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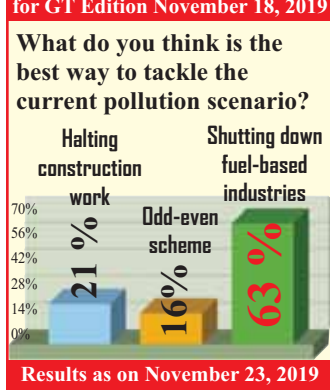


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Do you think ICC's idea to conduct pink ball day-night test matches will be a successful experiment?
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Over & Around Us, Bad Air Surrounds Us, Because It's Time For...

Yashika Aneja, GT Network

This time, every year, as the sky adorns itself in hues of yellow and black, people in most metropolitan Indian cities are bludgeoned into wearing respiratory masks. As air mixes up with its neighbouring dust particles, nobody on earth welcomes this budding camaraderie, for it gives birth to what is called smog - an intense type of air pollution. Delhi has seen and experienced the worst of this demon. Along with the mainstay of pollutants, the capital region also gets severely affected by stubble burning in the nearby states of Punjab and Haryana. The result - Indian capital has the highest level of airborne particulate matter, PM 2.5, considered most harmful. While the smog takes everyone in its deathly grip, there are some that remain more vulnerable.

The smog APOCALYPSE

twinkling stars in the sky.”
Bhagwati Devi, Grandmother of Ayushi Goel, AIS Gur 43, XI C

The ones who cannot breathe
 “Smog contains dust particles and toxic smoke that aggravate my asthma. It makes breathing difficult for me, especially at

night while sleeping. After my asthma worsens, I normally catch cold too. My chest feels congested and heavy due to which I wheeze excessively. It renders me incapable to focus on my classes and I am forced to stay indoors to avoid any further worsening of my condition. I have to nebulise after every four hours and use my

asthma pump regularly.”
Rakshan Saini, AIS PV, Alumnus

The ones breathing in life
 “Recently there have been rise in the number of reported cases of birth defects, still-birth, intrauterine growth retardation and low birthweight. And pollution is directly related to lack of oxygen which is bound to impact the health of any person, especially pregnant women. For the same, there is a lot of study going on in this field to find out whether there is any direct relation between pollution and childbirth.”

Dr Sushmita
 Chief Medical Officer, MCD

The ones with passion at stake
 “This toxic environment has a negative effect on everyone, including us athletes. I have not been able to do my aerobics training because, when I wear a mask during training, it becomes difficult for me to breathe properly, resulting in an early exhaustion. I just hope this smog scourge does not tear down my performance level further.”

Bhavana Sunkara
 AIS Gur 43, XI B

The ones with livelihood at stake

“We own a stationery shop in Delhi. Being stationed alongside a road, this sudden bout of smog has been causing a lot of problems for us. There were days when we couldn't even breathe properly. However, running a self-owned business, we had no option but to reach the shop despite all the dangers. We even incurred a few losses. We had lesser customers and even lost some of our regulars, who came by each week.”

Parents of Yash Kumar
 AIS Noida, Alumnus

Time, tide and smog spares none, not even the likes of you.

The ones who are young

“Smog has affected my routine as a student tremendously. Due to the schools being shut for a few days, the time table for our preboard exams got revised, leading to a lot of confusion. Commuting for coaching classes or even going out to shop some basic items like milk, pens, registers etc., has become a toilsome task. Air masks do help but not completely. It all just feels like a nightmare.”

Vidhi Batra, AIS Noida, XII H

The ones who are old

“I never miss my morning and evening walks. But I have been unable to do so for the past few days, because of the toxic air. I have developed an eye infection due to smog and have been advised to remain indoors. As a child, the starry sky at night used to fascinate me but when I look at the night sky now, all I can see is a pitch-black night devoid of



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When Amity met Smart Tech

Welcoming The Era Of Internet Of Things With Open Arms & Plugged Computers



Thomas Zuo, CEO, Wellgreen Technology Inc.

Shivika Dudani
 AIS Pushp Vihar, XI A

Like every academic year in Amity, 2018-19 also brought numerous achievements with it. Amities exhibited spectacular performance in Class X and XII CBSE Examinations, for which they were not only acknowledged by the honourable Chairperson Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan but also by the CEO of Wellgreen Technology Inc., Thomas Zuo, at the Felicitation Ceremony held at Amity University, Noida. Grabbing this opportunity, GT reporter indulged in an insightful tête-à-tête with him.

What do you think are the 5 fundamental qualities of a good CEO?

A good CEO must, first and foremost, possess a very

strategic foresight so that s/he can plan a course of action for everyone to follow. He should be amiable, while also being in command of his actions and be responsible for his decisions at all times. Since, we at Wellgreen make a lot of investments in technology and innovation, creativity in a leader is a requisite. Last but certainly not the least, a good CEO should lead by example for all to take cue from.

Enlighten us about the IoT industry.
 It's been almost 10 years now that I have been in the IoT industry. I have seen big changes taking place every day, for technology demands innovation. From internet to mobile internet, we have come a long way. And now is the right time for what we call the Internet of Things. IoT along with AI (Artificial Intelligence), which is getting stronger day by day, is the core technology that will form the future.

The world has become smart with smart offices, homes, appliances etc. With technology wrapping our lives, how do you propose to make smart tech sustainable and eco-friendly?
 Human habits have changed a lot in the

Pic: Ravinder Gusain, GT Network



Thomas Zuo with GT reporter

past 20-30 years. People today are more attracted towards innovation. Also, different people have different notions of this change. The smart technologies that we provide are customisable and configurable in order to meet such varying needs. Not just this, it also looks after the changing environmental conditions. For instance, both India and China are getting majorly polluted today and in order to cope up with it, smart technology provides solutions like air purifiers. Our motor control lighting systems are energy efficient too, keeping up with all the facets of sustainable development.

How should industry and education sector partner to make the young generation industry-ready?

Institutions like Amity play a very important role by educating and grooming students towards a better future. The industrial sector must cooperate with such educational institutions to provide students with better opportunities. We can set up laboratories or showrooms for students to enhance their interest in technology and simultaneously make them work-ready through practice.

We at Amity feel honoured with your presence; how will you describe your experience here?

It is an honour for me, too. I am impressed to see Dr Ashok K Chauhan and his family put in a lot of time and energy in educating students. It is this earnest effort that makes Amity Group of Schools one of the best in India. With schools like Amity and a great IT background, India certainly stands a chance to pace its growth and fulfill PM Narendra Modi's vision of a new innovative India.

Wellgreen Technology is a China-based software firm that provides IoT system integration for smart homes, communities, hotels, buildings and cities.

With less than 4000 in number, lion-tailed macaque is one of the most endangered species around the globe.



Macaque facts

India this week

Yasmin Tandon, AIS Pushp Vihar, X A

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.



Sabarimala review deferred

News: A review petition on the Sabarimala issue on allowing women below 50 years or of menstruating age to enter the shrine, has been referred to a larger seven-judge bench by the Supreme Court. Last year, SC had passed a verdict, allowing women to enter the temple which caused a ruckus in the region. However, going by their tradition, this year also, the temple authorities turned female devotees away.

Views: The very issue goes against the tenets of an equal society. On one hand, we are fighting for equal rights for women, on the other, the decision on whether women be allowed in a temple has been deferred. While the temple has been known to be run with certain beliefs and rituals, it is erroneous to have women denied the right to worship.

Tanmay Rai Nanda, AIS Pushp Vihar, X C



JNU students protest fee hike

News: The students of JNU recently took to streets after a substantial fee hike which included a new service fee and the hostel fee increasing over ten times. Additionally, a new curfew and dress code were also introduced. Following the protests, a decision to roll back fee hike for BPL students was made by the Executive Council.

Views: The protests have put spotlight on the 150% hike, but what has been conveniently missed is the fact that despite the hike, it still stands 300 INR and 600 INR for double and single occupancy rooms respectively. This is still lesser than most govt institutions. The concerned authorities need to inform the public about factors that are responsible for cost of higher education. This will help public know that the current structure is not sustainable.

Garima Dhingra, AIS PV, PGT English

Air India and BPCL to be sold off

News: In the wake of economy slowing down, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman has said that Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and Air India would be sold off by March 2020. Both the state-run companies are in deep debt and their sale would help the government raise over one lakh crore in the current fiscal year.

