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# NANO GAMES BETA RELEASE!

BY: SSNIP

If you've had the chance to hop on Mineplex since the beginning of this month, you might have noticed a new NPC has popped up in the lobby. That's right, Nano Games, our newest game, has been released into beta for our Eternal and PPC users on the Java network! This game is a fast-paced, continuously rotating game. Upon joining, you will be put into spectator mode until the next mini-game begins. After a game is finished, the next will begin. No lobbies, no waiting—just keep on playing!

Haven't had the chance to hop in-game yet? Then let's take a look at some of the games that you can play in Nano Games. In Sploot, two teams of players use their Paint Guns to paint as much of the map as they can before the timer runs out. The team with the most painted blocks at the end of the game wins. Any avid Bawk Bawk Battles players might recognize some similarity with this next game. In Chicken Shoot, chickens will rain from the sky with various point values attached to them. The player who gains the most points at the end of the game wins. The name is pretty self-explanatory for this last game. In Hot Potato, some players in the game will be given the potato and have to pass it on to another player before the timer runs out. Players who still have the potato at the end of the timer are out.

This game is still in very early beta, meaning there are going to be some bugs that need to be worked out. As time goes on, and more bugs are fixed, the game will be released to other ranks for further testing until eventually it's available for everyone! We're also looking for any feedback you could give on the game, so make sure to head over to the link below if you'd like to help contribute.

**Feedback:** <https://www.mineplex.com/forums/m/11929946/viewforum/3983713>





# RECENT BEDROCK UPDATES!

BY: SNOWYKITTY

Recently, we've had a lot of updates popping up all over our network. From the servers, to our forums, and even our Discord, new fixes and releases have been spotted everywhere! However, one place that some people seem to skip over is our Bedrock server. Even if you haven't noticed yet, it's easy to see the Bedrock server has had some exciting releases! If you need a quick review, or just need to catch up a bit, some of the most recent Bedrock updates are stated right here! Recently, there's been fascinating updates like...

**Factions:** Factions has been making frequent appearances on the Bedrock server. With it still in its first season, all players can easily find themselves getting engrossed in it! As the name suggests, your main aim is to be in a faction, whether you join one or create one yourself. With friends, you can claim land and protect yourself and your belongings against the many other factions on the server. If this description sounds familiar to a Java player, it's because this game is quite similar to Clans. If you're an active player of any Clans server, Factions would be an easy game to get yourself into.

**Marketplace:** Mojang's Marketplace has been popping up in our eyesight for quite awhile. On Bedrock or Java, you can spot previews of some amazing builds and ideas submitted to this platform. However, Mineplex has noticed this cool outlet and decided to jump in with their own skills. Creating a special team called the Marketplace Team, creators of many kinds have come together to help put out their own ideas towards Mojang. Under the group name "Mineplex", you can buy beautiful maps and skin packs with Minecoins. Each purchase is a guarantee to make your time on Bedrock more exciting!

**Mob Arena:** Mob Arena is one of the newest games that has been released on the Bedrock platform. If you're a frequent Java player, you may recognize this game from a past event. Mob Arena is a game made up of rounds. Each round, a certain amount of mobs spawn and you and your team must defeat them all. With each kill, you get gold to buy various upgrades. There's different types of mobs that spawn and they all have different amounts of gold that they give. Teamwork is a very important aspect if you want to get through many of the rounds and staying with your team helps out your chances. With tasty cakes to bring back your health, how long can you survive in Mob Arena?

**Survival Mode:** Survival Mode is a gamemode just released a few weeks ago and is currently the newest game on the Bedrock platform. As the name describes, it's a survival-based game where you can defend for your life and have a fun time with friends. Protect your own land by building bases and mining for rare materials. Who knows what you'll find? This game is Bedrock exclusive, so don't be afraid to try it out!

**Trophies:** Recently, players have been stumped as they try to figure out where all 30 trophies are hidden around the Bedrock hub. These pesky little things are hidden just around a corner, behind a wall, or nestled within a small nook. After focusing on this hunt, don't be upset for your efforts! Afterwards, all members who find all trophies are given the prize of a Noble Crate. Who would turn that down?

Bedrock player or not, make sure to check out all of these fun updates! You'll find that all of these updates are Bedrock exclusive, so make sure to pop on and try them out! You can play Minecraft Bedrock on almost anything, from your phone to a Switch. You can connect from your servers page or just manually add the ip (mco.mineplex.com). We hope to see you playing soon!

# LOOKING BACK AT SUMMER!

BY: GEOGRAPHIES

With August coming to a close and school beginning once again for many people, one thing that everyone can agree on is that the summer of 2018 has definitely been one to remember! With summer coming to an end, we all wanted to know what your guys' favorite memories were.

