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Glitter is a native of Milan, Italy. She grew up as the poster child for a major Italian clothing line until the age of sixteen. At the age of seventeen, she launched her own clothing company, Glitter International, and decided to start a home for orphans. Glitter's Orphan House has won numerous humanitarian awards for both care of children and giving back to the community. Her humble nature and down-to-earth attitude have kept her grounded; she insists on working at McDonald's for a living. Besides running her Orphan House, Glitter loves spending time with her cat Madonna. Her hobbies include kayaking, surfing, reading, and shopping. In her free time she enjoys giving makeovers at her salon, Glitter's Day Spa. She is fluent in seven languages including German and French, and serves as an interpreter for the Italian Parliament. She also is the creator of Glitter Magazine. Glitter currently has homes in New York, London, and in her native, Milan.

Vanessa Williams by Glitter, Darling

Vanessa Williams, her eyes captivating and sparkling, looking through the screen, directly welcoming in her fans, admiring her at her best, watching, calculating, waiting, intrigued when, for only a quick second, her lids flicker and open again to the realization that she is loved all over the world.. Her confidence lingers, but then her poise improves. She is a woman of grace, the woman who has empowered so many other women, the one with a character of wisdom, presence of power, strength to keep her staying in the game. In an instant, we understand what Vanessa Williams wants, we see who she is, we know why she is here, to inspire women, motivate us when we are weak. We have seen her when she is strong; we have seen her when she is vulnerable; we see her soul.

Williams is a mother of four only looking to gain our respect. Her skin is flawless, look on life is impeccable, and resume is much more than impressive. It includes working on two TV hit series, "Desperate Housewives" as Renee, her new character on "Wisteria Lane" with the other wives, "Ugly Betty" playing Wilhelmina Slater, a magazine editor, also receiving nominees three times for an Emmy, getting away from a scandal through a singing career, working on multiple plays for Broadway throughout the years, and now a well-known actress, one magical and inspirational creature, an icon, a goddess.

You study her being, her pure dignity; you watch her and understand, that her thoughts are scattering about. "I feel like I have lived many lifetimes. After all, who would have thought I would be where I am today?" "No one since Diahann Carroll has been as capable channeling the 'sexy, inaccessible, glamour and diva' type as Ms. Williams." says Ebony Magazine. "I think people get so worried about offending people that they end up watering things down and it becomes forgettable. For instance, when I did 'Dance with Me,' the working title was 'Shut Up and Dance,' and everyone remembered 'Shut Up and Dance.' And they tested it somewhere, I do not know where, and they felt it was too offensive. So they called it 'Dance With Me,' and no one can remember it. They say, 'Well, I remember that dancing movie that you did.' I remember when we shot the pilot for 'Ugly Betty' in March; it got picked up in May. Then they said they were changing the name to 'Betty the Ugly' because they felt it was too offensive. And luckily, 'Ugly Betty' won out and everyone remembers it. So, you know, sometimes you need to shock people to make them remember." Williams explains about shooting for movies and TV shows.

The characters she portrays she describes to be "dangerous" women. Her roles on screen are quite the opposite of who she is in person, as a caring mother, and also career oriented, giving, and a loving person. She feels like it is very odd for her to play a woman who has no children, dislikes them, and also, not having

any domestic desires. She cleans at home, cooks at home, picks her children up from school herself, fixes their hair in the morning, does laundry independently, and hangs her own pictures on the walls. She says, "My nanny does not live in. I touch up paint if I need to." As for playing her characters, she thinks they are the "furthest from who I am, but it is so much fun. Because I get a chance to say things that I never would have the guts to say to people in a room, not that being condescending or putting people down, or putting them in their place is proper---but it sure is fun when it is not you that has to pay the consequences." Williams continues, "And it is not like I have to do any major method acting and treat everyone like crap around there."

Information from <http://www.tv.com/tv.com-interviews-vanessa-williams/story/6826.html>, and Ebony Magazine. Dec./Jan. 2010/2011.



Pretty Little Secrets, Lucy Hale by Glitter

"I am really good at keeping secrets. I would do anything for the people I care about. I would keep their secrets until I die. But it gets tricky if the secret is something that can hurt someone else, or even themselves. There is a fine line between being loyal and having to expose something dangerous. I had a friend a couple years back who was going through a lot of body image issues. I confronted her parents about it, and told them she needed help. I did it out of my love and concern. She was very upset with me. It was tough love."-Lucy Hale

Information from Seventeen. Vol. 70. No. 7. June/July 2011. p. 110.



Pretty Little Secrets, Ashley Benson

"I was shopping with Lucy Hale and saw a great jacket. I was not sure if I should splurge, and she was like, 'You have to. It is amazing!' So I got it, but if she had not been there, I probably would have passed. Friends are never going to say 'Do not buy it, unless something is absolutely hideous, so I save my money by shopping alone.'-Ashley Benson

Information from Seventeen. Vol. 70. No. 3. March 2011. p. 130.



Pretty Little Secrets, Shay Mitchell

"I had a modeling contract in Thailand and Hong Kong. While there, I saw local girls with guys who were way older, and I knew something just was not right. Then I learned that nearly two million people under 18 across the globe, like them, are being forced into prostitution. Disgusted, I contacted the Somaly Mam Foundation, a non-profit, cofounded by a survivor of sex slavery in Cambodia. It rescues girls and helps them deal with issues like pregnancy, and injuries caused by abuse, and teaches them how to earn a living. I flew to Cambodia for one week last February to meet survivors in SMF shelters and schools who were learning how to speak English, sew, and cut hair. I brought them books and asked what else they needed. They said, 'Do not judge us. Just give us love, sister.' One girl would not let go of my hand for hours. When they hugged me, it was the purest form of love I have ever felt. I want to help SMF open more shelters and schools in the Phillipines, since I am half Filipina, and sex trafficking is a problem there, too."-Shay Mitchell

Information from Seventeen. Vol. 70. No. 7. June/July 2011. p. 102.

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Contributors Biography; Christine Owens



Christine Owens lives in Northern Idaho, among the trees, lakes and mountains, with her family. She teaches art at the elementary level and creates artwork in a variety of media, including fibers, design and oil painting. Anything she sells goes into a savings account to get her back to France, where she is attempting to see and learn about every region, but always with a lengthy stay in Paris!

