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NEW MINISTRY OF COOPERATION



Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government, will now also handle the newly-set up ministry of cooperation, along with his current home affairs portfolio. The ministry of cooperation is aimed at realising government's vision of 'Sahakar Se Samriddhi'.

■ This ministry will provide a separate administrative, legal and policy framework for strengthening the cooperative movement in the country. ■ It will work to streamline processes for 'Ease of doing business' for co-operatives and enable development of Multi-State Co-operatives (MSCS). ■ The creation of a separate ministry for cooperation also fulfils the budget announcement made by the finance minister

DHARMENDRA PRADHAN

IS NEW EDUCATION

MINISTER

harmendra Pradhan was on Wednesday inducted as the new education minister, while Annapurna Devi, Subhas Sarkar and Rajkumar Ranjan Singh will be the new ministers of state for education. Pradhan was the petroleum minister in the previous Cabinet. In a Cabinet reshuffle in 2017, he was elevated to the rank of a Union minister for the same ministry, with an additional charge of the ministry of skill development

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VS IN-PERSON PRESENCE

WHAT TTRACTS THIS GEN?

With schools and businesses going virtual due to the pandemic, for Gen Z, the 'virtual world seems more real and comfortable'. The offline world, wherein the 'real you' left an impression with your physical presence, has drastically changed among the Gen *Z* and millennials over the period of Covid years, claims a new study. The study, by a US-based e-commerce platform Squarespace, reveals that 62% of millennials think presenting oneself online is more significant than in-person. According to 44% of Gen Z, one can make a better impression online. Find out wh

Online offers better scope: Gen

■Presenting oneself online allows us to be more creative. It also enables us to connect Though there are instances, where one may have to pres-

to a larger network of people. ent themselves in-person, but at large, most people are now comfortable with a virtual interview or session. It saves time and

is easy in terms of coordination. Aditya Singh, class XII, Sadhu Vaswani

International School, Pune



for the introverts. It gives people, who might feel intimidated by certain factors in an in-person setting, a chance to speak up confidently. Also, interactions via virtual medium make it fair, giving fewer

chances to people to judge someone based on appearance or physical attributes. Tanishka Wagh, class XI, Elpro International

■ With social media becoming a part of our daily lives, which builds a perception of influence and popularity, the online presence is getting popular among Gen Z. Moreover, I feel over the

vears, online medium has offered better scope to hone our innate skills. Somyaa Singh, class X, St Kabir's Public School, Chandigarh

■ Thanks to the pandemic, the dependency on online media has grown immensely over in-person meetings. So, online presentation has gained

popularity among the new generation. With



remote learning and working becoming the new norm, people have found ways to make themselves more presentable while interacting online, hiding some of their weaknesses, which would

not have been possible during the traditional in

Aarva Rajesh Bhanushali, class X, SVDD English Medium Secondary High School, Mumbai

WILL IT AFFECT INTERPERSONAL **COMMUNICATION? EXPERTS REACT**

The over-dependency on online platform has affected interpersonal skills. People, especially youngsters, have forgotten the basics of in-person communication. Moreover, cases of social anxieties are being reported, as people, especially the Gen Z, have reduced offline interactions. Moreover, the definition of happiness has become transient and superficial.

Dr Divya Kumawat, counselling psychologist and art therapist, Bengaluru

effective, with people having quicker access, let's not forget that in-person meetings give that feel of a personal connect and touch, which helps in developing our emotional and social quotients that are of utmost importance in life. Besides, in person, children tend to open up, get more exposure and reveal more. Accessing becomes easier, as even the micro muscle movements, mannerisms help to communicate better. Rashmi Pradeep, clinical psychologist, Ernakulam

gadgets, which have become an integral part of the glass generation's lives, have actually dented kids' EQ, if we go by various studies. Their EQ is being redefined to the extent that they may be failing to cope with defeat and adversities. Emojis, small ubiquitous symbols, a part of digital lingua franca, has taken over real emotions. Smita Ghosh, counsellor, Anand Niketan, **Ahmedabad**

Are you facing issues related to your academics, mental You ask, health, etc? Do you want to share your problems, but shy to reveal them with your near ones? Never mind, our expert, CBSE helpline counsellor JAYDEB KAR will answer queries from students, parents, and educators. Your identity

I am a middle child and a girl that is why no one loves me, and I feel ignored. On asking my parents about this, I was told that a middle child is never loved. I feel depressed, and I cry every day thinking what wrong did I do for getting this punishment. Please help me overcome my loneliness.

