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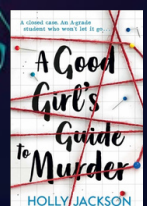
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EXPLORING THE WORLD OF
ONLINE GAMES

LITERATURE

A NATION IN EXILE **MONROE** MYSTERY



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READERS!

WELCOME TO THE FIRST EDITION OF PSM EDUSPHERE.

WE ARE THRILLED TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD AS WE EMBARK ON THIS EXCITING JOURNEY TOGETHER.

THIS MAGAZINE HERALDS NEW BEGINNINGS: A REALM OF KNOWLEDGE AND IMAGINATION, A BEACON OF INSIGHT AND INSPIRATION.

IN THE PAGES OF EDUSPHERE, WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED, IS A TAPESTRY OF PERSPECTIVES, STORIES, AND IDEAS THAT REFLECT THE DIVERSE AND DYNAMIC COMMUNITY THAT OUR CLUB EMBODIES. OUR CONTRIBUTORS HAVE POURED THEIR SOULS INTO EVERY ARTICLE, POEM, STORY, AND ARTWORK, OFFERING YOU A GLIMPSE INTO THEIR UNIQUE EXPERIENCES AND IMAGINATIVE WORLDS.

WE STRIVE TO BRING YOU A DIVERSE RANGE OF TOPICS, CAPTIVATING NARRATIVES, AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING INSIGHTS THAT WILL KEEP YOU ENGAGED AND WANTING MORE.

HERE'S TO A JOYOUS AND ENRICHING READING EXPERIENCE! MAY YOU FIND ARTISTRY AND KNOWLEDGE WITHIN THESE PAGES THAT IGNITE YOUR CREATIVE JOURNEY.

HAPPY READING!

WARM REGARDS

MUHAMMAD WALEED (A2) & MEERAB FATIMA (AS)

PRESIDENTS | LITERARY CLUB

DEAR STUDENTS,

I WANT TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO OUR ENGLISH LITERARY CLUB FOR THEIR DEDICATION IN CREATING OUR SCHOOL MAGAZINE. THE HARD WORK AND CREATIVITY PUT INTO THIS ENDEAVOR ARE COMMENDABLE. YOUR COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING LITERARY TALENT WITHIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY IS INVALUABLE. THE MAGAZINE REFLECTS YOUR PASSION FOR LITERATURE AND THE ARTS, SHOWCASING VARIOUS TALENTS AND PERSPECTIVES.



YOUR EFFORTS HAVE ENRICHED OUR SCHOOL'S LITERARY LANDSCAPE, INSPIRING PEERS TO EXPLORE THEIR CREATIVITY. YOUR DEDICATION REFLECTS THE SPIRIT OF TEAMWORK AND EXCELLENCE WE CHERISH. I AM PROUD OF EACH MEMBER'S CONTRIBUTION TO THIS SPLENDID PUBLICATION. KEEP SHINING WITH YOUR LITERARY ENDEAVORS, AND MAY THIS MAGAZINE BE A BEACON OF CREATIVITY FOR YEARS TO COME.

ALL THE VERY BEST!

SOBIA SAIFULLAH KHAN

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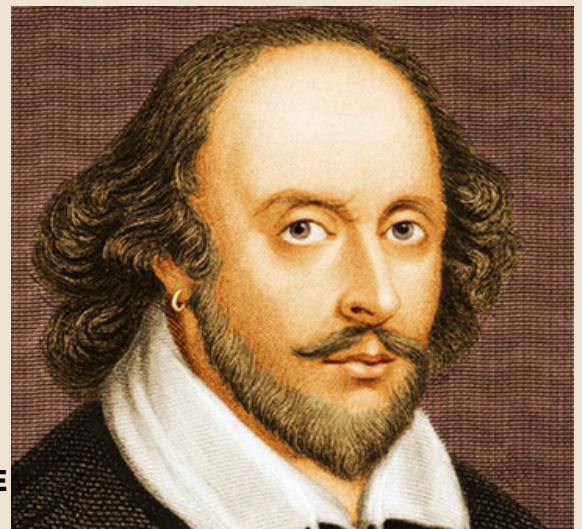
LITERATURE

What & Why?

“Literature adds to reality, it does not simply describe it. It enriches the necessary competencies that daily life requires and provides; and in this respect, it irrigates the deserts that our lives have already become.”

Clive Staples Lewis.

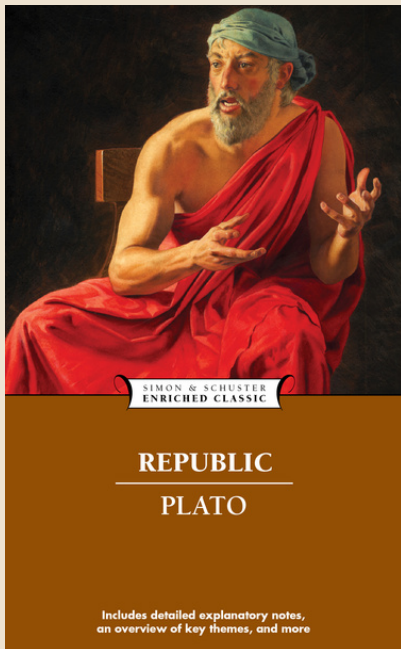
LITERATURE IS A REQUISITE COMPONENT OF EDUCATION AND PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE IN SHAPING THE MINDS AND VANTAGE POINTS OF STUDENTS. IT IS NOT ONLY A WAY TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT CULTURES AND NON-FICTIONAL PERIODS, BUT IT ALSO HELPS STUDENTS TO DEVELOP ANALYTICAL ADROITNESS, CRITICAL THINKING, AND EMPATHY TOWARDS OTHERS. LITERATURE CAN ALSO BE FUN AND ENGAGING. IN THIS ARTICLE, WE WILL DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF LITERATURE FOR STUDENTS, HOW IT CAN BE FUN, AND ILLUSTRATE EXAMPLES OF LITERATURE IN HISTORY. THE STUDY OF LITERATURE IS VITAL FOR STUDENTS, AS IT ALLOWS THEM TO EXPLORE VARIOUS THEMES AND IDEAS GERMANE TO THEIR LIVES AND THE WORLD AROUND THEM.



WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE
INFLUENTIAL FIGURE IN LITERATURE

THROUGH ANALYZING LITERATURE, STUDENTS GAIN A MORE PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF DIVERSE CULTURES, HISTORICAL PERIODS, AND COMMUNAL ISSUES. THIS HELPS TO NURTURE A SENSE OF FELLOWSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING TOWARDS OTHERS WHILST FACILITATING CRITICAL THINKING AND ANALYTICAL SKILLS. LITERATURE ALSO PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR STUDENTS TO EXPRESS THEIR THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS. IN ADDITION, IT DEVELOPS THEIR CREATIVITY AND IMAGINATION.

LITERATURE PROVIDES A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION AND MOTIVATION FOR STUDENTS, ALLOWING THEM TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES AND EXPERIENCES, WHICH CAN HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THEIR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH. EXPOSURE TO A BROAD SPECTRUM OF LITERATURE ALLOWS STUDENTS TO EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BROADEN THEIR HORIZONS, WHICH CAN ULTIMATELY LEAD TO A GREATER ADMIRATION OF THE DIVERSITY AND COMPLEXITY OF THE WORLD AROUND THEM. BESIDES, LITERATURE CAN ALSO BE FUN AND CAPTIVATING FOR STUDENTS. MANY CLASSIC AND CONTEMPORARY WORKS OF LITERATURE ARE FILLED WITH INVIGORATING PLOT TWISTS, INTRIGUING CHARACTERS, AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING THEMES.



THE REPUBLIC
CONSIDERED AS THE MOST
IMPACTFUL BOOK

FOR EXAMPLE, THE HARRY POTTER SERIES BY J.K. ROWLING HAS ENGAGED MILLIONS OF READERS AROUND THE WORLD WITH ITS MAGICAL WORLD AND TEENAGE CHARACTERS THAT THE STUDENTS CAN RELATE TO. SIMILARLY, THE WORKS OF AUTHORS LIKE ROALD DAHL AND DR. SEUSS ARE BELOVED BY CHILDREN FOR THEIR WHIMSICAL AND IMAGINATIVE STORYTELLING. BY INTRODUCING LITERATURE IN A FUN AND INTERACTIVE WAY, TEACHERS CAN HELP STUDENTS DEVELOP A LOVE FOR READING AND STORYTELLING, WHICH CAN HAVE A PERENNIAL IMPACT ON THEIR ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL LIVES. THERE ARE OTHERS LIKE THE ONE SHOWN HERE, THE REPUBLIC, WRITTEN BY PLATO, SOCRATES'S DISCIPLE, IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECES OF HISTORICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL LITERATURE. THE IDEAS MENTIONED IN THE BOOK ARE STILL DISCUSSED TODAY!

FURTHERMORE, NUMEROUS EXEMPLARS OF LITERATURE HAVE HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON HISTORY. FOR INSTANCE, THE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE HAVE PLAYED A CRUCIAL ROLE IN SHAPING THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE. HIS PLAYS LIKE "HAMLET" AND "ROMEO AND JULIET" ARE STILL WIDELY STUDIED AND PERFORMED TODAY, AND THEY CONTINUE TO INSPIRE COUNTLESS ADAPTATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS. ADDITIONALLY, THE WRITINGS OF AUTHORS LIKE JANE AUSTEN, CHARLES DICKENS, AND GEORGE ORWELL HAVE PROVIDED INVALUABLE INSIGHT INTO THE SOCIAL, POLITICAL, AND CULTURAL CONTEXTS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PERIODS. BY STUDYING THESE WORKS, STUDENTS CAN GAIN A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF THE HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE OF LITERATURE, AS WELL AS ITS ENDURING IMPACT ON SOCIETY AND HUMAN THOUGHT.



