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# WHAT ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR?

**BY: GLITCCH** 

It's Thanksgiving time in America: a time to gather with friends and family to enjoy holiday traditions such as giving thanks for people and things in your life. We asked around the community and here's what folks are thankful for here at Mineplex.

Soccerstar0015: I am thankful for the Mineplex community as a whole. I've built countless different relationships over the three years I have been here, and each one is valuable to me. I feel like I've grown as person through meeting these people, and the lessons I have learned here I will always remember.

EmmaLie: This year I'm thankful for Dr.Pepper...just kidding. Last Thanksgiving, I was a tiny little choo-choo completing SRs and focusing on passing my trial. A year has passed since I became a trainee and during that year, I have reached so many of my goals that I set when I became a moderator. From Reports Patrol to Community Manager, I've grown as a staff member and that experience is what I am thankful for this year. #CoMTeamBestTeam

BastetTheSatann: What I am thankful for? Well, I am thankful that Mineplex is interacting more with the community than they used to do. Feedback program, community Bedrock QA, soonTM community Java QAT and Translations Team are pretty good ways to get the community involved more with the network. The Game Insights sub team, for example, is composed of both staff and community members (majorly community) that discuss and balance games. That kind of interaction, to have players and staff discussing together a game to make sure it's balanced, is what I am thankful for.

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Ya\_Boi\_Sime: Thankful for calcium keeping my bones hashtag strong. thankful for hats for keeping my hair warm and happy. thankful for florida man making the news. shoutouts to mittens for keeping my fingers warm.

inns: I'm thankful for my friends and family. Without them, I don't know where I'd be today, and they really kind of shaped me from what I used to be to someone more confident and stronger.

YourLocalJarCat: What Mineplex has always stood out for- to me, at least- is the staff team's willingness to communicate with the community. Sure, there are flaws with that communication to some degree; but that's to be expected. However it's not saying we can't improve on that and solidify the bridge of communication a bit more. Mineplex's staff team is one of the best when it comes to being active and online and having players feel like there are actually staff out there. I've been on several other big servers and I usually never see staff online; so props to Mineplex's staff team.

Senpai\_Anna: I am thankful for my parents who constantly encouraged my online gaming and to Mineplex for giving me some amazing friends that I never knew I'd meet. I am also thankful for the amount of times my friends have helped me through tough times. I love them sooo much.

TheBabbyNick: I am thankful for all the amazing Mineplex Moderators and staff team. Without them hackers would literally be in every game. They also keep Mineplex a safe and friendly place for everyone. All the Developers who do such hard work to create the amazing games.

# TRANSLATIONS TEAM!

BY: SM\_AWESOME

Did you know that you can play on Mineplex's Bedrock server using 19 different languages? Even further, we'll be adding three more languages soon to bring the total up to 22! The Bedrock server is being translated by a team of 69 translators, 17 of which are also proofreaders, and led by managers coralines and TheGrandRoman with Mineplex Admin ShinyRukii. They are the Translations Team—a group of staff members and community members who translate Bedrock content into another language. Their goal is to make Mineplex accessible to everyone globally.

korniDE, a German translator and a Moderator on Mineplex, as well as jonnapurr, a Finnish proofreader from the community, shared their experience on the team so far:

### What does your work on the Translations Team consist of?

korniDE: As a translator for German, I help translate strings from English to German for the Mineplex Bedrock version. We're currently working on a project that includes a ton of strings/phrases that are lots of fun to translate. I occasionally meet on TeamSpeak with another translator and proofreader, the person who makes sure our strings are fine to be used on Bedrock, so we can discuss and translate the strings together.

jonnapurr: My job on this team is a Finnish proofreader, so I'm basically the leader of Finnish translators. I usually read what my translators have translated, fix sentences if needed, and approve strings so they can be applied to Mineplex! Sometimes if there are lots of strings, I'll help translate as well. I'm also the person who either accepts or declines people who apply on Finnish side.

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### What is your favorite part of being on the Translations Team?

korniDE: My favourite part would be all the funny moments we've had in our meetings so far. Depending on the strings, you can be very creative with translating as there may not be necessarily a perfect translation for a string. Some ideas may sound silly but may actually turn out to be better translations than you expected. Creativity has no limit!

jonnapurr: My favorite part is being able to translate the server into my own language and make it possible for Finnish people that don't understand English to play on Mineplex's Bedrock server! It's nice to know someone appreciates my job, and it gives me energy to continue.