■The problem which you are facing is known as the 'Middle Child Syndrome'. Knowingly or unknowingly, most of the middle kids in the family face it. To overcome this, you should adopt some simple steps in your life. Firstly, whenever you feel alienated, spend more and more time with your friends or even with your grandparents with whom you can share your feelings. Secondly, reading comic books or watching cartoons can also help. Third, go for a morning walk, cycling or yoga. And finally, talk with your parents, and don't give up because for parents, all children are equal.

I am deaf and mute (profound loss of above 95%). I completed class XII in humanities. Till



will be strictly protected...

class XII, I studied in a normal school affiliated with PSEB. I am confused and tensed about my future after class XII. Kindly advise me as to which degree/diploma will be best for me, and from which university, as my aim is to get a good government job.

■ There are few courses which can be helpful for you. You can flourish in teaching sign language, painting, content writing, data entering, animation, and much more. You can also opt for diploma and degree courses in these. If possible, contact your district employment officer and state employment officer. They can provide you guidelines for vocational education and guide you in getting employed in government sector.

Oversized black hole population discovered in star cluster

Astrophysicists have found an oversized black hole population of more than 100 in the centre of a unique star cluster...

Called Palomar 5, the globular cluster was discovered in 1950. It is in the Serpens constellation at a distance of about 80,000 light years, and is one of the roughly 150 globular clusters that orbit around the Milky Way



years, like most other globular clusters, meaning that it formed in the earliest phases of galaxy formation.

and entrepreneurship.

➤ It is about 10 times less massive, and five times more extended than a typical globular cluster and is in the final stages of dissolution



play Wimbledon. I have to take a few days, then go from there. The last 18 months have

been long and hard. I felt very disappointed in the moment (of defeat) itself. I still am. I feel horribly exhausted. You put everything on the line, and when it's all over you could just go sleep because you're so exhausted from mentally pushing yourself forward, and trying every-

thing. You need a goal when you're going through rehab. You can't think of the entire mountain to climb at once. You got to go in steps. Wimbledon was the initial first super-step

Roger Federer, after losing to Poland's Hubert Hurkacz, and on his retirement



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way, goes the way, and shows the

- John C. Maxwell

Chembur was held on 3rd July 2021 where the newly elected the students. five students were given an amazing ship skills as well as to contribute to-

wards the betterment of the school. gratitude to chairman Dr. A.F Pinto ended with closing chorus, school an-

and managing director Grace Pinto for providing such a wonderful platform to our dear students to not only display their leadership skills for this Academic year but also to shape them as future leaders of this country.

The Investiture ceremony too began with the prayer, followed by the reading of the Bible verse and ended with a special prayer. Next, they had their tiny tots performing a Prayer Dance.

Welcome speeches were delivered in various languages wherein the students welcomed the guest, Pradip Ashok Patil, sub-inspector of Chembur Police Station and all who had gathered for the Investiture ceremony. This was followed by the welcome dance which was truly a marvelous welcome for all.

The felicitation of the guest who has truly been an inspiration took place.

The guest was presented with a virtual bouquet as a token of appreciation. This was followed by the Western

Song performance. Finally, the moment awaited by all arrived where the Council members took an

"A leader is one who knows the oath to uphold the values that the them and the national anthem. school believes in and to discharge all their duties with full dedication and to the best of their abilities.