Troian Bellisario: Having Fun with a Twisting Role, by Christine Owens

Beautiful and talented, Troian Bellisario says that she didn't really think that she'd ever get the part of Spencer when she auditioned for the ABC TV show "Pretty Little Liars." But they liked her flirtations with Wren in the audition and her ease and freedom won her the part. Now she is making us all take notice!

Troian is the daughter of Donald P. Bellisario, whose name you'll see chiseled out for many, many popular TV shows. Don't think she got her role just because her daddy has a big name. She's worked hard for her role in "Pretty Little Liars." She graduated from the University of Southern California's School of Theatre, earning a Bachelor of fine arts in acting. She has appeared in several television programs including "Quantum Leap," "Jag," "First Monday," several movies and performed in some stage performances. Her step-brother is Sean Murray, who plays the handsome, movie fanatic Agent Tim McGee on "NCIS." Troian has appeared several times as Sarah McGee, Tim McGee's sister.

So, she's Spencer. Spencer who? Spencer Hastings is a straight "A" student in "Pretty Little Liars." She is one of four girls who did everything together until one of them, Alison, disappears. Three years later the mystery resurfaces as one of them moves back to town. The first season ends with a text message to the girls: "I'm still here, bitches. And I know everything. -A

Who is "A?" Is it Alison? Nope. Her body is found buried in her back yard.

Hanna, one of the four original girls, figures out who "A" is. She calls a meeting! Oops, now she's hit by an SUV! "She knew too much -A". Hanna survives, but she now has no memory! Melissa suspects that Spencer did it. Spencer suspects that Melissa did it. Is Mona "A?" Mona thinks Ian killed Alison. Then Ian's dead. Then Toby finds the broken hockey stick buried in the Hastings back yard...with "Hastings" written on it. Mr. Hastings behaves suspiciously, takes the stick and burns it. Well, "If Ian didn't do it, who did?" Oh, good grief...I'd better read the books if I'm going to figure this out..... I love a good book series.

When asked in an interview what she would do with her part if she was writing the script, she says, "I don't know if I can answer that. I mean, I hope it goes somewhere exciting. But I would like it to just stick to the books. Where Sara [the author of the books that the series is based on] points Spencer is really cool. I was reading one of the books early on in the process on set and I got so mad at something that Spencer did I literally had to put down the book. I mean, I was angry at myself or the fact that I was going to have to do that in the future. I won't say what it was but I almost threw the book across the floor. Like, 'I can't keep reading this!' I was so upset."

When asked how far in advance she knows what her character's part will be, she says that it is a huge secret, that the actors are the last to know and that she once got one of the makeup girls in big trouble for swiping the script from her work station. But she is getting used to the last-minute scripts. And she's having fun!

She explains, "You know, I love theater, and the cycle with theater is, you get the text, you read it at the reading, and that's probably the best you're going to do it, when you first read it fresh. You're just in it every moment, and then you break it down, and then it becomes stale, and then it becomes old, and then you find something new and then it becomes old again, and

then you go through all of this rehearsal and bring in an audience and it doesn't work and then it does work, and then, if you're lucky, it becomes effortless again. Almost to the point where you first got it. But you do it over and over again, and there's this freedom in it. So you almost have to just get the script, do as much work as you can, make choices, get it in your body, and then forget about it. It's like doing those three months condensed in one night before you shoot the scene.”

When asked "What's the most exciting part about being an actress?" Troian says:

“ Getting to do things that I wouldn't normally get to do. Just for Spencer, I had to learn field hockey. I'd never played field hockey in my life, because I'm from the West Coast and we don't really have it out here. But I love learning new things. I hadn't played tennis since I was a little kid and they were like, ‘We have you playing tennis, so let's go get you some tennis lessons again!’ and it's so nice to have all of these opportunities to be somebody else every day. That's why I do it.”

Good, because we are enjoying watching Troian and the girls sleuth out this “whodunit,” AND checking out the fashions in the show. I wonder how long it would take to get hair to look like theirs...in real life....

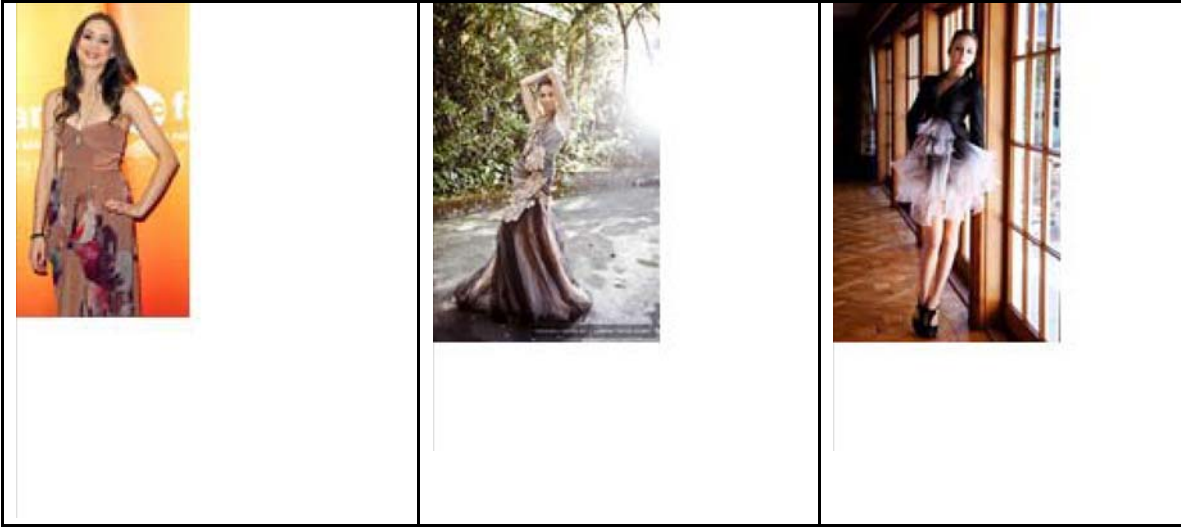


Bellisario as Scott Bakula's daughter in <i>Quantum Leap</i>	Bellisario at 9th Annual InStyle Summer Soiree, in Alice+Olivia dress
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Invent Your Back to School Style, Inspired by Troian's Glamorous Red Carpet and Editorial Looks, by Glitter





Troian's style is all about shimmery frocks, chunky necklaces, intense florals, heavy-high-heels, over-the-top ruffles, and rock star confidence. Take the look with you to school, and you will feel at home in no time.

