



# Animal Crossing Community

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We've finally made it! March is here and that means we're all anxiously awaiting the arrival of *Animal Crossing: New Horizons*. Not only is this game beginning a new era for the franchise, but a new era for ACC. We're covering a lot of *New Horizons* in this newsletter, so we'll stop bantering.

Sit back and get reading!



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## Animal Crossing: New Horizons February Direct

Brought to you by: Devin2600

The *Animal Crossing: New Horizons* direct on February 20th really opened the floodgates to new content we have yet to see. From new villagers, items, customizations, and more. We've detailed all this new information below!



### Welcome to Your New Horizons

#### **What should I expect when I start off on my new island?**

Just like in *New Leaf*, before you head off to your island you will get to choose the map of your new home. You're also now allowed to choose which hemisphere you live on. For example, it will now be Summer in December/January for those in the southern hemisphere.



Once you've chosen your map, and given your new island a name, it's off to Dodo Airlines! As you arrive on your island you will go through a small orientation period where the Nook Inc. staff will show you the basics. You'll get to place your tent, as well as your new neighbors tents (if you'd like). Tom Nook will also give you your prized Nook Phone. This phone will allow you to access a ton of new features.



### The Official NookPhone

Using this smart phone provided by Nook Inc. you will be able to take images of your island, access your island map, patterns, and more. As you progress through the game more apps will be unlocked such as the Rescue Services (which appears to be Resetti's new job), Fish and Bug encyclopedia, your passport, Nook Miles, DIY Crafting, and more!

## I've made it past my first day! Now what?

Now that you've made it to your second day, you can get to work on paying off that debt, enjoying your island life, or jump right into fishing and bug-catching. But before you go, you'll likely notice that at the beginning of every day, Tom Nook will greet you with island news. Be sure to pay attention, as we're sure he'll have some important information to share! We've covered some of the new services that are essential to your experience below:

### Resident Services

In Resident Services, you are greeted by Tom Nook and company 24 hours a day, seven days a week! Not only can you purchase/sell items from Timmy and Tommy, but also craft at Nooks workbench, receive helpful advice on DIY and your island, and eventually get assistance customizing your town in various ways. Isabelle will also join the team and assist with things such as your town tune, town ranking, etc.



### The Nook Mileage Program

While in Resident Services you will be introduced to the Nook Mileage Program. This program allows players to collect Nook Miles by completing various tasks around the island. Tom Nook has plenty of Nook Miles to go around and to keep life interesting on your island. These miles can be exchanged for in-game items at the Nook Stop Terminal, as well as other services (like paying off your debt). Some items we've seen are tool recipes, a tool ring, pocket organization, hair, and more!



## Airport

Now that you've made it past orientation you can access the Airport ... or should we say Dodo Airlines! With the help of our new friends Wilbur and Orville (catch that reference?) you can visit other islands, and of course have friends over to your own island. Like Resident Services, Dodo Airlines is open 24 hours, seven days a week.



There are other features available in the Airport as well. You can spend 200 Bells to send postcards to villagers (as seen below). It's not yet known if you can send your friends postcards, or what the fate of the Post Office is. We will have to wait and see. The final and probably most important feature of the airport is going on Island Tours! We've covered what these are below.



## Island Tours

To go on an Island Tour you must purchase a Nook Miles Ticket from Tom Nook at the Nook Stop Terminal. Our pilot, Orville, will take you to a random, smaller island where you may gather some of the islands resources, or meet random villagers exploring the same island. It has not yet been confirmed if these islands will stay in the same season that your island currently is, or if weather is totally random.

## Party Play

Have family members or friends who want to live on your island? Good news for you, up to eight people can now live on one island. In previous games you could never play at the same time as another player, but in *New Horizons* that is changing! You may now play on your island locally with up to 3 other players on the same Nintendo Switch.

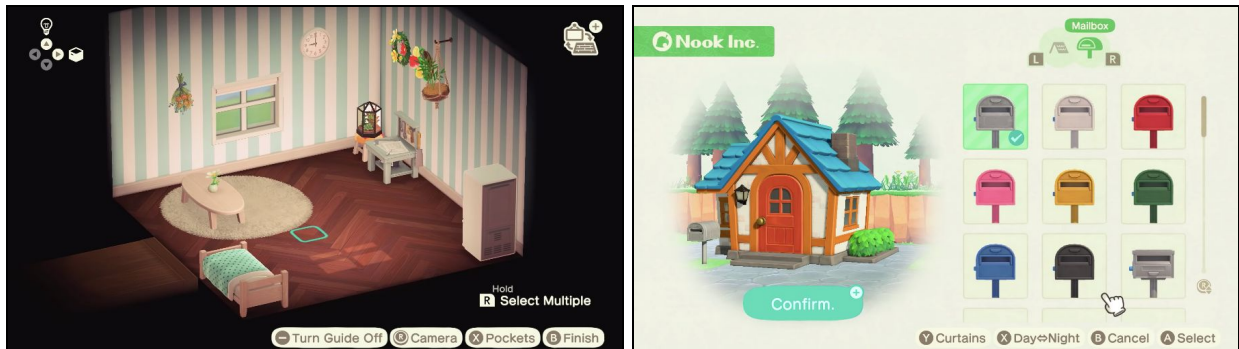
## Your Own Home

As we mentioned before, you will be given a tent upon your arrival at your new island. Nobody should live in a tent forever, right? That's why with the help of Nook Inc. you will be able to upgrade your house just like in previous games. And like normal, the loans can be paid back at your own pace!