**DivinePegasi:** My favorite memory/moment of this summer was talking to some of the Mineplex team in real life at Minefaire! I was pretty awkward and didn't know what to say, but each and every one of the reps there were really cool to meet! I'd include more details, but I didn't talk to them that much. Perhaps I will at another Minefaire!

**Criar:** My favorite memory of the summer is when we got five new kittens! My mom found them outside and we got to foster them for the time being. They are all really small and adorable, and they are so fuzzy. Four of them are calicos, and the other one is a tabby.

**coralines:** Summer 2018 has been pretty hectic for me, ranging from university to exams to spending time with online friends and watching movies. One of my favorite moments, though, has to be when I got level 100 on Mineplex (around June 2018 - yes I got level 100 in 2018, pls no hate) while I was in a party with some friends playing Turf Wars. Other good things that happened was the opportunity to join the Ideas Team, along with meeting online friends in real life!

**Enunciated:** My favorite memory from this summer probably has to be my vacation to Thailand and Vietnam. Whilst I had not liked the humidity, air quality, and heat, I certainly was pleased by all the Thai and Vietnamese street food. I loved Thai Tea, and I also loved Vietnamese classics such as pho and bun bo hue. However, my favorite memory of my time in Vietnam was hanging out with my friends and family. My favorite memory regarding Mineplex was on July 15th, where I was talking with the people in Staff-1 whilst being very, very nervous about my EOT score. I ended up getting promoted, so the wait was worth it!

**BestPD:** My favorite memory this Summer was when I went on Vacation to Orlando and the Bahamas just recently. It was fun being able to hang out in different places and see the amazing views (trust me, they were very cool). It was awesome to meet new people too

**Hiccuping:** The summer of 2018 has been truly awesome! Even though I'm from Australia, let's assume that I'm talking about summer. Well for me, It has been action packed and I did so many great activities. After careful consideration, I had conquered my fear of rollercoasters and It was actually quite thrilling and enjoyable. Coming back to Mineplex, I was fortunate to be accepted as a trainee! I literally woke up 20 minutes after I was accepted, and saw a bunch of notifications! This was so exciting and I couldn't believe that It happened. It may have been a short experience, but definitely one that I'd never forget! Follow your dreams and always believe that you can reach your goals. Well, that was my favourite memory, I hope you all had a brilliant 2018 summer!

Overall, it seems like everyone has had an amazing summer. We hope that you all have an amazing school year and that you will continue to make many more memories that you can share here at Mineplex.

# CLANS SEASON 5.5!

BY: THEGRANDMASTER

As many of you may now know, Clans season 5 ½ was released earlier this month. In order to help out players who are new to the concept of Clans, we have created this article to not only briefly explain the Clans gamemode, but also to explain the recent changes and cool new experience that the game has to offer, in order to peak the interest of potential new players.

Clans is one of Mineplex's most competitive gamemodes and is similar to factions. It's based on the fact that you are able to claim land and squad up with other players. However, there are many features that Clans has to offer that creates a completely unique experience. For example, Clans incorporates the kits from the gamemode Champions (Assassin, Ranger, Brute, Knight and Mage). There are dangerous bosses that you can fight and you can travel to the Nether to embark on further adventures and many more exciting features!

The new update of Clans 5 ½ aimed to alter the old Clans experience in order to meet and exceed the expectations that were set by community members for Clans season 5 without starting afresh in a new season of Clans. The changes made were designed to allow for easier gameplay and to show community members that we appreciate their feedback and desires.

## Here is a short list of bug fixes that were made in Clans 5 ½:

- Fixed an issue allowing players to phase through blocks in flowing water by using GUs (/stats glitch)
- Players can no longer place ladders in spaces their hitboxes already occupy, fixing an issue allowing players to phase through roofs of claimed territory
- Fixed an issue with Arctic Armor allowing players to phase through blocks next to water
- Players can no longer use abilities in water while on the edge of the water block
- Ladders can no longer be placed inside world boss arenas
- Barbed arrows now returns a player's hunger after its effects conclude
- Fixed an issue where ender chests at Undead Cities were unbreakable
- Ender chests at Undead Cities will no longer drop stone blocks
- Undead Warriors/Archers will no longer have infinite health at Undead Cities

## Lastly, here is a list of changes to existing content:

- Added Undead Cities back to the world event pool
- Day and night cycle has returned to Clans
- Natural hostile mob spawning has returned to Clans
- Added illusion and smoke bomb to Assassin

Make sure to take a chance to check out this new update. It is currently live on any Clans server, so make sure to pop into a Clans hub and choose a server to get started!



