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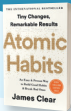
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EDITORIAL

For a Better Tomorrow!



Assalam-o-Alaikum,

Hope this letter finds my dear children in the best of health and spirits.

It brings me great joy to connect with you after such an eventful and fulfilling term. From the joy of our picnic to the excitement of the annual program that showcased your incredible talents, this term has been rich with memorable moments.

As the winter season draws near, I hope you have prepared for its embrace, not just in terms of cozy attire, but in the warmth, it can bring to our spirits. Let us take this opportunity to nourish both our bodies and minds, enjoying the seasonal pleasures that contribute to our well-being, from nourishing drinks to the comfort of a good book.

In this spirit, I am reminded of the wisdom of Imam Ali (a.s), who once said:
"Welcome the cold at the season's end, for it revives and strengthens, much like the trees that flourish anew." (Nahjul Balagha, Saying 128)

This edition of Akkas is a testament to the creativity and passion that you, our cherished readers, bring to life. Many of you expressed a desire for more stories, and we have eagerly answered your call by featuring a special section of stories written by you. This magazine is shaped by your voice, and your contributions continue to enrich it in ways we could not have imagined. We encourage you to keep sharing your thoughts, your words, and your art—your ideas breathe life into this publication.

With the blessed months of Rajab and Shaban approaching, this is a time for spiritual reflection and growth. Let us embrace these sacred moments by deepening our connection with our faith, seeking personal growth through prayer, gratitude, and kindness to those around us.

I offer my sincere gratitude to each and every one of you for making Akkas such a vibrant and meaningful space. Your creativity, involvement, and feedback are the heartbeat of this magazine. Together, we continue to build something truly extraordinary.

Wishing you a winter break full of joy, warmth, and the kind of creativity that only this season can inspire. Continue dreaming, writing, and shining brightly.

Happy Holidays!!!

Love,
Editor

Dear Editor



Dear Editor,

Assalam-o-Alaikum, I am writing to share my thoughts on the wonderful Akkas magazine. This is my first time reading it as I am a new student, and I really enjoy it—it's a great way to spend our free time. The graphic design, colors, text, and pictures are all marvelous! I especially enjoyed reading the passage "How Not To Pass In Exams." I feel proud to share our school's Akkas magazine with my relatives and friends. I appreciate and thank the whole Akkas team for creating such a masterpiece!

Syed Ali Raza Rizvi of class IX A

Dear Editor,

Assalam-o-Alaikum,

I would like to start by appreciating the hard work you put into the Akkas magazine. I really enjoy your work! One thing I'd like to ask, though, is why you don't reply to the letters sent by students. It would be wonderful if we could receive a response!

Overall, I really like what you do! I had one more question about your identity, but I understand that it's meant to be kept a mystery. Or... perhaps you could reveal it? Thank you

M. Ali Zeeshan of class IX A

Dear Editor,

Assalam-o-Alaikum,

We are grateful to have Akkas magazine. Akkas always brings interesting poems, riddles, jokes, and stories written by our young writers. Contributing to Akkas helps build confidence among our talented classmates.

I suggest adding a section for podcasts and political affairs to make it even more engaging. We are thankful to our school for giving us this wonderful opportunity.

Thank you

Hassan Abbas of class X A

Dear Editor,

Assalam-o-Alaikum,

I am writing this letter to thank Akkas and its team for producing such a magnificent magazine. I am proud to say that this magazine belongs to our own school, Green Island Foundation School, and is full of amazing topics written by our fellow students. Akkas is also filled with attractive colors, pictures, and much more.

I am really waiting for a next amazing Edition of Akkas.

Good luck!

Mohammad Muslim of class X A

Dear Editor,

Assalam-o-Alaikum, I would like to express my gratitude to the Akkas team. It's a privilege that our school publishes its own magazine and allows students to share their ideas, feelings, and stories. I would greatly appreciate it if you could add more stories with conflict, suspense, and resolution to make the magazine even more engaging.

Mehdi Hemani of class VIII A



Dear Editor



Dear Editor,
Assalam-o-Alaikum,
I enjoy reading this magazine, and I hope you all do as well. I like reading magazines, and I also love seeing pictures and recipes. Perhaps we could write more about Islam and the rules that Allah has set for us.
Thank you.

Muntaha Hassan of class V D

Dear Editor,
Assalam-o-Alaikum,
I am very thankful for our school magazine. Every page of Akkas is beautifully decorated. We love reading it, especially the jokes and riddles. It's a wonderful initiative, and the magazine is very attractive. I would like to suggest adding more traditional stories. Akkas is one of our favorite magazines, and it's a pleasure to see such a vibrant school publication.

Tehreem Fatima of class III D

Dear Editor,
Assalam-o-Alaikum,
I am very grateful for this spectacular magazine, Akkas. It is full of vibrant colors and eye-catching images. The variety of topics covered makes it truly engaging and informative. It also helps me enhance my knowledge and grasp a lot of useful information. I am grateful to be part of Akkas and hope to be part of the next edition as well.

Ismat Zehra of class IX D

Dear Editor,
Assalam-o-Alaikum,
I like the magazine, Akkas. It's a great publication from our school. All the issues are very interesting, and Akkas includes a student's corner, activities, and life skills. Please make Akkas even more attractive, informative, and creative. The Urdu section has become very small. The stories in Urdu are interesting but need to be longer. I have read all the editions of Akkas, and they are outstanding. Thanks to the GIFS family for providing us with this awesome and informative magazine. I'm grateful to the editor for creating such an informative and creative reading material.

Sukeena Ali of class VI C

Dear Editor,
Assalam-o-Alaikum,
We are truly grateful for the beautiful magazine Akkas. It's a great privilege for us to have a compilation of our cherished school memories and memorable events in such a well-crafted format. It is filled with vibrant images and heartfelt narratives that bring our experiences to life, creating a lasting tribute to our time at school. Each page captures the essence of our journey, making it a pleasure to read and relive those precious moments. Thank you to everyone involved in creating this wonderful publication and for giving us a way to remember and celebrate these memories.

**Daniya Batool & Zoha Raza
of class III D**

The Enigmatic Island of Socotra

by Aayaan Hassan of class VIII A

Off the coast of Yemen lies the mystical island of Socotra. This UNESCO World Heritage site is home to breathtaking landscapes.

Interesting Facts:

- The island has remained isolated for 20 million years.
- Socotra's unique wildlife includes the Socotra Starling.
- Socotra is home to around 700 species of plants, with more than one third found nowhere else on Earth.

Mysterious Facts:

- Strange rock formations resemble extraterrestrial landscapes.
- Ancient cave paintings depict unknown civilizations.
- Locals claim to have seen ghostly apparitions in the island's misty mountains.
- Socotra has ancient myths of buried treasures, said to be guarded by supernatural beings.



by Syed M. Musa Raza of class VIII A

LA GOMERA: *A Natural Adventure Haven*

La Gomera, the second-smallest of Spain's Canary Islands, is known for its rugged volcanic mountains and scenic hiking trails. At higher altitudes, dense forests of ferns and moss-covered trees thrive in the misty landscape of Garajonay National Park. Heading toward the coast, the Valle Gran Rey canyon winds past the picturesque, whitewashed village of La Calera and reaches stunning black-sand beaches along the Atlantic Ocean.

With a population of approximately 22,100 (as of 2019), La Gomera is renowned as a vast outdoor adventure park, featuring excellent hiking routes and a range of natural attractions. Euro is the currency used on the island, and its capital, San Sebastián de La Gomera, serves as a vibrant center for locals and visitors alike.

One of the island's most remarkable features is its unique form of communication: Silbo Gomero, a whistling language. Locals use this ancient whistling language to communicate across the island's long distances, a tradition that sets La Gomera apart as a truly unique destination.



Exploring Balochistan's Liquid Gems: 7 Rivers to Know

Balochistan, Pakistan's largest province, is home to numerous rivers that flow through its vast desert landscapes, mountains, and valleys. These rivers are the lifelines of the province, supporting agriculture, industry, and wildlife. Here's a look at the seven main rivers of Balochistan!

1. Hingol River

Length: 560 km approximately

Origin: Makran Mountains

Role near Balochistan: The Hingol River flows through Hingol National Park and empties into the Arabian Sea. The Hingol River is crucial for local agriculture, livestock, and biodiversity.



2. Zhob River

Length: 410 km approximately

Origin: Toba Kakar Range

Destination: Indus River system

The Zhob River flows through the Zhob District and supports agriculture.



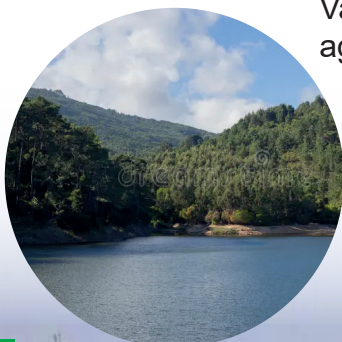
3. Bolan River

Length: 225 km approximately

Origin: Sulaiman Mountains

Destination: Indus River system

The Bolan River flows through the Bolan Valley and is a vital source of water for agriculture and irrigation in the region.



4. Mula River

Length: 250 km approximately

Origin: Toba Kakar Range

Destination: Arabian Sea via Hab River

The Mula River supports agriculture and provides limited water for hydroelectric development.

by Fatima Zahra of class IV C

5. Nari River

Length: 300 km approximately

Origin: Sulaiman Mountains

Outflow: Kachhi Plain.

The Nari River supports agriculture and irrigation in the Kachhi Plain.



6. Porali River

Length: 265 km approximately

Origin: Makran Coast

Destination: Arabian Sea

The Porali River supports fishing and coastal communities.



7. Dasht River

Length: 430 km approximately

Origin: Makran Coast

Destination: Arabian Sea

The Dasht River flows through the Kech District.

You can help conserve Balochistan's rivers by reducing water waste and supporting eco-friendly practices.

Fun Facts:

- Balochistan's rivers contribute substantially to Pakistan's water resources.
- The Hingol River is home to rock formations like the Sphinx and Princess of Hope.
- The Porali River is vital for fishing and coastal communities along the Makran coast.

Conclusion:

Balochistan's rivers are its lifeblood, supporting the province's economy, ecology, and people. By learning about these rivers, we can appreciate the importance of water conservation and sustainable management.

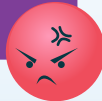
Please note that the exact lengths of these rivers may vary depending on the source and method of measurement.

Calm in the Storm: Simple Strategies for Anger Management

Anger is a natural emotion, but when left unchecked, it can lead to stress and conflict. Learning how to manage anger effectively is key to maintaining calm and building healthier relationships. Here are some simple techniques to help you control your anger and respond more constructively in challenging situations:

Recognize Triggers

Pay attention to specific situations, people, or environments that often make you feel angry. Being aware of these triggers can help you anticipate and prepare for them.



Practice Deep Breathing

When you feel anger rising, try slow, deep breaths. Inhale through your nose, hold for a few seconds, and exhale slowly through your mouth. This can calm your nervous system and give you a moment to pause before reacting.



Take a Timeout

Step away from the situation if possible. A few moments of physical or mental space can help you cool down and reassess the situation more calmly.



Use Visualization Techniques

Picture a peaceful place or a calming scene, like a beach or a forest, when anger starts to build. This can help you shift your focus away from the anger trigger.



Channel Anger into Physical Activity

Engaging in exercise, whether it's a quick walk, run, or boxing session, can release tension and help reduce anger by boosting endorphin levels.

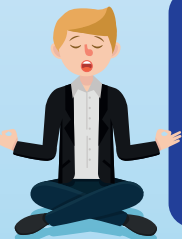


Identify the Root of Anger

Sometimes anger is a secondary emotion, often covering up feelings like hurt, sadness, or frustration. Understanding the underlying issue can make it easier to address the root cause of the anger.

Practice Relaxation Techniques Regularly

Incorporate meditation, yoga, or journaling into your routine to help manage stress and keep anger in check over time.



Consider Professional Help if Needed

If anger feels overwhelming or affects your life significantly, therapy or counseling can be a valuable resource.