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Above picture: Runway, Balmain 2009 Spring Summer, Paris Fashion Week. Bottom Left: McBerry Lace and Feathery Frock, \$225. Bottom Middle: Julie Brown Chic Flowing Floral Dress, \$125. Bottom Right: GoJane.com, Lavender Shimmer Dress, \$16.80.

Kim Kardashian, In Control by Glitter

If you have not heard of Kim Kardashian by now, you are probably stuck in the bottom of an oatmeal box. The ultra beauty shares secrets, reveals wedding news, and even thoughts about having children!

"Sometimes, I feel like a Zoo animal. I will be at a restaurant, and someone will put their phone in front of my face and take a picture without even saying hi." she says of crowds recognizing her and having heads turn immediately when she is around, she admits she has had to learn the hard way, by making mistakes, to find her own way to success. Cosmopolitan magazine says that there are two things about her that stand out, "the intense way she looks at people with her large brown eyes--so much that we feel like we are repeatedly losing a staring contest; and two, how calm she seems, as though despite her insane schedule, she is exactly where she wants to be, both personally and professionally."

Kim says "Yes, my life is very public, and I am opened up to a ton of scrutiny. But my personal life is my career, and I like that." Kardashian is also the cofounder of a low priced online shoe shop, *shoedazzle.com*, opening a fashion line with her sisters, Kourtney, and Khloe for Sears. The line is to be called the *Kardashian Kollektion*, and launched this month. For the first *Dash* store, Kim admits clothes would not sell because the prices were too high. After she listened to her fans, she knew better that they wanted to dress stylish without the huge price tags.

"We used to call each other and have long conversations about what we were going to wear to hang out. And while that is all superficial, Kim is not. That might be where our interests lie, but she has one of the purest hearts. Kim taught me the perfect way to put on foundation when we were 13." says Nicole Richie, a good friend.

Kardashian, 30 and new fiance, Kris Humphries met at a dinner that mutual friends asked them to attend. "I knew he was the one." Kim says, after they had been dating only for six months before he asked her to marry him in May.

"Often in relationships, you try to mold yourself into someone that you think the guy wants. But with Kris, I was totally myself from the get-go. And he was everything I had ever wanted in a man. It all just worked." Kim explains. She also discusses how excited she is for a baby. "I am from a big family, so I would love to have four kids. And I

think we will start right away. Well, after the wedding. I want to fit in my dress!" she says, happily.

Source: Cosmopolitan. August 2011. p. 46, p. 48, and p. 49.



Contributor's Biography; Sara Helton Taylor

Sara Taylor lives in Manhattan, New York where she is an active jazzercise instructor and animal rights activist. At only 30 years old, she has been happily married for ten years, loves learning new things, and dreams of one day owning a farm. She enjoys doing charity work, canoeing, reading biographies, studying the Russian language, and being a New York style house mother.



Body Confidence, by Sara Taylor

Rihanna puts it best when she says, "Never, have I ever, been a size ten in my whole life." Most of us, by industry standards, can agree with this sentence. However, some of us only know this size. So what is it about industry standards that we should understand? Across the board we should all understand body confidence; everyone should have enough confidence to walk down the street with their heads held high.

Forget air-brushed perfection; having confidence is about being the real you. It is about showing off your flaws, your curves, and everything else. It is about accepting what you have and loving yourself for your individuality, ala Madonna. Ladies, men are not looking for perfection; they are looking for something real, and there is nothing sexier than a real woman with confidence.



Here are a few tips to help you out...

1. Look at the REAL women around you. There are so many different shapes and sizes: tall, short, heavy, thin, hourglass, etc. We see the perfectly air-brushed impossible bodies in women's magazines, but we do not see REAL women. This is a major tip for increasing your confidence: the more women you see, the happier you will feel in your own skin.
2. Accept your flaws. This tip is for loving yourself as a woman, and acknowledging and accepting your flaws.

3. Stop trying for the perfect body. It does not exist! Focus more on having a healthy body. Do not try to mold yourself into one of the waifish, thin supermodels. Instead, focus on being fit, exercising, eating right, and being happy and healthy.
4. Try dressing up a little more to give yourself a boost. Toss the baggy sweats and a t-shirt. Try a cute top, sexy shoes, or even a new lipstick. It may just be what you need to walk a bit taller.
5. Try a new perfume; different scents can have different effects on our moods. So try out some of your favorites to see what works for you.
6. Eat well, drink plenty of water, exercise often, get lots of rest, and try to laugh every time you get the chance. These may seem cliché, but the simple things are often some of the best and most forgotten.
7. Change your hair! You do not need to go drastic. You can do a simple gloss treatment just to add a boost of shine. Do a style change, salons offer a wide variety of options.
8. Pick a theme song for yourself. You do not have to share it with anyone, just make sure it is a song that boosts you up.
9. Last, but not least...Buy clothes that fit, because there is nothing more uncomfortable than trying to squeeze into something that is a size too small, and then trying to deal with whatever your day throws at you. Remember different styles, brands, and many other factors may change the size you need. Do not get yourself stuck in the rut of always being and buying a certain size. Always try clothes on and insure a proper fit. Wear the appropriate undergarments, too; a good bra can make a world of difference in an outfit. A lot of retailers offer measuring services to insure the proper size and fit.
10. The last thing I can offer to you, my beautiful friends, is to stand up straight and tall. Let the world see how beautiful you are! Remember that having confidence is about you and how you see yourself; there will always be others filled with doubt and negativity, but all in all, you are the only one that really matters.



