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VACATION TIME FUN TIME!

Summer vacation is a time that gives us loads of happy memories. For me, it was the happiest time in the whole year. As a child, summertime fun in the sun began with the ringing of the last bell of the day. It signified that it was time to throw away old home- work assignments and to forget about anything to do with school-for three months at least. Summer time is a time of simple pleasures and exciting times of the year. Let's see what students want to say about their vacation plans!!!

PLAN TO VISIT NANA & NANI

Excitement! This is how, my friends and I feel when we hear the word "vacation". I will spend my vacation in London. My mother's whole family lives in London. The best thing about going there is that I get to do so many things that I cant do here. Theme parks are my favourite. There are so many theme parks in London, like, Lego Std. 4, Hanumant High School, Land, Chessington, Thorpe Park and Alton Towers. We go to one



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every year, this time may-be Thorpe Park.

Vacations are a time when we don't have to do work, wake up early and have a routine. But I love to wake up early in the holidays because I get to watch TV first thing in the morning, which I don't get to do during school time. There is no bedtime in the holidays. My

brother and I stay awake with my Nana watching TV and telling each other stories. I am looking forward to spending time with my Nana.

My birthday is always in the summer vacation. Every year we do something different for my birthday. This year I am going to celebrate it in an indoor water park and I am looking forward to inviting my friends and cousins to celebrate with me. I want my cake in the shape of the Avengers.

AMAZING AMAZONS- MY VACATION DESTINATION

This vacation I am planning to go in the forests of Amazon. I would like to make it a very memorable and interesting trip. I have planned all the adventures I would be doing. Firstly I will pack my bag with all the required things like binocular, lighter, torch and packed food. I plan to see the large variety of animal species and plant species which inhabit there. I will see my most favourite animal, the Sloth and many other incredible animals. I will discover new things which other people would not have found. I will climb all the trees and make a world record of it. I will make all animals of the forest my friends. I will stay there for whole nights and days, not just for one day. In the nights, I will tell stories to all the animals and would sleep on the trees with them. I will help all the animals in solving their problems. I will be happy if one of them will come back with me to my home. It would be a really nice and adventurous trip. It would truly be the best vacation that I would have ever spent. I will try my best to fulfill my dream.



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PALMETO PARK THIS TIME

My favourite thing to do in the summer is sleep in and not have to worry about school. You can have long fun days and you can go to the pool. Summer makes me feel relaxed and free. This year I am also going to travel. I am going to New York and maybe Chicago. In New York there are many things to do. I can go to the Hershey's Chocolate Factory. I can go to the huge Toys R Us, and my mom can go to Macy's. When I go to Chicago I can go to Lincoln Park Zoo. Also there is a skate park under a bridge by where I am staying I can go to. I am excited about these trips. I am going to some summer camps as well. I am going to a Palmetto Park camp and a few others.

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RAMCHARITMANAS

he penned down this story beautifully on papers in ornamental language with fragrance of flowery words. It was not the remake of Valmiki Ramayan but the fountain of devotion, also known as the Tulsikrit Ramayana. It comprises seven cantos namely Balkand, Ayodhyakand, Aranyakand, Kishkindhakand, Sunderkand, Lankakand, Uttarkand. Every chapter of Ramcharitmanas starts with invocation of prayer i.e. Mangalacharan

In Bal Kand Tulsidas described beautifully the childhood of Ram. It starts with the hymn, in which Tulsidas addressed Goddess Saraswati and Lord Ganesha. Thus, he requested them to bestow on him his perennial blessings.

Ayodhya Kand begins with invocation of prayer to address Lord Shiva. Tulsidas described the gorgeousness of Shiva where he wrote about the sacred mountain where he dwells and the beauty of matted-lock from where the celestial river Ganga comes out and the crescent moon adorns the tuft of hair.

Aranya Kand is the canto where Tulsidas had shown his fictional talent by describing the beauty of sylvan woods where cool winds hover around the trees and also caress the face of this beautiful earth. His pearls of words embellish the sheets of the great epic 'Ramayan'.

Kishkindha Kand begins with the meeting of Hanuman and Sugreev with Shri Ram. Then comes the wrestling of Bali and Sugreev where Bali was defeated and Sugreev regained his supremacy. Jamvant asked Hanuman to cross the ocean and to bring back Seeta from Lanka.

Sundar Kand is beautifully written by Tulsidas where he described the valor and bravery of Hanuman. He jumped from a rock and flew in the air to reach at Lanka. In this air-journey he faced many problems but he cleverly and wisely tackled each difficulty.

Lanka Kand begins with Mangalacharan and then Nal and Neel made a bridge of stones. Lord Ram established the Rameshwaram and thus sanctified it. Then comes the fierce fighting between Lakshman and Meghnad. The battle of Ram and Ravan with bow and arrow lasted for very long time. Finally the Ravan was defeated and Ram achieved victory.

Uttar Kand is almost a pure Gyan Kand where Tulsidas wrote about the relation of individual soul with the Universal Soul i.e. the Almighty God. Sitting in Pushpak Vimaan Ram returns to Ayodhya after great victory. Thus, fourteen years of exile was completed. Hanumanji informed the people of Ayodhya that Shri Ram accompanied with Lakshman and Sita is returning back to Ayodhya. Finally, the message of Ramcharitmanas is 'Truth prevails and finally the victory goes in the favor of truth.'

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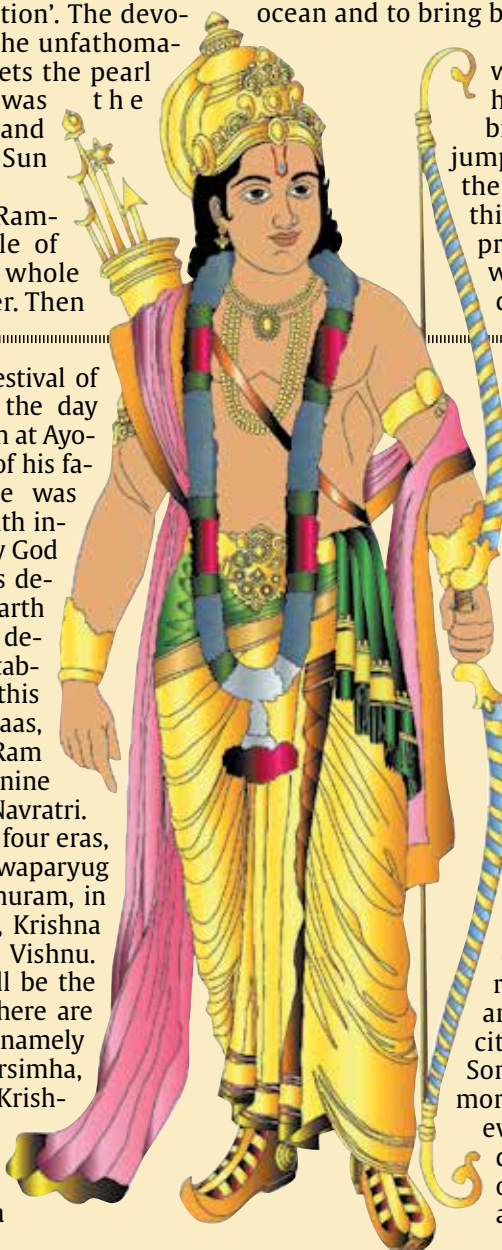
Ramcharitmanas is an epic written first by Rishi Valmiki in Sanskrit and then Goswami Tulsidas composed that epic in Awadhi in 16th century. It's a great literature and considered as an 'Ocean of Devotion'. The devotee who takes a holy dip in the unfathomable ocean of this literature gets the pearl of Bhakti (devotion). Ram was the incarnation of Lord Vishnu and belonged to Raghuवंश of Sun Dynasty.

Tulsidas, the author of Ramcharitmanas was the disciple of Narharidas and he heard the whole story from his spiritual master. Then

Ram Navami is the holy festival of Hindu calendar. This is the day when Ram had taken birth at Ayodhya. Dashrath was the name of his father and his mother's name was Kaushalya. Ram was the seventh incarnation of God. The Almighty God or the Supreme Consciousness descended on this terrestrial earth from his celestial abode. He destroyed the demons and re-established the Sanatan Dharma on this earth. Shukla Paksh, Chaitra Maas, Navami was the day when Ram had taken birth. This period of nine days is also known as Chaitra Navratri.

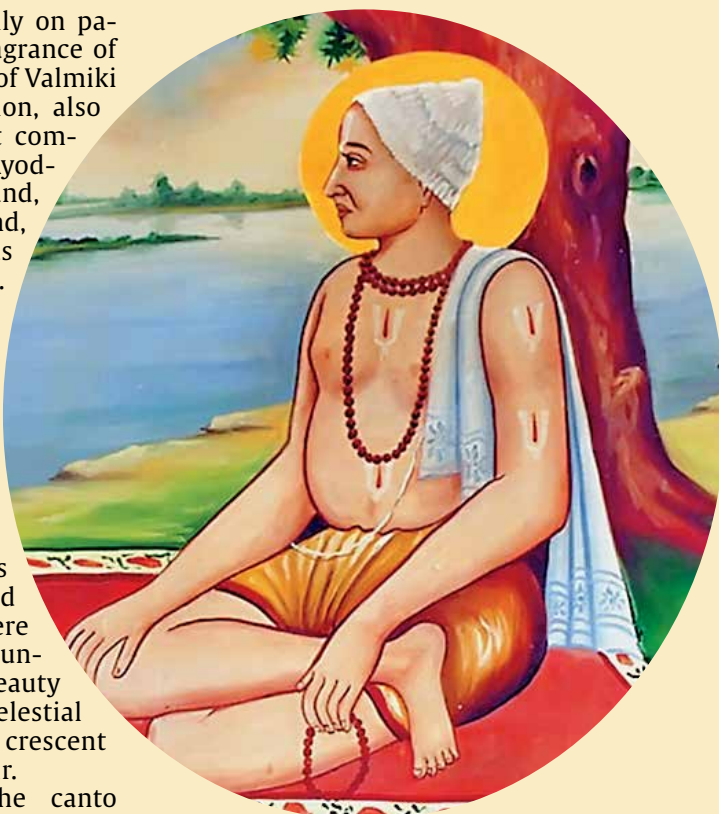
According to Veda, there are four eras, namely Satayug, Tretayug, Dwaparyug and Kalyug. In Satayug, Parashuram, in Tretayug, Ram, in Dwaparyug, Krishna were the incarnations of Lord Vishnu. In Kaliyug, Bhagwan Kalki will be the incarnation of Lord Vishnu. There are ten incarnations of Vishnu, namely Matsya, Kurma, Varah, Narsimha, Vamna, Parashurama, Rama, Krishna, Buddha and Kalki.