### Would you recommend joining the team? If so, why?

korniDE: If you are bilingual, you should definitely consider joining the team. Even better if you have a passion for languages! We use the communication platform Slack, a great tool for having interesting conversations with other translators from all around the world. And don't worry, if you can't find your language on the application, there is still hope that we'll be looking for translators soon! jonnapurr: I absolutely recommend joining. We have really awesome, friendly, and funny team that can be serious and chill! There isn't 24/7 work, so it's not a super-busy-can't-do-anything-else team either which is really good! So if you are looking for small translating job, are fluent in your language, want to see your work on the server, and meet super cool and nice people, then this team might be for you!:)

We're currently looking for Croatian, French (Canada), Swedish, Korean, Portuguese (Portugal), or Polish translators. If you're interested in joining the Translations Team, head over to www.mineplex.com/translations to apply!

Thanks to coralines for her contributions to this article!

# STAFF MEMBERS OF TOMORROW!

BY: ARMOURED\_LEAF

The Mineplex staff team greatly appreciates those players in the community who seek to do more with their time on Mineplex. These are most commonly people who aim to become staff members themselves. Many of these community members are applying for Trainee for different reasons, some of which can be very heartwarming. Wouldn't it be amazing to be able to find out more about these unique people? Lucky for us, a few aspiring staff members decided to tell a little bit about themselves.

MinecraftMac11: Hello! My name is MinecraftMac11 and I've been an aspiring trainee for around a year now. I would love to become a Sr.Moderator one day, preferably on the Community Management or Forums teams. I want to become a staff member so I can contribute to the community more, and have my legacy remembered. I hope that I can finish my time on Mineplex as a person who greatly contributed to the community and as an ambassador for the players.

ryanb1203: Sup! I'm ryanb1203 and I've been an aspiring trainee for a few months now, but I've been interested in applying for a lot longer. I really want to become a Sr.Moderator on the Community Management team, so I can help the community introduce new ideas onto the server. I want to be remembered as someone who made this server the best it possible can be, by being there to help the community.

888alessio: Hello all! My name is 888alessio and I've been an aspiring trainee for 3-4 months. I would like to become a Sr.Moderator on the Trainee Management - Recruitment team. I want to help improve the passion expressed by both the staff team and the community, and attempt to make the server's community a better place!

SpookyJuby: Boo! I'm SpookyJuby, and I've been an aspiring trainee for about 2 years. I've lost a little motivation to apply, due to commitments, but I still love the Mineplex community and am very knowledgeable about it due to my extended period of time on it! I love the idea of becoming a Clans Mod (Sr.Mod) as that would be a dream come true, and I love the clans gamemode. I also want to help the community trust the leadership team more, and prove that we are all here to improve the communities experience.

The aspiring Trainees that make up part of the Mineplex community have always been very unique. They continually express an overwhelming passion to make changes on our network. Regardless of whether the aspiring staff members above become Trainees, Mods, or even get onto their dream Sr. Mod teams, they will be able to create an impact due to their overall enthusiasm. Let's all try to spread passion and inspiration on Mineplex so it continues to create a better environment for the community!

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# PROMOTIONS/RESIGNATIONS BY:EMMAGRILL

This month, we want to give a shout out to promoted and returning staff members as well as our thanks to those who have decided to resign.

### **Promotions:**

### **Java Trainee**

November 10th - Dutty, Haers, gpsqueixo, Stxne, vaqorized

### **Bedrock Trainee**

November 10th - RAG17YT

### Java Mod

November 11th - DaniloPlayer, Kzyla, Rqbby, wolf2oo November 24th - natesbait November 25th - NiteOwl

### **Bedrock Mod**

November 11th - MIn3crAftMinium

### **Resignations:**

### Java

November 7th - boomerzap November 12th - hazeae24 (QA) November 13th - iFrutified

November 17th - Whif (TM, Mentoring)

November 18th - Hydreigon1364 November 18th - Rosalia (CM) November 18th - vaqorized

November 19th - eclatant

November 19th - Kenyun

November 21st - Pluto1099 (FN)

November 22nd - Harvae November 23rd - gpsqueixo November 24th - Kxssy (CM) November 25th - Peachest

November 28th - Nijicck

Since Thanksgiving festivities are finally coming to an end, you know what that means! The most wonderful time of the year is approaching; the whimsical month of December! As many of you know, with every new month, comes your favorite game... Guess the Location! For those of you who don't know how to play, all you must do is guess where the screenshot was taken in our main lobby. Once you've done so, please be sure to fill out the Google form for a chance to win! If you happen to be one of the lucky three who figures out the location, you will receive two Mythical Chests. You don't have time to build a snowman, it's time to guess!