You'll also be given your own storage space in your house to hold any furniture or baggage you aren't displaying in your house. Along with this comes the detailed house decorating system found in *Animal Crossing: Happy Home Designer*. While you can still decorate and organize

your furniture the old fashion way, you can now go full on interior designer and select multiple items to move, and more!



Also returning from *New Leaf* is the ability to change the exterior of your house. While we only see the choices of roof color and mailbox, we are sure you will be able to pick exteriors from a large list of looks and styles!

## A Variety of Visitors

Along with the daily tasks of island life, you may stumble upon some familiar faces. Some of our favorite characters from previous games will return in *Animal Crossing: New Horizons*! Blathers, Celeste, Kicks, Harvey, K.K. Slider, Label, Saharah, Gulliver, and Wisp are all returning along with some new faces. These new characters include Daisy Mae, Flick, and C.J. We're sure we will see other returning characters once the game releases!



Daisy Mae is the replacement of Joan, Flick replaces Nat during the Bug-Off, and C.J. replaces Chip during the Fishing Tourney. It's not yet known if we will see Joan, Nat, or Chip in the new game. Or what the roles of all the returning characters may be.



### **Now that I've developed my island, are there other things for me to do?**

Of course! As you develop your island there will be multiple new features, events, and more waiting for you! We've detailed these new additions to the game below:

## Additional Residents Wanted

Once your island has begun to grow, you will likely want some more villagers inhabiting it. If you want to invite more residents and create a bustling island community, you will now be able to secure land in advance for villagers to move into. That means no more villagers moving onto your pathways, flower beds, and other areas you've worked hard to create.



The chance may also arise for you to invite specific villagers to move to your town. This will either be done asking villagers in your campsite, villagers you've come across on an Island Tour, or with amiibo!



## Additional Facilities Planned

Along with your new bustling community, you will be able to build and update many different facilities around your island. The facilities we've seen are:

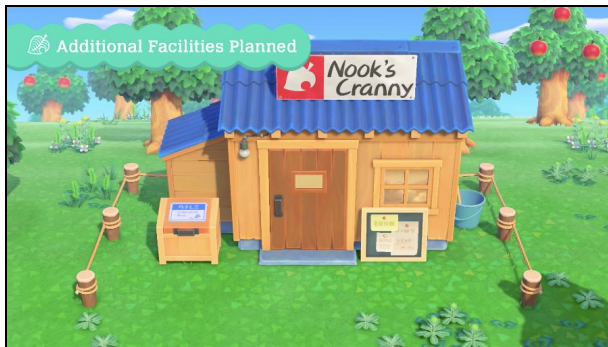
### Able Sisters



### Museum



### Nook's Cranny



### Campsite



We're positive we will see more facilities that you can build around town. Time will tell!

In-game events will also be slightly different in *New Horizons*. Events will be added as free updates. We assume this is being done so users cannot forward time and celebrate holidays like Toy Day early. The first update will launch on release day, March 20th, and will include Bunny Day. We're sure there will be plenty of updates in the future.



## Creating a One-of-a-Kind Island

That's not the end of new features! Nook Inc. is always looking to improve your life on the island, and that means even more services for you to take advantage of. One of these services include constructing ramps and bridges to help get you and fellow residents to get from point A to point B easier.



One of the most impressive services you will gain access to is the "Island Designer" app. This app on your Nook Phone will not only allow you to create custom paths with a variety of patterns/textures (sand, stone, brick, and even handmade patterns), but also undergo major construction on the terrain itself. That means you can change the paths of rivers and demolish or construct cliffs. What type of island will you create?