Views: Air India and Bharat Petroleum were to be the assets of the Indian economy and facilitate India to maintain its economic sovereignty. However, these companies have rather turned into liabilities. To prevent an expected drop in the GDP, disinvestment in these companies seems to be a logical and smart alternative. I hope unlike last year, the government gets a good response from investors this time.

Saanvi Vaish, AIS Pushp Vihar, XI C



Bonus to farmers who didn't burn stubble

News: To keep the practice of burning crop stubble at bay, Punjab government has decided to provide an amount of 2500 INR per acre to the farmers for managing stubble without fire. The amount will be directly transferred to the farmer's account. Chief minister of Punjab, Captain Amarinder Singh urged the center to provide for a separate bonus to farmers who didn't resort to burning stubble.

Views: Despite the government imposing a ban and heavy fines on stubble burning, this year too, saw a lot of farmers across Punjab and Haryana indulge in the same. One of the reasons for the same is that many farmers lack adequate equipment to remove stubble, and also the same remains a time consuming process. In such a situation offering the farmers incentives can prove to be a great step.

Navya Nayer, AIS Pushp Vihar, X F

Around The WORLD

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



IRAN

Protests erupt post fuel hike

The government's new fuel policy to hike fuel prices by 50% has led to violent protests in the country. At least 36 people have died due to the Iranian security forces firing tear gas to disperse the protesters in Martyr's square. Iran's economy has been badly affected by the re-imposition of US sanctions last year after US President Donald Trump unilaterally backed out of the 2015 nuclear deal with Tehran.

UK

Royal dress up for auction

A blue velvet gown belonging to Princess Diana has been put up for sale by Kerry Taylor Auctions for an auction to be held on December 9. The dress which is estimated at 250,000 euros-350,000 euros, was worn by Princess Diana on November 9, 1985 when she, along with husband Prince Charles, attended a state dinner hosted by the then president Ronald Reagan.



ITALY

Archeological crime gang exposed

The Roman police forces successfully uncovered an international crime gang that broke into ancient sites in the country and trafficked stolen archaeological artefacts. The police conducted over 80 searches in various countries such as Serbia, France, Italy and arrested 23 people and retrieved approximately 10000 artefacts dating back to 4th and 5th century BC when Italy was connected to ancient Greek colonies.



PAKISTAN

Missile test launch successful

The country conducted a successful test launch of surface-to-surface ballistic missile named Shaheen-1. Capable of delivering all types of warheads up to a range of 650 km, it was launched as part of the training exercise to test the operational efficiency and preparedness of Army Strategy Forces Command.



INDIA

Historic pink ball test series begins

Eden Garden hosted the first ever pink-ball day night test match between India and Bangladesh. The match, which will see the two teams playing with a pink ball, has garnered attention from all over the world. BCCI president Saurav Ganguly recently unveiled the mascots Pinku and Tinku for the historic event.



SRI LANKA

New president sworn in

Gotabaya Rajapaksa was recently elected as the newest president of the country after he won by a margin of 13 lakh votes against Sajith Premadasa. During his swearing-in ceremony, 70-year old Rajapaksa said that his country will maintain friendly ties with all nations. He also pledged to support the UN's sustainable development goals.

News Flash

► **Netherlands:** Greta Thunberg has been awarded International Children's Peace Prize for her campaign against climate change ► **England:** Prince Andrew steps down from royal duties over his association with Jeffrey Epstein



To quench their thirst, the lion-tailed macaques lick dew from leaves.

For the wandering souls

A Travelogue Of The Jobs That Will Take You Around The World

Aryaman Jain, AIS MV, Alumnus

Hey, you. Yes, it's you I'm talking to. The one who has pictures of the Northern lights, Eiffel Tower and even Pangong Lake on their walls, has the same scrapbook as the one in Yeh Jawani Hai Deewani and has planned their life already around all the vacations they will take in the midst of their lucrative high-paying jobs. But wait, is this your ideal life? To fulfill your wanderlust through your sick leaves? Well, why stay at the mercy of your bosses and shuffle your travel plans to suit your job, when you can have jobs that could be in alignment with your travel plans; jobs that help you travel and earn from it too. And no we aren't talking about air hostesses!

Interpreter

Language is easily the top skill you will need if you need to interact with people from different cultural backgrounds. Knowing a second language can open up a wide-range of opportunities. The most popular is one where all you need to do is understand and interact with people. It is the most famous yet underestimated job in the language department.

Qualifications: A diploma in your preferred language is good start.

Average salary: Between 4,00,000-4,50,000 per annum for a foreign language interpreter in India.

Au pair

If you are more than fluent in a foreign



language and also have a soft corner for kids, then being an au pair can work for you. All you need is to travel to a foreign country, take care of the kids for your host family, run small errands and basically stay with them. What better way to learn about a new culture than by staying closely with a family of that land?

Qualifications: Although no professional qualifications are required, yet having some experience in childcare is definitely a bonus!

Average salary: For an au pair working in the US, the average per month is roughly 200\$.

Cruise ship worker

Even if being stuck 40,000 ft in the air in-

side a metal tube is not your ideal job, but you are still into hospitality, why not do it on a cruise? You still get to hop from one beautiful country to another, live your life on a ship, and of course, the free food! You'll always be cruising through life!

Qualifications: A degree in hospitality will be appropriate if you want to serve in the restaurants aboard, otherwise it varies according to the company and job profile!

Average salary: In the hospitality department, a worker earns an average of 20,000\$ per annum.



Archaeologists

Traveling to remote regions to uncover artefacts and discover hidden places; the job of an archaeologist is as exciting as it

gets. Of course, you are not going to be the next Indiana Jones. In fact, most of the times, you will be cataloguing artifacts, writing reports and conducting research in an office. But at the same time, you will get a couple of months per year to explore new areas and conduct research.

Qualifications: A masters in archaeology or anthropology is a must.

Average salary: The annual compensation package starts from 5 lakh to 8 lakh per annum.

Now that you know some of the plausible career options for your wandering soul, you can go and pursue them without having to think of air tickets and accommodation expenses.  

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

Presents



Brainleaks-291 FOR CLASS VIII-X

The height of a cone is equal to its base diameter. Then slant height of the cone is

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 (b) $r\sqrt{5}$
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3 correct entries win attractive prizes

Ans. Brainleaks 290: (a)

Winner for Brainleaks 290

1. Shrutiya Chawla, AIS MV, X D
2. Arav Bansal, AIS Gur 43, VIII B
3. Shreeya Mittal, AIS Noida, XI N

Name:.....

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Send your answers to The Global Times, E-26, Defence Colony, New Delhi - 24 or e-mail your answers at brainleaks@theglobaltimes.in



Dr Ajay Rana signs the MoU

A tech revolution In Collaboration With ZTE

AUUP

On September 24, 2019, Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ZTE Telecom Company, with an aim for providing training and recruitment opportunities to students interested in pursuing a career in the field of electronics and telecommunications.

The MoU was signed by Dr Ajay Rana, senior vice president, Amity Education Group and director, Amity Institute of Information Technology and Yan Xiao, CEO-designate, ZTE Telecom India, in the presence of Ms Pooja Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Humanity Foundation and various other officials from ZTE Telecom Company and Amity universe. Welcoming the gathering, Ms Pooja Chauhan, expressed that it was a momentous occasion

as two organisations with similar visions joined hands in nurturing future professionals. As part of the agreement, the students will undergo certification programmes, wherein ZTE experts will provide 20-30 hours of training on 4G wireless, 5G wireless, virtual instrumentation and radio signals.

Dr Ajay Rana shared that the MoU was in sync with the vision of Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Education Group, to evolve with time in terms of innovation and to be up to date with an evolving world.

The event also saw Yan Xiao interacting with the budding professionals of Amity. He exclaimed that the world is about to see a new revolution in the field of technology and it is the right time for the youth to explore the opportunity and learn more advanced technology for career growth.

A new partnership

To Bridge The Gap Between Education and Employment

AUUP

On November 20, 2019, Amity University, announced its partnership with TCS iON, a strategic business unit of Tata Consultancy Services. Through their TCS iON Industry Honour Certification programme, Amity plans to equip over 1.75 lakh students with new-age industry skills in technology.

