

Happy Friendship Day



Friendly tiff, P5



Best Friends Forever, P6



Know thy friend type, P7

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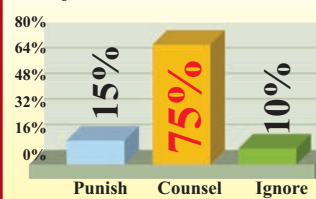
Does age gap matter in friendship?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Can't say

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POLL RESULT
for GT issue July 25, 2011

The best way to make kids realize their mistake is:



Results as on July 28, 2011

Jai never asked Viru's age

Illustration: Seher Malik, Alumunus, AIS Noida



because he didn't need to, and so do you

Ishita Bedi
X, AIS MV

Age is just chronological counting, and more so when the person concerned is a friend. The word 'Friendship' defies all age-ly boundaries. Of course, the parameters and norms do change...and so does the basis of categorization. Take a look.

Chhote Dost: Call it cute, call it silly... friendship does have its distinctions, even when you are the toddler sorts.

Gender Blender: Girls: Eww.. boys?! No! Boys: Girls?! No way! This kind of friendship is very common, when you are in the junior classes, where boys have different groups and girls have a different group and there is no interaction between the two. "We have an all girls group," says Yamini Mehra, a class IV student. When asked that why didn't she involve boys in her group, she says, "because they are boys and we are girls, very simple." Point taken!

Branded Friends: The latest mania is 'brand mania' and it's spreading in students (young ones) as fast as forest fire. Wear the same brand and you find common grounds for friendship. "Being branded friends means that you have a lot in common," says Kamal Kapoor, a high school student.

Sunsign Friends: Hey! Are you a Cancerian? If yes, then we would make terrific friends because I am one too! Astrologers - Friendship day could be a great money minting avenue.

Enjoy 'Em too

Neurotic friend!: He keeps asking you if you're okay and when you respond soberly, he blames you for never opening up!
Magnet-to-problems friend : He is always in the company of problems. True

teenage emotions!
Cyber bond: The one you chat with, but won't say hi when you meet them.
The joker: The one who'll clown around whenever given a chance to. That's the spirit!

"I am a Sagittarius. My friends were mostly Aries, Sagittarians or Leos! It used to really work out with them," says Aradhana, Teacher, AIS MV.

Bade Dost: Hi5s and fist bumps replace cute handshakes. Nonetheless, the yari-dosti remains the same.

Gossipmongers!: Chit chat. Blah blah. Did you hear about them? Oh my God! You have to see him! You know what... *starts whispering*... *roar of laughter*.
 Sounds familiar? Yeah, well! We see so many gossipers around us, so many sources of rumours. They say rumours are awesome, they tell you things about you that you never knew. And that's what binds many people. Gossip.
 Tanvi Sethi, X, AIS Gur-46 agrees, "I make really great friends with people who have lots to talk about. Its fun you see!"

Nerdy buddy?: Nerdy buddies are one of the common species existing in almost every class. All you have to do to be one of them is top in every thing, every time. Just that. Come on now, can't you even do this much?!

Wanna-bee's-knees!: Hot curls, short uniform, gloss in hand, sparkly eyes. They're the smart (well, appearance wise), appealing, cool people. They'll walk round the corridors, gain recognition and be the stars. This phase comes to almost everyone, sometime or the other. Have you been a wanna-be yet?!
 "Clothes, looks, and attitude....these friends have so many parameters to judge you," says Eklavya Malvai, XII, AIS Noida.

Bowled over by charismatic

"Deano"

Well know Australian cricketer and commentator Dean Jones shares some candid moments of his life with GT

Three little musketeers namely **Ishan Rai, Amlaan Kumar and Ujjawal Kumar** settle down into a gigantic house turned office. A little humbled, a little bowled, a little amazed and extremely delighted they take their place. The recorder is set and placed, there is a synchronized clicking of pens and notebooks ruffle as the musketeers start their dream interview with famous Australian Cricketer and commentator Dean Jones.

Childhood and Cricket

Let's begin with your childhood. Did you always dream to be a cricketer?
 No not at all actually. Football was and is still a popular sport in Australia. I never intended to take up cricket as a career, I always believed that career should be a way of life and not just something you do. As for me, I just happened to be good at cricket. I scored 2700 runs in a season playing in the 12-14 category after which my father gave me the go

ahead to play with seniors. So yeah! That's how it all began.

(We all enjoy as he explains his experience against the seniors. He gives a comic description of his feelings playing against the 'BIG BOYS'.)

Who has been your idol?

My father. He was my coach, my mentor, my idol. He taught me everything. I think it's very important to have a mentor and place your faith in him and let him have full control.

(He takes time to explain how his father was instrumental in his success and how he would push him hard so that he would do well.)

Dream debut

So when did you begin your career?
 I made my One Day debut playing against Pakistan in 1983. I scored 44 runs in that match. I played my first Test match against West Indies. It was a tough pitch to play on and I scored 48 runs. It

Sharing a smile: Ujjawal Kumar, Ishan Rai and Amlaan Kumar with Dean Jones



I consider my innings at Chennai in 1989 'historic'. It marked the turning point in my cricketing career. The conditions were tough and I was totally dehydrated still I went ahead and scored a double ton.

was definitely the best innings of my life.

Golden Days

Tell us about your most memorable moments in cricket? Tell us about the famous cricket match at Chennai?
 The 1987 World Cup victory is one of the most cherished moments. It was truly

a high point. The memories of 1989 Chennai test match is something that I will treasure all my life. The conditions were tough and I was dehydrating and still I went ahead and scored a double ton. It was definitely the turning point and I thank the people of India because it was them who put me on the international cricketing map.

Tell us about your most memorable innings?

The most memorable innings of my life was scoring 100 runs off 70 balls against New Zealand in the finals. I will always cherish the memories of that match through out my life. Those innings are still considered historic by ICC.

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My best friend is Riya Jain. I love her a lot as she shares her Barbie with me.

Ishita, I-G, AIS Noida



Adopt, don't shop



Pratiti Diddi, GT Network

You might not be able to buy that exotic breed of pet that you have been eyeing for long, if the recent news on sale of pets is to be believed/ into effect.

San Francisco has announced 'Humane Pet Acquisition Proposal,' a ban on the sale of any animals as pets in the city. The proposed ban includes every type of pet and aims to encourage the adoption

of animals from shelters or other rescue organizations instead of buying them from pet shops and breeders.

Animal activists have a reason to rejoice as they believe this would put an end to the commodification of pet and hence keep a tab on animal trafficking. This brings us to the moot question- **Does buying and selling of pets amount to animal trafficking and slave trade?** Here's what Amitian's, have to say about such a move in India in the light of the above statement:

Bringing home a new pet and more so an exotic pet, requires burning big holes in the pocket; the recent law suggests otherwise



"Banning the buying and selling of pets is never a solution. For starters, it doesn't guarantee the dis-abandonment of street animals (might even increase it?). Further, a ban on pet sales (similar to that on drugs) would just push the industry underground, leading to MORE massive animal abuse, of anything with fur or feather. And in case the ban occurs, the animals would just be exported to a faraway land where again overpopulation would lead to euthanasia of the innocent creatures! This would especially be the case in a country like India, where pet shop owners would resort to such "jugaad", not wanting to lose their businesses."

Medhavi Arora, XII D, AISN



"Human beings simply don't seem to understand the worth of life! We kill our own kind, so animals just seem to be another insignificant form of life that exists! These words may seem very blunt, but that is what I see around me. Trafficking of any form of life be it humans or animals for vested monetary interests should certainly not be allowed. Pet animals in many houses have to even bear the brunt of the owner's frustration! The trade in exotic animals is also not uncommon and we need to put a full stop to it. NOW! Therefore, I strongly support any legislation that bans the trade in LIFE, that bans the trafficking of animals."

Bhuvan Ravindran, XI B, AISN

Newsreels

Wonder Aplomb: -Delhi now boasts a wonder. Akshardham Temple, considered the largest Hindu temple in the world, has been included in the



list of "Seven Wonders of the 21st Century" by Reader's Digest. The 100-acre complex with its stunning main temple ranked fifth in a list topped by the Buddha statue in Lushan County, China.

Kalka mail derails in UP—On July 10, 15 bogies of the Kalka Mail, that was on its way to New Delhi from Howrah, with 1,200 passengers on board, derailed near Malwan station in Uttar Pradesh's Fatehpur district.



Over 60 people have died and at least 150 have been injured in the devastating accident.

Ban on junk food sale: Pizzas, burgers and other junk food will soon be out of bound for students across the country in their school and colleges, if the health ministry has its way. An affidavit in the Delhi High Court by Food and Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) under the health ministry sought a PIL seeking a ban of such food items within 1500 feet radius of school and colleges.

Clinical trials from mice to men and the array of consequent medicinal inventions are known to be a boon to mankind. It's high time to take a look at the bane too.

Nupur Kapoor

MBA (Insurance) 2009-11

Reported: Recently Andhra Pradesh's Guntur district reported the death of 35 women and few men who unwittingly became guinea pigs for a meager sum of Rs. 10,000 to what looked like clinical trials for breast cancer drugs, culminating into a huge public outcry. The huge billion-plus population (patient pool) and cheaper costs seems to have made the nation vulnerable and an easy target of the pharma majors. It is startling to note that it's not the poor illiterate ones who are ignorant about this burgeoning business but the educated lot seems to be equally oblivious too. Here's a round and around on clinical trials.

What is?: It's a known fact that whenever any new medicine/therapy is to be launched, it must first be tested in lab on animal or human cell. If the results are encouraging, then it is tested on human

being in different phases in a process called clinical trial. Put simply it is a trial of some medicine or vaccine on human being to understand its efficacy and side effect.

Protocol: A protocol is a study plan on which all clinical trials are based. Each clinical trial has its individual protocol, carefully designed to safeguard the health of the participants as well as answer specific research questions. A protocol describes what types of people may participate in the trial; the schedule of tests, procedures, medications, and dosages; and the length of the study.

