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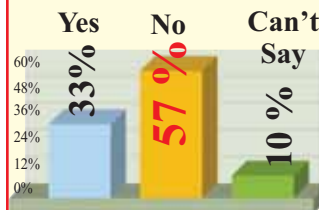
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Do you think reappointing Ravi Shastri as the head coach for Indian Cricket Team was the right call?



Results as on August 23, 2019

Coming Next

Happy Teacher's Day

Article 370: The Time Has Come To Let It Go. We Tell You Why!

Bhawna Tuteja, GT Network

This was the 'darkest hour' of Indian democracy. A public humiliation of the Indian constitution. Trampling of fundamental rights of Kashmiris. Article 370 was all this and more. Or was it? A cursory shuffling through these layers of accusations and it's not hard to realise that most of these rely on sentiment alone, and have little to do with rationale. But you can't really run a nation of 1 billion people on sentiment alone. Logic must supersede. Fortunately, it does for Article 370, 37 times over.



- Addressing the elephant in the room, 'democracy'. Article 370 made an exception to fundamental rights guaranteed by the constitution. Now, with the article gone, the Kashmiris are at par with people living in any other part of the country. If this is not democracy, what is?
- Speaking of equality, the inhabitants within the state, too, were not treated equal, with certain sections getting more privileges as property ownership rights etc. Scrapping of the article puts everyone in the state at the same pedestal.
- Up until now, the male Kashmiri Muslims enjoyed far greater rights than any other Indian citizen. Now, he stands equal to everyone else. Fair.
- At the same time, Kashmiris had fewer rights than normal Indian citizens; they have finally been granted equality. Fair again.
- It has been 28 years since globalisation was introduced. We've long tasted fruits of what it is like being a part of a global village. Kashmir will get to know what it is just now.
- For those who waxed eloquent about how India will be viewed in a negative light post this decision on the world spectrum, here's news – India's stock market

- bounced from extremely low levels after the announcement. Perhaps, the move was more welcome than they thought.
- The bill that was introduced in the Lok Sabha on August 5 witnessed three days of intense debate before it was passed. Arguments citing benefits of the said law were far greater.
- As per Article 370, any law passed by the Indian Parliament needs to be first ratified by J&K assembly to be introduced as a law in the state. Now, these two parties are as North and South as things can be. Thus, no law, no matter how development laden, could never percolate through the thick boundaries of Jammu and Kashmir.
- A gas pipeline waited for two years, 2011 to 2013, to get the right to use provisions to enter the state. The list goes on.
- Right to Education was passed in 2009. Our literacy rates have improved since. Kashmir will get this right, and the subsequent improvement, now.
- Ditto for Right to Information. Access to public information is always a good thing.
- The article came under 'temporary and transitional' provision; the operative word being 'temporary'. But something that has been in place for 70 years is sure

- to go from temporary to permanent. And that's not something any of us wants.
- 1964 saw the bill being vehemently opposed in the Parliament, with leaders of both parties including 10 Congress men against the bill. Point being – they knew it wasn't good then, they know it isn't any good now.
- As a matter of fact, Dr BR Ambedkar, the father of the Indian constitution, was completely against having such a law in the constitution.
- Top educational institutes like IIT, IIM, AIIMS will finally see the light of the day in Jammu and Kashmir.
- Revoking the article gives govern-

- ment the opportunity to create roads, railways and airways in the state.
- With 370 gone, the state can hold its own assembly elections, meaning they have will their own CM, MLAs and Ministers. Now that's empowerment!
- Health and wellness facilities in the state are fairly dismal because of the lack of PPP model or any private hospitals as prevalent in other states. Why J&K shouldn't get these benefits because of a law is beyond all logic and reason?
- Ladakh can now become a solar power house and play a crucial role in International Solar Alliance.
- Scrapping of 370 will ensure reservation in education and employment for backward classes.
- Between 2004-2019, the Indian government gave 2,77,000 crore INR to Kashmir. And yet it is not a part of India. How does this even make sense?
- The Indian government spent 3,683 INR per person in India for the year 2011-12. The amount stood at 14,255 INR per person in J&K. In 2017-18, the figures stood at 8,227 INR per person in India and 27,358 INR per person in J&K. And yet development refuses to make its presence felt in the state.

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Make no bones

Dr SKS Maurya, Orthopedic Surgeon, In Conversation

Aditi Banerji, XI I & Aaradhya Mukherjee, X I, AIS Noida

When one talks about orthopedics in India, there is no way that Dr Sanjiv KS Maurya skips a mention. An eminent Orthopedic surgeon, he has been awarded with various fellowships. He is currently serving as chairman, Bone and Joint Institute, Medanta, Medicity, Gurugram. In a career spanning over 35 years, he has conducted over 15,000 joint replacement surgeries. He was honoured with an Honorary Doctorate at AUUP where GT reporters caught up with him for an interview during Convocation'18.

Where it all began...

As I belong to a family of doctors, it was certain that I, too, would take the same route. At the time of my pre-medical exam, I met with a motorcycle accident, because of which I had to undergo surgery. This was the moment I realised that I wanted to specialise in orthopedics. At that time there was



Dr SKS Maurya with GT reporters

nothing called a knee doctor, so it was really challenging for me.

When things got difficult...

When a young man of 27 comes down with a harsh injury, you want to do everything in your capacity to help him. I remember this young boy coming to me with a horrible injury and extreme infections. We tried various operations to restore his limb, but couldn't. I was disappointed but at the same time it was also a very humbling experience. It taught me that you can be anything but not greater than God.

When you compromise...

Most of the diseases affecting bones are a result of compromise in diet, environment and exercise. We all know that calcium is essen-

tial for strong bones. But even a calcium-rich diet will not help if the body is lacking in Vitamin D. A person needs to include fresh vegetables, fruits, etc. in their diet to remain disease free. At the same time, altering your lifestyle to suit the environment you are living in is crucial. My grandfather used to walk to work, my father used to cycle and I used a scooter. My children, on the other hand, use a car. Although innovations have made our life easier, our health hasn't become better but worse.

When everything matters...

You need precision when you are operating on a human being. You need to be careful about every single thing. Thankfully, incorporating the use of computers in

surgeries has minimised the scope of error. These computers function just like GPS. If you're going somewhere using a GPS, you'll reach there without wasting any time. Similarly, with computers, you get support in doing a surgery with precision. Hence, human error is minimised. Doctors take the aid of computers to simplify the surgery, which is why I encourage the use of computer-assisted surgeries.

When you need to excel...

Feeling of empathy is imperative for anyone who wishes to excel. You should feel for the person you are treating; you should have kindness in your heart. You should talk nicely and always remember that you are on the other side. The patient will sometimes call you God, sometimes he will be agitated. Eliminate discrimination from your minds. When a patient comes to you, treat the problem and not the personality or his wealth.

What the next generation needs...

This truly is the best time of your life. Enjoy it to the fullest and focus on working hard. Life is not just one thing; it's a culmination of a lot of different things. When you will be as old as me, you'll want to be young again and would exchange anything for it.

Dr SKS Maurya, chairman, Bone and Joint Institute

On an average, women in Africa and Asia have to walk 3.7 miles to collect water.



Water scarcity

India this week

Shivanshi Sharma, AIS MV, VIII C

While we sit on our couch just breathing, a lot of things happen around us, and sometimes in our very own country. We bring you the ones worth mentioning.



Cleanest air in Delhi in 8 years

News: Delhi breathed the cleanest air in eight years on August 18, courtesy – rainfall in the past week. The Air Quality Index was recorded at 47, which falls in the ‘good’ category. However, PM levels still remained higher than the prescribed limits. According to the experts, it has also been attributed to the government initiatives such as upgraded fuels, shutting of Badarpur power plant, etc.

Views: Every year, we witness improvement in air quality during monsoon and things going downhill during winters. It has become a vicious cycle. It is good to note that the government is taking measures. However, we as citizens should also take some initiatives.

Arnav Gupta, AIS MV, VIII C



Deepa Malik wins Khel Ratna Award

News: Deepa Malik becomes the first woman para-athlete to bag Khel Ratna, the highest sporting honour in India. She bagged silver medal in the shotput F53 category in Rio Paralympics held in 2016, becoming the first Indian woman to earn a medal at the Paralympic games. She also has 58 national and 23 international medals to her credit, along with being the proud recipient of the Padma Shri and Arjuna award. She dedicated the award to her deceased father, saying that it was probably his last wish to see me get this honour.

Views: Deepa Malik has carved a niche for herself in the Indian sport history. Her courage is unmatched which is a source of inspiration for us, especially the young athletes who always look for role models. Being conferred with the Khel Ratna is well earned and it is hoped that she will keep bringing more medals for India.

Priyanshu Marwah, AIS MV, IV B

CBSE exam pattern to be modified

News: The CBSE board recently proposed changes in the board exam pattern for Class X and XII for the upcoming CBSE 2020 Board Examination. According to the new pattern, more weightage will be given to internal assessments and practical examinations, which would account for 30 to 70 marks, depending on the subject. The question paper will also see more of objective type questions, along with a reduction in the overall number of questions. Students will be required to answer 12 questions under the proposed scheme as opposed to the 19 questions as per the current examination pattern.

