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What **educators**, change-makers, parents and entrepreneurs say about GIANT WHEEL...

Somewhere in our race against time and technology, we are leaving the values that built our communities and societies behind, not realising that without them we would be shells and not living, breathing individuals. Children are the ones most affected by this increasing vacuum. GIANT WHEEL looks like a very good creation to fill this void. I exhort parents to choose GIANT WHEEL for their children.



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In today's scenario, a magazine that devotes itself to teaching life values and skills to kids is nothing short of a blessing. While the kids were extremely excited to read the first issue of GIANT WHEEL, parents like us are delighted to see that Giant Wheel is so brilliantly conceived and designed that it attracts kids away from today's distractions and presents them with rich moral values and skills, through easy-to-understand stories and stunning illustrations.



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It was Ashwath's first book that was addressed to him and he felt elated to find his name on the label. He spent the next couple of hours flipping through the stories page by page, taking time to re-read lines that he found difficult to understand. Nice way to keep him away from the iPad. It was good to read through some of the stories with him and relate with real-life examples. There could not have been a better way to teach him some basic values in life. Thanks to GIANT WHEEL and we look forward to the next edition.

GIANT WHEEL is a fresh burst of colour in the children's magazine world. With stories that are ingrained with fundamental life values and life skills it is a treasure for every child to discover and enjoy. I find that subscribing to GIANT WHEEL is a practical way to teach children the right values and skills and will go a long way in making them better individuals.



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Today's generation of children needs great intervention on the values front... the deterioration of modern society can be directly traced to the deterioration of values. I see GIANT WHEEL as a great beacon on this front, teaching good values to children in an engaging and interesting manner. When children are taught good values and trained in good ethics, they will grow up to be adults with courage, honesty and integrity.



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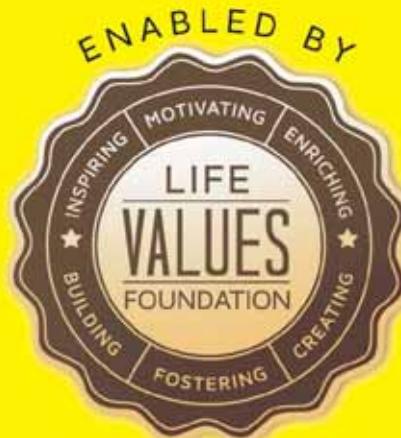
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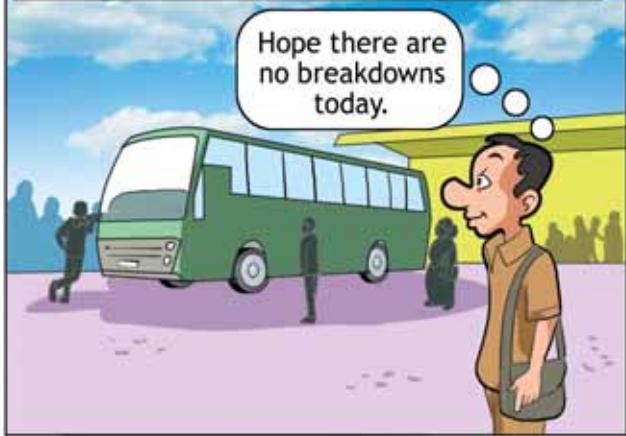
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Problems!! Problems!! Solutions?? Solutions??

Pavan's daily routine was the same. He arrived at the bus depot early in the morning to find the bus driver waiting for him.



So saying, the giant found a seat and made himself comfortable. A hushed silence fell among the passengers.



The next day...

Kabali doesn't need a ticket.



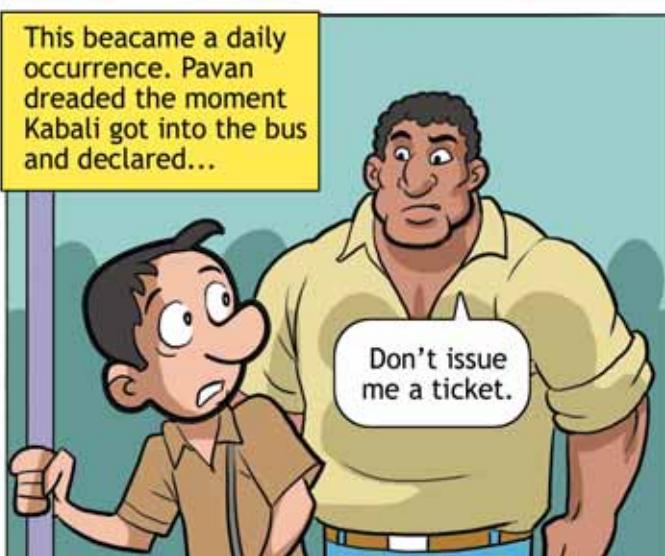
Pavan noticed that people always made way for the big man.

Ulp!



This became a daily occurrence. Pavan dreaded the moment Kabali got into the bus and declared...

Don't issue me a ticket.



Kabali doesn't pay!

Sure, sir. Gulp!



Pavan started losing sleep over the way Kabali was treating him.



No...no! I can't allow Kabali to take advantage of me.



Pavan joined up at a gym the very next day.



Come on, sir,
8 more reps!!

I know what I am going to do.

He enrolled for karate and judo.



When is the break, sir?

SILENCE!!

I want my mommy!!

To get in top shape, Pavan took to jogging also.



One good thing, as I see it, is that you've lost some weight.



Don't rub it in!

At the end of summer, Pavan decided he had become quite strong to take on Kabali.

Here he comes! Hope I can put my training to good use.



Pavan looked at Kabali squarely in the eye.

Where to?

To the beach...

... and Kabali doesn't pay?

Pavan stretched himself to his full height and thundered...

And why won't Kabali pay?

Because Kabali has bus pass, that's why.

MANAGEMENT LESSON

Be sure there is a problem in the first place before working hard to find a solution.

THE BLACK

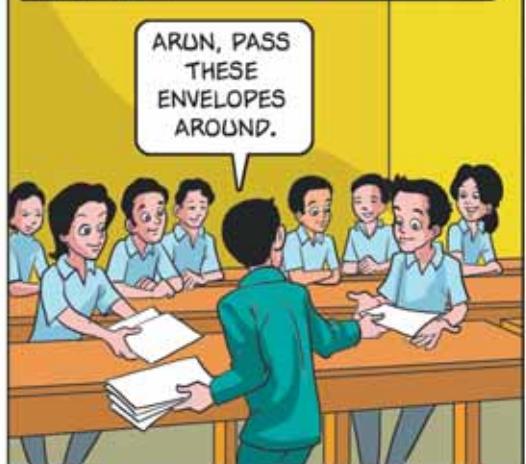
ONE DAY, PROFESSOR PRABHU ENTERED THE CLASSROOM AND ASKED THE STUDENTS TO PREPARE FOR A SURPRISE TEST.



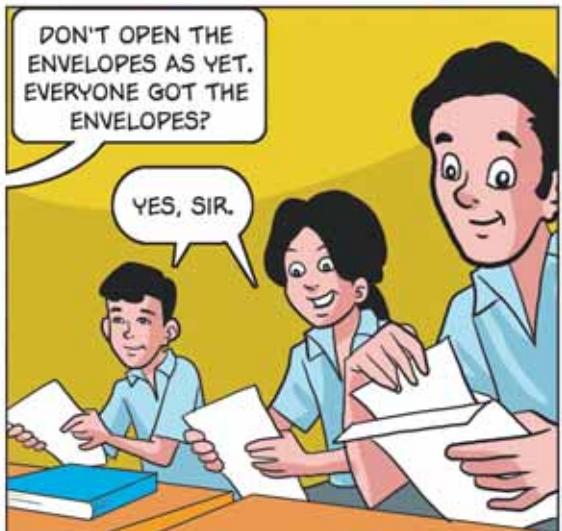
TAKE OUT YOUR NOTE BOOKS AND GET READY FOR A UNIQUE TEST.



THE CHILDREN GLANCED AT EACH OTHER QUIZZICALLY.



DON'T OPEN THE ENVELOPES AS YET. EVERYONE GOT THE ENVELOPES?



OKAY. READY... OPEN!!



quizzically - confused, surprised manner

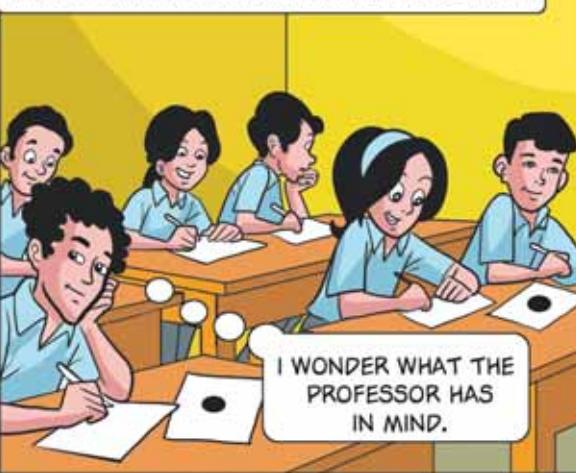
TO EVERYONE'S SURPRISE, THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS... JUST A BLACK DOT IN THE CENTER OF THE PAGE. THE CHILDREN WERE TOTALLY PUZZLED.



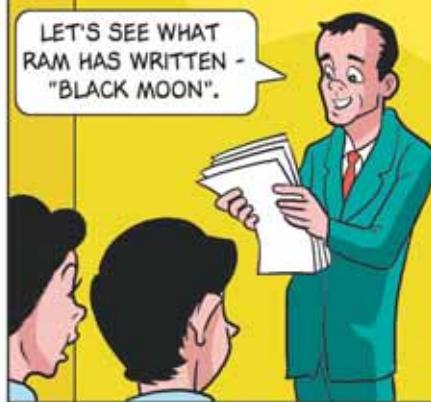
THE PROFESSOR WAS AMUSED SEEING EVERYONE'S EXPRESSION.



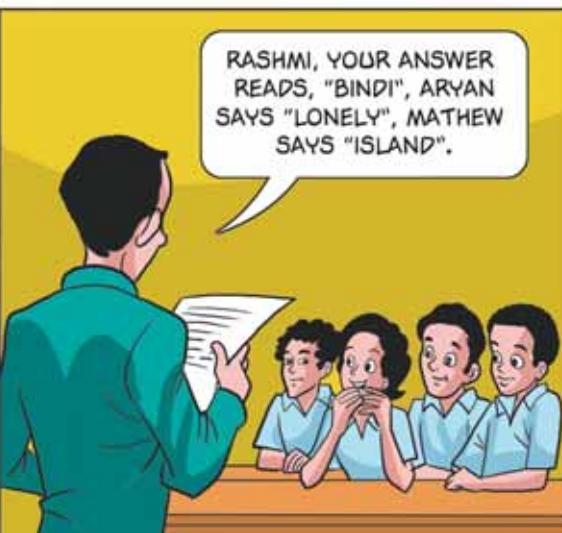
THE STUDENTS WERE CONFUSED. HOWEVER THEY STARTED ON THEIR INEXPLICABLE TASK.



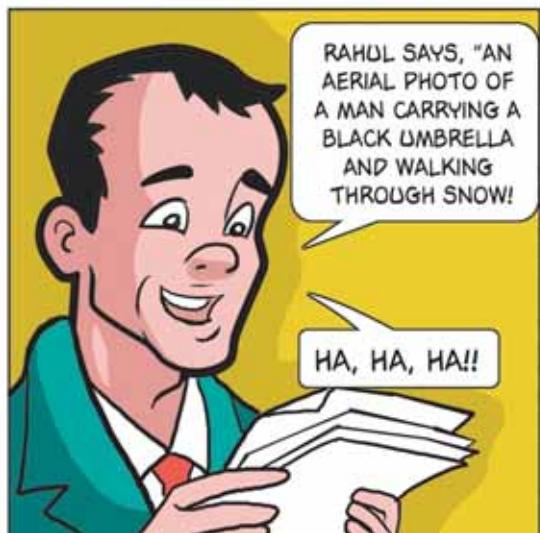
AT THE END OF THE CLASS THE PROFESSOR TOOK ALL THE ANSWER PAPERS AND STARTED READING EACH ONE OF THEM ALOUD FOR ALL THE STUDENTS



RASHMI, YOUR ANSWER READS, "BINDI", ARYAN SAYS "LONELY", MATHEW SAYS "ISLAND".