In Gujarat, people celebrate nine days and they play Garba. In North India



RAM NAVAMI

people read the sacred book Ramcharitmanas. They perform continuous recital of shlokas and observe fast on the ninth day i.e. Ram Navami. In temple the priests perform special Aarti, offer Prasad (Sacramental Offerings) and organize Bhajan-Kirtan. In south India (Bhadrachalam), this day is celebrated as marriage anniversary of Ram and Sita with continuous recital of the holy names of God. Some people do fasting in the morning and feasting in the evening. At some places the devotees take out the chariot procession (Shobha Yatra) and chant the holy name of



Ram on musical beats. At Ayodhya people take the holy dip in the sacred river Sarayu.

The other name of Lord Ram is Maryada Purshotam means righteous person. He was the prince of the race, Ikshvaku Vansh. He was the embodiment of all virtues, goodness, elegance, bravery and intelligence. His name is the purifier of mind and also the giver of emancipation. It erases all worldly thoughts and sanctifies the ambience. His glories are as high as mountain and as deep as ocean.

I seek his blessings and bow down unto the lotus feet of Rama. My profuse of salutations to Maryada Purshottam Shri Ram!

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DO YOU KNOW THESE WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE?

I am sure every little individual son's or daughter's life come across these - Mummy I don't like this. Mummy I want something special to carry in my Tiffin box. Mummy give my Tiffin at the sofa and not on the table. Mummy I don't want to come to the function with you. Mummy I will do my stuff, don't tell me repeatedly. Mummy I am going for playing with my friends and will be late. Mummy don't worry so much, I can take care of myself.. **I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her and this unconditional entities stay for life-time. You have been the world's best mother I could ask for.**

The buck doesn't stop here this time with the little sisters' - hey this item is mine. Why should I share or give it to you. You mind your own business. Do you job okay? Mummy see her, she is troubling me. You do this work for me and I will bribe you kinds. Don't tell this to mum and don't even dare telling this to dad. **I attribute all my concern in life to the brotherly-sisterly, grandma-ish attitude and love I received from her. You have been the world's best sister I could ask for.**

An adolescent phase and she looks more confident, responsible, matured, and knows to carry her in the world with friends. Whom to trust? Who are the close ones, not so close and no ones? How to go about the educational and sometimes employment chores as a day to day schedule in a altogether new place - location, state, new people, new associations, all new but I say - They are blessed. **I attribute all my exposure worthiness in life to the sharing and caring I received from her. You have been the world's best friend I could ask for.**

Carrying the legacy in to someone else's loving house as a bride and all theory practical especially the subjects encountered back home have a new definition. Coping up in a new arena new responsibility and gearing up to meet expectations, she again masters the art and becomes one among them. **I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and love I received from her. You have been the world's best friend, wife, mother I could ask for.**



WHEN VIRTUE AND MODESTY ENLIGHTEN HER CHARMS, THE LUSTRE OF A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN IS BRIGHTER THAN THE STARS OF HEAVEN, AND THE INFLUENCE OF HER POWER IT IS IN VAIN TO RESIST
-AKHENATON

In a simple categorization of the different phases of the life of a girl/ woman / lady, it stands true with exceptionally every little lady coming to this world. All the while it is the great souls they possess, that make them SPECIAL in every walk of life and every stage in life. Come so many ups and downs and they score.

There was this assignment for my son to list names of 10 women in the following fields: Political, Scientist, Sports, etc a few more it was available in our minds, books and google. I could add on Business, Bollywood, Hollywood, Print Media, Mass Media, Armed Forces, Entrepreneurial Aptitude, Banking, Hospitality, Corporate, Tourism, HR, Brave, Achievers, Toppers, Rule Changers and many more and this is a never ending list to go on till mankind exists...womankind I must say.

Women's Empowerment Principles states Empowering women to participate fully in economic life

across all sectors is essential to build stronger economies, achieve internationally agreed goals for development and sustainability, and improve the quality of life for women, men, families and communities. It is important to take the best of the empowerment showcased. In today's used to be known as a male dominated society and definitely due to liberalization we don't get amused to see a lady fly the plane, or decide our financials etc. I compliment all the men there who accept the very fact that whoever deserves should be rewarded in any sphere of life, and what if it comes true with the women. While there are a huge lot of women who go on to perform well in their chosen fields outside their homes, there are many who sit at home and still own the world. The answer to the question title is every daughter, sister, cousin, niece, girl next door, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, grandmother and Indian mother is an achiever ever since her birth.

The women are all, believe me all those you see don't see, know don't know, encounter-don't encounter, hear about, talk about, some come your way, you trespass some, you meet some by choice, some by chance, some by necessity some obvious, some come up from rags, some from turmoil, some proved their mettle, some continue to, some are idols for lifetime and all amongst us.

It is not to merely read and tweet a like and the number of likes determine if you agree to the fact of that women in the society is good...may be women in the household need to be respected; shown a matter of concern (you do and respect I am sure but add a dollop of love). And take my word they are not banking on this to do their job well. They continue to do it more than best of their abilities just to see it is for the good of all. The little successful ladies are sweet daughters, adorable daughter-in-laws, loving mothers, school scorers, educators, travelling-hospitality experts, baking a better world, flying sky high.... Love them for who they are! I have mentioned only a few names but this extends to one and all ladies there, you just need to add-on your name to be

doing wonders and being self contented.

Even as a child my father would ask we brothers to give a break to my mother on a holiday from the kitchen assignment. We would take over. Meanwhile seeing what is cooking, my mother would not have a choice than to propose to assist us and all that we enjoyed on the dining table was all that my mother prepared assisting us and ours were accompaniments we managed to taste. This is the irreplaceable mother for you this time in the role of a mother.

I write for those women who do not speak, for those who have a voice but do not voice, not because they are scared, but because they are taught to respect more than anything. I urge to unleash the loving potential because caring and love don't have a fixed standard definition, everyone creates one, each one better than the other and better than the earlier:

- You said "I LOVE YOU" but you waited for the Valentine's day for it.
- You went out eating to give a break, try preparing morning tea and may be maggi for breakfast.
- You said you care, ever bothered to talk anything except your office, your day, your boss etc.
- Did you call her back home just to say a Hi not when you forgot your pen.
- Did you check what children prepared for exams but you definitely reacted on their results.
- You know to gift someone, did you gift them without any occasion.
- You know in your company they are safe, ever tried to see how brave they are themselves.
- You can reach places, ever wondered they could do it better may be.
- You take your space, interest and rest, ever let them theirs?
- Take charge of the children when at home, why not?
- You are exhausted, one smile makes the difference, try it 100% satisfaction, guaranteed.

Issued in the public interest of EVERY WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE, irrespective of who they are and take my word on this Gentle Ladies. You are Amazingly Beautifully Caring Daring Extraordinarily Fantabulously Special.



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We can do anything we want to if we stick to it long enough. —HELEN KELLER



Thodi mitti do mujhe maa; not for mud therapy...or mud massage... give me sand, clay and mud for play for creative expression, to think, to imagine, to create, to express, to develop my ideas, to boost my immunity and to make my childhood memorable.

Every child loves playing with sand, clay and mud (SCM). SCM is the natural means of engaging children and it was the only way of play and creative expression before the advent of man-made toys, electronic gadgets and other means of engaging children. Children love digging, shifting, building, pouring and exploring in sand, mud and clay. Clay manipulation is fascinating and very engaging for a child. Every manipulation leads to new creation and challenging them to give meaning and ultimately facilitating formation of new neural paths.

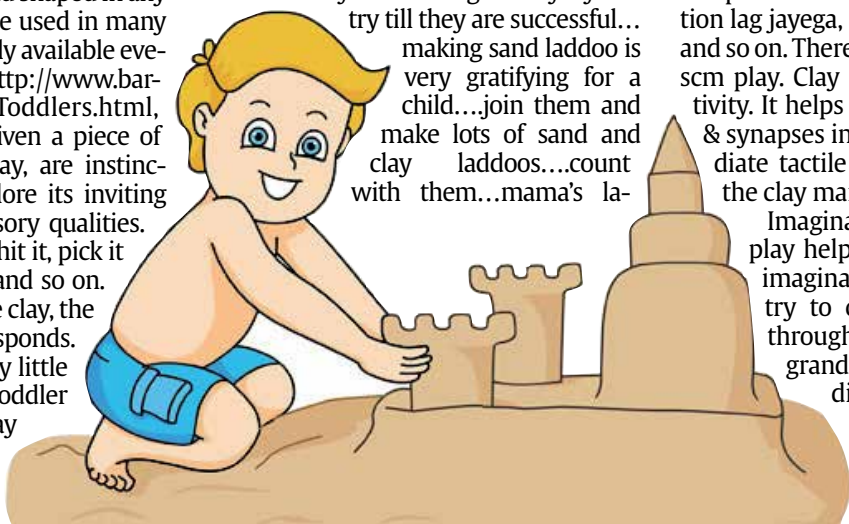
SCM can be molded and shaped in any form and shape. It can be used in many ways. It is cheap and easily available everywhere. According to <http://www.bartelart.com/arted/Clay&Toddlers.html>, "Most toddlers, when given a piece of ordinary soft pottery clay, are instinctively motivated to explore its inviting soft and responsive sensory qualities. They poke it, squeeze it, hit it, pick it up and pound it down, and so on. Each time they act on the clay, the clay adjusts and responds. These changes mean very little to us as adults, but for a toddler these changes in the clay are magical. The child is naturally fascinated, motivated, and empow-

THODI MITTI DO MUJHE MAA...

ered to keep experimenting."

Clay and sand play is learning based activity and help children develop many fundamental concepts like big & small, soft & hard, rough & smooth etc. It also facilitates thinking, reasoning and problem solving, perseverance, their creation breaks, they reflect, re do and observe children playing with scm and giving meaning to their creation....listening to the interpretation of their creation is always fascinating....they try and try till they are successful...

making sand laddoo is very gratifying for a child....join them and make lots of sand and clay laddoos....count with them...mama's la-



doo...papa's laddoo...dada's laddoo....