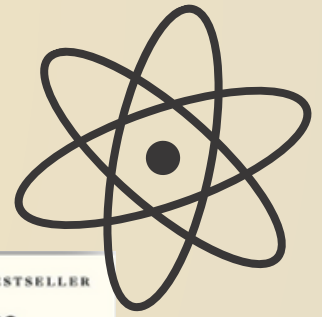
EDWIN BOOTH
PORTRAYING HAMLET IN THE SHOW
'HAMLET' BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

IN CONCLUSION, LITERATURE IS AN ESSENTIAL AND ENRICHING PART OF EDUCATION, AND STUDENTS NEED TO ENGAGE WITH IT IN A MEANINGFUL AND ENJOYABLE WAY. BY TOURING LITERATURE, STUDENTS CAN DEVELOP CRITICAL THINKING, EMPATHY, AND CREATIVITY, AS WELL AS GAIN A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF DIFFERENT CULTURES AND HISTORICAL PERIODS. MOREOVER, FUN AND ENGAGING LITERATURE PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR STUDENTS TO EXPLORE A MYRIAD OF PERSPECTIVES AND EXPERIENCES. THROUGH THE STUDY OF LITERATURE, STUDENTS CAN GAIN VALUABLE INSIGHTS INTO THE WORLD AROUND THEM AND DEVELOP A LIFELONG LOVE FOR READING AND STORYTELLING.

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Book Review



TITLE

Atomic Habits

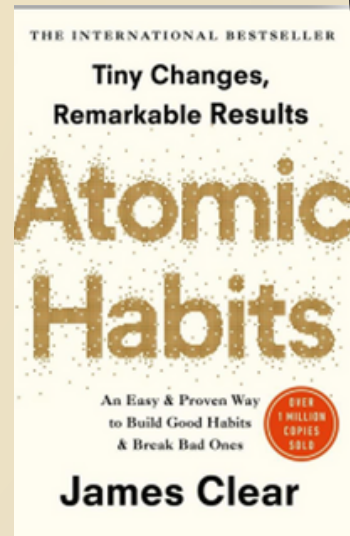
AUTHOR

James Clear

RATING



Atomic habits, A complete guide to transform your life.



MY REVIEW

'Atomic Habits' by James Clear is a step-by-step guide on how small habits have a huge impact on our overall lives. It shatters all of your bad habits and turns them into good ones, making you a step closer to success as the famous quote in the book goes, "Every action you take is a vote for the type of person you wish to become". Using the technique of the 'famous four laws of behavior change' the book takes you through a series of events to inspire a spark of motivation in every individual.

I believe there is no better book out there on the topic of consistency in life—it has made me reflect on a lot of things that could be better and has helped me improve as a person.

This book is a must read for anyone who wants betterment and self-determination in their life.

By Alishba Irfan (AS)

WORD SEARCH

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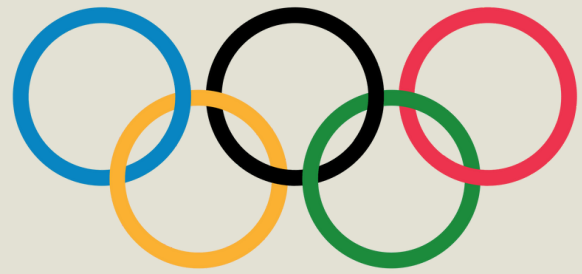
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REVEAL

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TRACTION

THE COST OF HOSTING THE OLYMPIC GAMES



Every four years for seventeen days, the world is momentarily suspended by the enthralling display of athletic prowess, aspiration, pride, and joy of the Olympics. Host cities, meanwhile, are frequently left drowning in debt and facing expensive

infrastructure maintenance after the final exhausted spectators and participants have left. The cost of the event is expected to be covered by tourism and a temporary increase in employment, but the city of Angels, in 1984, was the only city that had been able to do so. This high cost is due to various reasons:

The application procedure to host the games is where Olympic extravagances start. The process of bidding alone will cost most cities roughly \$20 million. Although the official bidding process only takes two years (for cities that make the shortlist), most cities should prepare to spend ten years working on their bid from the time it is started until the International Olympic Committee member's



voting results are announced. Additionally, the procedure also clogs up valuable urban real estate until the decision is known. This can cost local economies millions of dollars in lost revenue from private developers who could have used the site. Yet all of this could be in vain if a city that is bidding does not agree to the whims of IOC members' opinions over government behaviour and private ties frequently have the last say (Chicago's 2012 bid is believed to have been undermined by disagreements over U.S. foreign policy). But, the enormous expenses associated with actually hosting the Olympic Games pale in comparison to the price of placing a bid. Budgeting for the Olympics is a notoriously

difficult task, as is often the case with large-scale, one-time initiatives. Only recently has Los Angeles completed paying for its record-breaking 1984 Olympics; Montreal remains in debt from its 1976 Games (and to make matters worse, Canada is the only host nation never to have won an Olympic gold medal). In recent years, the practice of running away with expenses has continued. The 2012 London Olympics administrators have acknowledged that their expenses could go 10 times higher than their original estimates, costing the tax payers £20 Billion.

One common understanding is that hosting the Olympics is a great opportunity to modernize a city's athletic facilities. Aquatic facilities, shooting ranges, beach volleyball courts, and an 80,000-seat sporting stadium among others. But when the Olympic excitement fades, most people



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PAKISTANI JAVELIN THROWER

lose interest in the world-class sporting complexes that were built in their hometowns, leaving maintenance costs behind. For example, Despite having one of the healthiest populations on the planet, Australia still requires its taxpayers to spend \$32 million annually for the

up-keep of abandoned buildings. So the question that needs to be asked is if the prestige of hosting such an event is really incomparable to the years of costly construction projects and security concerns that accompany the preparation for an Olympic Games, not to mention the decades of debt repayment and maintenance costs that ensue.

Atlas of The Heart

BRENÉ BROWN

MAPPING MEANINGFUL
CONNECTION AND THE
LANGUAGE OF HUMAN
EXPERIENCE



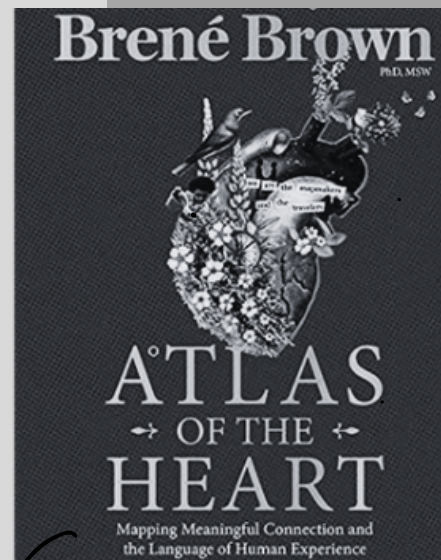
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In terms of psychology, emotions are a reaction pattern and how an individual deals with these emotions. Sometimes, these emotions compel us to do wonders that we never would have expected.

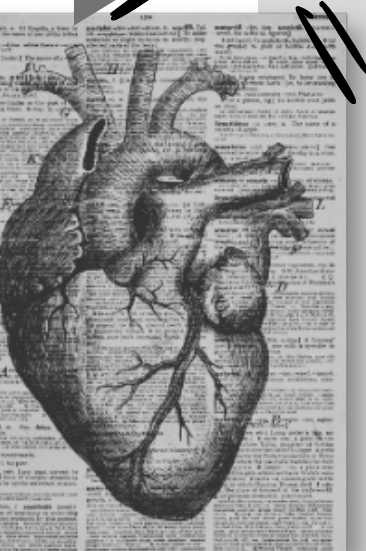
'The Atlas of the Heart' by Brené Brown explains us how to deal with emotions and feelings in a very beautiful manner. It helps to improve the connections within ourselves and others, making it easier to grasp the time-to-time changing emotions. Brené takes you through a list of eighty one emotions in the human brain, narrating the importance of each of them and helping you deal with them independently. Furthermore, she speaks about the feelings of an individual through various stages, such as when we are hurt and wronged and when life is amazing and joyful.