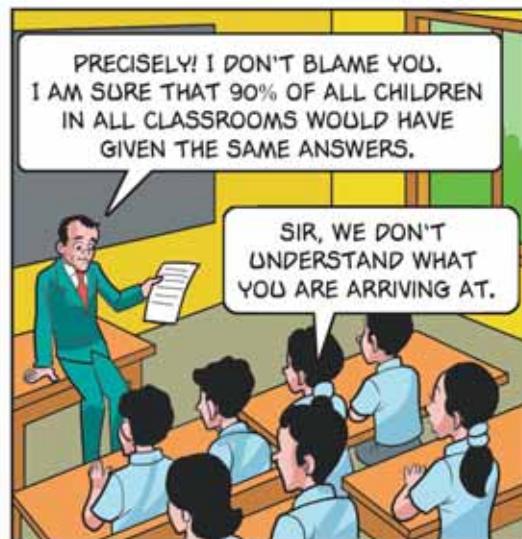
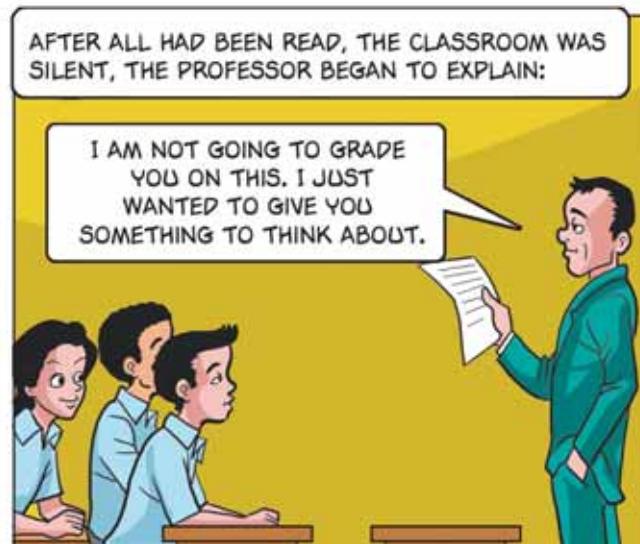


RAHUL SAYS, "AN AERIAL PHOTO OF A MAN CARRYING A BLACK UMBRELLA AND WALKING THROUGH SNOW!"



inexplicable - unable to be explained

aerial - from the air (sky)



EVERYONE FOCUSED ON THE BLACK DOT - AND THE SAME HAPPENS IN OUR LIVES. WE HAVE A WHITE PAPER TO OBSERVE AND ENJOY, BUT WE ALWAYS FOCUS ON DARK SPOTS. OUR LIFE IS A WONDERFUL GIFT AND WE ALWAYS HAVE REASONS TO CELEBRATE - NATURE RENEWING ITSELF EVERYDAY, OUR FRIENDS AROUND US, OUR LOVING FAMILIES, THE MIRACLES WE SEE EVERYDAY...

HOWEVER WE INSIST ON FOCUSING ONLY ON THE DARK SPOTS - THE HEALTH ISSUES THAT BOTHER US, THE LACK OF MONEY, OUR EVERYDAY WORK SCHEDULES, THE DISAPPOINTMENT WITH FRIENDS, ETC.

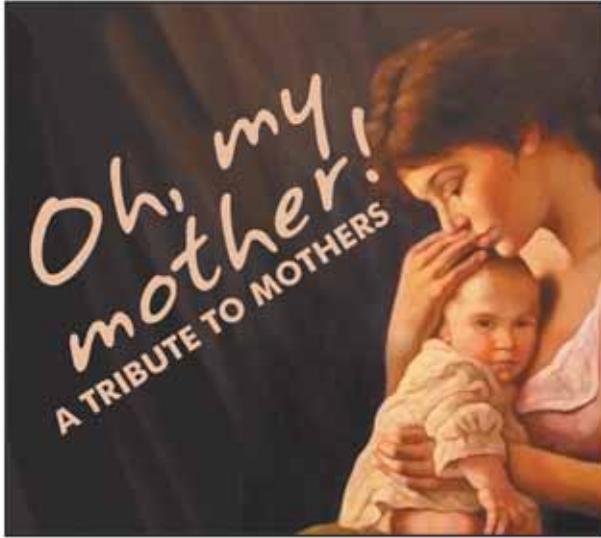
THE DARK SPOTS ARE VERY SMALL COMPARED TO THE WHITE AREAS.

TAKE YOUR EYES AWAY FROM BLACK SPOTS IN YOUR LIFE. ENJOY EACH ONE OF YOUR BLESSINGS, EACH MOMENT THAT LIFE GIVES YOU.

BE HAPPY AND LIVE LIFE POSITIVELY!

FAB FACTS





plum job - especially desirable position

HE SOON BECAME THE DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HE WAS WORKING IN.



VERY OFTEN ROHAN CARRIED HIS WORK HOME.



ACCORDINGLY, ROHAN WAS MARRIED TO A YOUNG
GIRL CALLED SANDHYA.



IT WAS A BLISSFUL TIME FOR THE COUPLE.



ROHAN WAS BLESSED WITH A SON AND SOON SANDHYA
ALSO STARTED WORKING.



blissful – happy

YEARS WENT BY... ROHAN'S MOTHER TOOK CARE OF HIS TWO SONS.



ONE DAY, AS ROHAN'S MOTHER WAS KEEPING HIS CHILDREN OCCUPIED...



MA, I'VE LOCATED A NEW OLD AGE HOME FOR YOU. THEY HAVE NURSES WHO'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU. YOU CAN RELAX THERE.. OF COURSE, WE WILL OFTEN VISIT YOU.

BUT... BUT...

NOBODY NOTICED THE TEARS STREAMING DOWN THE POOR WIDOW'S FACE.

BYE, MA, BYE,
SANDHYA... I AM OFF TO WORK.

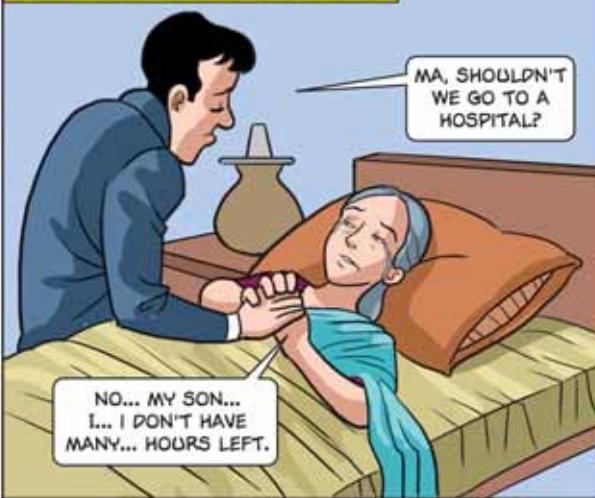
A YEAR LATER, ROHAN GOT A CALL FROM THE OLD AGE HOME...



ROHAN WAS USHERED INTO THE ROOM WHERE HIS MOTHER LAY.



ROHAN'S MOTHER WAS CLEARLY DYING.



PLEASE DONATE... SOME FANS TO
THIS OLD AGE HOME... AND ALSO... A
REFRIGERATOR...



ROHAN WAS SURPRISED.

WHILE YOU WERE HERE YOU NEVER
COMPLAINED, NOW YOU HAVE A FEW
HOURS LEFT AND YOU'RE TELLING ME
ALL THIS... WHY?



IT'S OK DEAR...
I HAVE
MANAGED WITH
THE HEAT,
HUNGER... AND
PAIN...

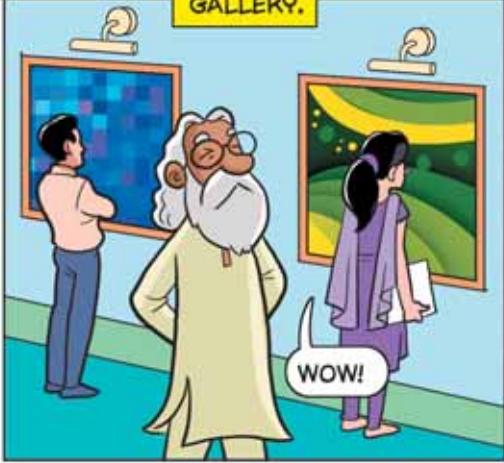
BUT WHEN...
YOUR CHILDREN
SEND YOU
HERE... I AM
AFRAID... YOU
WILL NOT BE
ABLE TO
MANAGE!

SET A GOOD
EXAMPLE FOR
OTHERS TO
FOLLOW.

FOR PEOPLE WILL
TREAT YOU JUST
AS THEY SEE YOU
TREATING
SOMEBODY ELSE.

ENCOURAGE ENCOURAGE
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THE FAMOUS ARTIST, PRABHU RAJ WAS EXHIBITING HIS PAINTINGS AT A GALLERY.



DURING THE BREAK, AN ELDERLY MAN APPROACHED THE ARTIST.

EXCUSE ME,
SIR

YES, HOW MAY I
HELP YOU?



I JUST WANTED YOU TO LOOK
AT SOME OF THESE SKETCHES
AND TELL ME IF THEY ARE GOOD.

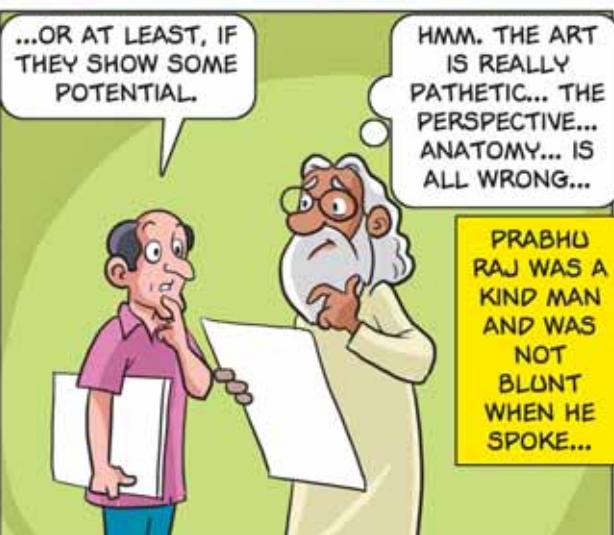


...OR AT LEAST, IF
THEY SHOW SOME
POTENTIAL.

HMM. THE ART
IS REALLY
PATHETIC... THE
PERSPECTIVE...
ANATOMY... IS
ALL WRONG...

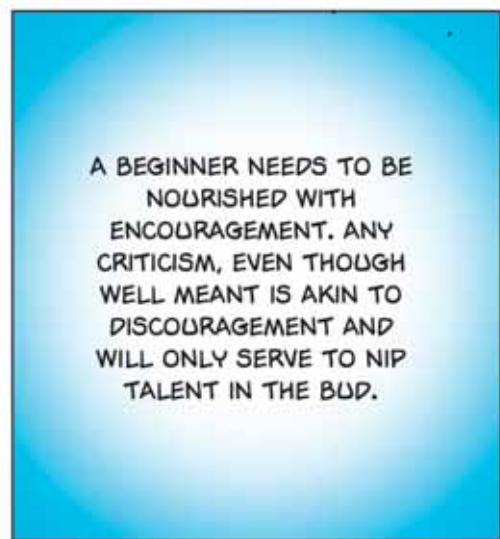
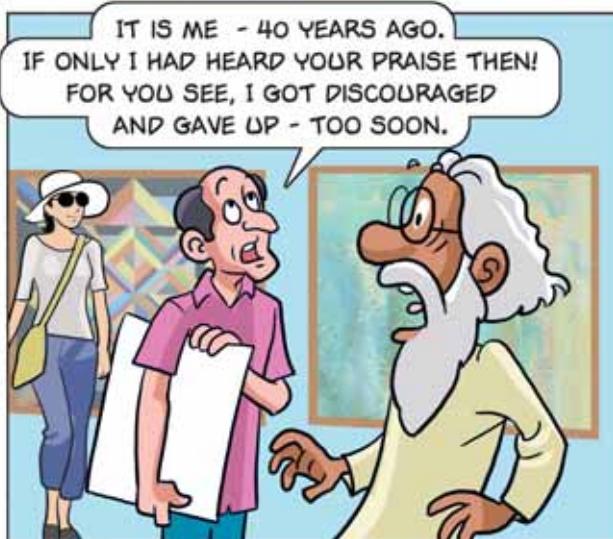
AT A BASIC LEVEL, THE
SKETCHES LOOK PROMISING.
HOWEVER THERE IS A LOT OF
SCOPE FOR IMPROVEMENT.

PRABHU
RAJ WAS A
KIND MAN
AND WAS
NOT
BLUNT
WHEN HE
SPOKE...



pathetic - very bad

potential - possibility of future success



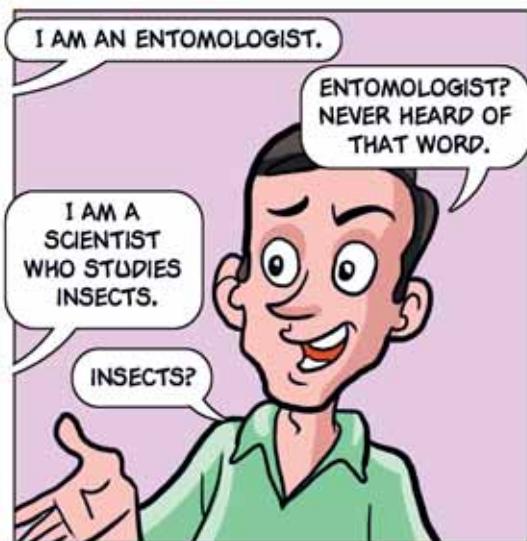
evaluate - look over to see if good

cockroach commentary

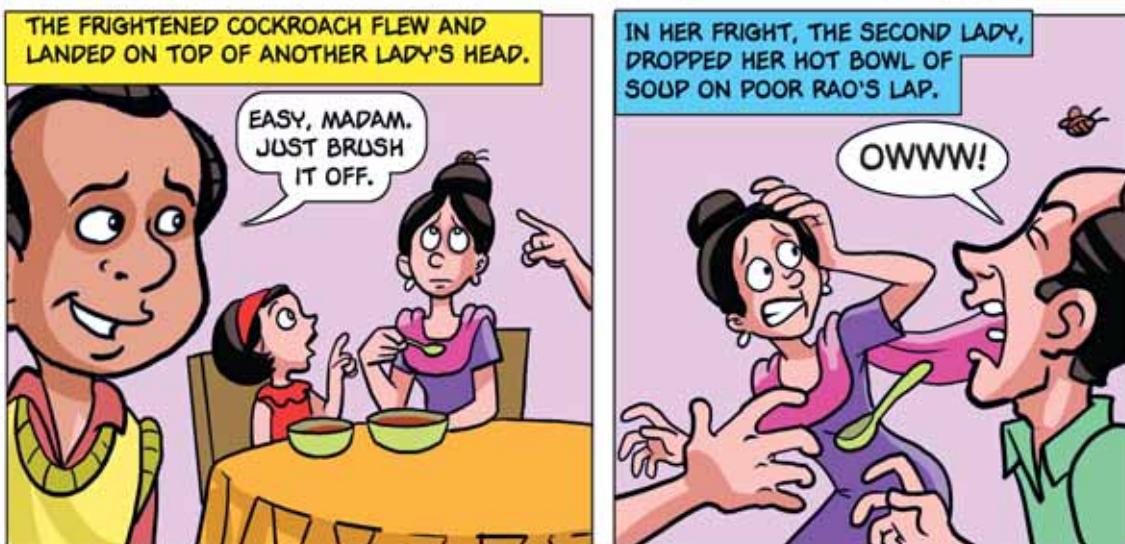


RAO AND HENRY WERE MEETING EACH OTHER AFTER A LONG TIME...