Playing with clay stimulates child's imagination. Children playing with clay can experiment with building techniques and adapt to change along the way. This type of learning promotes problem-solving skills (<http://www.artistreevt.org/artistree-blog/2013/08/01/5-reasons-to-play-with-clay/>).

Most of us discourage our children from playing with mud, sand or clay in the pretext of "ganda ho jayega, infection lag jayega, it is poor persons game" and so on. There are many advantages of scm play. Clay play is self-initiated activity. It helps generate many neurons & synapses in the brain due to immediate tactile & visual impression of the clay manipulations.

Imagination and creativity: Scm play helps children express their imagination and creativity. They try to create stories of future through sand play and put grand maa's stories in three dimension. They get a sense of accomplishment through clay play and sand play can be easily manipulated

and given a desirable shape.

Free expression: Sand play is a way of free expressions....you will find children making castles, drawing and making a model of their dream house, car using scm...and much more. Through Scm play, they get rid of their pent up feelings and try to express their dream. Clay play is a stress buster...through clay manipulation children tend to physically convey their emotion leading to stress management.

Physical and social development: Scm play helps in physical, mental, emotional and social development. Children play together...they divide the work, play area and learn to get along....many a times they throw sand on each other...to just have fun or to fight and then resolve differences and....again back to work. Sand play helps in fine motor, gross motor and many other aspects of physical, mental and social development.

Sand, mud and clay is an integral part of our life and our existence is due to it. Our ultimate destiny is scm. Childhood is all about having fun with natural play modes like water, sand, mud, clay, wood sticks etc. Let every child enjoy their childhood... let them have fun with nature made

play ways.... after all "mitti me hi mil jana hai".



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Sardar and his Lessons

Hello friends!

Once when Jhaverba, wife of Sardar Patel had fallen ill with an intestinal problem, Vallabh bhai took her to Bombay and admitted in Cama hospital. Doctor advised for a surgery due to malignant growth of the diseased portion but she was too weak to be operated. So, Doctor decided to operate her after some days when she would recover some strength. During that time, Sardar Patel had to go to Anand for providing justice to a common man who was accused of murder and tried. Meanwhile the condition of Jhaverba was worsened and immediate surgery was performed. But this operation could not survive Jhaverba. That news came to Sardar Patel when he was cross examining and arguing the matter with the key

witness in the court through a telegram. Sardar Patel saw the telegram that announced Jhaverba's death, but he folded it and put it in his pocket and continued to hammer away until the witness broke down. At the end, he won the battle in the courtroom for his client. After that he revealed the news to everyone. His will, triumphed over his grief. It indicates that duty and service to people was prime importance in his life. It



is a great lesson for us from his life.

Though he lost his wife only at the young age of 29, he did not remarry as he was very much conscious about his children - Maniben and Dahyabhai. It is known from his views on a man's remarriage when his daughter-in-law died and his son planned to remarry. He said, "It is over a year since Yashoda (Dahyabhai's wife) passed away. And Dahyabhai has to think of the future. There is sadness for his grandson Bipin in either course. But the world has learnt from experience not to underestimate the unhappiness that a step mother can give. The unhappiness of a motherless child is not necessarily greater". He sacrificed his own happiness for taking care of his children properly.



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LIVING WITH REASON

Life is full of adventures which are unexpected. In such an unexpected world everything happens for a reason, to which you may be clueless forever. People spend their whole life searching for a reason for their existence, but that search might not lead to a revelation. We can not help but wonder, why do we like to complicate our life?

Readers, God has given us this life for a reason, the reason which may not be worthwhile only for you, but also for your loved ones and for everyone living in this world. What you do everyday affects the life of others in one way or another. "Man is made by his belief. As he believes, so he is."—Bhagavad Gita.

Believing in one's self is the most important element. Once you believe what you are and who you are, your life begins. Living for a cause is the path of success. We

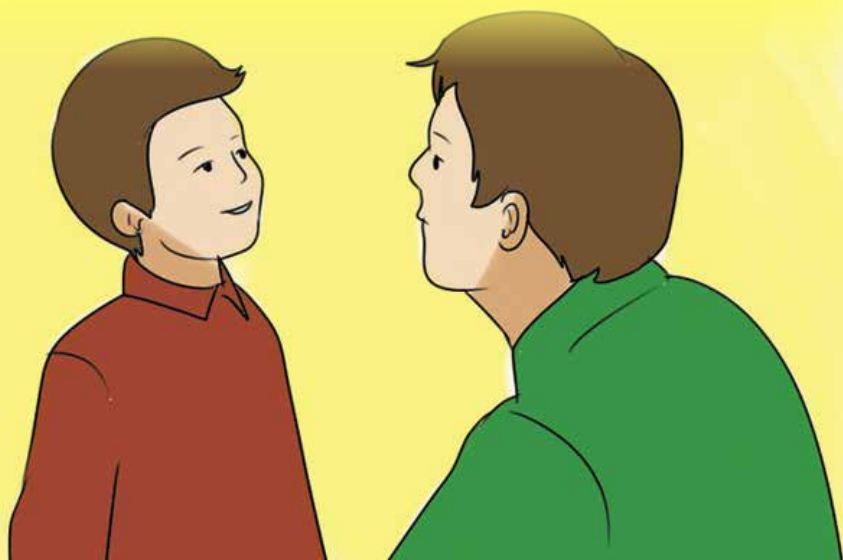
have had infinite examples of people who lead their life for a cause.

During 'Dharma Yudh', Lord Krishna played a crucial role in trying to bring peace between the warring brothers. Jesus Christ propagated peace and goodness in humanity. Khwaja Garib Nawaz as name itself suggests, devoted his life for helping and teaching poor people about living with discipline. Mother Theresa worked for the homeless.

History shows time again that each and every great person has been great because he had or has a reason to live. So make your life worth by living with a reason for every one in this world.



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Be careless in your dress if you will, but keep a tidy soul. —MARK TWAIN



Sense of Humour in Education

Modern day education is far different from what it used to be in old times. Not going to far in the history but just comparing the 19th century teaching with 21st century teaching, we see a drastic difference in approaches and talents of students and teachers. The expectation of parents from their children as students and that from the teachers has changed a lot and is continuously modifying.

We have often heard that the teacher of earlier generation used to punish their students hard if they made a mistake.

They used to ask the students to bent on their knees for long duration, beat with stick on palm or knuckles, ask students to run on ground, etc. Such practices now a day is considered as crime where corporal punishment is banned. Media is often behind such teachers and schools to look for such negligence and then make the most of it. In short, a teacher's position has become miserable due to the restrictions on certain punishments that have been incorporated upon teachers. As they say "Spare the Rod and Spoil the Child", taking away sticks from the hands of teachers has forced our police department to be stricter and often on patrol than before.



A sense of humor makes the whole environment lighter and comfortable for everyone to learn and progress. How can we incorporate sense of humor in class? Let's explore some areas where we try out the silliest yet effective techniques to have humor with wisdom in the class.

THE CLASS ENTRY

A general good idea is to enter the class and make the mood lighter by cracking a joke for the situation of some funny news of the day. Imagine, the teacher entering the class and mentioning he crossed over a six legged animal that on the way to school but the difference was that the six legs were not of the same animal. This is a general anatomy, where one can use any analogy or event that took place and can be uttered in front of the class without hesitation.

WITHIN THE LECTURE

Being a high school teacher requires a sense of humor. In a high school classroom you will encounter pranksters, gossipers, and other teenagers well past their doe-eyed childhood. A sense of humor can help prevent a teacher from blowing his or her stack as the flows of quips, complaints, and bickering never seems to cease. Students often ask question to solve their curiosity. Many a times this interrupts the class and session. However, if such interrupts are genuine then the teacher will always be ready to answer it, but many a times those interrupts are posed to just pass time of the lecture. In such case, having sense of humor, can make the all the difference. I do remember a professor who used to have a peculiar habit of nabbing such non genuine queries or discussion but sarcastically asking "ramu pls listen to me first" or "ramkali, zara sun to lo..." This way he could easily complete the topic of his explanation and still handle the interrupt generated.

FOR IMPARTING HOMEWORK

Sense of humor while announcing the homework includes all kind of funny punishments that can be given in case the student fails to submit the homework on time. For example, the teacher can announce that if the student fails to show the homework in due time then such student should be ready for a creative punishment in the class. Such creative punishment can be asking the student to write out a dialogue of a movie due to which the homework suffered, or asking the student to write the same homework in flipped way in the notebook.

WHILE ANNOUNCING TEST OR SCORES

I do remember one of our teachers, Mr. Ambrose, who used to call out the scores of the test in funny way as if he was announcing the numbers in the house game. This not only enlightened the class but also sarcastically humiliated those who failed to attain good scores. He used to announce the test in a way that students would not forget it and would easily remember to study for the test in order to avoid the sarcasm. He used to say that this time its going to be the time for the Elephants. What he meant was that those who scored 8 (Eight) or less be careful as they could easily score 0 (zero). Thus such humor can instill carefulness amongst the students for remembering the test schedules and prepare for the same.

REMARKS ON THE TEST PAPERS

A funny and effective way to teach a lesson to the low scorers could be to write a funny comment in the remark. As if they could have scored passing marks if they had focused on questions rather than fearing for the performance. Students scoring 0 (Zero) still could be given 10 out of 10 for keeping the space clean and then put a comment that it wont lead them to a better future. Scolding or punishing the student will not work if the student has got discouraged from making the effort. A positive and humorous remark will encourage such students to put in some more efforts next time.

MAKING A PRESENTATION

It is advisable to involve puzzles or funny cartoons in between a lengthy presentation to avoid students from drawing their attention away from it. For example, while explaining computer networks, a teacher could pose a cartoon where virus from adjacent PC is making some communication using the network. Likewise involving slides with funny characters or silly one liner would keep the class live and alert. A purposeful mistake can also be involved to check whether the class is still alive and alert. Videos can bring humor into the classroom, teacher Marlo Warburton creates a math song and explains how silliness works to reinforce basic information.

ON THE VISIT TO EDUCATIONAL PLACES OTHER THAN SCHOOL

This is the best possible event where a teacher can mingle along with students and can cover up if any harshness may have had to be practiced in class on one or more students. The first thing for this is to be in jovial mood and if need to pass comments than it should not be on others but on the self. Having lighter moods in picnics or educational tour will enhance the curiosity of the students which in turn is helpful to learn better. If possible you can ask students to take turn to share jokes or funny stories while traveling to destination.