Insurance: Clinical trials bring with them substantial risk as unavoidable accidents can occur during the trial. In spite of taking all precautions, there is a real danger of adverse reaction to the drugs and the resulting morbidity, hence highlighting the need for insurance. Clinical trial insurance (CTI) covers this risk and protects the insured against lawsuits alleging death, bodily injury, prop-



Illustration: Ravinder Gusain

erty damages, etc, as a result of an individual's or a group's participation in a clinical trial. Clinical Trial Liability Insurance (CTLI) basically includes -

- Legal liability arising out of lack of care, negligence resulting in injury or death of the subject.
- Insufficient/improper disclosure and

conflict of interest may also become subject matter of suit.

- The policy may also cover-
- Property damage (along with bodily injury)
- Personal injury
- Advertising injury -Caused to a research subject by the research sub-

ject's participation in a trial commencing within the Policy Period

- Legal expenses also covered.
- Territorial limit is prescribed in the policy.

Things to know:

- The policy can be single trial policy or it may be multi-trial policy covering several trials of the policyholder
- The policy is on "Claim made" basis. Cover can be extended for post trial liabilities upto 60 months.
- For the purpose of rating, look into the track record of the sponsoring company and others involved in conducting the trial
- The company must establish and maintain a policy of adherence to the required clinical trials protocol and must not stray from safety norms.
- Fulfillment of informed consent rules must be ensured. Parties to the clinical trial must sign clinical trial agreement for adherence to the protocol and to take care of other concerns.

Clinical trials & tribulations

Dear Annanya,

You are my best friend and thanks for helping in class III.

Anjali Kulshreshtha, IV-A, AIS PV

Mathematics of Careers in Forensic science

The students of forensic science often get confused with the algebra of the suitable career options for them. Here is a sneak peak at some of the equations of available options

Gunjan Sharma, GT Network

The word 'forensic' comes from a Latin word forensis which means 'before the forum' and so defines the profession of 'Forensic science'. It's not just about studying samples and investigating the criminals; the profession comes with rainbow dimensions including investigating, social, enterprising and realistic characteristics too. The Global Times with Amity Institute of Advanced Forensic Science Research & Training (AIAFSR) presents an overview of the sought after options when students proceed from campus to office. Happy Scientific Sleuthing!!

Medical Examiner

Are you torn between a career in medicine or law? Why don't you combine both and become a medical examiner. As a medical examiner you'll work with physicians and law experts to rule a death as accidental, natural, suicide or homicide.

⊕ The profession gives you an immense satisfaction of simultaneously being a medicine and law expert which is different from other professions in Forensics.

⊖ The scope is basically limited to post mortems which may be frustrating at times.

⊖ It is the highest paying profession among the available options in forensics.

Forensic odontologist

They generally are dentists who practice as consultants rather than as full-time forensic scientists. They use their expertise to help identify unknown remains and trace bite marks of a specific individual.



"One needs to work absolutely error proof as a single mistake can spoil many lives. Whatever sector a Forensic science student chooses, requires expertise apart from knowledge and proper training. Unlike other professions there is very less scope of learning on field."

Dr. P.K. Chattopadhyay, Director, AIAFSR

Crime Laboratory Analyst

Since forensic science is used to help law enforcement officials solve crimes, crime lab analysts often work as part of an investigative team. Duties include collecting crime scene evidence, testing and reporting on that evidence, testifying in a court of law on your findings.

⊕ You will generally have to work indoors and there are relatively clean samples and stable work hours.

⊖ Work as a crime lab analyst may be-

come repetitive, so figure out if routine is something you can deal with or not.

⊖ Evolution of modern investigative techniques has made the work easier and organized for crime laboratory analysts. The pay at entry level is certainly less but with certain years of experience one can set up their own laboratory.

Forensic Engineer

When a product fails, forensic engineering comes into play. Forensic engineers prove or disprove that a product's failure led to accidents, injuries, and other issues that can lead to lawsuits. You will deal with traffic accidents, fire investigations, and other wrongful injury cases.

⊕ This sector is popular for job scope and comparatively better working hours.

⊖ Scope of forensic engineering is very limited in India which may be concern for the ones who can't shift abroad.

⊖ The average salary is almost equal to what engineers from other streams get. However, forensic engineers can earn extra income by taking certain cases apart from their job.

Crime Scene Examiner

They are supposed to work whenever and wherever crime occurs, indoors or outdoors, day or night and have to be adept enough to deal with dead bodies and other messy situations.

⊕ There are no fixed hours and hence can be good option for those who don't prefer working under time boundaries.

⊖ The intellectual challenge is still there and the scientific basis of the field is developing.

⊖ The pay is not great but few folks voluntarily leave crime scene section for other duties. 🇮🇳

Amity Institute of Competitive Examination

Presents

Brainleaks-12

FOR CLASS XI-XII



a,b,c are the sides of ΔABC such that no two sides are equal and $x^2+2(a+b+c)x+3\lambda(ab+bc+ca)=0$ if x is real then range for λ ($\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$) is

(a) $\lambda < 4/3$,

(b) $\lambda > 4/3$,

(c) $\lambda \in \{2/3, 7/3\}$

(d) $\lambda \in [2/3, 7/3]$

Last Date:
Aug 10, 2011

3 correct entries win attractive prizes

Name:.....

Class:.....

School:.....

Correct Answer for Brainleaks 10

(c) Alkaline hydrolysis of alkyl isocyanides leads to the formation of a primary amine and salt of methanoic acid

Winners: Aarushi Chawla, XII A, Twinkle Gupta, XIIA, Kavya Singh, XII A, AIS Saket

Send your answer at The Global Times, AKC House, E-27, Defence Colony, New Delhi - 24 or e-mail your answer at amityglobaltimes@gmail.com

SCHOLASTIC ALERTS

Institute/College:

Gurukul Kangri Vishwavidyalaya
Based on AIEEE rank

Course: B.Tech

Last date of submission: 16 Aug, 11

Website: www.gkharidwar.org

Taruna Barthwal ACCGC, Career Counselling Coordinator



First of its kind

Vital stats: Amity Institute of Nano Technology (AINT)



If experiments and practical applications score as high as academics in your priority list then this institute holds enough potential to satisfy your desire for a successful career in nanotechnology

Shreya Saxena, AIESR

Nanotechnology is emerging as a potential and promising scientific discipline all over the world and so is Amity Institute of Nanotechnology. The Global Times takes you to a campus visit at AINT.

USP: It is an internationally acclaimed institute for the variety and quality of courses it offers. The students are picked up for dissertation programmes and for international conferences by reputed national and international universities.

Faculty: Under the guidance of Dr. R.P. Singh, Director, AINT and a renowned name in the field of nanotechnology, the institute has an experienced team to its credit. Individual attention is what the institute proudly boasts off.

Programmes: It offers many courses

matching upto the standards of industry.

Graduation:

B.Tech-Nanotechnology

B.Tech+ M.Tech-Nanotechnology

Post Graduation:

M.Sc-Nano science by research +

M.Tech-nanotechnology (Dual degree)

M.Sc-Nanotechnology by research

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M.Tech-Nanotechnology

Infrastructure: The laboratories at AINT are bound to leave anybody stupefied. A well stocked library having every possible book and journal related to nanotechnology and other subjects, speaks the same story.

Industry interactions: AINT has close association with national scientific institutions in the country like NPL, SSPL,

IIT, DU, BARC, TIFR, CSIO, DM-SRDE etc. Students are facilitated with regular interactions with the scientists from these organizations through visits and guest lectures. Hands on training in National Laboratories for specific instruments such as SEM, TEM, AFM, STM etc. is also being conducted

Placements: The institute has a record of 100% placements. Organizations like Moserbaer, Indo-solar, ST Microelectronics Indo-solar, E-Value Serve Company, Nano Science and Technology Consortium, Quantum Material Corporation etc come for campus recruitments.

Research: The institute is a hub for research lovers be it faculty or students. More than 30 research papers from the department have been published/ accepted in peer reviewed International and National journals. 🇮🇳

What else is there on platter?

Genesis: The annual techno cultural festival offers a perfect amalgamation of cultural and academic events to the budding scientists.

Amity Nanotechnology update: AINT publishes 'Amity Nanotechnology Update', a quarterly magazine highlighting the latest developments in nanotechnology.

Due Wishes

"I wish that there should be some cultural clubs too to satisfy our creative streaks"—Student, AINT

Coming Up

Forensic nanotech: AINT is going to introduce post graduate course in Forensic nanotech soon.

Worthy opinions

"The institute provides an exposure of mind boggling applications of nanotechnology electronics, medical sciences, paint industry, paint energy, textiles, forensic science and environmental sciences to the students. When they do experiments themselves they learn more."

—Dr. R.P. Singh, Director, AINT

For all those strong people who held it together dealing with insanity. We made it through, without getting debarred!!

Arpita & Manvi, AIBHAS, Amity University



And the clock is ticking back

Days return to past: 2011 Calendar is same as 2005

Pratiti Diddi, GT Network

Take a quick look at the calendar of your computer and run a comparative analysis between the calendar of years 2005 and 2011 respectively. Not only will you observe both starting with the same date and day, but all the days and dates till December running the same. That's not all... another revelation is that in the last 90 years the calendar was repeated 11 times starting from 1920, 1927, 1938, 1949, 1955, 1966, 1977, 1983, 1994, 2005 and now in 2011. The same calendar will be seen again in 2022. If you still think it's all a coincidence, here is a logical explanation for the same.

Calendars repeat in a regular cycle, at least within a century. Every year the day for any given date advances one day as a rule of thumb. That's because there are normally 365 days in the year and 364 divided by 7 ($364/7=52$), making one normal year comprising of 52 weeks and 1 day. So, for instance if your birthday is on a Monday in one year, it will be on a Tuesday the next



year, unless there is a February 29th in between, then it will be on a Wednesday, advancing 2 days instead of 1. This simply means that in leap years the calendar advances by 2 days while in non leap years it advances only by 1 day.