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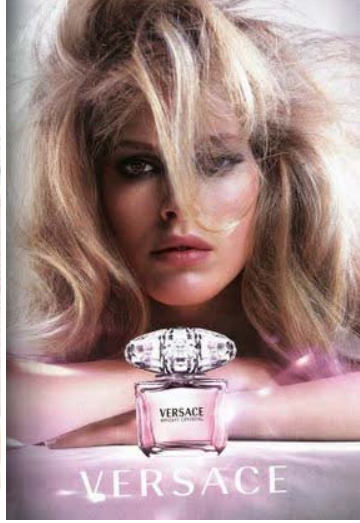
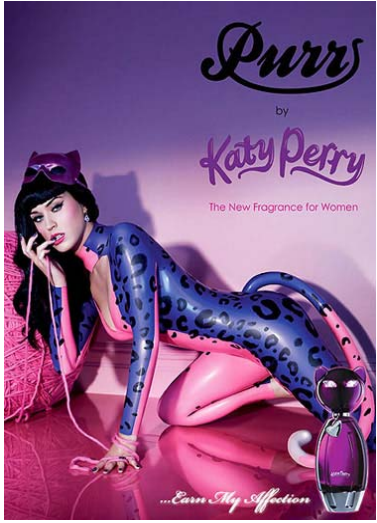
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Contributor's Biography; Mandy Parsons



Amanda Parsons lives in Orlando, Florida. She currently owns a roller coaster theme park and works weekends as a psychiatrist. Amanda enjoys studying other cultures, going to the theater, and doing charity work for others. She has recently gotten her teaching license and is excited about sharing knowledge with her new class.

MAC Makeup, by Mandy Parsons

What does a woman do when she wants to obtain the glitz and glamour of Hollywood without the price tag? She turns to cosmetics, of course.

While there are plenty of cosmetic companies for you to choose from, sometimes you will not find the look you are trying to achieve in your local drug store selection. Brilliant, bold, and daring colors are only

beginning to make an appearance in lines like Maybelline, Cover Girl, and Rimmel. Even then, their selections remain somewhat limited. To find that perfect shade of purple, blue, or even yellow one must go outside the depths of the drug store. The cosmetic line to find is MAC.



Created in Canada in 1985, MAC cosmetics have carved their niche in the glamour industry. MAC (which stands for "makeup art cosmetics") brings professional caliber cosmetics into the homes of women everywhere. While they are slightly more pricy than the average lines available to the public, they do not disappoint in their mission to make women everywhere spectacular.

Another appealing attribute for MAC is their dedication to humanity. Not long after the company was founded, its founders created the MAC AIDS fund. To date, the MAC AIDS fund has raised tens of millions of dollars for AIDS charities around the world. Not only that, but MAC has a heart for children. The MAC Kids Helping Kids program donates money to help children affected by AIDS.

Celebrities who believe in the cause have lined up to help MAC raise money for their organizations. Previous faces of MAC include RuPaul, Madonna, Lady GaGa, and Cyndi Lauper. Future faces of MAC include Nicki Minaj and Ricky Martin.

What's better than a company of glamour and glitz that gives back to the community? Apparently nothing. MAC offers a full range of cosmetics from concealer to powders and eyeshadows to lip gloss or lipstick. To seal the deal, MAC does not test on animals. The company also tries to ensure that the plastic they use to make their products is recycled. While they cannot ensure that all necessary plastics are recycled, it is a step in the right direction for such a famous company. Is MAC pricey? Maybe, but all the benefits that come with it makes it worth the cost!



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Contributor's Biography; April Bailey



April Bailey is the mother of four children, and also owns a day care center. When she is not running the little ones to and from school, she likes to write poetry and design scarves, of which she has many. Her day care is not only growing, it is becoming epic!

Mrs. Bailey even has her own story coming out in the November issue of Glitter Magazine! April likes watching movies, shopping, listening to music, including Gaga, and going to the spa when she is not on the clock.

Gaga Goes Green! by April Bailey



Lady Gaga sports a bright green wig and Versace green jacket in her latest promotion for Japan. Since all the happenings going on in Japan, Gaga has become an ambassador for the country. From an article

written on a UK website "when Gaga was asked about her Emerald hair and olive leather jacket she said she wanted to promote a green cause." "For liberation and for the environment". Gaga sure is passionate about Japan and makes sure everyone knows it. A quote from Lady Gaga about her ambassadorship in Japan states "I would like to use my position here today and all week long to run around Tokyo enjoy the beautiful city and kiss all the beautiful little monsters and scream at the top of my lungs that everyone should come visit this beautiful place". She also states "I am always so inspired when I come to Japan, inspired by the spirit, the passion, the love, the absolutely infectious joy of Tokyo" (buzzreactor.com). So what is The Fame Monster going to come up with next? I guess we'll just have to wait and see.

Heather Morris by Glitter



When we think of Heather Morris, our imaginations not only go to the hit show, *Glee*, but also to the dazzling star herself, dancing and singing along with the rest of her cast, especially on the episode *Britney*, where the actress shines the most in her upmost, intense, blinding spotlight.

Morris is nothing less than a star. As a former backup dancer for Beyonce's *Single Ladies* tour, there is no doubt that Morris is now getting the attention she deserves. She dreams of different scenarios for the show and reveals, "I would die to do *Part of Your World* from *The Little Mermaid*! I used to sit on a rock and sing when I was four years old. I have wanted to perform my entire life. I found a paper I wrote in kindergarten class about what I wanted to be when I grew up--and I wrote 'a famous singer'!"



She also mentions that her favorite quote from her character on the show is "When I pulled my hamstring, I went to a misogynist.--I think that it made people think about whether or not *misogynist* was actually a word." Morris says, as she displays a huge sense of humor.

Some of her hobbies include knitting and crocheting baby blankets. "My mother works voluntarily at a teen pregnancy support center. One day she handed me a ball of yarn, and I got hooked. Knitting is so relaxing."

Information from: Teen Vogue. February 2011. page 72.

Lady Gaga by Mandy Parsons



Meat dresses, fake blood, and hair designs that put Paul Mitchell to shame. To friends and family she is known as Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta. To the rest of the world, she is Lady GaGa.

The 25-year-old started her quest for musical world domination at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts in 2003. The school was not enough for GaGa; she constantly performed for bars on the Lower East Side under the name the Stefani Germanotta Band. By the second semester of her sophomore year, Lady GaGa withdrew from the university to focus on her music full time.

Her father agreed to help her follow her dream by paying for her rent for one year. The stipulation was that she go back to New York University if her career fell flat. "I left my entire family, got the cheapest apartment I could find, and ate crap until somebody would listen," she said.