By mastering these techniques, you can take control of your anger, transform your reactions, and reclaim your peace of mind.

by Aamatuz Zehra of class VII C

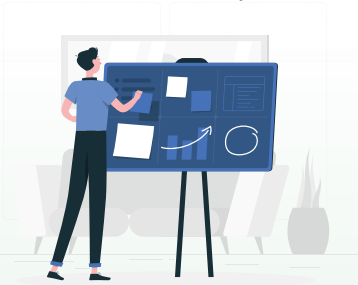
Steps to Achieve Your Goals:

by Syed Ali Zamin Kazmi of class X A

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Define Clear and Specific Goals:

Set goals that are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, and Time-bound (SMART). This ensures you have a clear target with actionable steps to take.



Develop a Strategic Plan:

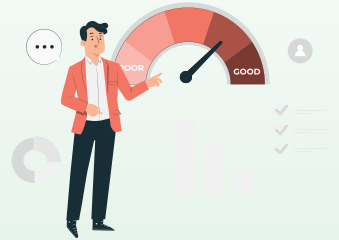
Break your goals into smaller tasks with deadlines, creating a roadmap to guide your progress and track achievements along the way.

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Maintain Discipline and Consistency:

Establish a routine and stay committed to your plan, even when facing challenges. Consistency is key to making steady progress toward your goals.



Embrace Flexibility and Adaptability:

Be prepared to adjust your goals and strategies when changes or unforeseen obstacles arise, ensuring that your plan remains aligned with your overall objective.

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5

Seek Support and Feedback:

Engage with mentors, peers, and networks for guidance and encouragement. Use feedback to refine your strategies and improve your outcomes.



Celebrate Milestones and Reflect:

Acknowledge and celebrate your achievements to stay motivated. Take time to reflect on your experiences, learning from them to enhance future goal-setting efforts.

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My First Day at Green Island Foundation School

by Syed Jawad Raza of class VIII A

I officially enrolled at Green Island Foundation School on June 20, 2024, after passing the admission test. I was very excited about joining a new school and spent the month of June eagerly counting down the days. Finally, on August 15, my first school day arrived.

The campus was beautiful, with high-tech classrooms equipped with air conditioning and projectors. The arrangement of the classrooms was impressive, and I was especially surprised by the swimming pool and the extended hours for boys. During these extended hours, we have Quran classes, English classes, swimming lessons, and computer classes.

I'm very thankful to Green Island Foundation School for providing us with so many opportunities, both in studies and co-curricular activities, to help build our future.

Achieving My Unforgettable Goal

My passion is to be a cyclist. Watching others ride sparked this passion in me, but I faced two big obstacles: I didn't own a bicycle, and I struggled with balance, which made me afraid to try. My father tried his best to help me learn, but I couldn't manage it. It was embarrassing—whenever people talked about bikes and tricks, I felt ashamed. Over time, I grew used to the idea that I might never learn, but one day, while visiting my grandmother's house, I saw kids riding bicycles. A spark of hope lit up in me, though my fear of falling and getting hurt was stronger than ever.

As I became friends with the kids, they started asking about my hobbies and passions. I tried to avoid the topic, but my enthusiasm got the better of me, and I admitted I was interested in cycling. One of the kids, who was skilled at cycling, offered me his brand-new bike and encouraged me to try. Although I refused at first, after much convincing, I finally confessed that I didn't know how to ride.

After sharing my difficulty, I expected to be teased, but instead, they said, "No problem, we'll teach you!" They showed me how to balance, guided me through sharp turns, and even gave me full permission to use their bikes whenever I wanted to practice. I'll never forget those friends, and I celebrated my **achievement by treating them.**

Today, I realize that what I was missing wasn't skill—it was motivation.



by Muhammad Arsh of class VIII A



Annual Program 2024: A Showcase of Talent and Achievement

As the new academic year unfolds, new challenges and worlds of knowledge and experiences await discovery. In the first month of the new session, GIFS celebrates the birth anniversaries of Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w.w.) and Imam Jafar Sadiq (a.s.), along with the convocation ceremony for the graduating Class 10 students.

As per our tradition, this year's annual function was held on the 5th of October at Bahria Auditorium. Preparations for this eagerly anticipated event started a month ago. Our teachers and school management played a key role in preparing us for this meaningful occasion.

As scheduled, the event began at 3:00 p.m. It opened with the recitation of the Quran, followed by a heartfelt naat performed by ECD students and a manqabat by Class 5. Furthermore, students from ECD to senior classes performed wonderful skits. These included enthusiastic ECD poems, a humorous skit on parent-teacher meeting scenarios, a portrayal of the drawbacks of digital media, and an interesting comparison between traditional and modern mothers, among others. The GIFS students presented these moral skits, showcasing their talents, teamwork, and hard work.

Unfortunately, the most awaited part of the event—the convocation—was postponed due to delays in SSC-II results.

In the end, students who achieved first positions and medals in various competitions throughout the year were awarded certificates. Teachers and staff members were also honored with awards for their valuable contributions to GIFS. The event concluded with a wonderful speech by Agha, expressing gratitude to Allah. The day ended with Dua-e-Imam-e-Zamana.

We hope this event continues to be held successfully in the future. Ameen. We are also thankful to our honorable school management for organizing this magnificent annual function, as it provides a great opportunity to enhance our skills and personalities.

by Fatima Afsar, Eshal Zahra, Sakina Rabab, Muskan Zehra, and Shabih-e-Zahra of class IX C

Give Respect Earn Respect

"Give respect, earn respect" is a powerful phrase. This means giving someone respect also results in earning respect.

Showing respect is a good practice, and our religion has highlighted its importance and benefits in many places. The importance of giving respect and earning respect includes avoiding conflicts, errors, arguments, and misunderstandings, while building trust, respect, and connection. It boosts confidence and helps overcome self doubt.

Showing respect and earning respect have countless benefits. It results in **deeper friendships, and it also positively impacts our personal growth.**

Remember, people admire you when you are thoughtful, loyal, and patient. You build strong friendships and a good image. Cultivating respect not only enriches relationships but also fosters a positive environment where mutual understanding thrives

"Treat people the way you want to be treated. Talk to people the way you want to be talked to. Respect is earned, not given." - Hussein Nishah

by Ali Imran of class VIII A



Show respect to people even when they don't deserve it. Respect is a reflection of your character, not theirs.

by Joan Abid of class IX A

The Benefits of Namaz e Jamaat

Namaz is the most important prayer for Muslims, serving as a direct conversation with Allah (swt). When people come together to offer their prayers, it is known as Namaz-e-Jamaat or congregational prayer. There are many benefits to participating in Namaz-e-Jamaat.

Importance

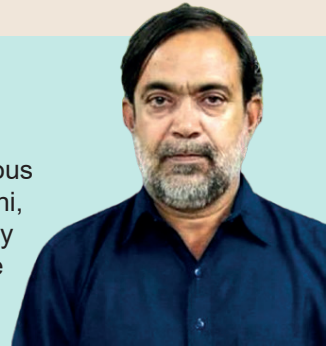
- **Fewer Mistakes:** When praying in congregation, there are usually fewer mistakes made compared to praying individually.
- **Greater Virtue:** Allah (swt) grants more virtue to prayers offered in a group than to those offered separately.
- **Forgiveness of Mistakes:** Many mistakes made during prayer can be forgiven by Allah (swt) when offered in congregation.
- **Increased Chances of Acceptance:** Praying in a group increases the likelihood that Allah (swt) will accept our prayer.
- **Protection from Distraction:** Offering prayer in congregation reduces the likelihood of being distracted by Shaitan.



In conclusion, it is essential to offer prayers in Jamaat, as there are numerous benefits associated with congregational prayer, and it enhances the likelihood that Allah (swt) will accept your supplications

Ustad Shaheed Sibte-e-Jafar Zaidi

Sibte-e-Jafar Zaidi was a Pakistani professor, poet, advocate, principal, religious reciter, writer, and social worker. He was born on **7th March 1957** in Karachi, Pakistan. He was born and raised in a Shia family and developed an early attachment to Ahlebait (a.s.). After graduation, he pursued a master's degree and later also completed CSS. Despite being an advocate, he chose the teaching profession on the advice of his father instead of practicing law.



He served as a professor for a long time and later became the principal of the same Government Degree Science College. He possessed a unique personality and was a friendly person. **He received an honorary award from Harvard University.** Although he was a government official, he had a very simple nature. He traveled on his motorcycle throughout his whole life and lived modestly.

In Shan-e-Ahle-bait (a.s.), Sibte-e-Jafar also wrote poetry, but he preferred to be called a Soz khuwan rather than a poet. Due to his recitations in Shan-e-Ahle-bait (a.s.), on 18th March 2013, terrorists targeted him as he returned from college, and at the age of 56, he was martyred. He is buried in Wadi-e-Hussain (a.s.).

by Rajia Hassan of class VIII D

Atomic Habits by James Clear

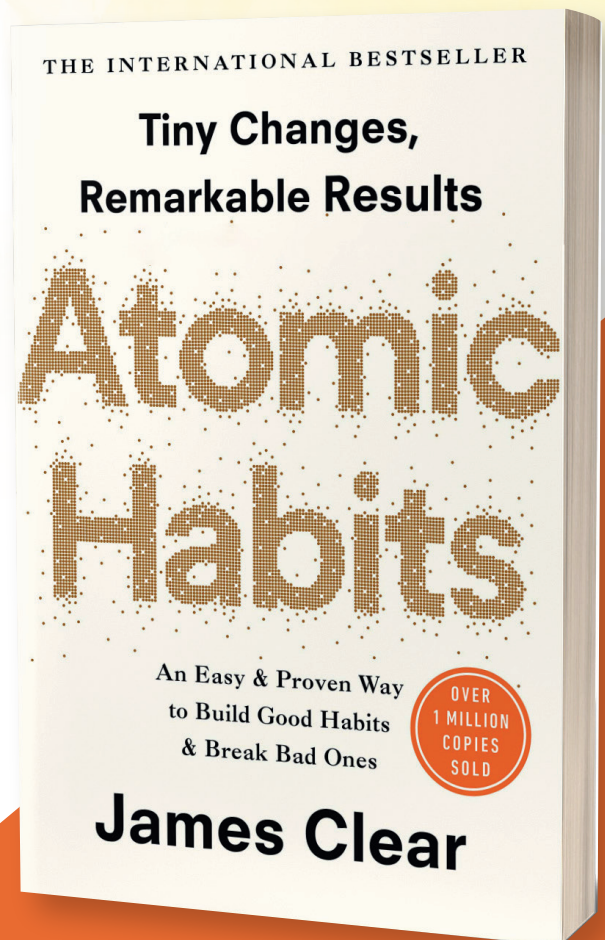
Atomic Habits by James Clear is an insightful book that shows how small, consistent changes can lead to significant improvements in our lives. The central idea is that by developing tiny, positive habits, we can achieve our goals and become the best version of ourselves.

James Clear compares habits to building blocks. By consistently adding small, positive habits to our daily routines, we can create remarkable transformations over time. He offers practical strategies for building good habits and breaking bad ones. For example, he suggests starting with just two minutes a day—if you want to read more, begin by reading just one page a day!

The writing is engaging and filled with relatable stories, making complex ideas easy to understand. The author also emphasizes the importance of believing in ourselves and seeing ourselves as capable of success. This mindset helps us stay motivated and focused on our goals.

In conclusion, Atomic Habits is a valuable guide for anyone looking to improve their life, regardless of age. It teaches us that even the smallest steps can lead to extraordinary changes. If you're eager to develop good habits and achieve your goals, this book is a must-read!

Reviewed by
Dua Zehra of Class IX D



A Digital Shield

by Riffat Batool of class IX C

In our increasingly digital world, the significance of cyber security cannot be overstated. Recent reports indicate that cyber attacks are expected to cost the global economy over \$10 trillion annually by 2025, which is equivalent to nearly 1,000,000 crore PKR. This issue affects everyone—from individuals to large-scale corporations—making it a universal concern.

Today, various types of cyber threats pose significant risks, including malware, phishing, ransomware, and data breaches. Historical incidents, such as the WannaCry ransomware attack in 2017, which disrupted hospitals, businesses, and governments worldwide, highlight the severity of these threats. As technology advances, so do the tactics employed by cybercriminals, emphasizing the need for constant vigilance.