Know when Calendars repeat:

Here is a step by step pattern to deter-

mine "when" calendars repeat with the same day/date combinations:

- Define any year as one of four things: a "leap year", the "1st year after a leap year", the "2nd year after a leap year", or the "3rd year after a leap year".

- Add 28 to a "leap year" to get the next year that it will repeat. Similarly add 6 to the "1st year after a leap year",

come up again in 11 more years.

- Both "2nd year after a leap year" and "3rd year after a leap year" will repeat in an 11-11-6 cycle. Notice the patterns involve 6, 11, and 28. The cycles of 6-11-11 and 11-11-6 add to 28.

This combination results in a sequence of repeated calendars in a 28-year cycle. So, you got it or still counting? 📅

add 11 to "2nd year after a leap year", also add 11 to "3rd year after a leap year" to get the next year they repeat.

Ex: 2008 was a leap year. This means 2010 is the 2nd yr after a leap year. Add 11 to the 2010 i.e $2010 + 11 = 2021$ (the year in which the same calendar will repeat). Similarly 2011 repeats in 2022 (i.e $2011+11$), 2012 repeats in 2040 (i.e $2012+28$) and so on.

How often calendars repeat:

- Any leap year calendar will repeat in exactly the same way every 28 years.

- Any "1st year after a leap year" will repeat in a 6-11-11 cycle, i.e, it will repeat in 6 years, then come up again in 11 years,

DID YOU KNOW ?

S. Bhuvaneshwari
XII, AIS Gur-43

- The human heart creates enough pressure while pumping to squirt blood 30 feet.
- The acid in our stomach is strong enough to dissolve razorblades.
- An average person eats 8 spiders in his lifetime during night
- The strongest muscle in the body is the tongue
- By raising your legs slowly and laying on your back, you can't sink in quicksand
- Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur
- The tooth is the only part of the human body that can't repair itself
- Everyone has a unique smell, except for identical twins.
- No matter what size or thickness of paper, no piece of paper can be folded in half more than 7 times. 📄



Sports

Howzatt!?!

From cricketer to commentator



Striking a pose(L-R): Ishan Rai with Dean Jones

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Describe your transition from a middle order batsman to a commentator? Do you miss being in the middle of the action?

No not at all actually. It was tough to adapt initially. As I said, it's a different career and a different lifestyle. It meant a less strenuous schedule and more time at home. I believe it's important to do well in the second or climax half of your career. I worked harder, performed better and enjoyed the laurels as I adapted to my new lifestyle.

Future of Cricket

Your take on the new T20 avatar?

Well I think it's great for the game. The game needs to evolve and I think it's great with the IPL and everything. The game has changed with powerplays and limited bouncers. New players and good opportunity but we should not overdo it which I think we currently are.

Do you agree that 'sledging' is a common practice in cricket or sports in general?

Sledging is worse in club matches than in country matches. There are over 28 cameras in an international cricket match. You can't possibly say anything to anyone. Australians are often blamed for introducing and promoting sledging but more Indians get charged for it than us.

What is your advice to the youngsters who wish to pursue cricket as their career?

Make cricket your lifestyle. Don't do anything that stands in the way of you and your dream. Remember that you are a professional athlete and you need to work hard. Also have a mentor and place your trust in him. You got



Rapid Fire

Favourite Batsman: Sachin Tendulkar
Favourite Bowler: Dale Steyn
Favourite opponents: England (Mostly because of the Ashes)
Favourite IPL team: None.
Favourite Commentator: Sanjay Manjrekar, Allan Wilkins
Love to watch IPL or Champion's league (Football): IPL for sure
Favourite place in India: Taj Mahal

to simply Live it, breathe it.

Trivia

How does it feel when someone is batting on 99* and a fast ball comes to him? This surely must have happened to you also?

100 is a milestone which is made by someone. I try and not think about the score I'm on and just try and focus on the ball. I am not thinking about the one run but about how many runs can I score. Yes, but there is a little bit of nervousness when I am on 99.

What do you do in your free time?

Sports is in my DNA now. I play golf these days and also go for fishing often. I like to spend time with my family and travel all around the world. I love India and have been here exactly 100 times.

(It is interesting to hear him describe his love for the country and how he enjoys travelling around the world.)

What inspires you to do charity?

My godmother was suffering from cancer. She underwent two operations and survived. That spurred me to donate towards the people suffering from cancer. I have community lunches and do walks to raise funds.

How did you feel when India beat Australia in the World Cup?

Nothing. In fact, in Australia, the most played sport is Netball, followed by Australian soccer. Cricket comes third. We just shrug it off when we lose. We won three world cups. It had to end some time.

(We all get consumed as he explains how Allan Border set very high standards for all the players and how it is being a kid these days with all the distractions. The excited Musketeers finally move to their favourite part and take autographs and pictures.)

Reported and compiled by Amlaan Kumar(VIII E), Ujjawal Kumar(IX C) and Ishan Rai(AIB)



Dear Manasvi,
I hope we will always be best friends. Happy Friendship Day! With lots of love.
Deepanshi Gulati, IV-D, AIS Gur-43

Kitchens of the Forbidden Kingdom

Looking for authentic Chinese cuisine in Noida? Mandarin Express is fast catching up as a seasoned gourmet's delight



URBAN DICTIONARY

Sowmya B, X C, AIS Gur-43

Bored of the usual, mundane drab words? It's time to revamp your dictionary with trendy words that have seeped into our urban lingo.

Webtrovert: someone who is a shy-introvert in real life, but turns into a full-on extroverted party animal on Internet forums and social networking sites

Sentence: When I first met Mrinalini she seemed very shy but when I chat with her on FB, she seems like a social animal as she never quits speaking of her parties and plans. She is such a webtrovert!

Misinfotainment: a class of media propaganda where entertainment combined with journalism developed for 24-hour television news networks, designed to instill emotional responses from viewers instead of providing facts

Sentence: It is unfortunate that nowadays, all we get to see on the news channels is misinfotainment.

Fomo: the fear of missing out something great

Sentence: Even though he was exhausted, Rakesh's fomo got the best of him and he went to the party.

Screenior citizen: An old person who spends all his/her time at the computer or television

Sentence: Now that I have taught my grandma how to surf the web, she has become a true blue screenior citizen. ☺

GT Intern

Shefali & Srinjoy, AIESR

Authentic Chinese cuisine is a sure shot rarity in this subcontinent which makes its own variety of it, namely Indo-chinese cuisine. (Eg. Extra soy sauce in Manchurian chicken) But seasoned gourmets who have knowledge of this realm, wouldn't have any problem confirming that original Chinese cuisine is certainly available in Mandarin Express. So, you and me... let's take a trip to the culinary delights of China away from China.

AURA

Located in the midst of the heterogeneous and buzzing food court of Centrestage Mall, Noida (CSM- Centre for Suicidal Mannerisms!), Mandarin Express portrays a traditional yet contemporary mix of Chinese decorations (arey chill.. bus.. golden and red ka mixture!). Soft music in the background makes the effect more relaxing. This appropriate location which is sensibly secluded and yet suitably attached (to the other parts of the mall), is good enough to make a cozy couple feel comfortable without apprehensions.

TINGLING TASTES

This restaurant is especially known for its two signature dishes apart from a really mouth watering arsenal of Chinese dishes at your disposal.

CRISPEE CONJEE LAMB

Inch cut pieces of delicious soft lamb fried with colourful bellpeppers and sweet and tangy honey sauce and soy sauce background. A treat to a gourmet's taste palate.. yummy... juicy.. with a right blend of spice and sweetness. Just dig in and you will end up licking your



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- Free Home Delivery which gives it a wide mass appeal
- Tie ups with reputed companies like Aeon, Hewitt, HCL, Amity and 3C's.
- Highly economic rates.
- Opening shortly in posh areas as Ambience Mall (Gurgaon), Select City Walk (Saket) and Nehru Place.

fingers. You will find the fork simply easing through the pieces which melt and disintegrate giving you mouth watering bliss. **RATING - 15/10**

CHILLY POTATOES

A plateful of fried potatoes dipped in honey chilly sauce and smeared with hot green chillies and pan fried green veggies. Fried potatoes, everybody's favourite but in this form, is simply not refusable and totally unputdownable (ie before the plate gets clean wiped). The potatoes are cut just right so that one piece can adequately fit in the cavern of your mouth. Just go... what are you waiting for? **RATING - 8.5/10**

MANDARIN DUCKS (err..the staff)

A restaurant is never complete without hospitable staff members. The staff here are prim and proper in an all black uniform ready to give their best. They are fully committed to provide us with answers even to our stringent and persua-

sive questions with an ever smiling face, the true backbone of this authentic Chinese repertoire.

SIZZLING BYTES

"It is an enriching experience working here. The recipes are sheer bliss to the taste-buds of our customers. We largely cater to the young crowd keeping in mind their fetish for authentic Chinese food."

Rajiv (Shift Manager)

"Working here ensures constant learning. My colleagues are very co-operative, organised and professional. This has added to my rich and satisfying experience of working here."

Dinesh (Junior Chef) ☺

(Writers are students of Amity Institute of English Studies & Research)

When friends fight

What's friendship without its own dose of bickering and sweet fights? But that down-in-the-dumps feeling which follows is so not fun. Here's some help to get you out sorted...

Tulika Banerji, GT Network

Scene 1- Two's company, three's crowd:

The two of you have been bosom buddies, when a third person enters the scene. You want to make the new one comfortable, spend time with him/her and go out of the way to ease things up. But your old friend cries foul, sulks and goes into cold war zone.

The goof-up: Your old buddy is probably anxious about the presence of the new member who seems to have become your new centre of attention, leaving him/her in the cold.