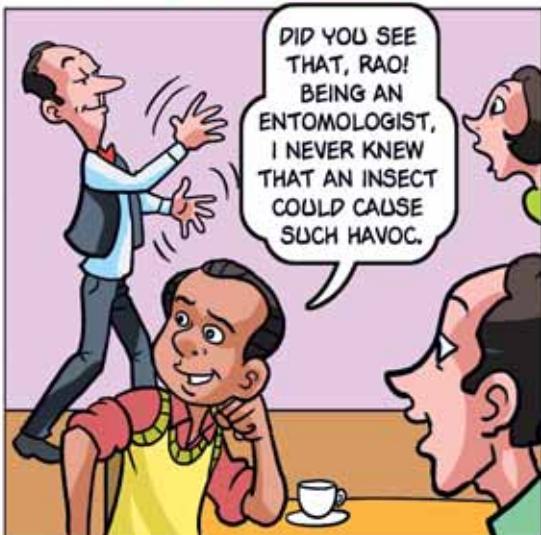
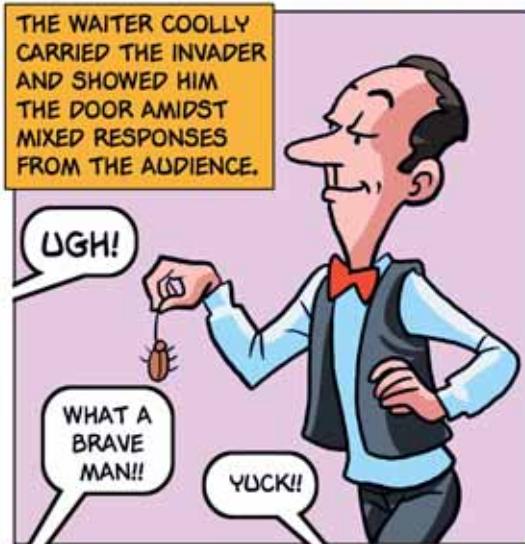
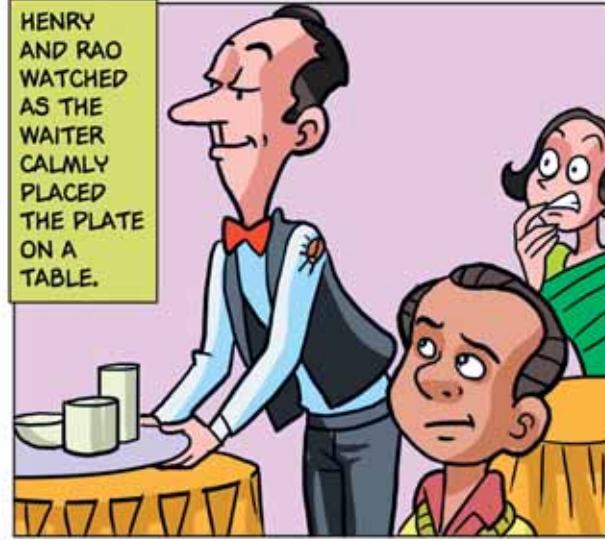
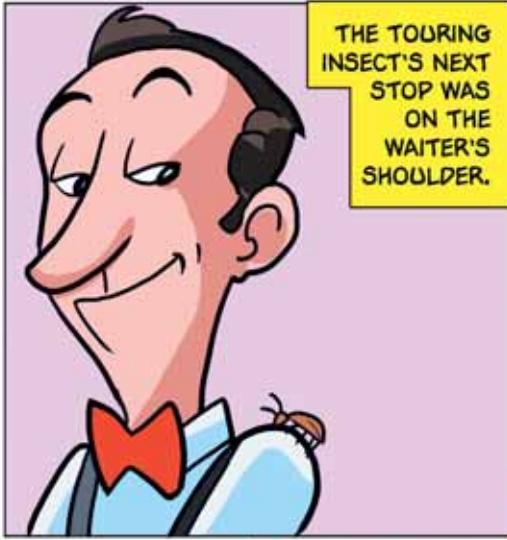
COFFEE



panic - be alarmed



pandemonium - great commotion



IT WAS NOT THE COCKROACH, BUT THE INABILITY OF THE LADIES TO HANDLE THE DISTURBANCE CAUSED BY THE COCKROACH THAT DISTURBED THE LADIES.

MORE THAN THE PROBLEM, IT'S MY REACTION TO THE PROBLEM THAT CREATES CHAOS IN MY LIFE.

composed - calmed

chaos - confusion

IT HAPPENED ON THE 8TH

8TH JANUARY 1927 - DISGUISED AS A MONK, FRANCOIS GRIMALDI LEADS HIS MEN TO CAPTURE THE FORTRESS WHICH PROTECTS THE ROCK OF MONACO. HE ESTABLISHES HIS FAMILY AS THE RULERS OF MONACO. HIS COUSIN'S DESCENDANTS, THE GRIMALDIS RULE MONACO TO THIS DAY.

8TH FEBRUARY 1955 - JAGIRDARI SYSTEM IS ABOLISHED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF SINDH IN PAKISTAN. ONE MILLION ACRES OF LAND IS ACQUIRED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND DISTRIBUTED AMONG LANDLESS PEASANTS.

8TH APRIL 1929 - BHAGAT SINGH AND BATUKESHWAR PUTT THROW HANDOUTS AND BOMBS TO COURT ARREST AT THE DELHI CENTRAL ASSEMBLY.



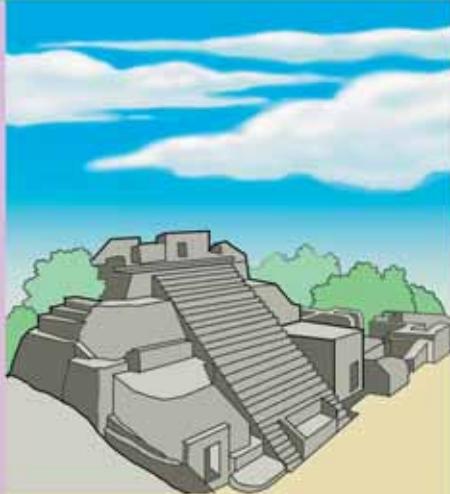
8TH JULY 1497 - THE FIRST EUROPEAN TO REACH INDIA BY THE SEA, VASCO DA GAMA SETS SAIL ON THE FIRST DIRECT EUROPEAN VOYAGE TO INDIA. HE OPENS THE ROUTE LINKING ASIA TO EUROPE FOR THE FIRST TIME, BY LINKING THE ATLANTIC AND THE INDIAN OCEANS.



8TH JUNE 1953 - THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT RULES THAT RESTAURANTS IN WASHINGTON, D.C., CANNOT REFUSE TO SERVE BLACK PATRONS.

8TH MAY 1429 - "THE MAID OF ORLÉANS", JOAN OF ARC LIFTS THE SIEGE OF ORLÉANS, TURNING THE TIDE OF THE HUNDRED YEARS' WAR.

8TH AUGUST 1946 - THE CONVAIR B-36 TAKES OFF ON ITS FIRST FLIGHT. CREDITED AS THE FIRST MASS-PRODUCED NUCLEAR WEAPON DELIVERY VEHICLE, THE PLANE IS THE HEAVIEST MASS-PRODUCED PISTON-ENGINELED AIRCRAFT, WITH THE LONGEST WINGSPAN OF ANY MILITARY AIRCRAFT.

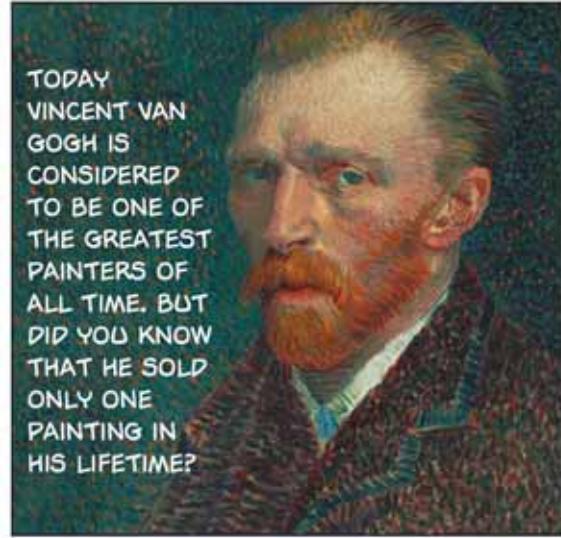


8TH MARCH 1576 - DIEGO GARCÍA DE PALACIO, THE SPANISH EXPLORER, FIRST SIGHTS THE RUINS OF THE ANCIENT MAYAN CITY OF COPÁN.

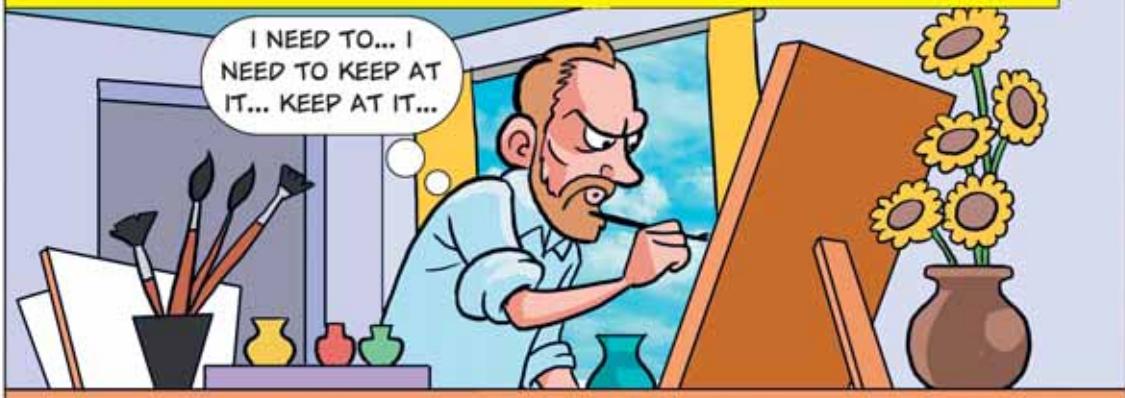
Against all odds

Vincent Van Gogh

TODAY VINCENT VAN GOGH IS CONSIDERED TO BE ONE OF THE GREATEST PAINTERS OF ALL TIME. BUT DID YOU KNOW THAT HE SOLD ONLY ONE PAINTING IN HIS LIFETIME?



HE PAINTED OVER 900 PAINTINGS BUT MADE ABSOLUTELY NO MONEY. SO WHAT DROVE THIS YOUNG MAN TO PAINT DAY AFTER DAY, AGAINST ALL ODDS, WITH NO RETURNS, AND PRODUCE WORKS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED MASTERPIECES?



WHEN HE WAS 27, HE WAS A CLERGYMAN IN A SMALL MINING TOWN IN BELGIUM. HE BEGAN TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER BECOMING A PAINTER. HE MOVED TO PARIS WITH HIS BROTHER, AN ART DEALER.



SOON VINCENT FOUND A SMALL GROUP OF PAINTERS AND THEY PUT TOGETHER AN EXHIBITION OF THEIR WORK. THE EXHIBITION ATTRACTED PAUL GAUGUIN WHO WAS FAMOUS BY THIS TIME.

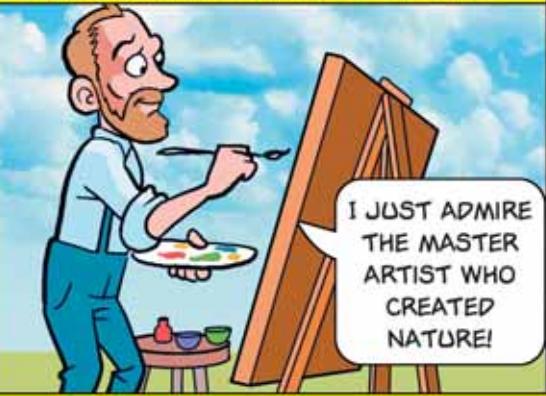


WHEN GAUGUIN LOOKED AROUND, HE WAS STRUCK BY ONE PAINTING IN PARTICULAR - VAN GOGH'S TWO SUNFLOWERS. THE HUMBLE FLOWERS WERE PAINTED IN SUCH A RICH TEXTURE AND STYLE, SO READY TO BURST FORTH.



