

Doctor Strange, beloved Curly Fu



In April, a man wearing a cape walked into a comic store and took a photo with a book, which caused a commotion. The man is Benedict Cumberbatch, the famous actor known to Chinese people as Curly Fu. What he held in hand is Doctor Strange, one of the Marvel comics. This little incident revealed to us that another Marvel movie was coming.

This Fall Curly Fu is bringing us a brand-new Marvel hero, Doctor Strange. On the comic book, Dr. Strange used to be an excellent surgery expert. However, a car accident took whatever belonged to him. Failing to use his own hands to operate, Dr. Strange came to the bottom in his lifetime. After the accident, Dr. Strange realized that modern technology couldn't help him. Therefore, Dr. Strange spared no effort and finally he arrived at the Himalaya to see the legendary person, Ancient One. Unexpectedly, this visit changed Dr.

Strange's life forever. Ancient One chose him, deciding to teach him the power of magic. After years of training, Dr. Strange received the ancient edification and became an outstanding magician. Most importantly, Dr. Strange found himself. No longer losing himself and doubting everything, he lived in harmony with his past. Later, he defeated Mordo, his evil enemy. When Dr. Strange went back to America, he used his magic to help people and officially became a Marvel hero.

For Chinese Marvel fans, there is another piece of great news. On October 10, Wanda Studio posted a message on Weibo, announcing that Dr. Strange would be on show on November 4. According to the original work and the preview, this movie won't be a traditional Marvel movie. Certainly you can look forward to a large number of fantasy effects, wonderful scenes of fighting and the magic factor. Marvel has never made us regret. Meanwhile, there is more for the audience. The photographer revealed that Dr. Strange differed from traditional Marvel movies. It has a sense of surrealism just like Inception, which means that when we walk into the cinema, there won't only be entertainment. It also requires thinking.

As for our new hero, Dr. Strange, Marvel shapes not only a man who has strong power

but also a frustrated person who struggles to live, to search for his soul. In the comic, Dr. Strange lost his faith because of the death of his family and the car accident which stopped his career. He lost himself after a series of strikes. Fortunately, he never gave up. He went through so many ups and downs. When it seemed that God had abandoned him, God saved this lost man. God led him to the Himalaya.

As a Marvel fan, I strongly recommend this movie. As it tells neither a self-glorifying hero nor a rich talent. It tells the history of struggles about a frustrated man. This is more about us, ordinary people. I think this is the best reason for us to meet in the cinema in Nov.

By 16 Finance, Phil



2016 ARGUENDO TOURNAMENT

There are many web-based discussion platforms out there, but non like Chatwood Forest also known as Arguendo. Arguendo is an online discussion dashboard where gamers engage in dialogue and in building arguments. Gamers are actively interacting while responding to challenges to statements opponents make. Challenges are often difficult to deal with, so gamers have to make use of different and reliable resources in order to demonstrate their ingenuity.

This semester we had the opportunity to run a Level 3 Arguendo Tournament for the first time. On November 26th students were engage in an epic battle to demonstrate who the best was when it came to making their point across. Students from Level 3 debated critical incidents related to intercultural communication. Occasionally, the topics went against player's beliefs and thoughts. Nevertheless, the tournament promoted an environment that encouraged the spirit of friendly competition and comradely running mates.

The 2016 Winner are:

- First place : 李康 (Kingsley)
- Second place : 黄翠婵 (Ivy)
- Third place : 董芮 (Doris) 罗涛 (Albert)

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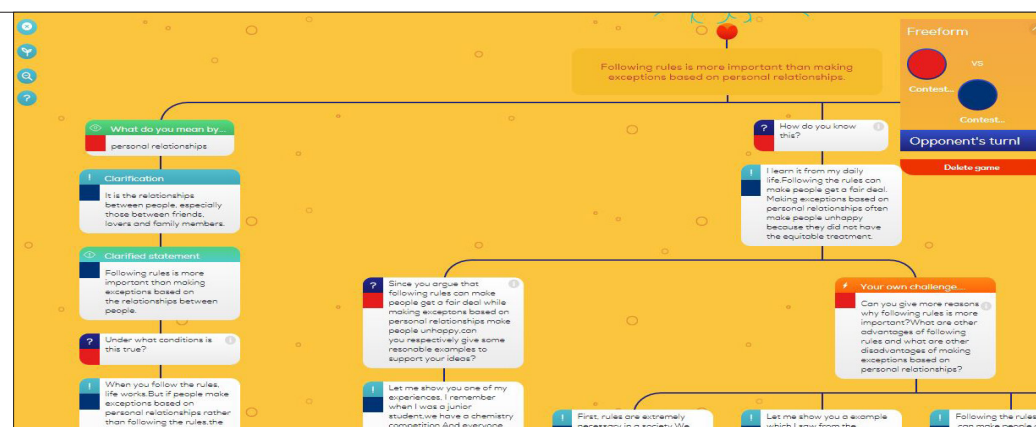
Judges' Comments