The TCS iON Industry Honour Certification is a first-of-its-kind 'phygital' learning program, that will transform university education globally and empower millions of students with new-age, future-ready skills to meet the needs of the industry. It aims to endow students with hands-on application skills in new-age technologies, in order to make them job ready.

Under this partnership, students of Amity University will be able to opt for courses in industry-trending domains like cloud computing, information security, nano-electronics, Internet of Things, robotics and embedded systems, deep learning and neural networks among others. The courses, curated in collaboration with industry experts and academia will enable students to hone their application skills by providing learning aids, such as lectures by industry specialists,



Members of Amity Education Group and Tata Consultancy at the event

expert communities, phygital labs, preparatory analytics, test kits and assessments.



The students can access the electives throughout the duration of their degree course; anytime, from anywhere, and on any device. On successful completion, students will receive globally verifiable certifications and opportunities for internships and jobs in the industry.

Announcing the new partnership, Dr Ajay Rana, senior vice president and advisor, Amity Education Group, said, "Partnering with TCS iON ensures that our students stay way ahead

of the industry curve and get 'frontier-edge' learning framework. We look forward to offering our students TCS iON's unique 'phygital' delivery model and their reputed Industry Honour Certification."

Venguswamy Ramaswamy, global head, TCS iON, said, "We are delighted to introduce this innovative learning construct at Amity University. The program reimagines the learning construct by seamlessly integrating energising content, industry mentors, academic experts and industry jobs within the phygital classroom. Amity has always been at

the forefront of adopting new technologies and this is yet another first. Our deep digital Ed-tech platforms along with Amity's prowess in learning pedagogy will create a significant impact on the faculty and students of Amity."

The partnership is in line with the vision of Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Education Group and Dr Atul Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University to offer education that meets the demands of the industry and bridges the gap between education and employment, so that students can carve a niche for themselves.  

Western ghats of southwestern India is the only natural habitat of lion-tailed macaque.



Macaque facts

Back in time

Here Is A List That Is Sure To Baffle You For Peculiar Reasons

Irina Srivastava, AIS Vasundhara 6, XII B

Sara was always intrigued by the stories that her grandpa narrated about the bygone days. She had always wished to go back in time, to see how it would have felt to be living in the era of her grandparents and great grandparents. The vinyl records emanating melodious music, the red coloured Bakelite telephone resting on the table. But wait, is that all? What about the many other things that made the past peculiar? Probably, Sara is in for a little surprise. Well, maybe, you are in for it, too!

Coca Cola – We believe water to be the most essential element for survival. But, for some people, it has been replaced by the ever favourite soft drink called Coca Cola. However, in early 19th century, its inventor Dr John Pemberton had actually made this drink as a brain and nerve tonic, given its ingredients- coca and kola nuts that helped combat anxiety, headaches and drug dependence (especially for morphinism). Seems like the drink just got all the more favourite!

Listerine – What if we tell you that, in earlier times, Listerine was resorted to as a tonic to cure diseases like Gonorrhoea? In the year 1879, Joseph Lawrence, the co-

founder of Johnson and Johnson, originally developed Listerine as an antiseptic that could be used during surgeries and bathing wounds. Over the years, it also became widespread as a floor cleaner

and has now come to be recognised as an anti-microbial mouthwash today. Turns out, Listerine is an all-rounder in every sense!

Lysol – ‘Harr maa ka bharosa’ sounds a bit overstated? Well, not anymore. This incredible acidic floor cleaner was consumed as a birth control syrup by American women in early 20th century, though highly ineffective. However, a phenol called ‘cresol’ present in the liquid lead to many cases of inflammations and death. Thus, Lysol brought down to being where it is now- the floor!

Silly Putty – Used as a popular toy amongst children nowadays, it would be amusing to hear that this squishy object served a greater purpose during World War II. Scientists were working on an inexpensive substitute for synthetic rubber. Engineer James Wright, who worked for US Production House, mixed silicone oil and boric acid and came up with the desired substance, that had a higher elastic durability and could withstand the enormous intensity of heat produced from jet engines. Who thought this essential discovery would eventually be known as Silly Putty!

Having dropped all her wishes to visit her grandparent’s era, Sara is a little bewildered. Wait, are you, too? 🤖

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It's different Mobile Phone Edition

Aditya Aeri, AIS Saket, X

There are so many things that have been integrated so deeply in our lives that we fail to think about them in a different light. For instance, cell phone brands will do just that, sell cell phones. But there’s a lot more they could do, too, if you look at them differently, or if they just run out of business someday.

NOKIA

At some point we’ve all wondered what Thor’s indestructible hammer was made of. Well, it was a Nokia 3310. Now, if you are limited by technology and all you can make a phone do is make calls, text and click photos, what quality can you flaunt? That’s right, its indestructibility. The day may not be far when we start seeing buildings being built with used Nokia phones. The tagline: “Got used to talking to a wall? Now, you can literally do that, with the all new Nokia- brick!”

SAMSUNG

How advanced can phones get? Ask Samsung. With so many features, they drain so much battery that Samsung should consider making nuclear reactors, because that seems to be the only plausible option to sustain these energy guzzling devices. And well, if that doesn’t work out, they can always make firecrackers for Diwali you know, with so many of their phones catching fire all of sudden. Just as too much sugar can make a person go crazy, too many features can make a phone feel like a bomb. Sometimes, literally!

APPLE

The CEO of Apple is apparently worried about company’s dipping sales. But doesn’t seem like they have anything to be worried about, for they can easily step into the telecommercial business. Why you may ask? Well, they are pretty good at making you believe that you need things that you don’t really need, and even go a step further in convincing you to spend an exorbitant amount for that same not-needed commodity. Don’t you remember – ‘This changes everything, ‘If it’s not an iPhone, it’s not an iPhone’ and even worse ‘What’s a computer?’ They’ll do pretty good at selling all things nonsense – pigeon shooer, shoe umbrella, umbrella wiper, wiper cleaner...you get the gist.

OPPO

So you spent over 50,000 bucks on the latest DSLR? Ha! People with Oppo still beat you, because no matter how many bad hair days you have and no matter the amount of junk food you eat and number of pimples you have, it will make you the best Instagram model out there. Oh, and it also tells you that you are 16, even if you are 40. About time they enter into the DSLR business. Your move, Cannon?

Not a bad throw

It Is All About Learning The Game And The Science Behind It

Naman Gupta, AIS Vas 1, X E

During most of the physical education classes in schools, it is common to watch our sport teachers scream at the top of their lungs about to why the cricket ball requires more effort to bounce than the tennis ball. And we all embarrassingly agree to the fact that we never listened to them for once, don’t we? And that is the reason why either our random body parts got hurt or kids made fun of our terrible throw. Well, that is also the very reason why this write up had to be framed.

Rugby

A rugby ball has a prolonged spheroid shape that helps it to glide faster. It weighs around 410 to 460 grams. While the ball may appear heavy, its weight helps resist air friction and travel a longer distance. The ball sometimes distorts peculiarly, while bouncing, which is because of its unusual shape.

Smart Tip: Twist your wrist, snap your fingers and spin the ball out. Awed by the perfect throw?

Tennis

A tennis ball is usually made of hollow rubber core which is covered in wool or by a nylon shell. Pressurised air is further filled in the rubber core which makes it bounce like spring. Manufacturers keep the weight of the ball light, ie, around 60 grams, enhancing the acceleration even when minimal force is supplied.

Smart Tip: Swing the racquet, make



contact with the tennis ball in front of your body and don’t miss to follow through.

Cricket

For those who don’t know, a cricket ball is made of cork core and leather case, which is the reason why it is hard. The raised sewn seam makes the ball roll and swing in air. As the ball generally weighs around 160 grams, it is able to retain its speed and makes its way to the boundaries. **Smart Tip:** During run up, keep your wrists facing upwards. While releasing, throw it with your wrist. It will generate a greater pace.

Golf

A typical golf ball is mostly plastic

and rubber and has a hard core, weighing about 45 grams. Most are not aware that the dimples on the ball are not just for fancy decoration, but to decrease the drag of the ball in the air and increase its flying distance when struck. The number of dimples on the ball varies from 252 to 482.

Smart Tip: Shifting your weight to the lower body as you swing is sure to give more power to your shot. What a speedy head start!