Views: Like every change, this change in CBSE exam pattern will take some time before it is finally assimilated. Both students and teachers will have to undertake a new approach in order to execute the change for the examinations. While this maybe difficult, there can be some respite in the fact that the internal assessments will take some load off from the final board examination, thus reducing pressure for the students and the teachers alike.

Aryan Kumar, AIS MV, IX A



Bengaluru gets its first 'Robot Restaurant'

News: Robot Restaurants have launched their first restaurant in Bengaluru, which has a team of 6 robots as waiters. The customers can place their orders through a tablet which is placed on every table and the menu comprises largely of Asian cuisine. To avoid any mishaps, the restaurant has also employed technicians beforehand. The restaurant, which can currently accommodate 50 diners has already become a hit among the masses. The robots are also programmed to sing birthday wishes or wishes on special occasions.

Views: This launch of such a restaurant signifies that technology has taken over the world. While this is a good thing, I think that many people won't feel comfortable with the idea of robots as waiters. Robots replacing humans is a very unsettling thought and it is mostly certain that more such developments will take place in the coming time. Let's not forget that this might lead to a loss in the number of jobs available in the job market resulting in an increase in competition. Also, with rapid introduction of artificial intelligence, the human touch would be lost, which might also create an inhuman environment.

Hannah Mubarak, AIS MV, XI G

Around The WORLD

GT keeps the newswire ticking by bringing you news from around the globe



USA

Withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan

In a statement given to the reporters in New Jersey, Donald Trump has said that negotiation on Afghanistan peace deal are on the right track. If the deal is confirmed, then US would withdraw its troops from Afghanistan after 20 years of war that has reached a deadlock. In return, Afghanistan will commit to not be a safe haven for the Jihadists.

ICELAND

Commemorating glacier lost to climate change



To highlight the direct effects of global warming, Iceland commemorated the disappearance of the glacier Okjokull. A bronze plaque was unveiled to mark Okjokull which translates to 'Ok glacier' in the presence of local researchers at Rice University in the US, who initiated the project. Scientists warn that some 400 others on the subarctic island risk the same fate.

RUSSIA

1969 message found in a bottle



In a unique hunt, Tyler Ivanoff found a message in a bottle written some 50 years ago. Looking for firewood some 20 miles (32 km) west of his home village of Shishmaref, Ivanoff came across 'the message in a bottle' with a plastic cork stopper washed up in Alaska. It emerged that the letter had been written by a sailor on board the Russian ship Sulak on June 20, 1969.



HONG KONG

1.7 million protesters throng the streets

The eleventh week of Hong Kong protests saw people swarming the streets. The protest initially started as an opposition to a now-shelved extradition bill, but soon expanded to demands for full democracy and police accountability. The peaceful cum violent protest saw people defy police and bad weather and bring the entire nation to an economic halt.

SWITZERLAND

2300 tigers trafficked in 20 years



According to a report published on August 20, 2019, more than 2300 tigers have been illegally trafficked in last two decades of the 21st century in the Geneva region of Switzerland. Authorities have urged more action to protect the endangered giant cats.

INDIA

Linking of social media accounts with Aadhar



A proposal to link social media accounts with Aadhar card was presented in the Supreme Court by KK Venugopal, Attorney General. It was suggested as a result of spurt in cyber crimes and use of social media in terror-related activities and inciting violence.

News Flash

► **Brazil:** The National Institute of Space Research recorded 83% increase in forest fires i.e. from 39,759 in 2018 to nearly 73,000 fires recently. ► **France:** Humongous amount of plastic has been extracted from an ice block by the scientists.



Over 2 billion people live in countries undergoing excessive water crisis.

To readers of the world

The Tragic Case Of 'Easing Your Reading' Prevalent In Today's World

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The deep dark stories hidden in every corner of the fiction section called out to me as I kept my search alive. My eyes went from one cover to another, trying to find something to read, but a sharp "psst" stopped me.

"Pick and read me, please!" I heard someone say. I turned around to find the source of the voice, only to come face-to-face with a tardy old book. I picked it up, the dirt of the cover now covering my hands. 'Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne', read the title.

"No one reads me anymore," the book cried. "All you kids now just run after Harry Potter or Percy Jackson, or worse, those Chetan Bhagat books. And the girls cannot stop crying over Augustus Waters."

My eyes lowered because I, too, was guilty of the same crime. In my defence, I wanted to tell him, he and other 'classics' like him were too heavy and bound with such intricate details that I could

hardly keep track of the plot. But as I saw him continue, that too with so much rage, I sealed my lips tight shut.

"I would have you know," yelled he, "I was the best-seller in my days, and these young books have the audacity to make fun of me? ME? Especially that snooty little Harry

Potter. I'll tell him one day, you wait and watch!"

"And what possibly can you dream of doing to avenge your honour? You cannot even touch its bookmark; you have grown old, really old!" came the shrill voice of 'Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen'.

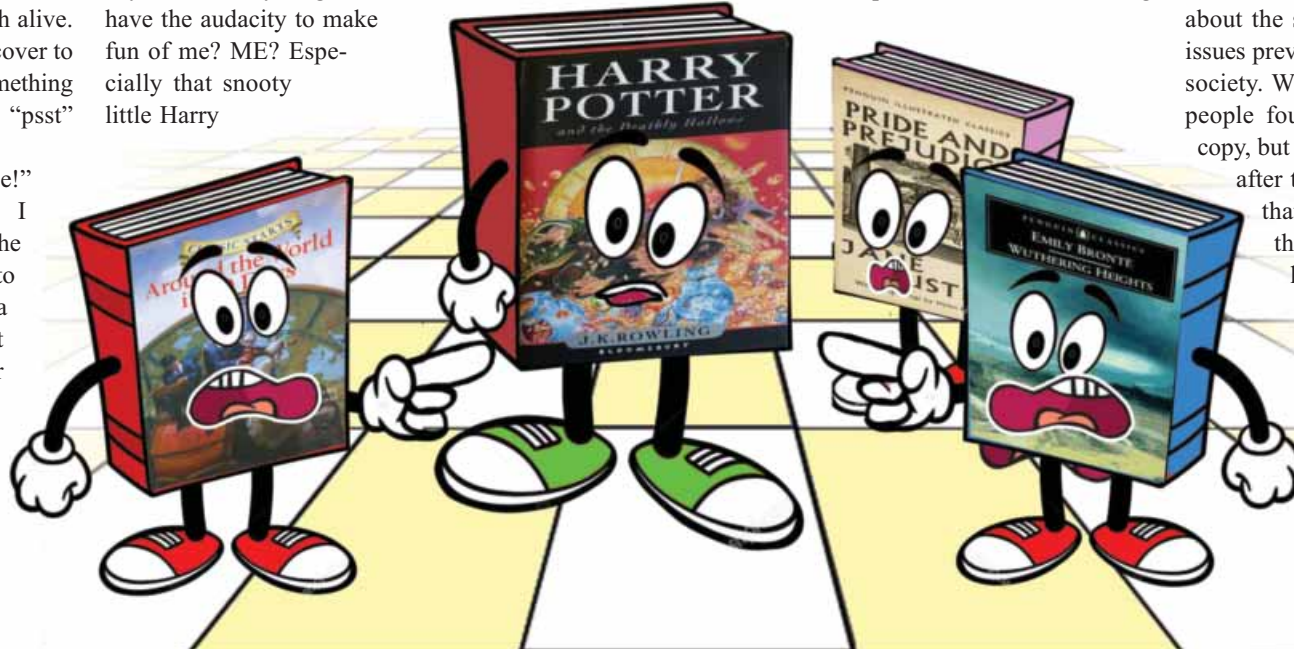
"Oh, you have nerve to mock me when we are riding on the same boat. Have you forgotten 'Pride and Prejudice and Zombies by Seth Grahame-Smith'?"

mains as our last token of respect. We were written with thought, preparation, and utter concentration, unlike these new books on the shelf, but still the modern reader lets us rot in dust and picks them over us for being

"Absolutely right you are," chimed in 'Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell'. "When you read me, not only do you get to know the great love story between Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler, but also gain knowledge about the social constructs and issues prevalent in that time and society. When I was published, people fought to buy the first copy, but today, these kids rush after the thinnest of novels that don't even teach them anything. They have no lessons, no research, nothing! In fact, they are not worthy enough of being called a 'novel'."

As they continued their discussion, it dawned on me how right they were. Hadn't I, myself, been gushing over all these new books

all the whilst overlooking these literary masterpieces? Guilty as charged I wanted to say to all these masterpieces but instead I picked up 'Around the World in 80 Days' and started reading. In my mind, I already knew what other books would be in my next reading list. 🇧🇷



Before I could stop them from turning the scene into a war ground, the voice of 'Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë' boomed over all else. "Calm down, both of you. We are brothers and sisters, suffering the same tragedy. We are all 'classics', though only that tag re-

simple and straightforward, ignoring the fact that they are making their minds numb. We were created to reflect the society of the times in which we were written. We were so much more than just a novel; we were an entire world the reader got immersed in. Good ol' days."

How to be a makeup artist 101

The Tricks And Tips To Becoming The Best In The Business Of Beauty

Ramsha Matin, AIS Vas 6, XII

Hello, everyone! In today's career-special vlog, I am going to take you through the steps of becoming a successful makeup artist. Without any delays, let's get started!