# GUESS THE LOCATION!

BY: EMILIEE

Are you an expert of Mineplex? Do you think you know every inch of our famous lobby? If so, this is the game for you! It's time for another round of Guess the Location!

The rules are quite simple. A picture will be provided of a random location in our lobby and it's your job to guess where the picture was taken. If you guess correctly, you have a chance to win two Mythical Treasures, and your username will be featured in next month's newsletter!

Think you have what it takes? Here is this month's picture!



Submit your answers here: <https://goo.gl/forms/GCqLd9A5lafIIMN1>  
Please remember to submit all answers before September 24th!

Now, last but not least, our winners from August!

Nicodami  
SkillsPlays  
TeaSpiller

Each of you will receive your Mythical Treasures very soon!  
Congrats to those who won and good luck to those participating in this month's game! We look forward to reading your answers.

# CAPTION THE IMAGE!

BY: COWIEH

Enjoy the rest of your day off of school by brainstorming a captivating caption for this month's edition of Caption the Image! For those who do not understand the rules, simply glance at the image for this month and think of a caption that would best describe the picture. The caption can either be silly, precisely detailed, or something else related to the image shown below. If your caption is the best, you will be featured in the next Newsletter edition!

For the month of September, it looks as though this tree began dropping golden apples instead of normal ones!



Got anything wacky being brainstormed? Submit your captions here:  
<https://goo.gl/forms/LGKBx3QGsyHF9wwq1>

As for last month's submissions, these users of the community created some pretty amusing captions:

"Here we spot a GWEN in her natural habitat. She is glaring at the camera. This is regular behavior of a guardian during banning season." - Cloudgamer360

"When I say I am always watching everything, I really mean it!" - TailsTheFox\_\_



# PROMOTIONS/RESIGNATIONS

BY: HUSKIEALS

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:

### Builder

August 22 - skreb

### Java Trainee

August 11 - Acaulis, AvroVulcan,  
Hiccuping, Tuxxed, zoly

August 25 - CaptainPigmans, Lionatthezoo

### Bedrock Trainee

August 4 - defectuoso

August 25 - BEASTXXxX

### Java Mod

August 4 - coltoe, TeaSpiller, The\_Dartonian

August 11 - Augend, reallytired

August 18 - Aiidan

August 31 - DanielW231

### Java Sr. Mod

August 4 - AGLThree, FuzzyJunior (Recruitment)

### Bedrock Sr. Mod

August 3 - SnowyKitty (Staff Management)

## Resignations:

August 5 - DiddyYT

August 5 - Dheslin (Staff Management, Recruitment)

August 6 - Spoiler

August 8 - wattywatty14

August 8 - Pritt

August 8 - MINTY

August 10 - TheGrandmaster

August 17 - Hiccuping

August 17 - Prophate (Quality Assurance)

August 17 - BLOckBuster\_

August 19 - Cowieh

August 20 - Acroo

August 21 - sm\_awesome

August 26 - SuspiciOus (Quality Assurance)

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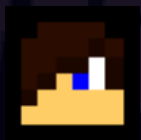
**Tortelett:** Hi I made the pdf this month.



**SnowyKitty:** Hey there! I'm SnowyKitty and most call me Snowy. I am a Java and Bedrock Sr. Moderator here on Mineplex and the manager of the Newsletter Program. 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!



**ssnip:** Hey, I'm ssnip, and I'm a Community Manager here on Mineplex. I manage the Ideas Project, work as a member of the Feedback Team, host weekly events, and I'm a writer and editor for the newsletter!



**TheGrandmaster:** Hey! I'm the one and only grandmaster. I'm an Ex-Moderator, who was part of the staff team for over 15 months. I love to read and write, when I have the time, and (despite no longer being a moderator) I'm still happy to help anyone who needs it!



**Emiliee:** Hey, my name is Emilie! I'm a Mineplex Legend and a writer for the Newsletter. I'm also a previous Social Media Sr.Mod. Outside of Mineplex, I love to travel, create art, and go out with friends. I hope you enjoy this issue of the Newsletter!



**Geographies:** Hellllloooo there! I'm Geographies, but many people call me Geo or Isaac. I'm currently an ex-staff member that worked on many sub-teams, ranging from QAT to FM. I'm both a writer and an editor here at the Newsletter, and absolutely love it! Always feel free to say hello to me if we cross paths!



**HuskieALS:** Hey! I'm Huskie and am a Sr.Mod on Staff Management and Recruitment! I'm also also the MA and StM Documents Manager. In my free time I love watching ASMR and binge watching Netflix series. I'm usually hanging somewhere around the network, so feel free to poke me!