



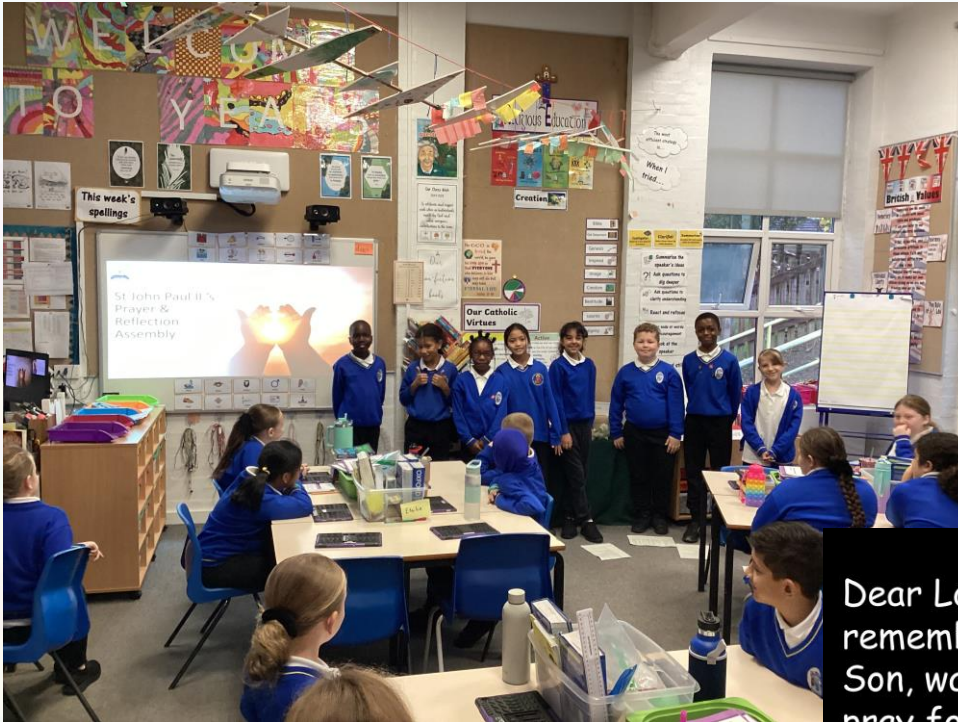
Year 5's

Journey of Faith



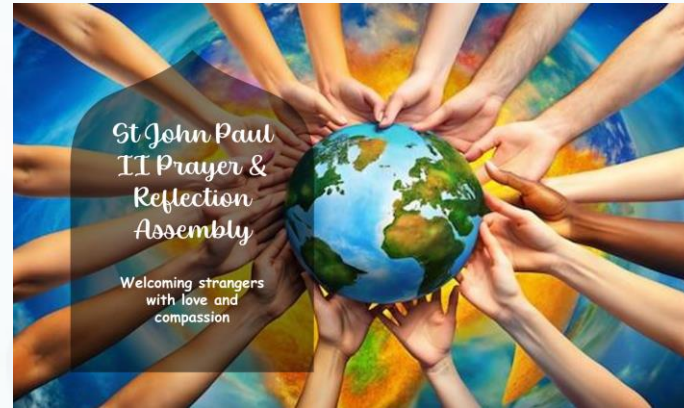
Prayer and Liturgy

The members of St John Paul II led us in a Collective Worship with the theme Refugees.



They shared used the song 'One Day' by Mastisyahu to help us gather and reflect before sharing the quote from Leviticus.

Then they read The Good Samaritan as their Gospel reading where they asked us to consider the way in which the injured man had been treated.

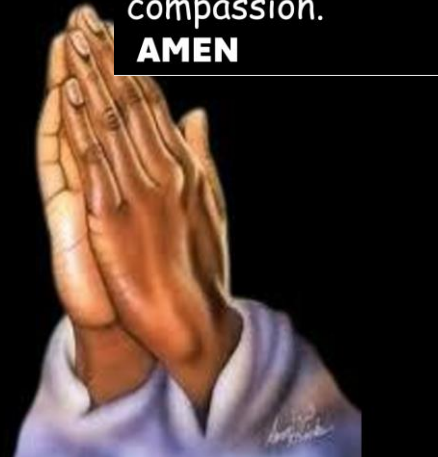


Leviticus 19:33-34
“ When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native – born.”