There are simple yet effective measures we can take to enhance our cyber security. These include using strong and unique passwords, enabling multifactor authentication, and being cautious when browsing unfamiliar websites. Tools like VPNs (Virtual Private Networks) can help maintain user privacy, while encryption plays a crucial role in safeguarding sensitive information online.

Looking ahead, we see emerging trends such as AI-driven cars and AI-powered cyber security solutions. These innovations offer great potential and can significantly improve security. Additionally, ongoing discussions in the news highlight the balance between privacy and security—a challenge societies will need to address as technology continues to evolve.



A Silent Threat: Computer Viruses

by M. Mehdi of class IX A

A computer virus is a piece of code that can replicate itself. Usually, it has harmful effects, such as destroying data, taking control of a system, damaging programs, deleting files, reformatting hard drives, or stealing personal information.

Computer viruses can spread by running malicious software (malware), clicking on or opening malicious links or emails.

The first known virus, called the Creeper virus, was developed in 1971 by Robert Thomas. This virus was designed to infect mainframes on **ARPANET (Advanced Research Projects Agency Network)**, a type of **WAN (Wide Area Network)**, and it displayed the message, "I'm the creeper, catch me if you can."

The big question is: how can you defend against computer viruses? Here is the answer: you should choose a trustworthy antivirus program and keep it updated. Enable the firewall on your computer and network to block unauthorized access.

My advice to every computer user who may not know about computer viruses is to take care and regularly update their antivirus software, as new viruses are constantly being developed.



The Mysterious Black Hole

by Dua e Masooma of class VII C

What is a Black Hole?

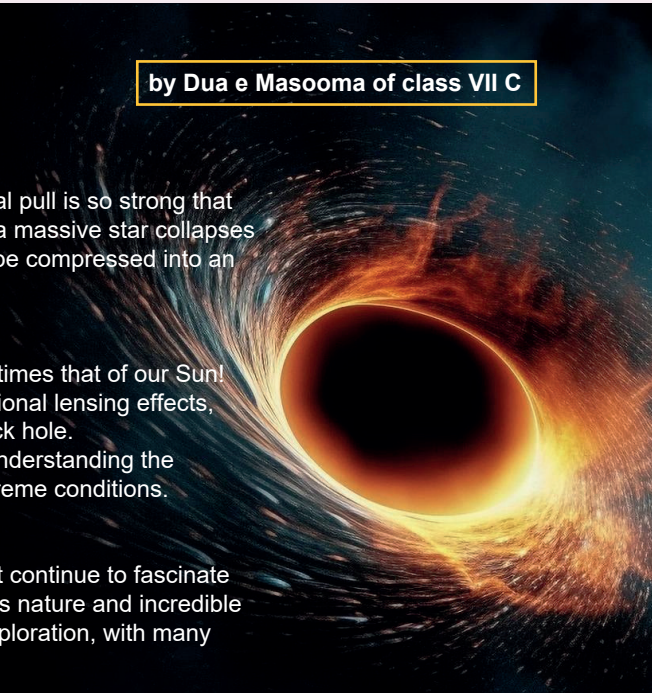
A black hole is a region in space where the gravitational pull is so strong that nothing, not even light, can escape. It is formed when a massive star collapses in on itself, causing an enormous amount of matter to be compressed into an incredibly small space.

Interesting Facts:

- The largest known black hole has a mass 66 billion times that of our Sun!
- Black holes can distort space-time, creating gravitational lensing effects, where light from distant stars is bent around the black hole.
- Scientists believe black holes may hold the key to understanding the universe's origins and the laws of physics under extreme conditions.

Conclusion:

Black holes are mind-boggling cosmic phenomena that continue to fascinate scientists and space enthusiasts alike. Their mysterious nature and incredible properties make them an exciting area of study and exploration, with many unanswered questions still to be explored.



Social Media: Connecting or Disrupting



by Hassan Abbas of class X A

Nowadays, social media has become a big part of our lives, allowing people to easily stay informed about current affairs and situations in their area or city. However, like everything, using social media has its pros and cons.

Advantages of Social Media

Social media provides several benefits. It allows us to stay connected with friends and family, even those living abroad. It's an excellent tool for staying updated on news and events in real-time. One major advantage is that social media can help spread important information quickly, making it easier for people to share significant news or updates.

Disadvantages of Social Media

However, social media has its downsides as well. Overuse can lead to problems such as eye strain and negative impacts on mental health. Spending too much time online can sometimes lead to an unhealthy attachment or even addiction to social media. Additionally, there are risks like cybercrime, where hackers can potentially access personal information on social media accounts.

Conclusion

In conclusion, social media has both advantages and disadvantages. Its impact depends largely on how we choose to use it. By making mindful choices, we can enjoy the benefits of social media while minimizing its drawbacks.



Turning Pages: A Journey Through the Annual Book Fair

by Dua Zehra of class IX D

Each year, our school takes us on a trip to the annual book fair, and this year was no different. The atmosphere was filled with excitement as we entered, surrounded by stacks of books and colorful displays. The fair offers a wide range of literary treasures, making it a fun and enriching experience.

As we wandered through the aisles, we were greeted by an impressive variety of books. Famous authors such as **Roald Dahl**, **J.K. Rowling**, and **Agatha Christie** showcased their captivating stories. The variety of genres was amazing, giving us the chance to explore new favorites.

In addition to storybooks, the fair featured a wide selection of textbooks, covering subjects like mathematics, science, history, and literature. Dictionaries in various languages—Arabic, English, Portuguese, Spanish, and French—were also available, catering to the diverse needs of students.

One of the highlights was a word search challenge that encouraged critical thinking. Competing to find the most words added excitement and winners received delightful prizes. This not only made the visit enjoyable but also fostered camaraderie among us.

Overall, the book fair reignited our passion for reading and learning. We left with bags full of books and a renewed enthusiasm for literature, eagerly anticipating the next fair. Events like these remind us of the joy and endless possibilities books provide.



Density in Action: A Rainbow in a Glass

by Rajia Hassan of class VIII D

Objective:

Create a colorful layered liquid display to explore the concept of density.

Materials:

1. Clear tall glass
2. Honey
3. Corn syrup
4. Dish soap
5. Water
6. Vegetable oil
7. Rubbing alcohol
8. Food coloring (various colors)
9. Spoon



Procedure:

1. Prepare the colored liquids: Mix a few drops of food coloring with each liquid in separate bowls, except for the vegetable oil, which will remain clear.
2. Layer the liquids in the glass:
 - **Step 1:** Pour honey into the bottom of the glass.
 - **Step 2:** Slowly pour the corn syrup over the back of a spoon into the glass to form a layer on top of the honey.
 - **Step 3:** Carefully add the dish soap as the next layer.
 - **Step 4:** Mix water with food coloring and slowly add it over the back of a spoon to create another layer.
 - **Step 5:** Gently pour the vegetable oil over the back of a spoon, allowing it to form a clear layer on top.
 - **Step 6:** Finally, mix food coloring with rubbing alcohol and carefully pour it over the back of a spoon to create the topmost layer.

Observation:

You will observe distinct layers of colored liquids stacked on top of each other, creating a rainbow effect.

Explanation:

Each liquid has a different density, which prevents them from mixing. The densest liquid (honey) remains at the bottom, while the least dense liquid (rubbing alcohol) stays at the top. This experiment visually demonstrates the concept of density and how substances with different densities interact.

Honoring the Vision of Allama Iqbal: A Legacy of Inspiration

Allama Muhammad Iqbal, one of the greatest thinkers and our national poet, continues to inspire us even today. Each year, on November 9, we commemorate his birth anniversary, celebrating his life and reflecting on his profound words that continue to inspire us today.

Iqbal's poetry is filled with messages of hope, courage, and self-discovery. He believed strongly in the power of the youth and encouraged them to dream big. One of his most famous ideas is that true freedom comes from within; we must discover our strengths and potential to reach our highest selves.

Iqbal's vision played a crucial role in the creation of Pakistan, as he inspired Muslims in the subcontinent to strive for their own identity and future. His poetry reminds us to reach for greater heights and not settle for what is easy. His famous concept of "**Khudi**" (selfhood) teaches us to elevate our self-worth and discover the strength within.

In celebrating Iqbal's ideals, we commit ourselves to his vision of unity and resilience. Together, by supporting one another, we can make our community stronger. His words remind us, "**Khudi ko kar buland itna ke har taqdeer se pehle Khuda bande se khud pooche bata teri raza kia hai**"—we must elevate our selfhood to great heights. By believing in ourselves, we carry forward his legacy and strive to achieve our dreams.

by Taskeen Fatima of class IX D

Pakistan's Golden Javelin Hero Arshad Nadeem

Arshad Nadeem is a Pakistani athlete widely regarded as one of the country's most accomplished javelin throwers. He gained national and international recognition for his outstanding performances in the sport, and his achievements have made him a symbol of pride for Pakistan. Arshad's achievements have highlighted the potential of Pakistani athletes on the international stage.

Arshad Nadeem's contributions to Pakistan's athletics go beyond just his athletic achievements. He has become a symbol of hope for aspiring athletes in Pakistan, showing that with hard work and determination, success on the global stage is achievable. His historic performances in the Commonwealth Games, Olympics, and Asian Championships have etched his name in Pakistan's sporting history. **Arshad Nadeem won a gold medal** in the javelin throw at the 2024 Paris Olympics.



by Sukaina Zehra of class X C

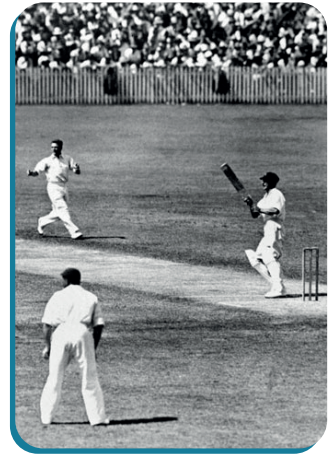
Cricket: A Global Sport

by M. Mehdi of class VIII A

Cricket is a very popular sport all over the world. The game originated in England in the 16th century. By the 18th century, it began to gain global recognition, and the first-ever Test match was played in 1877. International matches have been played since 19th century. Today, cricket is the second most popular sport globally. A 20-over (T20) game lasts around 180 minutes, a Test match is played over five days, and a One Day International (ODI) match typically lasts between 7 and 8.5 hours.

To play cricket, the essential equipment includes a bat, ball, and wickets. Each team consists of 11 players. While cricket can be played with various types of balls, international matches require the use of a hard ball, such as a leather ball, which can cause injuries if safety precautions are not followed.

Cricket is played in over 100 countries. During the final match of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 between India and Australia, **1.2 million people** attended the event, while over **512 million people** watched the live broadcast on TV. Pakistan won its first ODI World Cup in 1992, the Asia Cup in 2000, the T20 World Cup in 2009, the Asia Cup again in 2012, and the ICC Champions Trophy. The team with the most trophies is Australia, followed by India and the West Indies.



Smashing Fun With Table Tennis

by Emaan of class X C



Table tennis, or ping pong, is a game played on a table with a net in the middle. Players use paddles to hit a small ball back and forth, trying to score points when the opponent can't return the ball. It's a fast-paced game that needs quick reactions and good control. Starting in the late 1800s, it has become popular around the world as both a fun pastime and a competitive sport.

Playing table tennis is good for our health. It helps improve hand-eye coordination and makes our reflexes faster. The quick movements give us a good workout for our heart and help burn calories. It also makes our leg and arm muscles stronger without putting too much pressure on our joints. Playing also helps us stay focused and think quickly, making it a fun way to stay fit and healthy.

Our school is also giving us the chance to play table tennis along with our studies. This helps us stay active and healthy while having fun. It's a great way to take a break from studying, improve our fitness, and enjoy playing with it.

The Haunted House

by Muhammad Baqir of class VIII A

It was Ramadan, my friends and I were playing football at midnight near a bungalow rumored to be haunted. We weren't sure if the house was truly haunted, but we had heard stories from people. We were all trying to play cautiously to avoid kicking the ball into the house.

Suddenly, one of my friends hit the ball into the house. We all stared at him, but he quickly ran to his home, as it was now his turn to retrieve the ball from the haunted house. We followed him to his house, but his mother began shouting at us, so we hurried back downstairs. We decided that I should go into the house to retrieve the ball.