The chief guest then addressed all witness the efforts and dedication of

He thanked the management for opportunity to put forth their leader- this wonderful opportunity he got to witness the event.

Vote of Thanks was rendered in The school extended their immense English and Hindi. The programme

Last but not the least, they had the tree plantation done by school teach-

Newly Elected Prime Minister he Investiture ceremony of those who had gathered with his Nilay Gandhi offered Thanks to God Ryan International School, words of wisdom and was thrilled to and Chairman and Managing Director for their effortless contribution in building leadership skills amongst the students. He also promised to abide by the rules laid down by the school for the betterment of all mankind.

Truly online or offline, as William Shakespeare said, 'the show must go on' — Ryanities proved it right.

Harmony International School,

Kharghar

"Don't Judge each day by the harvest you reap but the seeds that you plant"

rmony International School celebrated the World Environment Day on 3rd July, 2021 using online platform for the positive environmental action with full vigor and enthusiasm.

To mark the day, the celebration started with Hanging Planter Activity in which students painted and planted different saplings in a coconut shell pot followed by Making your own Compost Activity in which the students made their own compost through a simple way by adding nutrient rich humus from their gardens to restore the vitality to depleted soil.

Students further showed their talents through various activities like drawing, painting, essay and poem writing on the topic Forest are the Lungs of the planet.

The event ended by taking an oath to plant more trees and save the nature.

"Let's Nurture the nature, so that we can have a better future"



To plant trees is to give body and life to one's dreams of a better world". Russell Page

hri Balaji International School celebrated Van Mahostav Day with a thoughtful assembly conducted by the students of Form 7 which highlighted the importance of preserving our glorious nature. Van Mahotsav or Forest Festival is an annual tree-planting festival celebrated in the month of July when thousands of trees are planted all over the country to spread awareness of forest conservation and to save the environment. The idea behind conducting this assembly was to emphasize the deteriorating condition of Earth due to deforestation. Trees help in lowering the carbon footprint and maintaining ecological balance. Videos of students planting saplings were presented during the assembly and all were encouraged to do so. Lets heal the world

and make it a better place for you and for me! Indira Aarons, the principal imparted wisdom to the children by explaining how it is the duty of the vibrant present generation to undo the wrong that has been done to nature and sow seeds for a school's motto.





luscious tomorrow. The students of Shri Balaji International School successfully accomplished the task given at hand and liberated the minds of their fellow mates with knowledge in line with the

SCHOOL

eminiscing about past grades and the shenanigans is always a treat! In grade 7, we had an Annual day and for which I was a part of our school choir. Between practices, when Sir wasn't around, we'd often forget about annual day prep and instead start singing together something completely unrelated to the event, jamming out to our favorite songs with the band, fooling around in the

College, Ambarnath West

practice room and carelessly chatting; and as soon as we'd hear footsteps of our music teacher returning, one of us standing at the door would discreetly notify us and we'd get back to our original seating positions and act like not a feather had fluttered since he left. Some of my best memories from these past 13 years of school come from that practice room! Twisha Karra, class X, Fr Agnel Multipurpose School and Jr



Developing creativity

he teachers of Presidency School, Bhiwandi always create an environment in which students feel free to openly express and share their ideas. The more students are actively engaged with their own learning, the more they learn. Hence the fun activities really play very important role in student's learning program.

Keeping this in mind and to reinvigorate the students in this pandemic Presidency School has decided to deliver a fun activity programme for the tiny

Many activities have been introduced in this programme like thumb print, making hand pup-

pets using origami, making various objects using colorful paper, thread painting, picture talk which help to expand their vocabulary.