Tip: When two friends have been together for a long while, both tend to take each other for granted. While, it takes a long time to build such relationships, a minor mistake can screw things



up. Having a new friend is exciting, but care should be taken not to overindulge in the new friendship at the cost of the

old one. Talk things out openly with your oldest pal. Chances are, it is just a misconception. Take extra care to in-

clude both your friends in the conversation or activity. Plan group activities on weekends that all of you enjoy. Continue doing everything that you used to do before the third member's entry.

Scene 2- Chinese whispers: You confide your innermost feelings to your best friend, and the next thing you know is the entire class talking about it. What follows is obvious, a torrent of name-calling and abuses, as you feel betrayed.

The goof-up: Your friend did not realize the repercussions of letting the cat out of the bag. For all practical purposes, his/her intention was only to garner support for you in the crisis that you are going through. However, the efforts backtracked.

Tip: Explain to your friend that there

are certain things which are not meant for public knowledge. Had you been comfortable about others knowing about it, you yourself would have told them. Your friend needs to be mature and apologise for her/his behaviour. At the same time, accept that your friendship is not so shallow, that it can break up over such an issue. ☺

How to make that friendship last...

- Remember nobody's perfect.
- Don't take each other for granted.
- Do things without each other, once in a while.
- Give compliments.
- Do not let out secrets.
- Laugh with them, not at them.
- Forgive and forget.

Dear Afnan, Jayshree & Amrit,

Flowers need sunshine, violets need dew, all angels in heaven know I need you. Years may fly, tears may dry, But my friendship will never die.

Kupldeep Pandey, AIIT, Amity University



Global Handshake

Dr. Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

Friendship knows no boundaries. It is all about fostering new relations, nurturing them and standing by each other in the hour of need. India has always been an ardent follower of this policy.

It has always strived to establish friendly ties with all its neighbours. It has not only initiated steps to further its relations with its neighbours but also extended a hand of friendship to all its global partners. It has not shied away from offering an olive branch to Pakistan despite the 26/11 tragedy.

The invitation to Pakistani Prime Minister to witness the historic match between India and Pakistan is clearly indicative of its intent to restore peace. The way India is helping Afghanistan in rebuilding its economy shows how committed it is in taking its strategic partnership forward to a next level.

We, at Amity, also believe in forging new ties. The innumerable visits organized by Amity to offshore countries, cultural exchange programmes and educational tie ups with foreign varsities are indicative of our belief in the principle of 'Vasudev Kuttambakam'. We believe in nurturing global citizens. Amity International Model United Nations (AIMUN) organized in 2010 on a large scale, shows how much stress we lay on encouraging friendship amongst children from across the borders and understand issues afflicting them. Cheers to the new bonds that we have forged. 🇮🇳

To Me, My Friend

Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

FRIENDS ring a sweet bell in every soul. And when it is Friendship Day round the corner, all that we all look forward is to read more about this relationship.

The sweet and short word – FRIENDS holds within it people of all age groups, real and virtual, across boundaries, animate or inanimate that we love to experience and share. The beauty of this relationship is so pure that we tend to search for it in every bonding...be it between spouses, father and son, teacher and student or amongst colleagues. The innate reason stems from the basic desire to make this relationship complete, evolving and enriching.

Poets, philosophers and even FRIENDS have attempted to define this term and unique bond, and we almost surrender to every feeling in those words effortlessly. One such effort to define this relationship that I particularly like is by Kahlil Gibran...

"And let your best be for your friend. If he must know the ebb of your tide, let him know the flood also."

For what is your friend that you should seek him with hours to kill? Seek him always with hours to live.

For it is his to fill your need, but not your emptiness.

And in the sweetness of friendship let there be laughter, and sharing of pleasures.

For in the dew of little things the heart finds its morning and is refreshed."

This Friendship Day, take a step forward to discover the new friend in you and experience a whole new world. 🇮🇳

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Because you're my best friend

A real friend is one who walks in when rest of the world walks out. Here's raising a toast to friendship

Kaveri Modayil, X, AIS PV

Don't we all have that one best friend to which we can cry our heart out? Don't we all have that one chuddy-buddy to whom we can confide everything? Don't we all feel that sometimes, our Best Friends Forever (BFFs) know us more than we know ourselves? My experiences with my BFF can be best described beyond the word 'Amazing'. She's smart and sensible, and knows what to say and when to say the right thing. She gets to know first if something is wrong with me, how hard I might try to hide it. At times, she understands my feelings more precisely than my mother and guides me what to do. She has the courage to actually tell me what's right and wrong for me and also point out any alteration in my behaviour. She keeps me grounded when I tend to fly off handle and get overly 'dramatic'. Thank you BFF for being there to share my

turbulent past.

And here's a little advice for all those of you who doubt their BFF: Just Stop doing that. She might not talk to you for a day or two; she might chat with some other girl, whom you've never really seen her out with. I know it sparks and triggers feeling of jealousy and perhaps possessiveness; but always remember that she is human as well. So make her feel special, even though it might require sending e-mails, getting a huge birthday card or even souvenirs from latest trip. Anything which can make her feel special or like a beloved sister.

Lastly, don't ever forget to listen to her. Whatever she says is pretty important and about 99.9% of the time true. Those 0.1% of the times when she goes wrong, does so not make her a stranger. My dear BFF: I promise to uphold everything you tell me. So friends do not shy away from letting your BFFs know how important they are in your life. 🇮🇳



Victory for some, irreparable loss for others

World Cup celebrations in Gurgaon proved disastrous for some poor slum dwellers



Urvashi Singh with Rakhi aunty

Urvashi Singh, V B, AIS Gur-46

As India was busy rejoicing the World Cup victory over Sri Lanka in April 2011, somewhere in a quaint corner in the sleeping township of Gurgaon, a family was mourning the loss of their small hut which they once called home. The house belonged to none other than "Rakhi aunty", my maid who strives really hard to make two ends meet. Rakhi aunty is like a motherly figure to me who helps me get dressed for school, prepares food for me and helps my mother with all her household chores. Asleep after a tiring day, she rose in the middle of night only to discover that her hut had gone up in flames. Her hut,

which used to shelter her from extreme weather, was reduced to ashes after a burning splinter from the fire crackers burst by some revelers fell on her hut. The house which she had set up working tirelessly from morning to evening was destroyed in a matter of few minutes. Teary eyed she recalled the days when she had toiled day and night to save money to build it. I was deeply moved when she got nostalgic recollecting the time when she used to rush home to repair a leaking roof or remove her wares when rain used to flood her house. Although, we cannot do anything to reduce her loss, we can promise to be a little more responsible and ensure that unknowingly we do not cause harm to people fighting odds in life. 🇮🇳

Pearls of Wisdom

Love thy enemy

Anuraag Gupta
VIII E, AIS Noida

Friendship is one of the greatest gifts of mankind. It transcends the barriers of age and gender. Though, there are no hard and fast rules for friendship, a true friend is one that inspires and pushes others to perform their best and does not shy away from pointing out their follies. Here are some interesting quotes on friendship...

Change your pleasure, but do not change your friends.

Voltaire, *La Despositaire*

Meaning- We should not keep changing our friends.

There are three faithful friends: an old wife, an old dog and ready money.-**Franklin**

Meaning-According to the quote the three faithful friends which stand by you through out are- an old wife who will never desert you in hour of need,

a faithful old dog and money that has been saved for bad times.

Adversity is the crucible in which friendship is tested.

Mahatma Gandhi

Meaning-A friend can be tested in difficult times.

Friendship is a single soul dwelling in two bodies.-Aristotle

Meaning-Friends act alike and think alike. 🇮🇳

GT M@il

Dear Editor,
It is abundantly clear that our education system is going down the wrong road, after DU raised its cut offs to 100% this year (*Dreams waitlisted, Monday, July 18, 2011*). The dreams of thousands of students, now hang in a balance. It shouldn't be a surprise if students tomorrow, become bookworms, running aimlessly in a rat race. It is time, students along with teachers realize the importance of an all round personality; that personality that will lead our country tomorrow.

Kulteja Ponnada, BJMC, ASCO



Dear Sahil,
Happy friendship day. I really like you. Love
HarshThakran, III-A, AIS PV



TEACH ME FRIENDSHIP: Lessons in friendship anyone? She may not be the Satyapaul-clad-hot-teacher (Remember Main Hoon Na!) but she is the most learned (pun intended) BFF.
Meet the 'Mentor-Mentee friends' - Shweta Ahluwalia, Teacher, AIS Gur 46 & Simran Sachdeva, X, AIS PV

Simran Sachdeva : A teacher who taught me all lessons of life,
A companion who held my hand and walked beside me all through my journey,
A philosopher who helped me understand the meaning of life,

A guide who showed me the way,
An elder sister who cuddled with me, pulled my cheeks and wiped my tears and made me smile,
A nurse who took care of me all through,
A weirdo who cracked the 2nd most lame jokes in the world and laughed with me for hours just trying to figure out why we started laughing
An angel - A God's gift and the bestestestest BFF!
Shweta ma'am is all this to me.

Shweta Ahluwalia : My relationship with Simran is beyond friendship. She is more than a friend, she is a soulmate. She understands if something is wrong without me having to say it. I cant recall when she was not my friend. Every moment that I have spent with her is more than golden. After marriage, everything was topsy turvy since everything around me changed. It was her that kept me going. At times, I have to be a little strict with her. Since I am the one who is slightly more experienced, I can objectively tell her what is wrong or right. I have been there and made a few mistakes so I can keep her away from making the same ones

Mujhse dosti karoge errrrr... what kind?



Sweet, sour, spicy, salty, tangy...have your friendship, whichever way you like. Just choose the apt friend type!
Bhawna Tuteja, GT Network brings to you the 'Dost-ly' choices on this friendship day. Enjoy the options!

TIMING NO BAR

Friendship knows no timings...even if it is 4 am in the morning. Disclaimer: Parental objection to early morning chit-chats may be expected!