WOW! THE FLOWERS SEEM TO POP OUT OF THE PAINTING!

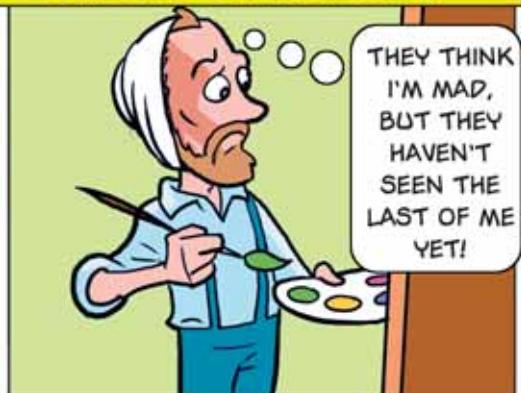
THIS WAS JUST THE BEGINNING OF VINCENT'S MANY STUDIES OF NATURE - OLEANDERS AND ROSES, PEACH AND CYPRESS TREES, FIELDS OF WHEAT...



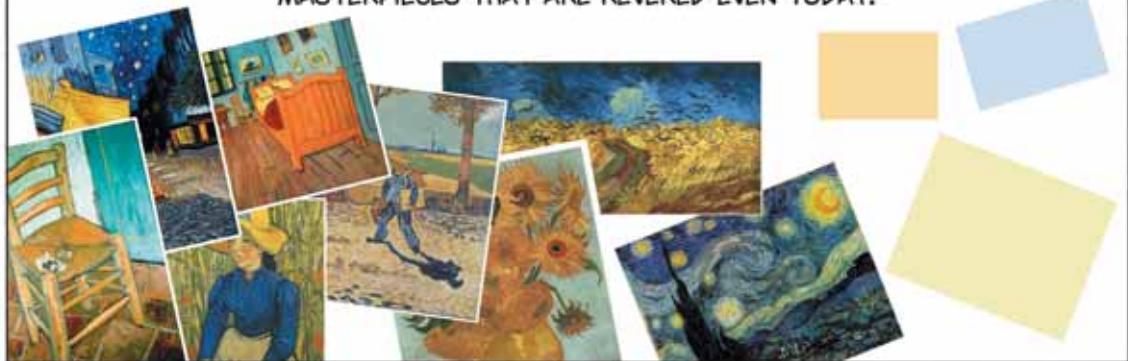
BUT THERE WERE NO BUYERS FOR HIS WORK.



SOON VINCENT WENT INTO DEPRESSION AND CUT OFF A PART OF HIS OWN EAR. SOON HIS NEIGHBOURS PUT HIM AWAY IN A MENTAL ASYLUM, WHERE HE PRODUCED SOME OF HIS GREATEST WORKS.



FINALLY AT 37, VINCENT VAN GOGH PASSED AWAY. IN JUST OVER A DECADE, HE HAD PRODUCED OVER 2100 ARTWORKS, INCLUDING AROUND 860 OIL PAINTINGS. HE WAS A RESOLUTE ARTIST WHO REMAINED TRUE TO HIS ART AND FOUGHT AGAINST ALL ODDS TO PRODUCE MASTERPIECES THAT ARE REVERED EVEN TODAY.



Race against time!

RAMU WAS CHATTING WITH KAUSHIK OUTSIDE HIS HOME.

OK, I'LL LEAVE NOW. MY EXAM STARTS AT 10 'O' CLOCK.

HANG ON... FOR SOME MORE TIME.

IN HALF AN HOUR'S TIME... I'LL REACH THE COLLEGE IN TIME FOR MY EXAM.

WHAT IS THE EXACT TIME?

KAUSHIK TURNED TO HIS BROTHER.

NIKHIL TURNED TO HIS SISTER, VIMALA.

NIKHIL, WHAT IS THE TIME?

WHAT IS THE TIME?

JUST A MOMENT!

SHE WENT INSIDE TO LOOK AT THE CLOCK.



OUR CLOCK IS RUNNING SLOW BY 10 MINUTES, NIKHIL. THE TIME IS 9:30.



NIKHIL DID NOT REALISE THAT VIMALA HAD ALREADY ACCOUNTED FOR THE SLOW CLOCK.

WHAT DID SHE SAY THE TIME WAS?



KAUSHIK, THE TIME IS 9:40. THE CLOCK IS RUNNING SLOW BY 10 MINUTES.



KAUSHIK MADE THE SAME MISTAKE. HE ALSO DIDN'T REALISE THAT THE SLOWNESS OF THE CLOCK WAS ALREADY ACCOUNTED FOR...

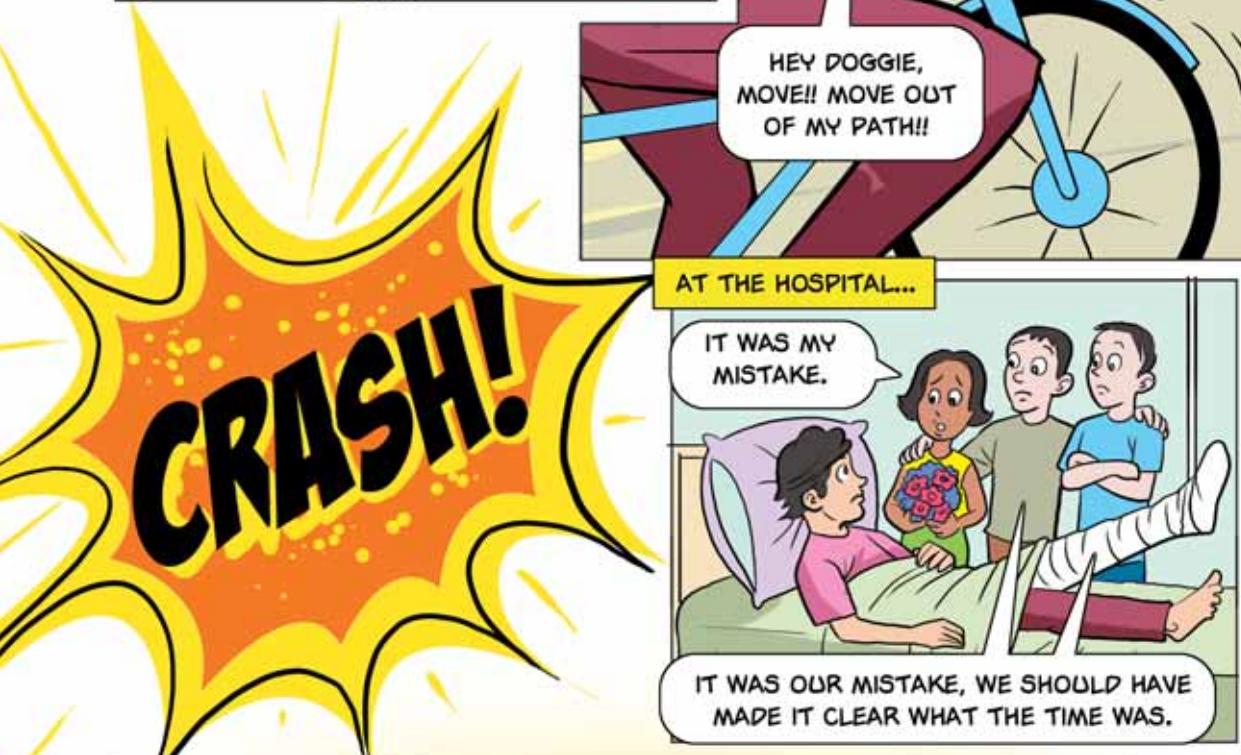
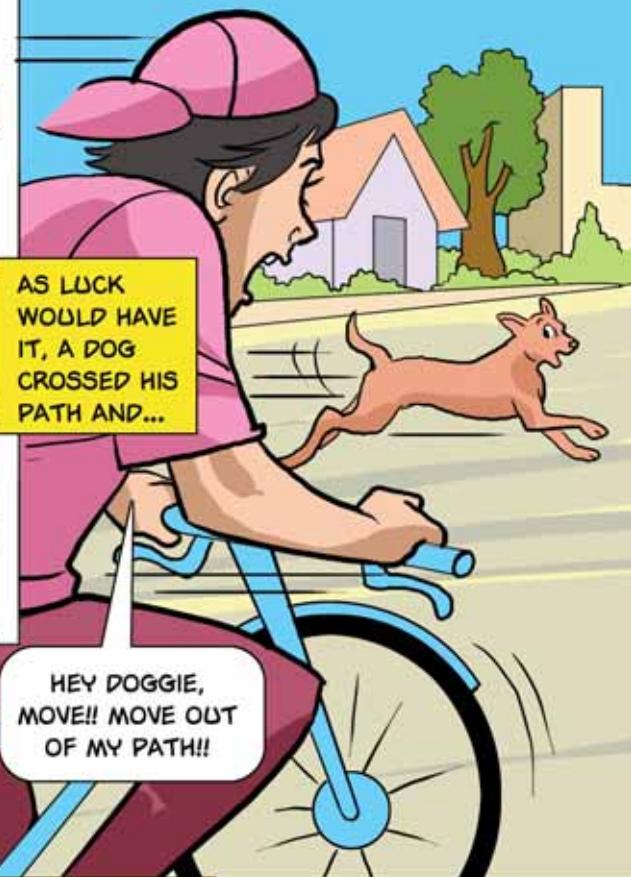


THE TIME IS 9:50.

WHAT! JUST 10 MINUTES AND MY EXAM BEGINS. I'VE GOT TO HURRY.



accounted for - taken into consideration



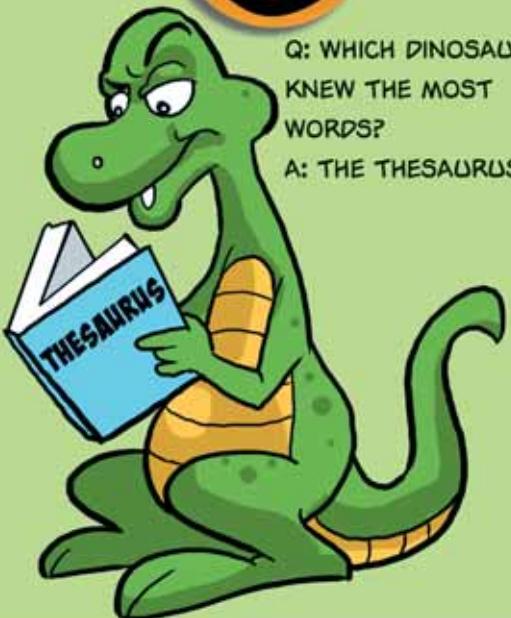
TAKE A LITTLE MORE EFFORT... USE A FEW MORE WORDS OR SENTENCES... DO WHATEVER IT TAKES... BUT COMMUNICATE WITH CLARITY AND AVOID GREAT DISASTERS.

LAUGH IT OFF!!!



THROW AWAY THE OUTSIDE AND COOK THE INSIDE, THEN EAT THE OUTSIDE AND THROW AWAY THE INSIDE. WHAT IS IT? CORN ON THE COB, BECAUSE YOU THROW AWAY THE HUSK, COOK AND EAT THE KERNELS, AND THROW AWAY THE COB.

TWO BROTHERS WERE ARGUING WHEN THE FATHER ENTERED THE ROOM. THE FATHER ASKED, "WHY ARE YOU ARGUING?" ONE BOY ANSWERED, "WE FOUND A HUNDRED RUPEE NOTE AND DECIDED TO GIVE IT TO WHOEVER TELLS THE BIGGEST LIE." "YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELVES," SAID THE FATHER, "WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE, I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHAT A LIE WAS." THE BOYS GAVE THE HUNDRED RUPEES TO THEIR FATHER.



Q: WHICH DINOSAUR KNEW THE MOST WORDS?
A: THE THESAURUS.

TWO COWS WERE STANDING IN THE FIELD. ONE OF THEM CRIED OUT, "MOO!". THE OTHER COW SAID "BAAI!" THE FIRST COW WAS PUZZLED AND ASKED "WHY?" THE SECOND COW REPLIED, "OH COME ON, WIDEN YOUR HORIZONS. LEARN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE!"



A MAN HAD A PET CENTIPEDE. HE SAID, "CENTIPEDE, GO GET THE PAPER. MAKE IT SNAPPY!" A HALF AN HOUR LATER THE MAN WENT OUTSIDE AND SAID, "I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU TO GET THE PAPER A HALF AN HOUR AGO!" "WELL, I HAD TO PUT ON MY SHOES," SAID THE CENTIPEDE.

Q: THERE WERE 10 CATS IN A BOAT AND ONE JUMPED OUT. HOW MANY WERE LEFT?
A: NONE, BECAUSE THEY WERE COPYCATS!



PROS & CONS



MOBILE PHONES ARE EVERYWHERE TODAY... EVERYONE HAS THEM. FOR THE MAN ON THE STREET OR THE MAN IN THE BOARDROOM, A MOBILE PHONE HAS BECOME SUCH AN INTEGRAL PART OF LIFE... BUT SHOULD YOUNG CHILDREN BE ALLOWED TO OWN AND USE MOBILE PHONES? DO THEY DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD? OR IS IT IMPERATIVE TO HAVE THEM IN THIS DAY AND AGE?