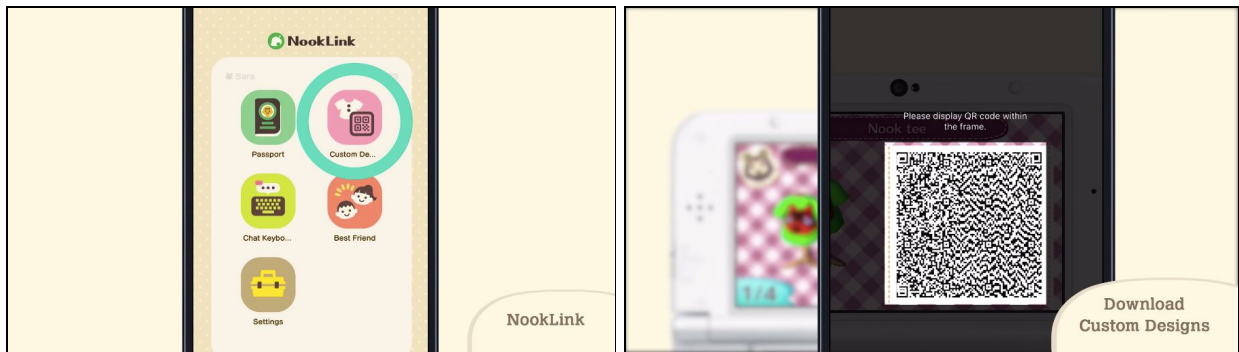
### **How will visiting different islands work? Can I still talk with my friends?**

Yes! Nintendo has also developed a service called NookLink, a part of the Nintendo Switch Online App. We've covered all of its capabilities below:



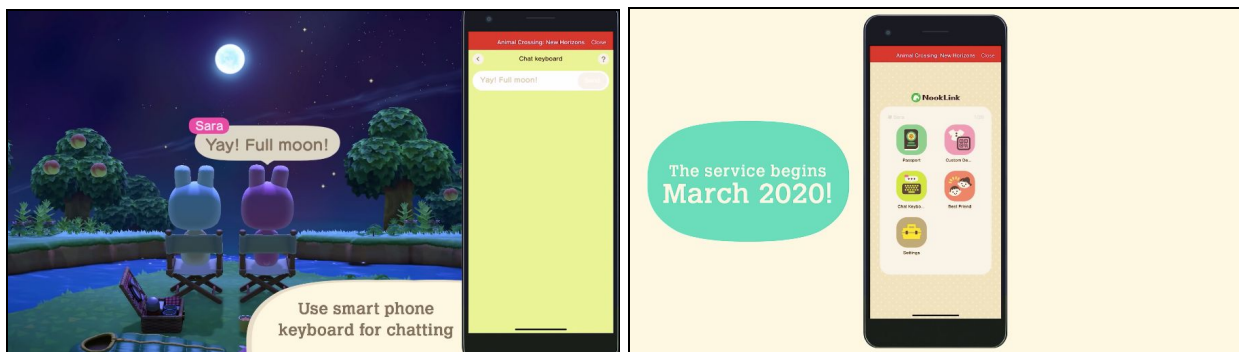
## Real-World Services in the Nintendo Switch Online App

With a Nintendo Switch Online membership you will gain access to the Nintendo Switch Online App which will grant you access to NookLink. NookLink will allow you to take full advantage of your game.



Do you have patterns you would love to transfer from *Animal Crossing: New Leaf* or *Animal Crossing: Happy Home Designer*? Using the NookLink service you will be able to use your smartphone to scan QR codes and deliver those patterns into your *New Horizons* game.

You will also be able to chat with friends in-game by using your smartphone as a keyboard, or by using the voice chat option within the app. Users will also be able to view their best friends list, as well as their passport in this app.



NookLink is planned to launch in March of 2020 (likely a few days after the game releases).

### **Still have more questions?**

At the end of the direct we got a few questions answered about amiibo, online play, and more. We've covered these questions below.

#### **FAQ**

**Can I play the game together with my family on a single Nintendo Switch system?**

Yes! On one Nintendo Switch system up to 8 people in your family can live on once shared island. Each user can register one resident and build their own house.

#### **FAQ**

**What if I lose my save data?**

*Animal Crossing: New Horizons* does not support the save data cloud feature. However Nintendo is planning on offering a service to retrieve backup save data from the server in cases of console damage or loss.

#### **FAQ**

**Does this game support amiibo™?**

*Animal Crossing: New Horizons* will support all Animal Crossing series amiibo figures and amiibo cards. These can be used to invite villagers to your campsite, where it's possible to persuade them to move to your town. You can also invite villagers to participate in Photopia, an island where you can place models in creative photoshoots. Additional characters will be supported in the future.

FAQ

Do you have any more information about visiting friends?

While visiting other islands online you can communicate with friends or other players not registered as friends with temporary passwords (Dodo Codes). In order to protect the environment of your island, some tools like axes and shovels will be unusable with friends. However, friends registered as best friends can use these tools. So be sure to use this feature only with your closest friends.

FAQ

Will there be a special themed system to go along with the game?

Yes! A special edition Animal Crossing themed system will be released on March 13th, a week before the launch of the game. A separate matching carrying case will be available the same day!

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**More New Details About *New Horizons*:**

There's so much more information to cover regarding new information about *New Horizons*. We've compiled the rest of the information below!

