

The Beat

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Life is full of thrills and chills, screams and laughter. Especially on a roller coaster! Thrill-ride fans can find many new attractions to keep them on the edge of their seats this summer. At Canada's Wonderland in Toronto, the longest, fastest, and tallest coaster in the country, the Behemoth, offers a 230-foot first drop followed by seven more out-of-your-seat drops. Or there's Dominator, new at Kings Dominion in Virginia. This floorless coaster carries you through the world's largest vertical loop. For something more realistic, try The Howler at HERSHEY PARK in Pennsylvania. Its sphere-shaped cars, rotating at 20-degree angles, provide all the excitement of a tornado. Whatever thrills you encounter this summer—either on or off the rides, remember to hang on tight to what's important.



THINK ABOUT IT

- Do you like roller coaster rides? Why or why not?
- How is life sometimes like a roller coaster ride? How is it not?

Life—the Ride

Think about your life. Draw a “roller coaster” line to represent the ups and downs and thrills and chills you've encountered. Share it with your classmates.



What plan do you have for dealing with up-and-down situations this week?