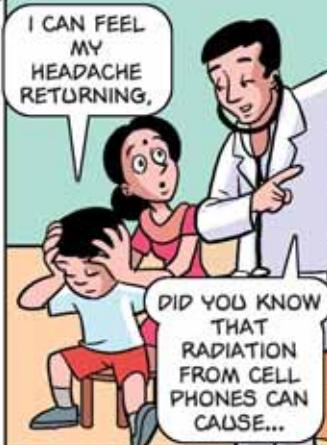
LET'S HEAR BOTH SIDES AND MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION... SO GITĀ, YOUR TURN FIRST...



THANK YOU, MA'AM! CHILDREN SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO OWN AND USE MOBILE PHONES... ESPECIALLY WHEN PARENTS WORK LONG HOURS, IT'S NECESSARY TO KEEP IN TOUCH. MY PARENTS CAN FIND OUT IF I HAVE ANY EXTRA CLASSES OR SPORTS... THEY CAN KEEP TRACK OF WHEN I GET HOME AND IF I AM SAFE...



REKHA... RADIATION AND EYE-STRAIN ARE ALSO MAJOR HAZARDS...



- HEADACHES
- IMPAIRED IMMUNE SYSTEM
- TUMOURS OF HEARING NERVES
- BREAK IN BLOOD BRAIN BARRIER
- REDUCED MELATONIN
- GENETIC DAMAGE
- INTERFERENCE WITH PACEMAKERS
- MELANOMA OF THE EYE
- MEMORY LOSS
- BRAIN TUMOURS

ZULEIKHA... BUT MOBILE PHONES HELP US WITH LEARNING AND ACCESSING INFORMATION... THEY CAN HELP US WITH STUDIES...

MA'AM, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW MANY OF US USE THE PHONES FOR STUDIES AND LEARNING... I THINK MOST OF US ONLY PLAY GAMES...

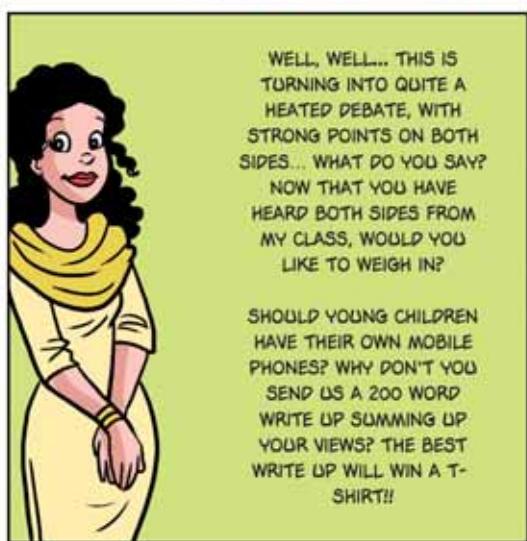


HMM... THAT'S ONE WAY OF LOOKING AT IT... NITIN... AND WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY...



hazard - danger

accessing - acquiring



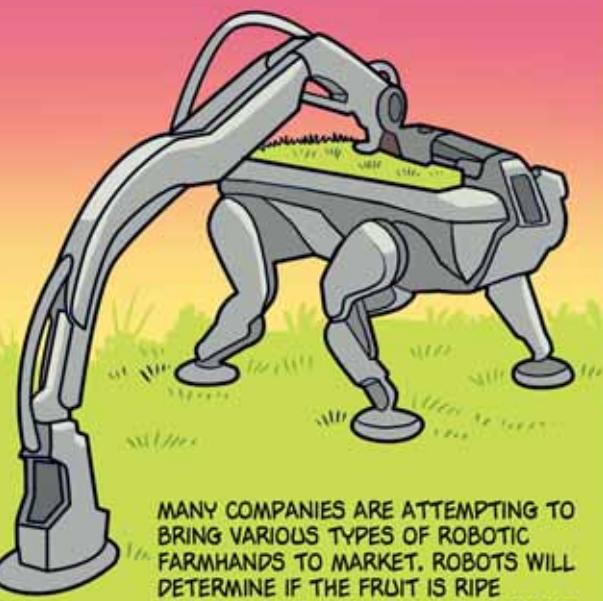
obsessed – unable to stop thinking about something

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MANY COMPANIES ARE ATTEMPTING TO BRING VARIOUS TYPES OF ROBOTIC FARMHANDS TO MARKET. ROBOTS WILL DETERMINE IF THE FRUIT IS RIPE ENOUGH TO PLUCK OR BIG ENOUGH TO HARVEST, AS WELL AS SPRAY, PRUNE, WEED AND MONITOR. THE BIGGEST ADVANTAGE? THESE FARMHANDS WILL NOT TIRE OUT AT ALL.

SHADY CHARACTERS TRYING TO STEAL UNATTENDED PACKAGES FROM PEOPLE'S PORCHES ARE SURE TO BE ALARMED BY THE PACKAGE GUARD. BUILT LIKE A FRISBEE, THE GIZMO IS DESIGNED TO PREVENT ANYBODY OTHER THAN THE INTENDED RECIPIENT FROM TAKING THE PACKAGE PLACED ON IT. THE ALARM SET BY THE DELIVERY PERSON CAN BE SWITCHED OFF ONLY BY THE RECIPIENT, PREVENTING ANYBODY ELSE FROM TAKING THE PARCEL.

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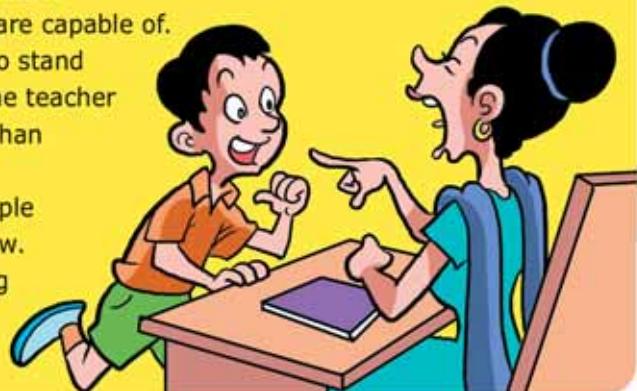
IDIOM INTELLIGENCE!!

Bite off more than you can chew

Meaning – To take on more than you are capable of.

How to use – When Deepak decided to stand for elections to four different posts, the teacher declared that he was biting off more than he could chew.

Origin – In the 1800s in America, people would offer each other tobacco to chew. The greedy ones would take rather big chunk of tobacco and would then find it very difficult to chew on it.



Blow your own trumpet

Meaning - Boasting about one's own achievements.

How to use - Diana always blows her own trumpet. Her friends are rather fed up of her.

Origin – Important men used to have heralds to announce their greatness. So a trumpet blower would sound the trumpet and announce the arrival of somebody important. Therefore if someone blew his own trumpet, it was



as if he was declaring himself to be very important, making a great fanfare about himself.

Extend the olive branch

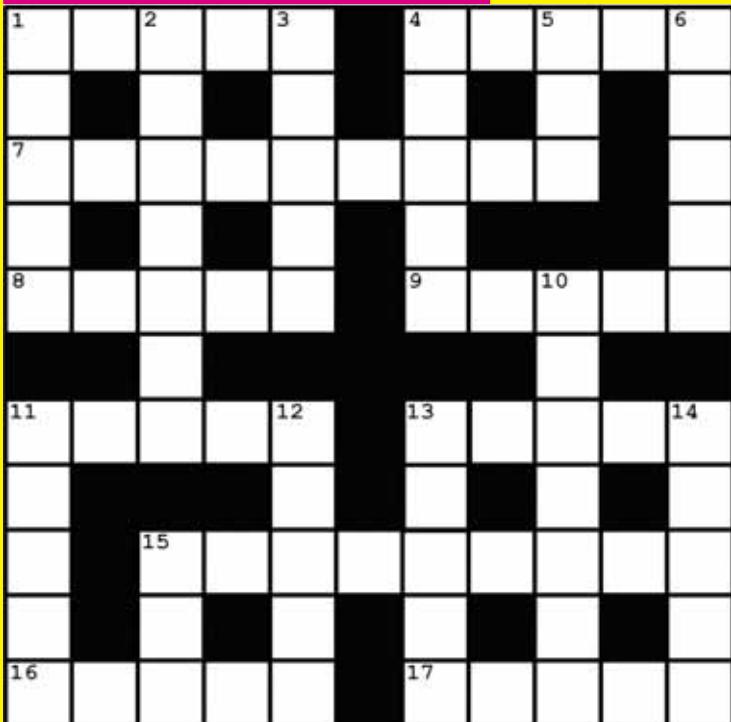
Meaning – Make steps towards peace.

How to use – After the fight, it was Arjun who extended the olive branch to Rohit.

Origin – This phrase has origins in the Bible. When the flood waters receded, the dove brought back an olive branch to Noah's ark. This indicated that God's anger against man's sin had died down. In ancient Rome defeated armies carried olive branches to indicate that they were surrendering. Even the Greeks used olive branches during weddings and other ceremonies as a symbol of peace.



SOLVE IT!



ACROSS:

1. Bulb used in cooking
4. A legendary dwarf-like creature
7. Illegally seizing an aircraft
8. Be very good at
9. Name of a book
11. Watch company
13. Throw with great force
15. Steal money from a company
16. Largest Greek island
17. Medium-sized sailing boat

DOWN:

1. Pale brownish-yellow colour
2. Introduce with a syringe
3. Abbreviation for North California
4. A small flash of light
5. Website extension for a non-profit organisation
6. Large bird of prey
10. Sulphur containing compound
11. Severe pain in the stomach
12. Fading from dark to light
13. Containing bubbles
14. Waiting for _____
15. Make something last longer

WORD POWER

Choose the closest meaning for

1. adieu: a. goodbye b. alright c. musical d. careless
2. bombastic: a. packing b. pompous c. selfish d. patient
3. edifice: a. building b. opening c. aerial d. desperate
4. precursory: a. promising b. normal c. real d. preliminary
5. transient: a. temporary b. discovery c. fall d. shameful
6. quotidian: a. ancient b. daily c. forever d. bookish
7. succinct: a. silent b. observant c. brief d. engaging
8. oblivious: a. preach b. bunched c. negative d. unaware

CRAZY ENGLISH!

When you wind up your watch, you start it, but when you wind up your speech, you end it!

It is easier to assent than to dissent, but harder to ascend than to descend!!

TWISTED!

When I was in Arkansas I saw a saw that could out saw any saw I ever saw saw.
I think I thought of thinking of thanking you.

Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread. Spread it thick, say it quick!

Chester chews a chunk of cheep cheddar cheese.

A tricky frisky snake with sixty super scaly stripes.

Satish, Arif, Aryan or Gita ?!?

A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN WAS GROWING OLD AND KNEW IT WAS TIME TO CHOOSE A SUCCESSOR TO TAKE OVER THE BUSINESS. INSTEAD OF CHOOSING ONE OF HIS DIRECTORS OR HIS CHILDREN...

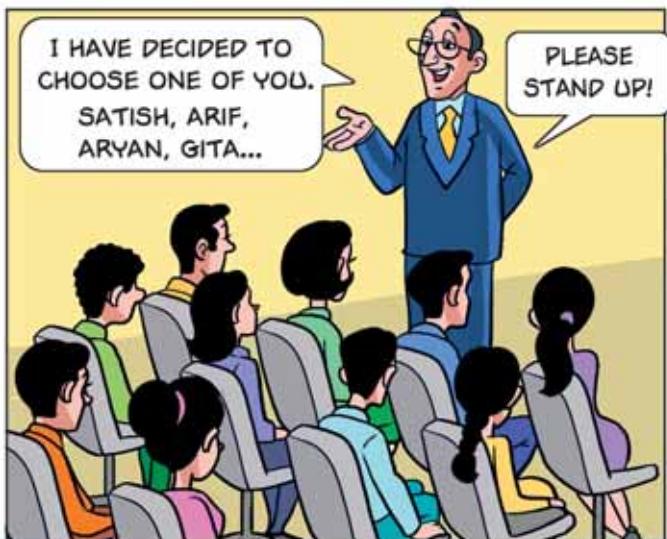


HE DECIDED TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT. HE CALLED ALL THE YOUNG EXECUTIVES IN HIS COMPANY TOGETHER.



I HAVE DECIDED TO CHOOSE ONE OF YOU.
SATISH, ARIF,
ARYAN, GIT...

PLEASE STAND UP!