THE CLASS GATHERINGS LIKE ASSEMBLY OR RECESS

One can often have jovial sessions in the assembly. I do remember our Mass PT sessions where we would have a round of jokes and laughter after we practiced the different exercise. One or two students will take the center stage and will perform mimicry or crack jokes on different issues. In such session we not only had physical exercise but also used to have refreshing session which would give us energy to work productively.

THE SCHOOL CORRIDOR

The blank areas of the school like, assembly hall, corridor, stairs passage, etc. can be used to keep humor charts or funny cartoons. Those could be pasted ready made or can be prepared by students on monthly basis and can be changed turn by turn. Such charts will make the strict atmosphere of school a bit lighter and will provide gap for student to get comfortable.

Likewise there are many such areas where you can incorporate Humour in Education.

Life is not all education, goals, activities and planning. It is also for enjoying, refreshing and merry making. In fact, one does not learn if there is no humor or enjoyment. Humor serves as better agent for learning than fear or coercion. Not all places humor can be used, but if, teachers can make the use of Humor in Class then they will be in better position to handle the class and will always be remembered for their jovial nature.

Wish you all Happy and Stress Free Teaching!!!

THERE'S NO "LAUGHTER" IN SCHOOL

Well, I am not in any favour of corporal punishment, neither do I favour harsh punishments to students. My only view point is that because of prohibitions on certain punishments, the fear of getting punished if found doing wrong has gone absent.

Students who used to be disciplined out of such fear have become reckless and careless for their own development and teachers are now not in position to maneuver them due to strict policies of modern day education. In present times we cannot afford to have rules of the past. So, in other words, the present day education policy with changes has to be accepted and carried on with some solution.

This is where HUMOR comes to rescue. The sense of humor in a teacher can effectively control the entire class and the naughty most students get trapped in the pun used by the teacher.



DR. VISHAL VARIA
ROSARY EDUCATION
SYSTEM



It always seems impossible until its done. —NELSON MANDELA



MUSIC CLASS MY PRIORITY

Starting from the first day of my vacation, I am going to kick start my music classes. I will learn to play Veena and the Sitar, since I am very much interested to learn our old and traditional music forms. Following this, I plan to start a new book in History as I am fascinated with knowing the heritage of our country. Having put my priorities in place, I will join my family on a trip to Sikkim. I have always been attracted by the exemplary monasteries of Buddhists that we can find there. The dazzling gleam of the river Teesta that domains the beautiful North- East has sent me an invitation to meet her. I'm very much excited for that as I'm sure it will be a sterling experience. I've heard that the people of Sikkim are very kind and pure-hearted. Many have tried to describe the bounty of this region as a diamond in a set of jewels, but were never able to describe it as a whole. This region is the most ethnically and linguistically diverse region of the country. North- East India is indeed a paradise unexplored, one of the best destinations for nature lovers, trekkers and wild life enthusiasts. I am sure that I will enjoy it to the fullest and learn a bunch of things about an integral part of our Incredible India.



KRISHNA PAL
Std. IX, Chaitanya School,
Gandhinagar



MY PLAN FOR NOT HAVING A PLAN

Sounds like Batman, having a plan for everything. I sometimes feel that way. It's nice to have everything laid out and arranged in right angles. But sometimes things don't work out. It is said, "A plan only exists until the first arrow leaves the bow." I have no plans, no expectations, or hopes for how great or worse this summer will turn out. But I know it will churn out better experiences than the past.



ARSH MIRZA
Std. IX, Chaitanya School,
Gandhinagar

It's easy to just list things out when you know what you are going to do. Like I'm going to hill station or have a grand party in celebrations of the summer vacations, but then what? Those are transitorily pleasures, a party will last a few hours, a trip for a few days, but then what? We all find ourselves at this crossroads where we don't know the way and there are no signposts. In all this we forget what about now? What about today? What if life's making me, all that I'm meant to be? Plans are something we make for ourselves, not what is going to happen. We also say to follow our dreams, maybe they are true. For dreams are just our aspirations we don't know what enflames them or how they come into existence, as if delivered to us by the supernatural, by God. When the dust settles we find ourselves at those crossroads once more and ask, "Where am I expected to go?" for this path is our own with nobody to hurt or help us. I say, put down the expectations and go where your gut tells you.

While writing this I unraveled a plan I kept on the backburner for a while. Summer is coming, I need to get in a shape that isn't round, while going that my most to have fun. I try to have fun, being young, wild, and free.

GOING TO LONDON THIS SUMMER

Summer is not my favourite season because it's just too hot but I am really excited about my summer vacation. Just like every vacation, even this time, we are going to London to visit my mum's family. Six weeks is not enough, I wish we had more time.



SATYA HARIYANI
Std. 4, Hanumant
School

London is much cooler than India, which is one of the reasons why I love going there. There is so much to do there. My favourite places are indoor play areas, indoor water parks and theme parks. Gambados and Parent's Paradise are my favourite indoor play areas. On the day I land I am going to my favourite restaurant, Taste of China and then we will go to Baskin Robins for ice cream. This time I want to go to see a live football match.

I am so excited to meet all my cousins and friends who I haven't seen for six months.

I play a lot of sports in London, like, pool, golf, football, cricket and bowling. There is a new place that has opened up called Oxygen Free Jumping, which has lots of trampolines. I am going to go there with my brother and cousins. The cinema nachos are my favourite. I have to go and see a movie at least once in the trip and if I am lucky it will be in the Imax.

My Nana has a restaurant called Sakonis, which has Indian food and I love to go eat there.



A VACATION IN DEVIL'S TRIANGLE

I would like to spend my vacation in Devil's Triangle (bermuda Triangle). Devil's Triangle is a place which is full of mysteries, which are meant to be solved. There are many cases worldwide that ships & Airplanes which go through Devil's Triangle never returned. Now that's really interesting because no one knows about those ships and airplanes that what happen to them, are they still in Devil's Triangle? On it just a gateway to another travel universe where this airplanes & ships have gone? No one knows. Great scientist had made some theory on it but they all are without proof. The reason I want to spend my vacation in Devil's triangle is that I like to go in mysterious places and that's why my instincts are constantly telling me that there is world out their, which is meant to be discovered by you. Itf would be a beautiful place there. So go grab your backpack there are lots of mystries and actions out their in Devil's Triangle, we are about to spend our vacation revealing the mystery.



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MY PLAN TO JOIN PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

After completing the study of my current grade, I will take time to relax. Then I will take time for playing, gaming, travelling, and photography and so on. I will plan to join a photography workshop because I quite passionate about Photography. While travelling I can make some hands on experiences on photography. Then as I will in grade 10 next year, I don't think I will be enjoying a long vacation as I will start preparing for the next year. Every year I enjoy my summer vacation a lot & this time also I will enjoy it more. So, enjoy your Summer Vacation!



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VACATION - A TRAVELLER'S JOY

Vacation is time period of relaxation. It is a time to spend with our families and cousins. In vacation I want to visit some places of Gujarat which I have not visited yet and also places of India too. I want to visit some historical places, adventures places, some religious places and some tourist places too. in vacation I want to get rid of routine work. I want to spend vacation by seeing movies, playing games and many more. I want to visit places of Rajkot which I have not seen yet till today. If it is possible I want to visit places of out of India. In vacation I also want to spend time with my friends and go out with them. And I want to make my vacation fully enjoyable, Joyful and special. So, at last I want to spend my vacation with my family.



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AGRA FOR A SOCIAL FUNCTION

As my every vacation is memorable, this time also I have planned a trip to Agra with my family. Between all the studies and tuitions that are going on, a trip is a much-needed break. I will go to Agra for a family function. After the function will get over, we will go for sightseeing and will see various monuments that Agra is known for. This includes the beautiful Taj Mahal and the marvelous Agra fort. We further will go around the city on a horse cart while complimenting the historic beauty of the town. I hope this will be the most memorable trip of mine.



UDESHI KHUSHALI
Std. 9, Rosary Education
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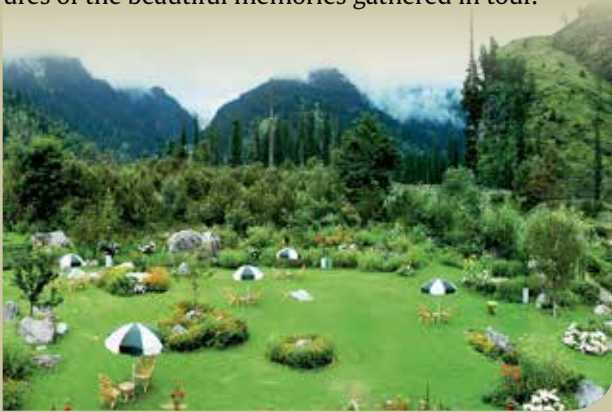


MY VACATION PLAN

In this vacation I will plan my trip to Manali with family. In Manali I have heard that there are a lot of snow-capped mountains. I just can't wait to go there and play with my brothers and sisters, sliding on the ice, throwing snow balls in each other. It will be a super cool experience for me. We will also go to the swimming pool with hot water and will then visit some special places of Manali. On returning, we will take a halt in Mumbai to my relatives place and will be back to home taking treasures of the beautiful memories gathered in tour.



VIDHI ADHVARYU
Std. 4, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot



I just can't wait until summer. With all of those plans to do, it's really going to be fun! I'll tell you my awesome plans.

This summer I'm going to Panchgani! When school gets out was going there. A beautiful hill station resplendent with amazing natural beauty and picturesque locations, Panchgani is located in the state of Maharashtra. Along the way we might make some stops. First we will leave Rajkot and go to Ahmedabad and stay there a day, as my



ROSHNI KHUSHALANI
Std. 4, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot

cousins live there. We are going to enjoy the whole day with lots of activities and fun games, I have already prepared. We will go through these cities: Surat, Mumbai and Panchgani. Panchgani is One of the Sundays in Panchgani will be the most fun because we're going to see a live event of Strawberry Festival held every year in summer. It is also famous for premier residential schools. There's just so much fun stuff to do in the summer.



I like to travel during the summer because you don't have to worry about cold air, the breeze, or heat. That's why I like travel during the summer. I like to go to Ahmedabad. We usually go to Ahmedabad to visit my aunt and my little cousin. I like to go to the zoo and learn about many animals like lions and tigers. During the vacation I like to watch



MADHAV
Std. 4, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot

my baby sister and my little brother. I like to go to the Kankaria and play in the sand with my cousins.