Bowling

The uniqueness of these balls are its three holes, made to have a better grip on the ball while throwing it towards the 10-pin. They are made from polyurethane, resulting in them

The raised sewn seam makes the ball roll and swing in air. As the ball generally weighs around 160 grams, it is able to retain its speed and makes its way to the boundaries.

weighing more than any other ball. However, the weight of these balls does not exceed 7.26 kg. So, throwing these will give better momentum to hit the pins.

Smart Tip: Release the ball by flicking your wrist and fingers up towards your head. It’s definitely going to be a strike!



Lion-tailed macaques are highly social primates and usually form a family unit of up to 34 individuals.

The change



Dr. Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

Every day we want to wake up to a better world but how many of us actually make the effort to act towards heralding that change? Amity International Model United Nations (AIMUN) is one such platform that encourages youth to do so. This year AIMUN (read page 6-7) was very special for two reasons: firstly it marked the completion of one decade of AIMUN and the second was its logo - *Krinwanto Vishwam Aryam*, meaning 'Let's make this world a better place'. With this motto at the core, I was happy to see that Amitians left no stone unturned in ensuring that the change truly begins with us.

The three-day conference focused on varied international issues including the reduction of plastic consumption as we aimed towards creating a better, cleaner and greener world - a world without plastic pollution. Indeed with each AIMUN every year, I have seen my students only grow as noble human beings. We have even expanded our wings across the shores to nurture critically thinking, creative and sensitive, global citizens of tomorrow.

With the first international AIMUN organised at Amity University Dubai (2017), the second one in Singapore (2018) and now AIMUN'19 in London, the narrative of nurturing leaders continues on an upwardly graph.

The change we initiate at AIMUN can easily translate into a cycle of change that transforms societies, build the nations and evolves the world for better. Remember, human beings have limitless abilities to accomplish anything they want, provided they do it with great passion and great perseverance. With that spirit and confidence, let's take this visionary tradition of constructive change forward and start building happy families, happier societies, happier nations and a very joyous world where respect for diversity and inclusivity is the way of life. 🇮🇳

The last resort



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

So, it was there again. An idea, which began as an experiment in 2016 to transform daily travel in Delhi, today has transformed into our last resort to tackle pollution. Yes, I am talking about Odd-Even which just ended once again. Today the scheme has become a ritual and along with it has the debate of whether or not we should have it in the first place.

Before you read between the lines, let me put some things straight - I am not against Odd-Even. But what irks me is that we first create a demon (refer to my last column) and then cry over how our lives have become a hell. The question arises: why do we wait for this demon to become so powerful that all our panacea 'Ram Baans' start falling apart.

So, does it mean that we shouldn't have Odd-Even? Perhaps no, because we have become so used to fixing things only when they get so bad, that just putting vehicles in garage for some days only causes transport tussles and nothing else. Pollution continues to prevail. Or yes, we should have Odd-Even made compulsory for all year long because doing something is better than doing nothing.

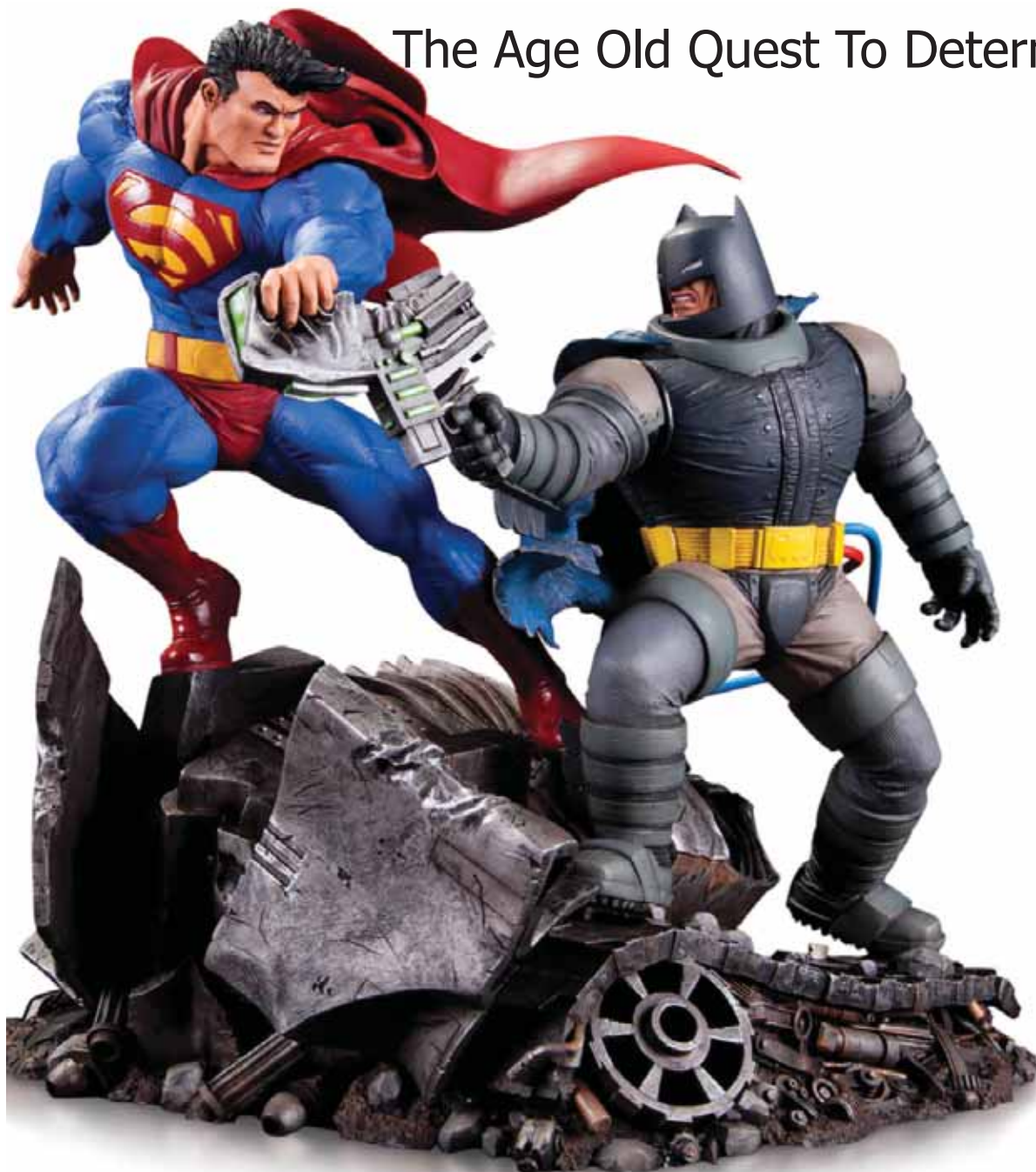
The more I weigh the pros and cons of Odd-Even, I fiddle with two thoughts at the same time. One being that things that don't get better get worse and the second one, things always get worse before they get better. So, should we just accept pollution and let it worsen by fixing up some quick fix solutions or should we pledge that with all the thresholds of limits crossed, now there should be no more of it? Should we or shouldn't we act? 🇮🇳

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Superman vs Batman: The philosophy of power

The Age Old Quest To Determine Who Wins



GUEST COLUMN

Power in all forms is either inherited, stolen, achieved or granted but maintaining a hold on power reveals the philosophy of the wielder. Contemporary philosophers have debated about the concept of Man vs Superman to highlight the contours of human imagination and aspiration towards power, but the mythos of Batman vs Superman gives a compelling outlay to reimagine the age-old philosophical tenet.

Batman and Superman are polar opposites on the spectrum of power. Superman is the inheritance of god-like powers while Batman represents the struggle for power via the faculties of a common human. Both possess what Nietzsche coined as the 'will to power', be it over others or the self but inheritance vs struggle is the key difference in the nature of their powers and hence represent very different views of humanity and society. Both spirits exist in different shades in all humans and understanding their balance is utterly important in gauging the human condition.

Superman represents a lost god in a land of mortals. All powerful with no human weakness, trying to find a place in a world locked between apathy, morality and darkness. He cannot remain in the shadows as his superiority is his drive to uphold imperfect virtues yet that very drive, his very presence upends the world around him. Superman's existence questions the authority of all institutions of power, activating the darkest impulses of the human condition. He exposes what the philosopher Hobbes writes in the celebrated book *Leviathan* as the

natural state of man being locked in a 'war of all against all'. This is also fuelled by Superman's lack of respect for the power he wields, which often leads to widespread destruction in his pursuit of 'doing the right thing'.

