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Chinese mobile apps, including Alibaba Workbench, AliExpress, Alipay Cashier, CamCard and WeDate, have been blocked by the government for engaging in activities prejudicial to India's sovereignty, integrity, defence, security and public order. With the latest move, India has banned 267 apps in addition to getting countries, such as the US to follow suit

FACTOID

The government said the action was taken under Section 69A of the IT Act



Earlier on June 29, the government had blocked access to 59 Chinese apps, including hugely popular TikTok and UC Browser

On September 2, another 118 apps, comprising PUBG Mobile Nordic Map, Livik, PUBG Mobile Lite, WeChat Work, Baidu, Tencent Weiyun, among others, were banned

THE IMPACT

The move comes as a setback to the Chinese giant Alibaba, which is the biggest investor in fin-tech firm Paytm and also backs online grocer BigBasket. The Chinese tech giant was also forced to put on hold its plans to invest in Indian companies following the border tensions between the two nuclear-armed countries. The government's slew of app bans have also jolted the ambitions of Chinese tech titans, such as Bytedance and Tencent in the past, as a measure to reduce Beijing's influence in its burgeoning internet economy

China resolutely opposes India's measures to ban more Chinese mobile applications over national security concerns
Embassy of China



Right to be forgotten

WHAT

Acknowledging the 'Right to be Forgotten' as yet another facet of Article 21 of the Indian Constitution relating to Right to Life and Personal Liberty, the Orissa high court has advocated for the enforcement of such a right through the "process of court". The right to be forgotten is the right to have private information about a person removed from internet searches and other directories under some circumstances.



X-PLAINED



Prevalent in West

The European data privacy law, the GDPR, empowers members of the public to make a request to any organisation – Facebook or YouTube – verbally or in writing for relevant content to be erased. However, the decision solely depends on the platforms, if they are compelled to comply or not

WHY

According to the court, it would be a remedy to victims, whose compromising videos or pictures were posted online by spurned lovers to intimidate or harass them. India, at present, has no such law.

HOW

According to Article 21 of the Constitution, no person shall be deprived of his/her life or personal liberty, except according to the procedure established by law.

THE OTHER SIDE

Such a law, however, needs its checks and balances. Google, for instance, argued in a petition against the French data authority, CNIL that blanket enforcement of the right to be forgotten could, in some cases, harm the public's right to information – for instance, an ex-convict's request that all online posts on the case be erased

Google had challenged a 2015 ruling by CNIL demanding that a French law on 'right to be forgotten' be enforced globally

The European Court of Justice last year ruled that the law did not apply outside the European Union

Spotlight

Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu, Abu Dhabi Crown Prince nominated for 2021 Nobel Peace Prize



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Abu Dhabi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan have been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, 2021, for their roles in establishing diplomatic ties between their countries. The Nobel Prize Committee will review Netanyahu's and Al Nahyan's candidacies.

On September 15, US President Donald Trump presided over a signing ceremony, called the Abraham Accord between Israel, Bahrain and the UAE. According to the Abraham Accord signed by the two Gulf countries, Bahrain and the UAE, they have now joined Egypt and Jordan as the only Arab nations to have full relations with Israel

RAGING FLOODS ONCE DISRUPTED MARS



SPACE

Analysing data collected by NASA's Curiosity rover, scientists have found that floods of unimaginable magnitude once washed through the Gale Crater on Mars' equator around four billion years ago. The finding hints at the possibility that life may have existed on the Red Planet.

- The raging megaflood, according to researchers likely touched off by the heat of a meteoritic impact, which unleashed ice stored on the Martian surface, set up gigantic ripples that are tell-tale geologic structures familiar to scientists on Earth
- As is the case on Earth, geological features, including the work of water and wind have been frozen in time on Mars for about four billion years. These features convey processes that shaped the surface of both the planets in the past
- The most likely cause of the Mars flooding was the melting of ice from the heat generated by a large impact, which released carbon dioxide and methane from the planet's frozen reservoirs
- The water vapour and release of gases combined to produce a short period of warm and wet conditions on the Red planet

The Curiosity rover science team has already established that Gale Crater once had persistent lakes and streams in the ancient past
These long-lived bodies of water are good indicators that the crater, as well as Mount Sharp within it, were capable of supporting microbial life