As soon as I entered the house, the sound of bats startled me. The further I went inside, the scarier it became. Just then, I spotted a black dog that was barely visible in the dark. It started barking, and I grabbed the ball and ran toward the door, locking it behind me as I escaped.

Afterward, we all went home, but we agreed that the friend who had cheated and refused to get the ball would no longer play with us.

Advice: While it's fun to play with friends and explore new places, it's always important to be mindful of safety and respect for others' properties. If a place seems dangerous or off-limits, it's better to avoid it. Plus, sticking together and being honest with your friends ensures that everyone has a good time without putting anyone at risk.



THE CAT WHO ROARED

by Musa Mehdi of class III A



Once upon a time, there was a lion. Its name was Satty. It lived in a forest that was very dark, and Satty could not see anything. Satty was very confused. "Where is my family?" it wondered. Satty walked and walked and finally found a house built under a tree. It ran to the house and was too scared to knock on the door. It knocked on the door, and the door opened. There was an old woman.

She asked Satty, "Who are you?" "I'm Satty," it answered. "Can I please live with you in your house?" "Sure, but you have to promise me something. You have to stop all the mice from entering my house."

Satty was shocked. "Why did the woman ask me to do such an easy task, though I'm a lion?" Satty enjoyed chasing the mice. It would creep quietly and suddenly attack them. The woman was so happy with Satty, and Satty was happy too.

Satty used to think, "I'm the most obedient lion," until one day, when it saw a mirror and realized it wasn't actually a lion, but a cat!

A Narrow Escape

by M. Mehdi Hemani of class VIII A

"Abbas, quick!" Ahmad shouted. "The van is at the corner of the street!" Both brothers had a busy routine. They went to school every day, came back home at 5:00 pm, and went to the madressa at 5:45 pm after taking a shower. After madressa, they played cricket with their friends at 7:30 pm. They returned home by 9:00 pm, offered their prayers, had dinner, and went to bed. This routine continued day after day.

One evening, about a month later, they went to play cricket as usual after madressa. That day, they were fielding while their friend Ali was batting. Ali hit the ball hard, sending it far away, and both brothers ran after it, chasing the ball towards the road.

Suddenly, two strangers appeared and trapped them. The boys tried to escape, but they couldn't manage to break free. The strangers forced them into a car and drove off quickly.

Fortunately, the strangers forgot to lock the car door. Abbas whispered, "The door isn't locked! Look, there's a traffic signal up ahead. When the car stops, we'll jump out and run to Grandfather's house." Ahmad nodded and whispered back, "What a great idea!"

As soon as the car stopped at the signal, both brothers jumped out and ran as fast as they could. They finally reached their grandfather's house and quickly told him everything that had happened.

Their grandfather called their parents, who arrived in no time. After hearing the story, their parents immediately called the police. Not long after, the police caught the strangers and put them in jail.

The brothers promised to play cricket in the park next to the madressa from then on, to avoid putting themselves or their parents through such a terrifying experience again.

An Uninvited Guest

by M. Osaja of class III A

One day, my cousin Ali was alone at home. It was dark, and his family had gone shopping. He was brave and usually managed well on his own. At around 9:35 PM, he suddenly heard the sound of a plate breaking and a spoon falling. He ignored it and continued watching his favorite show on TV. But around 10:00 PM, he heard the sound again.

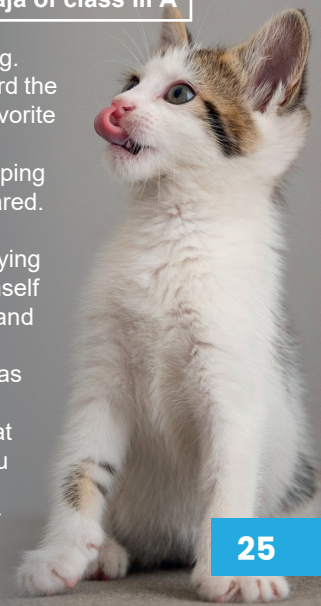
This time, he was really scared and stopped watching the show. He heard some creeping sounds and rushed upstairs. His dog was barking loudly, which made him even more scared. Suddenly, the dog stopped barking. By now, Ali was very confused.

He started searching for his dog. Upon opening one of the doors, he saw his dog lying motionless. The creeping sounds were getting closer. Ali rushed to the pantry and hid himself until he heard the voices of his family members. He came out, hugged his dad, and exclaimed, "Dad! Dad! Somebody broke into our house. He killed the dog too!"

Dad smiled and said, "The dog is here!" Ali's mouth dropped open in shock. "But he was lying motionless!"

Dad laughed and said, "Ali, it was just sleeping. And about the breaking plates? A cat entered our house and knocked over the crockery. Watching too much TV made you hallucinate. Relax, everything is fine."

Ali nodded and promised, "If I'm ever alone at home again, I'll spend time reading or playing games instead of watching TV."

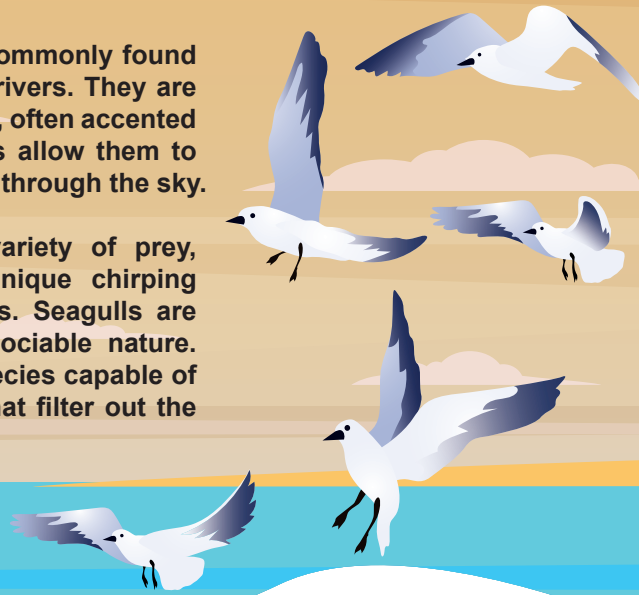


Seagulls: Fascinating Coastal Birds

by Syeda Umm-ul-Baneen Rizvi of class VIII C

Seagulls are social and highly adaptive birds commonly found near water bodies such as oceans, lakes, and rivers. They are easily recognized by their white or gray plumage, often accented with black markings. Their long, slender wings allow them to soar gracefully over water and glide effortlessly through the sky.

As carnivorous birds, seagulls feed on a variety of prey, including fish, insects, and worms. Their unique chirping sounds add a relaxing charm to coastal areas. Seagulls are usually seen in flocks, demonstrating their sociable nature. Remarkably, they are one of the few seabird species capable of drinking salt water, thanks to special glands that filter out the salt.



The Power of Exercise

One of the most important things in life that keeps us healthy and fit is exercise. Exercise includes activities like push-ups, pull-ups, squats, lunges, planks, lifting dumbbells, leg raises, yoga, and cycling. It also involves playing physical sports such as football, cricket, badminton, table tennis, basketball, hockey, golf, squash, volleyball, and even skateboarding.

When exercise makes us hungry, it's important to eat fruits and healthy foods. Avoid eating junk food after exercising because our body needs energy that should be used to nourish our muscles. Junk food lacks the nutrients our muscles need, which is why it's recommended to exercise before breakfast so that the body can use the right kind of fuel.

Some people use supplements or medicines to build their muscles. This practice can be harmful in the long run. It may create muscle shape, but it can also lead to serious health issues, like cancer.

It's important to set a regular time for exercise and avoid skipping days. Staying consistent will help you stay healthy and strong!



by Syed Muhammad Ali of class VIII A

Facing the Monster Roller Coaster

by Fatima Afsar of class IX C

Everyone has some fears, but have you ever overcome your biggest fear? I did, and it was the hardest time of my life.

Last summer, while everyone else was enjoying ice creams in the warm breeze of Karachi, I was preparing for the next year's important topics because I had an admission test coming up for another school. I gave my test with lots of preparation, and all that hard work paid off when I received the news that I had cleared it. To celebrate this achievement, my cousins and I decided to go to Sindbad.

I had always gone to the indoor Sindbad, but this time, at the insistence of my best cousin, I agreed to try the outdoor rides. The whole journey was filled with excitement, but the moment I saw the massive rides, my heart began pounding. My body froze in fear—I had a phobia of heights. A sudden wave of panic coursed through me, and I felt my nerves trembling.

My cousin noticed my fear right away, probably because of the way I kept staring at the towering rides. She came to me and gently asked what was wrong. I tried to act normal, but it was impossible to hide the fact that I was shaking. Finally, I admitted that I couldn't—and wouldn't—go on any of those rides.

She tried to comfort me and, after a lot of persuasion, convinced me to try some smaller rides first. Little by little, she encouraged me to attempt slightly bigger ones, helping me build confidence. To my surprise, I started feeling braver.

Finally, we headed toward the monster roller coaster. As we approached it, my body froze again, and my heart felt like it would burst out of my chest. I wanted to back out, but my cousin, who had been so patient and supportive, gave me a warm smile, held my hand, and led me onto the ride. To my immense surprise, it turned out to be the most fun I'd ever had—I even loved it the most out of all the rides!

It was a hard and challenging experience, but with her steady support, it became one of the best moments of my life. We all have fears we can overcome, but it takes motivation and the support of someone who believes in us. Maybe the next person to conquer their fears will be you. So, stay ready and stay positive!

Wisdom in Simple Hands!

"Murtaza! You're getting late for your tuition. Please go quickly and bring your book from the market," said my mother. I started running towards the market. When I was coming back, the book slipped from my hand and fell into dirty water. I thought, "Eww, I'm not going to pick up this book. I'll never read this dirty book." So, I bought another one.

On my way back, I saw a boy who was a garbage picker, cleaning that dirty book with his clothes. I thought, "He's just a garbage picker; how could he even read that book? He's probably illiterate!" I walked over to him and asked, "Do you know how to read?"

He replied, "No!"

Feeling surprised, I asked again, "Then what's the point of this book for you? Why are you trying to clean it?"

He said, "I don't know how to read, but I know it's something good and a part of life."

An illiterate garbage picker taught me a lesson! We should respect books and keep them clean. We can read, while many others cannot read or understand any writing. It's an opportunity and a blessing for us. We shouldn't waste it!

by Syed Murtaza Raza of class VII A



Embracing Faith

by Samana of class X C

Our faith is based on Islam. All Muslims believe in the oneness of Allah and His sovereignty over the entire universe, which belongs solely to Almighty Allah. Islam teaches that our belief is rooted in the Holy Quran, Prophethood, Imamat and the Day of Judgment when Allah will decide between heaven and hell.

Islam is founded on five pillars, and our faith is also deeply connected to prayers. All Muslim prayers are for Almighty Allah alone. The Holy Quran describes some core principles, such as "All believers are brothers to each other." Patience is also considered a key pillar of faith.

Imamat, an integral part of our belief, emphasizes the spiritual and temporal leadership of the Imams, who are guides for humanity in understanding and practicing faith according to divine will. It is through their guidance that Muslims strengthen their connection to Allah and uphold the teachings of the Holy Prophet (s.a.w.w).

The principles of Islam include justice, tolerance, fraternity, and equality. Our Holy Prophet, Hazrat Muhammad Mustafa (s.a.w.w), preached tolerance through both his words and deeds. As Imam Ali (a.s) beautifully said about faith:

"There is no faith better than surrendering to the will of Allah."

Ibn al-Haytham (965–1040 CE): The Father of Optics

by Salwa Zehra of class VIII D

Ibn al-Haytham, born Abu Ali al-Hassan Ibn al-Hassan Ibn al-Haytham in Basra, Iraq, is considered one of the most influential scientists of the medieval Islamic world. Known as the “Father of Optics,” his groundbreaking work in optics, astronomy, and mathematics laid the foundation for much of modern science.

Key Contributions:

1. Optics:

In his famous book *Kitab al-Manazir* (The Book of Optics), Ibn al-Haytham challenged Aristotle’s theories on vision. He proposed that vision occurs when light reflects from objects into the eye, rather than light coming from the eye. This discovery revolutionized the study of optics.