Meet 'The Chit Chat Buddies' - Vishrutyi Sahni, XII, & Aishwarya Srivastva, XII, AIS Noida

Vishrutyi Sahni : She is my 4am friend because
Firstly, she's always up at 4 am.
Secondly, she is crazy, and has the craziest solutions to all my 4am problems, which somehow end up being perfect.
Thirdly, she knows me inside out, so calling anybody else, seems impractical and wasteful.
Lastly, 4 am or 6 am, she will go out of her way to help me when I am in crisis and she knows I'll do the same for her!

Aishwarya Srivastava : Firstly, she will only end up calling me by 4 am because it will take her that long for her to realize she needs to talk to someone about it.
Secondly, I will end up only calling her by 4 am because it will take me that long to realize that I have a problem.
Thirdly, she is the only one who will listen to my jibber-jabber, patiently even at 4 am, when she's half asleep, but still come out with an extremely logical explanation, reason and solution for everything.
Lastly, nobody in the world knows me like she does, so I don't ever think twice before I give her a call at 4am or 5am.

WORK IN PROGRESS

9 to 6 can be a fun time slot when your best bud is in the professional vicinity.

Meet friends@work - Namita Rastogi, Coordinator, AIS Noida & Shaili Kapoor, Teacher, AIS Noida

Namita Rastogi : Friendship never has and never will come in the way of work. We both know our duties and have performed them well. We joined Amity together in 1991 and have been a part of the same organization for 20 years. We are sisters rather than co-workers or friends. We share everything, even if it is extremely personal. I share things with her that I would not even share with my sister. She accepts you the way you are.

Shaili Kapoor: What we share is more than friendship. We have never fought till date, not even once. We are one and think alike. There were situations, when we both applied for the same job and that is something that she does not know till date. And I know she would have done exactly the same thing. Our relationship is very mature and evolved. If we are not together, others around us feel bad. People are so used to seeing us together. Even our bosses have never had any objections about the two of us being together.



LET'S SMILE TOGETHER

A little maneuvering is all that it takes to turn a frown into an ear to ear smile. And this works perfectly well when the maneuvering hands are those of your best friend.

Meet the 'Cheer-me-up' friends - Aashna Aggarwal, X & Dayani, X, AIS Gur-43

Dayani : Aashna is a very important part of my life and will always be. She has made my happy moments happier and always helped me out

when I was in a fix. She is someone different, VERY different. All I can say is that Aashna is a perfect best friend.

Aashna : Dayani is someone I always depend on. Whenever I am sad, she is the first person I call. Her happiness and cheerfulness is extremely infectious and I find myself laughing alongside in no time. She is the sort of friend who will be always beside me if and when we are in trouble at school. And she is one of the most precious things in my life



HANG-OUT OR HANG ME OUT:

Chillax...becomes the national anthem when your gang rides high on the fun quotient.

Meet the 'fun dosto' - Shreya Sahni, Kabir Thakur, Pankhuri Shukla, Lakshay Narang, X, AIS PV

We laugh our guts out, share secrets, laugh again, take a break then laugh even harder! Without each other, we'd be like chicken without leg piece, tea without sugar and world without RAJNIKANTH! With them, even the lame-est things seem funny, even the smallest things seem serious, but it is just satisfying to know that they are there with you.



GOSSIP BUDDIES

Mix 2 cups of *dosti*, spice it up with gossip & garnish with a humorous tadka...and you have the recipe for gossip buddies.

Meet the 'Spice-your-ears-pals' Sanskriti Sidana & Rashi Khindri, XII, AIS Saket

Rashi Khindri : 7 years ago...my first day in school and the beginning of an eternal friendship. Our long gossips, laughing on the most unhumorous joke, calling each other to clear a doubt and then ending up gossiping on the phone for hours, discussing the latest 'campus' news, continuously

chatting from 11pm at night to 7am in the morning on sleepovers, leaving no gossip about anyone common to us.

Sanskriti Sidana : She is funny, she is adorable and she means the world to me. When it comes to gossiping, I guarantee, no

one can beat us at that . We are so well updated about the talk of the town. Who fought with whom, which guy is vying for which girl, who failed-who passed...our talks are endless! Whenever we are together time flashes by but our gossip never ends!! She is my treasure trove of secrets! 📱💬

Dear Sarthak

Happy Friendship day. May God bless you and fulfill your dreams. Hope you have a nice day.

Tanishk Yadav, VIII A, AIS Gur-46

Happy Friendship Day



Pics: Safal Chaudhary, ASCO, Amity University

To, Charu, Poorvisha and Inderjeet

My first day at Amity was 'lonely and obsolete' until I met you all and since then I have never known what these words meant.

Neelu Naidu, AIFS, Amity University

Dear Vaishali

You know the importance you hold for me. You understand me like none else. Over the years, our bond of friendship has got stronger. You are the best thing that can happen to anyone. I would never want to lose you. You are my SOUL SISTER.

Trisha Puri, VIII E, AIS Gur-46.

To my parents,

My family is my closest friend. My dad is really cool. He has given me the permission to do anything I want to. He puts in a lot of effort to be your friend, to be close to you. My mom is just too sweet. I like cuddling her, pulling her cheeks all the time. I love the way she is.

Prerna Boutra, AIS Gur-46

Dear Aastha, Saumya, Pankhuri, Ragini, Sparsh & Tapan

I just want to say that you guys are the best entertainers in the world. You have made me smile even in my worst moods. Till date, you have never let me cry. Always keep in touch!

Shreya Gauba, XI C, AIS MV

Dear Sunakshi,

If I pinpoint to reasons as to just why you are "the one" ;), it would sound like a recital of 'values to be instilled in your kids'. But, all I can say is that I thank my stars everyday for having sent me you...and from the way we echo each other's thoughts, we might just be two people and one mind. You are my soul sister and I adore you!

Eeepsita, XII, AIS Saket

Dear Mahak

Our jokes, pranks (read skipping games or library at times) and also the wonderful times we have shared will be cherished for eternity. I pledge my devotion and (almost) all my affection to you on this friendship day.

Pallavi, X D, AIS Gur-43

Dear Aarti

Happy friendship Day! We have known each other since class VI. You have helped me through my bad times and made me laugh to the fullest in the class. I could not have asked God for a better friend than you.

Tanvi, XII, AIS Saket

Dear Rup,

I am sitting here at the D- Block cafeteria, 2500 miles away from you. The lunch is not bad here though not as good as it were while we used to steal each others tiffin. It once again has reminded me that- "Life is all about making meaningful relationship" and I cherish every moment that you spent with me.

Hiren, B.Tech, ASET, Amity University

Dear Sasha

Happy Friendship day. You are the bestest friend one can ever get. You are the person I trust the most. We can talk for hours and hours without getting bored. I love you!

Ishita Agarwal, X C, AIS Saket

To all my dear and near friends miss u a lot coz you all are my life.

Anshu, AIE, Amity University



COS YOU ARE MY BEST FRIEND...

Friendship day is a time to tell your loved ones that you care in the most special way. GT brings to you excerpts of the love, the madness, the fun and the joy that adorn the feeling called 'FRIENDSHIP'.



My best friend is Aanvi. I like playing with her in the garden. I want her to come to my home for a party.

Azra, I G, AIS Noida

Dear Sarah,

Happy Friendship day. You are my best friend! I love you.

Palak Baid, II SB, AIS PV

Amity means friendship. We should help our friends. If we help our friends, God will help us.

Soumya Gupta, II C, AIS Saket

Dear Mayobhav

Friendship day reminds me of you. I hope we'll never forget each other. All children in my school only promise to be friends on this day but forget it later, but our bond is beyond this one day.

Your true friend

Utkarsh, VII E, AIS Gur-46

My best friend is Parth Shrivastav. I like playing with him. He always shares his toys and lunch with me.

Altamash Khan, KG, AIS Noida

Dear Muskaan

'Unique' is the best word for you. You are the best friend I have got. The special moments which we spent together are memorable. I wish this friendship lasts FOREVER.

Your friend

Swarnim Madan, VI B, AIS Gur-46

Hi Saquib Rao,

You are my "bestest" friend. You are very well mannered. You can shoulder responsibilities. You even help me in solving my sums.

Shikhar Agrawal, IV L AIS Noida

Let's make this friendship Day special.

Lets' have a party and let's go to an amusement park together.

Nikhil Gupta, IV, AIS Noida

My best friend is my dog. I love him. He also loves me and I like playing with him. He is extremely precious to me.

Juhi Sehgal, IV, AIS Noida

Dear Friend,

Hey!! How are you? When will you come to Delhi to meet me? I am very excited. We will have lots of fun when you come.

Anushka Puthran, IV, AIS Noida

Hey Prisha

You are my best friend and I love you.

Nirvaan, KG A, AIS PV

Hi Arunima,

On 13th August we complete 4 years of friendship. I still remember the day when you had joined school and we met in the bus and we bonded so well. Since then we are best friends.

Resham, III A, AIS Saket

Hey Riya and Khushveena

You both are my best friends . On this friendship day, I will give my other friends average bracelets but you the best ones!

Jannat Loomba, IV E, AIS PV

To dear Harnoor,

On the occasion of friendship day, I just want to tell you that you are a great friend .You have never lied to me or anyone else. With love

Swetabh, IV B, AIS Saket

Dear Shweta,

Let the waves of sea not separate us.

Sonsie Khatri III B, AIS Saket



Sheeninidhi

You are my best friend. There is nothing you haven't done for me. We will take care of our friendship till we are alive!!

Bhoomika Sarkar V-D, AIS Noida

The Clever Jackal

Short Story

Rahul Rajput, VI B, AIS Noida

Once upon a time, there lived an old lion in a dense forest. He had become very weak and was not able to catch any prey. One day while roaming in the forest he came near a cave. The lion thought, "This is a nice place to stay. Moreover, maybe this place is owned by some animal. Let me hide in the dark cave. When that animal comes, I will kill it and eat it up."

