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**STUDENT EDITION**

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**WEB EDITION**

**CBSE BOARD, JEE, NEET 2021 EXAM DATES**



**Share your queries, concerns with the education minister**

As Boards and testing agencies get ready for the 2021 academic calendar, the biggest questions that seek answers are the questions on CBSE Board Exam, JEE Main and NEET 2021 exam dates. Union education minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank would go live on Twitter and Facebook to answer these questions on **DECEMBER 10, 2020**. He has invited concerns, suggestions and opinions of students, teachers and parents for the same. Here's how you can share your voice...

- ▶ Share your suggestion, concerns and opinion with the hashtag- #EducationMinisterGoesLive and tweet it
- ▶ You can also leave your query on the education minister's Facebook and Twitter pages

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**X-PLAINED**

## Why are cyclones growing more severe and frequent in India?

**WHAT** Just days after the devastating Cyclone Nivar barreled into Tamil Nadu, the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a warning that another storm, 'Burevi' is on its way towards southern Tamil Nadu from the coast of Sri Lanka. In anticipation of the storm, the IMD has issued a red alert for both Tamil Nadu and Kerala, with both regions expected to receive heavy rainfall.

**WHY** The primary factors that drive the frequency and intensity of cyclones are sea surface temperatures and humidity. Warming seas, courtesy climate change, is making cyclones more powerful by increasing the potential energy available to them, effectively increasing their power ceiling or speed limit. Higher sea-surface temperatures mean increased cyclonic wind speeds. Besides, unplanned urban development, and destruction of mangroves that contribute to climate change, is also responsible for making cyclones more intense, with stronger sustained winds and frequent rain.

**WHERE** While the Bay of Bengal has historically been the main progenitor of cyclonic activity, in recent years, a new trend has emerged in the form of post-monsoon tropical cyclones arising from the Arabian Sea. According to the National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (NCRMP) the data collected between 1980 and 2000, around 58 per cent of cyclones that formed in the Bay of Bengal struck India's eastern coast compared to 25 per cent of those formed in the Arabian Sea. In 2019, however, the number of cyclones on the West Coast of India increased significantly.

**THE IMPACT**

- ▶ The warming of the ocean also increases extreme waves, combined with relative sea level rise, exacerbating extreme sea level events and coastal hazards, such as floods and heavy rainfall
- ▶ Multiple studies claim that India's largest coastal cities, like Mumbai and Kolkata, are facing the severest threats from climate-induced flooding
- ▶ Planned and unplanned development in the most-ecologically sensitive zones in these cities fail to address the risks of climate change-related flooding

**DID YOU KNOW?** A 2019 IMD report indicated that the sea surface temperature in the Arabian Sea had risen by a worrying 0.36 degrees Celsius, compared with baseline temperatures between 1981 and 2010. Coupled with corresponding increases in ocean heat led to the increased formation of 'very severe cyclonic storms' and 'super-cyclones'

**QUIZ TIME**

- How many types of cyclones are there?  
A. 2 B. 3 C. 4 D. None of the above
- Temperate cyclones are also termed as.....  
A. Extra-Tropical B. Wave Cyclones C. Depressions D. All the above
- Which term for Cyclone is applied in the China Sea and the Pacific Ocean?  
A. Hurricane B. Typhoon C. Tornadoes D. None of the above

**ANSWERS:**  
1) A 2) D 3) B

**VIEWPOINT**

## Rahul Dravid bats for T20 cricket in Olympics

Former Indian captain Rahul Dravid has backed the idea of cricket becoming a part of the Olympic Games. Dravid feels that introducing the T20 format in Olympics will only help the game.

"I think it will be great for the game, if the T20 format can become an Olympic sport because there are 75 (T20 nations); cricket is being played in so many countries," he said.

- ▶ There have been talks of making the T20 format of cricket a part of the Olympics, with an ICC survey back in 2018, even suggesting that 87 per cent of the fans wanted cricket to be part of the quadrennial games
- ▶ However, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), the richest and the biggest member of the International Cricket Council (ICC), has not been keen in sending its team to the Olympics
- ▶ Cricket was also part of the Asian Games in 2010 and 2014 editions, but the BCCI did not send any of its teams

**Q SHOULD CRICKET BE A PART OF OLYMPICS?**

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**HEALTH**

## Green tea, dark chocolate may fight against Covid virus

In an interesting study, researchers have claimed that chemical compounds in foods or beverages like green tea, muscadine grapes and dark chocolate can bind and block the function of a particular enzyme or protease in the SARS-CoV-2, the virus responsible for Covid-19. Computer simulations showed that the studied chemical compounds from green tea, two varieties of muscadine grapes, cocoa powder and dark chocolate were able to bind to different portions of Mproor main proteinase, a viral cysteine proteinase.