Probably many of you might be thinking it is the worst time for the economy, worst time for society, worst time for mankind because this is the time of acute pain, distress, anxiety, a lot of uncertainty and where we do not know what tomorrow holds. Yet my young friends, this is a time of immense strength for us as human beings. This is the time, when we can come together and do things that we want to do. Purpose is the guiding spirit of your life. This is not materialistic but it is what you want to be remembered for as a human being
SURESH NARAYANAN, CMD, Nestle, India, addressing youngsters

Quote unquote

'DELHI CRIME' BAGS TOP PRIZE AT INTERNATIONAL EMMY AWARDS 2020

Neflix's India Original series, 'Delhi Crime', helmed by Indian-Canadian director Richie Mehta, has bagged the best drama series honour at the 48th International Emmy Awards. Two other Emmy nominations from India included Amazon Prime Video's 'Four More Shots' and Arjun Mathur for his role in drama 'Made in Heaven' in the best comedy and actor categories respectively. Both couldn't register wins.

Told from the perspective of the Delhi Police team investigating the crime that made global headlines, the series deconstructs the case of a 23-year-old physiotherapy intern, who was abducted and gangraped in a moving bus on the night of December 16, 2012, before she was abandoned on a Delhi road



DELHI CRIME

CYCLONE NIVAR TO HIT TN

Several flights were cancelled and a public holiday declared to prepare for cyclone Nivar, which is expected to intensify into a "very severe cyclonic storm" and cross Tamil Nadu and Puducherry coasts between Karaikal and Mamallapuram late in the evening of November 25. Nearly 1,200 National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) rescue personnel have been deployed in Tamil Nadu, AP and Puducherry.

Tokyo Olympics: Many rules, no partying, no hanging around

Athletes at the Tokyo Olympics won't have the luxury of hanging around once they've wrapped up their event. No nights or early mornings stay will be allowed. Instead of getting to know their global neighbours, Olympic athletes will be encouraged to leave Japan a day or two after they've finished competing, said Olympic officials. From the opening ceremony to life in the village on Tokyo Bay, the postponed 2020 Olympics will have stringent rules and guidelines, and maybe vaccines and rapid testing to pull off the games in the middle of a pandemic that has been blamed for more than a million deaths worldwide.



SPORTS

The opening ceremony would be restricted to only athletes and a maximum of six team officials. In the past, dozens of officials, at times 50, were allowed to march. All 206 countries would be represented in the opening ceremony, and a full contingent of 11,000 athletes will compete in the games. But the opening ceremony parade is likely to look smaller

NEWS IN BRIEF

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BOOK-ED

3 Indian writers join Obama's 'A Promised Land' in NYT's '100 Notable Books' list

Critically-acclaimed books by three Indian writers have featured among this year's '100 Notable Books' list of The New York Times that also includes former US president Barack Obama's newly-released memoir 'A Promised Land'.

Editors of The New York Times Book Review selected 100 "notable fiction, poetry and non-fiction" works from around the world

The prestigious list also includes the work of fiction 'A Burning' by Indian-born Megha Majumdar

'Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line' by Deepa Anappara, who grew up in Kerala, also features on the list

'Red Pill' by British-Indian author Hari Kunzru also made it to the list



IN THE NEWS

ELON MUSK: SECOND RICHEST IN THE WORLD

Billionaire entrepreneur Elon Musk has added over \$100 billion to his wealth this year, and has surpassed Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates as the world's second-richest person.

Tesla Inc Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Musk, 49, net worth surged \$7.2 billion to \$127.9 billion—above Gates at \$127.7 billion for the first time—triggered by yet another 7 per cent jump in Tesla's stock price. Precisely, Musk has added \$100.3 billion to his net worth this year, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index, a ranking of the world's 500 richest people



IN JANUARY, HE WAS RANKED 35TH



Chocolate Santa gets a Covid makeover

Hungarian confectioner's light-hearted attempt at raising awareness about wearing masks amid the Covid-19 pandemic has turned out to be a viral sensation that has helped his business to grow. Laszlo Rimocz's chocolate Santas with marzipan masks has become an instant hit among dessert lovers. As his orders keep surging online, Laszlo is finding it difficult to keep pace. He paints the hat of the Santas red and creates masks for them from marzipan strips.