They enjoyed themselves a lot with the sandwich making activity. To make the programme more interesting few fun games were also added which kept the kids' enthusiasm up throughout

equally important for this age group



for learning by doing. By this, Presidency School introduced a unique way of fun learning to develop hidden potential and skills in the kids. They strongly believe that such the activity, we believe that this is a programme will help the students to concentrate, participate, interact and visualize.



f I were a superhero, life wouldn't be as peaceful as I know. It would be the complete opposite, always some new mission and chaos! But, in all honesty, being a superhero is a serious responsibility which I would gladly take up. Superheroes are idols that the world looks up to and being that person would be an honour. To have a life as exciting and comic book-like would most certainly make for an adventure of a lifetime. But, it would also mean little to no personal life and a constant worry for your loved-ones. Sometimes, you have to face irreparable

losses. But, that is the part of the job. You need to learn to live with it. But to save the world and do your part in making the

world a better place, is a privilege that only a select few get.

Aarya Bhanushali, class X, S.V.D.D. English Medium Secondary High



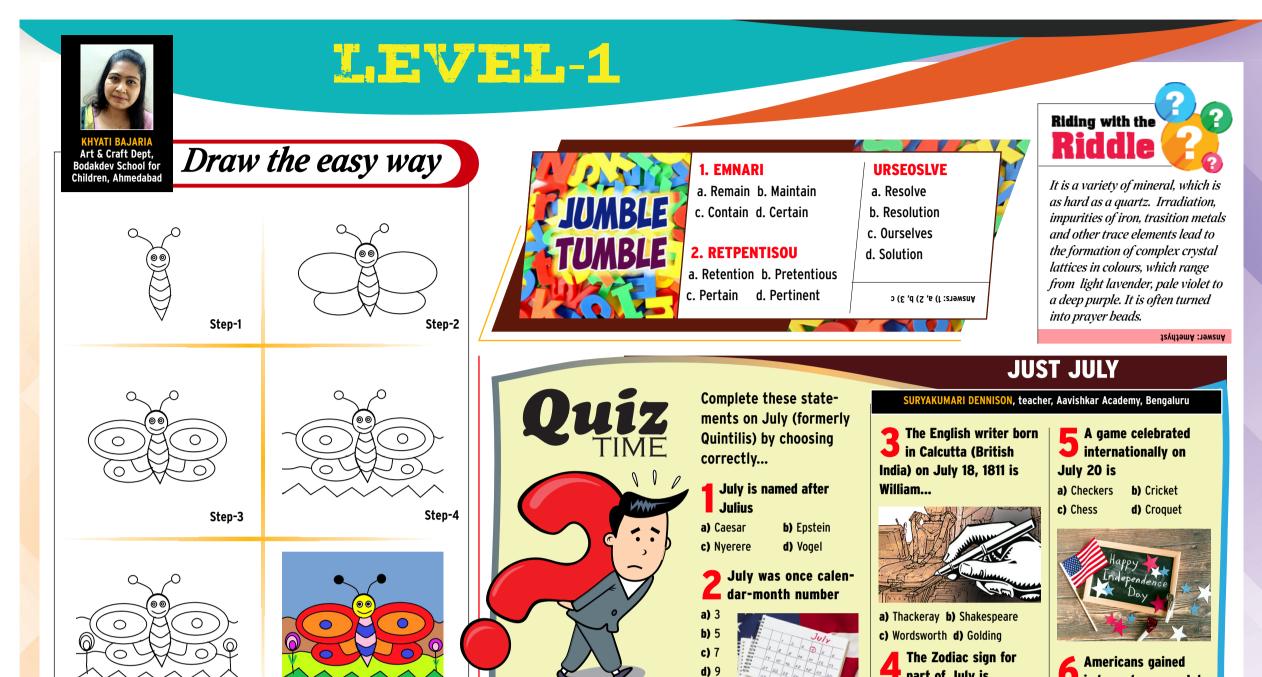
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WIZARD'S CORNER

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"Life is short, but there is always time enough for courtesy." **RALPH WALDO EMERSON, POET**

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LEVEL-2

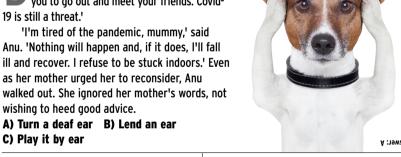
Step-5

(Choose the idiom that best suits the situation)

on't go out, said Anu's mother. 'These are dangerous days, and this is not the time for you to go out and meet your friends. Covid-

Anu. 'Nothing will happen and, if it does, I'll fall ill and recover. I refuse to be stuck indoors.' Even as her mother urged her to reconsider, Anu walked out. She ignored her mother's words, not wishing to heed good advice.