Her band continued playing the Lower East Side winning making a name for themselves in the bar scene. She recorded songs with famous hip-hop artist Grandmaster Melle Mel. It was in 2006 while playing at the Songwriters Hall of Fame New Songwriters Showcase at The Cutting Room where Lady GaGa was born. Music producer Rob Fusari was looking for a new female act and met GaGa. He compared her singing abilities to Freddie Mercury of the super band Queen. Named after their super hit "Radio GaGa," Lady GaGa was born.

"Every day, when Stef came to the studio, instead of saying hello, I would start singing 'Radio Ga Ga'. That was her entrance song. [Lady Gaga] was actually a glitch; I typed 'Radio Ga Ga' in a text and it did an autocorrect so somehow 'Radio' got changed to 'Lady'. She texted me back, "That's it." After that day, she was Lady Gaga. She says, "Don't ever call me Stefani again." Fusari said. It was in 2008 that Lady GaGa got her start with the monster hit "Just Dance." The first single off of her The Fame album, introduced more hits such as "Poker Face," and "Paparazzi."

“Every bit of me is devoted to love and art. And I aspire to try to be a teacher to my young fans who feel just like I felt when I was younger. I just felt like a freak. I guess what I'm trying to say is I'm trying to liberate them, I want to free them of their fears and make them feel that they can make their own space in the world,” She said.

With the wild success of *The Fame*, GaGa released a second CD as a continuation of her first entitled *The Fame Monster*. With it came hits such as “Telephone” with the help of Beyonce Knowles, “Alejandro,” and “Bad Romance.”

“On my re-release *The Fame Monster*, I wrote about everything I didn't write on *The Fame*. While traveling the world for two years, I've encountered several monsters, each represented by a different song on the new record: my 'Fear of Sex Monster,' my 'Fear of Alcohol Monster,' my 'Fear of Love Monster,' my 'Fear of Death Monster,' my 'Fear of Loneliness Monster,' etc.”

“I spent a lot of nights in Eastern Europe, and this album is a pop experimentation with industrial/Goth beats, 90's dance melodies, an obsession with the lyrical genius of 80's melancholic pop, and the runway. I wrote while watching muted fashion shows and I am compelled to say my music was scored for them,” she said.

Fans of *The Fame: Monster* were lovingly dubbed Lady GaGa's “Little Monsters.” She has so much appreciation for her fans that she had “Little Monsters” tattooed on her left hand, the hand she holds her microphone with.

While Lady GaGa enjoys pushing the envelope with the public, she insists that she is just an actress playing a role.

“A girl's got to use what she's given and I'm not going to make a guy drool the way a Britney video does. So I take it to extremes. I don't say I dress sexily on stage - what I do is so extreme. It's meant to make guys think: ‘I don't know if this is sexy or just weird” she says.

While she is a worldwide icon, she still manages to keep her private life—private.

“I have the right to choose whether or not I want to be a celebrity, and I don't want to be one... I'd much rather people write about what I wear and what I'm singing and what I do in my videos than about who I'm fucking. I mean, that, for me, is the kiss of death, when I wake up in the morning, I feel like any other insecure 24-year-old girl. Then I say, 'Bitch, you're Lady Gaga, you get up and walk the walk today.”

While she is famous and well-known, GaGa says her family does not understand her act. In an interview with Barbara Walters, she said her father even asked her if she was mentally ill. GaGa who was openly picked on in high school says she does this for everyone who has to go through what she went through on a daily basis.

“When the whole world has their eyes on you, if you say something that doesn't truly come from your spirit and your soul, or if you wear something that doesn't come from your spirit and your soul, it's an injustice to your position. And so, I'm really myself every single day and I do it because I know my fans would want me

to," she said.

"Every bit of me is devoted to love and art. And I aspire to try to be a teacher to my young fans who feel just like I felt when I was younger. I just felt like a freak. I guess what I'm trying to say is I'm trying to liberate them, I want to free them of their fears and make them feel that they can make their own space in the world." GaGa, who just released her third album *Born this Way*, is racing up the charts once again with hits like, "Born this Way," "Edge of Glory," and "Judas."

"'Born this Way' is about being yourself, and loving who you are and being proud," she says.

GaGa says that on her quest to fame, not everyone supported her. She had opposition from friends, family members, and even ex-boyfriends.

"I had a boyfriend who told me I'd never succeed, never be nominated for a Grammy, never have a hit song, and that he hoped I'd fail. I said to him, 'Someday, when we're not together, you won't be able to order a cup of coffee at the deli without hearing or seeing me.'"

While GaGa has had to endure her own hardships, she said she makes music for the fans and pushes the envelope to take the eyes off of the bullied in the world.

"I've been actually really very pleased to see how much awareness was raised around bullying, and how deeply it affects everyone. You know, you don't have to be the loser kid in high school to be bullied. Bullying and being picked on comes in so many different forms.

If you are not being bullied all I would say - cause I like to talk about the other side of it as well - is you know, be someone that nurtures, and if there's someone in your class that maybe doesn't have a lot of friends, be the person that sits with them in the cafeteria sometimes; be the bigger person."

No matter who you are, GaGa says that to be successful comes from within.

"If you only believe that you're an artist when you have a big advance in your pocket and a single coming out, I would say that's quite soulless. You have to have a sense of your own greatness and your own ability from a very deep place inside you. I am the one with the litmus test in my hands of what people need to hear next.

I hope that what you take away from my album is not just the music - which I did want to be fun, and I did want it to be about individuality, but please also take away from it that there's no dream that's too big.

A record deal doesn't make you an artist; you make yourself an artist. What I've learned is that you really don't need to be a celebrity or have money or have the paparazzi following you around to be famous. It doesn't matter who you are, or where you come from, or how much money you've got in your pocket. You have your own destiny and your own life ahead of you."

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A Bit of Life by Sara Helton Taylor

It all started with the four little words every girl longs to hear, "Will you marry me?" This is where my fear of fitting rooms comes from and this is why. Most women immediately think it's time to haul everyone of their closest girlfriends out to shop for *THE* dress. I was no different about the idea of finding the perfect dress to "WOW" everyone as I walked down the aisle towards a very enchanting looking groom.