#1 NEW YORK TIMES
BESTSELLING
AUTHOR

87 EMOTIONS
THAT SHAPE
OUR LIVES

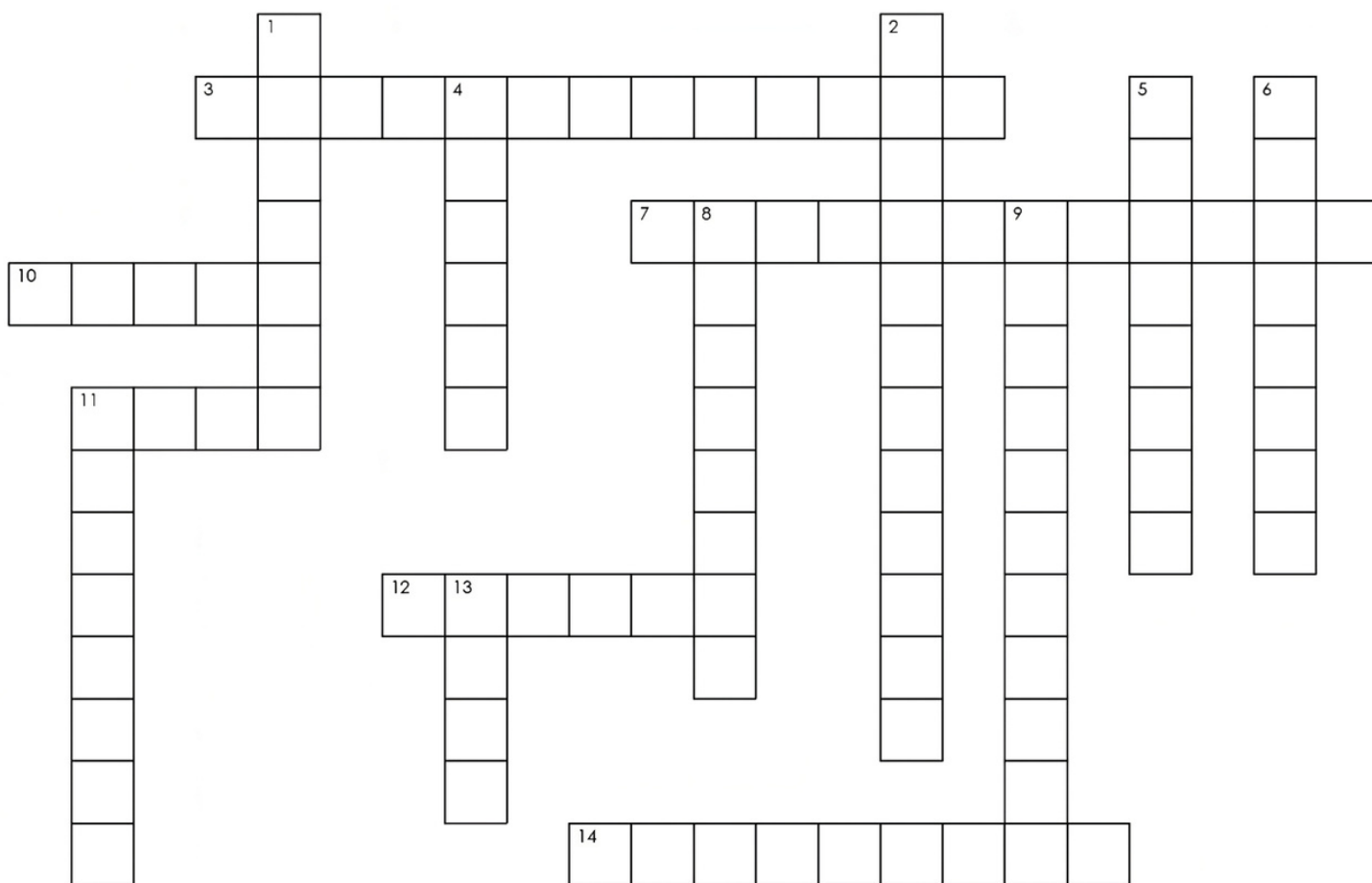
...RATHER THAN SUPPRESSING WORRY,
WE NEED TO DIG INTO AND ADDRESS THE
EMOTION DRIVING THE THINKING.



Brené states in a quote that "vulnerability is not weakness; it is our greatest measure of courage". Stating that, the ability to be brave when you have no clue about the outcome is one of the most powerful habits a person can possess. The book has been one of the best sellers in New York ever since it was published in November 2021.

Moreover, I would recommend this book to anyone who wishes to have a better understanding of the existence as well as the importance of human emotions. Brené's composing makes this book an even more exciting and enjoyable experience.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 3. 0 DEGREES LONGITUDE
- 7. LARGEST BIRD OF PREY
- 10. MOST POPULOUS CITY IN THE WORLD
- 11. MISSING BODY PART OF 'VENUS DE MILO'
- 12. ANCIENT SUPER-CONTINENT
- 14. CAPITAL OF ROMANIA

DOWN

- 1. DIFFICULT
- 2. WORLD'S LARGEST SALT FLAT
- 4. NUMBER OF TIME ZONES IN RUSSIA
- 5. ELEMENT WITH SYMBOL 'W'
- 6. SCALE USED TO MEASURE SPICE LEVEL
- 8. CAPITAL OF MYANMAR
- 9. SOUTHERN MOST POINT OF AFRICA
- 11. RAREST ELEMENT
- 13. SHALLOWEST SEA IN THE WORLD

EXPLORING THE WORLD OF ONLINE GAMES

IN TODAY'S DIGITAL AGE, ONLINE GAMES HAVE BECOME AN INCREASINGLY POPULAR FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES. HOWEVER, LIKE ANY OTHER ACTIVITY, IT COMES WITH ITS ADVANTAGES, DISADVANTAGES, AND RISKS. IN THIS ARTICLE, WE WILL EXPLORE THESE ASPECTS TO SHED LIGHT ON THE WORLD OF ONLINE GAMING. ONE OF THE NOTABLE ADVANTAGES OF ONLINE GAMING IS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR SOCIAL INTERACTION. PLAYERS CAN ENGAGE WITH FRIENDS OR MEET NEW PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD, BUILDING SOCIAL SKILLS. SECONDLY, MANY ONLINE GAMES

REQUIRE STRATEGIC THINKING, PROBLEM-SOLVING AND DECISION-MAKING ABILITIES. ENGAGING IN THESE ACTIVITIES CAN ENHANCE YOUR COGNITIVE SKILLS, INCLUDING MEMORY, ATTENTION AND MULTITASKING ABILITIES. LASTLY, THESE GAMES HAVE WIDE VARIETY OF GENRES AND EXPERIENCES, CATERING TO DIFFERENT PREFERENCES. THEY CAN ALSO SERVE AS A STRESS-



RELIEVING ACTIVITY AFTER A LONG DAY. THEY ALSO COME WITH A VARIETY OF DISADVANTAGES. FIRSTLY, ONLINE GAMES CAN BE HIGHLY ADDICTIVE, CAUSING PLAYERS TO CAUSE EXCESS AMOUNT OF TIME PLAYING. THIS CAN CREATE IMBALANCES IN DAILY ROUTINES, AFFECTING ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, PHYSICAL HEALTH, ETC. SECONDLY, SITTING FOR A PROLONGED PERIOD OF TIME CAN LEAD TO A SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE, RESULTING IN HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS OBESITY, POSTURE PROBLEMS AND EYE STRAIN. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE BETWEEN GAMING AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES. AND LASTLY, ONLINE GAMES MOSTLY OPERATE IN A FREEMIUM MODEL, WHERE PLAYERS CAN ACCESS BASIC FEATURES FOR FREE BUT ARE TEMPTED TO INVEST REAL MONEY IN VIRTUAL ITEMS LEADING TO FINANCIAL STRAIN IF NOT MONITORED CAREFULLY.

ONLINE GAMING ALSO CONTAINS A LOT OF RISKS IN IT SUCH AS EXPOSING PLAYERS TO CYBER SECURITY RISKS SUCH AS HACKING,

FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT. IT IS CRUCIAL TO USE STRONG PASSWORDS, ENABLE TWO-FACTOR AUTHORIZATION, AND AVOID SHARING PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH STRANGERS. ALSO, ONLINE GAMING COMMUNITIES CAN SOMETIMES HARBOR INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT SUCH AS TOXIC BEHAVIOUR, HARASSMENT, AND DISCRIMINATION WHICH IS WHY STRICT PARENTAL CONTROL AND VIGILANT MODERATION ARE NECESSARY AS THEY CAN HELP MITIGATE THESE RISKS AND ENSURE A POSITIVE GAMING EXPERIENCE. AT LAST, EXCESSIVE GAMING LEADS TO ADDICTION

WHICH CAN CAUSE NEGLECTING OF RESPONSIBILITIES, WITHDRAWAL SYMPTOMS AND A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON MENTAL HEALTH. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO SET BOUNDARIES, PRACTICE SELF-REGULATION AND SEEK SUPPORT IF NECESSARY. TO SUMMARIZE IT ALL, ONLINE GAMING COMES WITH ITS PROS AND CONS, OFFERS A UNIQUE BLEND OF ENTERTAINMENT, CHALLENGES AND RISKS. BY UNDERSTANDING THE ADVANTAGES, DISADVANTAGES AND RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ONLINE GAMING, PLAYERS CAN MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS, STRIKE A HEALTHY BALANCE AND ENJOY A POSITIVE GAMING EXPERIENCE. IT IS CRUCIAL TO PRIOTIZE PERSONAL WELL-BEING AND MAINTAIN SOCIAL INTERACTION BEYOND THE VIRTUAL WORLD AND ENGAGE IN A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES FOR A WELL-ROUNDED LIFESTYLE.

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Online gaming has a long history that dates back to the the earliest days of computer networking. Although multiplayer games first appeared in the 1950s with the introduction of pong, a gaming revolution did not begin to take hold until the internet became widely accessible in the 1990s. Online multiplayer gaming was pioneered by classic games like Quake and Doom. The first online game to make an appearance was MUD in 1978. Massively multiplayer online games, or MMOs, became popular as technology developed, and titles like EverQuest and Ultima Online helped to shape the genre. Online gaming platforms such as Xbox Live and PlayStation Network became more popular in the 2000s. With a large spectrum of genres, massive online communities, and ongoing engaging titles, the industry is booming today.

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Enigmatic Larry

*I*ntriguingly, I was famous for being the ear of my troubled neighbors. They found comfort in my attentive listening of their long days, and that is quite pleasing. Shocking, however, was that they never sought solutions or sort - they would sit down for a slice of pie and tea at my little oak coffee table, often together in groups as they spoke of their children and bragged of the roses that grew in their gardens. Such a warm, tightly packed neighborhood might as well be as rare as the blue moon.

So, moving out was an unusual case.

The very inexplicable occurrence that led up to this... rather peculiar thought, was Mrs Benson's shrill cry as she dug her nails in the grey leather of worn couches, grumbles spilling from chapped lips, unlike her bubbly self. I met her round, blue eyes with a concerned gaze. "A cup of the usual?"

"Oh, not today, today is not the day for lemon tea." She scoffed and shook her head, and peered into the white daisies of her skirt. "My day couldn't have been worse!"

quite atypical was the lack of lemon tea, however, the words confided me in the familiarity of them.