Step 1: Organise

To slay any perfect makeup look, you need to sort all the products that you are going to use. So is the case with a career as a makeup artist; you first need to get all the skills right.

As an aspiring makeup artist, you need certain skills as ingredients, such as an innate passion to experiment with different looks, creativity, an eye for precision, good colour perception and an undying love for the latest trends. In addition, you must have a pleasing personality and strong communication skills as makeup artists generally work in tandem with other people as hair stylists, photographers, etc.

Step 2: Prepare yourself

Prepping the skin is a must before you create a look, and so is prepping yourself by getting the required academic qualification.

Enrolling in a cosmetology programme is recommended for anyone who wishes to pursue

a career in this field. You can go for a certificate, diploma or an MSc in cosmetology. Orianna in Vishakhapatnam, Pearl Academy in Delhi, Highlight Makeup Academy in Mumbai and Shehnaz Herbal Women's World International in Mumbai, are some institutes offering the same. In addition, a lot of institutes offer numerous short

term courses like party makeup, bridal makeup, etc. Spanning for a period of

four to six weeks, these courses help you attain elementary understanding of the process.

Step 3: Creating a base

Any makeup look will retain itself for a longer duration if given the right base. Ditto for career as a makeup artist!

Working as an apprentice under top makeup salons and artists can help you create a desired base for yourself in the market. Creating a strong portfolio is also extremely crucial when you are starting out. Keep compiling photo shoots of all the work you may have done as interns or even fun college projects. Presenting a strong portfolio always ups your chances of landing a job.

Step 4: Try new styles

No look becomes iconic unless you're bold enough to try something different and new. And no career is a successful unless you are willing to experiment with different aspects of the field.

Opting to be a makeup artist opens you up to a whole world of possibilities. You could go for dramatic special FX makeup, or choose to be a bridal makeup artist; a runway makeup artist dressing up models or stage and theatre makeup artist offering dramatic makeup choices. The choices are many – celebrity

makeup artist, print makeup artist, salon and spa makeup artist amongst several others.

Step 5: Make yourself pop

This step reminds us that highlight and contour are always to the rescue when we need to stand out and pop! You need to pop too if you need to make your mark in the sea of makeup artists.

There are many popular celebrity makeup artists who are on the top of their game because of their unique styles. Daniel Bauer has redefined makeup in Bollywood by experimenting with bold makeup to an au naturale look for the A-list stars in the industry. Similarly, Pat McGrath's inventive materials and bold colours and Joyce Bonelli's distinctive techniques have made them stand out like no other. You can follow them and their work to learn how one can highlight themselves and create their niche in a market where every other style looks the same!

Step 6: The final touch-up

Any makeup look is incomplete without the final touch-up, so is a career.

You can market your skills by creating business pages on social media, joining online platforms or interact with potential clients. Depending on your skills and experience, INR 7000 can be a starting pay for amateurs and can go upto INR 40,000 per sitting within 3-4 years of experience.

Hope this tutorial was helpful. I'll come back next week with new suggestions. Till then, keep shining brighter than your highlighter! 🇧🇷



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- The hydrolytic activity
- The parasitic activity
- The catalytic activity

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According to WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme, more than 785 million people in the world lack access to even safe drinking water.



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MAGICAL BUZZ

Though They Bee But Little, They Are Fierce

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In the last few years, there has been a lot of buzz about saving the bees around the world. Perhaps, this has to do with the fact that these 'beeguiling' mystical creatures are the most important pollinators mother nature has to offer. This fad has now led scientists to discover more about the working

of beehives and bees, in particular the 'Queen bee'. The level of absolutism of the queen bee will surprise the beejeesus out of you. With 'save the bees' and the quite fascinating concept of apiculture catching up all over the world, we bring you the buzz around the queen bee.

Quit pollen my leg

The concept of 'age comes with wisdom' is insubstantial in

the case of bees. When the queen bee grows old and starts to fail, she is shown the door with almost immediate effect (ouch). Replacement of an old queen by a younger one is the natural way to do this. A new queen emerges from the bullet-shaped supersedure cells that are present abundantly in the hives. It seems that life is indeed a race, because the first bee to rise from these cells is made the new queen.

Beeside the blague

Beekeepers have to keep in mind the spuriousness of wooden hives and use a unique method for requeening. There is a funny thing about introducing a new

queen into an artificial hive that has lost its previous queen. There are special queen cages that are stuffed with candy and are kept open enough to let the hive smell the scent of their new queen. At first, new queen is not appreciated by the bees. Bees would want to kill the new queen because she will smell like an intruder to them. Nonetheless, by the time it takes the bees to eat through the candy and attack the queen, her pheromones will have had time to work and the hive will have gotten used to her. What a way to establish supremacy (YES QUEEN).

Beelieve it or not

Similar to a parliamentary

democracy, the queen holds adequate importance and carries the major role of laying eggs. Upholding democracy, it is the worker bees that actually hold the queen accountable. They have the power to kill an existing queen and the ability to raise a new one whenever they feel like it. Talk about loyalty, huh? The replaced queen specially is *beeware* at all times. Once in a blue moon, a villainous bee rises that is not under the queen's control. These bees are nugatory and consume resources. The couch potatoes of bees one can say. A single mistake in producing the male offspring and these 'queen slayers' rage and attempt to kill her.

All jokes apart, bees are now really fighting for their survival. The introduction of new queens is an extensive and extremely dreadful process and the rate at which bees are dying, looking at the statistics, it will be extremely hard to compensate for the loss. This is a conundrum and it would become a catastrophe if they lost this battle to stay in the animal kingdom. Humanity is deeply interconnected with mother earth and is one of the privileged species. Hence, it automatically becomes our duty to take better care of nature; if not to preserve the beauty of nature then at least to ensure our own survival.

Literally scientific

"You Broke My Heart!" "Wait, Did You Mean Myocardium?"

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The beauty of literature lies in its extraordinary play of words. They may not always necessarily imply the most direct of meanings, but their beauty is appreciated by every bookworm. At the same time, it boggles the heads of the scientifically-oriented, who are left scratching their heads in the conundrum created by esteemed litterateurs. Here's breaking down some of the everyday phrases and what they would mean to a naïve budding scientist.

A heart to heart affair

Literary phrase: To break one's heart

What it means: Overwhelm someone with sadness and emotional pain

What it scientifically implies: To tear someone's myocardial muscle (which makes up the majority of heart). Literally tearing off the cardiac muscles. Hmm, but then again, one would indeed be in a lot of pain if someone is to do that...except, it won't be emotional.

Not very ear-pleasing

Literary phrase: To tug at someone's heartstrings

What it means: To deeply affect one's feelings

What it scientifically implies: Imagine pulling someone's Chordae Tendineae' (strings of tissues in heart or as they call 'heartstrings') whose job is to basically prevent blood from entering and filling up our hearts when it is doing its own job pumping blood. But then again, that is bound to cause you excruciating physical pain.



Steve Jobs adored it

Literary phrase: The apple of someone's eye

What it means: To be cherished above all others by a person

What it scientifically implies: Before this phrase took the form of an idiom, it was used as an anatomical term. Biology says that 'apple of the eye' meant the pupil which is present in the eye. While we wonder how it came to its present usage, someone becomes an apple of someone's eye.

Often but not so often

Literary phrase: Once in a blue moon

What it means: Something seen or done rarely

What it scientifically implies: By scientific definition, a blue moon is an astronomical phenomenon that occurs once in every 2.7 years, and is usually the second full moon of the given month. Next time you say this phrase, be sure to keep a count on 2.7 years of the event.

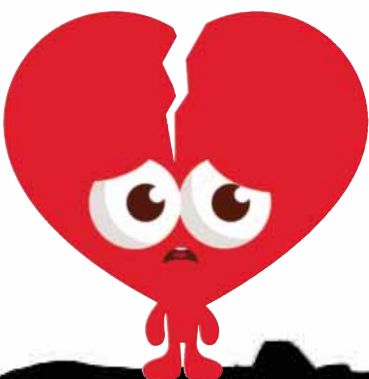
Mind=blown

Literary phrase: To blow a fuse

What it means: To get very angry

What it scientifically implies: A fuse is used to protect equipment and wiring against damaging and to disable equipment which is faulty. The fuse 'blows' when the current carried exceeds the acceptable value for an exceeded time. Well, we'd say this makes sense as we use anger to disable a faulty person?

These phrases enhance the beauty of our everyday language, but science is not on board, it seems.





80% of all illness in the developing world comes from water borne diseases.

Youth Power is an annual social leadership programme organised by The Global Times.