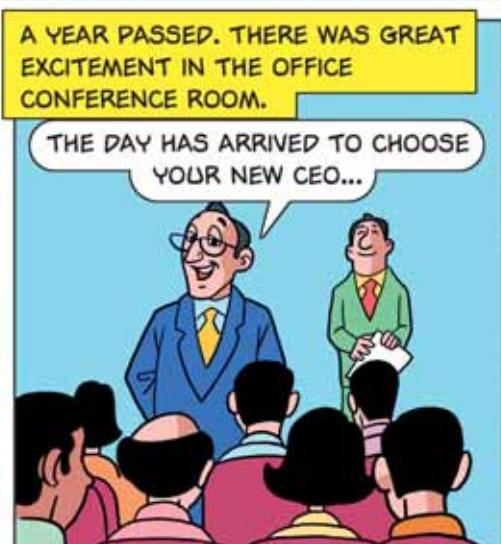
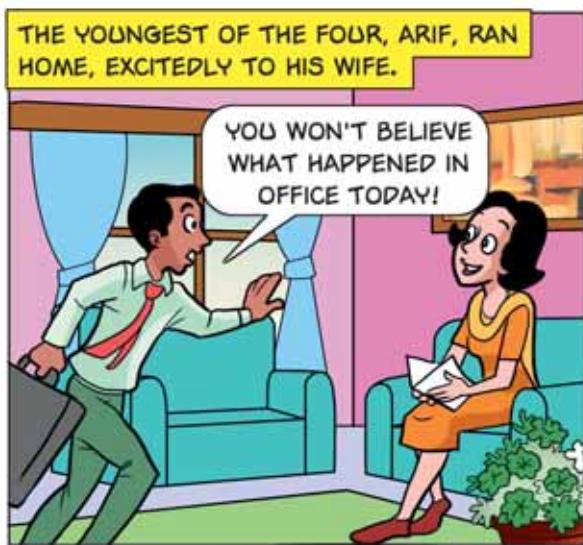


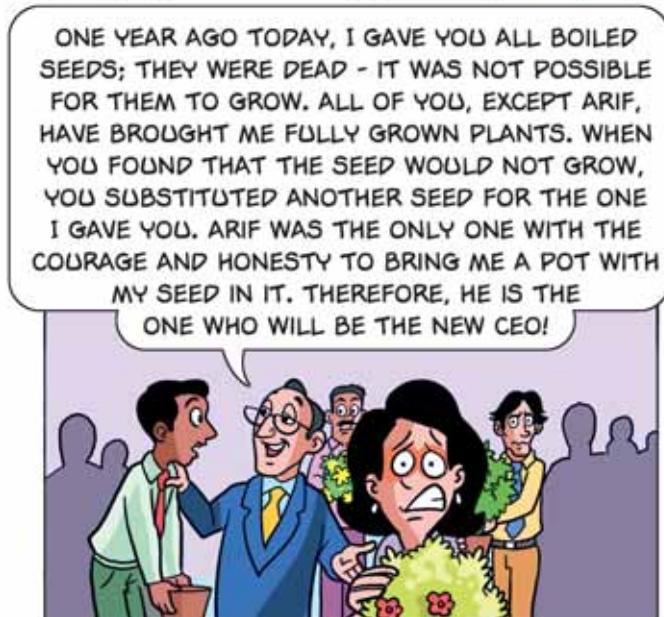
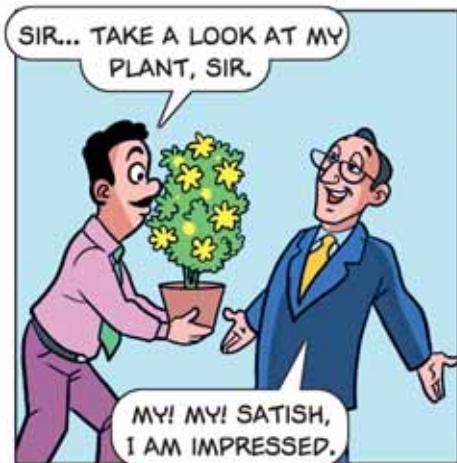
THE YOUNG EXECUTIVES WERE SHOCKED.



I WANT YOU TO PLANT THE SEED, WATER IT, AND COME BACK HERE ONE YEAR FROM TODAY WITH WHAT YOU HAVE GROWN FROM THE SEED I HAVE GIVEN YOU. I WILL THEN JUDGE THE PLANTS THAT YOU BRING, AND THE ONE I CHOOSE WILL BE THE NEXT CEO.







IF YOU PLANT HONESTY,
YOU WILL REAP TRUST.
IF YOU PLANT HUMILITY,
YOU WILL REAP GREATNESS.
IF YOU PLANT PERSEVERANCE,
YOU WILL REAP CONTENTMENT.
IF YOU PLANT HARD WORK,
YOU WILL REAP SUCCESS.
IF YOU PLANT FORGIVENESS,
YOU WILL REAP RECONCILIATION.
IF YOU PLANT FAITH IN GOD,
YOU WILL REAP A GREAT HARVEST.

SO, BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU PLANT NOW; FOR IT WILL DETERMINE WHAT YOU WILL REAP LATER...

contender - competitor

substituted - replaced

BORN TO FLY



THE KING OF RAIPUR, HAD AN UNUSUAL VISITOR ONE DAY.

YOUR MAJESTY, THE SHAH OF IRAN HAS GIFTED YOU THESE TWO FALCONS.

THE KING WAS AN ANIMAL LOVER. HE CALLED THE HEAD FALCONER.

HERE, AJITH. I WANT THEM TRAINED TO SOAR HIGH AND CATCH PREY.



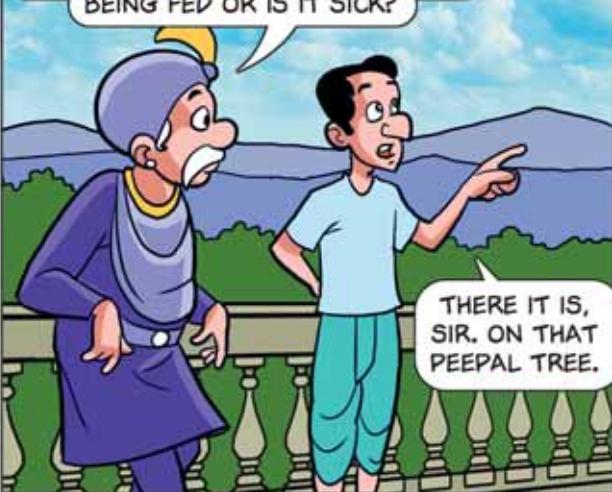
A MONTH PASSED...

YES, AJITH, WHERE ARE THE FALCONS?

THERE'S ONE RIGHT THERE... SOARING HIGH ABOVE THE CLOUDS.



WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER ONE? IS IT BEING FED OR IS IT SICK?



THERE IT IS, SIR. ON THAT PEEPAL TREE.

SURE ENOUGH THE FALCON WAS SITTING ON THE BRANCH OF A PEEPAL TREE, SHOWING NO INTEREST IN FLYING.

BUT... BUT THAT CAN'T BE. IT MUST BE ILL!



THE NEXT DAY IN THE COURT...

THE KING COMMANDS ALL THE PHYSICIANS TO BE PRESENT TOMORROW, TO HEAL THE ROYAL FALCON.



ALL THE RENOWNED HEALERS AND PHYSICIANS IN THE LAND, ARRIVED THE NEXT DAY.

DON'T WORRY YOUR MAJESTY, WE HAVE ALL THE HERBS TO MAKE YOUR FALCON FLY.



EACH OF THE PHYSICIANS TRIED HIS BEST UNTIL FINALLY...



THE NEXT DAY...

THE KING COMMANDS ALL THE WIZARDS AND SORCERERS IN THE LAND...



MAGICIANS AND SORCERERS OF ALL SHAPES AND SIZES THRONGED THE PALACE.

A BAG OF GOLD COINS IS THE REWARD IF WE MAKE THE ROYAL FALCON FLY.

WOW!

THE WIZARDS TRIED ALL THE TRICKS IN THEIR ARSENAL...

FLY FALCON,
FLY OR... I
WILL SEND
YOU TO THE
DEEPEST PITS
OF HELL.

AABRA CUMBA
GARKA SAMBA...

BAZOOM!

...BUT TO NO AVAIL. JUST THEN...

YOUR MAJESTY, MAY
I GIVE IT A TRY?

WHO ARE
YOU?

I AM PAVAN.
A
POOR WOODCUTTER.

THE KING WENT INDOORS CRESTFALLEN.
HARDLY AN HOUR HAD PASSED BY, WHEN...

YOUR MAJESTY,
YOUR FALCON FLIES.

YOU CERTAINLY DESERVE YOUR REWARD.
HOW DID YOU MANAGE IT, PAVAN?

I SIMPLY CUT THE BRANCH THE BIRD
WAS SITTING ON, YOUR MAJESTY.

WE ARE ALL MADE TO FLY
BUT AT TIMES WE SIT ON
OUR BRANCHES, CLINGING
TO THE THINGS THAT ARE
FAMILIAR TO US.

THE POSSIBILITIES ARE
ENDLESS, BUT FOR MOST OF US,
THEY REMAIN UNDISCOVERED.
WE CONFORM TO THE FAMILIAR,
THE COMFORTABLE, THE MUNDANE...

LET US LEARN TO DESTROY
THE BRANCH OF FEAR
WE CLING TO AND FREE
OURSELVES TO THE
GLORY OF FLIGHT!

HOW TO SPEAK BETTER!

WE COMMUNICATE AT SO MANY DIFFERENT LEVELS EVERY SINGLE DAY - WE SPEAK CASUALLY, WE SPEAK TO MAKE A POINT, WE SPEAK TO PRESENT OUR IDEAS, WE SPEAK STRONGLY, GENTLY... BUT HOW CAN WE DO IT SO THAT WE CAN BE MORE EFFECTIVE? READ ON TO FIND OUT...

THINK STRAIGHT - WHEN OUR THOUGHTS ARE ALL MUDDLED UP, IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO SPEAK. MAKE YOUR POINTS ON PAPER...



TALK DIRECT - SAY EXACTLY WHAT YOU MEAN.

WHAT I MEAN IS... YOU KNOW, KIND OF... HOWEVER WAY YOU LOOK AT IT... YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN...

WHAT DOES HE MEAN?



GET TO THE POINT - DON'T BEAT AROUND THE BUSH. WANT SOMETHING? ASK. WANT SOMETHING DONE? INSTRUCT OR REQUEST.



MAKE IT CRISP - USE SHORT, REAL WORDS. DON'T MEANDER.

MADAM... WHERE'S YOUR ADDRESS? I NEED TO DELIVER A PARCEL.

YOU NEED TO TAKE A LEFT TURN AT THE JUNCTION WHERE THERE IS A STATUE, A BEAUTIFUL PINK STATUE...

... IT'S SUCH A MARVELLOUSLY SCULPTED PIECE OF ART, YOU KNOW? A 17TH CENTURY CRAFTSMAN...



BE NATURAL - DON'T PRETEND TO BE SOMEBODY ELSE WHILE YOU SPEAK. PEOPLE CAN EASILY LOOK THROUGH THE DISGUISE.

WHILE I WAS DINING WITH THE PRESIDENT AT HIS RESIDENCE...



TALK IMAGES - WHEN YOU PAINT A PICTURE FOR THE OTHER PERSON WITH YOUR WORDS, IT HELPS THEM TO SEE YOUR POINT BETTER AND FASTER.

IT WAS AN ORANGE SUNSET. THERE WERE BLUE BUTTERFLIES...



IN ORDER TO SPEAK FLUENTLY, HERE ARE SOME EXERCISES FOR YOU:

READ ALOUD - READING LONG PASSAGES WITH DIFFICULT WORDS HELPS US GET FAMILIAR WITH THE WORDS AND HELPS US TO EXERCISE OUR VOCAL CHORDS.



NOT WITHSTANDING THE TUMULTUOUS WELCOME HE RECEIVED FROM THE ENTHUSIASTIC AND BOISTEROUS AUDIENCE...

READ WITH EXPRESSION - ADD A LOT OF DRAMA TO YOUR READING AND YOU WILL FIND THAT YOUR SPEECH ALSO BECOMES MORE ARTICULATE.

NO, JULIET SIGHED... I WOULD RATHER DIE THAN DREAM THE LUXURY OF...



BLABBER - YES, YOU READ THAT RIGHT! NONSENSE HELPS OUR BRAINS MAKE NEW CONNECTIONS AND HELPS TO LOOSEN OUR TONGUES. SO GO AHEAD, BLABBER!

BLAH DO KA NO
PA KI RA PI NA
SU PI

WHAT'S WRONG WITH OUR SON?

O

"LOOSENING UP FOR ELOCUTION", HE SAYS.

REMEMBER!

PLAN - MAKE POINTS OF WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY.

PRACTICE - SAY IT A FEW TIMES AND GET IT RIGHT.

ENGAGE - LOOK PEOPLE IN THE EYE.

CONNECT - WORK ON YOUR BODY LANGUAGE

THINK - THINK AND SPEAK POSITIVELY

MONITOR - MONITOR

YOURSELF BY RECORDING - AUDIO OR VIDEO!

SALMAN AT SEA!

IT WAS A COLD WINDY NIGHT AND A SHIP WAS CAUGHT IN A STORM IN THE HIGH SEAS. THERE WAS NO WAY THE SHIP WAS GOING TO REACH LAND.

AS THE SHIP WENT DOWN UNDER THE HUGE WAVES, ONE PETRIFIED SOUL CLUNG ON TO A BOARD OF WOOD.

OH GOD! HELP ME!

AFTER AN INTERMINABLE PERIOD OF TIME, SALMAN FOUND HIMSELF ON THE SHORE OF A REMOTE ISLAND.

IT'S TRUE! I AM ALIVE.
WASHED ASHORE ON
SOME BEACH.

IT TOOK SOME TIME FOR SALMAN TO GATHER HIS WITS.

WHERE AM I?
APPARENTLY, I AM
THE ONLY ONE TO
SURVIVE.

SALMAN GATHERED WHATEVER HE COULD, FROM THE WRECKED SHIP.

CAN'T SAY HOW LONG I WILL BE STRANDED,
BEFORE A SEARCH PARTY ARRIVES.

interminable - long

remote - lonely

stranded - stuck

HE BUILT A MAKESHIFT HUT NEAR THE BEACH ON THE ISLAND, AND STORED WHATEVER HE RECOVERED.



IT'S BEEN A WEEK NOW. MAYBE I WILL EXPLORE THE ISLAND.