However I didn't want the entourage following me into the dress store, as I was not sure what size to look for or what I really wanted. I knew I wanted to look stunningly beautiful and radiant like all brides do, but I had not given much thought to what kind of dress would be my *IT* dress. So completely unprepared

but longing to get started I hauled my mom and one girlfriend out to one of the bridal shops to see what they had.

I walked through the door and made an immediate turn to my right and started looking through the sea of white, off white, and ivory colored confections. I wanted my dress to be different from my everyday style, which is very casual and laid back.

So I was hoping for over the top sparkly, beaded, and very girly. After roughly an hour I found and tried on this stunning confection of lace, beads, ciffon, and tulle which looked as if it had fallen off the bride on top of the cake itself. I found it more than a little difficult to fight my self into this fifteen pound dress, by this I mean having to have my mom help me even get it over my head, removing the zipper teeth from my hair more than once, and helping me get it done up. However once I did I was exstastic to see it needed little altering and it fit nicely. So after fighting my way back out I put the dress on their layaway program and left with a wonderous joy in my heart.

Unfortunately this dress wasn't to be mine after all. I received a phone call a few months later to tell me that they had sold my dress to someone else and should I like to come in and look around again I had a three hundred dollar credit that I could use to look for something else. When I got there I was told that their layaway program had been done away with and even though I had paid three hundred dollars towards my dress, it had been sold to someone with all of the money in hand. So very angry, hurt, and disappointed I began the search again. Luckily after some soul searching and dress hunting, I found the dress that would not only be my "WOW" dress, but would make me very happy that I hadn't gotten the other one.

Did I forget to mention that my wedding was going to be an outdoor affair in mid August in 100 degree plus heat? I found a beautiful off white number that was not beaded, sparkely, or lacey but nicely ruffled down the entire length and only weighed in at a maximum of three (yes only three) pounds. I quickly paid for, made my appointment for alterations, and left with my wedding dress in hand. A few days before my first fitting I got a phone call to tell me that I needed to wear whatever undergarments and shoes I was planning on wearing with my dress to all of my fittings.

So excited that my big day was growing closer I decided it was time to run out and pick up my underthings for my wedding. Well being a plus sized girl, I wanted to pick up something to slim me down just a touch so I didn't have any strange lumps, bumps, or dimples under my dress. So my mom and I stopped by a plus sized ladies store to inquire about a girdle and other shapewear. The sales lady, being a bigger gal herself, asked what I was trying to hide and was given the story about wanting to be the beautiful bride.

She smiled, nodded, and led me to yet another fitting room and told me to strip down she had the perfect item to make me sleek and prefect for my wedding

dress. After about five minute she returned and handed me over a two strange looking dresses and told me to slip into it and tell her what I thought. So, begins my truly frightening experience with a fitting room..

While trying to get into the first one (which was way to small) I proceeded to bounce my head off the wall three times and almost fell out of the fitting room. Ok, you may be thinking that sounds rough, but no real reason to dislike fitting rooms, right? I finally got the second one over my head (without smacking my head on anything) and I realized I was stuck, and not just a little stuck, but not coming out of this thing without the jaws of life to save me, stuck.

So I pitifully call to my Mom and inform her that I am really stuck and need some help. She walks into the fitting room to me with my arms crossed and sticking straight up into the air with this highly spandexed thing wrapped around me so tightly that I can't even move my arms to pull it up or down. She immediately falls into hysterical fits of laughter while all I want to do is cry, but she did finally manage to get me out of it after about ten minutes of some pretty serious yanking and swearing. Needless to say I didn't get a girdle and I looked stunning in my dress anyway, the only person's opinion mattered thought I looked beautiful. However, if it says spandex, I will not try it on. I try to avoid fitting rooms at all costs now.

Pictures from Versace Spring 2011.

Amber Strikes Back! by Glitter

It has been only three months since she and her husband have split. However, Amber is thriving, beautiful, and more confident than ever before.

Chills took over my skin as Ms. O'Brien made her way in. I had heard that she does not make eye contact with anyone. Makeup artists were crowding her while painting her already subtle made-up clear and bright, radiant complexion. Ms. O'Brien's usual dark locks had been colored blonde and the shoes on her feet had to be at the least six inches high. Her team finally left her side as she sat on the edge of her royal purple, satin, queen-sized bed. She was wearing a navy blue Louis Vuitton dress worth more than my rent, and darting her eyes around, trying to find anything to look at other than make eye contact with me as she began to speak.

"No, I am seeing no one at the moment." she says breathily in her British accent. "My partner and I have decided to spend time apart. Well, I decided, so that I could spend more time with Ian Somerhalder." (Vampire Diaries). The couple met in August, last year, at a private celebrity party and became friends. They ran into each other once again a month later at a restaurant and have been on and off ever since. "He surprised me while I was doing a photo shoot in Milan and then had flowers delivered to my hotel last week. It was super sweet! He really is a good guy." she adds, while an assistant rushes in to fluff her hair flowing down to her shoulders.



The assistant runs her in a glass of ice cold water and then takes it back to be stirred clockwise twice before she will drink any of it.

"The kids, they have not met him yet. I want to make sure he is right before I introduce him. He is my dirty little secret, I know, dish away, right? With our high profile lifestyle, we needed to make sure things would work before the paparazzi start following us around, and no, he has no children!" she laughs.

Ms O'Brien is glowing while she spills out information, and a diamond baby pink nail file is buffing her left hand as another member of her crew is feeding her cantaloupe so she will not have to pick them up herself. She is humming the tune to the new Britney song "I Wanna Go" and asks that they please reapply her sunscreen and lip gloss.

"When I first wake up in the morning, I brush my teeth and get the kids up. My youngest are 21 month old twins, Elizabeth and Emily. They laugh a lot and tickle each other all the time, and give me lots and lots of kisses. Everything they do makes me giggle; they rock!" Amber laughs. "Charlie, he is three, I take him to preschool in the mornings, Monday to Friday, and home school him in the afternoons. He is a very bright little boy. They do not really teach much in preschool here."

The family has one little orange kitten named "Peanut" and the girls love playing with him and teaching him new things. "They get a bit over excited when they play with him, but Elizabeth is very good with him and he follows her around!" Amber giggles.