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"Judging for the Arguendo contest has been a unique experience for me as a teacher. It's an interesting platform that could have good learning potential, and reading students' arguments on a range of topics has been very enjoyable. I am impressed with some student's eagerness as they pick apart various topics together."

II.

"I was impressed by the level of critical thought processes and the ability to support and argue points that some of the contestants displayed. These students show great potential as they prepare to enter the 4th level of ELC, which focuses on critical thinking and argumentation."



Ricky's views on Three Cultural Issues

Ricky, a newly arrived teacher of English Language Center, is a Brazilian who has lived and worked in many countries around the world; thus, he always finds ways to share his cultural experiences with students. Now as an ELC3 instructor he has the opportunity to impart some of what life has taught him to the students at our university. Being away from one's country for extended periods of time, adapting to new cultural environments, and managing an intercultural marriage are three issues Ricky has tackled continuously since leaving his motherland.

As for the first issue, he regards Capoeira as his bridge and connection with his country, Brazil. Capoeira was created in Brazil by slaves from Africa who used it as a way to fight against their masters. It has been an important and distinctive element in Brazilian culture. "I like to do it for two reasons. One is that it's very healthy to us, and the other one is that it's a little Brazil and I like to share my culture." Ricky says.



Although he stopped doing Capoeira for three years after learning it at the age of 15, he finally found his schedule and now he has taught it in some other countries, such as Korea, America and China. "I think if you leave China, for example, you go to another country, maybe you want to listen to some Chinese music sometimes. Or maybe you want to do Kungfu there. They help you connect with your hometown." As Ricky says, only if you really leave for another country, will you find some bridges with your motherland as possible as you can.

It's very difficult for most people to adapt to a new environment and adjust to a new culture and lifestyle. However, Ricky and his family have managed really well dealing with the new situations they have encountered since embracing a nomad lifestyle. Ricky has been away from Brazil, his country of birth, since 1994; and before this job, he has traveled some places, for instance, a place in tropic zone, which is very hot day and night, all year around. So he is used to the life at Shantou University. Nevertheless, for his kids, it's a little hard at the beginning, especially the food. And he talks about an interesting occasion when you will miss the food in the last country you have left. "When my kids are going to leave for America, maybe they will cry 'Mom, Chinese food is good, why are we going to come back?'" Ricky says with an exaggerating expression. Most of time, you will take a long time to make some adjustments to a new culture, but once you have already got used to it, you will find it uncomfortable to say "Goodbye" to it.

When it comes to the multicultural marriage, friends around me will say "

No, I will never marry a person raised in a different culture " Ricky thinks it's normal, especially in Korea. He lives in a multicultural marriage and his wife comes from a farm in rural America where the population today is still around five hundred people. But he is from a big city, Sao Paulo, but it was very poor before. Ricky says that although both his wife and he were raised in different countries, most of the differences between them come from their dissimilar lifestyles. "My wife is used to things to be clean and nice, because in America, things usually are like that. But I am used to things to be less nice in streets." Ricky says. Sometimes they will have quarrels with each other, but when they find it's about the cultural differences, they will quit because they know that both of them are reasonable. In spite that he thinks there is no concrete suggestion for multicultural marriage, he says it's very important for the couple to know well about the culture of each other.

Culture is a complex thing and it's hard to make a clear explanation for it. When you meet with some cultural issues like the three above, maybe you can ask Ricky for help.

By 15 Journalism, Anna Hu



Yunier: The first Cuban Teacher at Shantou University

Yunier Pérez Sarduy, being the first and only Cuban teacher in STU, is now teaching ELC 3 and GLE 3 course.