C) Play it by ear





e have a test, announced Rohit. His classmates, aware that he enjoys frightening them, were not amused at his repeated pranks.

A) Go to the dogs B) Smell a rat

TRIVIA

Step-6

esop, who lived in ancient Greece, is famed for his 'Fables'. One of them concerns a shepherd boy, who repeatedly calls for help, pretending that a wolf is attacking his sheep. Villagers keep rushing to the rescue but discover that the boy is fooling them. Finally, a wolf actually appears. When the boy sounds the alarm ('cries wolf'), people think it is just another trick and nobody comes to his aid.



NUMBER SERIES

The least number which when divided by 9, 16, 18 and 22 leaves 5 as remainder in each case. Find the number?

> A. 1584 B. 1589 **C.** 1579 **D.** 1684

> > Answer: B

Find out the average of 5, 9, 13, 17,41, 45, ?

A. 17 B. 21 C. 23 D. 29

The sum of the five consecutive numbers is equal to 210. What is the product of largest and the smallest Number?

A. 1620 B. 1680 **C.** 1760 **D.** 1780

Find the unit digit in the product of (43x73x48x62). A. 6 B. 4 C. 2 D. 3

Weave a story with headlines

Include some of these headlines to make a story and give it a title. Mail the story to us at toinie175@gmail.com. The interesting one will be published in the edition. Watch out for this space!!!

part of July is

b) Scorpio

d) Leo

a) Sagittarius

c) Libra

The headlines:

5) c. Chess, 6) b. 1776

Answer: 1) a. Caesar, 2) b. 5, 3) a. Thackeray, 4) d. Leo

) Maana Patel becomes first Indian female swimmer to qualify for Tokyo Olympics

2) Sherlock Holmes goes digital with GenZ in frame

3) First human-rated test flight for India's Gaganyaan not in 2021

4) Whole wheat veggie momos

5) Gain control over stress eating



1) À quelle heure faut-il arriver? Meaning: What time should it arrive?

2) Est-ce que c'est loin/proche?

Meaning: Is it far/close? 3) Je voudrais réserver un billet

Meaning: I would like to reserve a ticket. 4) Quelles chambres avez-vous de

disponible? MEANING: What rooms do you have available?

5) e voudrais regarder l'horaire MEANING: I would like to look at the schedule.

Work sheet

- Q:1 What will you say if you wish to know how far is a particular place?
- Q:2 How will you ask the hotel to know
- the type of rooms available?
- Q:3 You are at a station and you wish to know what time the train will arrive. What will you ask?
- Q:4 What will you say, if you wish to reserve a ticket?

1) Monsieur, Est-ce que c'est loin? 2) Quelles chambres avez-vous de disponible?

3) A quelle heure faut-il arriver? 4) Je voudrais réserver un billet

FLORIA PAUL

independence on July

b) 1776

d) 1876

4 in the year

a) 1716

c) 1816

DREAMING IN CLASS!

class X, St Augustine Day's

School, Barrackpore

n a lazy afternoon, my teacher was giving a discourse on 'a manner manual for the online world', which was going to be a topic of an upcoming school debate. I was attentive, as I was aiming for the gold. Soon, I got bored and started drawing a garden with a swing. Riding the swing, I thought what keeps me moving now is the joy. Suddenly there was a loud announcement, 'Centre proposes ban on mis-selling, fraudulent flash sales on e-commerce platforms'.