IT WAS A SMALL ISLAND. SALMAN DISCOVERED THAT THERE WERE SOME HENS AND GOATS ON THE ISLAND.

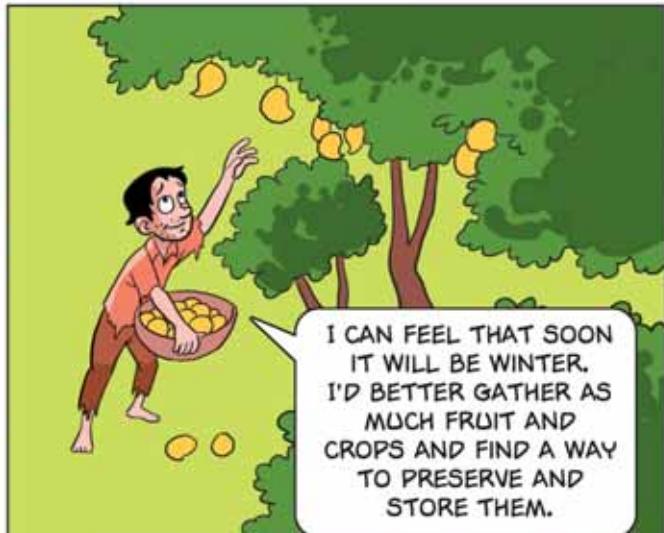
I WILL HAVE MILK FROM THE GOAT AND FRESH EGGS.



IN TIME, HE PLANTED SEEDS AND HAD A GOOD HARVEST.

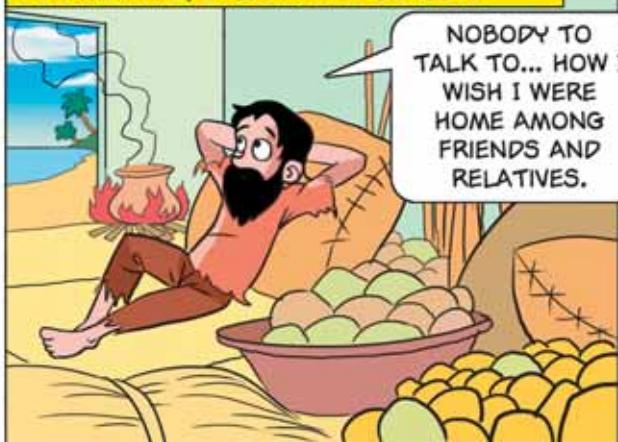


THIS IS GREAT. A VIRGIN, FERTILE ISLAND ALL TO MYSELF.

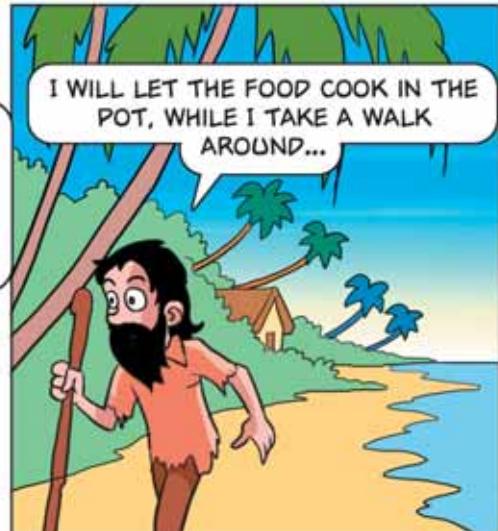


I CAN FEEL THAT SOON IT WILL BE WINTER. I'D BETTER GATHER AS MUCH FRUIT AND CROPS AND FIND A WAY TO PRESERVE AND STORE THEM.

A FEW MONTHS HAD PASSED. THOUGH HE GATHERED SUFFICIENT FOOD TO LAST HIM FOR MONTHS, SALMAN WAS LONELY.



NOBODY TO TALK TO... HOW I WISH I WERE HOME AMONG FRIENDS AND RELATIVES.



I WILL LET THE FOOD COOK IN THE POT, WHILE I TAKE A WALK AROUND...

ON HIS RETURN, SALMAN WAS HORRIFIED, TO FIND HIS HOUSE BURNT DOWN COMPLETELY.



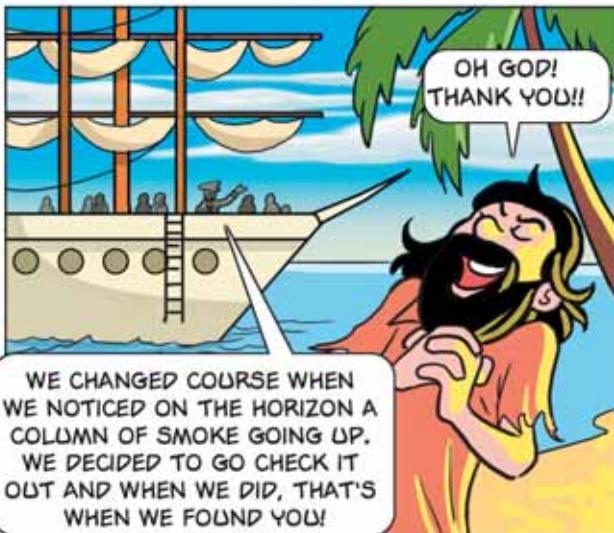
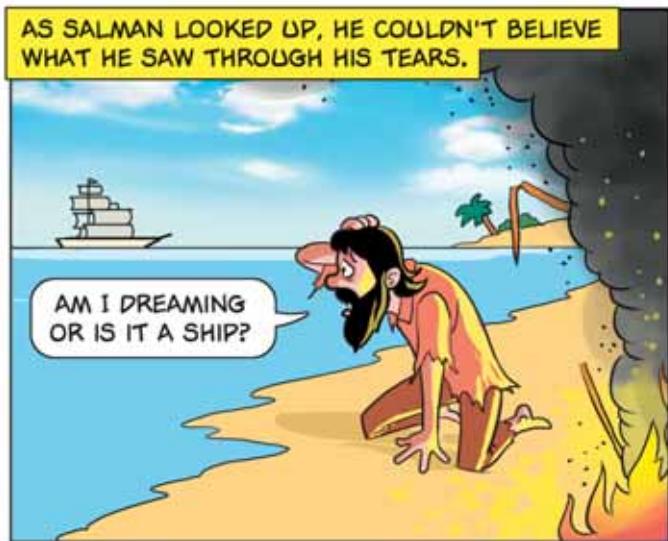
THE ONLY THING HE HAD LEFT WERE THE CLOTHES ON HIS BACK. SALMAN WAS CONSUMED WITH ANGER AND RAGE! IN HIS FURY HE THREW A FIST INTO THE AIR AND BEGAN CURSING GOD.



I'VE BEEN PRAYING EVERYDAY FOR MONTHS ABOUT BEING RESCUED...
AND NOW THIS!



AS SALMAN LOOKED UP, HE COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT HE SAW THROUGH HIS TEARS.



MYSTERIOUS ARE THE WAYS OF GOD. WHENEVER WE HAVE SETBACKS AND TRIALS IN OUR LIVES, BE ASSURED THAT THERE IS A LARGER GOOD AWAITING JUST OVER THE HORIZON. EVERYTHING HAPPENS IN OUR LIVES FOR OUR GOOD.

Quotes

What you do speaks so loud that I cannot hear what you say.
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Better to remain silent and be thought a fool
than to speak and remove all doubt.
English Proverb

Good, better, best. Never let it rest. 'Til your
good is better and your better is best.
St. Jerome

You can't cross the sea merely by standing and staring at the water.
Rabindranath Tagore

It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.
Confucius

Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground.
Theodore Roosevelt

Correction does much, but encouragement does more.
Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Your talent is God's gift
to you. What you do
with it is your gift
back to God.

Leo Buscaglia

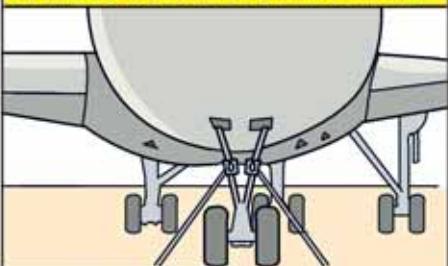
HI!! MY NAME IS NAMITHA! I AM A PILOT. MY DAY IS FILLED WITH AIRPORTS, AIRCRAFTS TAKE-OFFS AND LANDINGS...

9:30 AM I CLEAR SECURITY AT THE AIRPORT AND MEET UP WITH MY CO-PILOT, RAGHAV. WE PICK UP OUR FLIGHT BAGS FROM OUR LOCKERS AND PROCEED TO THE GATE.



10:00 AM MEANWHILE THE CREW HAS CHECKED ALL THE OTHER DETAILS LIKE THE DEPARTURE, DESTINATION, ALTERNATE AIRPORTS, WEATHER...

10:15 AM AS WE HEAD ON TO THE AIRCRAFT, THE CO-PILOT CHECKS ALL THE EXTERNAL FACTORS - TYRES, DРИPPING OIL OR FUEL... ALL OKAY!!



A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A PILOT

WE BOARD AND THEN WAIT FOR CONTROL TOWER CLEARANCE TO START THE ENGINES. 10.30 AM MEANWHILE THE PASSENGERS ARE BOARDING THE AIRCRAFT. 10.45 AM A TRUCK ARRIVES TO HELP US PUSH BACK FROM THE BOARDING GATE AND THEN WE TAXI INTO PLACE.



11:00 AM WE TAKE OFF. I RELEASE THE BRAKES AND APPLY POWER TO ACCELERATE DOWN THE RUNWAY, STEERING THE AIRCRAFT WITH THE FOOT PEDAL OR THE NOSE WHEEL, KEEPING THE AIRCRAFT ON THE RUNWAY CENTER LINE. IT'S A HEADY FEELING AS THE CRAFT TAKES OFF.



3:30 PM WE ARE JUST ABOUT TO LAND AT DUBAI. THE CONTROL TOWER INSTRUCTS US TO LAND INTO THE WIND AS USUAL. AND THEN WE TOUCH DOWN WITH A SLIGHT WING DOWN, AND STRAIGHT ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF THE RUNWAY. IT IS A BEAUTIFUL LANDING. WE SWIFTLY TAXI INTO THE BAY.



TO BECOME A PILOT, I WENT TO A RECOGNISED FLYING INSTITUTE AFTER COMPLETING MY 10+2. FROM THE FLYING INSTITUTE I GOT MY COMMERCIAL PILOT LICENSE. THE COURSE INCLUDES GROUND TRAINING AND FLYING TRAINING, WITH 200 HOURS OF FLIGHT TIME. AFTER THIS I JOINED AS A TRAINEE PILOT WITH A PRIVATE AIRLINE AND SOON AFTER FINISHING MY TRAINING, BECAME A FULL-FLEDGED PILOT. A DREAM COME TRUE!

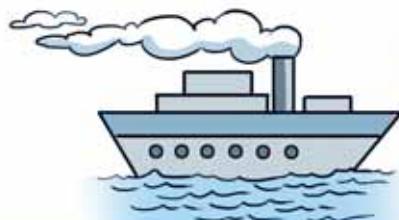


UPON MY WORD!!

"POLISH" IS THE ONLY WORD IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE THAT WHEN CAPITALIZED IS CHANGED FROM A NOUN OR A VERB TO A NATIONALITY.

A H I M O T U V W X Y ARE THE SYMMETRIC CAPITAL LETTERS IN THE ROMAN ALPHABET.

I L O T U V W X ARE THE SYMMETRIC LOWER CASE LETTERS IN THE ROMAN ALPHABET.



THE MOST DIFFICULT LANGUAGE TO LEARN IS BASQUE, WHICH IS SPOKEN IN NORTHWESTERN SPAIN AND SOUTHWESTERN FRANCE. IT IS NOT RELATED TO ANY OTHER LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD.

WE ARE ALL FAMILIAR WITH CLAUSTROPHOBIA - THE FEAR OF CLOSED SPACES. BUT DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THE FEAR OF EMPTY SPACES? IT'S CALLED KENOPHOBIA!!



AUTOANTONYMS ARE WORDS THAT HAVE MEANINGS WHICH CONTRADICT EACH OTHER. FOR EG. THE WORD OVERLOOK MEANS INSPECT OR WATCH OVER BUT IT CAN ALSO MEAN TO FAIL TO NOTICE OR MISS SOMETHING. SIMILARLY THE WORD BOUND CAN MEAN MOVING TOWARDS - THE VESSEL IS BOUND FOR EUROPE - OR IT CAN MEAN TIED UP AND UNABLE TO MOVE!!



THE WORD PICNIC COMES FROM THE FRENCH WORD PIQUE-NIQUE WHICH BEGAN TO BE USED TOWARDS THE END OF THE 17TH CENTURY. IT REFERRED TO A TYPE OF GATHERING WHERE EACH PERSON WHO CAME BROUGHT A SHARE OF THE FOOD.

BABABADALGHARAGHTAKAMMINARRONNKONNBRONNTONERRONNTUONNTHONNTROVAR RHOUNAWSKAWNTOOHOHOORDENENTHURNUK IS A 100 LETTER WORD USED IN JAMES JOYCE'S BOOK "FINNEGAN'S WAKE" FOR A SYMBOLIC THUNDERCLAP THAT REPRESENTED THE FALL OF ADAM AND EVE.

WHILE APES GIBBER, DOLPHINS CLICK, PIGEONS COO, TURKEYS GOBBLE, VULTURES SCREAM AND WOLVES HOWL!!



Sport Alec

Flutter-By!