Dear God,
watch over refugees everywhere. Grant them safety, strength, and hope in their journeys. May they find welcoming communities, comfort, and opportunities to rebuild their lives with dignity and peace. Help us to support them with love and compassion.

AMEN

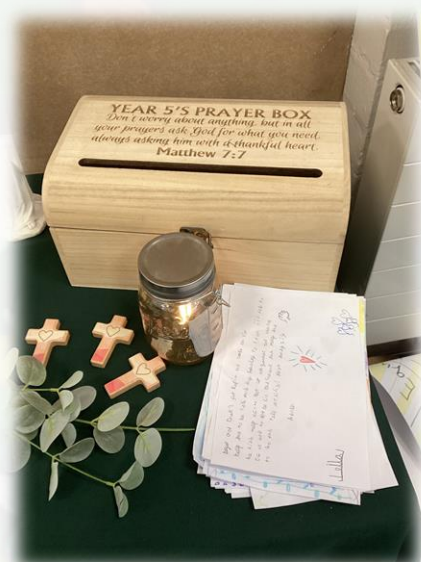
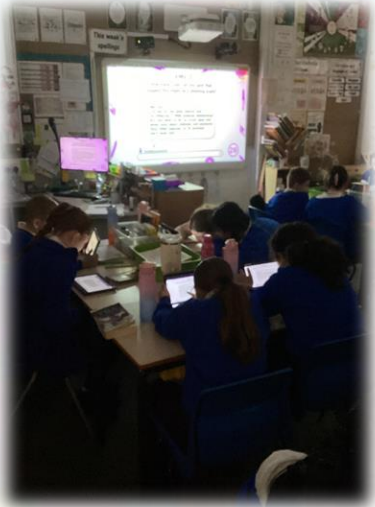
Dear Lord, We humbly remember that Jesus, Your Son, was once a refugee. We pray for all who are displaced, that You protect and guide them. Fill our hearts with compassion and help us offer support and kindness to those in need. Amen.



Prayer and Liturgy

Internet Safety Day Collective Worship

As part of Internet Safety Day, the children took the time to reflect on how we can seek God's guidance when we are faced with choices online. They wrote individual prayers and offered these silently to God. Some children then shared their personal prayers with the rest of the class.



Using our Computing skills for Collective Worship

In Computing, the children have been exploring how to use different fonts, colours and images in J2Create. In their own time, the children have written prayers to share with others for Collective Worship...

Here is a small sample from Lacey-Mai, Reuben and Kaiven.



Dear God

Help us to have peace in our lives and to encourage ourselves as followers of you. Help us to be our independent selves and to encounter amazing new things in life. Help us to understand everyone is different in their own special way.

AMEN

Dear God,

Thank you for my teachers, friends, pets and all people that I have that love me and take care of me. Thank you for every one. Thank your for my best friends and the people I met outside of school and inside of school. Please let more people have faith and hope in God and thank you for protecting me and putting roof above me. Thank you for making me have a roof and look after others who don't have what I have and I hope that others are okay and believe in you.



AMEN



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Dear God,

Thank you for your creation. Help us to remember that we should take care of it. Help us to be like you. Thank you For making us in your world, your creation. Help us to follow Jesus' footsteps. Make us be a role model like him. Help us to shine bright in darkness. Thank you lord .Help us to give peace around the world.

Amen



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We will go out - Retreat day with Dan & Emily

Once again we welcomed Dan & Emily from One Life Music to lead us in a whole school retreat and it was just as wonderful as we all hoped! The day before, the class had been telling Tiwa what a treat he was in for and the children were not wrong! They taught us all about the Year of Hope and how we are all pilgrims on a faith journey. We played games, wrote prayers, sang and reflected. Our classroom might have needed a little air freshener at the end of the day after us all drawing around our feet, but we had such fun and learnt such a lot we didn't mind.



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Learning and Growing as the People of God



Christmas



Our first unit of this half term was Christmas, and we explored the different journeys that Joseph, Mary and Jesus had to take as part of the Nativity story. We considered the thoughts and feelings of different people at different stages of the story and then ended by thinking about how the Holy Family became refugees. This allowed us to reflect on what it must be like for refugees today, and our prayers during this unit were dedicated to them.