I found myself lying on the floor of my classroom, with the teacher extending her hand for support. She asked me, "Can you please draw your experience in front of the class?" The moment she saw my drawing, she left the classroom say-

ing, "laugh your way to good skin". I realised that it was all in my dreams, but the wisdom is now on my fingertips. I promised myself to cherish that wisdom.



England won their first semi-final since the 1966 World Cup when Harry Kane's extra-time goal, following up after his penalty had been saved, earned a 2-1 victory over Denmark on Wednesday that sent them into Sunday's Euro 2020 final against Italy

member in front of almost 60,000 fans, delirious with joy, England reached European Championship final for the first time, though they had to come from behind as a Simon Kjaer own goal cancelled out Mikkel Damsgaard's superb free kick for the Danes in the first half. The home side were on top throughout but struggled to break down the battling Denmark defence, until they were awarded a penalty in the 103rd-minute after Raheem Sterling went down with minimum contact to allow captain Kane to decide it. It was a tough way for Denmark to end their emotional ride from the fear and distress of Christian Eriksen's opening game collapse to their first semi-final since their shock Euro 92 win, but their exhausted players left Wembley with socks rolled down but heads held high.

On a night to re-

England pass test of nerves

■ England will return on Sunday, 55 years after lifting the World Cup there, but they did it the hard way. They had reached the semis without conceding a goal and it needed something special to pierce their rearguard as Damsgaard fired a powerful, dipping 25-yard free kick over the wall and beyond the diving Jordan Pickford _the tourna-

ment's first goal direct from a free kick _after 30 minutes. The crowd were stunned, that had not been in the script, and the question of how England would respond to their first real taste of adversity would now be addressed. The answer was calmly and patiently, as they passed their way back into the ascendancy

Italy are a very good side. I've thought that the last couple of years. They are in outstanding form and have defensive warriors who have been through everything. It's a great game to look forward to. **GARETH SOUTHGATE, England Manager**

Schmeichel Denmark's hero

Raheem Sterling was denied at point-blank range by Kasper Schmeichel before the 39th-minute equaliser, ring around Wembley. REUTERS

when Bukayo Saka hit the byline and fizzed over a low cross that Kjaer bundled over his own line in his attempt to stop the ball reaching Sterling. Schmeichel was on hand again with an excellent diving save to palm away a

Maguire header and England began to turn the screw. However, despite all the pressure and relentless passing and probing around the box, England struggled to carve out a clear opening and the match rolled into extra time.

Electric atmosphere

■ The extra 30 minutes became a virtual attack v defence exercise, as Schmeichel saved again from Kane and Jack Grealish. Sterling continued to drive into the box and was eventually brought down by Joakim Maehle for the VAR-reviewed penalty that Kane stuck poorly and Schmeichel blocked, only for the captain to tuck home the rebound. England then had to negotiate the last 15 minutes and managed it to spark the loudest, of "Football's Coming Home", ever to



'MY LAST WIMBLEDON? I DON'T KNOW':

The Swiss champ crashed out of Wimbledon in the guarter-finals at the hands of Poland's Hubert Hurkacz on Wednesday, but insisted he will not be rushed into retirement even with his 40th birthday just five weeks away

ederer, the 20-time Grand Slam title winner, lost 6-3, 7-6 (7/4), 6-0 to a player 15 years his junior. It was only the eight-time Wimbledon champion's 14th defeat at the tournament in 119 matches and his first straight-sets loss since an opening round exit against Mario

It was also the first time he had lost a set 6-0 at Wimbledon and just the third time at a Slam. The other two occasions both

came at the French Open -against Pat Rafter in 1999 and Rafael Nadal in 2008.

No grand slam since 2018

"I don't know. I really don't know. I've got to regroup," said Federer when asked if his Wimbledon career was over. "With everything that comes after Wimbledon, we were always going to sit down and talk about it because clearly now Wimbledon is over. I got to take a few days. "Just see, Okay, what do I need to do to get in better shape so I can be more competitive."