2. Scientific Method:

Ibn al-Haytham emphasized the importance of experimentation and observation in scientific inquiry. His approach to empirical evidence and controlled experiments was a precursor to the modern scientific method.

3. Astronomy:

He challenged the Ptolemaic geocentric model and suggested a heliocentric model, where the Earth and planets revolve around the Sun—ideas that later influenced scientists like Copernicus and Galileo.

4. Mathematics and Engineering:

He made significant contributions to geometry and algebra and designed innovative machines like water clocks and clockwork devices, blending theory with practical application.

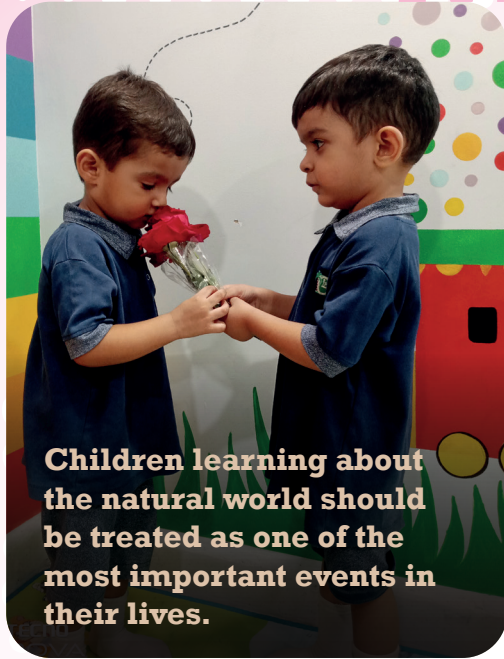
Ibn al-Haytham’s legacy as a pioneer in science continues to inspire discoveries to this day.



“ I constantly sought knowledge and truth, and it became my belief that for gaining the light and closeness of God, there is no better way than that of searching for truth and knowledge.

**- Ibn Al Haytham
Father of Scientific Method**

Memories



Children learning about the natural world should be treated as one of the most important events in their lives.



With buckets, spades, and boundless energy, legends are born. / Life's treasures hidden in sandy toes and laughter.



Every child is an artist and every artwork is a masterpiece.



Childhood's purest joys are found in the simple things.



When pages are turned, minds expand, and futures unfold.

Memories



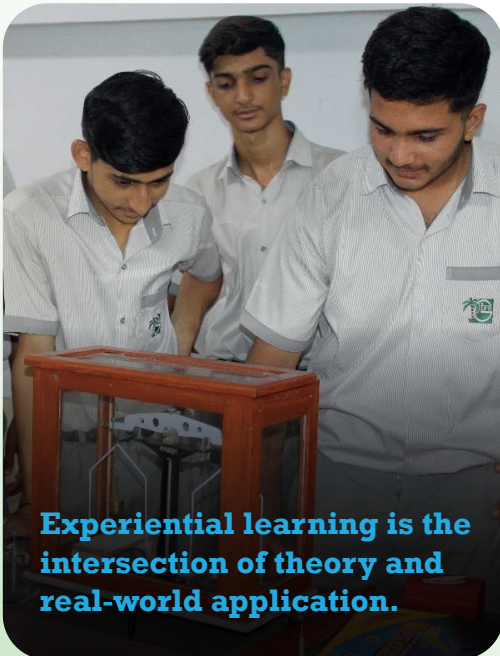
Gratitude grows around the dining table / Gratitude is the seasoning that makes every meal delicious.



Each challenge we overcome helps to build our confidence.



Collaboration is the spark that ignites innovation.



Experiential learning is the intersection of theory and real-world application.



Every step forward is a step closer to your goal. The greatest adventures often require a little courage and a lot of heart.

Journey as Head Girl

by Nehaj Zehra of class X C

From nervous beginnings to confident leadership, my journey as Head Girl has been a transformative experience. When I first took on the role, I was frightened by the responsibility and unsure if I was truly capable. But as I immersed myself in this position, I discovered a source of strength and potential within myself. As I navigated challenges, I realized that leadership is not about authority but about empowering others. Our school serves as a vibrant hub of learning and growth, offering numerous opportunities for students. By embracing these opportunities, our students develop confidence, enhance their skills and talents, and grow holistically. This is why I now serve in this role with full confidence, and I hope to inspire the upcoming seniors with values of kindness and respect, so that they can achieve their goals in life.

Thank you, GIFS!



My Experience at the Table Tennis Tournament

by Marium Zahra of class VII C



I recently had the opportunity to participate in the Table Tennis Tournament organized by the Green Island Women's Wing at Green Island Foundation School. I am grateful to our school management for providing excellent facilities, and to the volunteers who made this event possible.

The tournament, designed for girls from the Khoja community, was held at the new GIFS campus. Although I was nervous at first—especially because the other players were highly skilled—I practiced diligently and prayed to Allah for guidance.

To my surprise, I made it to the semifinals, and eventually the finals. Despite my nerves, I played my best. My opponent in the final was a professional player, and although I didn't win, I was proud to finish as the runner-up. I was honored to receive a cash prize of PKR 3000 and a certificate for my efforts.

This experience taught me that success comes through hard work, practice, and perseverance. As they say, **“Practice makes a man perfect.”**

BUILDING ROBOT

MY AI ADVENTURE!

It was the first of June 2024, when I made a "to-do" list for my vacation, and as expected, building an AI robot was at the top.

I was supposed to work on LED assignments (I mean, for us Robotics students), and I was trying to figure out how to link "**Python**" and "**C++**" programming. By the Grace of Allah, I succeeded! After many attempts and a lot of troubleshooting (fixing the errors), I finally created my own AI program that could understand many questions and respond to them. At this stage, the program was ready.



Next, we had to build the physical part of the robot. My teacher had a 3D printer, so I was able to print the robot's parts—over 40 in total. The parts were printed in shifts. I printed the eyes first and started assembling, but I faced issues like not having the right size screwdrivers. I had to use knives as screwdrivers, and even the screws weren't the right size!

My plan was to complete the robot before the exhibition. But the printer kept failing repeatedly. I was forced to bring only the robot's eyes and a speaker as its mouth to the exhibition. Despite this, the exhibition went smoothly. But the real challenge was coming up—a trip to a famous News station soon, where I needed the complete robot.

We loaded more parts into the printer, but it still didn't work. We took it to a repair shop, but that didn't work either. My teachers stayed up late trying to fix it, but still no success!

Out of frustration, I cried more than once. My father quickly bought the parts I needed. It was expensive, but the job was done. But when the parts arrived, I nearly lost my mind—**THREE PARTS WERE MISSING!**

When we ordered the missing parts, the seller said it would take three days to arrive, but the interview was in just two days.

I lost all hope, but Allah (swt) helped me, and, out of nowhere, the parts arrived the very next day.

I worked all night to complete the robot, but then I lost one more part. Frustrated, I took a short nap, woke up early, and assembled the robot without that part. It was a bit sketchy, but I knew it would work.

We packed the robot and took it to the institute where the interview was going to be held. Alhamdo Lillah, the interview went amazing. And then, **what a surprise! Muhammad Ali (the robot) was featured by around 25 channels and appeared on many websites.**

It's important to remember that this journey wouldn't have been successful without the help of those who believed in me and, above all, the Grace of Allah (swt).

Team Spirit

by Emaan Mustafa of class X C

I am heading toward my favorite sport
In front of me, there was a big court
Of course, it was a football court
I hit the ball and made a shot
After a few good shots, I reached the top
I couldn't believe how much I'd rocked
A month later, there was a match
There were two teams, one red and one green
By chance, I wasn't part of the team
Sitting on the floor, watching the screen
I wasn't too sad, nor too happy
Just enjoying the spirit of each team's energy



Dreams Beyond Struggle

School is a struggle, homework a chore
My bed is my heaven, the place I adore
Sleeping is my escape, my favorite place
Where stress and drama can't show their face

My phone is my lifeline, social media the test
Want to fit in, but being myself feels best
Friends come and go, but memories stay
Laughter and jokes fill up my day

Exams draw near, putting me to the test
But I will survive—I've got dreams to create
Dreams of freedom, of living with happiness
For now, I'll take it one step at a time

by Kissa Fatima of class X C



My Sister

by Hudaisa Batool of class V C

My sister is so sweet,
Without her, life feels incomplete.
She is my sunshine bright,
In the darkest times, my guiding light.

She makes my world so bright,
I'm sweet, but she's a delight.
She looks at me while she plays,
Bringing joy to all my days.

Her happiness is my own,
Her sadness is clearly shown.
When I'm down, she lifts my heart,
With her love, we'll never part.

She loves animals, especially cats,
And I love her, just like that.
She supports me in all I do,
And I'll always be there for her too.



Phobia

by Fatima tuz Zehra of class IV D

Oh my! Exams have come
Some scary, some fun

Nothing to do but learn
But yes! There's a lot of knowledge to earn

If you earn knowledge
You can pass a college

Some papers are interesting, others are fun
Some papers make you as bright as sun

The last day of papers are so exciting
Just keep waiting and waiting

Although it sometimes nags,
We have to carry no more heavy bags!

Finally the result day has reach
As you sow, so shall you reap

Petals of Strength

Be a flower with petals so pure and bright,
Embodying scents that dance in the light.
With every breeze, you gently sway,
Spreading joy in your fragrant way.

A flower that blooms with a heart so wide,
Radiating beauty, casting pride.
Even when the world seems dim or cold,
Your colors stay vibrant, your story unfolds.

Flowers around you may wither and fade,
But your strength and grace will never trade.
Grow tall, bloom bright, for all to see,
Inspiring life and harmony.

And as you flourish with each new day,
Other flowers will rise, finding their way.

by S. Nisa Fatima of class X C



by Qaima Zehra of class IV C

My Father

A person who is smart,
He shops for me at the mart,
He likes to drink coffee,
He gave me a pack of toffee.

I find him honest and wise,
With always-true advice,
His love and care are rare,
He likes to play and be fair.

He's there to make you glad,
With Dad's help, you'll never be sad,
With him, you can walk for miles,
Fathers are fun, and they make you smile.

My Younger Brother

by Ruqayyah of class VII C

My younger brother is my whole life.
Without him, I wouldn't survive.

We still get into some fights,
But they're about love, not rights.

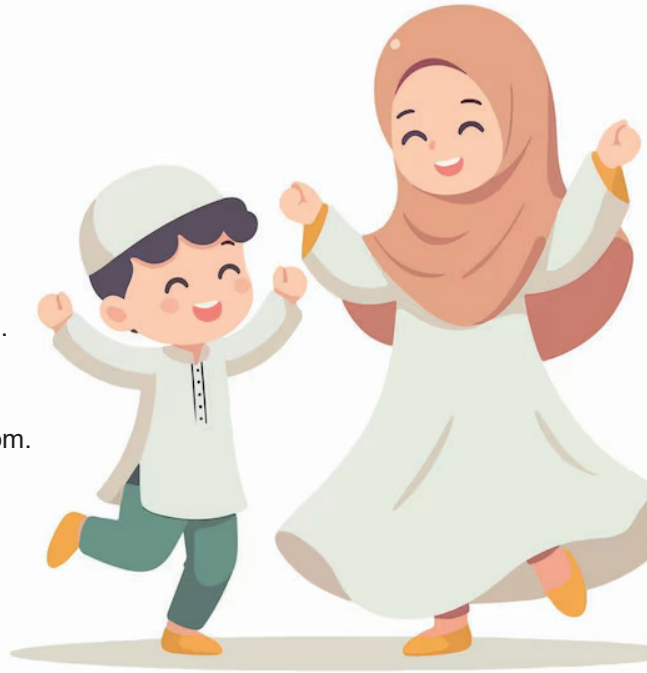
I taught him how to walk and talk.
He now knows how to wear a sock.

He is smart like Isaac Newton and Albert Einstein.
He gets scared by blenders but not Frankenstein.

He is as clumsy as a bottle with an unstable bottom.
Looking at him is like seeing flowers blossom.

He knows exactly how to get on our nerves.
He has awesome badminton serves.

I'll love him till eternity,
And even teach him about salinity.



My Journal, My Friend

by Seerat-e-Zainab of class VIII C

I open my book and begin to write,
My thoughts and dreams, day and night.
A place to express, to share and tell,
My journal, my friend, where secrets dwell.