"It's really a long journey," Sarduy said. He had to take four connecting flights to get here, which takes more than 48 hours. And each time when he travels back and forth, the flight tickets cost him a lot of money.

Before he came to Shantou, he attended an academic conference in Canada where he met a teacher who had worked in STU, and after talking with her and knowing more about STU, he made the decision to teach in STU.



Sarduy's wife and his three kids all live in Cuba. They were all caught by surprise of his decision, so did his friends. "You are crazy! China is too far away!" they said.

But he had made up his mind. He loves the Chinese culture, though he didn't know much about it. He has never been to China before. And now he has found that teaching in here is really interesting. "Chinese students are great," he said.

Now Sarduy is studying Chinese, and he is trying to talk to local people, even though they don't understand each other at times. Once he talked with a shop (NEXT →)

owner for one hour, and though he understood nothing, he kept listening. The shop owner treated him with tea, and he pretended to like it very much, though he actually didn't like it at all.

Having access to local people and their culture means a lot to Sarduy. "I like talking to local people," He said. No matter where he worked or stayed, Canada, Russia or China, he talked to others. He believes that if you don't get to know local people and their life, it will be meaningless to live in that place.

When being asked that if he would go back to work in Cuba after his contract finished, he said, "I will go back to Cuba. But what I do not know at the moment is whether I will renew my contract or not ." He also mentioned that the tradition of taking care of parents in Latin culture is similar to Chinese culture. Now, only his wife is taking care for the whole family, including their children and parents. He said, "It is important for my family that I can stay by their side rather than just send money to them."

By 15 Journalism Chouchou & Nancy

The Power of Goals

It seems commonplace to talk about the power of the variety of goals, but I think it is always worth emphasizing it again over again for every period of our lives, because we are all in need of it, which certainly acts as a beacon when we lose our ways.

Here, I would like to share my own story about the power of goals. When I first got into Shantou university, I had almost no dream or, did not know what I really want to do. Every morning, I woke up naturally. I often stayed in bed awake when I had no class. When I wanted to read, I would do it. But when I was not interested in the books, I would put them aside and watch the soap operas on the computer. How casual life it was! However, things have changed during the Nation Day holiday. My friends studying at Sun Yat-sen University or China University of Political science and Law came back home and we had a long chat. I learned about their college life. They got up at six o'clock in the morning instead of staying in bed

even if when they prefer to lie in beds, which I thought it hard for me before I had my own dream. It was after the conversation that I realized that I was in need of changing. After that time, I thought a question about what kind of life I really want to live all the time. One afternoon, when I came out from the library, it suddenly struck me that I would like to be enrolled to Shanghai International Studies University to get further study. Though this thought seems to be accidental, I really gain much power from this specific goal, despite lots of difficulties along the way to achieve it. I get up early more easily every day and focus more on major study.

It is a little story of mine. Hope it will be helpful for the readers who are being perplexed, Wish all of you identify and set your own goals, cast off all the worries of moving forward and work hard every day to stride to the goals you have set.

By 16 English Rebecca



A Memorable Event in My Life

We could have many unforgettable moments in our life. Some make us depressed while some make us happy. For me, there's one event that gives me both feelings, and maybe more. We name this event Gaokao.

It seems that everyone has to work hard until they are admitted to a good university. I had been working diligently like this and went to a key high school. I felt that my dream university was not that hard to reach. All I had to do is study hard as usual.

Time flew, three years passed quickly. Finally, I had to face the first big challenge in my life. I was kind of nervous before the final exam because it seemed that something would change my fate. On the first day, I had to take the Chinese test. I can still remember

the composition in the end of the test paper. It's an extremely strange composition with four pictures. I didn't do well in that. With great fear, after Gaokao, I didn't check the details of my scores. I felt kind of regretful



subsequently, because I could be clearer about my problem in the composition if I faced my mistake. That was a good lesson that taught me to face my own failure which is even more precious than success. Even though many people had told me that before, it's still necessary for me to learn on my own.

Then the math test in the afternoon gave me a heavy blow. The test paper was much more difficult than I thought and I couldn't handle it. After the test, I felt that I was going to cry. Fortunately, my friend kept company with me, encouraging me all the way. Otherwise I couldn't imagine how I would go back to my dorm.

