

1. Break the message:

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knowing it was encoded with an affine cipher and contains the word(s) “silly”.

2. Encipher “*Cowboys*” using hill the key: $a=3, b=15, c=13, d=18$. Do the calculation (mod 26).
3. (Wait for Wednesday) Decipher “*Q!FEF,*” using hill with matrix: $\begin{pmatrix} 10 & 9 \\ 3 & 20 \end{pmatrix}$. This calculation is done (mod 29). Note that the mod is different than the previous problem.
4. (Wait for Wednesday) Find all primes p for which $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{p}$ is *not* invertible.
5. (Wait for Wednesday) Find all values of the b with $0 \leq b < 25$ such that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible (mod 26).
6. Find the One Stop Student Center and take a picture of yourself there and email it to me at cparker@sandiego.edu.
7. Look on the website for sporting events at USD. Choose an event in the future that you would be most likely to attend and write that down. I won't make you actually go to the event but consider doing it, it builds school spirit.