He is not an agent of fear or wrath, something other holy figures have commanded for respect but champions hope and morality. While Superman's powers have absolved him of greed, he is still motivated by human insecurity, fear, love, hate and loss. He is capable of great salvation and destruction but he is like an emotionally frail ruler with a hand on a nuclear button. His power is ephemeral; he is not supernatural and that reality sparks the human drive for dominion and/or defeat of anything 'Godly', represented by his eternal human nemesis, Lex Luthor.

A human heart and the powers of a 'God King', Superman's existence represents an agent of chaos to humanity. As the Italian philosopher Machiavelli has purported, "charismatic leadership or non-violent leadership, no matter how powerful or holy, can never have enduring power" due to the capricious nature of man. Superman is power with a poor understanding of limits, capability and human nature and shows how inherited power is often destructive without wisdom, knowledge and a keen understanding of balance.

Batman is a symbol of power achieved through great struggle and forged wisdom. Bruce Wayne overcomes tragedy via the avatar of the caped crusader through a careful understanding of the human condition, its greatest strengths and flaws both within him and the world, to master

the chaos that reigns it. That is his will to power, an enlightenment in darkness, unlocking human clarity as per Nietzsche's concept of 'crossing over by going under'.

Batman employs the most practical tactics to achieve power over Gotham's underworld, following Machiavelli's philosophy of employing fear over love to consolidate a sense of rule. In *The Prince*, Machiavelli writes that "only fear overwhelms the fickle hearts of men for they rebel against small injuries but not grievous ones". Batman's mortality locks the character and his surro-

gates in a constant fight to maintain a hold in an unforgiving world of flux. He is never static, which is the only thing that keeps his legend alive, as he constantly bears scars, tragedies and loneliness for his greater goal. Like Machiavelli advocates, Batman "makes mistakes of ambition and not mistakes of sloth", developing the strength "to do bold things, not just the strength to suffer."

Batman, in fact, fulfils Nietzsche's idea of Superman or *Übermensch*, a concept the philosopher drew from history - not a moral figure but a practical force of reform. Nietzsche said, "They will be independently minded who will carve their own path and may need to hurt people to achieve great things. They are selfish in strategic ways, and greatness for them is the reform of humanity. They accept suffering as a necessary component of good things and are conscious of the powerlessness of the weak. They understand that they are hard to understand and thus may often be lonely."

Superman's superiority will constantly be challenged, while Batman will always be at war to maintain his influence. We constantly don the red and black capes to achieve great things but the price is always high, for power, like humanity, forever remains a fickle tool of change.

Man is a bridge and not an end in that spectrum of power. Whether inherited or achieved through toil, it is a struggle to maintain. It is neither inherently evil or good, it is never static and flows and evolves in every moment. If you be Superman or Batman, to understand power is to understand and respect the basic instincts of humanity. Like sand in a fist, power keeps flowing till it's gone. Respect and focus on its nature and you can hold it longer, loosen or tighten your grip and you can lose it all at once. 🇮🇳



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Dear Editor,

This is in reference to 'Dear India' on page 7 of The Global Times edition dated November 18, 2019. The Sanskrit phrase 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' translates to 'the world is one family.' Not only is it the motto of our august Amity family, it has also proved to be true in the context of our foreign students finding a new home in India. Amity Global School, Gurugram has hosted students of various nationalities and all have felt connected to India in some ways or the other. Some have found friends for a lifetime, some have found solace, some have absorbed the beautiful culture and most of them have had the privilege of experiencing Indian unity despite its varied diversity. Reflecting on what the world has become today, where people have sadly forgotten to appreciate the benignity around them and unfortunately carry a fatalistic



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attitude, this story honestly comes across as a breath of fresh air, a bright hope that some percentage of people and thankfully our youth haven't forgotten to appreciate the goodness that can be found in the simplest of things. 🇮🇳

Lata Verma, AGS Gurugram
Senior GT Teacher Coordinator

Preferred habitat of lion-tailed macaques are leafy trees of evergreen rainforests.



As omnivorous animals, lion-tailed macaques feed on fruits, stems, fungi as well as lizards, tree frogs and various small insects.

Let's make the world a better place

AIMUN 2019, A Network Of Young And Enthusiastic Delegates Ready To Take On International Issues At Hand

Romika Chakraborty
GT Network

Amity International Model United Nations 2019 saw 500 students, 11 countries, 6 international schools and 8 committees coming together to facilitate the successful completion of the three-day conference. The conference, which is an initiative of Amity Educational Resource (AERC) organised together with Amity Group of Schools, under the leadership of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, was held at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, from October 16-18, 2019.

With a motto to make this world a better place, the 10th edition of AIMUN vowed to be environment friendly and promoted the idea of sustainable development by introducing two special committees to discuss, deliberate on issues such as waste segregation and climate change. The event commenced with a grand opening ceremony hosted by AIS Noida. The day saw the presence of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF; HE Hector Cueva, ambassador of Ecuador, as chief guest; Shoko Noda, UNDP resident representative, India, as guest of honour and special guests- Marijana Rakić, political officer, Embassy of Switzerland & Azamjon Mansurov, deputy chief of mission, Embassy of Uzbekistan; Pal Bodogh Szabo, director, Hungarian Information and Cultural Centre; Oscar Pujol Rimbau, director, The Instituto Cervantes; Tatyana Perova, head of languages, Russian Center for Science and Culture; Air Marshall Ramesh Rai, VM (Retd.); Brig NK Bhatia; Ex Ambassador, RM Aggarwal; Priyanka Bangia, deputy director & manager, Ritsumeikan India Office; Mr Amol Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University Tashkent and other heads of Amity institutions.

During the ceremony, Amitasha students presented a song 'Swagatam' followed by a welcome address by Jyoti Arora, director, AERC and Charge d' affaires, AIMUN and a procession of international delegates carrying their countries' flags up the stage. The second day commenced with eight committees tackling their agendas. The highlight of the day was the cultural evening hosted by AIS PV, where delegates showcased a cultural extravaganza. From German delegation performing dandiya, to Slovakian delegation chanting Gayatri mantra, from soulful song by Swiss delegation, to a scintillating garba performance by Gujarati delegates; the evening left everyone awestruck.

The final day saw delegates working to solve the agendas and draft resolutions, followed by a closing ceremony hosted by AIS Saket. The event kickstarted with an enthralling dance performance by the students of AIS Saket, following which Divya Bhatia, principal, AIS Saket, extended a warm welcome to esteemed guests on the occasion. Chairperson, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan; HE Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos, ambassador of Paraguay, as chief guest, Mikhail Kitorov, deputy chief of mission, Embassy of the Russian federation, as guest of honour, along with Divya Arora, director, AFS; Meera Shankar, ambassador, United States of America; Ms Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASFT, ASFA & ASPA; Mr Abhay Chauhan, Vice President, Amity Online and other heads of Amity institutions graced the event.

To motivate and inspire the young audience, the dignitaries shared enlightening words and urged them to participate more in such conferences. And soon it was time to award those who debated reasonably and put forth valid points throughout the three-day conference. The most coveted award for Best Delegation was won by China, UK and Russia represented by AIS Saket, AIS Gurugram 46 and Ryan International School, Mayur Vihar respectively.

And with that, the biggest conference of the year came to an end as Secretary General, Aman Arora banged the gavel and declared AIMUN 2019 closed.

500 students
11 countries
6 international schools
8 committees



Chairperson, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan with guests at the opening ceremony of AIMUN'19



Chairperson ma'am felicitates HE Hector Cueva



Esteemed dignitaries with students of Amitasha



Felicitation of Amitasha Delegate



Sec Gen Aman Singh



Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan with principals and HOIS



AIS Saket: Winners of best delegation award



Ms Jyoti Arora with HE Duarte Ramos Fleming



Chef de Cabinet, Sumedh Kapoor

LISTEN... ...For Words Of Wisdom That Aren't So Oft Repeated



The right platform
Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson Amity Group of Schools and RBEF AIMUN is the platform to build new friendships, to understand new cultures, and to find solutions to problems plaguing our world; it is the right platform to teach students the right things to make the world a better place! I am proud of every student who is part of it and I am proud of the entire team that has worked hard to make this dream into a reality.