My favourite thing to do the most is SLEEP!!!! I think that sleeping is the best because you don't have to worry about getting up for school all the time and being late for school and doing homework but... the sad part is you wouldn't be able to see your friends like Lucy, Grace, and Hannah. That's the one thing why I still want to be in school. But I don't think this will be a regular summer because I am use to my school schedule that I have to get use to waking up at that time because I will go sleepy throughout the day. But that's how I love my summer!

After school is out, and when summer begins I have to go to a Summer Workshop camp. I didn't get to choose if I wanted to go or not because my parents make me go to it. It is going to last for three weeks! I



ARYAN PATEL
Std. 3, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot

got to choose some other camps though. I have always wanted to go horseback riding, so my parents found me a horseback riding camp. YAY! I might go to a tennis camp, too.

I am going to have a "Wet and Wacky" summer. I am going to go to the Water Parks and do lots of awesome jumps. Splash! When I go with my parents this summer I will get splashed a ton. It gets so hot in the summer that along with the boat and pool, my sister and I have a water fight. In my free time, I will read, read, and read. I will also practice my hoola hoop tricks. The only bad thing is that I will have to leave my teacher.

I hope you and I both have a "wet and wacky" summer vacation. Happy Summer!



What summer means to me.... Well, it's hard to say. It's hard to think about it when there's so much to say. Summer means, no school, no homework, and no schedule! You can sleep in, go to the parks, and just have plain fun! All you really do in summer is play with your friends in the hot sun!!!!

The plans for our family are to drive up to my native place and see my grandma. It is in Surat near the beach. My brother and I sometimes invite friends to the beach and always have fun!!!! We've never had a bad time (unless you count weather)!!!! We always play in the sea. In the summer I have memories that go all the way back to before I went to preschool. I love summer so much I miss summer when school comes around.



SUGAM HIRAPARA
Std. 3, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot

But the best thing about summer is WATER-PARKS!!!!!! I love water parks because the slides are awesome. I love them because I feel like I'm walking on air. I go with my friends to all the water parks in the city. I love it because the water slides are so BIG! I've only been there

twice but it gives me enough experience to love the park! This is all the stuff I like to do in the summer. :)



This summer, I will be going to Eleuthera, a beautiful tropical island in the Bahamas. My family, grandparents and best friends of ours will be traveling together. Before I go, I will have a lot of packing to do. I will be staying for one week. We will explore the island and do a variety of exciting activities. The only electronic we will use out there is probably our camera. I plan to take a bunch of cool pictures.

While we are there we will go cliff jumping, surfing, and more active activities. I will collect a lot of shells that my sister and I plan to make jewellery with. We will find colourful sea glass and all sorts of seashells. There are many beaches on the island for us to explore.

This year, I will be looking for-



JIYA KUBAVAT
Std. 4, Vidyaniketan
School, Rajkot

ward to doing much more shopping. When we are on the island it will be exciting to ride around in a golf cart for our transportation instead of a normal car.

The house we have chosen to stay in is beautiful. It is three stories high, and it has a walkway right to the beach. It also has an infinity pool and a pool house. We will have tons of water toys to play with while we are there. We will have a huge water trampoline. There will be kayaks, paddleboards, surfboards and a sailboat provided for us.

Fourteen people are going, so it is good that we chose a big house to stay in. I am very excited about our vacation and spending time with my family for a week. This will be a trip I will always remember!



KASHMIR... THE VALLEY OF FUN AND ADVENTURE

You have four great destinations for spending holidays in Kashmir; the first is Pahalgam, second is Gulmarg, third is Sonmarg and fourth is Srinagar. Pahalgam is a perfect destination for families looking to spend some leisure time. You can go river rafting in Lidder River or skiing in Aru Valley. Angling and leisure walks are other activities you can try out to when in Kashmir. Gulmarg couldn't charm you more! Set amidst lofty snow-clad mountains, Gulmarg offers holidaymakers the time of their life. A major attraction in Gulmarg is the cable car ride to and from Kongdoori and Apparwath Peak. The view from the top is breathtaking! Though,

Sonmarg has lot of interesting things to offer, Camping, tent-staytrekking –to Thajiwas Glacier, fishing, and strolls along the lake side. Our fourth destination Srinagar is amongst the best places to go on a summer holiday with family in India. Besides being the state capital, Srinagar is also the cash cow of Jammu & Kashmir tourism. Shikara ride, houseboat stay and water-skiing (if your kids are minimum 12 years of age) are some activities that can be enjoyed with family in Srinagar. For sightseeing, you can go to Mughal Gardens namely, Chashma-e-Shahi, Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Garden, Hazratbal Shrine and Hari Parbat Fort.



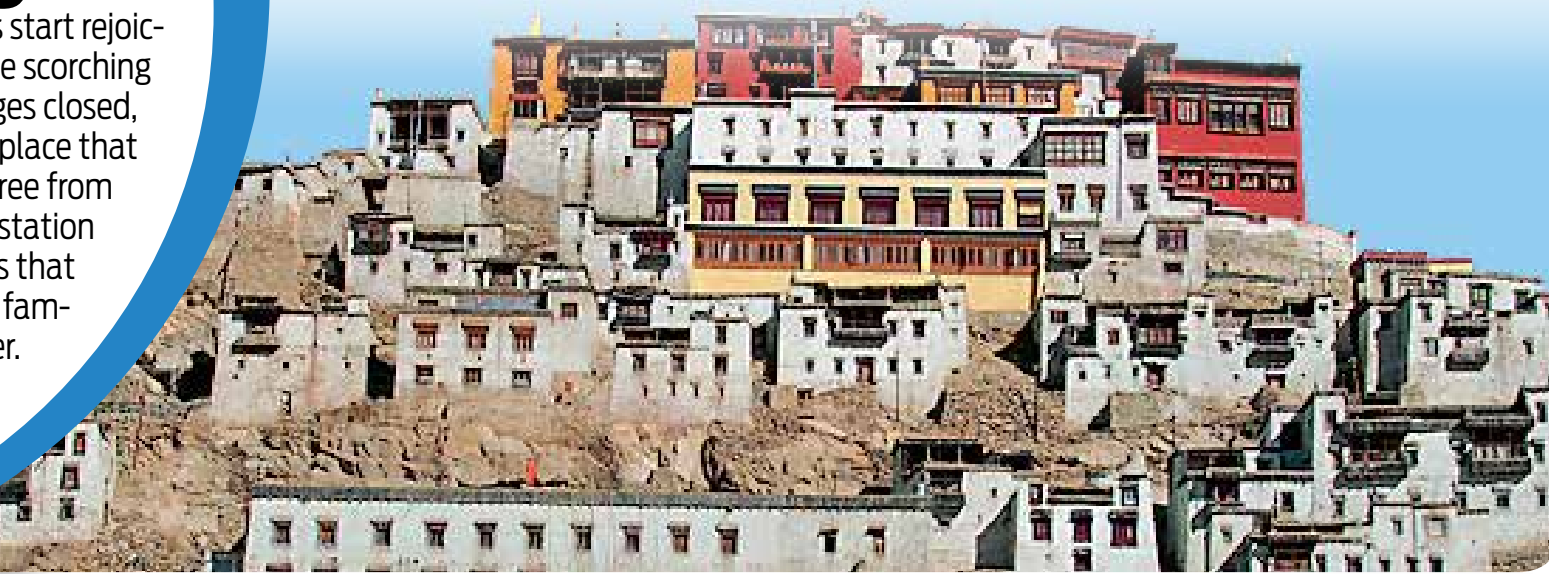
Where to Go on a Summer Vacation in India with Family?

As the sweltering summer approaches, students and teachers start rejoicing in the anticipation of the imminent vacations. At least the scorching sun brings good news for someone! With schools and colleges closed, you have a good opportunity to travel with your family to a place that has little to do with constantly rising temperature and is free from many constraints of city life. Most of us head out to a hill station with our families and I Eat, Pray and Sleep by the words that the one thing that knits a beautiful bond between the family members is when they are out travelling together. Here I have prepared a list of not-to-miss places for those who haven't yet decided where to go on a summer vacation in India with family.

LADAKH... FAMILY HOLIDAY WITH A TWIST

Ladakh is beautiful, unique and incredible! It is something that you have never seen before! A perfect holiday destination in the state of Jammu & Kashmir... BUT I would only recommend a family holiday here to people who think they can handle the moody weather and have older kids. As beautiful as this place is, it is equally rigorous and challenging. The best places to visit in Ladakh with family are Leh and regions. The reasons being, first, it is easy to reach Leh, as there is air services to Leh from Delhi and Jammu. Secondly, during

the summer season, the mercury remains steady at 30 degree Celsius, making it quite a pleasant time to visit. You would like to visit the 800 year old Kali Mandir, perched on top of a mountain; the Shanti Stupa situated right outside the city; and the 17th century Leh Palace. Thiksey and Hemis monasteries are other prime attractions of Leh. If your health allows and your kids get well acclimatized, you can head out of Leh city and visit the beautiful Pangong Lake, Tso Moriri Lake and Nubra Valley.



SHIMLA... THE URBAN SUMMER DESTINATION



Shimla is an ideal destination to spend your summer holiday in India. It offers one of those home away from home experiences and draws attention of families who are looking for a comfortable, leisurely stay amidst picturesque surroundings. The reason I would pick Shimla as a family holiday destination is the fact that the climate is bearable in summers (neither too hot nor too cold), there are several avenues for dining (all cuisine are available), plentiful shopping and accommodation options, and the low-traffic. There is calming peace everywhere just does the trick for you! Linger around the Mall Road, eat, shop and visit the beautiful church located on the Ridge near the mall. Take out time for visiting Jakhu Temple, which is perched on top of a hill and has a huge statue of Hanuman. Kali Bari Temple is another attraction in Shimla; this temple is situated in the heart of the city and can be visited while going towards the Mall Road.

MANALI... A PERFECT FAMILY ESCAPE

Needless to mention that Manali is exceptionally beautiful! Adding grace to the abundant beauty of Himachal Pradesh is the Manali hill station, one of the most visited tourist destinations in India. I remember my first trip to Manali and how I fell in love with the place. The snow-covered mountains, the evening scarlet sky and the picture perfect Rohtang Pass, these images kept tugging at my heartstrings and reminding me about Manali for a very long time. The perfect settings also make Manali a perfect honeymoon destination. Hadimba Temple, Solang Valley, Vashisht Village, Naggar, Rahala Falls and Rohtang Pass are some popular sightseeing places in Manali.