"I couldn't believe it, I couldn't believe it at all when my neighbour walked straight past me without saying a word!" She said and took a sip of water. "Do you know of Ms Larry, the young widow that just moved in?"

"I haven't, surprisingly," I spoke in uncertainty.


"Oh, she might be just as young as you, but how rude of her, where I only wished to introduce myself! Young ones, these days!"

"Maybe she is yet recovering from her loss," I spoke with sympathy.

Mrs Benson's eyebrows furrowed with skepticism. "Oh, perhaps. But she has already gone back to her maiden name, I have heard."

"Would you tell me which block she lives in?" I felt myself asking in a spur of curiosity.

"Do you intend to visit her?" She appeared baffled.



The formal smile I graced on my features did not leave for the rest of the day until I found myself curling into my favourite white trench coat that hung by my foyer.

My feet dragged me across orange tiles at the dip of the sun, as porches filtered out of elderly couples that were accompanied by the morning breezes towards the garden full of daisies and pansies, that graced the young Larry's front yard.

The sun sank further when a woman peeked out, adorned by a set of long lashes and azure eyes that rivalled skies from the door, a smile welcoming as any. Her voice spoke of gentleness and innocence; none that Mrs Benson ever spoke of.

Her residence was the abode of a fairy perhaps; the ringing of maple wood under my feet and the love of flowers that illuminated every corner inclined me to believe so.

"Would you like some lavender tea? I have just prepared some." She said as she brought a costly-looking porcelain cup and saucer and sat down beside me, not giving much space to say no to the drink.

"While I find its fragrance appealing, I find the taste not as enjoyable."

"I-I see." Hesitance sounded in the cracks of my voice.

For a while, only our voices would sound within the wooden walls, and Mrs Benson's claims only seemed to drift further from the truth.

By the time I found myself in the garden, the sun had bid its farewell, and distrust and doubt coursed my veins.

And when the sun greeted me again, I brewed the freshest leaves of lemon tea and baked the newest batches of pies that my neighbours loved - Mrs Benson and Ms Larry would love.

But their mysteries only intensified as Mrs Robinson made her weekly visit. Through a mouth full of apple jam and uncertainty, she doubted my previous encounters.

Because the Bensons moved out the previous week, and there was never anyone by the name of Larry.

THE UNITED NATIONS



In today's interconnected world, the United Nations (UN) plays a vital role in bringing countries together to address global challenges. Founded in 1945 after the devastation of World War II, the UN stands as a beacon of hope and cooperation, working towards a more peaceful and prosperous world. The vision of the UN is rooted in its fundamental principles, which include maintaining international peace and security, fostering cooperation among nations, promoting respect for human rights, and advancing social progress. Through its various agencies, programs, and specialized institutions, the UN strives to achieve these objectives and create a better future for all.



THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HALL

The establishment of the UN was a significant milestone in modern history. It was formed to replace the defunct League of Nations, recognizing need for a more effective international organization to prevent future conflicts. The UN Charter, signed by 51

nations, serves as the organization's constitution and outlines its mission to facilitate dialogue, promote cooperation and resolve conflicts peacefully. The main objectives of the UN encompass a broad range of global issues. These objectives include maintaining international peace and security, upholding human rights, promoting sustainable development and fostering progress. The UN's



UN HEADQUARTERS; NEW YORK, USA

commitment to these objectives is reflected in its vast array of initiatives, programs, and specialized agencies that tackle poverty, conflict, climate change, health crisis, and more. Through its various bodies like the General Assembly, Security Council, and specialized agencies such as UNICEF and UNESCO, the UN acts as a forum for member states to discuss and address pressing issues. The UN's World Health Organization (WHO) leads efforts to combat global health challenges, promoting disease prevention, access to health care, and research collaboration on infectious diseases and other health-related issues. In conclusion, the UN represents a collective effort to build a more peaceful, just, and sustainable world. With its vision for global harmony and its main objectives encompassing peace and security, sustainable development, human rights, humanitarian assistance and Global Health, the UN plays a crucial role in addressing the complex challenges facing humanity today.

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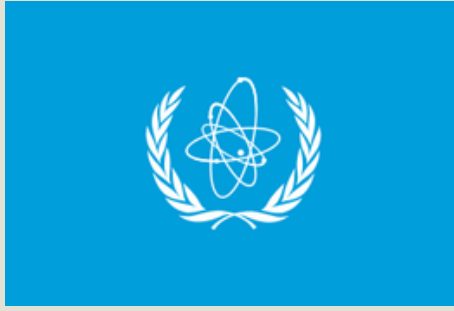
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A GOOD GIRL'S GUIDE TO MURDER

If you have a passion for crime thrillers, then “A Good Girl’s Guide to Murder” by Holly Jackson should be on your reading list. Set in a town known as Little Kilton in the southwest of England, it follows the story of a 17-year-old Pippa Fitz Amobi, who picks up an old case as an EPQ school project.



Five years ago, Sal Singh was accused of the murder of Andie Bell, but Pippa thought otherwise and went on to investigate. Partnering up with Sal’s brother, Ravi Singh, she questioned everyone who might have been engaged in the incident and found herself in many life-threatening situations, discovering mysteries, but nothing stopped her from finding out the truth.

The story leaves you on the edge of your seat with its amazing character development, and the suspense and plot twists make this book an irresistible page-turner. Despite being a fantastic read, the book has a lot of violence and conversation about assault, which is why it has a higher age rating.

On a final note, this is an excellent book to help you break out of your reading slump.



COMPOSED BY
ARSHMAH KHAWAR
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HEALTHY RECIPES

Avocado toast:

Ingredients:

- 2 slices of your favorite bread
- 1 ripe Avocado
- 1 clove of garlic
- A handful of cherry tomatoes
- A pinch of salt
- A squeeze of Lemon juice
- A dash of red pepper flakes (optional)
- A sprinkle of fresh herbs

2.

3.

Method:

- Start with cutting and scooping out your avocado and mashing it to your desired texture.
- Peel your garlic clove and cut it up into tiny pieces. This little guy will give an instant boost to the flavor.
- Chop your cherry tomatoes.
- Add Lemon juice, salt and red pepper flakes to your mashed avocado followed by the minced garlic and cherry tomatoes. Mix them all together to unveil the most nutritious spread ever.

1.

Do you enjoy eating as much as I do? If so, you should try this delicious avocado toast recipe. Filled with loads of goodies, this snack is perfect for any time of the day.



4.

Assembling:

- Toast your bread and spread your mixture on it. Finish by sprinkling some fresh herbs of your choice on the top.
- And there you have it, the ultimate avocado toast recipe

HEALTHY RECIPES

1.

This chocolate chip banana recipe is perfect to uplift your mood for the day. It's so sweet and yummy that you wouldn't want to miss it for the world.



- Mash bananas with a fork and add them to the mixing bowl along with $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp vanilla extract. Mix until blended.
- In a separate bowl, mix $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour, 1 tsp baking soda, and $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt.
- Add your dry mixture to your wet mixture followed by $\frac{3}{4}$ cup chocolate chips and chopped walnuts and mix them.
- Transfer your batter into your baking pan and sprinkle remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chocolate chips and quick oats and bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 55 minutes or until the toothpick comes out clean. Let your chocolate chip Banana bread cool before taking it out of the pan.

2. Chocolate chip Banana Bread: Ingredients:

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup unsalted butter, (8 Tbsp)
 - $\frac{2}{3}$ cup granulated sugar
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
 - 3 bananas, (very ripe)
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp vanilla extract
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups all-purpose flour
 - 1 tsp baking soda
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt
- 1 cup chocolate chips
- A handful of walnuts
- Oats for topping

3.

Method:

- Preheat Oven. Butter and flour your bread loaf pan.
- In a mixing bowl, cream together $\frac{1}{2}$ cup softened butter and $\frac{2}{3}$ cup sugar. Add 2 lightly beaten eggs.

SUDOKU

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RULES

- Fill the grid with numbers from 1 to 9
- There are nine boxes, rows and columns
- Each box, row, and column can have each number from 1 to 9 only once

FUN FACT

sudoku was first released in Dell Magazines back in 1979, invented by designer and architect, Howard Garns.

A NATION IN EXILE

FOR DECADES, PALESTINIANS HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO WAR AND UNJUST POLICIES, EVICTED FROM THEIR ANCESTRAL LAND, AND FORCED TO SPREAD OUT AND LIVE ACROSS THE WORLD AS REFUGEES. THE STORIES OF THE BRUTALITY AND STRUGGLE THEY FACED HAVE BEEN TOLD FOR GENERATIONS. FROM BOMBINGS AND VIOLENCE TO BEING DENIED BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS, THIS CONFLICT HAS AFFECTED MILLIONS OF LIVES AND LEFT DEEP SCARS ON A NATION. AS A CONSEQUENCE, THEY REMAIN STATELESS AND UNABLE TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS, WHILE THEIR CHILDREN FACE A FUTURE OF UNCERTAINTY.



**DEVOLUTION OF PALESTINE'S LAND AREA
SINCE 1946**



**A SCENE FROM THE GAZA STRIP AFTER THE
STRIKES OF ISRAEL**

ACCORDING TO THE UN, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 5.9 MILLION PALESTINIAN REFUGEES ACROSS THE WORLD. THE STORIES OF FAMILIES TORN APART, HOMES DESTROYED, AND LIVES LOST ARE COUNTLESS. ALTHOUGH THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR DECADES, PALESTINIANS HAVE BEEN LARGELY IGNORED.