Harbingers of change
Marijana Rakić, Political Officer Embassy of Switzerland In a world where everyone seems to be concerned only about their problems, AIMUN is teaching us to look at the bigger picture. It not only turns an individual into a prolific speaker, but also a diligent listener, because it is equally important to understand other people's perspective to find a common ground and find solutions.



The leaders of tomorrow
Tatyana Perova, Head of Languages Russian Centre for Science and Culture Conferences like AIMUN play a key role in preparing future leaders. This year's AIMUN theme - minimum waste production to combat the rising amount of non-biodegradable waste, opens our eyes towards the harsh reality of our world. It's time for the younger generation to start a discussion and come up with productive solutions to tackle severe issues that the world is being faced with, exactly what AIMUN plans to do!



Responsibly yours
HE Hector Cueva Ambassador of Ecuador Learning at a young age that we hold a responsibility to the world is important and AIMUN aims to guide them on the right path. They have a huge task at hand - the task to save Mother Earth. There is no planet B, and the only way to save this one is to change our habits. AIMUN is a platform that teaches students to choose the right path at a young age, and in today's struggling world, this is a much-needed step.



Bringing a change
Shoko Noda, UNDP Resident Representative in India AIMUN is doing its work by spreading the word about climate crisis, a problem that is looming over the world at large, meanwhile also teaching us what is impacting the environment negatively and how we can combat it. As delegates come together to discuss international relations, it also instills in us the quality of extending help to others also. This will enable us to jointly come up with solutions that is affecting the world.



The new home
Azamjon Mansurov, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Uzbekistan Being in India for the last 2 years, it has become my new home because of the cultural and historical similarities between India and my home country. We have similar atmosphere, cuisines, traditions, and rituals; there is a big sphere full of commonalities between us. AIMUN, a platform that brings together various cultures, is aiming to not only change the world but to revise the mistakes we have committed.



It's overwhelming
Amol Chauhan, Chancellor Amity University, Tashkent It is amazing to see so many students brimming with excitement. To see the distinguished guests share their priceless knowledge was an overwhelming experience. Waste management being one of the biggest problems tormenting the world today, the eco-friendly theme has been very well chosen. There couldn't be a better platform than AIMUN'19 to take up the initiative. I wish the delegates best of luck!



Leading the revolution
HE Fleming Raul Duarte Ramos Ambassador, Paraguay MUNs play a very vital role in developing leadership, public speaking and researching skills in young children. Since there are no specific subjects like 'leadership' being taught at school, such events are very valuable, because it does not stop with teaching the quality but also inculcates the same in young minds. With platforms like AIMUN, I am confident that the budding leaders will be the harbingers of a positive revolution!

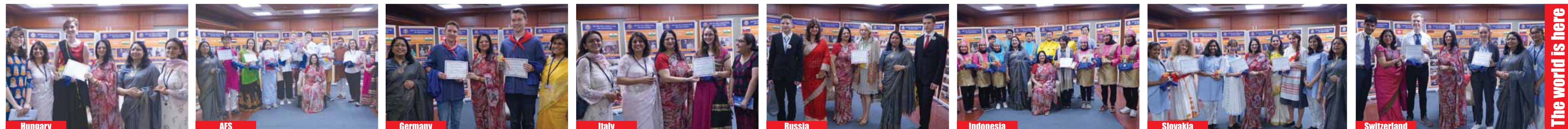


An exemplary nation
Mikhail Kitorov, Dy. Chief of Mission Embassy, Russian Federation I am mesmerised by the beauty of this country, especially the Taj Maha! Thanks to conferences like AIMUN, which helps why people from different corners of the world to get the chance to explore this amazing country which is a plethora of different cultures and traditions. The kind of diversity that one gets to witness here is undeniably commendable.



The bigger picture
Meera Shankar, Ambassador United States of America Sometimes, we tend to look at everything from our own national perspective and fail to understand that other countries may have a different perspective. Therefore, it's imperative for one to expand their knowledge of divergent perspectives and how one can build a consensus and this is what AIMUN conferences have been endeavouring to do.

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The lion-tailed macaques are diurnal, meaning they are active exclusively during daylight hours only.

The golden gramophone



Wisdom tale

Manavi Chandra

AIS VKC Lucknow, VIA

Dolores worked in a shop selling gramophone records. One afternoon, she was on the phone when an old woman walked in hesitantly. She was dressed very shabbily in an old coat and tattered shoes. She carried an old cloth bag. Dolores rolled her eyes and decided to keep her at an arm's length. "May I help you?" she asked reluctantly. "I'm sorry to bother you, miss, but I wonder if you buy old gramophones?" asked the old lady. "Yes, we do, but they need

to be in good condition," replied Dolores irritatingly, wanting to get rid of her as soon as possible. The old woman opened her bag and started unwrapping something, while Dolores got busy on the phone again. A few moments passed and Dolores turned around to see something that made her heart skip a beat. It was dusty, it had a few scratches but Dolores's sharp eyes caught the beautiful golden texture. She found the model number on the underside and started searching for it on her computer. She was thunderstruck! It was an antique and could easily fetch twenty thousand grand!

Imaging: Dinesh Kumar, GT Network

Dolores, who had inherited a streak of wickedness from her successful father, was thinking of how to trick the old woman. She feigned disinterest and said, "This old gramophone is of no use to us and I can only give you 100 bucks for it." The poor woman looked at her beseechingly and said, "My son has been admitted in the hospital and I need money for his treatment. So, I have no choice but to sell it." After a lot of negotiations, Dolores agreed to give her a thousand grand. The woman took the money and thanked her, while Dolores's heart was singing a jolly song. She could not wait to

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tell her father how she had cheated the woman!

The old woman walked towards the hospital with thousand grand she had. As she approached a corner, her steps quickened. She quickly glanced back at the shop once and then got inside a van. The van started moving and the lady took off the old dusty coat and the wig from her head. "Where's the package?" the man asked. "Sold," the lady replied in a youthful voice with a smile on her face. The car sped away. Meanwhile at the shop, Dolores was humming a happy tune cleaning the dusty surface of the gramophone. The dust and grime was turning the dust cloth black. Dolores noticed something else on the cloth, the shine of the gold paint which was slowly coming off. She knew she had been duped. Her heart was in her mouth as she heard her father's approaching footsteps. 🇮🇳

So what did you learn today?
As you sow, so shall you reap.



Maanasvi (inset) with her wreath bird feeder

Wreath bird feeder

Maanasvi Pratap, AIS VKC Lucknow, II A

Material required

Bread 2 slices	Oil 1 tsp
Bird seeds (Kakun) 4 cups	Corn syrup 3 tbsp
Gelatine 2 packets	Bundt pan 1
Flour 1 cup	Ribbon 1 strip
Warm water 1 cup	

Method

- In a large bowl, stir gelatine into warm water until it dissolves.
- Add corn syrup and flour in it and stir well to make a paste.
- Now add 4 cups of bird seeds in it and mix it well.
- Pour this paste into the bundt pan and press firmly.
- Leave it overnight so that it settles down and becomes hard.
- In the morning, turn the pan upside down on a plate and the wreath will slide out.
- Place it on a drying rack for an hour.
- Tie a ribbon to it.
- Your wreath bird feeder is ready!
- Tie it on one of the branches of the tree and let the birds enjoy their treat.

It's Me

Know Me

My name: Vaidehi Mishra
My Class: Nursery A
My school: AIS VKC Lucknow
Born on: April 6

My Favourites

Activity: Going to school
Game: Riding on my dad's shoulders & playing with my mom
Book: Picture books
Mall: Fun Mall
Food: Kaju Barfi
Teacher: Preeti ma'am and Hemlata ma'am
Friend: My grandmother
Poem: Five Little Monkeys
Subject: English

About Me

Role model: Hemlata ma'am & Preeti ma'am
I like: Listening songs and dancing
I dislike: Being asked to keep quiet
I want to become: A teacher
I want to feature in GT because: I want everyone to know me and become famous



POEM

Best friends

Avani Goel

AIS VKC Lucknow, VII A

No matter wherever I go
There are a few, very rare
Who stick with me, who care!

Yes, they are my best friends
We eat and play together
Share things with each other!