Crafting and DIY: After collecting materials from around your island you will be able to craft a multitude of new furniture items, clothing, tools, etc. You can even learn new DIY recipes as you progress through the game. From what we've seen in the direct these recipes can be given to you by villagers and also purchased from Tom Nook.

Flowers, flowers, and more flowers: There are so many new flowers/hybrids in *New Horizons*. Some of these new flowers include Hyacinths, Chrysanthemums, and Windflowers. We've also laid our eyes on many returning hybrids such as Pink and Orange Pansies, Pink Lilies, Pink and Orange Tulips, Pink Cosmos, and Jacobs Ladders.



Patterns: Patterns can be used to customize not only paths and shirts, but also coffee mugs, hats, furniture, and more! You can also create transparent patterns which opens up a ton of possibilities. We're likely to see even more things you can customize with your patterns once the game releases.

Villager Actions: Villagers can now be seen doing various actions around the island. Some of these include eating and engaging with various different foods (sandwiches/soups/popsicles), books, drinks, tools (like brooms) and more! Below we can see Bunnie eating ice cream!



Variations of Seasons: In previous scenes we have noticed leaf piles in the fall, which have turned to cherry blossom petals in the spring (above). We've also seen the return of mushrooms!

Fossils: Dig spots and fossils have been confirmed as well. Even better, we have noticed quite a few new fossils located in the Museum that have never been in an *Animal Crossing* game before! The glowing dig spots too from *Animal Crossing: GameCube* seem to make a return as well. They really tried to hide this one from us!



**New Tools:** Tools have changed slightly in *New Horizons*. Not only are they more customizable (start shaped nets, elephant shaped watering cans, etc.), but there are different rankings for tools too. For example some of the first tools you will craft will be “flimsy” tools. These can break fairly quickly, so be careful. There are new tools as well like the vaulting pole, used to cross rivers, and the ladder, which is used to climb cliffs.



While not necessarily tools, there are other hand held items that are new to the game. One of these is the ocarina (above). This can be crafted and also played! Could we possibly play other hand held instruments?

**New Villagers:** There are currently a select few new villagers that we have seen in not only the direct, but other promotional material. Check a few of them out below:



**Miscellaneous:**

- Fish and bugs can now be stored/placed outside!
- Balloons are back and can be shot down with a slingshot!
- Notes in a bottle return from *Animal Crossing: Wild World*, it appears that each one contains a new DIY recipe card.
- You can craft/purchase many different wreaths that can be placed on your door. Some are even made of seashells!
- You can change your appearance at any time using a mirror or vanity in your home!
- Medicine can be crafted once you've unlocked the DIY recipe card for that item.
- There are animated wallpapers and floors! Some might have clouds floating by, etc.

## Hands-on *Animal Crossing: New Horizons* Gameplay

Brought to you by: Devin2600

I was lucky enough to attend PAX East this year where I got the chance to go hands-on with *Animal Crossing: New Horizons* before its release. Not only was the experience of playing the game amazing, but the booth itself was downright magnificent! I'll be talking about my first impressions of the game, some new tidbits I found that I thought were interesting, and showing off some photos from the booth!



Even with the short amount of time I had with *Animal Crossing: New Horizons*, it immediately left its mark. This is going to be a game that we are playing for years to come. My first worry before playing the game was that it would no longer feel like *Animal Crossing*. I'm happy to report that the game is still the series we've all grown to love. All of the main mechanics that truly make this game feel cozy and welcoming remain. The villagers and main characters are just as charming as in previous games ... I'd argue even more so now! The main new mechanic, DIY crafting, is very intuitive and easy. It feels refreshing to scavenge your island for all of its resources and create new things to display in your house or around your

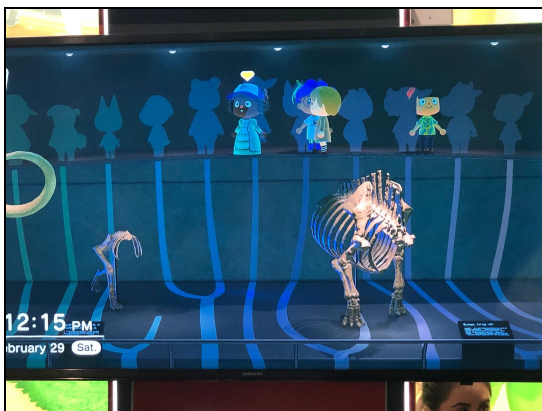


island. Seeing all the old shops from old games (Nook's Cranny, Able Sisters) was nice as well and their "new" designs fit in perfectly.

There were also a few interesting tidbits I noticed while playing. One that I noticed could be helpful for users who don't have the ability to play online is that Nook's Cranny appears to sell fruit in their cabinet daily. It wasn't confirmed to me that the fruit would change every day, but I don't see why it wouldn't! While we also noticed that the shiny spots from *Animal Crossing: GameCube* return (which has been pointed out online by many), I noticed that you can dig up multiple shiny spots in one day (and not just 1 like in AC:GC).