The two days of Gaokao passed quickly. When we all the students (NEXT →)

walked from the school gate, leaving the test rooms behind, many people had been waiting for a long time to greet us. Some students got a bunch of flowers from their dear parents, some hugged with their lovely teachers. We have gone a long way to get here and quickly what we had expected for days and nights would soon become memory.

Sometimes I regard myself as a brave and strong man for I passed the Gaokao successfully without shrinking from it. From my

perspective, the real present Gaokao gave me is not a high score that I can show off with my friends or a good university. Actually it gave me many precious memories of fighting with my classmates, and it taught me to study hard at the proper age.

Thanks to Gaokao, I came here; moreover, thanks to the present Gaokao gave, I'm still working.

By 16 English Emma Lee

Flipped



Adapted from the same novel, Flipped is a movie talking about an interesting story between boys and girls in puberty. Juli Baker, who is regarded as a strange student in school, got flipped by a lovely boy. At the first time, she showed her enthusiasm to him already. "the first day I met Bryce Laski, I flipped. It was those eyes, something in those dazzling eyes." However, Bryce Laski, a shy and cool neighbor, tried to get away from her.

Maybe it was a disaster for Bryce's family to be a neighbor with Juli's family because Bryce's father did not like them, particularly her father and her mess garden. Once, Juli did a project to observe how chickens were hatched. Hence, she raised some baby

chickens in her backyard. Happily, chickens laid many eggs. Juli wanted to share some eggs with Bryce so she gave a box of eggs to him. However, Bryce's father suspected that these eggs had salmonella for her mess garden. In order to solve these eggs without hurting Juli's feelings, he threw eggs secretly. Unfortunately, one day Juli found the truth, being very angry. She was wondering whether he deserved her love.

Compared with Bryce's family background, Juli's family led a hard but happy life. On the contrary, Juli never felt embarrassed by where she'd lived before, and also never thought about money, power or status. She never envied Bryce for his wealthy family, and she never considered that she should show humble to them. After her full consideration, she decided that she would not like Bryce anymore.

Bryce's grandpa, a kind and patient old man, after knowing their conflict, said a meaningful sentence to educate Bryce that some of us get dipped in flat, some in satin, some in gloss but every once in a while you find someone who's iridescent, and when you do, nothing will ever compare. Juli is the

one who is iridescent.

At first Bryce did not agree with his grandpa, but with the passing time, he found something shining from her. For example, she won the first prize in the science competition; she showed her sympathy to those who are mentally ill; she loves sitting on the top of old sycamore tree to enjoy the sightseeing...All of these made her unique. Bryce flipped gradually.

I show my great adoration to Juli who is brave, independent, and kind. And I hope I could be such a brave and kind person.

By 16 English, Chloe Guo



My First Impressions on STU

This September, I came to STU, a place where I would spend my future four years. Honestly speaking, before entering the campus, I have dreamt of many things about STU. For example, perhaps it is so large that it looks like a prosperous city. And located in Shantou, it must have possessed plenty of traditional culture. Yet, to see is to believe, and now I have found the discrepancy between the imagination and the reality.

I'd like to share my first impressions on STU with you from some perspectives.

About the wonderful buildings, although this university isn't as big as I imagined, the facilities are well equipped. Generally speaking, two of the school buildings impressed me a lot, one being the newly built medical school. Whenever I pass by,



I can't help stop to stare at its ingenious structure with full attention and to appreciate its unique beauty. The other one is the teaching building complex. I have to say that the engineer is so intelligent that he

managed to incorporate all of them together perfectly. Even though at times I might get lost in those mysterious buildings, it's really impressive.

Now I'm going to bring up the annoying part of my school life. That is, the traffic. To be frank, it's really terrible. While walking along the paths on campus, one has to be careful enough so not to be hit by the motorcycles. There being no traffic rules to keep everyone within bounds, people just do things in their own way without considering about others. I have to say that wandering around the campus is just like an adventure in the jungle.

Yet, the food here has also impressed me a lot. As a student from other province of China, in the beginning, (NEXT →)

I cannot tolerate the food here at all, especially the soup. The first time I had it, I thought it was just a bowl of boiled water, which just prevents me from having a second try. Yes, though my hometown isn't in Sichuan, I have a strong taste on food.