MANY HAVE TURNED A BLIND EYE TO THE GENOCIDE THAT IS HAPPENING IN PALESTINE AND HAVE ALLOWED THE SITUATION TO DEVELOP SIGNIFICANTLY WITHOUT INTERVENTION, AS THE MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT HAS OFTEN BEEN CLOUDED BY MISINFORMATION AND BIAS. SOME MEDIA OUTLETS HAVE REPORTED ON THE CONFLICT WITH A CLEAR PRO-ISRAELI OR PRO-PALESTINIAN SLANT, RESULTING IN A SKEWED AND MISLEADING PORTRAYAL OF EVENTS.

THE HEINOUS ACTS OF VIOLENCE WHICH THE ISRAELI FORCES HAVE BEEN COMMITTING AGAINST THE PALESTINIANS INCLUDE ARBITRARY ARRESTS AND ILL-TREATMENT OF PALESTINIAN DETAINEES, THE DESTRUCTION OF HOMES

**FROM THE RIVER
TO THE SEA
PALESTINE
WILL BE FREE**

**END
THE GENOCIDE
END
THE OCCUPATION**

AND PROPERTY, THE DENIAL OF BASIC SERVICES SUCH AS HEALTHCARE AND ELECTRICITY, AS WELL AS THE USE OF LIVE AMMUNITION AGAINST UNARMED PROTESTERS. THE MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE SITUATION, SPECIFICALLY BY WESTERN AND EUROPEAN MEDIA OUTLETS, HAS OFTEN BEEN SUBJECTED TO ACCUSATIONS OF RACISM.



SUPPOSED SKYLINE OF ISRAEL AFTER HAMAS ATTACKS, WHEN IN ACTUALITY IS A FAKE SCENE TO PROMOTE PALESTINIANS AS THE AGGRESSORS

SOME HAVE POINTED TO THE LACK OF EMPATHY AND CONCERN SHOWN TOWARDS PALESTINIAN VICTIMS ABOUT THE STEREOTYPING OF PALESTINIANS AS TERRORISTS OR AGGRESSORS. OTHERS HAVE HIGHLIGHTED THE USE OF DISCRIMINATORY LANGUAGE TO DESCRIBE THE CONFLICT, WITH ISRAELIS BEING PORTRAYED AS VICTIMS AND PALESTINIANS BEING PORTRAYED AS AGGRESSORS.

I THINK, THAT AS HUMAN BEINGS, WE ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO STAND UP FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE TO LIVE IN PEACE AND DIGNITY, SHARE THEIR STORIES, SHOW YOUR SUPPORT, AND RAISE AWARENESS OF THEIR CAUSE.

COMPOSED BY
LIMAR AL RASHEED - AS

IT IS TIME FOR THE WORLD TO OPEN
ITS EYES, STAND IN SOLIDARITY
WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, AND
SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE GRAVE
INJUSTICE AND GENOCIDE THAT HAVE
BEEN INFLICTED UPON THEM.

ACADEMIC STRESS AND COMING TO GRIPS WITH IT

EMAN NAWAZ AS A

At last, the summer holidays have ended, and classes have resumed. Exam preparation is a hardship that comes with each new term, and for most students, it coexists alongside the pressure it places on their academic performance. But, does everyone handle it effectively? Many students experience anxiety or worry related to their schooling on a regular basis, and this stress can have many different causes. Typically, it results from pressure from parental figures and from failing in front of them, but for certain people, it might take the form of innate competition and an obsession with getting into a good university for late adolescence. Despite the causes, the effect it has on both mental and physical health makes it a significant problem.

First of all, students who suffer from mental burnout are more likely to be subpar because their anxiety spirals out of control and causes them to overthink, which eventually conflicts with a healthy cognitive process. Additionally, unneeded stress can consume energy that could have been used productively, causing a person to procrastinate or even go in the opposite direction and become so consumed with performing well that there is a high likelihood that it will manifest in everyday activities and contribute to the emergence of mental illnesses like OCD, depression, and other stress-related disorders.

Consequently, every mental health problem has a knock-on effect on one's physical and social abilities. Academic stress is no exception and has numerous effects on the aforementioned component. For example, excessive emphasis on education above sleep and nutrition hinders many essential body functions as well as brain functions. Moreover, It significantly reduces a student's social activities if their only concentration is on their education. In extreme contrast, this may lead to harmful company and make teenagers turn to drugs and alcohol as a coping mechanism.

Learning about these impacts makes it clear that struggling intellectually is not the way to go. However, can it be managed? Taking pauses is obviously advised, but it can be challenging to stop the habit, so the student may want to establish an incentive system in that regard. Likewise, getting back on track with a healthy diet and regular sleeping hours will not only improve your mental health but also your academic performance.

TONGUE TWISTERS

"IF PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT AND PERFECT NEEDS PRACTICE, I'M PERFECTLY PRACTISED AND PRACTICALLY PERFECT."

"IMAGINE AN IMAGINARY MENAGERIE MANAGER MANAGING AN IMAGINARY MENAGERIE."

"INGENIOUS IGUANAS IMPROVISING AN INTRICATE IMPROMPTU ON IMPOSSIBLY-IMPRACTICAL INSTRUMENTS."

"A TUTOR WHO TOOTED THE FLUTE TRIED TO TEACH TWO YOUNG TOOTERS TO TOOT. SAID THE TWO TO THE TUTOR, 'IS IT HARDER TO TOOT, OR TO TUTOR TWO TOOTERS TO TOOT?'"

"A SYNONYM FOR CINNAMON IS A CINNAMON SYNONYM."



The Weather

EMAN ZAFAR - S1A

Oh how much you hate the rain
The melancholy of the surroundings always
manages to make you complain The deceased
flowers and the veiled sun, always a
disappointing sight to see While reptiles come
out of their burrows, you step away, wanting to
flee It seems to rekindle that unpleasant fire in
your heart How much you wish things could go
your way!

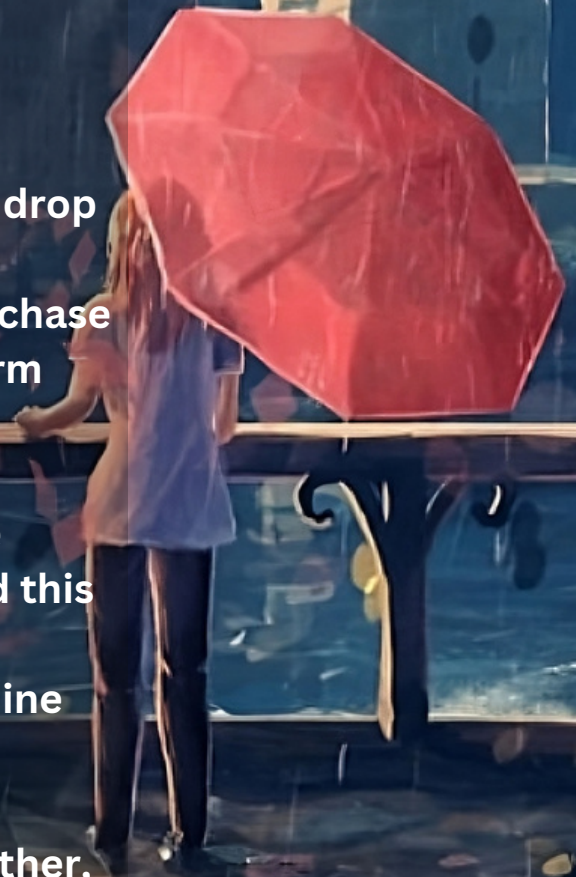
You veiled your nostalgia with a blanket of
dismay

As it was always easier that way

But oh child of mine
Forget not, the feeling of joy by the first drop
that fell on your face
Forget not, the little critters you used to chase
And forget not the feeling of that warm
embrace

Oh child of mine, stay alive with me
For I need you to unveil the truth behind this
veil I keep

Oh please untangle these threads of mine
As these strings are not benign
I am grateful for your service
Now I must go back to enjoying this weather,
which no longer makes me nervous



HOW TO STOP PROCASTINATING?

Oh, I can see you all from miles away just skipping this part because none of you wants to self-reflect. Listen it won't cost you anything just stay put and I assure you it will be worth it.

Won't be an exaggeration at all if I say our hands just pick up gadgets and fingers start their daily dose of exercise. They just keep moving, don't they? We just leaf through things mostly without ever sparing any thought to the sequel our lives will have. Dreams ain't gonna come into existence as soon as the sun rises after you've spent the last few months binging on Netflix while having your favorite snacks. One day we won't wake up to shining cars and big mansions, in fantasy we might but in reality? Probably not. So what do we do?

Try putting yourself into your parents' shoes, would you love your kids being like you? That you are sweating blood, working day and night, that's killing your back, killing your health and they are wasting all the exam costs with low grades. Nah I mean we do not have to act indifferent and say 'Oh yeah totally I'd love a small me' You wouldn't honestly if you keep on doing this. Work like you can buy anything without looking at the price tag. Work like you've stories to pass on to your descendants.



We all want to be from cool relatives, don't we? That they aspire to be. (Ooo~ it rhymed, um ahem anyways back to where I was). You're not just going to get your main character moment, you're going to become one! You weren't created to do things that every other out there could do. We all possess at least one unique little talent, don't we? Pain of studying won't kill you but pain of regret might. Choose your hard!!

Let's not forget the classic, manifestation. You need to tell yourself you'll be able to do it and not run away from it and go on doing something else. Water has memory and we are made up of 60% of it. Be kind to yourself, like how you're to other things you value in your life. One's ability to get into action, to give a reaction, depends on what their thought process has been. Have a positive mindset that you'll be able to achieve it, fill your thoughts with positivity, and train your mind to not be against your decision-making. Thus everything will come together on its own.

Sounds good right? Why don't we give it a try now?

COMPOSED BY:

KHILZA JAWAD

A2



THE BEAR:

Epitome of Colossal

Going in, one has no idea of the riveting nature of *The Bear* which revolves around a young chef returning back home to pursue his family business after partaking in the fine dining business. Despite being labelled a “comedy drama”, it perfectly encapsulates each and every emotion one may experience. As it progresses, *The Bear* unfurls into something so exhilarating; it manages to do everything more and beyond.