I also got a good look at the museum and ... WOW! The museum has seen a massive upgrade and I'm sure the version I played in isn't even the final upgraded museum. There didn't appear to be a place to donate artwork, so we don't know if that's in the game or not (my guess is it is and gets unlocked at a later date). The Able Sisters saw some improvements as well. You can now go into a little dressing room where you can view a ton of different clothing items in various colors and styles. You can create your entire outfit in this dressing room and then pay once you are all finished!



The Nintendo booth itself was its own sign to be seen. They had an entire recreation of an *Animal Crossing* island town with tent, house, bridge, trees, and characters included! We got to take some group pictures with Isabelle and Tom Nook. As well as some images behind a campfire and on the “beach”.



We also got some nice goodies for playing the demo and having a My Nintendo account. The Isabelle pin (left) was given to My Nintendo members while the tote bag (right) was given to those who played the demo itself. These were the cherry on top of this *Animal Crossing* experience! If the demo and booth is to say anything, *Animal Crossing: New Horizons* is shaping up to be the best game of the series.



## ACC Staff Picks

Brought to you by: kikicat



### THE STAFF'S FAVOURITE FEATURES OF NEW HORIZONS



With all the excitement of *Animal Crossing: New Horizons* we decided to ask our very own staff what they are most excited about! Enjoy their selections below!

- **kikicat** - New villagers & Amiibo use to get posters of your favourite villagers.
- **PenguinGeek** - Bob in HD, new types of flowers, and furniture outside!
- **ASUtown** - Filbert is on the cover (back), Rugs, Museum Look, all the customization!

- **DaBraxMan** - Permits to really customize the layout of islands (paths, cliffs, rivers), placing houses and other facilities wherever we want, and eight-player multiplayer!
- **QueenFire666** - The skin tones, 3 tier landscaping, and qr codes.
- **Devin2600** - The dynamic weather/wind, all the tiny details on furniture/clothing, ability to customize the terrain!
- **Jarikira** - Being able to pole vault and terra-forming!
- **SonicHyuga** - Permits, lush environment, and finally dynamic shadows.
- **yankees24cano** - The ability to actually make paths rather than having to put down patterns or make the best of grass wear.
- **Juni01** - Quite honestly, I still can't get over the simple fact that we'll be allowed up to EIGHT players connected at a time! Aside from that, though, from the shamelessly little amount of information I've seen about the new game, I'm really enjoying the idea of having pretty realistic animations! I mean, just look at how those trees move! It's just mind-boggling.
- **GoldenCelebi** - I love how detailed the environment is. The trees and all the new plants look amazing with the changing weather and seasons!
- **HatakeSage** - I'm a big fan of the idea of digging and making our own lakes!
- **Nintendude64** - Nintendude64 is gushing all over this swanky new Museum.
- **ACWWFreakazoid** - The fact that it's actually releasing? I've been trying not to process too much about it so that it remains as fresh as possible. I do like what we've seen though. Nintendo seems to have taken the community into account when designing the game.

## Recent & Upcoming Releases

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### **Recent Releases:**



*Tokyo Mirage Sessions #FE  
Encore*

January 17th 2020



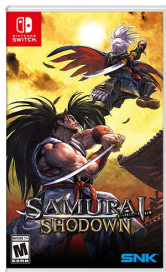
*Darksiders Genesis*

February 14th 2020



*Snack World*

February 14th 2020



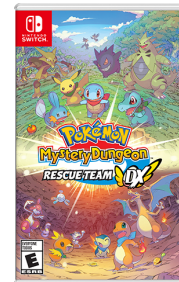
*Samurai Shodown*

February 25th 2020



*Rune Factory 4*

February 25th 2020



*Pokémon Mystery Dungeon  
DX*

March 6th 2020

### **amiibo:**



Richter (Smash), Dark Samus (Smash),

**Upcoming Releases:**



*Nintendo Switch  
Animal Crossing edition  
March 13th 2020*



*Animal Crossing:  
New Horizons  
March 20th 2020*



*Nintendo Switch Lite  
(Coral)  
March 20th 2020*



**UPCOMING ANIMAL CROSSING ACCESSORIES**



# Animal Crossing: New Horizons Pre-Order Bonuses

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## Target - US:



## Wal-Mart - US:



## Best Buy -US:



## Gamestop - US: HiMart or HomePlus :South Korea Ministop: South Korea



## Toys R' Us: South Korea N&M Market or Hyundai I'Park: South Korea



### Official Nintendo Store: UK



### Amazon UK



### EB Games: Australia





### Smyth's Toys UK



### Amazon: South Korea



### Amazon: Japan



### GEO Online: Japan



### TSUTAYA: Japan



## Trivia Challenge

Brought to you by: StarlitGlitch

**1. Where is Kirby's name believed to have come from?**

- a. A vacuum cleaner company
- b. A bakery chain in Japan
- c. The name of Masahiro Sakurai's pet hamster
- d. A lawyer that represented Nintendo