Last but not least, I want to give my sincerest thanks to those seniors STUers who have been selected to help freshmen like us. Knowing nothing about the college life, we asked many ignorant questions, yet they answered them with patience and in great detail. The senior students do make us feel that the atmosphere in STU is

quite harmonious. And I hope the next year I am able to be one of them.

Every university has both advantages and disadvantages, and so does STU. Since I have made the decision to come, I shall love my choice. For the imperfections, we can definitely do something significant to make it better, not only for ourselves but also for people coming next.

16 Journalism, Page Liu

Value your twenties

As we are taught by the science, the golden age for one's brain to develop is from one to five years old. After hearing this, some of us may feel desperate because we have missed out the prime time to improve our brain for a better future when we realize it. However, a therapist tells us that everyone has an adult development and it is in your twenties. Twentysomething really matters so that we need to pay attention to it and do a lot of good things to change our lives.

The therapist sets Alex for example. Alex was in her twenties but just did nothing important like caring about a boyfriend whom she would not marry. Actually, twentysomething is a developmental sweet spot, but many of us are sitting there blowing it like Alex. So I have to tell you that every single one of twentysomethings deserves to know what psychologists, sociologists, neurologists and fertility specialists already

know: that your 20s are the best time to do the simplest yet most transformative things you can do for work, for love, for your happiness, maybe even for the world. These are the facts. We know that 80 percent of life's most defining moments take place by age 35. That means that eight out of 10 of the decisions and experiences and "Aha!" moments that make your life what it is will have happened by your mid-30s. Maybe this is why researchers call the 20s an extending adolescence.

So after we know the importance of our twenties, what can we do to benefit our future development? Meg Jay, a speaker of TED Talk, gives us some suggestions below.

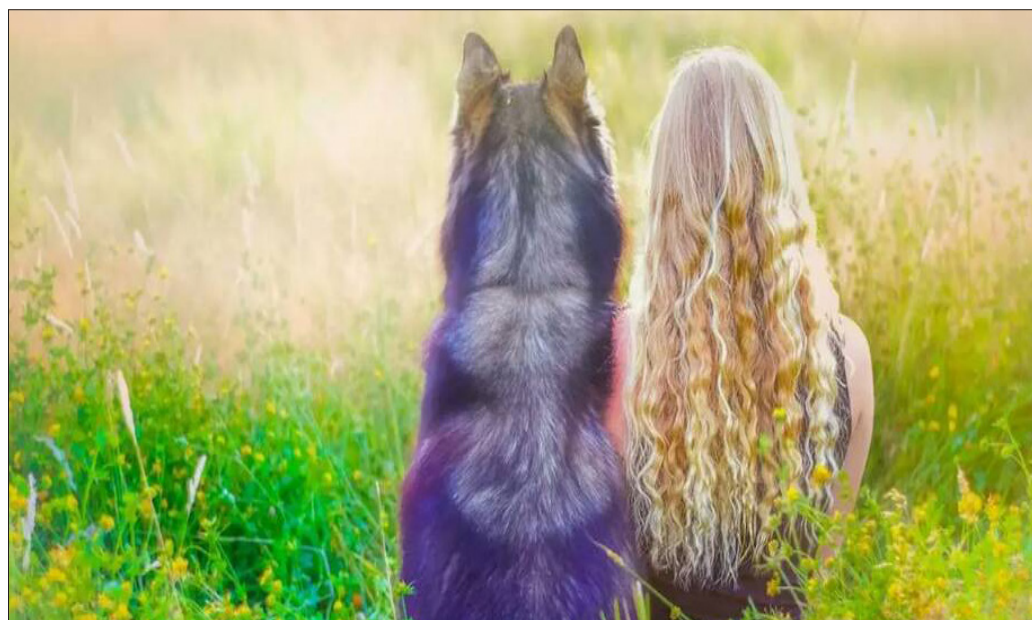
First, we should get some identity capital. It means to do something which can add value to who you are and do something that's an investment in who you might want to be next. 20s are the time for that cross-country

study and that internship you want to try. So just try it.

Secondly, we need to make good use of our weak ties. Twentysomethings who huddle together with like-minded peers limit who they know, what they know, how they think, how they speak, and where they work. But new things come from what are called our weak ties, our friends of friends of friends. For example, half of new jobs are never posted, but reaching out to your neighbor's boss may be how you get that un-posted job. It's not cheating. It's the science of how information spreads.