Marzipan is a sweet yellow or white paste of ground almonds, sugar, and egg whites used to coat cakes or to make confectionery



5 REASONS

Why you need to take up Community Service

Many people are typically introduced to the idea of community service beginning in high school. As a young person, these opportunities may have presented themselves similar to chores outside of school. For many students, at the beginning they often participate due to required classes or other responsibilities handed to them. But there is so much more to community service, from personal growth to the benefits neighbourhoods receive and the improvements to the quality of life that come from these efforts. Here are a few reasons...



Improve Your Health

It's a well-known fact that volunteering can have many mental health benefits. Studies have shown that by engaging in community service, you make connections that positively influence your mood, and can aid in coping with depression. People who volunteer may find themselves ditching that pattern of loneliness and isolation by involving themselves in mind occupying tasks that distract many from negative feelings/ thoughts. A study conducted by John Hopkins University revealed that volunteering can actually increase brain functionality. Not only can community service contribute to coping with depression, it can also improve your physical health. Community service can increase physical activity, which can contribute to lower blood pressure. It can also reduce stress, which is often linked to bad health diagnoses.



long, hard, and stressful. For some jobs, the company you are interested in may value community service leaders, including volunteers. Why? Well, your community service may have taught you skills that you can use to benefit your employer. A study conducted by the Center for Economic & Policy Research found that community service increases your chances of receiving an offer. Unemployed individuals who participated in between 20-99 hours of community service a year, were about 7 per cent more likely to gain employment.

If you have any interesting community service ideas, feel free to share with us at timesnie175@gmail.com

Personal Growth & Development

When it comes to personal development, there is always room to grow. Community service allows you to practice not only good social skills, but build self-esteem, empathy, and learn from many perspectives depending on your community service activity. Volunteering can also give you a sense of purpose, allowing you to get out of your comfort zone and interact with different people, and make new connections.

Get Ready for College Admissions

For high school students, community service is crucial when applying to your dream school. For a lot of colleges, your volunteer experience can go a long way to showing your dedication to your community, as well as as-

sisting you in creating a great admissions essay prior to your enrollment. Colleges don't just want to see those grades. They want to know that you have stepped outside your classroom and engaged with your community. If you can show that you care about your community and have a likelihood of being involved in your school's campus life, those are traits that are in demand.

Job Benefits

Attention soon-to-be college graduates, the time is here to start searching for potential opportunities. The process can be



Service is Good

Participating in community service allows students to be active within their community while also leaving a positive impact on society at any scale. You can show initiative by donating cans to your school's food pantry, recycle plastic, etc.

5 WAYS TO BOOST YOUR HAIR GROWTH

When it comes to maintaining healthy hair growth, there's no one trick! From eating good food to the right cleaning techniques, there are many factors to look at. If you're looking for easy ways to boost hair growth, then follow these tips.



1. MASSAGING

Regular hair massages can boost hair growth. Be it masks or oils, massaging stimulates the scalp, which helps to improve hair thickness.



2. TRY COCONUT OIL

This oil is known as one of the best oils for hair. Loaded with fatty acids, it helps to boost protein in hair. This can make your hair shiny and also nourish it from within.

3. ADD OMEGA IN YOUR DIET

One of the best supplements for your hair is omega. It helps to revive hair loss and promote hair growth. However, one must consult a doctor before taking any supplement.

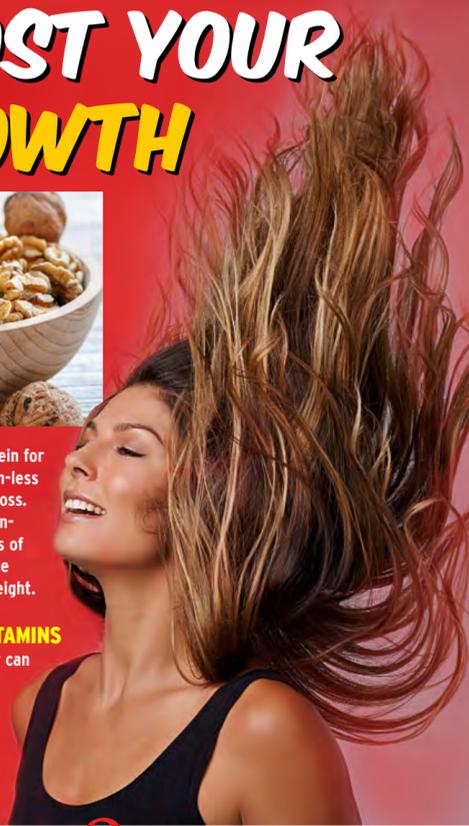
quate amount of protein for healthy hair. A protein-less diet can lead to hair loss. Ideally, one should consume 50 to 100 grams of protein per day, on the basis of their body weight.