It witnesses ten teams from Amity schools work on varied social causes in several stages. One of them is 'Panel Discussion' where experts from different walks of life discuss several aspects of the chosen social cause. Here's presenting **Part 7** of this exclusive eight-part series, based on the panel discussions organised by YP teams, and a host of opinions as experts debate on 'I care for eye care', the cause chosen by YP team of AIS Saket



An eye for eyes

Before The World Goes Blind, Let Us Open Our Eyes Towards Eye Care

Keeping humanity alive

Eye donation can be the biggest boon the world needs. These days, eye donation is carried out through the process of layer by layer surgery (component surgery). The cornea has multiple layers which means that one cornea can give vision to three individuals. This means that a pair of eyes can give vision to six people. And yet not many people are coming forward to donate eyes. A prime reason for this being the number of myths and taboos surrounding eye donation. One such myth is that people who donate their eyes will be born blind in their next lives. What we must



Dr Rajesh Sinha
*Professor of Ophthalmology, AIIMS

understand is that a person's eyes live even after his/her death and eye donation is perhaps the noblest act. Thus, it is imperative that young students, as future leaders of this nation, sensitise everyone about the cause. *The panelist is professor of ophthalmology in the cornea, cataract and refractive surgery services at Dr Rajendra Prasad Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences, AIIMS.

Disability isn't hindrance

Earlier, career options were limited for blind people. But today, they are working in ministries, airlines and so many other walks of life. I think blind people are more efficient. The reason being, we get distracted when there are a lot of things going on in front of us. On the other hand, blind people focus on just one thing and make the most of their time, thus working better than us. When I joined this organisation, I was skeptical about working with visually impaired people.



Neelu Suneja
Head IT & Course Coordinator
*The Blind Relief Association

But with time, I realised that these

people have unmatched capabilities. Each one of them is an inspiration to us. They don't complain about their disabilities. Their determination proves that they are better skilled than us.

*The Blind Relief Association, established in the year 1944, is an NGO that endeavours to serve the visually impaired. It focuses on providing education, skill training and also enables them to be self-dependent.

Tech is the way



Mohit Singla
Founder, *Publish Our Dreams

Technology has made things easier for the visually impaired people like me. If you do a little research on the kind of softwares that have been developed for the visually impaired, you will find that there are plenty out there.

But the problem is lack of awareness about these technologies. Microsoft released an app- Seeing AI, which has been made solely for them. A lot of people do not know that such sort of technology exists. So, go ahead and spread that word. Take out some time, get some knowledge about such technologies, experiment with it and share it with the people around you who need it.

*Publish Our Dreams, a platform for self publishing, providing services of editing, design and printing all at one place.

No to makeup

Dr Nivedita Mahandru
Cosmetologist & Naturopath



Makeup products are an important factor to consider when talking about eye care. These days there are a plethora of eye makeup products available in the market. Sometimes, using these products can result in infection. Hence, one must use only trusted brands. Organic makeup products are also in use, but even those products contain traces of chemicals. One cannot discount other factors at play such as stress; lack of nutritious food; lifestyle, etc. We need to take all these factors into account if we need our eyes to be healthy.

Empathy is a must



Dr Pooja Dhama
Sr Eye Surgeon
*Tara Netralaya

In our country, 4 million people develop cataract each year, and the problem is increasing. One of the prime reasons is lack of awareness. This becomes a bigger challenge when you visit rural areas. Usually, rural people are not financially stable.

So, even if they suffer from eye problems, they prefer to live with it. This is where our role comes to play. We should not be indifferent to the concerns of those in need. We have a good team of doctors who visit several villages for screening purposes and to create awareness. This is how people come to know about their problems. If our country needs to move ahead, then every strata of the society should move together."

*The hospital offers free operation to the underprivileged suffering from cataract.

Every support counts

My husband lost his vision completely due to Retinitis Pigmentosa. Needless to say, it was a challenge in the beginning. I had to change the furniture's position in the house for my husband's convenience. In the first few months, it seemed really tough as he needed assistance to roam around the house. However, with time, things started to improve. Today, it is no more difficult for him to travel alone by metro and even run errands. He also helps me with my work and sometimes he paints as well. I must tell you, he walks much faster than me, around the house...at night or

Aarti Uppal Singla, Founder
*The Art Exchange Project



even when the lights are out. So, if you choose to offer a little support to the visually impaired, life may not be a smooth sailing, but things definitely become a lot easier for them.

*The project aims to provide a space, both on-line and offline for people to come together and explore the world of art.



According to WHO-2015, every minute a new-born dies due to infection caused by unsafe water and substandard sanitation.



Water scarcity

Krishna the way of life



Dr Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

Gopal, Kanhaiya, Girdhari, Murari, Muralidhar, Saarthi, Sakha, Govinda ... numerous names, one person and each one reflecting a unique character. We just celebrated Janmashanti, the birth of Lord Krishna, who symbolises the immense possibility of hard work, perseverance and victory a human being is. He showed the world how to live and succeed with moral values, how to rule the kingdoms and the hearts alike. Take a closer look at his life and you will find that he was born embroiled in troubles. Born on a dark night in a jail with his own uncle wanting to kill him, demons always on a look out for him, cousins Kauravas and Pandavas always consulting him and even blaming him for the battle of Kurukshetra... life was no cakewalk for him. Yet, Krishna smiled and sailed through all this. Godly powers aside, let's remember that Krishna was still born a human being who lived in this very world and yet loved everyone and everyone loved him back. Krishna is infact not just a person, but a way of life. Each name of Krishna has a core value infused in it which makes him the Saarthi of life. Krishna lived and behaved as the situation was and come whatever may, he kept his core values intact and never left them behind. He was assertive and flexible, both at the same time. As Girdhari strong enough to lift a mountain on his fingertip, yet humble enough to serve cows as Gopala. As Mukund he ruled the kingdoms and embraced his poor childhood friend Sudama as Sakha. As Muralidhar he brought bamboo to life and as Murari he ended the same life when injustice and unfairness ruled the world. He's a life rooted in moral values from whom we all must take inspiration to live a fulfilling and a successful life. 🇮🇳

Willow muse



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

Amidst all the deliberations on Article 370 (read page 1 & 7), I take a quick dip down the memory lane when I visited Kashmir in 2016. Soulful and serene is how we all remember the beauty of Kashmir. But what enchanted me the most was what I saw while I drove from Srinagar to Pahalgam on NH 24. I was captivated at the sight of raw timbers lined on both sides of the road. Those neatly arranged timbers through the entire two kms nondescript stretch of Bijbehara seemed to tell a tale. A close look and I discovered that those were cricket bats, of various sizes, weight and length arranged neatly on the wooden racks. "These are the cricket bats made from the famous Kashmiri willow wood and are world famous for their springiness and durability," told my driver. I even walked inside a cricket bat manufacturing factory just to see how the skillful tradesmen shaped up the most durable and springy bats in the world which enchanted even the likes of Sachin Tendulkar and Sir Don Bradman. Today, when everyone is talking about J&K now being a UT, my heart beats for 'Cricket in Kashmir'. Thirty three years have passed and not even one cricket match has been played in the valley. The game which has united the world surely has the power to integrate India constructively. It's time that 'Sher-i-Kashmir' stadium witnesses the boundaries and the bouncers. It's time that cricket returns to Kashmir. It's time that the cheers of victory echo through the valley. It's time for the world to know that now our willow will not weep, but weave the tales of sixers and clean sweeps. 🇮🇳

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Woes of Article 370

...Continued from page 1

23 Funds flowing in. Zero development. Simple math will bring you to rampant corruption. You could control the corruption but the law enforcing agencies and anti-corruption agencies were not allowed in the state, again thanks to Article 370.

24 It comes as no surprise that many researchers, scholars and experts have blamed Article 370 for the impoverished state of J&K.

25 Now that we are on the subject of development, Article 35A proved to be the biggest hindrance. The article prohibited non-residents from buying land in the state. You can't buy land, means no investment, which obviously means no development. Explains why corporate houses stayed away from investing, despite both Omar Abudullah and Mehbooba Mufti trying their best to woo them.

26 Valley, forest, mountains, waterfall, pilgrimages – you name it. And yet tourism of the state is not even at par with most visited places in the world. Of course, the unrest in the valley plays a major role, but so does lack of good hotel chains and tourism facilities. The reason again being 35A.

27 The price of 1 acre of property in J&K is between 3,000 to 30,000 INR – the lowest in the country. Because the



ones who can buy it have fairly low incomes. Seems too cruel that while the rest of the country fetches price of same land in lakhs, J&K lives the peanut way.

28 35A prohibited people who were non-residents of the state to buy land, including people who have been living in the erstwhile state since partition. And what can be worse than being unable to make a home in your homeland? The families who migrated from Punjab during the partition were worst hit by the clause.

29 Article 35A ensured that thousands of descendants of Valmiki (Dal-

its) who were brought in from Punjab as government sweepers in 1957 were never allowed to get any government jobs other than sweepers.

30 The law stipulated that women from J&K on marrying non-residents lose their 'Permanent Resident' status, and thereby their inheritance rights and right to hold property. In which other corner of the world does such a thing happen in the 21st Century? None. And there is no reason that it should in J&K. And now it won't.

31 Shouting from the rooftop that we want J&K to be integrated with India won't help. Rather, giving the resi-

dents freedom to marry outside their state, without fear of losing their property, will.

32 J&K bank that earlier came under the jurisdiction of the state government, now falls under central government. This basically means the residents of the state have access to schemes like Sukanya Samridhi Yojna, Pradhan Mantri Yojna and Ayushman Bharat. See, this revocation is for Kashmir, and its people.

