

## YOUNG WRITERS

### MY PETS

I have two little orphan puppies. When they were ten days old, their mother died. Everybody in our house thought they would die, too. But I fed them milk with a spoon eight times a day. Now they catch it with their mouth, pies.

One of my puppies is white with brown ears and a long brown tail. I call him Brown Spot. The other puppy is also white but has a black star on his head and three funny black spots, like finger marks on his back. I call him Black Spot. Both of them have hair as soft as silk. These puppies of mine are both clean and neat. Every day, I bathe them with soap and water. One thing I like best in my puppies is that they know how to play many funny tricks. One of the funny tricks they sometimes play is rolling the ball and sometimes they catch it with their mouth.

Everyday when I come home from school, these puppies always meet me at the door, barking and wagging their tails as if greeting me "Good morning," or "Good afternoon," Master. How I appreciate them.

One day when I came home from school, I was surprised to see that my little puppies were not at home. I looked for them in every corner of our house, but they were not there. I cried bitterly, as if my heart would break. But do you know where they were? They were hiding inside our bookcase, because my

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## PEN and PENCIL CIRCLE

1890 Juan Luna, Tondo  
Manila, P. I.  
February 19, 1937

*the class? Try singing the songs to your classmates.*

*Sincerely yours,*

*Aunt Alma*

Dear Aunt Alma,

It gives me a great pleasure to write to you because this magazine interests me most. I enjoy reading this magazine because it contains poems, true stories, songs, jokes, letters and other activities that interest me. When I read the jokes I always laugh. I always try the songs on our piano. How beautiful the songs are! Sometimes there are tricks and I try them, too. When I read the January issue, I read the adventures of Kiko. I learned from that adventure what happened to Kiko when he lighted the firecracker. So I was afraid to light firecrackers that New Year. With best regards to you.

San Jose, Batangas  
February 27, 1937

Dear Aunt Alma,

I wrote a letter to you because I am interested in reading "The Young Citizen." I have read your stories and poems. Our town fiesta is coming. It will be held on March 19, 1937. Will you please give me one magazine? I have many visitors and I want them to see it. Please answer my letter and put it on the magazine before our town fiesta comes on March 19, 1937.

*Affectionately yours,*

*Adoracion Moralit*

Yours truly,

Ruth Villafria  
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Dear Adoracion,

*It certainly is a pleasure on my part to hear that you are interested in "The Young Citizen." That only goes to prove that you are a studious student*

*I am sending you the March issue of "The Young Citizen." Let your friends read it, and I am sure, they, too, will be interested.*

*Sincerely yours,*

*Aunt Alma*

Dear Ruth,

*You are certainly making a good use of "The Young Citizen." Everything in the magazine is worth-while reading. Do you tell the stories before*

## ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS ON PAGES 48 and 49

## GRADE ONE

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|---------------|-------------|
| 1. vegetables | 3. outdoors |
| 2. milk       | 4. clothes  |

## GRADE TWO

c	h	l
could	his	let
calling	hen	little
cluck	her	looked
called	heard	looking
chickens	here	

## GRADE THREE

page	sweep
toy	swim

## GRADE FOUR

1. Christmas Eve
2. January 1

3. February 14

4. December 28

5. November 15

## GRADE FIVE

- |           |             |
|-----------|-------------|
| 1. mother | 3. laughing |
| 2. late   | 4. awoke    |

## GRADE SIX

- |        |          |
|--------|----------|
| 1. she | 3. three |
| 2. had | 4. hand  |

## GRADE SEVEN

- |             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| 1. A pupil. | 2. deep        |
| He reads    | He was drowned |
| He writes   |                |
| He sings    |                |
| He talks    |                |

## THIS EARTH OF OURS

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There are three kinds of lightning. The ordinary lightning is called "zigzag." Lightning in its quick travels from sky to earth takes the easiest path, even if it is not the shortest. So it comes down like long "z's." The second kind is called "sheet lightning." This is thought to be a reflection in the clouds within our sight of lightning too far for us to see. The third variety of lightning is not often seen. It appears to be just in the form of a ball, and then breaks into bits.

Are you afraid of lightning? If lightning enters a human body it stimulates the nerves so greatly that it is likely to cause death. The safest place during

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mother hid them when I was coming. What a funny joke they played on me. From that time on I consider my puppies my best playmates.

*Remedios Karroy*  
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an electric storm is in the house. If you are ever caught out of doors it would be better to lie down flat in an open field than to stay under a tree. If you are in the house during a storm don't try to telephone. Don't lean against a screen-door or place yourself near the chimney or between large pieces of metal. Above all don't worry. Lightning is very beautiful, you can enjoy looking at it.

## MY NAUGHTY BROTHER

Have you any brother who is naughty? I have a naughty brother. I will describe him to you. My brother is four years old. He is strong and big for his age. His hair is brown. We call him Junior. He is so naughty that my mother always gives him some spanking every day. One day he got the can of milk and poured it into the aquarium. He got also rice and fried fish and put them into the aquarium. He said that the fish were very hungry and that they were dying. He got also the soap and put it into the aquarium. He said that the fish were very dirty. When we went to see the fish in aquarium, we found them all dead.

*Elvira Sabat*