I write of joys, of tears and fears,
And find solace through all my years.
In these pages, I find my voice,
A reflection of my heart's choice.



Growing in Greatness

When I was younger,
I couldn't do much at all.
I couldn't ride a bike,
Or catch a bouncing ball.

But now that I'm older,
My life is truly great.
I can ride a bike,
And catch a ball with fate.

I can skate on the ice,
And play without a care,
The things I couldn't do,
Now I can do anywhere!

by Hibatuz Zehra of class IV C



Pigeon

Fluttering with its beautiful wings
To find soft feathers,
Found them on a swing
In the hot, dry weather.

Just for its babies,
It gathers food with care—
Flowers all around, daisies—
And flies when a hunter dares.

Caring for its beautiful feathers,
Always staying beside its clan,
Loyal to its spouse, dutiful,
Never straying from its plan.

by Rehab Fatimah of class VIII D

A Smile

A smile is small, a gentle curve,
But it holds a power we don't deserve.

It lights the dark, it soothes the soul,
And mends the hearts that life might toll.

It speaks no words, yet it conveys
Hope and warmth through cloudy days.

So share a smile; it's worth the while,
This little curve has endless style!

by Nahal Zahra of class VIII D





Joke

Why was the king only a foot tall?
Because he was a ruler.



Why was the Math book so upset?
It was full of problems.

What is the snakes favourite subject at school?
Hissss-tory

Why did the sun go to school?
Because it wanted to get brighter.



Who invented the round table?
Sir Cumference

What do you call a potato with glasses?
A spec-tator

How do you fix broken tomatoes?
By using a tomato paste

What happens when ice cream gets angry?
It has a melt down!

Riddles



1. A man looks at a painting and says, "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son." Who is in the painting?
2. A rooster is sitting on the roof of a barn facing west. If it laid an egg, would the egg roll to the north or to the south?
3. I make a loud sound when I'm changing. When I do change, I get bigger but weigh less. What am I?
4. I shrink smaller every time I take a bath. What am I?
5. If you drop a yellow hat in the Red Sea, what does it become?
6. Which question can you never answer "yes" to?

1. His son 2. It's impossible — roosters don't lay eggs.
3. Popcorn 4. A bar of soap 5. Wet 6. Are you asleep?

Solution of Brain Teaser of 18th Edition of Akkas



A

Tongue Twister



Four fine fresh fish for you

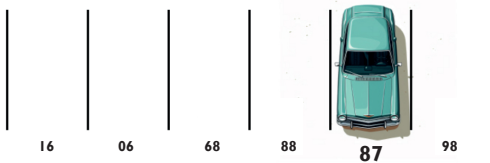
Kitty caught the kitten in the kitchen

Six slimy snails slid slowly seaward

Seventy-seven benevolent elephants

Red lorry, yellow lorry

B



.fun With language

Do you struggle with creative writing? Want to elevate your English game? Master these language techniques and watch your skills soar, turning every assignment into a work of art!

Metaphor: A figurative language device that directly compares one thing to another by saying it is the other. Example: "The world is a stage."

Alliteration: A sequence of words that start with the same letter or sound, often creating rhythm or focus. Example: "The whispering winds wove through the willows."

Onomatopoeia: A word that sounds like the noise it describes. Example: "The bees buzzed," or "The rain pitter-pattered on the roof."

Personification: Giving human qualities to something non-human, like an object or animal. Example: "The sun smiled down on us."

Simile: A comparison between two unlike things using "like" or "as." Example: "Her smile was as bright as the sun."

Hyperbole: An extreme exaggeration to emphasize a point or create humor. Example: "I'm so hungry I could eat a horse."

Assonance: Repetition of vowel sounds within nearby words, often creating a musical effect. Example: "The light of the fire is a sight to admire."

Oxymoron: Two contradictory words used together to describe one thing. Example: "Bittersweet," or "deafening silence."

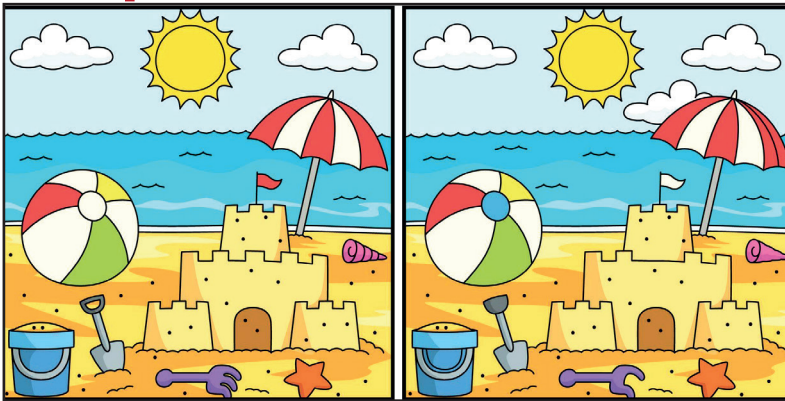
Pathetic Fallacy: Attributing human emotions to nature or the weather to reflect mood. Example: "The angry storm clouds gathered overhead."

Brain Teaser

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Spot The Differences



Children!!! You can win exciting prizes by answering the following questions, latest by **8th February 2025** and send them at akkasgames@gmail.com. Five lucky winners, provided with correct answers along with complete name, class and GR# will be selected. Repeated and late entries will not be considered and entertained.

Winners of 18th Edition of Akkas

Congratulation your all answers of 18th Akkas are correct.

Fatima Zehra
Gr # 751
Class VIII C

Muhammad Mustafa
Gr # 1127
Class IV A

Fatima Zehra
Gr # 654
Class X C

Rehab Fatimah
Gr # 758
Class VIII D

Malika Zehra
Gr # 776
Class VIII D

Eshal Zahra
Gr # 1596
IClass X C

Muhammad Wijdan
Gr # 1213
Class IV A

Syed Ali Raza Rizvi
Gr # 1820
Class IX A

Syed Jawad Raza Rizvi
Gr # 1821
Class VIII A

Taskeen Fatima
Gr # 700
Class IX C (O Level)

Muhammad Mehdi
Gr # 804
Class VIII A

Fatima Hassan
Gr # 976
Class V C

Rooh-e-Zehra
Gr # 597
Passout

Muhammad Hussain
Gr # 770
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GR# 758
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Class IX C (O Level)
Passout
Class VIII D
Class VIII D
Class IX A

Mom's Secret: Chow Mien Recipe

by Abiha Zehra of class X C

Ingredients

For the chicken:

- 500g boneless chicken, thinly sliced (boil and reserve 1/4 cup broth)
- 2 tbsp tikka masala
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil

For the noodles:

- 450g chowmein noodles
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- Salt, to taste

For the vegetables:

- 1 large capsicum, julienned
- 1 small cabbage, shredded
- 1 large carrot, julienned
- 2 spring onions, chopped

For the sauce:

- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 5 tbsp tomato ketchup
- 1/4 cup chicken broth
- Salt and pepper, to taste

Instructions:

Step 1: Marinate and cook the chicken

- Mix oil and tikka masala in a bowl. Add chicken and marinate for 30 minutes.
- Boil chicken in water, reserving 1/4 cup broth, then shred.

Step 2: Cook the noodles

- Boil 2-3 liters water, adding oil and salt.
- Cook noodles per package instructions, drain, and set aside.

Step 3: Prepare the vegetables

- Heat 1 tbsp oil in a wok, add capsicum, carrot, and cabbage, and cook until tender-crisp, about 4-5 minutes.

Step 4: Assemble the chowmein

- Heat 1 tbsp oil in a wok, add shredded chicken, vegetables, and noodles.
- Mix in the sauce ingredients with reserved broth, stir-frying for 2-3 minutes.
- Season with salt and pepper.

Step 5: Serve

- Transfer to a serving platter, garnish with spring onions, and serve hot.

Tips and Variations:

- Use a wok for authentic stir-frying.
- Add vegetables like bell peppers, mushrooms, or baby corn.
- Substitute chicken breast or thighs, or use both.



Donuts

by Insia Rizvi of class IV C

Ingredients to Yields 18 servings:

- 2.25 ounce active dry yeast
- ¼ cup warm water (105 to 115 degrees)
- 1 ½ cups lukewarm milk
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- ⅓ cup shortening
- 5 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 quart vegetable oil for frying
- ⅓ cup butter
- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoons vanilla
- 4 tablespoons hot water or as needed



Directions

1. Sprinkle the yeast over the warm water, and let stand for 5 minutes, or until foamy.
2. In a large bowl, mix together the yeast mixture, milk, sugar, salt, eggs, shortening, and 2 cups of the flour. Mix for a few minutes at low speed, or stirring with a wooden spoon. Beat in remaining flour 1/2 cup at a time, until the dough no longer sticks to the bowl. Knead for about 5 minutes, or until smooth and elastic. Place the dough into a greased bowl, and cover. Set in a warm place to rise until double. Dough is ready if you touch it, and the indentation remains.
3. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface, and gently roll out to 1/2 inch thickness. Cut with a floured doughnut cutter. Let doughnuts sit out to rise again until double. Cover loosely with a cloth.
4. Melt butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir in confectioners' sugar and vanilla until smooth. Remove from heat, and stir in hot water one table-spoon at a time until the icing is somewhat thin, but not watery. Set aside.
5. Heat oil in a deep-fryer or large heavy skillet to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Slide doughnuts into the hot oil using a wide spatula. Turn doughnuts over as they rise to the surface. Fry doughnuts on each side until golden brown. Remove from hot oil, to drain on a wire rack. Dip doughnuts into the glaze while still hot, and set onto wire racks to drain off excess. Keep a cookie sheet or tray under racks for easier clean up.



A recipe has no soul. You,
as the cook, must bring
the soul to the recipe.

— Thomas Keller

ہنسنا منع ہے

استاد: سبق پھر پڑھ صداقت کا عدالت کا شجاعت کا۔
پیو: لوجی! اپنا یاد نہیں ہے ان تینوں کا کیسے ہوگا۔

اذلان علی: جماعت سوم

ماں: تین اور تین کتنے ہوتے ہیں؟

بچہ: چھ
ماں: شاباش! یہ لو چھ ٹافیاں
بچہ: پہلے معلوم ہوتا تو تین اور تین دس بتاتا۔

منال حسن: جماعت سوم

ایک بچہ رو رہا تھا۔
باپ نے رونے کا سبب پوچھا تو بولا: دس روپے دیں تو بتاؤں گا۔
باپ نے جلدی سے دس کا نوٹ نکال کر دیا اور کہا: بتاؤ کیوں رو رہے ہو؟
بچہ: اسی دس کے نوٹ کے لیے رو رہا تھا۔

ثانی زہرا: جماعت چہارم

بیوی: اس سال روزے رکھو گے؟
شوہر: نہیں
بیوی: اچھا نماز پڑھو گے؟
شوہر: مشکل ہے۔
بیوی: اچھا افطاری کرو گے؟
شوہر: ظاہر ہے۔ اب کیا بالکل ہی کافر ہو جاؤں۔

بوجھو تو جانیں

- ایسی کون سی چیز ہے جو کبھی ٹھنڈی نہیں ہوتی؟
- وہ کون سی چیز ہے جو ہم دن میں نہیں دیکھ سکتے، لیکن رات کو دیکھ سکتے ہیں؟
- ایسی کون سی کتاب ہے جس کو پڑھ تو سکتے ہیں، ہاتھ بھی لگا سکتے ہیں مگر اس کو پھاڑ نہیں سکتے؟
- وہ کون سا ٹیبل ہے جس کے پاؤں نہیں ہوتے؟
- وہ کیا ہے جو گونگا بھی ہے، اندھا بھی ہے لیکن سب کچھ سچ بتاتا ہے؟

سیدہ نورِ فاطمہ: جماعت چہارم

دیکھئے سارے ایک جگہ پر
ہفتے، سال، مہینے، دن
گزرے ہیں سب ایک نظر میں
اور لیے ہیں سارے گن