The series follows Carmen Berzatto as he returns back to Chicago to take over the family restaurant after the death of his brother. Faced head on with the world on the contrary as to what he is accustomed to, he must navigate his way through, and with the people around him. And to say *The Bear* does a transcendent job at this does it no real justice.

There is this undeniable urgency that lingers and is so irrevocably felt. Every moment accounts for something as every second counts. Each character is fleshed out so rawly, and so in depth that often the line between what is there and isn't seems to blur. But that is what is so great about this.

Great cinema is known to be fervent, questionable, and acerbic. It is not only supposed to make you see, but rather make you feel what it portrays. And that is exactly what *The Bear* excels at. To watch it is to experience a perfect melange of acting, directing, and camerawork. It is, no doubt, colossal.

WRITTEN BY
MUNEEZA HASHMI (A2)

Who doesn't love the feeling of wind in their hair? It's one of those feelings that is unlike any other and can never be replicated. That's exactly what Jack thought while sweat dripped down the side of his face. He had started running to get him in shape and allow him to hold his shots longer. He was an archer, after all. He was about to turn the corner to finish his four-mile run when he turned the corner and spotted his mom and sister waiting outside the car for him to arrive. He crossed his marker and slowed to a walk. Instantly, his family urged him to run over to them.



"Ah, really? I just ran four miles and you can't let me walk the rest of the way", He thought.

As he got closer, he heard them shouting, "Come on we have to go you made the cut", said the mother.

"The cut for what", he asked.

"The tournament in Kansas City; you qualified in eighth and we need to get up there", his sister said.

"Wait didn't they only take the top eight?", he asked.

"Yep, let's go!" said his mother.

He barely made it into the car before she took off. It was convenient that they had planned to go to the range after his run. So, his bow was already in the car. As they sped down the streets of Topeka, he realized his shoes were soaked in sweat and made a squishy sound whenever he put pressure on them.

"I can't shoot in these. I'll have athlete's foot before I take my first shot", he exclaimed.

"There are extra socks and your sliders in the back", said his sister.

He reached back behind the seats and caught the package with his fingers. He slipped on the new footwear and relaxed. The trip up to Kansas City was a little more than an hour but it felt like three. This was the first time he had qualified in a tournament, barely though but still, that weighed heavily on him. They finally made it and everyone jumped out. He grabbed his bow and they rushed to check in the booth.

"You all just made it", said the attendant.

Jack furiously put his bow together because they were starting in five minutes.

"Everyone listen up, round one is starting. First up Miles and Hennen." said the announcer.

Jack had to wait a while for his turn to shoot, which heightened his nerves with every arrow that left a string. Eventually, Jack's name was called, and he went up to shoot. However, it turned out that his competitor decided not to show up so he advanced to the semi-finals which would be a bit more difficult. He walked up to the line for the second round and nerves filled his whole body. Because he had got by the first round without shooting, he had to shoot first. He knocked his first arrow and looked at the exact point that he wanted to hit. These were 3D targets that looked like animals, had unclear targets, and were some unknown distance away.

THE TOURNAMENT



These are all crucial when trying to hit a spot the size of a dime. He concentrated on the spot where he thought the target was and estimated it was 23 meters away. He slowly put his release on the string and pulled it back without losing eye contact with the faux deer. He peered through the peep site like he had done a thousand times before and aligned the side pin just above the leg of the foam animal. In an instant, the release let go and Jack felt the bow snap. In a moment that could be missed by the blink of an eye, the arrow soared through the air in a chaotically controlled manner. The projectile sunk its aluminum point head into the target with a satisfying thud. Jack peered down at the target and saw his arrow go exactly where he wanted it to.

"Well, that's a strong start", He thought.

He continued shooting with some of his arrows landing exactly where he wanted them to and some others being far from it. He let his last arrow fly and it quickly swept right past his face, then similarly swept right past the target he was aiming at.

It was a complete miss.

"I'm done", he thought.

The officials gave all clear and the judges went down the range to score the arrows. They came back, gave the two of them their arrows and proclaimed,

"The score for Henry is 51 and the score for Jack is 58. Jack moves on to the Finals!"

Jack smiled and let out a sigh of relief. He didn't relax though. Because there was still the final to shoot. It's a good thing he didn't relax because a moment later the officials declared that they would be starting the final match right away. Jack picked his bow up and walked to the shooting line and looked at his competitor and simply said,

"good luck" with an outstretched hand

"good luck" said the Archer as he shook Jack's hand.

"Due to Gavin qualifying with a higher score, Jack will shoot first" said the official.

Jack knocked his first arrow and got ready to shoot.

"BEGIN"

Jack heard this round was different as the shooters were put on a timer.

Each archer only had 10 seconds to get their arrow off before the next archer would shoot. Jack pulled back his string and instantly landed his sight pin on the target.

Two seconds had gone by. He put his finger on the trigger and slowly started pulling back on it. Surprising Jack, the release went off with four seconds left and the arrow flew through the air and landed in the exact middle of the target.

A perfect 12.

Gavin drew his bow and landed a shot that was so close it touched Jack's arrow. This went on for the next five shots. It was so close that no one could tell who had won at the end. The official said

"Stop", and the judges went down to score the arrows. They came back and said,

"This was a close one folks! There's only a two-point difference in the scores which as most of you know is the difference between one arrow. I remind everyone that there are 72 possible points. Gavin Henshaw, second to shoot, first in qualifying, managed to score 68 points."

"Jack Jameson, first to shoot, last in qualifying, managed to shoot 70 points, which makes Jack Jameson our young adult male Champion!"
There were cheers from everyone at the tournament, Jack heard those words and couldn't help but notice how everything felt right. It was as if he felt he was exactly where he was supposed to be, doing exactly what he was meant to be doing. Everything in him was at peace. He had won The Tournament.

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RIDDLES!

1) THE FIRST TWO LETTERS SIGNIFY A MALE, THE FIRST THREE LETTERS SIGNIFY A FEMALE, THE FIRST FOUR LETTERS SIGNIFY A GREAT, WHILE THE ENTIRE WORLD SIGNIFIES A GREAT WOMAN. WHAT IS THE WORD?

2) A IS THE BROTHER OF B. B IS THE BROTHER OF C. C IS THE FATHER OF D. SO HOW IS D RELATED TO A?

3) A GIRL HAS AS MANY BROTHERS AS SISTERS, BUT EACH BROTHER HAS ONLY HALF AS MANY BROTHERS AS SISTERS. HOW MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS ARE THERE IN THE FAMILY?

4) WHAT ARE THE NEXT THREE LETTERS IN THIS COMBINATION?

OTTFSS

5) THREE DIFFERENT DOCTORS SAID THAT PAUL IS THEIR BROTHER YET PAUL CLAIMS HE HAS NO BROTHERS. WHO IS LYING?

ANSWERS
1) HEROINE
2) A IS D'S UNCLE
3) 4 SISTERS AND 3 BROTHERS
4) E N T : EIGHT, NINE, TEN, FIRST LETTERS OF THE NUMBERS
5) NO ONE : THE DOCTORS ARE PAUL'S SISTERS

Anchor In Time

BY HOORIYA ADNAN - A2

**From confetti on the ground
To whispers of joy all around
This has been a long time coming
Us reuniting along the shoreline
I still remember the days of endless hail
And how we rode in school buses
Head inclined in with the same twin tails
Screeching tires woke us up
Whispered laughter escaped us
Because it's been a while since
We raced along the shoreline**

Rabbi-ul-Awal Events



INTER-SCHOOL NAAT COMPETITION

Seerat-un- Nabi (SAW)

The blessed month of Rabbi-ul-Awal is an important month as it marks the birth of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). For this auspicious month, Pakistan School holds a number of events such as Naat competition and Seerat-un- Nabi (SAW). The Inter-School competition was held on September 26, in which students from various branches of Pakistan School competed. The winners were from Pakistan School Muscat who were awarded with trophies and certificates. Muhammad Talha- A2, bringing in 1st position- senior category and Muhammad Saad- 7B, 1st position for Junior category.



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UNIVERSITIES FROM PAKISTAN,
CALIFORNIA AND NEW YORK
WERE INTRODUCED :



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High Achievers Ceremony



Defence and Martyr Day



Congratulations



TEACHERS' DAY



CRICKET UPDATE



| Pakistan School Muscat Under 16 | Sri Lankan School Muscat U16 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 213/7 | 165/9 |
| 30.0/30 ov | 30.0/30 ov |

U16 SCHOOL OC SEASON 2023-24: League - Pakistan School Muscat Under 16 won by 48



OCTOBER 21

Pakistan School Muscat won U-16 cricket match today by 48 runs against Sri Lankan School Muscat. PSM scoring 213/7 while SLSM scored 165/9 in return.



**PSM U16-CRICKET TEAM
SCORED VICTORY!
SPECIAL MORNING
ASSEMBLY**



OATH-TAKING CEREMONY



SOLIDARITY WITH PALESTINIANS

SHOWN BY PSM STUDENTS



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Fundraiser



Games Booth



Gol Gayspe



Food Stalls



Photo Booth



Potato Wedges Stall



Book Sale

To show their solidarity towards Palestine due to the current situation, Pakistan School Muscat conducted a special morning assembly in remembrance of our fellow brothers and sisters through speeches, prayers, flags, and placards. Not only that the student club- Social Services; held a bake sale with numerous booths to raise money that would be donated to aid Palestine.