33 Skeptics say that Kashmir will lose its original culture, if conjoined with India. India has 29 states, each of them a part of India, each of them with a distinct culture of their own. So, if they didn't lose their identity, why should Kashmir?

34 J&K is the only state in the country with no tribal rights. 370 gone, the rights are in order.

35 Same holds true for reservations for OBC and SC. Again, reservations are now in order.

36 India will now have 9 UT instead of 7. We are growing. Congratulations!

37 Amarjit Singh Daulat, the former chief of India's spy agency RAW wrote in his memoirs, "Nothing is constant; least of all Kashmir". About time, Kashmir moves on. While this maybe a sentiment, it is one that echoes through the country, and resonates in the valley. 🇮🇳 Source: Internet

Service before self

Working Towards The Progress Of A Woman

Khushi Saxena & Vidhi Batra,
XII, AIS Noida

Behind every successful woman is a tribe of women who have her back. Karina Bhasin, the manager of Even Cargo is one such woman who has been fighting for the collective rights of women, to education, safety and work. Bhasin is the leader of Open Your Eyes (OYE) Foundation, an organisation that envisions a gender harmonious world with its three-tier holistic approach. GT reporters caught up with her during the Youth Power Grand Finale 2018-19, where she was a jury member. We bring you the excerpts.

On challenges faced by women...

One of the most prominent factors that hinder the growth and empowerment of women is the lack of access to resources. Most women in the country lack access to the right information and an awareness with respect to opportunities. There is a fairly low participation of women in most of the things such as public health schemes, voting and education sector just because they do not have the means to reach there. As a result of which, development of the female gender is slow. It is for this very reason that the efforts of my organisation are directed towards creating accessibility as well as opportunities for women who come from a community with less resources.

On sensitising towards women...

Feminism has become a fashion, but I want to make it a trend. It should become a trend that everyone follows irrespective of their gender. This is where gender sensitisation comes into play. When you go and talk to people



Karina Bhasin with GT reporters from AIS Noida

you make them conscious about their actions. With gender sensitisation a man becomes more responsive and responsible towards his household and a woman more aware about her importance in the community and her ability to bring change.

On including women in workspace...

We want women to work, and for that our solution is to create workspaces exclusively for women. However, the need of the hour is to create a workspace that is all gender inclusive. We need to create a workspace that does not draw lines between men and women, but instead provides women with facilities that make it conducive for them to work alongside males. It is important that women have right facilities at workplace such as separate toilets, ledges where women can sit, and also that they are addressed in the way that they find it comfortable (trans women). It is important that women feel at ease and comfort in the environment they work in. We at Even Cargo have created a model where women are working parallel to men, and that has done a great service

to increase their confidence levels.

On working for women...

I have been associated with several projects aimed primarily at women development for several years now. The most satisfying part of my job is to see the gradual change in the society. When I see that I have made a difference through my work, I feel very happy and proud of all that I have achieved. Every day is a day closer to the goal I set for myself two years ago and that so many people are now part of that same journey is overwhelming. I am grateful that I was able to make so many people see what I wanted them to see and this achievement is invaluable to me.

Message for Amitiens...

Just keep on doing the great work that you're doing and be a visionary. It is very important for this generation to be full of purpose and understand that there is a world beyond materialistic things. Amity has given you an opportunity to look beyond it, so make the best of it and work for a better future for our country. 🇮🇳

GT M@il

In-between the lines

An Insight Into The Life Of A Freelancer Juggling Work And Play



Issue: August 19, 2019; Page 3

Dear Editor,

This is in reference to the story 'In-between the lines' on page 3 of The Global Times edition dated August 19, 2019. Skimming through the Monday issue this week was a tear-jerker. Not because of the witty obituary to late Mrs Sushma Swaraj or because AIS Gurugram 43 could not win the GT award; it was a tear-jerker due to nostalgia. Writing this letter to you, many (not so much) miles away from you, from my dorm I could feel the pangs of separation hitting me hard. To make the heart-warming pain worse, you published my article in your newspaper, bringing back a ton of memories. I still remember typing this article last year, storming my brain while burning the midnight oil. Scrolling through the pages of the newspaper, I thought nothing has changed. Everything was as constant as a river flowing devoid of current as if it was stagnant. Sections like 'It's Me' or the standard catchy cover-page article greeted my eyes as an old school-friend (which you literally were). The paper was an excellent mix of information and humour as usual. And not to forget, 'GT Picture-it contest' had some really great snaps. I was the Assistant Editor of my school and I can assure you that I miss you terribly. Indeed, it was an experience that I will cherish all my life, as now, I am finding substitute editorial teams to cope with this heartfelt separation. I love you GT! 🇮🇳

Karan Dhall, AIS Gur 43, Alumnus



According to United States Geological Survey, a person uses about 302 to 378 litres of water per day.

The talk of the town

A Simple, Unadulterated Explanation Of The Controversial Law

What is Article 370?

A Look At

What This Article Entails

Tracing the journey of Article 370

A passage through time

1947

India becomes independent. Pakistan is formed. Princely states, including J&K, are given three options – staying independent, joining India or joining Pakistan. Maharaja Hari Singh, the then ruler of J&K, after initial skepticism, joins India by signing Instrument of Accession (IoA). J&K becomes an Indian state but its jurisdiction by the country remains limited.

1949

The constitution of India is drafted. Mohammed Abdullah Sheikh, the then Prime Minister of Princely State of Jammu and Kashmir participates in Constituent Assembly of India to discuss the various provisions of Article 370 that would protect the rights extended by the Instrument towards Jammu and Kashmir.

1950

Indian constitution is implemented. Both Article 35A that defines J&K as an Indian state and Article 370 that accords a special status to it are included in it. The original draft states that other provisions of the Indian constitution can be applied to the state only through exceptions and modifications and in concurrence with the State Government. The Presidential Order of 1950 thus enumerates how 235 articles of the Indian constitution, including citizenship, fundamental rights, emergency provisions and so on, are completely inapplicable to this state and how nine of them were partly applied and 29 were applied with some modifications. Sheikh and his party complained and blamed the Indian government of unilaterally altering some provisions of the Article. The father of Indian constitution, Dr BR Ambedkar, rejects the proposal to draft any special Article for J&K as he already saw it as the real troublemaker.

1951

Sheikh and his party convene a Constituent Assembly for the state to frame its own constitution. Along with it, a series of events like the recommendation given by the Basic Principles Committee of the Constituent Assembly to abolish

1952

The Presidential Order of 1952 amended the Article 370 by recognising Sadr-i-Riyasat (now Governor) as the head of the state and not the Maharaja as was the case earlier. This act led to the abolition of monarchy in the state of Jammu and Kashmir.

1954

The Presidential Order of 1954 was issued in order to implement the 1952 Delhi Agreement in concurrence with the State Constituent Assembly. 98 other articles of the Indian Constitution were extended to the state of Jammu and Kashmir by this order.

1960

The Election Commission of India and the Supreme Court extended their jurisdiction over the state of Jammu and Kashmir through a modification in its constitution.

1966

A revival of demand for a plebiscite in the region is seen. To put these incessant demands to rest, the then Prime Minister of India, Indira Gandhi, along with Sheikh Abdullah, signs the Indira-Sheikh Accord, re-emphasising the authority of Article 370. Several people have accused Sheikh of giving up Kashmir's demand for a referendum in lieu of his own gains to become a CM, as he eventually did in the year 1975.

2019

Article 370 is revoked and Jammu and Kashmir is integrated into India as a Union Territory.

Article 370 is the basis of J&K's official accession to India and of it forming an official Indian state. Drafted in 1949, it falls under part XXI of the Indian constitution that incorporates "temporary, transitional, and special provisions", providing the state with a special autonomous status. A 'temporary provision' that became indefinite, let's take a look at what it means.

It exempts the state of J&K from the Indian constitution:

Everything that the Indian constitution upholds is applied to all the other Indian states completely except J&K. Only Article 35A (describing J&K as an official Indian state) and the provisions of this Article are applicable to Jammu and Kashmir. This state has been given the authority to form its own independent constitution to govern itself.

Centre's limited jurisdiction: The central government can only

intervene in issues pertaining to foreign affairs, defence and communication in the state of J&K. The limitation was set by the Instrument of Accession (IoA) as signed by Maharaja Hari Singh, the then ruler of J&K, in 1947, when he was consented to join the Indian side.

Concurrence: The Parliament, in order to extend any other con-

stitutional powers except the ones already mentioned, requires a concurrence with the state government. The state government has the authority to give 'concurrence' only until the State Constituent Assembly is convened. And with the dispersal of the State Assembly in 1956, the only source to provide the central government with more powers completely vanished. But this really did not stop the extension of provisions to the state.

State flag: The state of J&K has all the rights to have their own flag along with the union flag but their flag in no way is supposed to be rival of the Indian flag. The Indian flag should be looked at with the same amount of reverence and respect.

Separate laws: The people of Jammu and Kashmir have a separate set of laws regarding the subjects of citizenship, property rights, fundamental rights and various other issues. So, the citizens of other Indian states are debarred from owning land or property in J&K. Also the people of J&K have only a few fundamental rights for themselves, unlike other Indians.