5. ALSO, ADD VITAMINS

Nutritional deficiency can also lead to hair loss and thinning. Eat a well-balanced diet to boost your overall health and nourish hair.

4. ADD PROTEIN TO YOUR DIET

It is important to eat an ade-



QUIZ TIME (WORLD HISTORY)

0.1) Who was the President of America during the American Civil War?



the Falklands War?

- A. Britain and France
- B. Germany and Austria
- C. Argentina and Britain
- D. Austria and Russia

0.3) The Aztec civilisation originated in which country?

- A. USA B. Greece
- C. Egypt D. Mexico

0.4) St Petersburg city was founded by...

- A. Peter the Great B. Feodor III
- C. Catherine I D. Peter II

0.5) Which king was guillotined during the French Revolution in 1793?

- A. Charles X B. Louis XIII
- C. Henry IV D. Louis XVI

ANSWERS

- 1. A) Abraham Lincoln 2. C) Argentina and Britain
- 3. D) Mexico 4. A) Peter the Great 5. D) Louis XVI

KNOWLEDGE BANK (NATURE)

Giant Panda

Giant pandas can't stand, but they are good tree climbers; they can climb trees from the age of 7 months. They are just like other bears and can swim. Pandas are born looking like baby badgers – fur-less, pink and blind. The iconic black and white colour comes later, after about three weeks. Not all giant pandas are black and white! A few are brown and white, but these are very rare.



EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

Develop a story based on the pictures in around 250 words. Send your entry along with your name, class, school and picture at toinie175@gmail.com



GRAMMATICAL MISTAKES

1. SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT ERRORS

The subject and verb of a sentence must agree with one another in number whether they are singular or plural. If the subject of the sentence is singular, its verb must also be singular; and if the subject is plural, the verb must also be plural.

HOW NOT TO DO IT:

An important part of my life **have** been the people who stood by me.

HOW TO DO IT PROPERLY:

An important part of my life **has** been the people who stood by me.

WORD WISE

Coalesce: (v) To grow together or into one body. To unite so as to form one mass, community, etc. To blend or come together.

Synonymous words: consolidate, integrate, fuse, unite, incorporate, combine, connect, merge, amalgamate, associate,

relate, conjoin, mingle, join, mix, etc.

Examples: ■ The two lakes **coalesced** into one. ■ The various groups **coalesced** into a crowd. ■ Their ideas **coalesced** into one theory. ■ The environmental community needed a fight around which to **coalesce**.

MEMOIRS AND BIOGRAPHIES RELEASED IN 2020 YOU MUST READ

Memoirs and biographies are a way for the readers to enter the lives of personalities or celebrities that they admire. The larger-than-life that they live, the struggles that they don't talk about generally and the deepest secrets that they don't reveal to anyone – all are subjects of intense speculation. Here are a few memoirs that were released this year which you could read...



'A PROMISED LAND' Barack Obama

In this, Barack Obama, the first African-American president of the United States, tells the story of his unbelievable journey from a young man searching for his identity to a leader of the masses. In the course of doing so, he describes his political education and the groundbreaking moments of the first term...

'LIFT OFF: THE STORY OF CONZERV' by Hema Hattangady

In 1996, Hema Hattangady took over as the CEO of ConzerV, a family-owned firm based in Bangalore that manufactured digital energy meters. Over the next twelve years, she grew it to a ₹100 crore market leader, which was also by then India's largest energy-management company.



'OPEN BOOK' by Jessica Simpson

The book's blurb best describes the inside contents: "This is a memoir of faith, of love of family, of tragedy and of triumph. It shares the heart of this relatable girl-next-door millions of women have grown up idolising. Jessica will disarm you with her honesty and inspire you to admit your own mistakes.

'HAPPY FOR NO REASON' by Mandira Bedi

In her own chaotic way, Mandira Bedi, a fitness icon, seems to have discovered some kind of non-scientific, non-spiritual and non-existent formula for finding peace in everything—just being happy for no reason. This book is about the journey of reaching this point.



'More Myself: A Journey' by Alicia Keys

In this part autobiography and part narrative documentary, Alicia Keys, one of the most celebrated musicians in the world, shares her quest for truth about herself, her past, and her shift from sacrificing her spirit to celebrating her worth.