DHARAMSHALA... FUN-FILLED AND AWE-ASPIRING



The mighty Dhauladhar does the magic for Dharamshala! A quiet valley that is overlooked by lofty snow-clad mountains, Dharamshala wears the costume of beauty and invites travel enthusiasts to experience the marvels of nature. I clearly remember the summers of May 2011, when my friends decided to buy tickets for a cricket match between Delhi Dare Devils and Kings XI Punjab. Dharamshala came to life as a scene from a movie. There I stood speechless in the HPCA stadium! Cricketers looked like ants crawling on the grass from where I was seated, but the view of the surroundings is all that I remember. The lofty conical mountains were simply breathtaking. I enjoyed every bit of my stay in Dharamshala, a calm and composed hill station that allows a perfect holiday especially with family. Kangra Art museum at Kotwali bazar, War memorial, Kunal Pathri temple and tea gardens on the way to Kunal Pathri are places that can be visited in Dharamshala.

DARJEELING... THE JACK OF HOLIDAY AND THE QUEEN OF SUMMERS



Darjeeling is dubbed as 'Queen of the Hills'. However, the charm of this beautiful destination still remains young. One can trudge to Tiger Hill peak early in the morning to witness of the best sunrises in India. The Toy Train ride is something that can be enjoyed with the entire family. The train runs between New Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling, offering the 70 kms stretch filled with sheer fun. Rock Gardens and the waterfall are in close proximity and are worth visiting. A ride on the Darjeeling-Rangit passenger cable car or the ropeway is a thrilling experience for the tourists. Like other hill stations in India, Darjeeling also has many ideal places for tourists to eat, stroll, and shop: The Mall Road or Chowrasta is one famous name that immediately comes to mind. Ghoom Monastery, Dali Monastery, Tamang Ghumba and Aalobari Monastery in Darjeeling can also be visited with family. The Ava Art Gallery, Japanese Peace Pagoda, Batasia Loop and the War Memorial, Botanical Garden, Scrubbery Park, Red Panda Breeding Farm, Himalayan Zoo and Dhirgham Temple are other attractions in Darjeeling.

NAINITAL... FAMILY HOLIDAY AMIDST NATURE'S BEST



When I was in school, summers used to be the best time! My friends and I would go for a stroll along the Mall Road in Nainital in the evening as a religious routine... Evening used to be the rush hour, when most of the tourists in Nainital thronged both the upper and the lower Mall Road. Being locals, we guys would put on our best clothes to look like a tourist... Crazy days those were! Don't know about the tourists but the evening sky, the gleaming lights around the lake and the bustling of cheerful crowd made our day... Nainital is a small hill station, which is situated at an altitude of approximately 1,938 m above sea level. The centrally located lake is a major attraction in Nainital; boating is something that is enjoyed greatly by tourists here. There are many places to see around Nainital like Saattal, Bheemtal, Naukuchiyatal and Khurpatal. Naina Devi Temple, Tibetan Market, Snow View, Tiffin Top and China Peak are must see in Nainital.

Maha Replica of Mahadeva made by Bright Victorians

The enchantment of 'OM NAMAH SHIVAY' produces an immense amount of Energy, Bhakti and knowledge in one's body and soul. The words connect us with the enlightened, the prime deity worshipped during Shivratri Puja. Replica of Shivratri is appeared as 'Deva di Dev Mahadev' this replica of Shivlinga appeared on the ground of 'Bright Victory School' at the early morning of Saturday 5th March 2016. The Replica of 'Shivlinga' was of 71 feet which was decorated with 80 kg of different rangoli colours like black, white, orange, green and blue. The symbolic representation of this Shivlinga filled up the air of Bright Victory School's environment with Purity and Bhakti. This wonderful Replica of Shivlinga' created by our students with help of art teacher Mr. Ankit Dave and made the students to know the importance of supreme shakti of 'Mahadev'. The beautiful image of Shivlinga achieved spiritual heights to each and everyone, felt that it was a 'Svayambhu' image of Shivlinga.



Achievement



It's a proud moment for Sheth Dhanjishah Rustamji Umrigar school as Miss Kriya Shah and Miss Khushi Mahatma of Secondary Section, have been awarded with a memento at the District Level Drawing Competition organised by Terapanth Yuvak Parishad. We wish them all the best for their future.

"Super Reader Contest" at Hanumant High School, Mahuva

Reading furnishes the minds and moulds the characters. The Learning Resource Centre awards the Primary & Secondary students of Hanumant High



School, Mahuva towards cultivating the habit of reading. The school motivates them for their reading and comprehending knowledge every month by the "Super Reader Contest". The selected students are awarded as "Super Reader" by the school Librarian Mr. Dayawant Upadhyaya every month. The selected student gives the review of the book she/he has read in the school assembly, it triggers the reading habit in the students as well as inspires other students to read books. It truly serves the purpose of keeping a library in the school.

Students of BAPS shine in "Tata Building India" School Essay Competition



The students of BAPS Swaminarayan Vidyamandir Raysan had participated in the essay competition. The topic of the essay was 'Digital Technology: What do you think should be done with digital technology for the progress of the country and citizen?'. The winners of the essay competition from the senior group were Master Mayur Patel (1st), Master Maharsh Patel (2nd) and Master Sagar Patel (3rd). The winners from the Junior group were Master Jay Bhoria (1st), Master Kenil Raman (2nd) and Master Dixarth Patel (3rd). The students were rewarded with the medals and the prizes by the representative of the Tata Group and Principal Monalisa Das. The school too received the certificate and prize as a token of appreciation for their support and co-operation by the Tata Institution.

Annual Day celebration and Award Ceremony of Global SSV School



The grand gala celebration of Annual Function was held in Khushabhai Thakre auditorium. It was two days function. Some eminent persons of RAF were invited as guests to grace the occasion. The principal of Global SSV addressed the audience and delivered an inspirational speech. One by one approx. twenty one items shows of pre primary kids were presented and the performance of children held the audience absolutely spellbound.

Next day Principal of Global SSV Ms. Anuja Sharma delivered Welcome Speech and lighting of lamp was done by Shri Nadeem Ahmed Samdani, Commandant 100 RAF battalion, Mr. Ratilal Kansodia and Rakeshbhai. The program started with thunder of claps. The items like dance, skits, songs and drama were presented by talented students of the school. Thus, approx. thirty six items were presented that enthralled the audience.

AWARD CEREMONY

Global SSV School sponsored and Award ceremony by in which the eminent persons working as philanthropists in a NGO organization, namely 'Avantika, New Delhi' were invited. They honored the deserving principals of some schools who work hard for the betterment of institutions and for spreading the wave of literacy in and around the city. The names of selected principals were announced and they came on dais in turn to receive awards. Ms. Poornima enthralled the audience by her nice anchoring well adorned with flowery words.



Community service campaign at KVM International School, Ahmedabad

"We take so much from our society so it is also our duty to do something for it". This message of social awareness was strongly propelled by the Principal Namita Khurana to the ever enthusiastic students of the school.

The students visited the residents of Jivraj Park and Vejalpur area and spoke to them about the hazards of driving on the wrong side, letting students without driving license to drive to school or tuition classes, using mobiles while driving and much more. They also explained the benefits of wearing a proper helmet and insisted on the people whom they met, to take on spreading the mes-

sage to other people in their neighbourhood, community and relatives.

The students who had become unstoppable and were themselves feeling motivated took on stopping those speaking on mobiles whilst driving and requested them to switch off their mobiles while driving. They also spoke to a few youngsters who were driving without wearing helmets about the danger they faced.

People patted these little students and blessed them and some of them also pledged to take on spreading this community service message to all.



Once you make a decision, the universe conspires to make it happen. —RALPH WALDO EMERSON



PAN-TASTIC PIZZA

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 Onion
- 2 Tomatoes
- 1 Apple
- 1 Beetroot
- 1 Carrot
- Oregano, Rock Salt, Sugar, Red
- Chilli Powder, Coreinder Power
- 2 Tea-spoon Butter
- 1 Small Pizza Base
- Grated pizza cheese.

Method:

- Remove skin of all above mentioned vegetables & fruits
- Cut it into small pieces & Boil it for 10 mins with 1 cup of water
- Then grind all together & make a juice of it

- Transfer the juice into the souspan on gas stove
- Add 2 Tea-spoon of Butter, half spoon of Oregano, 1 spoon coreinder powder, Add Rock Salt as per taste
- Boil it for 10 mins & let it be a thik sause
- Take 1 small pizza base & spread pizza sause on it
- Sprinkle grated pizza cheese at the top of each piece of pizza & spread sliced mushroom & small pieces of Capsicum

Here is your delicious, favourite tiffin box is ready!!!!

HEMA THAKKAR
PRINCIPAL, AIM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, AHMEDABAD



FUN WITH FOOD



FOIL PAINTING

Make your painting shimmer with a background of aluminum foil! This interesting metallic surface creates a totally different look than painting on regular paper or canvas. Colors will pop off the background while you enjoy mixing colors and experimenting with new materials.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Aluminum Foil
- Cardboard 8.5" x 11"
- Tempera Paint
- Paintbrushes
- Tape
- Dishwashing liquid
- Measuring Cup
- Disposable paper cups
- Teaspoon

WHAT YOU DO:

- Help wrap the front surface of the cardboard with aluminum foil, wrapping and taping it on the backside.
- Set out one cup for each color that your child wants to use.
- Help her measure and pour 1/2 cup of tempera paint into each paper cup.
- Show her how to measure out a teaspoon of dishwashing liquid into a spoon. Encourage her to put one teaspoon of dishwashing liquid into each paint cup.
- Stir each cup of paint thoroughly. The dishwashing liquid will help the paint adhere to the foil.
- Now she can paint whatever picture she likes onto the foil surface.
- Allow the painting to dry completely, then hang it somewhere that everyone can enjoy it!

SO... ARTISTIC



Helpful Tip: If the paint is still not sticking to the foil, at one more teaspoon of dishwashing liquid to the paint.

SONIYA CHHABARIYA
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FUN WITH SCIENCE

USE A STRAW TO STAB A POTATO

Is it possible to stab a potato with a drinking straw? Find out with this fun science experiment for kids that shows how air pressure can be used in surprising ways.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Stiff plastic drinking straws
- A raw potato

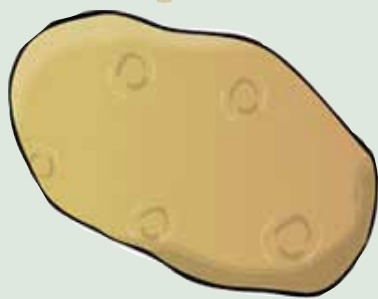
INSTRUCTIONS:

Hold a plastic drinking straw by its sides (without covering the hole at the top) and try quickly stabbing the potato, what happens?