ONE DAY AT THE SWIMMING POOL, RICKY, THE CROC, IS TRYING HIS HAND AT DIVING...

WOW! WHAT STYLE!

I THINK, I CAN DO BETTER!

GO FOR IT, BROO!

HELP!! I'M DROWNING!

HERE, BROO!
HOLD ON TO THIS LIFEBOUY.

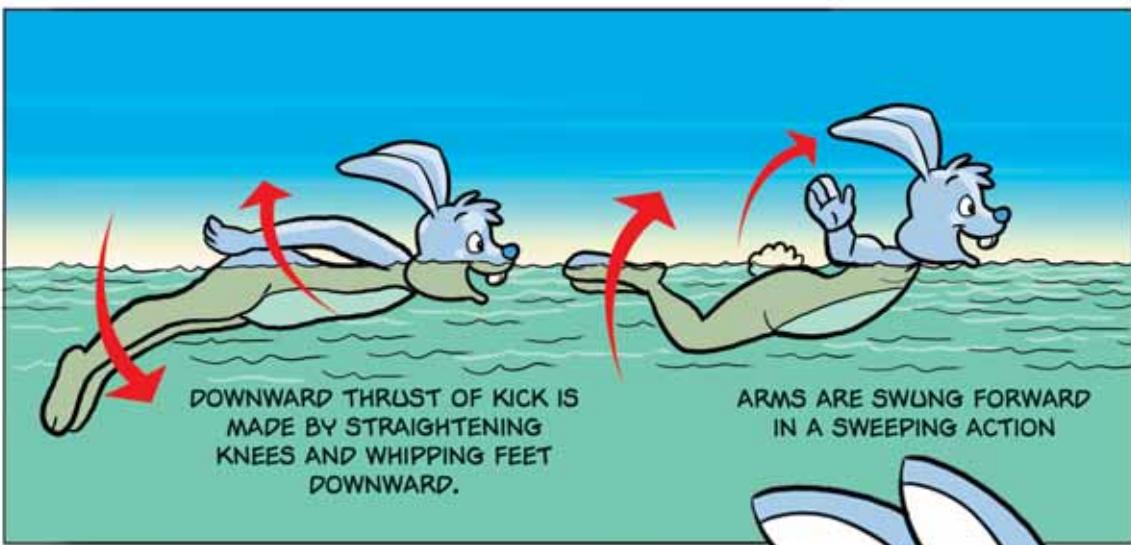
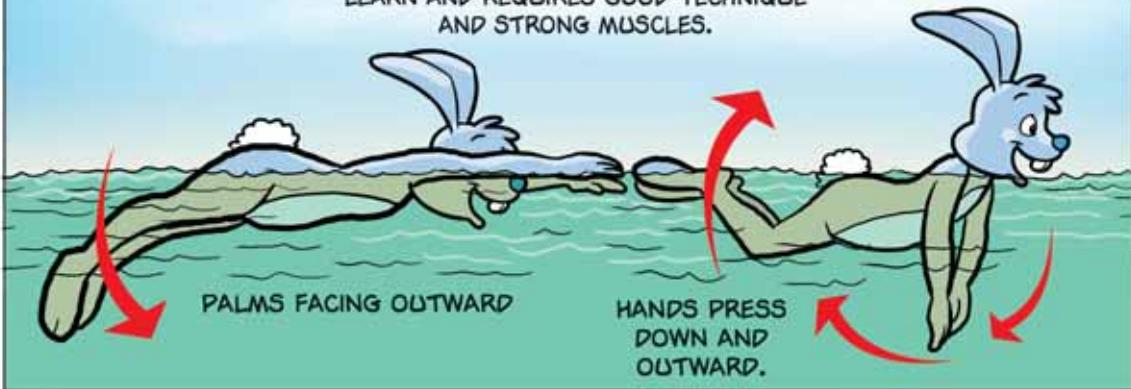
SPEEDO,
YOU'RE
NEXT!

WHO?
ME?

I WAS TRYING TO DO THE BUTTERFLY STROKE...

AND ENDED UP SWALLOWING HALF THE LAKE?

THE BUTTERFLY STROKE IS A SPECTACULAR SWIMMING TECHNIQUE WHERE THE LEGS MOVE IN A DOLPHIN KICK WHILE THE ARMS EXECUTE A FORWARD CIRCLE AT THE SAME TIME. THE ARMS COME OVER THE HEAD AT THE SAME TIME AND ARE THEN PUSHED INTO THE WATER TO PROPEL THE SWIMMER. THE FACE IS USUALLY DOWN IN THE WATER. IT IS DIFFICULT TO LEARN AND REQUIRES GOOD TECHNIQUE AND STRONG MUSCLES.



THE BUTTERFLY TECHNIQUE IS BASED ON AN UNDULATING BODY MOVEMENT WHERE THE RISE AND FALL OF THE HEAD AND HIPS BALANCE AND COUNTER-BALANCE EACH OTHER.

REMEMBER,
PRACTICE
MAKES
PERFECT!



Phelps Pointers

MICHAEL PHELPS HAS WON 23 OLYMPIC GOLDS. HE HOLDS THE RECORD FOR THE MOST NUMBER OF GOLD MEDALS IN INDIVIDUAL EVENTS - 13 AND ALSO THE MOST NUMBER OF MEDALS IN INDIVIDUAL EVENTS - 16.

HE HAS WON 28 MEDALS IN THE 30 OLYMPIC FINALS THAT HE COMPETED IN.

PHELPS WAS THE WORLD RECORD HOLDER IN 100 AND 200 METER BUTTERFLY, 400 METER INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY, 200 METER FREESTYLE AND 200 METER INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY.

DIAGNOSED WITH ADHD AS A CHILD, PHELPS WAS INTRODUCED TO SWIMMING AT THE AGE OF 7 AS AN OUTLET FOR HIS ENERGY.

IN 2000, AT THE AGE OF 15 PHELPS BECAME THE YOUNGEST MALE TO QUALIFY FOR THE SWIMMING TEAM IN 68 YEARS.

HE WAS SEVEN TIMES 'WORLD SWIMMER OF THE YEAR' AND NINE TIMES 'AMERICAN SWIMMER OF THE YEAR'.

STANDING 6 FEET AND 7 INCHES TALL, PHELPS WEARS SIZE 14 SHOES.

HE HAS THE MOST NUMBER OF WORLD RECORDS TO HIS CREDIT - 39 WORLD RECORDS. HE SURPASSED THE 33 WORLD RECORDS SET BY MARK SPITZ.

PHELPS WOULD PRACTICE TWICE A DAY, SIX DAYS A WEEK, AND CLOCK 80,000 METRES OF SWIMMING PER WEEK.



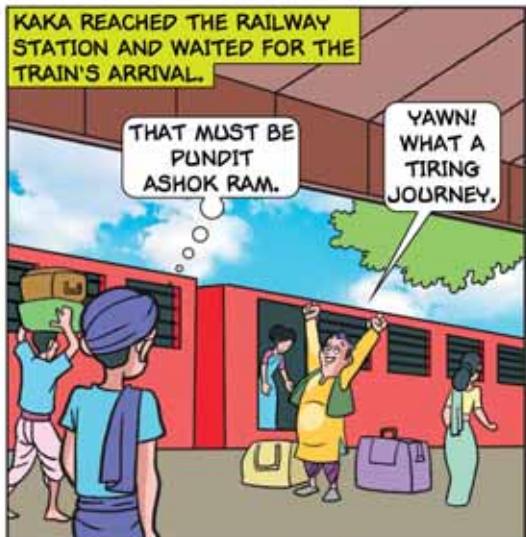
AT THE PEAK OF HIS CAREER, PHELPS ATE THE EQUIVALENT OF 12,000 CALORIES PER DAY, TO FUEL HIS BRUTAL TRAINING REGIMENT.

THE RIGHT KNOWLEDGE

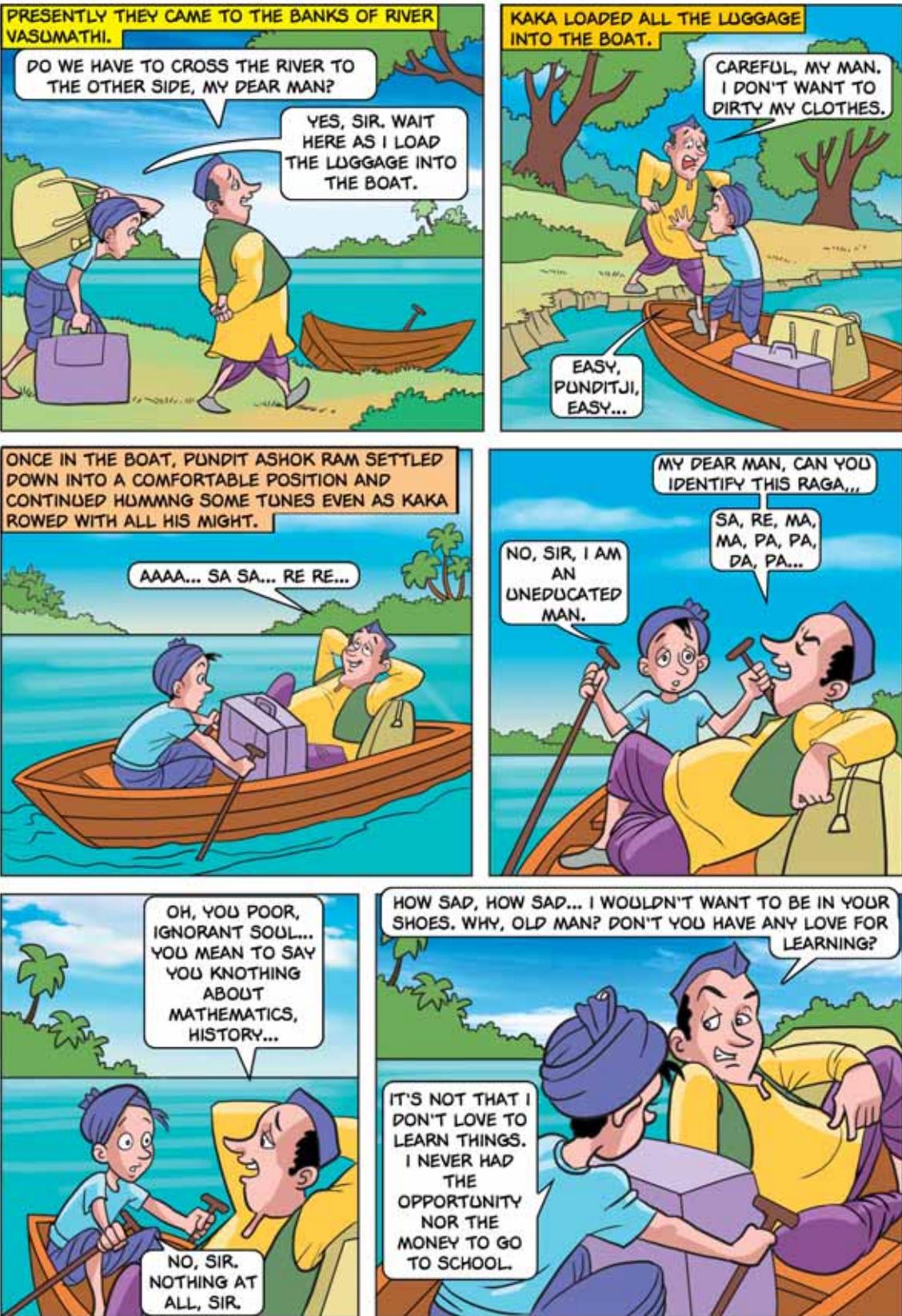


GANGARAM CALLED HIS SERVANT TO HIM AND GAVE HIM SOME INSTRUCTIONS.

PUNDIT ASHOK RAM IS COMING FROM THE CITY BY THE EVENING TRAIN. GO RECEIVE HIM.



trudged - walked slowly with heavy steps



ignorant – lacking knowledge

PUNDITJI CONTINUED...

WHAT ABOUT LANGUAGES? DO YOU KNOW ANY GRAMMAR?

NO SIR, I CAN ONLY SPEAK MY MOTHER TONGUE.

WHAT A PATHETIC LIFE YOU LIVE, MY MAN!

WELL, I DON'T LIKE TO BLOW MY OWN TRUMPET... HOWEVER, I AM FLUENT IN 7 LANGUAGES, I HAVE MASTERY IN MEDICINE... BESIDES THESE, IN HINDUSTANI CLASSICAL MUSIC I HAVE PERFORMED...

WHAT IS THIS WETNESS? OH NO!

SUDDENLY THE BOAT SPRUNG A LEAK...

WHAT IS THAT WATER SPOUT, MY DEAR MAN?

THAT IS A LEAK, DEAR PUNDITJI.

WITH THAT, KAKA LEPT INTO THE WATER.

I AM GLAD YOU KNOW SO MUCH ABOUT THE SCIENCES AND HISTORY AND LANGUAGES AND MUSIC, BUT DO YOU KNOW HOW TO SWIM?

NO, MY MAN.

THEN YOUR WHOLE LIFE HAS BEEN WASTED! WE ARE SINKING.

ONE MORE THING, SIR, SAY YOUR LAST PRAYERS... I AM SURE YOU KNOW THAT!

KNOWLEDGE SHOULD ALWAYS MAKE US WISE.

KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT WISDOM IS EMPTY AND USELESS.



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- 2** Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3** Will it build **GOOD WILL** and
better **FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4** Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to
all concerned?

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