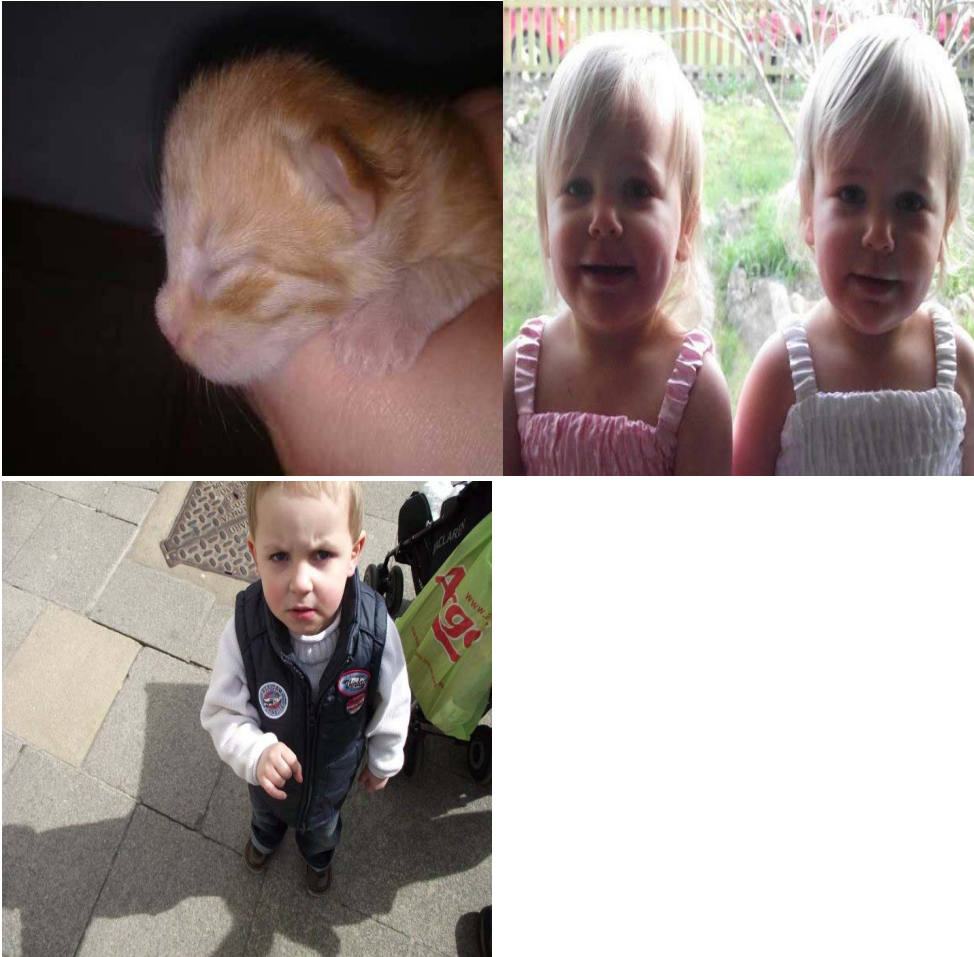
Five and ten years from now, the successful mother of three hopes to also be succeeding in her own business that she is starting making handmade, crafty gifts for children, such as stuffed animals, mobiles, bunting, and things for Christmas, like stockings, decorations, finger puppets, or anything she can. "I did not have a very good childhood and I want to make sure my kids get the best life they can have, and I guess I just want life a bit easier. Is that what you wanted to know?" she asks.

She now has the kitten in her lap, scratching his ears as she thinks through her answer. She also adds that she would like to sell one of her paintings one day, buy a big house in the country, teach her kids to ride horses, own a library, and eventually write a book.

"I do not have a specific person who inspires me, but if I had to pick, I

would say Lady Gaga. She is herself; she does not care what people say about her. She does what she wants," says the twenty-six year old goddess.

"I just want women around the world to know that it is ok to cry when you need to and that asking for help does not mean you are a bad mum. I chose to interview with Glitter Magazine because it was bound to happen sooner or later and who better to publish my story?" she asks. We agree.



From left to right: Baby kitten, Peanut. Twin girls, daughters Elizabeth And Emily. Son, Charlie.

Scarves! What's New? by Christine Owens

Take it from this fashionista: scarves will always be the best accessory

to liven up your look! I have a closet door full of them and started my "collection" when I was 13 years old. That very long, polyester mod print in bright orange is still hanging and waiting for the right mood to strike...hair wrap, perhaps? I've even made a few trips to Paris on the money I've earned painting silk scarves and or knitting them up for sale!

This year the styles are taking on the head wrap, the fringed neck wrap and Eastern prints. Think Arabian!



Lifestyle.inquirer.net presents great directions on three glamorous styles for your headscarf:

Amy Winehouse's Housewife Style	The Chic Sheik	The Mini Turban
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fold the scarf into a triangle. 2. Roll it flat into a long rectangle. 3. Hold both ends together and tie it at the top of your head. 4. Tie both ends into a bow. 5. Secure the scarf with hairpins or clips. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fold a large square-shaped scarf into a triangle. 2. Put the tip of the triangle on your forehead and position the folded side at the base of your neck. 3. Grab both left and right ends of the scarf and tie it into a knot at the top of your head. 4. Using both ends which you knotted, pull them back to the back of your head. 5. Double knot the two ends. 6. Tuck in the front tip and other loose ends into the turban. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fold the scarf into a long rectangle. 2. Place the scarf at the back of your head. 3. Cross the scarf in front once. 4. Twist the ends in the other direction and pull. 5. Tie both ends at the back of your head into a double knot . 6. Tuck in the ends to make a turban headband.

Not interested in the head wraps? Are you looking for the current neck wrap methods?



Balenciaga's \$6000 square fringed scarf: Fold into a triangle, place fringe in front, wrap again and tie it in the back.



Tie it simple, like the 50s.



Hermes: showing it off to perfection!
A solid color background gives your expensive scarf its due.



Chanel: Wrap, tie and run!

The new Parisian Knot!

If you haven't tried the Parisian Knot yet, you are behind the times! Try it...it is so easy to wear...doesn't slip, stays put!

Next, try this weave with the classic knot first. This will give you that runway look and have your friends asking you how to do it, too!



The Classic Parisian Knot: Fold a long scarf in half, end-to-end and pull the two ends through the loop.

Weaving: Notice that the two ends take separate paths through the loop. Do your outside end first, then the inside end.