بے شک ہو نہ ہاتھ میں ہاتھ
چٹا ہے وہ آپ کے ساتھ

دھوپ کبھی نہ اُسے سکھائے
سوکھا جب وہ سائے میں آئے

ابو تراب: جماعت سوم

نام تلاش کریں

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علی منظور: جماعت پنجم



نوڈلز کے کٹلتس

آمنہ: جماعت پنجم

اجزاء:
نوڈلز: ایک پیکٹ
آلو: ۲ دو
انڈا: ۱ عدد
بریڈ کرمز: حسب ضرورت
نمک: حسب ذائقہ
کالی مرچ (پسی ہوئی): حسب ذائقہ

ترکیب:

پہلے نوڈلز اور آلو کو الگ الگ برتن میں تھوڑا سا نمک ڈال کر اُبال لیں۔ اُبلے ہوئے آلو کو ٹھنڈا کر کے کدو کش کر لیں۔ اب نوڈلز اور آلو کو نمک اور کالی مرچ ڈال کر اچھی طرح مکس کر لیں۔ آمیزے سے چھوٹے چھوٹے کٹلتس بنالیں۔ ایک الگ پیالے میں انڈا پھینٹ لیں، تیار کٹلتس کو انڈا اور بریڈ کرمز لگا کر ہلکے تیل میں فرائی کر لیں۔ مزیدار کٹلتس تیار ہیں۔ کیچپ اور ہری چٹنی کے ساتھ پیش کریں۔



آیت فاطمہ: جماعت ہفتم

چکن لزانہ

اجزاء:

لزانہ پیٹی: ۱ پیکٹ
بون لیس چکن کیوبز (اُلی ہوئی): ۱ کپ
شملہ مرچ (باریک کٹی ہوئی): ۱ پیالی
گاجر (باریک کٹی ہوئی): ۱ پیالی
پیاز (باریک کٹی ہوئی): ۱ پیالی
چیڈر چیز: ۱/۲ پیالی
لہسن (باریک کٹا ہوا): ۱ کھانے کا چمچ
کھانے کا تیل: حسب ذائقہ
نمک: حسب ذائقہ
کالی مرچ (پسی ہوئی): حسب ذائقہ
میدہ: ۲ چمچ
دودھ: ۳ کپ

ترکیب:

- ۱) ایک پتیلی میں پانی گرم ہونے رکھ دیں۔ جوش آنے پر اس میں لزانہ ڈال کر اچھی طرح اُبال لیں۔ پھر گرم پانی پھینک کر لزانہ کو ٹھنڈے پانی سے نتھار لیں۔
- ۲) ایک الگ پین میں تیل ڈال کر پیاز اور لہسن براون کر لیں۔ اس میں شملہ مرچ، چکن کیوبز اور گاجر نمک اور کالی مرچ ڈال کر بھون لیں۔
- ۳) ایک الگ پین میں دو چمچ تیل گرم کر کے اس میں دو چمچ میدہ ڈال کر بھون لیں۔ اس کے بعد دودھ ڈال کر کالی مرچ اور نمک ڈال دیں۔ وائٹ ساس تیار ہے۔
- ۴) اوون پروف ڈس لیں۔ تھوڑا سا گوشت اور سبزیوں کا مکسچر ڈالیں۔ اس کے اوپر لزانہ شیٹ بچھائیں۔ اوپر وائٹ سوس ڈالیں۔ کرش کی ہوئی چیڈر چیز ڈالیں۔ اسی عمل کو دوبارہ دہرائیں۔
- ۵) اوون میں 120° پر پانچ منٹ بیک کریں۔ مزیدار لزانہ تیار ہے۔

محمد مرتضیٰ رضوی: جماعت پنجم

میرے ابو

نام ہے شہباز پیاروں جیسا
 نام ہے ان کا تاروں جیسا
 اسکول چھورنے جاتے ہیں
 کبھی واپس بھی لینے آتے ہیں
 کبھی چوٹ لگے تو پریشان ہوتے ہیں
 کبھی خون نکلے تو پیار کرتے ہیں
 کبھی کھانا باہر کھلاتے ہیں
 اور کبھی گھر پر بھی منگواتے ہیں
 کچھ مانگوں تو فوراً لاتے ہیں
 اچھی باتیں مجھے بتاتے ہیں
 آفس سے جب بھی گھر آتے ہیں
 کچھ نہ کچھ تو لاتے ہیں
 کبھی بچپن کی باتیں بتاتے ہیں
 کبھی لطیفوں سے بہت ہنساتے ہیں
 سلاتے وقت، کہانی سناتے ہیں
 اور پیار کر کے مجھے سلاتے ہیں



اللہ

میرے اللہ، میرے اللہ،
 پیارے پیارے میرے اللہ۔

خوب نعمت دی اُس نے،
 دنیا میں بھیجا ہے اُس نے،

سونے کے لیے رات دی اُس نے،
 کام کے لیے دن دیا اُس نے،

بھوک میں کھانا کھلایا اُس نے،
 پیاس میں پانی پلایا اُس نے،

کیا خوبصورت دنیا بنائی اُس نے،
 کیا خوبصورت زندگی دی اُس نے،

کوشش ہے یہ علی حسین کی،
 شکر اس کا ادا کرنے کے لیے۔

علی حسین: جماعت پنجم

بندر

بندر میں نے دیکھا ہے،
درختوں پہ وہ چڑھتا ہے۔
بندریا اُس کی چاچی ہے،
کیلا اُسے کھلاتی ہے۔
دم ہے اُس کی لمبی سی،
پتلی بھی اور موٹی بھی۔
جنگل میں، چڑیا گھر میں،
اس کا رہنا سہنا ہے۔

داور علی: جماعت سوم



میری پیاری گڑیا



سنو! مزے کی کہانی سنو!
کہانی ہماری زبانی سنو!
زارا کی گڑیا تھی چھوٹی بہت
نہ پتلی بہت نہ موٹی بہت
جب دیکھو سوتی رہتی تھی وہ
کبھی بچوں کی طرح روتی تھی وہ
ایک دن اچانک نہ جانے کیا ہو گیا
زارا نے کہا چلو اٹھو بہت ہو گیا
سوچکی بہت، کچھ کام بھی کرو
اتنی سست نہ بنو، چاق و چوبند رہو
سوتے رہنا بات اچھی نہیں
کام میں سستی اچھی نہیں

عیشل شانزے حسن: جماعت سوم

کھانے سے ناراضگی

میں تو اللہ تعالیٰ کا اتنا شکر ادا کرتی ہوں، پھر بھی میری نعمتوں میں تو اضافہ ہی نہیں ہوتا، سبیکہ نے شکایتی لہجے میں اپنی دادی جان سے کہا۔ دراصل امی نے کھانے پر آج سبزی پکائی تھی۔ اور سبیکہ کو سبزیاں بالکل پسند نہیں تھیں۔ جب کھانے کے وقت اس نے منہ بنایا تو دادی جان نے نعمتوں پر شکر کرنے کے لیے کہا۔ اچھا یہ بتاؤ کہ تم کن نعمتوں پر شکر ادا کرتی ہو؟ دادی جان نے پوچھا۔ دادی جان جب امی کوئی مزے دار کھانا بناتی ہیں مثلاً پیزا، بروسٹ یا کڑاہی وغیرہ۔۔ اور؟ دادی جان نے پوچھا۔ جب ابو جان مزے مزے کی چیزیں لے کر آتے ہیں، تب۔ اور؟ دادی جان نے پھر پوچھا۔ دادی جان یہی نعمتیں ہیں بس، سبیکہ نے دادی کو بتایا۔ جی پیٹا بالکل ٹھیک کہا تم نے، مگر صرف یہ ہی نعمتیں نہیں ہیں۔ ہمارے پیارے اللہ تعالیٰ نے تو ہمیں اتنی نعمتیں عطا فرمائی ہیں کہ ہم ان کو گن بھی نہیں سکتے۔ دادی جان نے سبیکہ سے کہا۔ اس پوری دنیا کو دیکھ لو۔ یہ ہوا، جس میں ہم سانس لے رہے ہیں، نہ ہو تو کیا ہو؟ پانی جو ہر کام کے لیے ضروری ہے، نہ ہو تو کیا ہو؟ اسی طرح سورج، چاند، ستارے، زمین، پودے، جانور سب کچھ نعمتیں ہیں۔ سبیکہ حیرانی کے ساتھ سن رہی تھی۔ خود ہماری آنکھیں، کان، ناک، زبان، دانت، ہاتھ، پاؤں کس قدر بڑی نعمتیں ہیں۔ سب سے بڑھ کر عقل جیسی نعمت ہمارے پاس ہے۔ ان سب کا شکر ادا کرتے ہیں تو پروردگار عالم ان میں اضافہ کرتا ہے۔ وہ کیسے دادی جان؟ سبیکہ نے پوچھا وہ ایسے کہ ہم ان نعمتوں سے اور زیادہ فائدہ اٹھانے لگتے ہیں۔ ہمیں زیادہ علم حاصل ہوتا ہے، ہمارے وقت میں برکت ہوتی ہے۔ کھانے کا ذائقہ اچھا محسوس ہوتا ہے، دراصل نعمتوں میں یہی وہ اضافہ ہے جس کو ہم لوگ نہیں سمجھ پاتے۔ دادی جان نے سبیکہ کو بتایا۔ اور سبیکہ سب کچھ سمجھتے ہوئے پیار سے دادی جان کے گلے لگ گئی۔



شکرِ نعمت

قَالَ أَمِيرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ عَلِيُّ بْنُ أَبِي طَالِبٍ

وَمَنْ أُعْطِيَ الشُّكْرَ لَمْ يُحْرَمِ الزِّيَادَةَ

امیر المؤمنین علی ابن ابی طالبؑ نے فرمایا:
”شکر کرنے والا کبھی اضافہ سے محروم نہ ہوگا۔“

نچ البلاغہ - کلمات حکمت (135)

مفہوم: پروردگار عالم کا وعدہ ہے کہ نعمتوں پر شکر کرتے جاؤ میں تمہاری نعمتوں میں اضافہ کرتا جاؤں گا۔



ایک نشست مس حنا کے ساتھ



بچے: السلام علیکم! آپ کیسی ہیں؟
مس: وعلیکم السلام! الحمد للہ میں بالکل ٹھیک۔ آپ لوگ بتائیے کیسے ہیں، سب ٹھیک ہیں؟

جماعت چہارم کے طلبہ

بچے: الحمد للہ! ہم بھی ٹھیک ہیں۔
مس: ماشاء اللہ! جی بیٹا بتائیے کیسے آنا ہوا؟

بچے: مس ہمیں آپ سے چند سوالات کرنے ہیں۔
مس: جی بالکل کیجیے!