HUMAN VALUES AND CREATIVE SOCIETY

Basic human values refer to those values which are at the core of being human. The values which are considered basic inherent values in humans include truth, honesty, loyalty, love, peace, etc. because they bring out the fundamental goodness of human beings and society at large.

Human values are the virtues that guide us to take into account the human element when one interacts with other human beings. They are the many positive dispositions that create bonds of humanity between people and thus have value for all of us as human beings. They are our strong positive feelings for the human essence of the other. It's both what we expect others to do to us and what we aim to give to



Nikita Kothari, Principal

other human beings. These human values have the effect of bonding, comforting, reassuring and procuring serenity.

Human Values play a very leading role in Present Educational Institutions. Human values take precedence over social values. It is now withering very fast for which we humans are most responsible.

Value-based education should be emphasized ranging from school to university level of education.

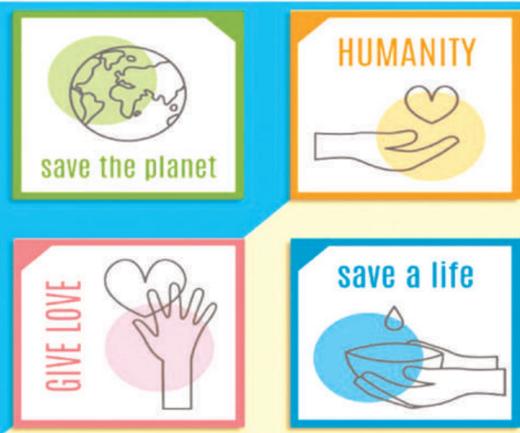
Nikita Kothari, principal Arunodaya Public School, Thane, emphasized importance of human values in today's time and its relevance in the school education system.

She spoke about various references from Bhagwad Geeta in her sessions with Allatra TV Program Creative Society. The principal shared her views on the importance of becoming a real human being.

She elaborated her opinion that it is the need of the hour that we must teach Human values to children. She was instrumental in spreading the Peace message globally and elaborated on eight pillars of creative society - Human Life, Human Freedom, Human Safety, Justice & equality, Transparency and openness of Information for all, development of Personality, Right to education, Self-governing Society

Human values are the foundation for any viable life within society; they build space for a drive, a movement towards one another, which leads to peace.

Human values thus are universal, they are shared by all human beings, whatever their religion, their nationality, their culture, their personal history.



DEVELOP A HOBBY

REVATHI IYER, TEACHER, HOLY ANGELS' SCHOOL, DOMBIVLI

Hobby defined as a past-time which plays a great role in rejuvenating oneself.

Hobbies are quite important for students. Hobbies are known to add value to one's personality.

Students have to develop hobbies according to their interest, other than their academic activities.

A hobby helps students to get a diversion from studies, their regular routine and refreshes them. Singing, dancing, playing games, collecting stamps, reading, writing, watching birds, photography etc. are some of hobbies which students can develop according to their ability and interest.

Hobby serves as a 'Refreshing Catalyst' for students when they are saturated with their mechanical school schedule and prompts them to become energetic and fresh.

Hobbies, if developed sincerely can become a career, for some.

There are instances where hobbies have made students come out of their boredom of studies.

It is therefore important students to invariably choose a hobby and make it a stress buster and later they may also make a career out of it.

As young minds are vulnerable leaving them directionless may



prove hazardous. So along with studies, hobbies would help them to think constructively and positively and also redefine their personality, on the whole.

I would therefore implore children to tap into their preferences and decide to develop a hobby of their choice, one which is entertaining, informative and interesting, at once.



DIWALI CELEBRATION

To mark Diwali Celebration, Narayana eTechno School, eChamps section of Kalyan Branch organised various virtual activities which included 'diya' and 'thali' decoration, paper lamp-making and paper rangoli decoration. Teachers also decorated candles and lighted the diyas. This time it was a double celebration as Children's Day was also celebrated along with Diwali. Teachers refreshed their memories by sharing videos with message of love and encouragement for the students on the occasion of Children's Day. The school Principal Ms. Savita Rathi showered her blessings and wished prosperity, health and success to all the students and all the staff members through virtual medium.



