry”. However Tony Montana is one of the most copied movie gangster.

But what’s happened nowadays with gangster cinema? The answer is easy. Less directors do gangster series, because usually gangster movies are really long and the spectators are bored. Additionally audience was tired of the same film scheme in whole movies. Nowadays fans of this movie genre could watch series like: “Narcos”, “El Chapo”, “Breaking Bad” or “Subura: La serie”.

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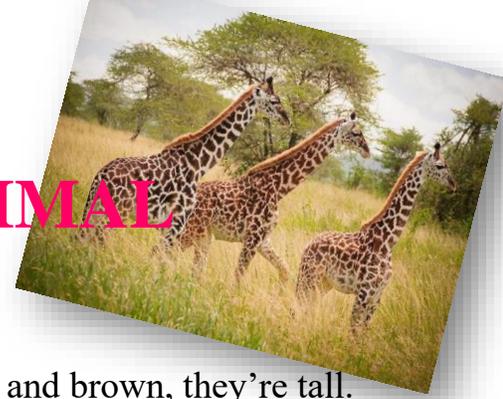
MY FAVOURITE ANIMAL

GIRAFFES

My favourite animals are giraffes.

They live in Africa in groups, minimum 3 to 35. Giraffes are yellow and brown, they're tall.

They've got long legs, tail and neck. They can reach very high. They eat plants, grass and leaves.



Author: Kaja Ślusarczyk

DJUNGARIAN HAMSTER



My favourite animals are **DJUNGARIAN HAMSTERS**. In the wild they live in Kazakhstan, Mongolia and Siberia.

DJUNGARIAN HAMSTERS are ball-shaped and smaller than Syrian hamsters so they are called dwarf hamsters. They are usually grey or brown. Their belly is always white, tail is very short and white, ears are small and brighter than fur. In the wild they live for only one year, but in captivity they can live longer, even 3 years.

Hamsters dig tunnels and they hide from predators. They eat seeds (most favourite are wheat), nuts, fresh fruit and vegetables.

DJUNGARIAN HAMSTERS are very nice pets!

My hamster's name's Szarasia. She is grey with shiny fur and beautiful eyes. Like every hamster, she likes seeds but she also likes human food such as sour cream and chocolate. She likes running in a bathtub and all over the house in a special "run-around ball". In her cage she does her sport and keeps fit in a running wheel. ☺

Author: Ignas Butrym

My favourite animals are: **dogs and tigers.**

Dogs

They live in the houses. They live all over the world. Some dogs are big or small. They have four legs. They have fur and some times hair. Dogs are domestic animals. Dogs like children. They like to play. Some dogs eat pines anything and some dogs eat only dog food. When two dogs meet, they sniff. They will have a dog soon.



Tigers

They live in the forests, grasslands and savannas. They are large and they have vertical stripes on the fur. Tigers live alone. Tigers are meat eaters. They eat animals. Tigers are also dangerous to humans. I would like to have a little tiger at home.



Author: Madzia Kubo

MY DOGS

FILA

Basic information
breed: sheltie
weight: 15kg
age: 4
color: black and white

Appearance
He has got blue markings
His eyes are blue
His fur is soft and smooth

History
I have had my dog since I was 10 years old. He is a sheltie and he is very smart. He likes to play and he is very friendly. He likes to run and he is very fast. He is a very good dog and he is my best friend.



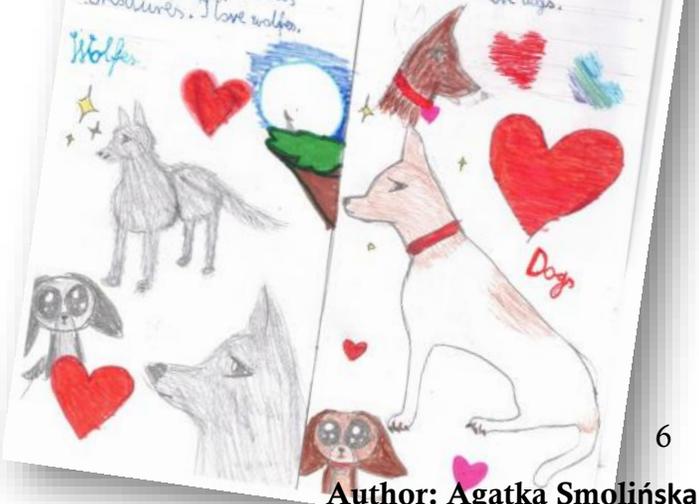
Author: Basia Szewczyk

WOLF

My favorite animals are wolves. They live in Poland. Wolves are grey, black, white, red and blue. They have long tails and long legs. They live in groups. These groups are called packs. They like meat. They haven't got a permanent house. Wolves are beautiful, dangerous and full of dignity, serious creatures. I love wolves.

