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THREAD: A lot of my students have been asking me about the current events involving GameStop, Bitcoin/Dogecoin, minimum wage, stimulus checks, so I thought I'd make a thread that carefully explains this stuff for people who feel out of the loop: (1/97)

On May 28, 2016, a three-year-old boy climbed into a gorilla enclosure at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden and was grabbed and dragged by Harambe, a 17-year-old western lowland gorilla. Fearing for the boy's life, a zoo worker shot and killed Harambe.

The incident was recorded on video and received broad international coverage and commentary, including controversy over the choice to use lethal force. A number of primatologists and conservationists wrote later that the zoo had no other choice under the circumstances, and that

it highlighted the danger of zoo animals near humans and the need for better standards of care.



Harambe (/h■■r■■mbe■/ h■-RAHM-bay) was born at the Gladys Porter Zoo in Brownsville, Texas, on May 27, 1999. He was named by Dan Van Coppenolle, a local area counselor who won a naming contest sponsored by the zoo.[1] He came up with the name after listening to the song "Harambe

(Working Together for Freedom)" by Rita Marley, widow of Bob Marley.[2] Harambee is a Swahili term for communal labor.[2]

On September 18, 2014, Harambe was transferred to the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden to learn adult gorilla behavior and join a new social group.[3][4]

On May 28, 2016, a three-year-old boy visiting the Cincinnati Zoo fell into the moat at the Gorilla World habitat.[5][6]

Witnesses said they heard the child say he wanted to go into the gorilla enclosure.[7] The boy then climbed a 3-foot-tall (0.91 m) fence, crawled through

4 feet (1.2 m) of bushes, and then fell 15 feet (4.6 m) into a moat of shallow water. Zoo officials immediately signaled for the three gorillas in the habitat to return inside, and two females did so. However, the third gorilla, the inquisitive 440 pound male silverback, Harambe,

I think you get the joke. I'm tired of copying and pasting from wikipedia now.