The lion went inside the cave and hid in one dark corner of the cave. The cave belonged to a clever jackal. In the evening when he returned to his cave, he saw the marks of the lion's paws. The marks signified that a lion had gone inside the cave but there were no marks showing that he came out. The jackal reached the conclusion that a lion must be hiding in the cave.

The jackal thought of a plan. He stood near the mouth of the cave and shouted, "Dear cave, why are so silent today?"



Daily you welcome me so heartily. Is anything wrong? Please talk to me." No answer came from inside. The jackal kept on talking with the cave. When the lion heard the jackal's words, he thought, "May be this is an answering cave. Why is this cave not answering the jackal? I must answer, otherwise the jackal will never enter the cave."

So, the lion roared, "Sorry for being late. Welcome, dear friend. Come in, there is no danger here." As soon as he said so, the jackal was confirmed about the lion's presence in the cave. He fled away from the spot. The lion lost his prey because of his foolishness.

Moral: Intelligence is better than strength. 🇮🇳

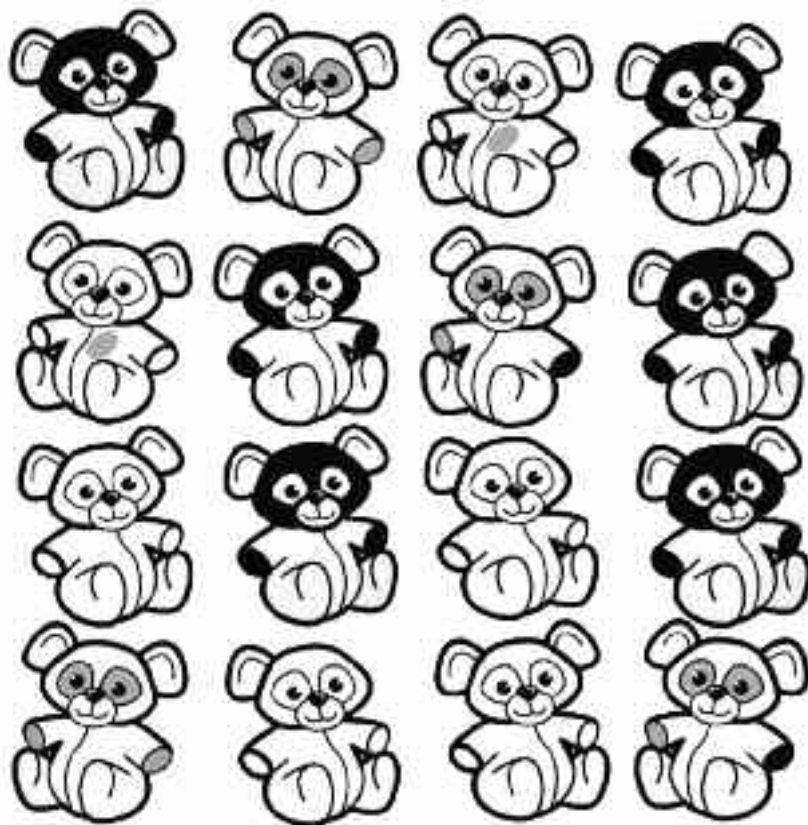
It's Me



My name: Soham Ghosh
School: AIS Gur 46
My B'day: January 6, 2004
I like: to play video games
I hate: liars
My hobby: playing casio
My role model: My mother
My best friend: Narayan
My favourite book: Jungle Book
My favourite game: Tennis
My favourite mall: Ambience
My favourite food: Pasta
My favourite poem: Twinkle twinkle little star
My favourite subject: English
I want to become: Scientist
I want to feature in GT because: my friends and their families will read about me. 🇮🇳

Teddy Bear Pair up

Help the teddies find their pairs and colour them the same...



Poems



It had all kinds of birds peacock or dove.

It was the world where every child was educated, And corruption was the only thing which people hated.

It was the world where politicians were banned, And no police case was passed hand to hand.

I love GLOBAL TIMES

Khwaish Gupta
V-F, AIS Gur 46

I love reading the Global Times
The poems, stories and puzzles freshen up my mind
Small kids are so interested in it
Everyone should effort a bit
I try giving my poems and articles Always before my exams or practicals
The newspaper has now gone weekly
With proper words and written neatly
I wish the paper should be published all over the world
This wish of mine should not be curbed
My mom asks did you get The Global times?
Every month four times!
I LOVE READING THE GLOBAL TIMES!

Of course the world was not true, but why don't we try to do our part to spread colours in the world saffron, green with blue.

See the world you live in and imagine the world which in my eyes came,

Don't you think changing the world is a true Indian's aim?



Incredible India!

Aman Rai, III C, AIS Noida

Today India is a great part of the world.

It has many industries, textiles, fine carvings, buildings, temples, etc. Tourists from all around the world come to India to travel to beautiful monuments like Taj Mahal, Red Fort, Qutub Minar, etc.

Tourists are our guests and we should not make fun of our country.

We should make our country proud in the sight of guests.

Some careless people of our nation bring our country shame.

They throw all garbage out on the roads.

Some people spit on the roads and they do toilet and all this without a bit of shame

Now choice is yours, to make your nation

great or a matter of shame in the sight of our guests! 🇮🇳

The world of my dreams

Riya Singh
V-A, AIS Saket

The world of my dreams, it neither had any chocolates, nor ice creams.

It had homes green bricked. And of course, it did not have any person wicked.

In my world there was no person who was non vegetarian.

And it had all kinds of tigers, Sumatran or Siberian.

It was the world I love,



Mango Pudding

Snigdha Banerjee, VII D, AIS MV

Ingredients

Mango puree - 2 cups
Gelatin - 4 tbsp
Sugar - 2 tbsp
Cream - 200 g
Milk - 100 ml

Method

1 Mix sugar in mango puree.
2 Add gelatin in 1/2 cup of water and

heat it till gelatin dissolves.

3 Add mango puree in gelatin.

4 Keep it in the freezer for two or three hours.

5 Take it out from the freezer, beat in a mixer grinder until it becomes a smooth paste.

6 Beat it again adding milk to it.

7 Add whipped cream and keep in freezer for 2-3 hours at least.

8 Garnish with cherries, cream and mango pieces. 🇮🇳



Aditi Banerji, III A, AIS Noida

Hey Jannat

On this friendship day, I just want you to know that you are my best friend and very special for me.

Khushveena singh - V C, AIS PV



CISCO holds training workshop

CISCO Networking Academy conducted a two day workshop beginning July 11, 2011 on "Next Gen Learning Evolution" at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) with the objective of training and refreshing the 'Information and Communication Technology' (ICT) skills of the faculty and instructors of various institutions of Amity University. Insightful technical sessions in the areas of "IPV4 and IPV6: Similarities and Differences", "Routing - RIPV1, RIPV2, EIGRP & OSPF", "Lan Switching - VLAN, VTP and STP", "Frame Relay and ACLs", "Academy Connection - A Deep dive, Packet Tracer Workshop, Passport 21 and Aspire Game", "Academy Evolution changes - A Deep dive on Academy Structure and Roles and Responsibilities" etc were held. The deliberations by technical experts during the two day training workshop proved to be rewarding for the faculty present. Inaugurating the workshop, Ms. Bina Raj Debur, Regional Manager, Corporate Affairs, India & SAARC and CISCO Systems said that the Cisco Networking Academy (CNA), which is the world's largest classroom has engaged



Ms. Bina Raj Debur, R M, Corporate Affairs, India & SAARC, CISCO Systems inaugurating the workshop



over one million students across the globe till date. CNA enables individuals to develop entrepreneurial skills besides enhancing valuable Information and

Communication Technology (ICT) skills. The global e-learning curriculum, labs and online assessments are designed to prepare them for a career in a variety

of industries and various internationally recognized certifications.

"The CISCO Networking Academy demonstrates the power of cloud com-

puting in education by utilizing the network to engage 1 million users each day in discovering the power of teaching and learning ICT skills," she added. Welcoming Ms. Debur and the esteemed delegation of Team Managers from Cisco Systems across the country, Maj. Gen. K Jai Singh, Vice Chancellor, AUUP said, "Information Technology (IT) is not an isolated field and IT and Communication are totally interconnected in their functioning and are a step towards advancement of the country. The development of IT is actually responsible for the development of several industries including communication, education etc. The tools of E-learning, online examinations, online evaluation etc have proved to be a boon for spreading education."

"Along with its endeavour to provide best quality education, Amity is committed to work on further development of ICT and also nurture its much valued partnership with CISCO Systems," he added. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. H.S.P Singh, Director, Amity Institute of Information Technology (AIIT) said the workshop has added a new dimension to the academic chapter.  

ISTE workshop for faculty held

Amity School of Engineering and Technology (ASET) hosted the inaugural ceremony of Indian Society for Technical Education (ISTE) at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) on July 08, 2011.

The program began with the lighting of the traditional lamp amidst pious chants of Saraswati Vandana. The havan was followed by welcome address by Prof. K.M. Soni, Acting director, ASET, AUUP and Prof. Ranjit Singh, Executive Secretary & Programme Director, ISTE. He highlighted the various programs initiated by ISTE across India.

The Key note speakers for the day included Prof. Shampa Chakraverty, from Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, New Delhi and Prof. M.N Hoda, Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Computer Applications & Management, New Delhi. Mr Hoda delivered an interactive speech on "Innovative Trends in Engineering and Technology".



Prof. Ranjit Singh, Executive Secretary & Programme Director, ISTE addressing the gathering

The Indian Society for Technical Education is a National, professional, non-profit making society. The major



objective of the ISTE is to assist and contribute in the production and development of top quality professionals, en-

gineers and technicians needed by the industries and other organizations.

Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD), CTE/DST/MIT/State Govts are well associated with the ISTE for programs related to technical education. This workshop was aimed at providing a platform to faculty members from various disciplines in Amity University to interact with other professionals involved in various fields.

The workshop saw interesting discussion on the latest advances, innovations and practices followed at various levels around the globe.

