



# Those precious 5 minutes

Pic: Karnika Pagaria, X A | Graphic: Eshwar S, IX A | Models: Aakriti Sehgal, Anya Bagga, Navya Bhasin, Shivansh Dixit, Anya Narula and Aryaman Garg, V; AIS Vas 1

To squeeze a trip to the washroom in a minute is hardly easy. To complete a day's homework in two minutes is an achievement. And to make up for the lost time with your bestie in the remaining two minutes is totally worth it. **Shubham Ghoshal, AIS Vas 1, XI A** tells you how 5 minutes can mean a (school) lifetime.



Time  
1 2

	1	2	5	6	7
Monday					
Tuesday					
Wednesday					
Thursday					
Friday					

As soon as the teacher left, Ananya rushed towards Rashi, her friend sitting in the front row, dodging the paper balls Akshay and Aman were tossing. She couldn't wait to know the details of the last episode of Sherlock. While Ananya talked to Rashi, Shubham who sat next to Rashi, savoured his cheese sandwiches. He was starving and could not wait for the break. Gourav and Aneeta (aka Mr and Ms Studious) were studying as usual,

preparing for the upcoming topics in each subject. On the opposite end of the spectrum, Harsh peeked outside, waiting longingly for class to end. His motto was "A trip to the sports ground a day, keeps boredom away" In one corner, two boys were in for the next WWE tournament, also known as arm wrestling. They never really had a reason to fight, but, conversely, this also meant they didn't have any reason not to. A gaggle of onlookers spurred them

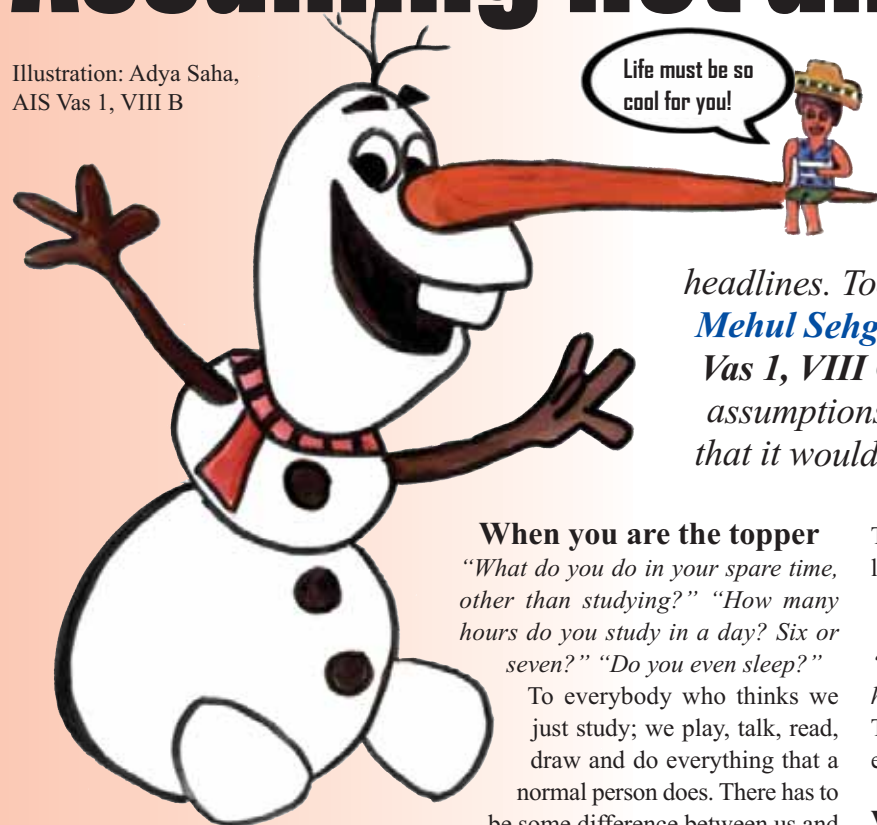
on, and Ashish and Mutan had even placed a pizza bet on the results. They had also placed a lookout at the door, to warn if a teacher approached. Oblivious to all this, Pandu lay with his head resting on his desk, sleeping peacefully. He was one of those people who were never completely awake, and could sleep at any time and place. He was popularly known as Snorlax, for this very reason. Suddenly, there was a loud thud (even