Baptism

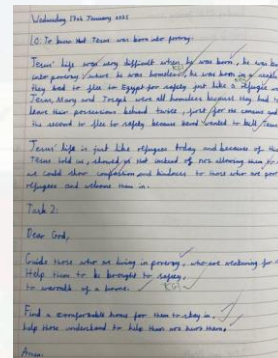
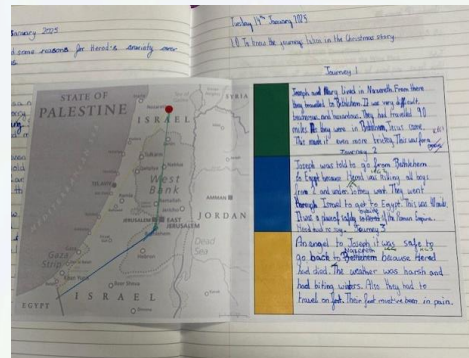
Our second unit focused on Baptism and we learnt about the importance of the River Jordan during Jesus' time alongside considering the role of John the Baptist in Jesus' baptism. We reflected on how he must've felt, taking on the responsibility of preparing the way for Jesus. We also thought about what made God proud and how we can make our parents proud. During the final two lessons, we looked in more depth at the Sacraments and the promises that are made as part of the Sacrament of Baptism. Our unit has allowed us to connect the our learning with different aspects of Catholic Social Teaching and think about how it relates to us.



Rights and Responsibilities



Dignity of the Human Person



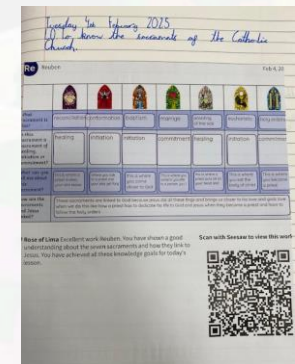
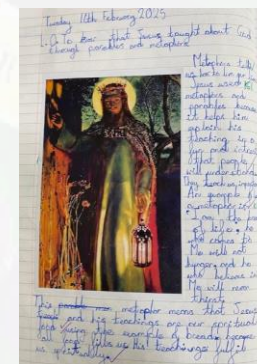
Finding Peace



Dignity of the Human Person



The Common Good: SOLIDARITY



Catholic Virtues

This half term, we have focused on the Catholic Virtues of 'Compassionate and Loving'. As a class, we thought about how we can show compassion and love towards each other, both in terms of our actions and the words we use. The children reflected on this as a class

In Year 5, we are compassionate when we

- Love everyone at all times, even if they have done something to upset us,
- Show kindness towards each other as God would want us to,
- Support each other, both in the class and outside the classroom
- Are generous with our time,
- Try our best to share our ideas with each other to enable everyone succeed,
- Help each other without being asked to help.



Catholic Virtues

In year 5, we are loving when we

- Have faith and believe in each other,
- Show love and kindness towards everyone - inside school, our families and our local community,
- Believe in each other,
- Consider the needs of others and support charities to help people we don't know,
- Respect others and treat them as our family, just as God would want us to do,
- Show thanks for the things that we are given.



Catholic Virtues Luminary

Our Catholic Virtues luminary for Spring 1 is:

Leila



Class Wish

The children thought about lots of different aspects that would make a good class wish, focusing on how we all need to work together to ensure we are the best team possible.

Our class wish for 2024-2025 encompasses all of their ideas and reminds us that we are all made in the image and likeness of God and are therefore valued for the contributions we make to the Year 5 team.