Further, it also provided an opportunity to cultivate fraternal spirit amongst teachers, administrators, industrialists & professionals and bring about effective linkage between technical institutions, industries and society.

The workshop was attended by HoDs, faculty members of ASET and other senior officials of Amity University.  





Orientation program for MBA students held

The fresh batch of MBA students who enrolled in Amity Business School (ABS) were accorded a grand welcome on July 6, 2011. After the initial registration, the students invoked the blessings of the almighty through a "Havan".

The eminent dignitaries present during havan included Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, ADG, ABS, Dr. Balvinder Shukla, Pro VC (A), AUUP, Ms Savita Mehta, VP, Amity Media Cell. The afternoon session saw a formal introduction of students to the ABS faculty and other support staff. Dr Sanjay Srivastava delivered the inaugural address. He imparted several nuggets of learnings and also advised the new batch to practice the principle of "5 L".

The second day saw briefing on "Academic Philosophy, Evaluation and Examination System" to the students by Dr. Balvinder Shukla. She talked about the working of the University in detail and explained to the students various expectations that they need to live up to.

Mentoring is a process very close to the Founder President's heart and so a program titled "Know your Mentors" was conducted by Ms. Mamta Mohan - the chief mentor and Prof. Kanwal Bhalla. Later, "Self exploration and understanding through Psychometric Profiling" was conducted by Dr. Balvinder Shukla, Dr. Sanjay Srivastava and Maj General K.J. Singh - Vice Chancellor, Amity University, AUUP.  

UK varsity comes calling

University of Nottingham, UK is keen on an educational tie up with Amity University. Mr. Vincenzo Raimo, Director, International Office, University of Nottingham during his visit to Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) expressed interest in exploring collaboration opportunities between the two universities.

Apart from showing interest in encouraging student exchange programs, internship and joint research program between the two varsities, Raimo said, he wanted to introduce UK India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI) at Amity University.

He discussed the significance and scope of UKIERI, which aims at enhancing education links between India & UK. He said this move is going to benefit thousands of students, especially Biotechnology and Nanotechnology students, who are interested in being a part of research and internship program in UK. He also praised the research fellows





Dr. Balvinder Shukla, Pro VC(A), Dr. Sunil Saran, Chairman, ASTIF presenting memento to Mr. Vincenzo Raimo

from Amity University saying, "The research fellows from Amity based at Nottingham have built good relations with

the professors. Their contacts can prove to be of immense help for ensuring the success of UKIERI. Meanwhile, the in-

tellectual capital of University of Nottingham can be utilized in India," he added. Welcoming the delegates, Dr. Balvinder Shukla, Pro Vice Chancellor (Academics), AUUP said the partnership between the two education giants is going to be a boon for students of Biotechnology and Nanotechnology. It will further brighten their prospects.

The visit was followed by the felicitation of Mr. Raimo by Dr. Balvinder Shukla and Heads of various Institutions of Amity along with a brief round of the University Campus and institutes.

Earlier in March this year, the University of Nottingham had announced the launch of 'Indian Distinguished Visiting Fellowship' scheme for 10 Indian lecturers and post doctoral researchers to undertake research at the University for a period of three months from June to September 2011. The scheme included funding £1,000 per month to cover living expenses plus £500 to cover travel costs for each candidate.  



To all my horrible friends

This is to remind you, all my friends -You will have to support and help me make my life hell as you have always done.

Ustat & Nikita, Amity University

Budding Scientists triumph at 3rd Annual Dhananjay Mohan Science Symposium

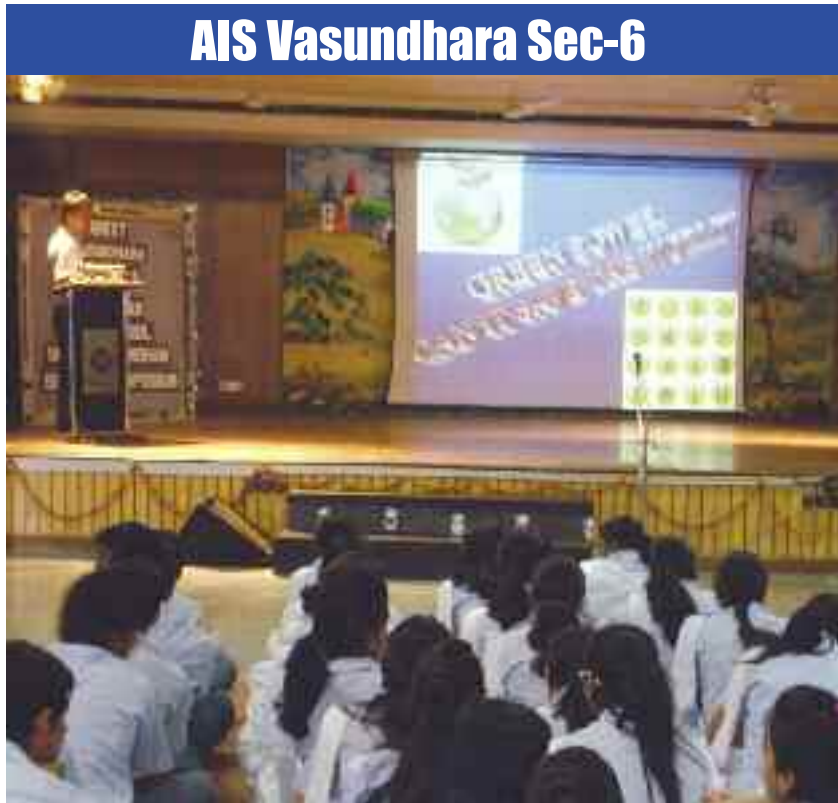
Young Amitians demonstrate how science and environment can go hand in hand

Chitra Jain, XII
& Shreya Gupta, X A, AIS Vas-6

Which school became the first in the world to create genetically engineered mouse? Who put air into rubber tires? Which sea creatures are immune to cancer? This tremendous volley of questions and more was faced intrepidly by young minds from across Delhi and NCR during the 3rd Annual Dhananjay Mohan Science Symposium. The event was hosted at Amity International School, Vasundhara Sec-6 on the occasion of Chairperson Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan's birthday on April 27, 2011. The ceremonial celebrations kicked off with a dazzling dance performance by students of classes V-VII, highlighting the role of youth in saving the planet followed by lamp lighting by Vice Principal Ms. Parul Tyagi, Guests of Honour Dr. S.K. Agarwal, Prof. (Botany) at Delhi University and Ms. Reeta Wahi, leading science academician. The school band later performed a stirring rendition of John Lennon's effervescent single 'Imagine', prodding us all to believe in the power

of imagination. About 150 students from over 20 schools got the opportunity to participate in this inter-school event that included Jr Science Quiz (IV-V) and Sr Science Quiz (VI-VIII) and a Symposium (IX-

XII), inquiring "Can Green Power save the world?" DPS Indrapuram won the Jr quiz followed by Khaitan Public School and AIS Vasundhara, Sector-6 respectively. In the Middle Science Quiz, the winners were DPS Indrapuram followed by AIS Vasundhara, Sector-6. The atmosphere during the Symposium, which was won by the host school, was charged with excitement and anxiety as many wonderful green presentations along with charts were displayed before the judges. Many green ways were suggested to save our planet and conserve our resources, like switching over to ecological sources of energy like solar power, wind power, etc. Many innovative solutions like algae conversion to energy and using bio-plastics were also given by the participants. The symposium provided a platform to the students of various schools to propose solutions to various environmental problems and also to motivate many to save the planet. DPS Indrapuram lifted the Rolling Trophy, followed by Cambridge School, Indrapuram and the host school as the first and second runner-up respectively.



AIS Mayur Vihar



Surf Safely

Furthering the cause of education as envisioned by the Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan to create vigilant individuals in keeping with advancement in technology, an interactive workshop on 'Internet Safety' was conducted for the students of classes X-XII on 20th April '11 at AIS Mayur Vihar. The representatives from 'Jaago Teens' an NGO, addressed the gathering about cyber crime, cyber laws and safe surfing. An extensive discussion on the causes and the repercussions of 'cyber-bullying' helped in sensitizing the students about cyber crime. Tips on internet safety and adopting precautionary measures, while accessing social networking sites were provided to the students. The workshop was highly beneficial and appreciated by all.

Activities galore at AIS Vas-1

From exciting competitions to special assemblies, the school had enough to be on its toes



Badges of Honour

AIS Vas-1 held its first Investiture Ceremony on July 14, 2011 to induct new council members for the session 2011-12. The ceremony was presided over by Senior

Consultant of Amity Schools Ms Mohina Dar, Senior Sports Advisor of Amity- Col. Ahluwalia, Principal Ms V. Balachandran and Headmistress Ms Roop Kamal Singh. The event com-

menced with the recital of 'Vakratunda Mahakaya'. Ms Balachandran welcomed all the dignitaries and parents who came to witness their wards acquire honours. She said that with Chairperson Dr. Mrs. Amita Chauhan's blessings and the education at Amity which focuses on Humanity, the students would shoulder their responsibilities well. This was followed by the welcome song 'Swagatam Shubh Swagatam'. Ms Roop Kamal Singh announced the names of the office bearers. Ms Dar, Col. Ahluwalia and Ms Balachandran conferred the badges of onus to the cabinet members. Prachi Jaiswal was nominated as the Head Girl. She administered the oath and exhorted the council to work diligently toward fulfilling their responsibilities. Ms Dar congratulated the prefectorial board and inspired the students. She further spoke on the importance of the badges that the newly elected members received. The ceremony ended with the School Song and National Anthem.

Recite and compete

AIS Vasundhara Sec-1 organised an 'Inter-class Solo English Recitation Competition' on May 10, 2011 for students of Class II.

Three participants from each section recited poems on various themes like pollution, keeping healthy, nature etc. The participants made use of various props to enhance and add colours to their recitation, and make it more interactive. Anika Joshi stood first followed by Shatakshi Singh and Vidhi Sharma. Ragini Turki secured third position. The recitation competition helped the students improve their oratory skills.