Repeat the experiment with a new straw but this time place your thumb over the top, covering the hole.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Placing your thumb over the hole at the top of the straw improves your ability to pierce the potato skin and push the straw deep into the potato. The first time you tried the experiment you may have only pierced the potato a small amount, so why are you more successful on the second attempt? Covering the top of the straw with your thumb traps the air inside, forcing it to compress as you stab the straw through the potato skin. This makes the straw strong enough to pierce the potato, unlike the first attempt where the air is pushed out of the straw.



CUT ICE CUBES IN HALF LIKE MAGIC

Speed up the melting process of ice with the help of a little pressure. Cut a piece of ice in half like magic while learning how the process relates to ice skating.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- One ice cube
- A piece of fishing line with a weight (the heavier the better) tied to each end
- A container
- Some kind of tray to keep things from getting wet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Turn the container upside down and put it on the tray.
- Place the ice cube on top of the upside down container.
- Rest the fishing line over the ice cube so that the weights are left dangling over the side of the container.
- Watch it for around 5 minutes.



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The pressure from the two weights pulls the string through the ice cube by melting the ice directly under the fishing line. This is similar to ice skating where the blades of a skater melt the ice directly underneath, allowing the skater to move smoothly on a thin layer of water.

Source: Internet



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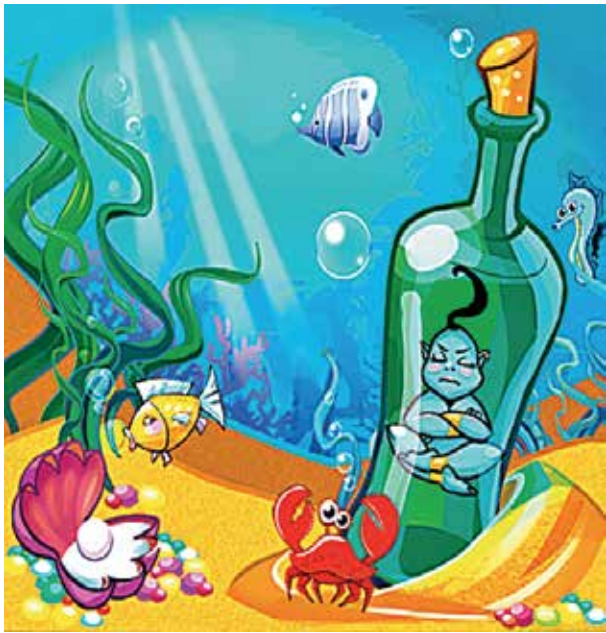
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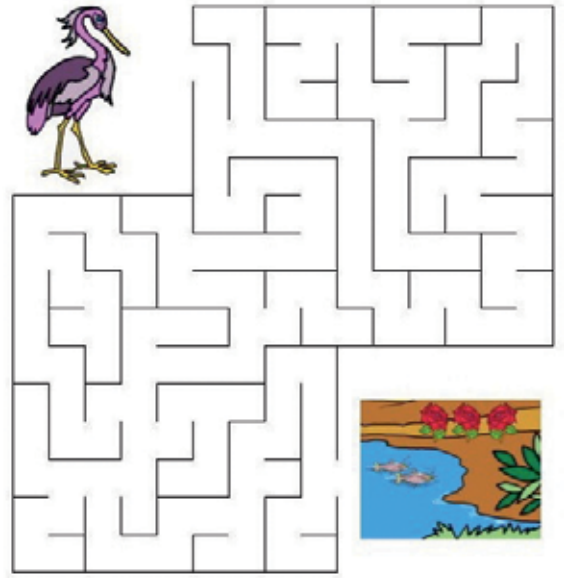
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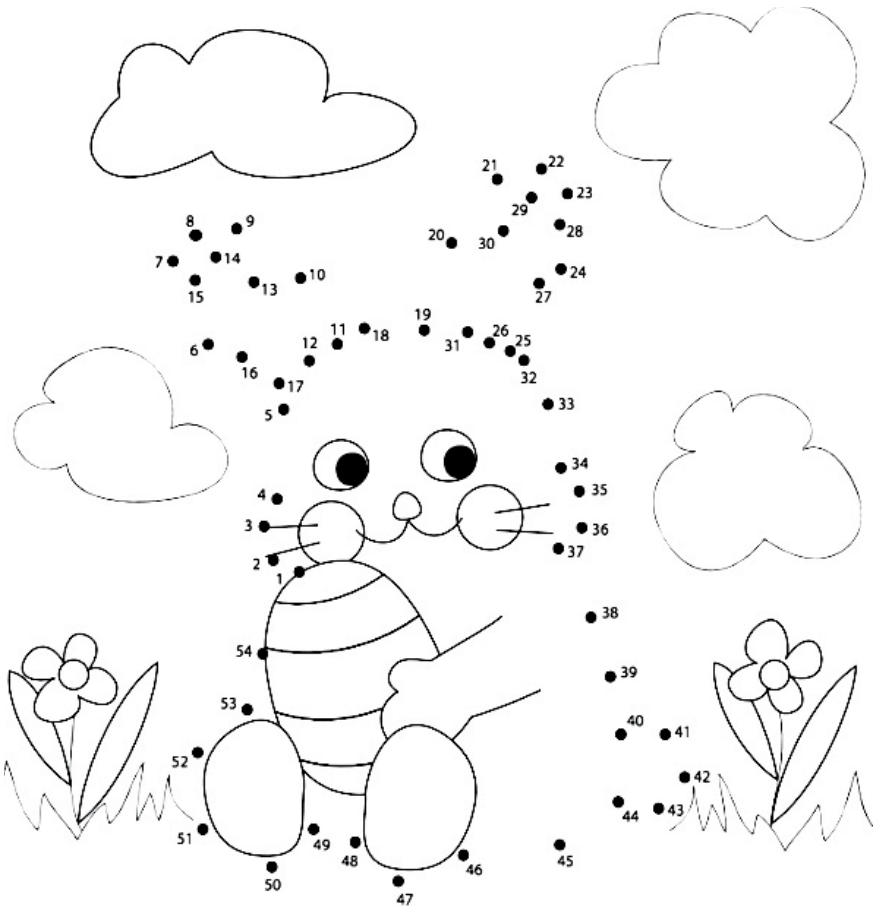


FIND THE WAY

I am a starving kid, help me to find some fishes.



CONNECT THE DOTS & COLOUR IT



ALBERT EINSTEIN FACTS

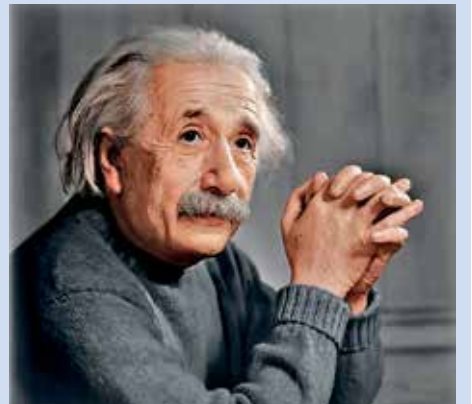
- Albert Einstein was born on the 14th March 1879 and died on the 18th April 1955.
- Born in Germany to a Jewish family, Einstein made many contributions to the field of theoretical physics.
- Even when very young, Einstein showed great ability in both math's and science. He was naturally curious and had a brilliant analytical mind.
- Einstein worked in a patent office evaluating patents for electromagnetic devices not long after he graduated.
- He produced perhaps one of the most famous equations ever: $E = mc^2$ (energy equals mass multiplied by the speed of light squared).
- He is also well known for his theory of relativity. Special relativity being introduced in his 1905 paper "On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies" before Einstein developed the theory of general relativity between the years of 1907 and 1915.
- Einstein won the 1921 Nobel Prize in Physics for his work on theoretical physics.
- He worked on many other influential theories and projects including: the deflection of light by gravity, the quantum theory of atomic motion in solids, Brownian motion, an explanation for capillary action and much more.

Famous Albert Einstein quotes include: "Whether you can observe a thing or not depends on the theory which you use. It is the theory which decides what can be observed."

■ "If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music.... I do know that I get most joy in life out of my violin."

■ "Physical concepts are free creations of the human mind, and are not, however it may seem, uniquely determined by the external world."

■ "I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world."



YOGA SESSION 2

BOAT POSE!



BENEFITS

- Strengthens the abdomen and spine.
- Invigorates the body.
- Helps relieve stress.
- Improves digestion.
- Helps build stamina.
- You could pretend to be: a boat, ship, canoe, kayak, bowl, valley, or nest

DESCRIPTION

- Come to sitting with a tall spine and your legs bent.
- Lean back slightly, take your arms straight out parallel in front of you.
- Balance on your buttocks, and lift your straightened legs to 45 degree angle in front of you.
- Keep a tall spine and tighten your belly.
- Then pretend to rock in the water like a boat.

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How to Play: Fill each of the blank boxes with the number grid from 1-9, with no numbers repeating in vertical, horizontal rows or 3x3 grids. Do not repeat any letters in a line. Each puzzle has only one solution.