Whenever I feel low or forlorn
Or lose at my favourite game

I can still smile all the same!

For I have my best friends
Who cheer me when I frown
Or cry or shout or moan!

But one thing means the most
That no matter how we fight
We still are a group tight!

Praying to the God Almighty
For this bond to always stay
And grow more everyday! 🇮🇳



Riddle Fiddle

Siddhartha Bhattacharya

AIS VKC Lucknow, VI A

1. What gets harder to catch the faster you run?
2. If a bull charges you, what would you do?
3. At what time, should you visit the dentist?
4. Why would a sheriff arrest a cook?
5. When a robot dies, what would the scientist then write on its tombstone?
6. Why would you want to put an artist in the middle of a boxing match?
7. Why would a math book see a doctor?

Answers: 1. Your breath
2. Pay him 3. 2:30 (Tooth-hurty) 4. For 'whipping' the cream 5. Rust in peace 6. In case it's a draw 7. Because it had problems

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Khushi Saini, AIS VKC Lucknow, VII A

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Reaching for the sky

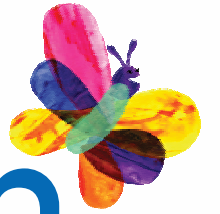


Flowers of hope

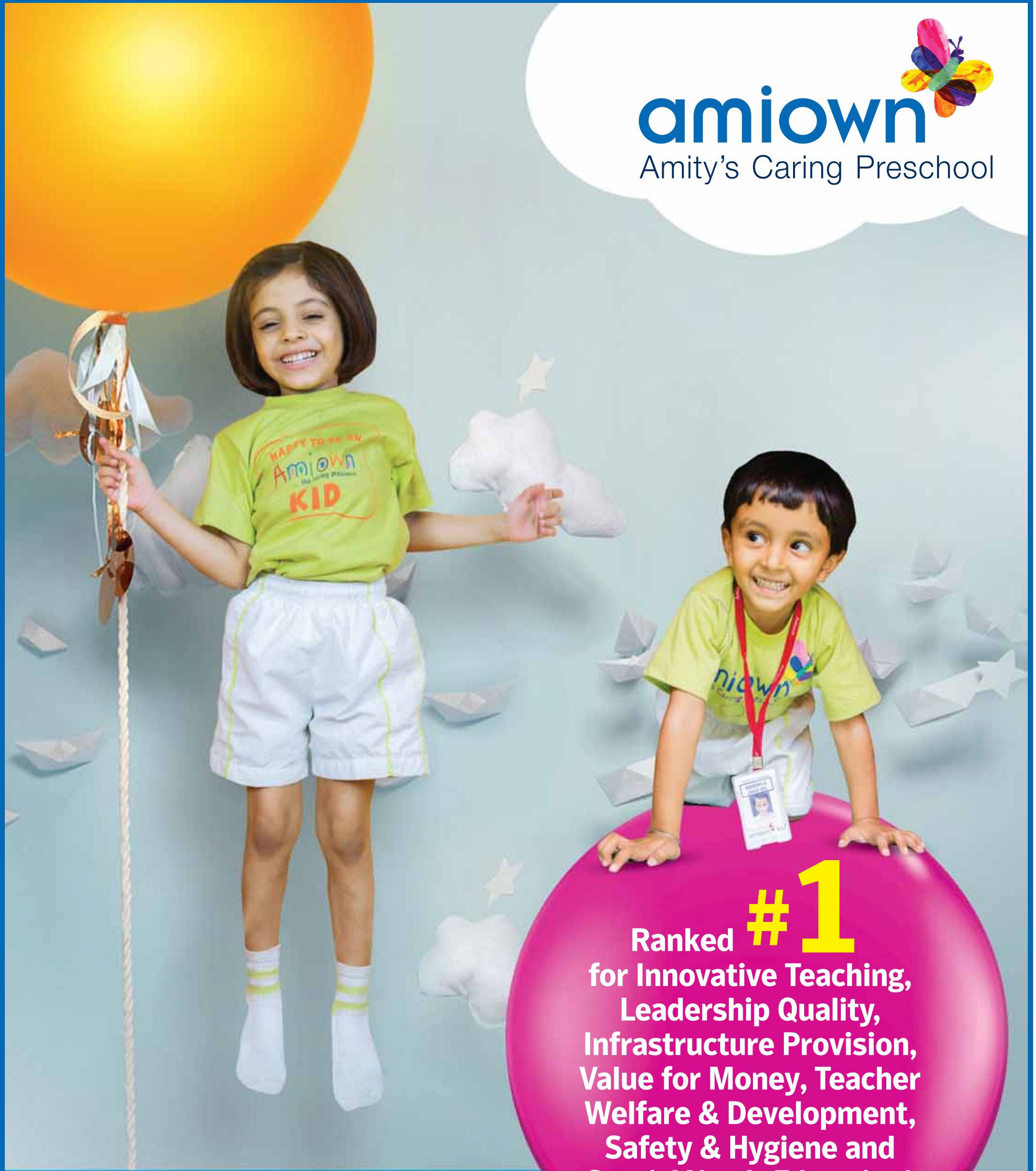


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They live in groups, each comprising 10 to 20 individuals with one dominant male leading the entire troop.



Students of AIS Gurugram 43 with BHAAG placards



AIS Gurugram 46 ready to welcome Chairperson



Students of AIS Gwalior take the stage



Students of AIS Noida dedicate a song to Founder President



Birthday wishes from tiny tots of AIS Jagdishpur

Time to celebrate

Founder's Day Celebrations 2019 Were Marked With Gratitude, Learning & More



A student receives award at AIS Vas 1

"A visionary starts with a clean sheet of paper and re-imagines the whole world."

— Macolm Galdwell

The famous saying doesn't fit for anyone else better than Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe, who dreamt of providing world class, modern education to every Indian and realised his vision in Amity, which today is a paramount global educational institution, nurturing young minds globally.

His vision of making India a knowledge superpower has resonated with every Amitian to an extent that many young Amitians have managed to make it big in every field right from astronomy to politics. Today, there's an Amitian everywhere, leading the world on the path of change and acceleration.

So, when it came to celebrating the birthday of such a visionary, the entire Amity universe reverberated with celebrations. This year too, Amity celebrated the birthday of its beloved visionary with unbridled joy. GT brings you a coup d'oeil into the resonance of rejoice in different branches of Amity schools.

Time for tradition

Celebrations in every school began with the lamp lighting ceremony, which was followed by a havan. The luminosity of the lamp and the echoes of the havan reverberated in the air with best wishes for the Founder President, who has created a chalice of knowledge and education where young minds are nurtured into critically thinking global citizens.

Time for gratitude

Standing true to the values Amitians grow up with, they expressed their heartfelt gratitude to-

wards their mentor through a multitude of cultural programmes. While the student orchestra played the tunes of happiness and gratitude in one school, another gave a scintillating classical dance performance to instill the values of BHAAG. On one hand, a school presented 'Slam Poetry' to honour their Founder; on the other hand, students of another Amity School fondly wrote verses full of thankfulness for him and presented him this special gift.

Time to imbibe BHAAG

To celebrate the man who gave BHAAG (Behaviour, Honesty, Aspiration, Attitude and God), a mantra that has transformed many lives and heralded many a changes in the past 27 years, the students presented skits and dance performances to imbibe its spirit. To further inspire and instill its core values, children were shown presentations based on the Founder President's life and times, his challenges and milestone achievements, his motivational talks and innovative ideas for the future.

Time for rewards and recognitions

Schools further presented awards, badges, certificates and scholarships to the meritorious students of Class V–XI. Class X students who topped various subjects were presented with mementos. The students who had bagged gold, silver and bronze medals in national & international sports tournaments were also felicitated with blazers and pockets.

Founder's day for Amity is not just a celebration of a birthday. Infact, it is the celebration of inspiration, the spirit of victory, the desire to transform the world for better and the indomitable spirit of making one's nation a world leader at the global level. 🇮🇳



Mesmerising dance performance by AIS Vas 6



Founder's Day celebration at AIS VYC Lko



Felicitation of students at AIS MV



Students of AIS VKC Lko participate in havan



Traditional dance performance by AIS Saket



Chairperson, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan with students of AIS Pushp Vihar during Founder's Day celebration

The other name for lion-tailed macaque is 'beard apes', as a reference to their mane.