بچے: الحمد للہ! آپ کا اور اسکول کا 18 برس کا

ساتھ ہے۔ کیا محسوس کرتی ہیں؟
مس: جی الحمد للہ! اسکول کو ترقی کی منازل طے کرتا دیکھ کر مسرت ہوتی ہے، ساتھ ہی ساتھ جن کو میں نے پڑھایا وہ سب جوان ہو گئے ہیں اور کالج اور یونیورسٹی میں تعلیم حاصل کر رہے ہیں۔ انہیں دیکھ کر بہت خوشی ہوتی ہے۔

بچے: انسانی فطرت ہے کہ کبھی غصہ آجاتا ہے
کیا آپ کو کبھی کسی پر غصہ آیا؟ اُس وقت آپ کا کیا رد عمل ہوتا ہے؟

مس: پہلے تو بالکل غصہ نہیں آتا تھا اب تھوڑا آنے لگا ہے۔ میں ڈانٹ دیتی ہوں مگر ایک ماں کی طرح میرا غصہ بھی جلد ختم ہو جاتا ہے۔

بچے: آپ ابتداء سے ای سی ڈی کیسپس میں اپنے فرائض انجام دے رہیں ہیں، کبھی بڑے بچوں کو پڑھانے کا نہیں سوچا؟

مس: میں نے اکثر چاہا کہ میں بڑے بچوں کو پڑھاؤں لیکن مجھے چھوٹے بچوں کی معصومیت نے دور جانے نہ دیا اور گزرتے دنوں کے ساتھ ساتھ ان کو پڑھانا میرا شوق بن گیا۔

بچے: آپ اپنی پیشہ وارانہ اور گھریلو ذمہ داریوں میں کیسے توازن رکھتی ہیں؟

مس: اگر انسان محنت اور لگن سے ہر کام کو صحیح وقت پر انجام دے تو زیادہ جدوجہد نہیں کرنی پڑتی۔ گھر کا کام گھر میں اور اسکول میں صرف اور صرف اسکول کی ذمہ داریاں۔

بچے: اگلے 20 سالوں میں اسکول

کو کہاں دیکھنا چاہتی ہیں؟
مس: میرا دل چاہتا ہے گرین آئی لینڈ اسکول کے ساتھ ساتھ کالج کا بھی درجہ حاصل کرے اور اس جزیرہ حضراء میں پڑھنا ہر ایک کے لئے باعث فخر ہو۔

بچے: اسکول کے طلبہ و

طالبات کو آپ کیا پیغام دینا چاہیں گی؟

مس: ہر ایک کی عزت کریں اور بڑوں کا احترام کریں۔ محنت اور لگن کے ساتھ علم حاصل کریں اور اپنے بڑوں کے لئے باعث فخر بنیں۔

بچے: آپ کا بہت بہت شکریہ کہ آپ نے ہمیں اپنا وقت دیا۔

مس: مائی پلیزیر! مجھے آپ لوگوں سے مل کر خوشی ہوئی۔ اپنا خیال رکھیے گا۔ اللہ حافظ



آل محمدؐ کا دیوانہ بہلول دانا

خدیبہ: جماعت ششم



پیارے بچوں! حضرت بہلول تاریخ کے ایک ایسے یگانہ روزگار کردار ہیں جنہیں آل محمدؐ کے معجزے سے تعبیر کیا جائے تو غلط نہیں ہوگا۔ تاریخ کے صفحات میں آپ وہ واحد دیوانے ہیں جنہوں نے دیوانگی کا مفہوم بدل دیا اور دانش برہانی کے صحیح معنی سمجھائے۔ آپ کا اصل نام ”وہب بن عمرو“ تھا۔ اور جائے ولادت کوفہ بیان کی گئی ہے۔ آپ امام جعفر صادق کے شاگردوں میں سے تھے اور آپ نے امام موسیٰ کاظمؑ کا زمانہ بھی دیکھا۔ آپ کی دیوانگی کے بارے میں مشہور ہے کہ آپ نے امام موسیٰ کاظمؑ کی ہدایت پر دیوانگی کا لبادہ اوڑھ لیا تھا۔

دانائی کے قصے:

ایک بد کردار شخص نے حضرت بہلول کا مذاق اڑانے کے لیے شرارت سے کہا: ”اے وہب! کیا تو نے کبھی شیطان کو دیکھا ہے؟ میرا بہت جی چاہتا ہے کہ میں شیطان کو دیکھوں۔ تیری یہ خواہش آسانی سے پوری ہو سکتی ہے۔“ حضرت بہلول نے سنجیدگی سے جواب دیا۔ ”وہ کس طرح؟“ اس شخص نے پوچھا۔ ”گھر میں آئینہ تو ہوگا۔ اگر نہیں تو صاف پانی میں دیکھ لینا۔ تجھے شیطان کی زیارت ہو جائے گی۔“ اس شخص کو بھاگتے ہی بن پڑی۔

اُن ہی دنوں امیر کوفہ اسحاق بن محمد صباح کے یہاں لڑکی کی ولادت ہوئی۔ معلوم ہوا کہ وہ لڑکی کی پیدائش پر بہت رنجیدہ ہے۔ کسی سے نہیں ملتا۔ تو حضرت بہلول اپنی گٹھڑی شانے پہ ڈالے اس کے یہاں پہنچے اور بولے ”اے اسحاق! میں نے سنا ہے کہ تو لڑکی کی پیدائش پر بہت افسردہ ہے، نہ کھاتا ہے نہ پیتا ہے۔“ کیا کروں، دل ہی نہیں چاہتا۔“ وہ ٹھنڈی سانس بھر کر بولا، ”مجھے بیٹے کی بڑی آرزو تھی، مگر افسوس کہ اللہ تعالیٰ نے مجھے لڑکی دے دی۔“

”کمال ہے،“ حضرت بہلول نے بے ساختہ کہا، ”تو اس پر راضی نہیں کہ اللہ نے تجھے صحیح و سالم بیٹی دی ہے، اگر وہ تجھے جھجھکیا پانگل بیٹا دے دیتا تو پھر؟“ اسحاق کو ان کی بے ساختگی پر ہنسی آگئی۔ لیکن وہ اس کی تہہ میں چُپھی ہوئی حکمت کو جان گیا، اور نہ صرف خدا کا شکر بجا لایا بلکہ لوگوں کو بھی اجازت دی کہ وہ اس کے پاس تبریک پیش کرنے کے لیے آئیں۔

از کتاب: بہلول دانا، سیدہ عابدہ زرجس

اتفاق میں برکت ہے

الحمدُ للهِ! ہم سب اس بات سے واقف ہیں کہ اتفاق ایک عظیم نعمت ہے جس کے ذریعے معاشرے مضبوط اور خوشحال بنتے ہیں۔

خداوندِ عالم قرآن مجید میں سورہ آلِ عمران آیت نمبر 103 میں ارشاد فرماتا ہے۔

ترجمہ: اور اللہ کی رسی کو مضبوطی سے تھامے رکھو اور تفرقہ نہ ڈالو۔

اس آیت میں خدا ہمیں حکم دیتا ہے کہ ہم اپنی ذات سے بالا تر ہو کر ایک دوسرے کے ساتھ اتحاد اور اتفاق کا مظاہرہ کریں۔ یہی وجہ ہے کہ رسول اللہ ﷺ نے اپنی اُمت کو ہمیشہ اتفاق کا درس دیا ہے۔ ریاستِ مدینہ کی بنیاد بھی اتفاق پر رکھی گئی تھی جس کی بدولت مسلمانوں نے بے شمار کامیابیاں حاصل کیں۔

جب ہم مل جل کر کام کرتے ہیں تو مشکل سے مشکل کام بھی آسان ہو جاتا ہے۔ تاریخ گواہ ہے کہ جن اقوام نے متحد ہو کر کام کیا، وہ ترقی کی منازل طے کرتیں چلی گئیں، لیکن جس قوم میں اختلافات پیدا ہوئے، وہ زوال کا شکار ہو گئیں۔

پیارے دوستوں! اگر آپ زندگی میں کامیاب ہونا چاہتے ہیں تو مل جل کر کام کرنے کی عادت اپنائیں، ایک دوسرے کے خیالات اور احساسات کو سمجھیں اور اُنھیں عزت دیں۔ بے شک! یہی کامیابی کی کنجی ہے۔

آخر میں دُعا کرتا ہوں کہ اللہ تعالیٰ ہمیں اتحاد اور اتفاق کے ساتھ زندگی گزارنے کی توفیق عطا فرمائے۔

سید جواد رضا رضوی: جماعت ہشتم

وقت کی پابندی

آج میرے لکھنے کا مقصد اپنے دوستوں کی توجہ ایک اہم موضوع پر مبذول کروانا ہے، جو کہ ”وقت کی پابندی“ ہے۔ وقت ہماری زندگی کا ایک اہم جزو ہے جس کی قدر کرنا ہم سب کا فرض ہے۔

وقت کی پابندی ہماری زندگی میں نظم و ضبط پیدا کرتی ہے۔ جب ہم وقت کی قدر کرتے ہیں تو ہم اپنے کام کو بہتر طور پر انجام دے سکتے ہیں۔ دنیا کے کامیاب ترین لوگوں کی زندگی کا مطالعہ کریں تو آپ کو معلوم ہو گا کہ انھوں نے ہمیشہ وقت کی قدر کی ہے۔ جو لوگ اپنے وقت کی منصوبہ بندی کرتے ہیں وہ زندگی کے ہر شعبے میں کامیاب ہوتے ہیں چاہے وہ تعلیم ہو، کاروبار ہو یا کوئی بھی فن۔ اصل کامیابی یہی ہے کہ انسان اپنے وقت کو بہترین طریقے سے استعمال کرتا ہوا اپنے ہدف کو حاصل کرے۔

وقت کی پابندی ہماری شخصیت کی عکاسی کرتی ہے۔ عام مشاہدہ ہے کہ جو لوگ اپنے تمام کاموں کو وقت پر انجام دینے کو ترجیح دیتے ہیں وہ زیادہ قابل اعتماد سمجھے جاتے ہیں اور لوگوں کے دلوں میں اُن کے لیے عزت و احترام پیدا ہوتا ہے۔ بالآخر باہمی تعلقات مستحکم ہوتے ہیں۔

دراصل زندگی میں اعتدال اور سکون وقت کی پابندی کر کے ہی حاصل کیا جاسکتا ہے۔ جب ہم وقت پر اپنی تمام ذمہ داریاں انجام دینے کی کوشش کرتے ہیں تو ہم ذہنی سکون محسوس کرتے ہیں اور اپنی زندگی کے ہر لمحے سے لطف حاصل کرتے ہیں۔

یاد رکھیں! وقت کبھی واپس نہیں آتا اس کی قدر کریں، اس کا صحیح استعمال کریں اور اپنی زندگی کو بہتر بنائیں۔ آئیے ہم سب عہد کریں کہ ہم وقت کی پابندی کو اپنی زندگی کا حصہ بنائیں گے۔

محمد مہدی ہیسانی: جماعت ہشتم



درخت سے گفتگو

مریم زہراء: جماعت ہفتم

میں: السلام و علیکم! درخت بھائی کیسے ہیں آپ؟
درخت: وعلیکم السلام! بہت خراب ہوں۔

میں: خیریت! کیا ہوا آپ کو؟
درخت: کیا بتاؤں آپ لوگوں نے میرا حال برا کر دیا ہے۔ جب آپ لوگوں کو لکڑی کی ضرورت پڑتی ہے تو آپ ہمیں کاٹ کر اپنی ضرورت پوری کرتے ہیں۔

میں: تو اس میں کیا مسئلہ ہے؟ خدا نے آپ کو اسی مقصد سے پیدا کیا۔
درخت: جی بالکل! مگر مسئلہ یہ ہے کہ آپ لوگ درخت کاٹ کر دوسرے درخت نہیں لگا رہے۔ ایسے تو ہم سب ختم ہو جائیں گے اور پھر آپ لوگ زندہ کیسے رہیں گے؟

میں: کیا مطلب؟ میں کچھ سمجھا نہیں۔
درخت: کیونکہ خدا نے ہم میں یہ صلاحیت رکھی ہے کہ ہم آکسیجن بناتے ہیں جو انسانوں کی زندگی کے لیے بے حد ضروری ہے۔ اور ہمارے پتوں کو خدا نے بعض جانوروں کے لیے خوراک بنایا ہے۔ اگر یہ جانور نہ ہوں تو انسان گوشت کھانے کی طلب کیسے پوری کرے گا؟

میں: اوہ، افسوس ہم آپ کو تکلیف پہنچاتے ہیں۔
درخت: اور ہاں خدا آپ کو مزے دار پھل، سبزیاں اور مختلف اناج بھی ہمارے ہی ذریعے عطا کرتا ہے۔ ہم درخت بڑے اور تناور ہو کر آپ لوگوں کو سایہ مینا کرتے ہیں۔ اور اگر آپ مجھے کاٹ دیں گے تو پھر آپ کو شدید گرمی میں سایہ کہاں سے ملے گا؟ اور آپ کا رنگ سیاہ ہو جائے گا۔

میں: ہاں یہ بات تو صحیح ہے کہ آپ کو کاٹنے کے بہت نقصانات ہیں مگر اگر ہم درخت کاٹنے کے ساتھ ساتھ نئے درخت بھی اگاتے جائیں گے تو یقیناً ہم ان نقصانات سے بچ سکتے ہیں اور ہمارا ماحول بھی خوش گوار ہو جائے گا۔

درخت: میرے دکھ کو سمجھنے کا اور اس کا صحیح حل تلاش کرنے کا شکریہ۔ کاش! آپ جیسے دوسرے بچوں اور بڑوں کو بھی یہ بات سمجھ آجائے اور آپ سب ایسا کرنے میں ایک دوسرے کی مدد بھی کریں۔

آئیے عہد کریں! ان شاء اللہ ہم سب مل کر درختوں کی حفاظت کریں گے اور ماحول کو بہتر بنائیں گے۔

نہجے مصور