**2. Which of the following is not an actual *Legend of Zelda* game?**

- a. *Link: The Faces of Evil*
- b. *Link's Sword Training*
- c. *Zelda: The Wand of Gamelon*
- d. *Zelda's Adventure*

**3. What was *Nintendogs: Lab and Friends* (DS) called in Japan?**

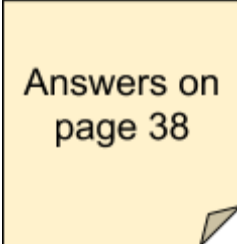
- a. *Pomeranian and Friends*
- b. *Toy Poodle and Friends*
- c. *Shih Tzu and Friends*
- d. *Shiba Inu and Friends*

**4. What does *Animal Crossing: New Horizons'* Japanese subtitle translate to?**

- a. Go Wild
- b. Make Friends
- c. Gather
- d. Craft

**5. What game was Princess Daisy first featured in?**

- a. *Super Mario Land*
- b. *NES Open Tournament Golf*
- c. *Mario Tennis*
- d. *Mario Party 3*



Answers on  
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## Collectors Cranny

Brought to you by: ACWNFreakazoid, & ASUtown

### Takara "Let's Make a Forest!" figures:



In 2001 Takara released a line of small figures representing *Animal Crossing*. This line of figures was called 『森をつくろう!』, roughly "Let's Make a Forest!". The figures were sold in packs with one character and several pieces of furniture. Some releases even came with stickers and an e-Reader card. Check out the pictures above for a sampling of the figures!

### A Day with Pikachu:



A Day with Pikachu was a 12-month specialty program that Funko and the Pokémon Center collaborated on. It featured a monthly theme in which Pikachu was celebrating. The two images above are *Sweet Days are Here*, and the final Pikachu in the line-up *Surprising Weather Ahead*.

In the first image, Pikachu is eating a sweet pecha berry while hosting a sweet chocolate dessert in his basket. None of the items are detachable, but the piece flows well together, and well with the theme. In the second picture Pikachu is frightened by an emerging Diglett, who did not see his shadow calling for an early spring for us!

## Franklin's Fantastic Foods

*Brought to you by: ASutown and Devin2600*

### **Pi Day Apple Crumble Pie:**



### **What you need:**

- 5-7 apples (Granny Smith)
- Package of 2 pie crusts
- Sugar (1 cup total)
- Cinnamon (1-2 tsp total)
- Butter (1 stick)
- Flour ( $\frac{3}{4}$  cup)
- 1 egg (optional)

### **How to make:**

- Preheat the oven to 400°F/ 204°C and remove pie crust and butter from the fridge.
- Let dough / butter sit for 15 minutes at room temperature before use.
- Unroll the first pie crust and place at bottom of pie pan. Allow overlap on the edges for decorative edges at the end.
- Poke holes in the crust using a fork (all over the bottom of the pan).
- Peel and slice 5-7 apples and place them in a large bowl.
- In a smaller bowl mix  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar and 1-2 tsp (to taste) of cinnamon together. Once mixed, pour into the large bowl with apples. Mix until all apples are coated with sugar/cinnamon mixture.
- Spread apples into pie pan that has been layered with the pie crust.
- In another small bowl mix together  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar, and cinnamon to taste (about 1 tsp).
- Once flour and sugar are mixed, beat in 1 stick butter with a fork to create crumble topping.
- Cover apples in pie plate with crumble topping.
- Now take the second pie crust and cut into 1 inch strips to create a weaved pattern on top of the pie (see image).
- Create weaved pattern and then crimp edges all the way around.

**OPTIONAL:** Beat 1 egg in a bowl. With a pastry brush, brush the egg all over the pie crust. This will create a glossy brown finish on the pie.

**NOTE:** I'd recommend placing a cookie sheet under the pie in case any of the juices bubble over.

- Put the pie into the oven for about 45 minutes or until golden brown.
- Enjoy!