Class Wish Luminary

Our Class Wish luminary for Spring 1 is:

Jacob

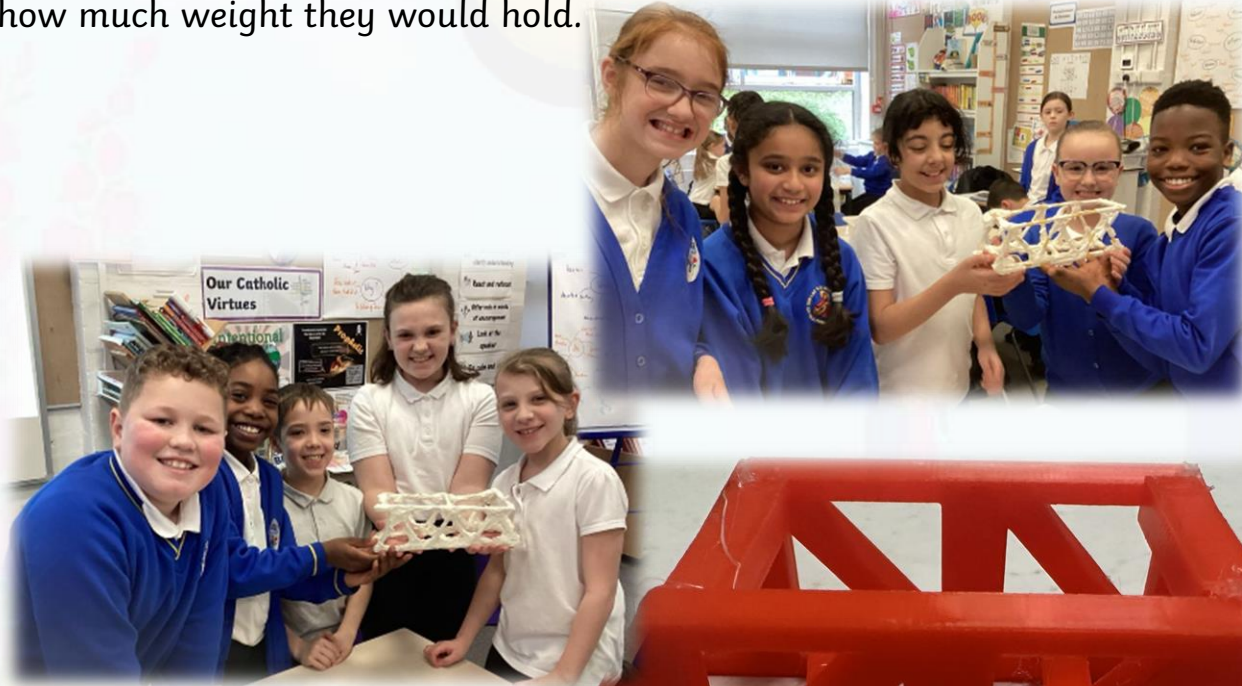
Year 5 Class Wish

2024-2025

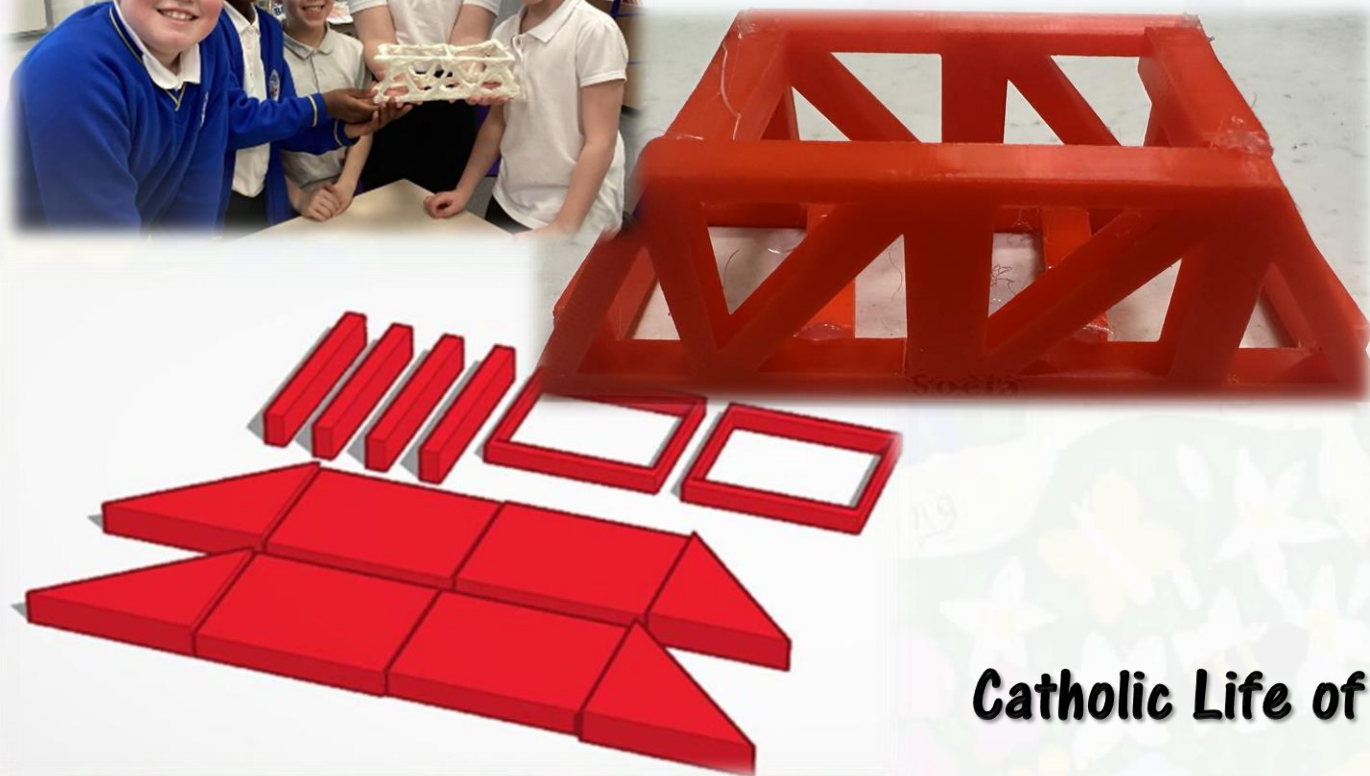
To celebrate and respect each other as individuals made by God and value everyone's contributions to the team,



As part of our DT topic, the children have been busy learning about different types of bridges. We started by testing the different strengths of them by creating them out of card and seeing how much weight they would hold.



We then set about measuring, sawing and using the hot glue gun to create a class truss bridge. The children took it in turns to saw and with a 'teacher' who talked them through how to do it safely and then who supported them to saw their own piece for the class bridge. We worked in the same way for using the hot glue gun. They were such good teachers and pupils and worked together beautifully to build our bridge.



The children also had a chance to design a truss bridge that could be printed on our 3D printer. They used Tinkercad and explored the different functions to do this. They had to learn how to layer shapes and combine them to create 'holes'. Again, some of the pupils took on the role of a teacher to share their knowledge and share it with others. It has been such a lovely topic to see them working collaboratively on! Mrs Edgington has been very proud of how they have done this! What a fun topic!

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Year 5 have been really enjoying their forest school sessions on a Thursday afternoon! They have been busy exploring the space and helping to tidy it up as it was in a bit of a mess with the building work and with all the rubbish that had built up over winter! Some of the children jumped at the chance to plant some spider plants with Mrs Ruffle and they got to take them home to share with their families.