DOG

My favorite animals are dogs. They live on all continents. Dogs are grey, black, white, red, brown and blue. They have long tails and long legs. They live in groups. They like meat. They live in houses. Dogs are clever, beautiful and sweet. I love dogs.

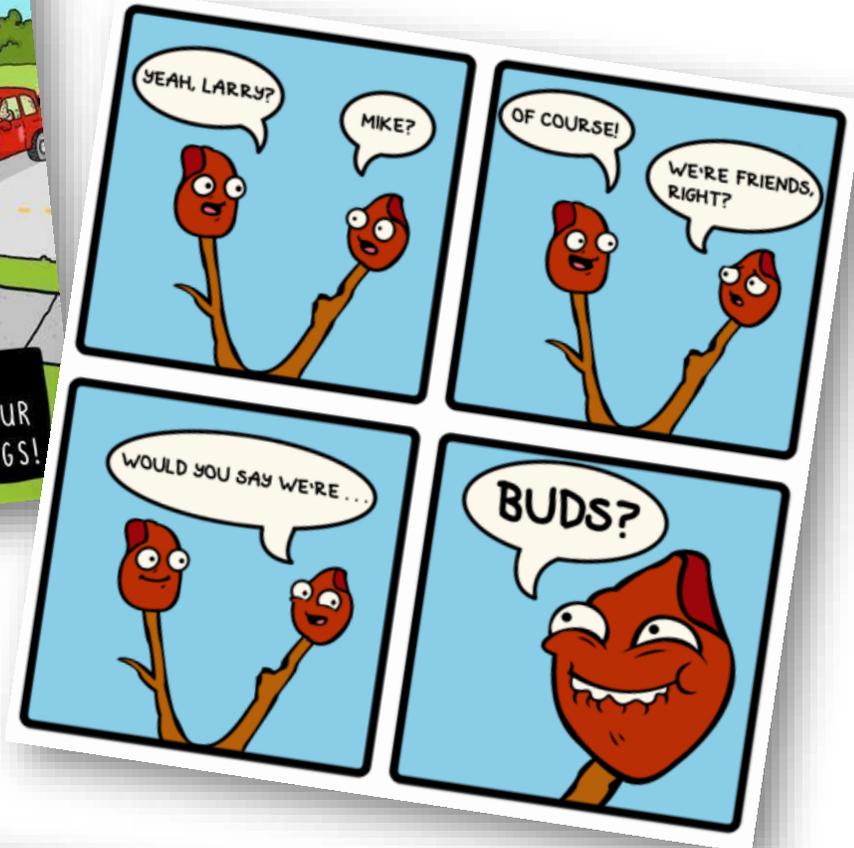
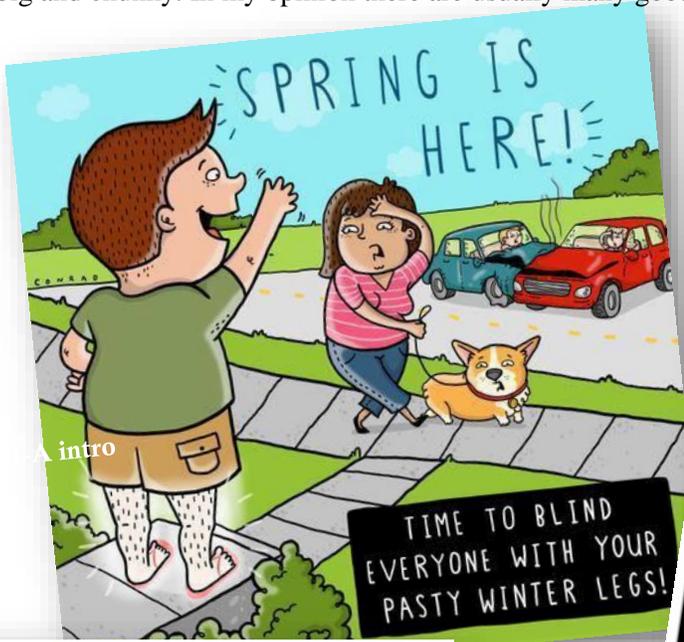


Author: Agatka Smolińska

Meme review

We have many memes with Moto-moto and Shaggy from Scooby Doo this month. Shaggy fights with Big Chungus and destroys him. Moto-moto in many memes is changed to Elmo or different character. But Moto-moto likes Gloria big and chunky. In my opinion there are usually many good memes, but they are not good enough this month.

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Meet the Journalists

Meet the people behind this amazing edition of The Bingo Times!
We meet up once a month – on the second Friday of each month.
Our next meeting is in May 2019.



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