## Crafty Creations

*Brought to you by: ASUtown*



### **What you need:**

- Polymer clay
- Hot glue gun
- Coarse stone granules/sand
- Fairy garden figurines/small figurines (pre-made or hand-crafted)
- Mold
- Terrarium bowl

### **How to:**

- To create a froggy chair I printed out the paper craft by [\\_pixel\\_perfect\\_](#) available [here](#). You will need to cut off the pieces that you would fold over for the paper craft.
- Next roll out the clay over the cut out paper to form the shapes of the froggy chair. I would recommend making the legs of froggy chair more like rectangular stumps rather than the actual photo so that the chair can stand better. Make sure to do this on a covered surface as clay can stain.
- To cut out the eyes I used a lead pencil, removed the eraser and just pushed down over the eyes. For the mouth, I cut the mouth off the paper craft and traced around it.
- Bake the clay pieces on aluminum foil in the oven for 15 minutes at 275F/135C (check your clay for specific details).
- After it cools (about 30 minutes) you can paint. Then after the paint dries to your satisfaction assemble with a hot glue gun
- If using a mold (such as the seashells in the image) you will stick the clay in the mold and bake as directed. You will clean up by carefully using tools to shave any uneven edges
- Assemble all your pieces inside your terrarium bowl. I removed the froggy chair legs for the terrarium bowl to look more like a beach chair, but you may change this up as you please.

### **What did it cost?**

- Everything.

## Interview with Devin2600

Brought to you by: PenguinGeek & ASUtown



Hi ya'll! Jess here. Milly and I sat down with the man himself, Devin2600! We asked life's most troubling questions. How did we do? Stay tuned to find out!

### **1. Tell us a little bit about yourself!**

I've always been a massive Nintendo fan, but *Animal Crossing* has always held a special place in my heart throughout my life. I played the original game upon release and never turned back! There's something almost mysterious and magical about the series that hasn't quite been captured in any other franchise. On a more personal note, I'm currently a college graduate with a BA in Mathematics and Secondary Education and work as a high school math teacher.

### **2. What is your favorite thing to do on the site?**

I've always been a huge fan of meeting new people who share my same interests. I'm so glad to have gotten the chance to meet so many awesome people here. Even if I'm not posting on threads, I'm still reading up on the latest news here on ACC! If I'm not browsing the boards, then I'm working on Giveaway work.

### **3. What are you most excited for in *Animal Crossing: New Horizons*?**

Is it too easy to say everything? Jokes aside, I'm glad the series is finally returning to the home console. While the Switch is both a home console and a portable device, I will likely be playing *New Horizons* strictly in docked mode. There's something special about getting comfy on the couch and playing *Animal Crossing* on the big screen! I'm also so excited to see some more news about this game. Are there new events? Are there more new special characters? I can't wait to discover everything my island has to offer!

### **4. How would you compare the hype for *New Horizons* to *New Leaf* when that was released in 2012?**

On a member side of things, I think that the hype for *New Horizons* is much different. We've been kept in the dark about a lot it seems! This creates some crazy discussion about what we can expect. It's exciting, really! I'd also like to note that this is the first time in a while that an *Animal Crossing* game will launch worldwide at the same time. If some of you remember, *New Leaf* was released in Japan months before it was released in North America. This in a way ruined the hype for me. As for the staff side, it's rather interesting. I'm one of a few staff members who was here for both the launch of *New Leaf* as well as *New Horizons*. We're getting a bunch of stuff ready for ACC, including some events (that you may already know about depending on when this is released ...). There's also some other big news that I'm sure you will all be hearing/seeing soon!



### **5. Who is your favorite villager and why?**

Fang! I can't remember exactly when he first moved into my town, or in which town it was, but he's always been my favorite. His design is pretty simple, but there's something about that and his personality that resonates with me. I used to have him as my avatar here for years on ACC before joining the staff. If anyone remembers that, good for you!

### **6. If you had to create a new villager for *New Horizons*, who would it be?**

Alright, this is totally cheating but I saw someone mockup bat villagers and after seeing those that's all I want in *New Horizons*! I just hope we get some new species!

### **7. Can you give us a little history of your Staff time here?**

I joined the Staff way back in 2012. It honestly scared me a little to type that date. I've been here for so long! I was a Scout from 2012 to 2017 where I really took to running games and events here on ACC. It started off with my friend Peter (pedro\_collins) allowing me to host the Official ACC Werewolf. From there I took off with running pattern contests, COSMO (thanks Dimentio95 and ACWWFreakazoid too), and many other contests throughout the years. This eventually led to the creation of the Media and Events SPT which had revitalized the ACC Newsletter, created special site-wide events, etc. Once the SPT was developed I was asked to join the Moderator team around 2017. With this came a lot of new responsibilities, so I had to step back slightly from running some contests ... specifically the ACC Werewolf which I entrusted with Eden (kikicat). She's been doing a fabulous job!

On the other end of the spectrum I've been running ACC's social media accounts for about 4 years now. Some might not remember, but our social media accounts were sitting idle for years. Specifically, our Facebook which had an astounding 50,000 likes (at the time)! Getting to build these accounts as well as advertising ACC across the internet has been a passion of mine. It is honestly one of my favorite parts of keeping ACC up to date. The community we've built around the internet is truly remarkable and I wouldn't trade it for anything!