Contributed by Sonu M. Kochhar, Teacher Incharge



Summer Fun

A special assembly 'Summer Fest' was conducted on 6th May, 2011 by the students of class K.G-B.

The assembly started with a prayer, which was followed by one of the students addressing the assembly. This was followed by thought for the day, news and information about summer season.

A skit on 'Sun and the wind' was presented. In the end, students presented a beautiful dance on a peppy number, which enthralled everyone present. The assembly concluded with the Principal's speech.

Contributed by Pranjali Jain, Teacher Incharge

Brush strokes battle

Amity International School Vasundhara, Sec-1 organized 'Intra-Class Drawing Competition' for class I and II on April 20 & 18, 2011 respectively. Class I students were given the choice to draw anything of their interest and were judged by Ms Suipta. Ayati Srivastava, Manya Tyagi, Surabhi Shukla and Kriti Tripathi stood first in Class I-A, I-B, I-C and I-D respectively.

The students for Class II were required to draw on the theme 'Save Earth'. The judges encouraged them to spread awareness to protect the earth which is a unique planet of the solar system. Shatakshi Singh (II D), Naman Gupta (II B) and Abhijat Shahu (II B) were adjudged first second and third respectively. Avi Bindal of Class II B received a consolation prize.

Contributed by Monika Sharma & Sudipta Adhya, Teachers Incharge



Learning good etiquettes

A special assembly was conducted on 11th May 2011 on 'Good Etiquettes' by students of class IA. The assembly started with the prayer, news and the thought for the day. Then, the students spoke about good etiquettes, using posters that showed various captions like - Hello, Sorry, Goodbye,

Thank you, Welcome, Greet good morning and good afternoon, Please, Share, Give Respect and Do Not Interrupt. This was followed by a small skit and rhyme. The assembly was concluded by the Principal's speech.

Contributed by Smita sharma, Teacher Incharge

Hey Krish
 You are my best friend and a very happy friendship day. I like you a lot because you are so cool.
 Neel Juneja, III B, AIS PV



Amitians bole to

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Students pouring from different regions, cultures, family backgrounds and even mindsets have almost nothing in common when they land up at Amity University campus. But with their stint with varied experiences here, they do manage to create a common and distinctive identity that defines them as AMITIANS. Wondering what is special about their identity? Picture abhi baki hai mere dost!

Shefali

Amity Institute of English Studies & Research

Dabangg

Title track: "Hurr hurr dabang"



No matter what problems come there way, the confidence of Amitians helps them sail through. Fearless warriors- 'The dabang' attitude is embedded deep within us. 'Jo dar gaya samjho mar gaya' (nobody follows action man Akshay Kumar's mantra more than us!) I guess we can easily give his beauties in the show a run for their money. Can't we?

Executive Decisions

Title Track: "Born to be a leader"



'Monitors' in school transform into 'Class Representatives' in college.....just a more refined and mature version of a leader.

Every tiff in class or any official responsibility is referred to the CR (*aajkal short forms ka zamaana hai!*). Just perform a show of slightly undisciplined acts and the 'predictable' question asked is 'Who is CR of the class?' Sometimes, the whole CR business may be a little exhausting, but with leadership comes responsibility. Right, CRs?

Fashion

Title Track 's': "Ooh! is my kaajal ok?" "I need footwear to go with my designer dress" "Dude can I borrow your new shirt?"



We often use these lines amongst our 'well dressed gang.' Blame our age for wanting to look oh-so-prim-and-proper (read hot) 24*7.

Our world revolves around latest trends and the new collection in our pet shops

(or should I say designer showrooms?) Oh! We are equally cool with cheap yet trendy stuff from flea markets. Be it the collection of nice formals for the classes or stylish dresses for the fests, Amitians' fashion quotient is always high.

Ink Heart

Title Track : "Padhaku...tune toh chaap diya"



Every class has few young living typewriters (some of the geniuses and toppers are born from this breed of young guns). Their mates sometimes envy them, sometimes hate them and sometimes just plain ignore them. As soon as the lecturer opens their mouth to speak, their pens start moving (Dear pen...our sympathies). Guess, they truly believe that 'Golden words' are never repeated. But one un-ignorable fact is that they are the shining academic stars and of course a saviour for the 'not-so-interested-in-studies'.

Dill Chahta Hai

Title track: "Agar kisi cheez ko dil se chaho toh poori kayanath usey tumse milane mein lag jaati hai"



These lines echo the sentiments of Amitians, be it students or teachers. We dream (daydreaming included) and believe in them too. Yes, we do aim for that hot chic/guy and of course high marks too. And in most cases, our conviction gets us what we want.

Om Shanti Om

Title Track: "Panditon ki Shraddha"



Spirituality is the in thing when you are at Amity. Be it the daily *hawans* or the behavioural science classes, Amity's spiritual mind-

set is the echoing undertone. But nobody is complaining...as we never knew intervention of the divine can be so fulfilling. The spiritual tangent is a welcome change from the orthodox concept of reading school printed texts of 'Gyaan' known as moral science.

Jo jeeta wohi sikander

Title Track : "99% marks laoge toh ghadi warna chadi" and "Excellence ke peecho bhaago success apne aap jhak maar kar peeche aayegi"



Both the statements reflect competition but in different lights. We at Amity strive to achieve what is echoed by the second statement. Students enter the campus as a raw, untapped talent and it is here at Amity, where our talent is recognized, nurtured and moulded in different spheres for a content future. At Amity, we all our winners in our way, in our own aspects. Amity has given us sunshine, rain and of course a chance to grow up once again



Pic: Karunesh Rai, ASRM

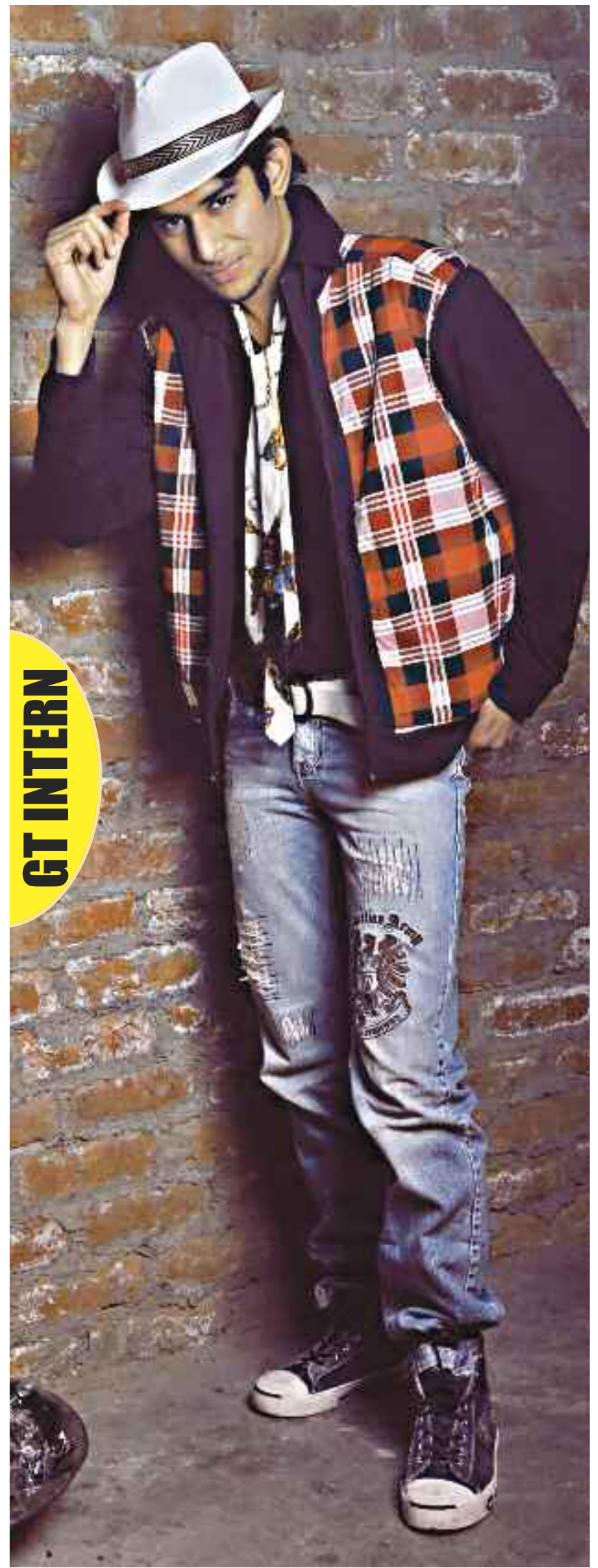
with more passion and values.

Lakshya

Title Track: "1st day of on-campus placements!"



This is a common statement repeated by many of us during placement time in college. Students preparing night long for their written



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Model: Priyanshu Jora, ASCO

exams and GDPI (*itna toh college exams ke liye bhi nahi padha hoga!*) The more 'dedicated and serious' ones preparing till the wee hours of the morning to achieve their 'lakshya'.. Students' dressed in their best formal attires is a usual sighting at this time. Canteens, hangout places and corridors abuzz with students asking questions like 'How was it?' and 'What is the package?' and learning the nuances of facing an interview from each other but no doubts that the final test of a student's life is passed with flying colours every year.



Pic: Priyanshu Jora, ASCO

3 idiots

Title Track: "Yaaron dosti hum na todenge, todenge dum magar tera saath na chodenge".



With it's diverse cultural atmosphere, Amitians earn lifelong friends out here. It is truly said that one forms 'Friends Forever' bonds in college. Hanging out with

friends, watching movies, gossiping about anything and everything ranging from movie stars to the new 'girl' or 'guy' in college (*oye hoye!*), playing pranks on each other and then laughing our heads off, arguing on the silliest of things and much more which makes up for eternal memories with friends in college. Don't you agree with me that we have got a bunch of 'pakke waale' friends at Amity? Of course, you do!