The state of emergency: The Centre is

given no rights to declare financial emergency as per Article 360 (President on being fully satisfied that a situation is threatening the financial credibility of the nation or of any part of the territory can declare emergency). Emergency can only be declared on the issues of external aggression or war. The President cannot declare emergency on matters of internal disturbance or imminent danger unless the state government requests or agrees to it.

Presidential order:

President of India has all the rights to annul Article 370 at any time or to declare it as being in function from any such date that he may specify on the condition that it gets a prior recommendation from the State's Constituent Assembly.

According to US-EPA, a whopping 0.26 gallons of water is used to irrigate just one calorie of food.



Water scarcity

Monk who lost his calf



Storywala

Ishika Jain, AIS Noida, X

Long time ago, a monk lived near the Kaveri delta. People from distant places called him to conduct rituals. One day, the monk was returning home after a *yagya* at a rich merchant's house. The merchant had donated a calf in return of his services. Since the journey was long and tiring, the monk

decided to carry the calf on his shoulders. A group of three robbers saw the monk coming from afar. When they saw the monk with a calf on his shoulder, they knew that it was going to be an easy day with a big catch. First robber approached the monk and said with respect, "O monk, I mean no disrespect, but carrying that foul beast of burden on your shoulders is not suitable

for a man of your stature." "I do not understand what do you mean by that," replied the monk, slightly concerned. "I refer to the donkey that you carry on your shoulders." "That is a young calf and if you'll excuse me I need to go," said the annoyed monk and walked away, shaking his head as he did. As he walked further on, the second robber approached him and

When they saw the monk with a calf on his shoulder, they knew that it was going to be an easy day with a big catch

with apprehension in his voice, said to him, "O respected monk, I mean no disrespect, but carrying around a dead goat seems to low for a man of your caliber." "That is a young calf, if you will bother looking closely enough," said the monk, with a hint of irritation and concern. He started walking briskly then. As he was lost in his worried thoughts, the third robber approached him with a horrified expression and exclaimed, "O respected monk, I mean no disrespect, but carrying a carcass on your shoulders! Tch tch tch." "This wretched calf must be cursed!" the monk yelled out as he threw the calf on the ground and started walking away from it in fear. The robbers quickly grabbed the calf and went away, all the while guffawing about the poor, scared superstitious monk.



Srusti with coffee cups

Coffee cups

Srusti Mishra, AIS Gurugram 46, X

Ingredients

Water	2 ¼ cup
Cocoa powder	3 tbsps
Butter	2 tbsps
Milk	¼ cup
Sweetened condensed milk	1 tin (400g)
Coffee powder	1 tbsps
Semolina	3 tbsps
Cooking oil	for greasing

Method

- Take three fourth of the condensed milk, coffee powder, two cups of water and semolina in a cooking pot.
- Stir continuously and cook it on medium flame for a few minutes, until the mixture thickens.
- Grease the muffin moulds with oil and pour the mixture into them. Leave it until it cools down and sets.
- Now in a separate cooking pot, pour the remaining milk and water. Add cocoa to it and cook on medium flame till it gains a smooth consistency.
- Add the remaining condensed milk and butter to the mix. Cook over medium flame till it thickens.
- Unmould the coffee cups and pour sauce over them. Serve hot.

Tongue twisters

- Fuzzy Wuzzy was a bear. Fuzzy Wuzzy had no hair. Fuzzy Wuzzy wasn't fuzzy, was he?
- The thirty-three thieves thought that they thrilled the throne throughout Thursday
- Six sick hicks nick six slick bricks with picks and sticks
- Wayne went to wales to watch walrus
- A big black bear sat on a big black rug
- Near an ear, a nearer ear, a nearly eerie ear
- I thought I thought of thinking of thanking you
- If a dog chews shoes, whose shoes does he choose?
- I slit the sheet, the sheet I slit, and on the slitted sheet I sit
- Can you can a can as a canner can a can?
- Which wristwatches are Swiss wristwatches?
- Fred fed Ted bread, and Ted fed Fred bread
- Lesser leather never weathered wetter weather better
- When you write copy you have the right to copyright the copy you write

WORDS VERSE

Free India!

Smiksha Dubey
AIS Noida, X K

Patriotic spirits were again risen
Hail, fighters who went to prison

It was because of their precision
We achieved this great position

Gandhiji's ahinsa led our way
Bhagat Singh saved the day

Netaji made the British repay
Naidu's women had their say

Selfless jawans sacrificed lives
Leaving behind their wives

In the heart patriotism survives
Due to the defense, India thrives

Songs, competitions and parades
Our traditions beyond decades

Airplanes painting in tricolour



Emotions like these never fade

72 years of being without worry
Proudly living in this country

Flowing in our veins is bravery
India is free, astray is slavery

Exeunt

Deeksha Puri, AIS PV, XII F

The pale street lights dimmed
Flickering in rhythm to my steps
The noise of each car horn
Seeming to dissipate in distance

As I walk along the lonely road
Towards what seemed like a void
The thought of numbing defeat
Engulfing my being to the core

As tears trickle down my cheeks
Memories flash in front of me
Telling me things that I feared
Telling me to fight, to move



As if happiness was a lost name
Of that of my forgotten father
Once vibrant, now defeated
Slows me down, turns me back

Into the splendid old life
That I almost left behind
And towards a new one
For my family, I would try

Read Play and Win

Reading your favourite GT can fetch you a prize too. Complete all the boxes below. Click a picture and send it to editor@theglobaltimes.in or submit it to your GT Teacher Coordinator. 3 lucky winners will win a prize every week!



Q: Which school won the Green Mentors Guild Award? Ans:	Q: Who has featured in the 'Its me' column on page 9? Ans:	Q: How many miles does a woman walk to collect water in Africa and Asia? Ans:
Q: On which page, the article 'Literally scientific' is published? Ans:	Q: Who is the author of the article 'The readers of the world'? Ans:	Q: What post does Ms Neelu Suneja hold at Blind Relief Association, Delhi? Ans:
Q: Which restaurant has been inaugurated in Bangalore recently? Ans:	Q: Who has been interviewed on page 1? Ans:	Q: Where is the Delhi Theatre Festival taking place? Ans:

Name: Class: School:

Results of 76: Jahnvi Naer, AIS Gur 43, IX B, Aahana Singhal, AIS Noida, IV F, Aaryan Pradhan, AIS G 46, IX B

Sumirna Koul
AIS Vas 6, XII F
BRUSH 'n' EASEL





By 2030, 700 million people world-wide could be displaced due to acute water scarcity says the UN-Water.

The power of resilience

Wisdom tale



Kanishka Sharma
AIS Gur 43, VII

It was mid-June. Everyone in the village was looking forward to the monsoons including Ramu, a poor farmer and his wife Sheela, a housemaid. After all, monsoon was the only time when their crops received water in abundance. As expected, it rained very heavily. Ramu and Sheela could not control their excitement. They were so happy that they started dancing and singing in the rain. But

their joy vanished into thin air, the minute they returned home. Their entire house was flooded. Their hut was leaking from every spot as their roof was tampered at several places. All their belongings were soaked in water. They tried hard to put all their clothes and other things in the tiny dry spots of the hut. To make matters worse, their little girl whom they had left behind had also got drenched because of the leaking roof, and was taken ill. They made drain outlets for the water to go out but the damage

was already done. Their baby girl too was not showing any signs of recovery. But Ramu and Sheela were not the ones to give up. They continued to work hard and prayed to God every day, hoping things would become better soon. Sheela would go with her husband to the fields every morning and then go to work as a maid in the evening. She would return around one o'clock and get busy making food for the next day getting only a few hours of sleep. They took turns watching their daughter,

All their belongings were wet. They tried hard to put all their clothes and other things in the tiny dry spots of the hut.

and soon her health improved. But they still needed money to build a roof over their head and pay off their medical bills. All their hard work came to fruition one day when Ramu found a metallic box full of antique coins while digging the field. Ramu gave it to Sheela, who showed it to Ms Verma, her employer. Ms Verma was a very kind lady and helped Sheela sell them in the market at a fairly high price. Ramu and Sheela now had a lot of money. To add to the joy, they had a bountiful crop that year which Ramu sold at great profits. Their daughter too recovered and started going to school. Soon, their family became the richest and the most respected family in the village as they used their money to help other people in need. But even after all this they remained honest and God fearing, believing in working hard for what they want. 🇮🇳

So what did you learn today?
We should never give up.

POEM

Article

Vaari K, AIS Noida, VII C

By our PM who always shines

Making Kashmir a part of India Is the biggest achieved goal Kashmir, the crown of India Is back in its truest soul

The Kashmiris are now free No restrictions, no ropes tied Every person is democratic Every adult and every child

Constitution was given respect Without questions and doubts Removing 370 is accepted By every person in the house

India has time and again proved Enemies have to drop weapons It was never scared or afraid And can never be threatened

Finally, India has increased Seven Union Territories to nine This has only been possible

Our PM is making all the efforts To make motherland terror-free Everybody in country can enjoy

A life of pure bliss and glee

May our PM live a life

Which is healthy and long Because he is the only one Who makes India strong! 🇮🇳



Riddle Fiddle

Alana Jaiswal
AIS MV, IV

1. What is lighter than a feather, but even the world's strongest man cannot hold it for long?
2. How can you write 'cow' using thirteen letters?
3. What has one eye but cannot see?
4. David's father has four sons- Snap, Crackle, Flip. What is the name of the fourth son?
5. What room do ghosts avoid?
6. The more you take, the more you tend to leave behind. What am I?