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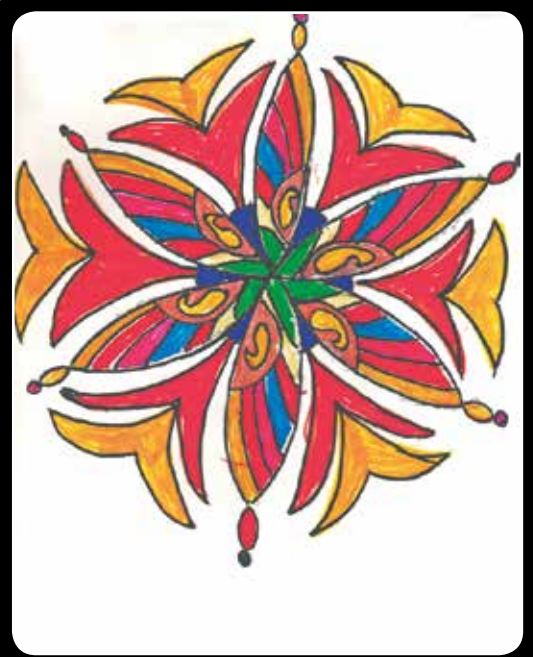
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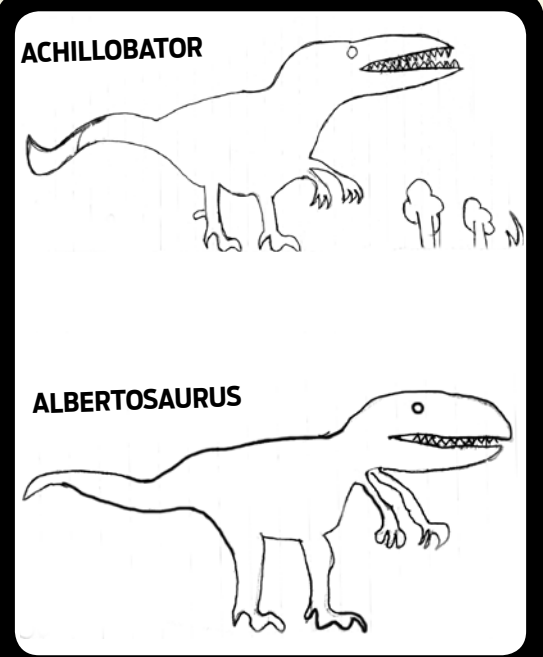
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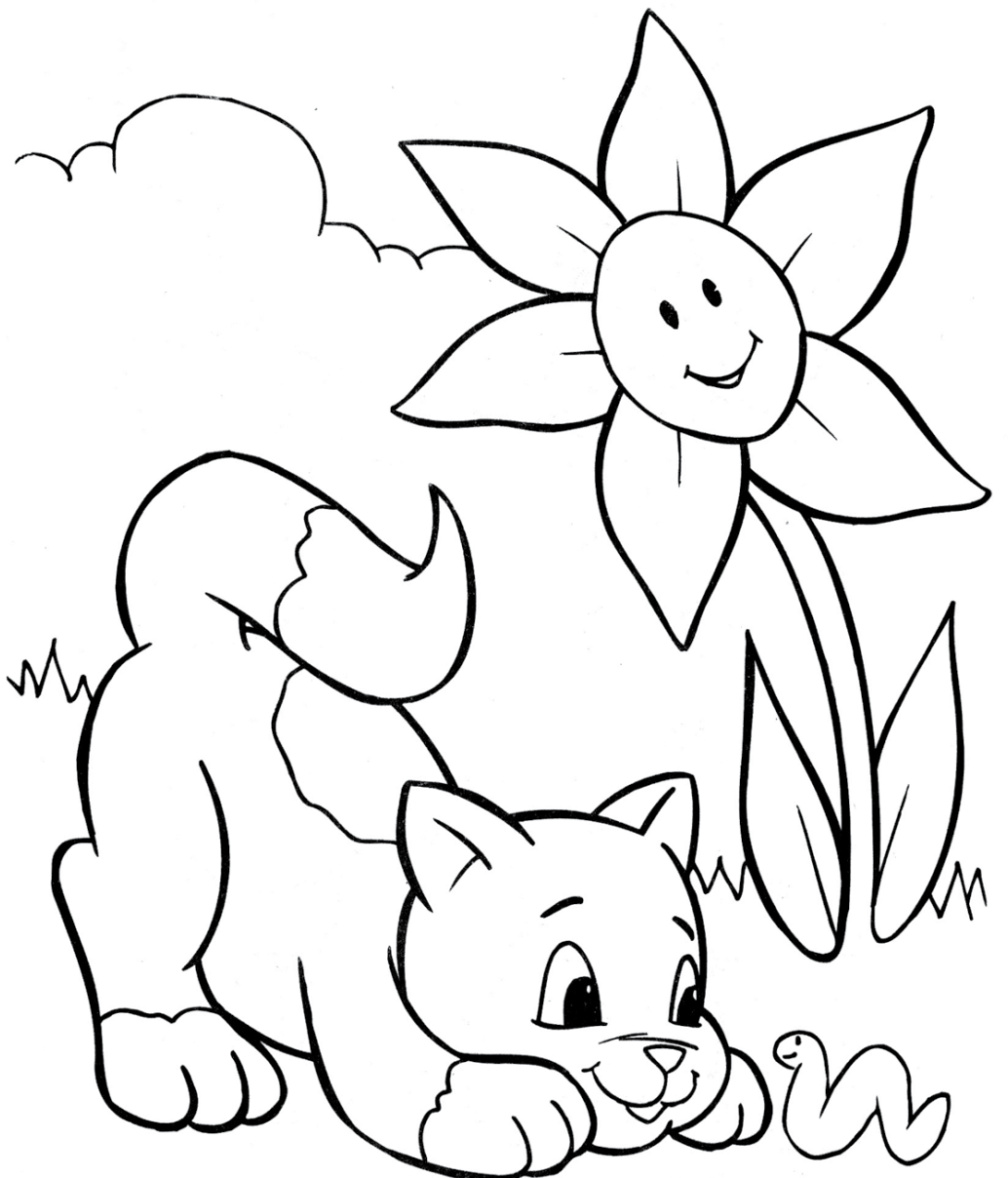
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TRIPADA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL – REMEMBERS THE 400th ANNIVERSARY OF SHAKESPEARE WITH ‘HAMLET’

Theater in Education was introduced as a part of our curriculum and since then they have successfully organized plays, one of which was on World Revolution (R3) which was based on the subject History. This year we organized a play on Shakespeare, ‘The tragedy of Hamlet’, directed by the eminent theater personality, Dr. Suvarna Rawat (Alumnus of NSD – Delhi), which was based on the subject English. This play was taken, to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Wil-

liam Shakespeare. As a learning objective, it was to create awareness of the English language prevailing during the Elizabethan era. The play was performed on 18th March 2016, at Tripada Singapore Internationale School, with the blessings of the Chief Guest, Mr. Archan Trivedi (eminent actor director from Gujarat).

The students from grade 6 to A level performed in the play and they gave a mesmerizing performance. The emotions of sadness and aggression were performed and expressed

with utmost perfectness by the students which made the audience awestruck with amazement. The dialogue delivery and expression of the students were very intense. They have been working on this play for the past 10 days, researching about the characters, about the writing of Shakespeare, apart from acting practices. They watched a movie on Hamlet too. The research on Shakespeare’s play was also done by non-participants who worked for the costumes, light, sound and background

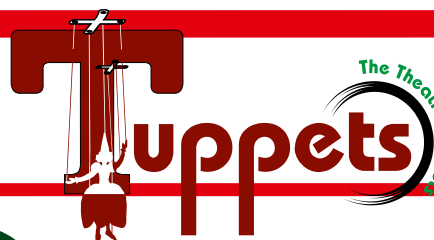
music. Lot of learning happened through the team work.

Along with this play the primary students displayed and performed (in the form of dances and mime) depicting celebrations and communication. The mime gave the message on the importance of cleanliness on our health. Kalari dance, based on the martial art was also performed in the form of dance. It was a day of remembrance and celebration for the students. They said they would cherish this lifelong learning memory.



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DIVINE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL CELEBRATED ANNUAL DAY

Divine International School, Nikol, Ahmedabad, celebrated its 9th annual cultural bonhomie at Tagore Hall, to showcase the cultural diversity of India. The traditional lighting of the lamp by the President sir Shree Rameshbhai Kachhadiya, Managing Director Shree Jatin Kachhadiya and Principal Ms. Anshu Varma symbolically expressed the flame of unity burning bright amidst the cultural diversity of India. More than two dozens of dances and other programs presented by the students of the school brought forth the various hues of Indian social tapestry. From Ramayana to Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha, the various strands of Indian life and philosophy came alive on the stage with the rhythmic steps of the students and the melodious songs. It was indeed an "Incredible India" and the packed audience of the Tagore Hall could feel the theme of the annual function as the programs unfolded one by one.



FIRST ANNUAL PROGRAM OF AIM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Aim International School campus arranged a fantastic first annual program, where students from grade nursery to 8th showcased their talent through yoga, play, marshal arts and with various dance forms. Students participated with a great zeal. Principal, Ms Hema Thakkar motivated kids to deliver their best and guided them. Parents also showed great enthusiasm and were so happy seeing their children performing on stage. The whole event was a power pack.



RAMESHWAR SCHOOL CELEBRATED ANNUAL DAY



Students of Rameshwar School, Nikol performed excellent dance & drama to celebrate the Annual Day of the school under the guidance of the Principal Dr. Hemantkumar S. Pandya.

AATMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL CELEBRATED IT'S 3rd ANNUAL FUNCTION



Aatman International School celebrated its 3rd Annual function on 17th March, 2016 at Tagore Hall on the Theme of "Navras - The Human Emotions". Live devotional music performances were given by our music team till all the parents took their respected seats. The function began by our student anchors who invited our guests Mrs. Kumudlata Bhatt mam (co-founder of Tripada group of schools), Retired Wg Cdr Jaydev Desai and trustees. After the warm welcome the function was preceded by spiritual lamp lighting ceremony followed by our guest's speech.

As the theme was Navras all the 9 emotions like Hasya ras, Raudra ras, Veer ras, Shant ras, Bhayanayak ras, Karun ras, Shringar ras, Bheebhast ras and Adbhut ras. All our students from grade Nursery to Grade 6 actively participated on this day. The theme started with Diya dance by grade 4 students on the prayer of Mangal bhavan followed by our other theme wise and raas wise dances and dramas.

All the students were ready with their colourful and different attires to rock the stage and pass on the strong message of their confidence levels and their hidden talents. Students showcased their dramatic skills by given very wonderful performances in English and hindi. The

whole function was anchored by girls of grade 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 6th. A wonderful coordination between explanations of the raas, welcoming, thanking and appreciating the students performances class wise was done by our by anchors team with full grace and confidence.

By conducting this kind of function, a lot of practical and indirect learning takes place, as here all students learn to work in a team, helps in language development, learn rhythm, social behavior, learn to adapt new things and skills, get more emotionally strong, understand practice makes them perfect and much more to add to it.

All the performances were appreciated by our trustees, guests and parents a lot. The main attractions for the day was our live music team, mothers special dance performance on the very touchy social issue on save girl child. They beautifully showcased their dancing skills on the tunes of "Jinko hai betiya wo ye kehte hain". The Best students of Aatman International School had given a very melodious singing performance on "suno suno meri aawaz" and our educators team gave a very inspirational singing performance on the song "Ye naa kaho khuda se".