Pandu awoke from his slumber), and saw Shreyansh, lying spread-eagled on the floor. Nature had been calling him for a while, and after all, asking, "Ma'am, may I go to the washroom?" in front of 40 odd students was something he would not be caught dead doing. In the rush to make the most of these five minutes, he had banged against the door. Next moment, the lookout indicated that the teacher was approaching; everyone

scrambled back to their seats. The studious ones put their books away, Pandu woke up, Ananya rushed to her seat, Shubham stowed away his tiffin, Mutan sat after taking pizza from a disgruntled Ashish, Akshay and Aman disposed off the paper balls, and Harsh... was gone. This was the tale of the gap between two classes, which is seemingly minuscule, but in fact, is home to a variety of student activities. 📺

## Assuming not amusing

Illustration: Adya Saha,  
AIS Vas 1, VIII B



So you're going to read this article. Let's assume that you have a lot of time or you like rhyming headlines. Too many assumptions? **Mehul Sehgal, AIS Vas 1, VIII C** talks more about assumptions because she's assumed that it would make for a good story.

**When you are the topper**  
"What do you do in your spare time, other than studying?" "How many hours do you study in a day? Six or seven?" "Do you even sleep?"  
To everybody who thinks we just study; we play, talk, read, draw and do everything that a normal person does. There has to be some difference between us and robots.

**When you are thin**  
"Like, do you even eat anything?"  
To all those people who think we don't eat, survival without eating is not possible. We eat, and are therefore alive.

**When you read a book**  
"Why don't you watch the movie than reading the novel? It's the same story!"  
To all those people who think the movie is better, books are not boring and the movie is never the same.

**When you are into sports**  
"I have never seen you do anything other than playing. Do you even study?"

"Madam ji, aapki behan subah hi doodh lekar chali gayi thi." And the girl wondered how her 9 year old sister could travel all by herself. Because everyone 'assumed' her roommate was her sister. While assumptions are the premise for some life changing revolutions, they can sometimes get on your nerves or leave you on the floor laughing. Here's an appeal to those 'assumers' to think before assuming.

**When a parent is a teacher**  
"Oh! You must be a topper then."  
To all those people who say this, it's my mother who is a teacher not me.

To all people who think we don't study, like toppers, we are normal people too.

**When your father is a cop**  
"You can get away with anything, Singham hai kya?"  
To all people who think we tread free, excuse us, we lead a stricter life.

**When a parent has a govt job**  
"You must be getting everything so cheap and free."  
To all those who think we are hefty on our bank balance, not all the tax is spent on government officials and we have our expenses too.

**When the family has a doctor**  
"Acha hai, doctor ka kharcha bach jata hoga na?"  
To all those who think one doctor can play the role of physician, surgeon, dentist etc and no one would fall sick in our family, please, they are not super-humans. And even they visit the doctors!

To all those assumers out there, assumptions, are well, assumptions. 📺



Pic: Manya Tyagi, AIS Vas 1, VI C

## Jab we met on platter

"It's not you, it's me; we're not meant for each other," said Dosa to McVeggie

**Abhirup Chakraborty**  
AIS Vas 1, X B

Recently, Mc Donald's launched 'Masala Dosa Brioche', a burger which tastes so weird that it became a rallying point for all the vomit emojis. So we put on our 'glasses of speculation' and ask - "What's next in the crazy world of fast food?"  
**Idli McGrill:** So how do you kill the comfort of a burger and the goodness of Idli in one go? You entwine the two together, with idli as the buns, stuffed with a patty and create Idli McGrill.  
**Pav Bhaji Pizza:** Who needs toppings when they have pizza smothered with bhaji? Cheese burst anyone?  
**Bharta Momos:** We strongly believe in 'Hindi-Chini Bhai Bhai' and in order to prove the same we have converted the most loved Chinese import in India and stuffed it with Bharta.

**Dal Makhni Puff:** What do you get when you combine the most clichéd dish in Indian marriage with fast food? You get basically the same taste but in a less clichéd form, the all new Dal Makhni Puff might rock the wedding menu card.  
**Pan makki ki roti and Tangy sarso ka saag:** In order to make a simple and perfect dish unnecessarily complicated, we added all the herbs we could find in our inventory and made a dish to play with your nostalgia by naming it the same - Pan Makki ki roti and Tangy Sarso ka saag that might leave your tongue do a tango dance.  
**Dhokla Maharaja Pizza:** For all the Gujarati bhai's and behen's out there, get ready to be blown away by the taste of something you have been eating since your childhood. We present the all-time favourite Dhokla stacked in three layers to form the gigantic new...Dhokla Maharaja Pizza. Heights, right? 📺