Answers: 1. Your breath
2. See o double you 3. Needle
4. David 5. The living room
6. Footsteps

It's Me



Hey friends! You think you know me?

My name: Akshi Jain
My school: AIS Vasundhara Sec 1
My class: KG
My birthday: July 30

Do you know my choices?

I like: To dance on peppy songs
I dislike: Lizards
My hobbies: Dancing and colouring

My role model: My grandfather
My best friends: Kiana and Yana

Do you know my favourites?

My favourite book: Peppa Pig
My favourite game: Tangrams
My favourite mall: DLF Mall of India
My favourite food: Rajma rice
My favourite teachers: Promila ma'am and Tripti ma'am
My favourite poem: My sweet school
My favourite subject: English

Do you know about my dreams and future ambitions?

I want to become: Good Samaritan with high moral values
I want to feature in GT because: I want to become an active, smart and popular Amitian.

Now, you know me better than before! Bye friends!



Jewellery box

Vedanshi Bhushan, AIS Vas 6, II C

Material required



Procedure

For the casket

- Cut out four 7.0*14.0cm rectangular sections from a cardboard.
- Arrange these four pieces next to each other length wise.
- Secure the lengths of two adjacent pieces using tape. (as show in fig.)
- Make note that the cardboard pieces need to be secured to each other in such a way that the cardboard can be folded at the lengths, each length becoming the edge of a foldable box.
- Cover the cardboard with a wrapping paper.
- You can decorate the exterior of the casket using stones.



For the lids

- Cut a 32cm long strip from the cardboard.
- Make marking along the strip at every 8 cm.
- Fold the strip along each of these markings.
- Secure both the ends of the strip using tape.
- The resultant piece will look like a hollow square forming the edges of the lid.
- Now cut a square cardboard piece of 8*8 cm.
- Stick the edges of the lid that you have created on this cardboard square. This will become the lid of the casket.
- Make another lid using the same process.
- Cover both the lids using the same metallic wrapping paper.
- You can decorate the upper one with a tassel.



For the boxes inside

- Cut out a square from the cardboard measuring 7*7 cm.
- Cut a cardboard strip of 28*3.5 cm.
- Mark along the strip at every 7 cm.
- Fold the strip along these markings.
- Secure the ends of the strip using tape.
- The resultant piece will look like a hollow square forming the edges of the box.
- Stick the edges onto the big cardboard square. Your box is ready.
- Now you can cover the box with any decorative paper.
- Decorate it using beads/ribbons and create three such boxes.

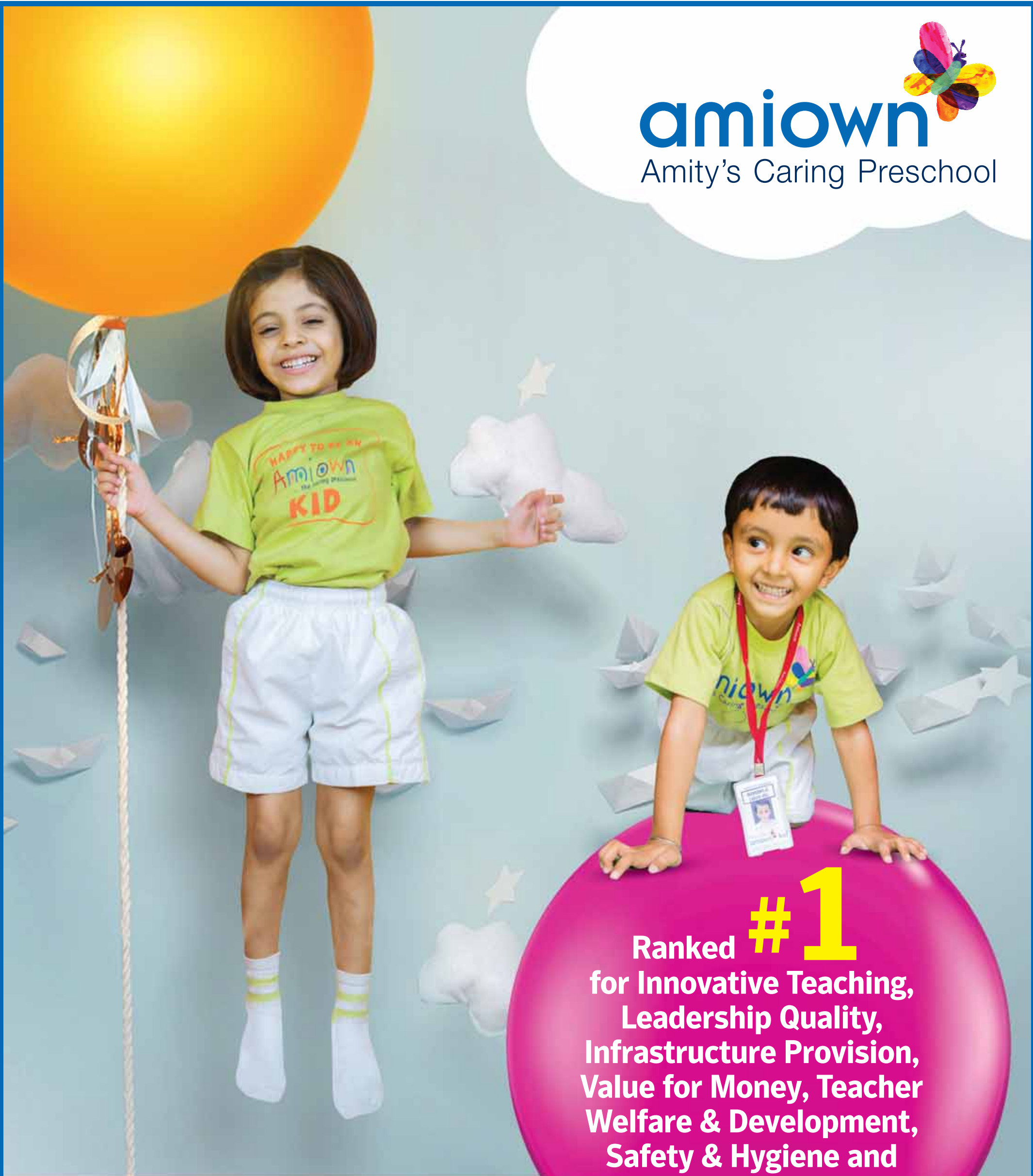


Putting it together

- Now look at your casket as a large cardboard with four verticals, each side representing one vertical.
- Secure one box right near the top edge of the first vertical using adhesive.
- Paste the next box 3.5cm away from the upper edge of the second vertical.
- Paste the third box 7cm away from the upper edge of the third vertical.
- Paste the last box right near the bottom edge of the fourth vertical.
- You will notice that you have placed the boxes in a diagonal manner.
- Start folding the casket along its edges so that they cascade into one another becoming one long box, with four boxes inside.
- Place your jewellery in the boxes and close the casket with the lids. Voila! Your casket is ready.



The casket of love was created by Vedanshi on the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, with the help of her parents, for her loving brother. Undoubtedly, the brother could not help rejoicing over the gift and the sister.



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Computing champs

Amitians Make IT Right And Shine Bright

Amitians shone bright at the national finals of 9th edition of *Compudon 2019 India's first ever official championship for evaluating proficiency in 'most-in-demand' MS office application skills like MS Word, MS Excel and MS PowerPoint organised by Cyber-learning every year.

Winners of the champions award in various categories were announced- Varenayam Bharadwaj (XII) AIS Gurugram 46 for PowerPoint 2016, Hargun Sodhi (X) AIS Noida in Word 2016 and Mihir Tripathi (XII) AIS Vasund-

hara 6 for Excel 2016. They were felicitated with a gold medal, trophy and a certificate. Saksham Sharma (XII) AIS Vasundhara 6 bagged second runners up award for Excel 2016 and was awarded a bronze medal, trophy and a certificate.

A total of 20 students (5 from AIS Gurugram 46, 11 from AIS Vasundhara 6 and 4 from AIS Noida) from different branches of Amity Group of Schools Delhi/NCR had qualified for the national finals of the championship held on June 2, 2019.

*Compudon-It is a platform for

students to showcase their proficiency in using key Microsoft Office Applications. With partnership with Microsoft India for awarding professional certifications it is a gateway to the 'Microsoft Office Specialist India and World Championships' in which eligible students from all the states of India compete for the title of 'India Champions'. And up to 6 winners then, represent India at the '2019 Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship' held at the world famous 'Marriott, Times Square', New York, USA. [GFI](#)

Spelleratti

AIS Vasundhara 6

School held its annual inter school spelling competition Spelleratti on August 2, 2019. Total 35 schools of Delhi / NCR participated in the competition. DPS won the first place and AIS Saket bagged the second position. Competition was divided into rounds like glossophilia, spell scan, spot n spy, match maker, humble the jumble, reader's rhyme, musical musings and fast & furious. [GFI](#)



School principal Sunila Athley with winners



School principal Sunila Athley with team Dharashakti

Inspiring Climate Award For Environment We Stand

AIS Vasundhara 6

The Youth Power team Dharashakti received 'The Inspiring Climate School Award-2019' by the *Green Mentors Guild for their efforts and community outreach programmes to promote environmental awareness. Through school based activities, awareness campaigns, social networking and collaborating with local administration throughout the year, the team has been able to

bring about a major transformation in the ecology of the areas nearby their school and localities. Their efforts were deeply appreciated by eminent personalities like General VK Singh (Retd), MP, Ghaziabad; Ritu Maheshwari, DM, Ghaziabad; Pankaj Pandey, DIOS and Asha Sharma, Mayor, Ghaziabad.