Where was this screenshot taken?



The form for this month's edition is: https://goo.gl/forms/7MGvvvmlmlKalwo52

Congratulations to last month's winners: MCCharity
Torch13

You will be receiving your Mythical Chests as soon as possible. Wonderful work!

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# **CAPTION THE IMAGE!**

**BY: LOOFII** 

The well awaited return of Caption the Image is finally here! For those who have forgotten or have not seen our game before, the rules are simple. The objective of this game is to create the funniest, most accurate, or just plain silliest caption possible for the image provided each month. Winners of the given month are showcased in the next edition of the newsletter along with the image and form for that month.

Here's our festive image for the coming holidays!



Do you think you can meet the challenge? Give it a shot here: https://goo.gl/forms/TpghSiYNmg6fpE1V2

# MINEPLEX STASTISTICS!

**BY: SNOWYKITTY** 

Our monthly statistic article is back! Enjoy these numbers from the Mineplex network and make sure to send us suggestions for new statistics at the link provided at the end of this article. We look forward to the responses you submit!

### **Appeal Statistics:**

Total appeals accepted: 62,370 Total appeals processed: 160,800

### **Staff Team:**

Admins: 6 Sr. Mods: 56 Mods: 99 Trainees: 12

### Top Wins (in November):

Cake Wars Duos: Maressaa Cake Wars Standards: cufu

SkyWars: Cristinah

Survival Games: Unique\_Guy

### **Translations Team:**

Number of members: 69 Translated strings live: 1,961

You can send us suggestions for statistics at the following link: https://goo.gl/forms/nvgOBZOAXMblzhjF2

# NEWSLETTER STAFF BIOS



iPBJSammich: Heyo! I'm iPBJSammich, and I've been a staff member on Mineplex since June 2015, and am currently on the Karaoke Host and Newsletter Teams. SSM, as always, is my favorite game on the network. Don't be afraid to say hello, I don't bite!



Tortelett: Hi! I am a moderator on the Newsletter and Media Team! I am in charge of designing and assembling all the written articles and images into this newsletter and making everything look pretty. Hope you enjoyed reading it.



SuspiciOus: Hi there, I'm SuspiciOus! I enjoy writing, reading, and technology. I'm currently a Sr.Mod that works in the Quality Assurance division for the Mineplex Pocket Edition and PC servers.



EmmaGrill: Ello! My name is Emma, and I'm a 15 year old book addict. I'm currently an editor and writer on the Newsletter team at Mineplex along with being a Senior Mod on ModCoord. In my spare time I enjoy doing competitive archery and playing the flute. If you see me around feel free to say hello!



<u>Leif:</u> Hello there! I'm <u>Leif, and I'm a moderator on Mineplex.</u> NL is presently my only sub-team. I love to read and write, and hope to become a lawyer later on in life!



kevithebear: Well hello there! My name is Kevin, and I'm a Moderator on the Java platform of Mineplex. I'm a bubbly person who absolutely loves cliché romantics; I live for them. I have a huge passion for writing, and I find inspiration through my emotions and experiences. The theater calls my name, so if you're into musicals, I'm sure we'll get along!



ssnip: Yo! I'm ssnip, and I'm a moderator at Mineplex! I host events, moderate the forums, process reports, and write for the newsletter! If you ever see me in-game (or at an event wink) don't be afraid to say hi!



sm\_awesome: Heya! I'm sm\_awesome, and I'm a moderator here on Mineplex. In addition to being a writer and editor for the newsletter, I'm also a Forum Moderator. If you see me around, don't be afraid to say hi — I (usually) don't bite!

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Loofii: Hey y'all, I'm Loofii! I'm a Mineplex Mod. My favorite game is Speed Builders, with Team Skywars as a close second. I like dancing, writing, and I'm a huge fan of Troye Sivan and Hayley Kiyoko. If you see me ingame, be sure to say hi!



SnowyKitty: Hey there! I'm SnowyKitty and most call me Snowy. I am a Java Moderator here on Mineplex and the manager of the Newsletter Team. I love to read and write fiction stories, from realistic to sci-fi! My favorite game is Draw My Thing, though I'll really play anything even though I'm not the best at PvP. If you see me somewhere, don't be afraid to shoot me a hello!



Glitcch: Howdy! I'm glitcch, but most people call me Nat. I'm currently a Forum Ninja here at Mineplex, but do much more than that on a daily basis. I write articles for the Newsletter & make graphics featured in the articles, mainly renders. I'm typically always online on Enjin, don't be afraid to come and say hi!



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