Those discussions will also centre on his participation in the Olympic Games in Tokyo which start in just over two weeks' time. Federer is now without a Slam since the 2018 Australian Open but he had two match points to

beat Novak Djokovic in the epic 2019 Wimbledon final. Federer had only played eight matches this year before Wimbledon as he

recovered from two knee surgeries in 2020. World number 18 Hurkacz, 24, had never got beyond the third round of a Grand Slam before this Wimbledon. However, boosted by having defeated world number two Daniil Medvedev in five sets in the last 16, he was a break up on a sluggish-looking Federer in the sixth game of the opening set. The Swiss star carved out a break for 2-0 in the second set. He couldn't hang on and Hurkacz levelled in the seventh game from 1-4 down before dominating the tiebreak. Hurkacz wrapped up the decider in just 29 minutes. AFP

NO REPLACEMENT FOR SHUBMAN GILL



sending a replacement for the injured Shubman Gill to England and Team India will have to make do with the 23 available players for the series starting next month.

BCCI sources confirmed the development and said that "When Prithvi Shaw was not considered in the pool of 24 players who travelled, why should it be any different now? As for Devdutt Padikkal, well, he's a great talent but doesn't deserve to be pushed to the wall like this. His time will come".

The Board expects the team management to give Abhimanyu Easwaran, the 25-year-old openrer from Bengal, an opportunities should an occasion arise. Aas long as everything goes well, Rohit Sharma and Mayank Agarwal will continue to be the openers in England.

QUIZ TIME!

1. Who has become the first Indian to qualify for the Tokyo Olympics in 400m hurdles? a) Avinash Sable $\ \square$ b) MP Jabir $\ \square$

c) Dharun Ayyasamy 🚨

d) Govindan Lakshmanan 🔲

• Who won the 2019 US Open Men's title?

a) Roger Federer b) Rafael Nadal c) Daniil Medvedev 🔲 d) Novak Djokovic 🖵

3. Who is the first Indian to cross seven important

seas by swimming?

a) Virdhawal Khade $\ \square$ b) Kushagra Rawat $\ \square$ c) Rohan More 🔲 d) Sajan Prakash 🖵

Q4. Which one of the following Cricketers has been declared by the ICC as 'Cricketer of the Twentieth Century?

a) Sachin Tendulkar 🔲 b) Rahul Dravid 🖵 c) Anil Kumble 🔲 d) Kapil Dev 🖵

Q5. The term 'Gambit 'is associated with

a) Tennis b) Football c) Chess 🔲 d) Basketball 🖵

6. Against which team did Virender Sehwag make his one day international debut? a) Pakistan 🔲 b) Sri Lanka 🔲

c) New Zealand 🔲 d) England 🖵



7. In which year did the Indian football team made its first appearance at Olympics?

Q8. 'Queen's berry rules' is the name given to the rules in a) Cricket \Box b) Tennis \Box

c) Hockey \Box d) Boxing \Box Q9. How long are professional Golf Tour Players allotted

per shot?

a) 22 seconds b) 36 seconds D c) 41 seconds d) 45 seconds d

Q10. Which is the only woman to have won the three Wimbledon titles in a row?

a) Steffi Graff 🔲 b) Maria Sharapova 🖵 c) Serena Williams 🔲 d) Martina Navratilova 🖵

11. In archery, what shape is • the target

a) Square \Box b) Rectangle \Box c) Round \Box d) Triangle \Box

1 ? . Who is the first Indian L . to take a hat trick in an international test?

a) Harbajan Singh 🔲 b) Jasu Patel 🔲 c) Kapil Dev 🔲 d) B. S. Chandra Sekhar 🔲

WERS: 1. b. MP Jabir 2. b. Rafael Nadal 3. c. Rohan More 4. d. Kapil Dev 5. c. Chess 6. a. Pakistan 7. b. 1948 8. d. Boxing 9. d. 45 seconds 10. a. Steffi Graff 11. c. Round 12. a. Harbajan Singh