

Through the time machine

Short story

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One January evening, in 2021, it was raining cats and dogs. And I was snuggling my pillow, scared by the sound of thunder that accompanied the heavy pour. Suddenly, I heard my doorbell ring and I hesitantly ran to the door to see who was there. I called to ask, "Who is it?" but no one answered. Just to reassure myself, I looked through the peephole to check if someone was standing there, but, to my surprise, there was no one at the door. More scared than ever now, I rushed to my safe place – my bed.

While I calmed myself, I heard the doorbell once again. Rushing towards the door, with the hope of seeking help, I opened it and breathed a sigh of relief as I saw my mother. She had brought a mysterious machine with her and I quickly grabbed it. While I was exploring the machine, I accidentally pressed one button and screamed as I tumbled back, travelling many years back in time. "Oh, no, it was a time machine!"



I thought to myself as I landed in Persia of the year 1090. **Enamoured** by the beauty of Persia, I travelled long in search of the king's house until I reached a giant gate with Gate Of Shadows written on its board. Curiously, I opened the gate, but the moment I entered it, I became a shadow myself. Still determined to find

the king, I continued my search. After a couple of days' travel, I finally found the kingdom. I met the king and explained to him how I had reached Persia and the reason for my being a shadow. He listened to me and said that the most he could do for me was make me a soldier in his army. I accepted and my training began

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the very next day. After years of rigorous training, I became a part of the elite soldier squad, ready to fight the war against other kingdoms. One of the biggest wars I was a part of lasted only 72 hours, but it was also where our kingdom lost around 9000 brave soldiers. Seeing so many deaths, I decided it was time for peace to prevail. Though the king offered to find me a way back to my time, I decided to stay in Persia, not as a soldier of war, but as an advocating peacemaker. And as I turned the land into a peaceful one, I found that many shadows, who previously looked half-dead like me, slowly blossomed into full beings, finding meaning in love and peace. **GT**

So what did you learn today?
A new word: Enamoured
Meaning: Affected by strong feelings of love or admiration

POEM

My lovely Theo

Mehr Batra, AGS Gur, XI

Let me tell you about my boy
 He fills my heart with pure joy
 His blond fur glows in the sun
 Many hearts he has already won

His dark eyes sparkle like stars
 As though he belongs to Mars
 The way he wags his shiny tail
 It makes me smile without fail

For a walk he's always ready
 He is fluffy just like a teddy
 He follows me around house
 And scares away every mouse

He has the perfect black snout
 And he makes the cutest pout
 In a cute dress he looks royal
 As a friend he's the most loyal

I thank god for him every day
 For his long life I always pray
 We can never ever stay apart
 Because he lives in my heart

Two souls entwined together
 Blooming in love's weather
 It'll always be Theo and me
 That's how it's meant to be!

It's me

KNOW ME BETTER

My name: Prisha Goyal
My Class: III B
My school: AIS Vasundhara 6
My birthday: July 24

MY FAVOURITES

Teacher: Parul Khattar ma'am
Subject: Math
Friend: Samayra
Game: Badminton
Cartoon: Peppa Pig
Food: Idli sambhar
Mall: Mall of India
Book: My book of sentences

MY DREAMS AND GOALS

My hobby: Making crafts
I like: To spend time with my family
I dislike: Whenever my sister and I get sick
My role model: My mom
I want to become: A chef
I want to feature in GT because: Getting recognition is good.



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