To sum up the topic, twentysomething is a changeable time and we should try to make good use of it like increase our own identity capital and meet new friends and create new circle. Hope that everyone can fight for their future and live great lives they want.

By 15 Journalism, Peipei



Love Letter

Love Letter, a Japanese movie directed by Shunji Iwai and premiered in 1995, has left a deep impression on many people. The story started by featuring a lady called Bozi, whose fiancé named Tengjingshu died from a mountaineering accident. When she attended her fiancé’s anniversary of the death, she found his previous address of middle school in a photo album. As an outlet of her sentiment, she decided to send a letter to that address. Surprisingly, she got a reply from a girl with the same name of her deceased husband. She decided to pay a visit to the recipient. Although they didn’t meet each other officially, Bozi caught a glimpse of the female Tengjingshu by chance and found that the girl bore a striking resemblance to herself.

Through the letters, Bozi was aware that female Tengjingshu and her fiancé were classmates in the middle school, which made Bozi wonder whether her husband loved her only because of her resemblance to the girl, yet, she decided to let go and start a new life afterwards.

Meanwhile, the letters brought the female Tengjingshu back to the old days of middle school, and she found that Tengjingshu had once

drawn her portrait on the reverse side of a card, and slipped it inside of a book. He asked her for a favor to return the book, hoping that she would find out his little secret, yet she didn’t. So the story of the love letter never came to an end.

The movie intrigues lots of thoughts among people. On one hand it features the pure love between the two Tengjingshu, which also brings us back to the old memories of the school years. For example, a scene in which the boy was proofreading the paper under the faint light as the sky gets dark, with the girl standing alongside, brings me back to the moments when the twilight was falling as I headed home along a quiet path after class. On the other hand, it touches upon the eternal topics of life and death, which do remind us to cherish the good time with our beloved ones.

As time goes by, we gradually become mature and we chang bit by bit. Despite of that, deep in our hearts, there are always some memories that soften our feelings. And love letter may recall those memories and strike a chord with us.

By 16 Journalism,Irina



To Autumn

I.	II.	III.
Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness, Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun; Conspiring with him how to load and bless With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run; To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees, And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core; To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells With a sweet kernel; to set budding more, And still more, later flowers for the bees, Until they think warm days will never cease, For Summer has o'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.	Who hath not seen thee oft amid thy store? Sometimes whoever seeks abroad may find Thee sitting careless on a granary floor, Thy hair soft-lifted by the winnowing wind; Or on a half-reap'd furrow sound asleep, Drows'd with the fume of poppies, while thy hook Spares the next swath and all its twined flowers And sometimes like a gleaner thou dost keep Steady thy laden head across a brook; Or by a cyder-press, with patient look, Thou watchest the last oozings hours by hours.	Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they? Think not of them, thou hast thy music too, While barred clouds bloom the soft-dying day, And touch the stubble plains with rosy hue; Then in a wailful choir the small gnats mourn Among the river shallows, borne aloft Or sinking as the light wind lives or dies; And full-grown lambs loud bleat from hilly bourn; Hedge-crickets sing; and now with treble soft The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft; And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

By John Keats



Thanksgiving Day Parade 2016 in New York



Charlie Brown

Balloons sit on Central Park West before the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, Nov. 24, 2016.

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Angry Birds

An Angry Bird float makes its way down 6th Avenue during the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, Nov. 24, 2016.

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Elves

Macy's Elf balloons float above 6th Avenue during the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, Nov. 24, 2016.

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SpongeBob Squarepants

A SpongeBob float makes its way down 6th Avenue during the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, U.S. Nov. 24, 2016.

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Power Rangers

A Power Ranger float makes its way down 6th Avenue during the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in the Manhattan borough of New York, U.S. Nov. 24, 2016.

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Ronald MacDonald

Ronald MacDonald takes part during the 90th annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Nov. 24, 2016 in New York.

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Pikachu

A Pikachu float makes its way down 6th Avenue during the 90th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, Nov. 24, 2016.

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Thanksgiving Day Parade

Performers take part during the 90th annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Nov. 24, 2016 in New York.

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