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TOP STORY

Two Countries Are Fighting Over Oil

WASHINGTON — The United States and a country called Iran are in a fight. The US Navy is using its ships to block Iran's boats from leaving. Many of the world's ships carry oil through that water. When less oil moves around, gas costs more money. Leaders are trying to talk and stop the fight.

Why it matters: *When gas costs more, it costs your family more to drive the car.*

SCIENCE & TECH

A Space Telescope Solved a Star Mystery

BALTIMORE — Scientists used a telescope in space called Hubble. They learned how our galaxy grew a very long time ago. A galaxy is a huge group of stars in space. Long ago, a smaller galaxy crashed into ours. It became part of the Milky Way, where we live.

Why it matters: *The Sun and Earth live in the Milky Way, our home in space.*

SPORTS

The Yankees Won Their Game

BALTIMORE — The New York Yankees played baseball on Wednesday. They beat the Baltimore Orioles, 5 to 3. Now they are trying to reach the playoffs. The playoffs are the big games at the end of the season. Every win helps them get closer.

Why it matters: *If they keep winning, they could play in October's World Series.*

A Star Player Came to Portland

PORTLAND — Maine has a baseball team called the Portland Sea Dogs. They won their game, 7 to 5. A young star from the Boston Red Sox played for them. He was getting better after being hurt. He hit a home run, and the whole crowd cheered.

Why it matters: *You can watch great players in Portland, close to home.*

OUR TEAMS

Yankees Won 5-3 at Baltimore

A key win in the AL East race with the playoffs coming

SOUTHERN MAINE

York's Hospital Is Joining a Bigger Team

YORK, MAINE — York has had its own hospital for a long time. Now it will join a bigger group of hospitals in Maine. The state said the plan is okay. Being part of a bigger team can help the hospital buy new tools. Doctors will still care for people right in York.

Why it matters: *This is the hospital many York families go to when they are sick.*

GOOD NEWS

A Park Lends Special Wheelchairs

SPRINGDALE, UTAH — A big park in Utah has a new idea. It lends special wheelchairs with big, strong wheels. The wheels can roll over dirt and rocks. Now more people can see the pretty trails. Anyone can borrow one for free.

Why it matters: *A kid in a wheelchair can roll right up to see a canyon.*

WORD OF THE DAY

galaxy

A giant group of stars, dust, and planets floating together in space.

Used in a sentence: Our home, Earth, is one tiny part of a huge galaxy called the Milky Way.

TALK ABOUT IT

1. If you could borrow a special wheelchair to go anywhere outside, where would you want to go?
2. The crowd cheered for a player coming back from being hurt. When has someone cheered for you?