*Green Mentors Guild is a network of university vice-chancellors, environmentalists and network of green school principals, trainers & educators. [GFI](#)

Robotronics A Fest For The Best Robot

AIS Gurugram 46

The school organised its 6th edition of Robotronics - an inter school robotech championship on July 26, 2019. The competition, an initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson Amity Group of Schools and RBEF focuses on providing children with an opportunity to showcase their skill in the field of technology and the construction of robots.

The event commenced with the lamp lighting ceremony by esteemed dignitaries and welcome of guests by school principal Arti Chopra. Garima Babbar, head, programmes, education and skill development, Adobe, graced the event as chief guest as well as jury member for the competition. The competition saw 20 teams from different schools of Delhi/NCR take part in it. Children took part in many competitions like movie making,



Participants put their robots to test during the competition

Vivacity (flash movie), Creation D'affiches (Photoshop), Espresso (group discussion), Weev (web development), Surprise, Ideatech, Logomania, Cryptic Hunt (online), junior robotics and senior robotics, etc.

Amitians shone bright with AIS Gurugram 43 bagging the overall trophy. All the first three positions in the events as senior robotics, Vivacity and movie making were also bagged by different branches of AIS. [GFI](#)



Young children prepare tricolour dishes to celebrate freedom

Independence day Let's Celebrate Freedom

AIS Jagdishpur

School celebrated independence week from August 6-9, 2019 during which students from Class Nursery-XII engaged in myriad activities. The entire school was bedecked with tricolour flags, rangolis and various artworks created by students. Tiny tots of Class Nursery and KG presented

patriotic songs and took part in competitions like face painting, and fancy dress. Children of Class IV-V gave speech on 'Mere sapno ka bharat' and made tricolour dishes. Class III students wrote about 'Woman leader who inspires you' while students of Class IX-XII participated in competitions like poster making, rangoli making, doodle art and street play. [GFI](#)

Dialogue for peace

Mentoring Global Ambassadors @ MUN

AIS Gurugram 46

The school organised its 11th AMIGMUN from July 30-31, 2019. The annual event, envisioned by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF aims to nurture leadership skills and sensitivity toward global issues in Amitians. The opening ceremony of the conference was graced by Prem Lata, district education officer, Gurugram, as the chief guest. Secretary General, Ayan Gupta introduced the executive board and declared the conference open for deliberation.

The conference saw over 400 delegates representing 150 countries to discuss global issues in seven committees namely UN General Assembly, JCC World War II Cabinet, High Level Panel on UN Reforms, Asiatic Cooperation Di-



Young diplomats of AIS Gur 46 discuss agenda during MUN

logue, ECOSOC, UN Security Council and Lok Sabha.

The agendas discussed ranged from issues such as preventing transnational security threats with emphasis on terrorism, post conflict reconstruction with emphasis on South Sudan, review of the UN framework with respect to international peace and security to developments in the South China sea, human rights and state sov-

ereignty in aAsian region, reviewing conduction of elections in India and critical analysis of citizenship laws in India. The conference concluded with awards like Best Delegate, Special Mention, High Commendation, Best Co-editor, Best Cartoonist, Best Photographer, Best Reporter and Best Conference staff being conferred upon the young diplomats of tomorrow. [GFI](#)



Executive board members of AMVMUN 2019

AIS Mayur Vihar

Alina Ahmad, IX A & Yashaswini Sharma, IX B AIS Mayur Vihar

The 11th edition of AMVMUN 2019 was organised by the school on August 7, 2019. The conference commenced with address by school principal Meenu Kanwar and Laxmi Sinha, Chef De Cab-

inet. Secretary General, Sagar Munshi (XII) introduced the executive board and declared the MUN open by hitting the gavel. A total of five committees namely Historic General Assembly, UNHRC, UNSC, Lok Sabha and Marvel vs DC deliberated on various issues.

The main agendas discussed during the conference revolved around various topics on the situation in Russia and Ukraine,

situation of refugees, IDPs and women in post conflict and live conflict regions, right to self determination with emphasis on Palestine, reservation policy and continuous crisis.

The conference concluded with awards like Best Delegate, High Commendation, Special Mention being given to the best performing students and the closing ceremony declaration made by Secretary General. [GFI](#)



A 'fairway' to victory

A Young Star Of Amity Who Is Golfing His Way To Glory

Khushi Saxena
AIS Noida, XII I

It may just be a sport for the business world, but for thirteen-year-old Sukhman Singh, also India's no. 1 golf player in under-13 category, the green golf course is his battleground, where he has won over the game of golf. Learning and respecting the game started even before he could make sense of the world, and he is not planning to waste his skills, which are imbued in his blood. This is the story of **Sukhman Singh**, a student of **AIS Noida** who has scored many holes and won many hearts with his passion and dedication towards the sport of golf.

The 'Wood' of a beginner

Young Sukhman was brought up in a family where no generation had been left untouched from the magic of golf. With his father being a pro player himself, Sukhman was taken to the greens at a very early age. "I had visited



Sukhman at Golf Championship

the golf course with my father at the age of 5. I was so inspired watching him play, that it ignited the passion for golf within me. Within the next two years, I had started my own golf training."

The 'Tee' of a fast learner

Sukhman was an extremely fast learner, which is attested by his coach and mentor, Shri Dharmendra, who has been working with him since 2014 and has been his backbone in all the tournaments he



Young golfer with his trophy

has won at different levels. But Sukhman is twice as lucky, as he found a second mentor in his father. "My father is a great golfer and also one of the most inspiring figures in my life. I've so much to learn from him. I absolutely admire his intelligence and his ability to balance his game and work, and that is a skill I believe I have inherited from him."

The 'Putt' of an all-rounder

Sukhman is not just a pro at his game, but has touched new heights as a student with his consistent excellent academic performance. With a score of 90% in Class VII, Sukhman is on an all-new high.

"Initially, when I started training, I was very apprehensive that I will not be able to cope up with my studies and training together. But with the constant support of my school, my respected teachers and my family, I have been able to strike a balance and divide my time equally between my studies and my golf training, and therefore have been able to excel in both."

The 'Hole-in-one' of a champion

With more than 12 national tournaments to his credit, Sukhman is undoubtedly the pride and hope of our nation. He is an ace golfer with a goal and is a favourite amongst his teachers, classmates and friends, who believe that he is only made to achieve bigger and better things in life and he works hard for it. His dream of becoming a full-time professional golfer is definitely not too far.

Pic: Ravinder Gusain, GT Network

That's all, folks

Science Is Everywhere But Logic Is Nowhere



Vinayak Gupta
AIS Gurugram 43, XI A

If Rohit Shetty and Einstein were to be put in the same room, all hell would break loose. He would have been booked for his flying cars and floating in the air heroes. But, perhaps, it's not Mr Shetty's fault entirely. The way we turn out as adults is often a result of our childhood. And perhaps Mr Shetty's childhood was bereft of science, or maybe he grew up watching these cartoons.

The Road Runner

Coyote runs off a cliff, continues to run in air, and doesn't fall until he looks down and waves his viewers a proper goodbye. And just at the same time, he bids adieu to gravity. On

other occasions, Coyote swings a pendulum towards the road runner, which, instead of swinging to equal heights on both sides, completes a full circle and falls on Coyote's head. Never mind, the law of science that says that a pendulum swings from side to side at equal lengths.

Tom and Jerry

How we love the troublesome two chasing each other, whilst chasing away scientific principles. When a solid object like a safe or a piano falls (only on Tom's head), Tom ends up inside it, without damaging the object or its base. That's teleportation! Sometimes, even Tom can shape shift when objects fall on him and heal back just by shaking his head! Only if medical science was just as advanced.

And how can we forget that as Jerry smells while sleeping, he starts flying in air towards the source and wakes up in front of it, ready for a delicious meal. Smells of no logic, eh?

Bugs Bunny

This one sure bugs the hell out of scientists. Whenever Bugs falls from great heights, he decelerates in air by skidding just like we do on the ground and yet manages a soft landing. What really takes the cake (and also any shred of sense) is how Bugs stands on a plank, and Yosemite Sam (the hunter) cuts the plank from a stable platform. The platform collapses but Bugs remains suspended in midair. He even admits breaking the laws of gravity, but excuses himself by saying that he never studied the laws!

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GT Travels to France



Shreyansh Kar, AIS Vas 1, III B, poses with his copy of The Global Times in front of Orsay Museum of Paris. The Orsay Museum or the Musee d'Orsay is known for its elegant academic architectural style and wonderful collection of impressionist and post impressionist masterpieces.

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