From the river to the sea

PALESTINE WILL BE FREE



TIP TOE

HURRAY! WE HEARD OUR TEACHER
CANNOT BE WITH US TODAY.
INSTEAD, WE'LL HAVE A SUBSTITUTE.
(WE'LL MAKE HER PAY)
MICHAEL WILL THROW SPIT WADS,
AND BRANDON WILL EAT CHALK.
PATRICK WILL POKE DAVID,
AND ALL OF US WILL TALK.
WE SMILED AND LAUGHED WITH
PLEASURES
AS THESE THOUGHTS FILLED EVERY
HEAD,
UNTIL WE FOUND OUR TEACHER SENT
THE PRINCIPAL INSTEAD!

HIRA SAFDAR
IX-C

NOTHING GOLD CAN STAY

**NATURE'S FIRST GREEN IS GOLD,
HER HARDEST HUE TO HOLD.
HER EARLY LEAF'S A FLOWER ;
BUT ONLY SO AN HOUR,
SO HE SANK TO GRIEF,
SO DAWN GOES DOWN TO DAY
NOTHING GOLD CAN STAY**

HIRA SAFDAR
IX-C



EVENTS COMPOSED BY
ZAINAB SALEEM - AS-A

MS. LINBING'S VISIT TO PAKISTAN SCHOOL



Ambassador of China to the Sultanate of Oman, H.E. Ms. Li Lingbing, had an estimable visit to Pakistan School Muscat on November 19, 2023, on the occasion of Oman National Day Celebrations. The furniture that was imported from China was inaugurated by her and future plans were discussed between the both Ms. Lingbing and the school board. Furthermore, she expressed her joy of the schools initiatives such as the smart board system, teaching of Specially-abled children, and the overall standard of education.



SEEING THROUGH THE DARK

There was a path I didn't take
There was a thought I didn't
accept

There was a choice I didn't
make

There was fear and agonizing
pain

All that made a lethal flame

There was a state of mind
that led me to unknown
depths

There was but still light, still
hope,
still spring, still joy

All that came from nowhere
but

The heavens and beyond

KOREA'S MARILYN MONROE MYSTERY



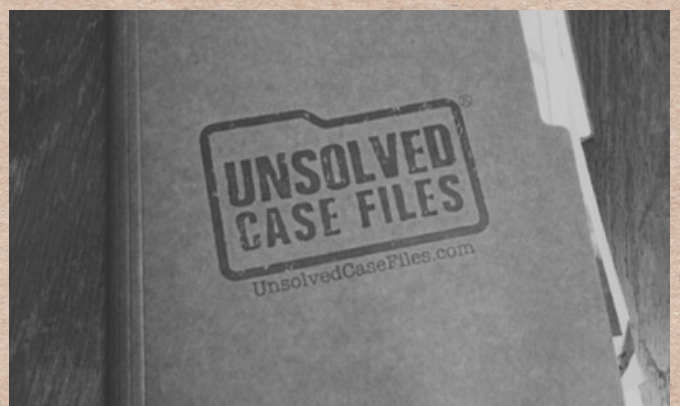
What could be worse than vanishing into thin air without any trace? It is the most mysterious case seen in Korea so far which involved abduction of top celebrities and a lot of plot twists which make the case spicier. Let's take a deeper dive into this case.

STORY BY: RIDA MUNEEB AS-A

Back in the 80s, there was an actress named Yoon who was exceptionally famous because of her sophisticated image and western looks. She majored in dance and music which was considered a privilege back in those days. After sometime she even set up her own modeling agency becoming the strongest business women back in South Korea. At a young age of 20, Supermodel Yoon was at the peak of her career.

However, as time passed by, Yoon couldn't be found anywhere even at her home. So her family reported her as missing. Unfortunately, police found neither evidence nor any witness and back in the 80s, it was pretty hard to investigate any traces due to lack of advanced technology. This news was expected to blow up in social media but it never did, it was almost as if someone didn't want this to be spread due to underlying political reasons or a censor by authorities so that the public doesn't get distracted, making this mystery more gaping and on top of that, there was no record of Yoon leaving the country with her passport. Gradually, this case went cold as if nothing happened.

Now let's talk about Yoon's six year older sister, Sumi. At the age of 19, she debuted as a theater actress and immediately rose to fame because of her charming looks. Sumi was cast in the movie "Breakup" by a famous director named Shin Sang who was married and had two kids. His wife Choi Eun Lee, who was also a famous actress at that time, gave up her career to become a supportive wife.

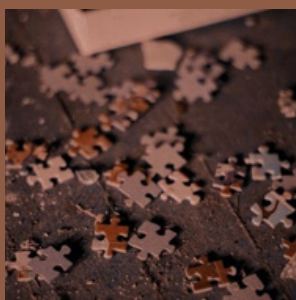


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Fast forward to when Director Shin met Sumi, after knowing each other well, they both fell in love. The love scandal blew up on social media and this is when the Director and his wife decided for a divorce. Months passed by, his ex-wife, Miss Choi, was offered to come to Hong Kong for a movie project. She viewed this as an opportunity to get back on her feet and didn't miss it. When she moved to Hong Kong, the staff were very amiable by offering her a ride on the boat with them to enjoy the rosy sunset and she agreed but who would have known that it was a trap laid by the North Korean spies. They gave her sleeping pills and took her to North Korea. Upon arrival, the first person to greet her was none other than the leader of North Korea, Kim Jung Il.

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?

She was treated well there with all the luxuries and food but it didn't please her at all. Almost 5 years went by and no one had any clue as to what happened to her. This also worried Director Shin as she was the mother of his kids. The rumor started to spread against Mr Shin that he got rid of his ex-wife to start a new life with Sumi which eventually damaged his reputation and he could not tolerate this anymore so he decided to look for his ex-wife by himself in Hong Kong. He met his co-workers there to get some help but unfortunately they were with the North Korean agents payroll as well and they took the opportunity to abduct him to take him to North Korea too. After a long time, when Miss Choi met her ex-husband, she breathed a sigh of relief as she was losing hope of escaping this never-ending misery.



What other possible theory
that you can think of
happened to Yoon?

Now how is this story interlinked with the Yoon case? Yoon went missing two months after the ex-couple's escape from North Korea so it is said that they used Yoon to take revenge on Director Shin and a means to lure him to North Korea so that he can rescue her as she was the younger sister of Sumi but there are some missing puzzle pieces in this story that are yet to be found.

THE UNDERLYING AGENDA

It was later revealed that Kim Jung Il abducted Director Shin's ex-wife so that he could lure him in North Korea and use him as a weapon to produce high quality films for his country. Even though it took 5 years for his plan to execute, it did work. He produced some of the most famous movies at that time and won many awards for North Korea. It was said that he tried to escape many times but was caught and got punished. Even his ex-wife risked her life to record the meetings she had with the leader so they could prove themselves as innocent victims rather than betrayers in the eyes of South Korea. Fortunately, they were able to escape North Korea by convincing the leader that they had to go for an important shoot in Austria. After ditching them somehow, they reported to the U.S embassy in Austria that they were abducted and thankfully their suffering was over after long years of hardships and they were sent to America.



Relief Map
of
Korea

GLOBAL NEWS COVERAGE



VOLCANO ERUPTION IN INDONESIA

Volcano erupts in Indonesia, killing dozens and displacing thousands: On November 12, Mount Semeru, the highest volcano in Java, Indonesia, erupted violently, sending a massive cloud of ash and gas into the sky. The eruption triggered pyroclastic flows, which are fast-moving mixtures of hot rock and gas, that swept through nearby villages and towns. The disaster killed at least 45 people and injured hundreds more, while also forcing more than 20,000 people to evacuate their homes. The authorities warned of the risk of further eruptions and urged people to stay away from the danger zone. You can see some of the images of the eruption and its aftermath here.



TOP IMAGE: ERUPTION OF MOUNT SEMERU
BOTTOM IMAGE: AFTERMATH OF THE ERUPTION

GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS DAY

Guinness World Records Day is celebrated in November each year. This year, it was celebrated on the 16th. The "Guinness World Records" or G.W.R. is a book that contains records set from all over the world. It is a resource for checking facts and finding the world's best records. The book is published in over 100 countries and 23



TIGHTEST GAP DRIVEN BY A PICKUP TRUCK ON TWO WHEELS; 88 CM

languages. The day was first celebrated on November 19, 2004. Since then, the day has been celebrated annually in November to honor all the world records set so far and encourage people to continue breaking records. Some of the records set on this day were the highest backflip pogo stick jump, tightest gap driven through by a pickup truck on two wheels, most consecutive single leg full twist back somersaults, and most consecutive Double Dutch-style handstand skips (team of two).

ICC CRICKET WORLD CUP

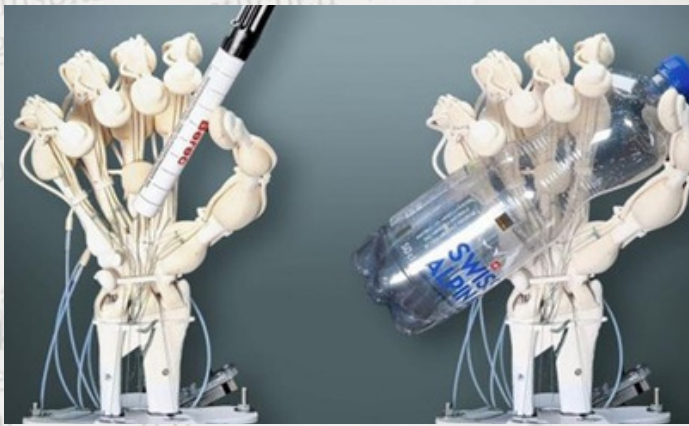
The 2023 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup was the 13th edition of the Cricket World Cup, a quadrennial One Day International (ODI) cricket tournament contested by men's national teams and organized by the International Cricket Council (ICC). Ten national teams participated in the tournament, which was hosted by India. It started on 5 October and concluded on 19 November 2023, with Australia winning the tournament.