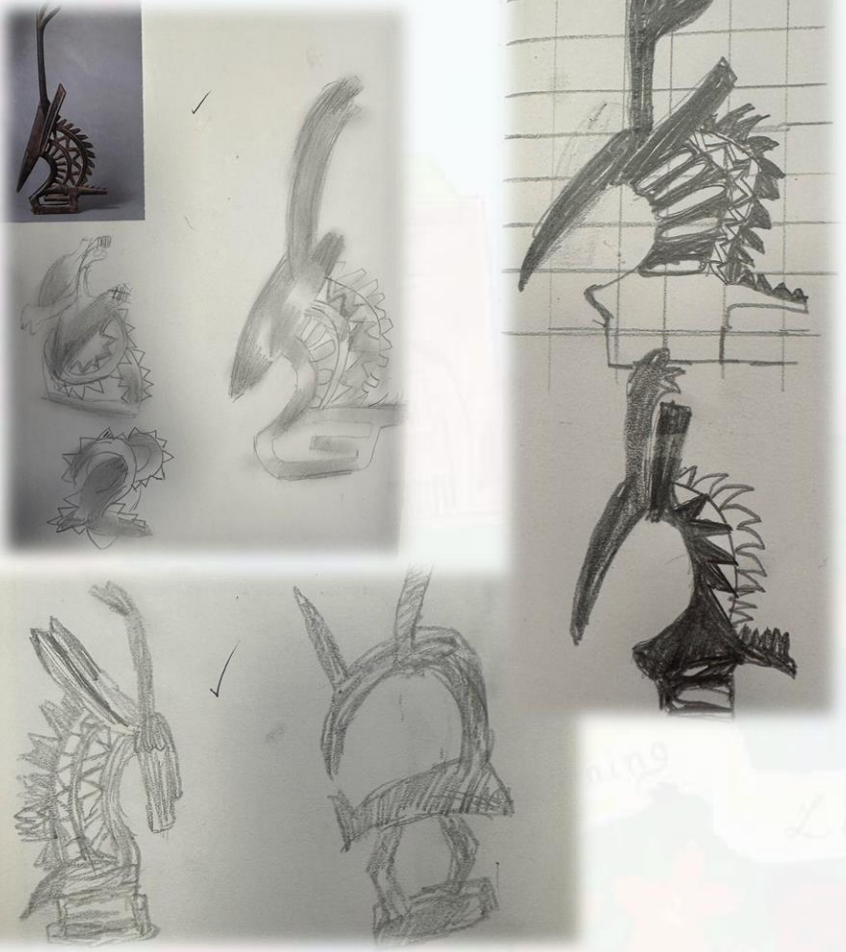


Others have been busy den building and some have had the chance to whittle some willow ready to cook marshmallows over the campfire! Ms Lay has kept them warm with the fire and we cooked some popcorn and made some hot chocolate to share too!

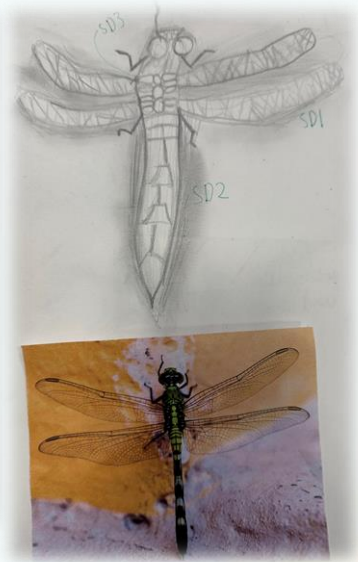
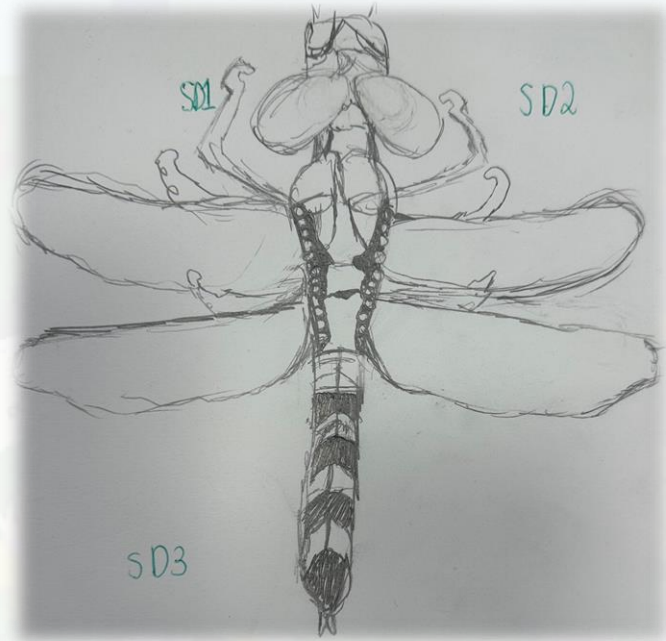
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West African Art

We have started our studies about West African Art and the children learnt about the Chiwara spirit which the Bamana people of Mali believe helps them with farming. The Bamana people honour the Chiwara by wearing headdresses and performing ceremonial dances. Year 5 completed some sketches of different Chiwara headdresses, showing how they can add detail and light and dark shades to their work.



We are also preparing to create relief masks which are based around Benin plaques. So far, the children have selected an insect that their relief mask will be based on and completed sketches of them. They are quite impressive!



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