What's for Sale? The designer's have some beautiful pieces for you if you have the money for them. If you don't, get what's hot without sweating the cash. Look-alikes will still make your statement! Burberry is even selling some long scarves with the fringe along the long side...now I'm thinking THAT will be fun!



(Pictures from left to right) Diane VonFurstenberg. Gucci. Iridi Arakas for Prova. Missoni. Versace. **Most Expensive Scarf!** Zika Ascher's Matisse design sold for £3m in July 2011 at auction!

The color trends this fall are gorgeous; and, if you are looking to add to your wardrobe with less cash in your pocket, for Heaven's sake, get the new colors!

Contributor's Biography: Stacey Ferguson

Stacey Ferguson was born in the Phillipines, an award winning photographer and humanitarian. At twenty-five years old, Ferguson is attending ISU studying marketing and advertising. Her goal in life is to be successful in marketing and to become a top-notch lawyer in the state of Illinois. Although Ferguson is currently employed at Glitter International, she is also involved in her work as a social worker. She takes her career very seriously and chooses to keep her personal life out of the public eye, even though at times, it can reign very difficult.



Clothing for Your Horoscope by Stacey Ferguson

Let's face it. Every season there are new fashions coming out. Some fade quickly, some last for years; some flatter your body type and personal style, and some you would not be caught dead in no matter how "*in*" someone claims they are. With all the fabulous, and the not so fabulous fashion coming and going, maybe a look into your horoscope, along with some luck can help you choose which fads to embrace, and which to leave behind. Because like Coco Chanel said, "Fashion is made to become unfashionable." While it is important to be current in trends, it is just as important to feel as great as you look. So this is how your astrology chart predicts your fashion.

Aries

When you think of Aries, you think of fire. Its sign is a ram, and its stone, a ruby. So it is no big surprise that Aries love the color red. Aries seem to favor hats, and cute accessories to wear in their hair. Victoria Beckham is one of the many famous Aries fashionistas. According to astrology, Aries are children at heart and outgoing. While they have a serious business side, they love to throw in that brightly colored bag, tie or other fun accessory.

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Aquarius

Aquarius are well known to be creative, and have their own unique sense of style. They love to mix and match clothing, especially vintage. Instead of buying fashion, Aquarius tend to make fashion and march to their own drumbeat. Once an Aquarius finds out what they like, they are very loyal to whatever pleases them. Mia Farrow was an Aquarius and she had her own look which has been looked up to.



Pisces

Pisces are extremely talented individuals, and are fashion trendsetters! Pisces love shoes, and the number two is very powerful to them. They are very sensitive, and love romantic fashions. Greenish blue is a great color for them, and lots of layers, shimmering materials, chiffon and even lace work terrific for this sign. Movie star Elizabeth Taylor, and also a Pisces is known worldwide for her beauty, grace, and classy sense of style.



Taurus

Taurus is an Earth element, and feels most comfortable outside in nature. They are big animal lovers! They keep feelings hidden deep, and are very guarded. They love comfortable clothing, but do not let that fool you. Loving expensive fabrics that are pleasurable to touch, ranging from cotton to silk. They also love designer labels. Breakfast at Tiffany's icon Audrey Hepburn was one of the most well known Taurus fashion idols. Taurus look best in neutral colors, and enjoy wearing a lot of necklaces and scarves.



Gemini

The famous two sided sign is always on the move and usually the center of attention. They are very thirsty for knowledge and new experiences. Variety is the spice of life for this sign. Their clothing choices tend to be youth oriented and fun! They love color, and their favorite accessories are purses! If you are looking for a Gemini source of fashion, check out Angelina Jolie.





Cancer

Cancer is a sign that loves to feel safe. They are a very romantic sign and that is reflected in their fashion sense. Princess Diana was a Cancer and just like her, most Cancers have a very soft, sentimental style. Also like Gemini's, their clothes can reflect a bit of an edge and reflect their mood. They love the colors pearl, silver, and pastels.



Leo

Leo is a fire sign, and their personalities match their sign. Leos always stand out in a crowd. Coco Chanel, one of the world's best designers was a Leo. Her design skills are amazing and her house of fashion is a power house! Leos love expensive, luxurious items. They love dramatic clothing with sequins, animal

prints, and glitter. Jewelry is a must have for this flashy dresser.



Sequined Dress : Matthew Williamson, \$3,995

Clutch: Matthew Williamson, \$730

Blue Sapphire Beaded Necklace: Patricia von Musulin, \$5,500

Virgo

Virgo, an Earth symbol is known to be kind and loves to do the right thing. They pay a lot of attention to detail and are pretty conservative. Stella McCartney is a famous Virgo designer and is a fashion icon, herself. Their birthstone is a sapphire and they are known for being extremely put together. Blue looks great on this sign.



Libra

Libras are born romantics, and spend a lot of their life looking for a Prince Charming or a perfect mate. Their personalities are very charming and while they are sensitive, they are also independent. Their wardrobes tend to have real style and not be flashy. Gwyneth Paltrow is an example of this. They love jewelry and keep things very feminine. Libras love lacy clothing, and are a big fan of dressing up.



Scorpio

Scorpio is known as the most powerful sign in the Zodiac. They live to survive all opposition and to triumph. They can have no problem holding a grudge. They are wise beyond their years and very secretive. They love sexy, dark clothing. Dark sunglasses and thigh high boots are a favorite in this mystery loving group. Scorpios are born winners, just look at Grace Kelly.



Sagittarius

Sagittarius is a fire sign with a turquoise stone. They are characterized as a very helpful sign that loves to make a difference in the world. They have an exuberant love of life and are constantly on the go. They are very adventurous and so they prefer comfortable clothing that supports their freedom loving lifestyle. Purple is a favorite color and they always own more than one pair of tennis shoes. Tina Turner is the key icon for this lovely sign.



Capricorn

Last, but certainly not least are the Capricorns. This sign is very proud of their achievements and very money oriented. They are also extremely hard working and responsible. Capricorns love understated elegance. They love their designer labels and expensive items. This sign looks best in tan, brown, black, and green. As every Capricorn knows, nothing puts the finishing touches on an outfit like a

great bag or wallet. The beautiful Kate Moss is a Capricorn.



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