### **8. How do you approach posting to the ACC social media accounts? How is it engaging with Animal Crossing fans on that platform?**

When making posts for ACC I am always trying to balance personality with credibility. I don't want to post anything misleading, but I also want to show to the internet that we have a sense of humor! What I've found is the most important thing is starting a post with a short statement to grab the reader's attention, and then immediately ask a question. This helps push engagement which lets users not only find our social media accounts, but find ACC as well. I've really enjoyed getting to interact with fans on these platforms and it has given a whole new meaning of what it means to be part of the Animal Crossing community. Whether it be helping a Facebook user find the right pre-order link, or retweeting someone's artwork, there's so much to be done and I enjoy it so much.

## Fashion Showcase

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This theme is island life, getting us ready for *New Horizons*! Enjoy these beach looks from *Animal Crossing: Pocket Camp*!

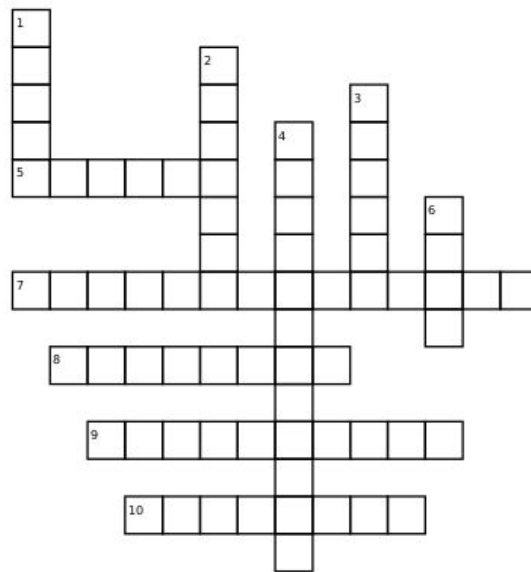


## Puzzles

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Kapp'n leaves town and heads towards the island traveling at 35 miles per hour. The island is 225 miles away and Kapp'n must stop every 25 minutes and take a 5 minute break to eat some cucumbers and mayo to replenish his energy. At this rate, how much is froggy chair?

## Test your New Horizons Knowledge



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**Down:**

1. This sister has reverted back to her original name to match her seamstress family?
2. A special instrument you can play on your island!
3. It's rumored that Resetti's new job is running this service
4. Spring over lakes with this new tool!
6. 8 People can live on your island, but how many can play at once?

**Across:**

5. Climb to new heights with this pocketable tool!
7. This new flower type can be seen throughout several videos, and looks to come in a variety of colors!
8. You can visit Timmy and Tommy at this service if you need any help, or want to craft items!
9. On your island, you'll get to control the season by choosing one of these two at the start
10. Name of app Nintendo will be releasing an App shortly after the game's release.

## Spotlight Advertisements



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The advertisement features a blue squirrel character in various outfits: a tan sweater with a green tree, a tan vest, a black and white checkered shirt with a baseball cap, and a black and white checkered shirt. A small inset shows the character in a tan sweater standing in front of an orange tent in a garden. The background is a colorful collage of geometric shapes and patterns in shades of pink, green, and yellow.

## Spotlight Advertisements



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## Trivia challenge answers:

1. d - Some fans believe the name comes from the Kirby Company, which manufactures vacuums, but this has no official backing. Shigeru Miyamoto has stated that Kirby was chosen partially because of John Kirby, a lawyer who successfully represented Nintendo in a lawsuit regarding *Donkey Kong*.
2. b - While Link has embarked on some crossbow training on the *Wii*, no sword training game has been made. All of the other titles exist on the Phillips CD-i, but most fans try to forget them...
3. d - This localization change reflects differences in breed preferences. The Shiba Inu was also featured in the title for *Nintendogs + Cats* (3DS) in Japan.
4. c - The Japanese name is あつまれ ぞうの森 (atsumare doubutsu no mori) which literally translates to Gather Animal Forest.
5. a - *Super Mario Land* takes place in Sarasaland where Princess Daisy is royalty.

## New Horizons Crossword Puzzle answers:

1. On your island, you'll get to control the season by choosing one of these two at the start  
A: Hemisphere
2. It's rumored that Resetti's new job is running this service  
A: Rescue
3. You can visit Timmy and Tommy at this service if you need any help, or want to craft items!  
A: Resident
4. This new flower type can be seen throughout several videos, and looks to come in a variety of colors!  
A: Chrysanthemums
5. 8 People can live on your island, but how many can play at once?  
A: Four
6. This sister has changed her name slightly to match her seamstress family.  
A: Label
7. Name of app Nintendo will be releasing an App shortly after the game's release.  
A: NookLink
8. Spring over lakes with this new tool!  
A: vaulting pole
9. A special instrument you can play on your island!  
A: Ocarina
10. Climb to new heights with this pocketable tool!  
A: Ladder