WEEKEND PLAN

No one wants to spend a weekend studying and completing assignments, especially when we've spent the entire week doing so! And after a week as exhausting as that, all we dream to do is binge our favorite show for hours! Now, believe me or not: It is not the right way to relax! And focusing on your computer for long hours to watch your favourite thriller, certainly won't help with your health. The way I usually spend my weekends is: after waking up, a few minutes of exercise or if I'm not feeling like it, playtime with my little brother makes up for it! Then, a healthy breakfast with a glass of milk, and after



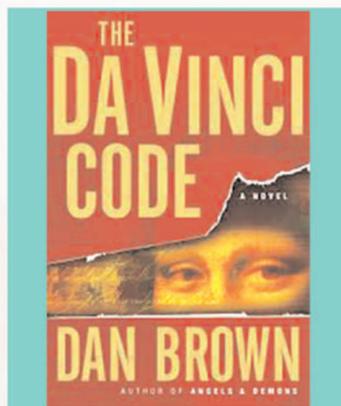
that, I'd start planning about what I would like to do for the rest of the day. Weekends should be used to hone hobbies and skills, so, I'd make sure that I include my hobbies in the plan and that I spend my weekend doing what I love doing most. Designing, writing, cooking and listening to my favourite music are some great ways for me to unwind.

No amount of time will be wasted if you are doing what you love!

Twisha Karra, class IX, Fr Agnel Multipurpose School and Jr College, Ambarth West



BOOK: THE DA VINCI CODE BY DAN BROWN



I had heard many times before that The Da Vinci Code written by Dan Brown is like a Holy Grail (reference intended) for hungry mystery seekers. However after reading it myself, I think calling it a "Thrilling Book" is an understatement. The book follows Harvard Symbologist Robert Langdon and Cryptologist Sophie Neveu through Paris following a series of clues leading to an ancient buried secret as well as solving a murder mystery which traces its cause to the infamous Mona Lisa in The Louvre Museum and its painter, Leonardo DaVinci. The overview may seem boring or generic but I promise that once you read it, your perspective will change. Not only does it have interesting mysteries and clues to solve that will keep you on the edge of your seat but also gives facts that will blow your mind. Not to mention the background of the characters is also intriguing. I hope you read it!

Avani Pandit, class IX, Apeejay School, Nerul, Navi Mumbai



STUDENT'S PEN

AESTHETICALLY OBSCURE

We as beings have known and perceived things as different wholes, wrapped in the blanket of considerations which only drives us to share our warmth with the objects only so deemed as aesthetically pleasing. This has blinded us to a limit, where stars in their own beauty are nothing but a subject of exquisity whereas the night in where they shine is associated with nothing but a dark void only to be related to the melancholic emotions of a human.

It's always been a subject of pondering as to why colours and shades, pastel are a remedy, healing the to eyes or where some colours are naturally not worth the appreciation. Never to be debated, when these colours come together, drizzled on a canvas only take form of another aesthetical piece.

The stars are beautiful but the night is too! Yet the blinding dark instilled in us only allows those twinkling wonders to climb their way up our ir-



rational ladder of worth and attention. We have forgotten to consider the beauty of the things not the most pleasing although unparalleled in their own ways. Perhaps aesthetic to was now means anything merely of tranquil and pleasing appearance on the outside rather than the euphoric escapade of perceiving it all together.

Maybe it's time we remove the blindfold of igno-

rance and paint the stars with the dark.

The divine and it's creation, formless much have a unique identity in spite of being furlid in obscurity Isn't the aesthetic appeal of the unknown, enticing enough?

Kritika Agrawal, class X, Ryan International School, Kandivali



A MAN ON THE ROAD

There is a man on the road with a mask on his face Nervously he trudges, disconcerted by silence

interrupted by only the grumbling of his stomach that clings close To his ribs

Like a starved hyena Desperately he trudges With a torn mask on his face, There is a man on the road

SHIVANK MENON, class X, Singapore International School

IND TOUR OF AUS

Has IPL reduced ugly sledging?

There used to be a time when Australian cricketers were among the most aggressive on the field and would often be found sledging the opponents in order to get into their head. The current Aussie side, however, refrains from sledging Indians during international cricket matches. Is the change in behaviour due to the 'IPL factor'?