AUSTRALIA AFTER WINNING THE WORLD CUP

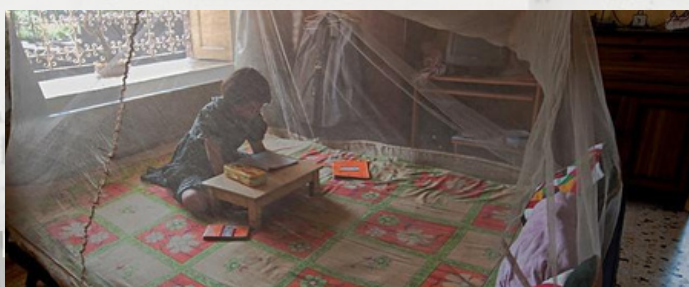
SUCCESSFUL 3D PRINT OF HANDS WITH BONES AND LIGAMENTS

For the first time, researchers have successfully printed a robotic hand complete with bones, ligaments, and tendons made of different types of polymers. The breakthrough was possible thanks to a new laser technique. Researchers at ETH Zurich, who conducted the work, believe it opens up new possibilities for the production of robotic structures that combine soft, elastic, and rigid materials. "Robots made of soft materials, such as the hand we developed, have advantages over conventional robots made of metal. Because they're soft, there is less risk of injury when they work with humans, and they are better suited to handling fragile goods," ETH Zurich robotics professor Robert Katzschmann explained.



CLIMATE CHANGE RISKS UPENDING GLOBAL FIGHT AGAINST MALARIA

Climate change and its impacts, particularly extreme weather, and heatwaves, pose a "substantial risk" to progress being made to fight malaria, the UN World Health Organization (WHO) stated on Thursday, 30 November, 2023. Releasing its 2023 World Malaria Report as nations gather at the UN climate change conference, COP28, the health agency warned that despite expanding access to malaria prevention, more people are getting sick with the disease. Extreme weather events, such as heatwaves and flooding, can also directly impact transmission and the disease burden. For instance, the catastrophic 2022 flooding in Pakistan led to a five-fold increase in malaria cases in the country.



NUCLEAR FUSION BREAKTHROUGH

One of the most important news was the breakthrough in nuclear fusion research by South Korea, which achieved a net energy gain for the first time in history. Nuclear fusion is the process that powers the sun and other stars, and it has the potential to provide clean and abundant energy for humanity. South Korea's KSTAR facility managed to sustain a fusion reaction at over 100 million degrees Celsius for 30 seconds, which is seven times hotter than the core of the sun. This is a major milestone in the quest for fusion power, and it could have huge implications for the future of energy and climate change.



AWED AGAIN WITH A NEW INFRARED IMAGE OF THE CRAB NEBULA

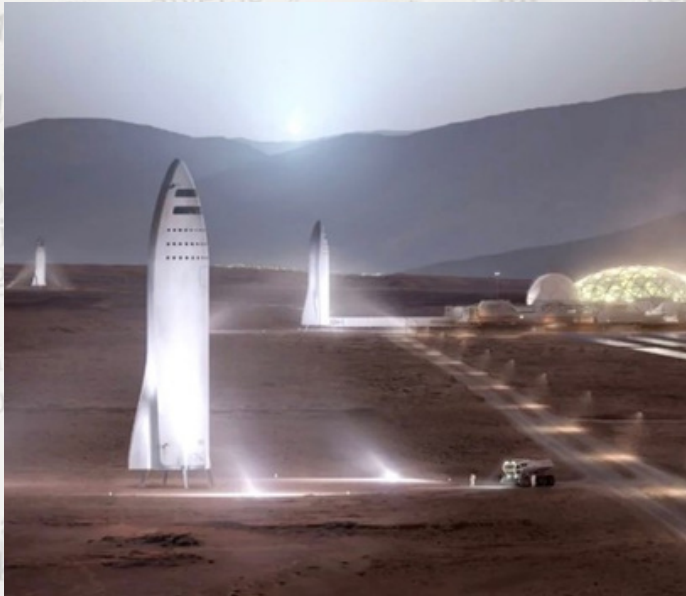
NASA's James Webb Space Telescope has gazed at the Crab Nebula, a supernova remnant located 6,500 light-years away in the constellation Taurus. Since the recording of this energetic event in 1054 CE by 11th-century astronomers, the Crab Nebula has continued to draw attention and additional study as scientists seek to understand the conditions, behaviour, and after-effects of supernovae through a thorough study of the Crab, a relatively nearby example.



IMAGE FROM THE JAMES WEBB TELESCOPE:
CRAB NEBULA

At first glance, the general shape of the supernova remnant is similar to the optical wavelength image released in 2005 from NASA's Hubble Space Telescope: In Webb's infrared observation, crisp, cage-like structures of fluffy gaseous filaments are shown in red-orange. However, in the central regions, emission from dust grains (yellow-white and green) is mapped out by Webb for the first time.

FIRST CREWED MARS MISSION



SpaceX launches first crewed mission to Mars: On November 21, SpaceX, the private space company founded by Elon Musk, launched its first crewed mission to Mars, marking a historic milestone in human space exploration. The mission, named Starship Mars One, used the Starship spacecraft and the Super Heavy rocket, which had been tested and improved after several failures. The crew consisted of four astronauts, two from NASA and two from SpaceX, who had been trained and selected for the mission. The launch was successful and the spacecraft entered orbit around Earth, where it will remain for a few months before departing for Mars. The journey to Mars will take about six months, and the crew will spend another six months on the surface, conducting scientific experiments and exploring the Martian terrain.

DISCOVERY OF A NEW SPECIES



The De Winton's golden mole (*Cryptorchloris wintoni*), previously feared extinct, lives in underground burrows and has not been seen since 1937. It gets its "golden" name from oily secretions that lubricate its fur so it can "swim" through dunes. This means it does not create conventional tunnels, making it all the harder to detect. The mole has now been rediscovered 86 years after its last sighting, thanks to a two-year search by conservationists and a border collie dog called Jessie, who was trained to sniff out golden moles. Their findings have been published in the journal *Biodiversity and Conservation*. An elusive, iridescent golden mole not recorded since before the Second World War has been rediscovered "swimming" in the sand near the coastal town of Port Nolloth in north-west South Africa. It is also blind, relying on its highly sensitive hearing, and bolting if it senses vibrations caused by movement above ground. It has been featured among the "most wanted" on a list of lost species compiled by the global conservation group Re:wild.

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| 1st position | |
| FATHIMA | 89.99% |
| 2nd position | |
| EMAN YOUNAS | 87.55% |
| 3rd position | |
| HANEEN ISHTIAQ | 86.64% |
| M. AMMAR YASIR | 86.64% |

🏆 HSSC - I

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|-----------------------|--------|
| 1st position | |
| RANEEM ISHTIAQ | 92.00% |
| 2nd position | |
| M. BASIR KHAN | 90.90% |
| 3rd position | |
| SHAWAIZ KHAN | 90.00% |

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|--------------------------|----------|
| 1st position | |
| QASWAR ABBAS | 2A* & 1A |
| 2nd position | |
| AYESHA NADEEM | 3A |
| FAHAD HASSAN | 3A |
| NAJMA NADEEM | 3A |
| SAAD NAWAZ GHOURI | 3A |

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| 3rd position | |
| AHMED KHALIFA | 2A |
| MUHAMMAD SANNAN NAWAZ | 2A |
| MUHAMMED SHOAIB | 2A |





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8 SUBJECTS

1st position

MUHAMMAD ISMAEL ZEESHAN

6A* & 2A

2nd position

SYED MUHAMMAD ASAD MEHMOOD

4A* & 2A

3rd position

SAIM SHINWARI

3A* & 3A

4th position

MUNEEB JAVED

2A* & 4A

4th position

RANA MUHAMMAD ZAID BIN IMRAN

1A* & 4A

7 SUBJECTS

1st position

ZAINAB SAQIB HYDER

3A* & 3A

2nd position

ABDUL MUIEZ

3A* & 2A

3rd position

EMAN NAWAZ

6A

4th position

RIDA MUNEEB

5A

5th position

AISHA AHMED

1A* & 3A

6 SUBJECTS

1st position

**HABIBA IBRAHIM SAFIELDIN
ABDELATTY**

6A*

2nd position

OMER KHALID

4A* & 2A

3rd position

MEERAB FATIMA

3A* & 3A

MEERUB WASEEM

3A* & 3A

4th position

FATIMA TUZ ZAHRA

5A

5th position

JUNAID KHURSHEED

3A

5 & 4 SUBJECTS

1st position

MARYAM AAMIR

3A* & 1A

2nd position

MUHAMMAD QASIM

2A* & 2A

3rd position

MIRZA MAHATIR BAIG

2A* & 1A

4th position

LIMAR ELRASHID

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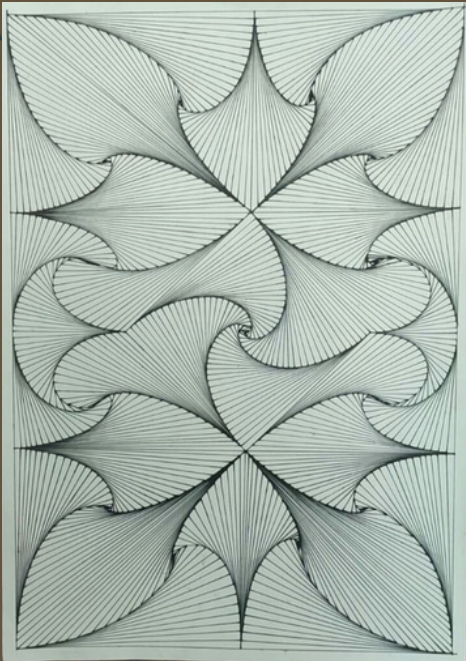


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