All top quotes contributed by Sarah Sharma, AIS PV, IV



Macaque facts

The game of life

Disclaimer: This One Does Not Have A Replay Button

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AIS Mayur Vihar, Alumnus

Hello, Player! Welcome to The Game of Life. Consider yourself privileged enough to have this inbuilt game for which you have been signed up by default. Since your location is the southern part of Asia, you might find the game server a bit sluggish, given the humungous population. But don't worry, the fittest are meant to survive and here is a quick guide.

Level 1: Stage 1

Welcome to the first level of this game. The key qualities required here are patience and a bit of adjustment as you will be needed to cramp yourself in a small vessel called 'the womb'. This level will last for a duration of about nine months.

Level 2: Stages 2-5

Okay. You did it. You finally made it to the second level. Here, you will have an entire planet to yourself. You will be under the guiding supervision of the already experienced players who will make sure that you gain enough strength to cross all the

hurdles that you will encounter while playing. This will go on throughout the course of the game, only the supervisory part becomes less obvious.

Level 3: Stages 6-17

This is the stage where you will be required to meet amateur players just like you. More like PUBG, this is a joint effort and you must win through all the levels. Now, playing these levels feels like playing another game altogether. Here, you will need to level up your 'learning', 'knowledge' and 'friendship' skill trees, because losing in even any one aspect might bring you down in the game. Whenever you feel your life battery draining, you will be pumped up with a signal saying "beta, abhi kar lo, iske baad toh ash hi ash hai."

Level 4: Stages 18-30

Well, congrats if you managed to get through the previous level. This one might seem like the safest level because all your hard work has paid off. But do not feel complacent already, as you are supposed to maintain

your life battery and keep going. For this, you've got to consume the flowers called 'top college', and 'high-paid job'. Monsters labelled as 'pressure' and 'expectations' try to hit you hard but you either take a high leap or duck through it.

Level 5: Stages 31-60

Must say that you are quite a player! I mean not everyone is able to become a pro, you know. With all the experiences at hand, you now become the supervisor and guide the new players that have been assigned to you to pass each level. As a supervisor, you are also supposed to feed the naïve player with your bonuses and your main aim becomes to direct the newbies through all the stages you just crossed.

Level 6: Stage 60

Congrats! You are just one level away from the Attainment Trophy. If you have any lifelines left, you can freely explore the remaining of the map without fearing any unforeseen attack from the viruses. However, if all the lifelines have been consumed, then the game starts getting buggy at this point. You start to encounter an increasing number of errors, and in the end, the screen just goes black. Nobody knows what happens after this, because the saved data is deleted. [G.U.](#)

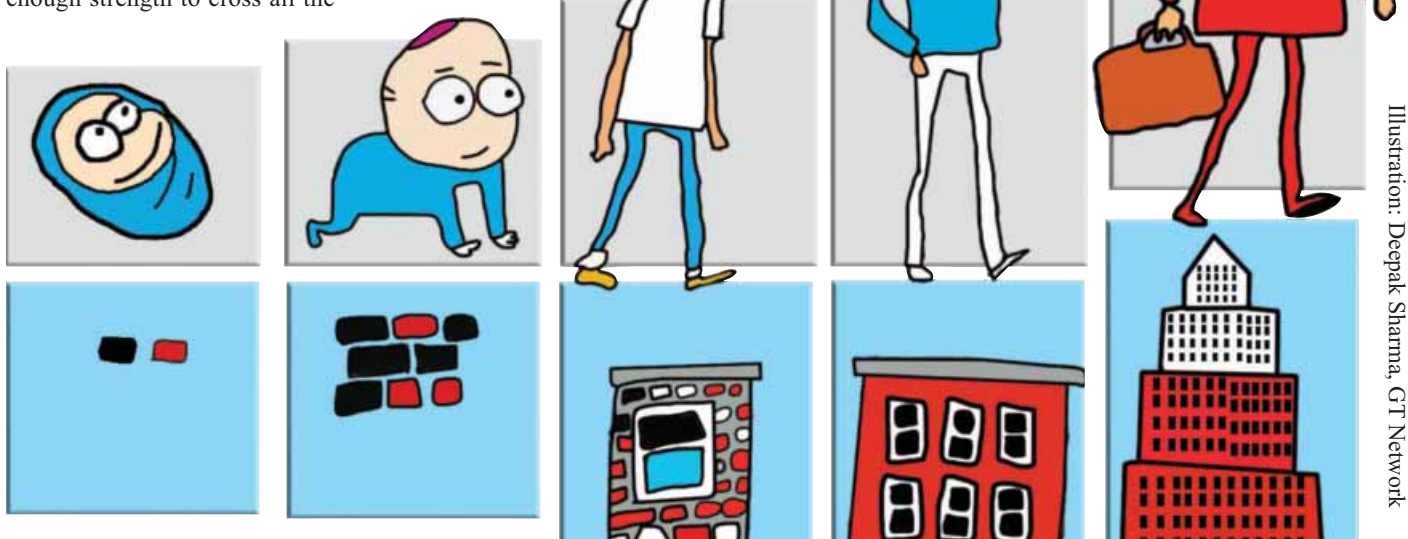


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An ode to the memories at my school desk

Samiksha Dubey

AIS Noida, X

Now, most people may think that writing about your school desk is a rather strange thing to do. Well, you are not wrong. It really is a quite strange thing to talk about, until it becomes a storehouse of your memories.

The scribbles that our seniors leave behind often become lighthouses on a foggy sea when we are anxiously steering our ships almost into the rocks. And these are just an iota of the vast memories that the school desk confides within itself. Just thinking about the many hundreds of pen-fights and lunches shared, those tic tac toe games played, the difficult tests cracked and of course, the

classes which became the foundations of our future, brings a smile on our face and a drop of tear almost escapes our notice. It is this very table that you shared happy lunches on and the one where you put your head when you were feeling down and low.

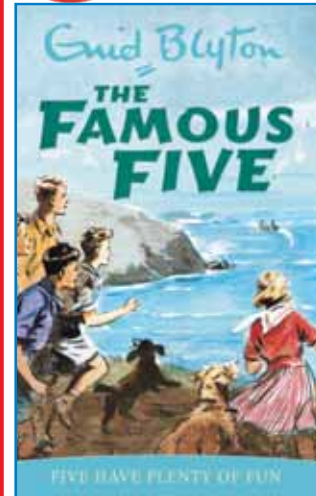
It is funny how a thing that neither lives, feels, nor breathes

brings so much 'life' into your school life, cherishing all your moments up and against the ravages of time. This one actually deserves all the praise out there. So, the next time you

enter your classroom, give a thoughtful look at that otherwise ignored school desk because this one will narrate your story even after you are long gone and forgotten by the rest.



Book Review



Book name: Five Have Plenty of Fun
Author: Enid Blyton
Rating: ★★★★★
Genre: Children's literature, fantasy, adventure
Publisher: Hodder & Stoughton
First published: 1955
Suited for: 7-15 years

guts from the very beginning, both because of her nature and her dog. But the famous five are the only ones who can help her. Will they risk themselves to help a complete stranger? Read to find out more.

What I liked

I liked how the book starts with summer vacations, a time which every school going child yearns for. The characters share a great camaraderie and enjoy picnicking at the beach while gobbling yummy sandwiches prepared by Aunt Fanny. I also loved the ending where George and Berta finally become friends for life.

Alternate ending

I don't think any other ending would have made sense for this story. George and Berta both went home safely and the bad guys lost in the end. So, this conclusion was perfect for me.

Number of days I took to read the book: 5 days

Synopsis

Five Have Plenty Of Fun is a children's adventure novel and also the fourteenth book in the popular series 'The Famous Five'. It is the journey of Julian, Anne, Dick, George and her dog Timothy. Berta, a spoiled American rich girl ends up at Kirrin Cottage, George's home, in order to hide from a set of people hell bound on kidnapping her. George hates her

Favourite character

Anne, because she is calm, friendly and helpful.

New words I learnt

Disgust: Repulse
Promenade: A paved public walk, typically one along the seafront at a resort
Gobble: Eating hurriedly and noisily
Scheme: Plan, strategy
Apparently: Evidently

Review by: Saanvi Sharma, AIS Vasundhara 6, IV E

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