IPL BRINGS PLAYERS CLOSER
IPL has done a lot in terms of fostering respect for each other. I would never ever be able to do it (sledging) with AB (de Villiers). There is a friendship that lasts much longer than all these.
Virat Kohli, Indian captain

WON'T RESPOND TO SLEDGING ATTEMPTS
To try and get engaged, that's the way they (India) like to play as well. We're (Australia) learning over time, trying not to engage in that. Probably try and reverse the effect by trying and ignoring it, trying to take it on board and using it against them by using your bat. You've got to be a bit more humble in that respect.
David Warner, Australian cricketer

IPL DEALS MADE AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS SCARED
Everybody knows how powerful India is in regards to financial part of the game, internationally or domestically with the IPL. The players were like: 'I'm not going to sledge Kohli, I want him to pick me for Bangalore so I can make my USD 1 million for my six weeks'. I feel Australia went through that little phase where our cricket became a little bit softer or not as hard as we're accustomed to seeing.
Michael Clarke, ex-Aus captain

NO ROOM FOR ABUSE, PLENTY FOR BANTER
If you're facing Warne (Shane Warne), Glenn McGrath or bowling against Steve Waugh, Adam Gilchrist or Ricky Ponting I think that makes you more nervous than a few words that might be spoken... anyone who has watched the last couple of years we talk about our behaviours on and off the field and we talked that there's no room for abuse. There's plenty of room for banter and having that competitive instinct.
Justin Langer, Australia's head coach

IPL BREAKS BARRIERS
It (IPL) breaks down those barriers and you get to know players off the field which is probably the most important piece to know. Once you get to know people and what they are like off the field, you start building true friendships. You go to families and friends, that's when I guess you start to develop some new relationships.
Moises Henriques, Australian player



Ganguly picks India's two best wicket-keeper batsmen

The competition for places for the wicket-keeper's spot in the Indian team has been intense. Pant, Saha, Rahul, Samson are among the top contenders at present

Pant's name emerged as the primary candidate to replace Dhoni ever since he broke into the national team but a string of unimpressive performances saw him being phased out. While Pant's chances of cementing a spot in the team remain slim at present, Ganguly still feels that the Delhi cricketer and Wriddhiman Saha are the two best wicket-keeper batsmen in the team.

He (Pant) and Wriddhiman Saha are our two best wicketkeeper-batsmen in the country. His (Pant) bat swing will come back. He is a young guy and all of us need to guide him. He's got tremendous talent. Rishabh will be fine.
Sourav Ganguly, former Indian captain

Olivier Giroud fires Chelsea into Champions League last 16

Chelsea reached the last 16 of the Champions League with two matches to spare after a late Olivier Giroud strike gave the Blues a 2-1 win over Rennes. The France forward's powerful header in stoppage time snatched the points for Frank Lampard's side after Serhou Guirassy had levelled Callum Hudson-Odoi's first-half opener.

Zlatan Ibrahimovic wins 12th Golden Ball in Sweden

Zlatan Ibrahimovic won Swedish football's Golden Ball for a record-extending 12th time and Chelsea's Magdalena Eriksson received her first Diamond Ball as the country crowned its best players of the year in an online awards ceremony on Monday. Sweden's record scorer with 62 goals in 116 internationals, the 39-year-old Ibrahimovic has been in superb form for AC Milan, leading the jury to award him his first Golden Ball since 2016, the year he retired from the national team.



Rahul ready to don triple responsibility

Shouldered with triple responsibility - of a wicketkeeper, premier batsman, and vice-captain of the Indian limited overs teams - KL Rahul said that the recent experience in the Indian Premier League (IPL) has given him a feeler for the multiple roles

KL Rahul is enjoying his wicket-keeper-batsman role in India's limited-overs squad and wants to hold on to the job with three World Cups looming in the next three years. Part-time stumper Rahul kept wickets during India's one-day series in New Zealand in February and reprised the role for Kings XI Punjab in this year's Indian Premier League. He will continue behind the stumps in the limited-overs series in Australia but denied it was part of India's bigger plans keeping in mind the Twenty20 World Cups in 2021 and 2022 and the 50-overs World Cup in 2023.

I did get a little bit of a feeler with the IPL. I had to play similar roles there as well. It was challenging, it was new. I think, I got used to that role. Started enjoying it, so I think I will hopefully continue the same here.

If I keep getting consistent performances with the bat and the gloves it obviously gives us the option of playing an extra bowler and an extra batter. Just helps the team combination most. Personally I would love to do. If the opportunity presents itself, I can keep for the three World Cups, I'd love to do for my country. KL Rahul