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

## BTS rules Billboard hot 100 chart once again with 'Life Goes On'

South Korean music sensation BTS has once again topped the Billboard Hot 100 chart with 'Life Goes On', the lead single of their recently-released album 'BE' (Deluxe Edition) topping the chart. The song, a soothing melody reflecting the state of life during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, also topped the Billboard 200 chart. On the Billboard Hot 100 chart, 'Life Goes On' is closely followed by the Grammy-nominated 'Dynamite', the closing track of 'BE' at No 3 this week. 'Dynamite', which is the music group's first full-fledged English single, previously topped the Billboard Hot 100 chart in September, making BTS the first pop act from South Korea to achieve this feat.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

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## Now, share screenshots to your smartphone from Nintendo Switch

Nintendo has released a new system update for its Switch that allows users to wirelessly transfer photos and videos from the gaming console to a smartphone. The firmware update allows people to share screenshots and videos directly to their smartphones by scanning a QR code

**TECH BUZZ**

- For screenshots, users can transfer a maximum of 10 screenshots and one video capture at one go
- This will save users' time, as earlier they had to upload the content to Twitter or Facebook first
- The users can now find the latest news and offers about Nintendo Switch Online from a new option in the Home menu of the Nintendo Switch system
- In the new system update, while using software with the same Nintendo Account linked to multiple systems, save data backed up from one console will automatically be downloaded to your other system

## IS SHOPPING IN STORES SAFE DURING THE PANDEMIC?

Retailers have been doing all kinds of things to make shoppers feel safe—checking shoppers' temperatures at the entrance to following pandemic norms. However, they don't eliminate the risk, warn health experts. An infected person may not have a fever, and can still spread the virus, they caution. As the cases of coronavirus surge, health experts share tips on how to shop...

- ▶ Shopping in crowded stores is a "higher risk" activity; limit any in-person shopping, including at supermarkets
- ▶ Go for online shopping; visit outdoor markets, use curbside pickup, where workers bring orders to your car
- ▶ If you need to enter a store, go during off hours when there will likely be fewer people.
- ▶ Wear a mask and stay at least six feet away from others
- ▶ Try to spend as little time inside the store as possible
- ▶ Use a hand sanitiser with at least 60% alcohol when you leave; wash your hands with soap and water when you return home
- ▶ Don't get casual after seeing those plastic barriers. The plastic barriers between the customers and cashiers may not block all the droplets from an infected person
- ▶ If the air in a store feels stuffy, that's a sign of poor ventilation. Leave immediately

# How to Prepare for College Life

It's never too early to start preparing yourself for college life – whether you are still in high school or you're packing to leave for your first year away from home. Transitioning to life on campus is one of the most memorable experiences you will ever have. To ensure you are ready to take your higher education by storm, follow our six tips and get going



FUTURE FORWARD



## Think About Finances

**1** College is expensive. We're guessing you're not a millionaire (yet), so the money for school will have to come from somewhere. First, talk to your parents to find out what portion they might be able to help with and what you will be responsible for. Then, set up a plan to reach your financial goals. Getting a part-time job and a savings account is the most proactive solution. However, you should also begin actively looking into scholarship opportunities and your options for financial aid well before senior year.

## Do Your Best Academic Work

**2** Although this may seem obvious, your grades are the most significant determining factor for getting accepted to the college of your choice. Additionally, they



also often come into play when it comes to student aid and scholarships. Do the best work you can and then try even harder. If you feel you could have done better in your SAT or ACT exams and you have the chance to retake them, do it.

## Work on Your Social Skills

**3** Nobody is asking you to become an overnight extrovert, but if you tend to lean more towards wallflower than social butterfly, you should practice branching out. Communication is the glue that holds everything together. That won't change throughout life. Your relationships (or lack thereof) with your fellow students, professors, and others all depend upon a connection. To improve your social abilities, start raising your hand more often in class. Ask and answer questions and stop worrying about what others think of you. If you want and need something, you will need to speak up. Remember the old saying: "The squeaky wheel gets the grease."

## Develop a System to Manage Your Time

**4** If you think you are overwhelmed with activities now, college will be a whole new realm for you. Not only will your plate be pretty full, but you also won't have parents and teachers telling you what to do and when to do it. With this newfound freedom comes the considerable responsibility of managing your own time. Get in the habit now of setting your own schedule. Buy a planner or use a time management app to block out time for sleep, school, work, and play. Your future self will thank you for the self-discipline.



## Find out More About Your Future Home

**5** You probably take for granted many of the things available to you right now, but when you get to college, everything will be new. Do you know where to go if you need to get your cell phone fixed? If you get sick, where is the nearest pharmacy? Maybe you are craving fast food, and nothing else will do. Familiarising yourself with your new surroundings before you arrive will help give you some peace of mind. Instead of going in blind, you will have a helpful list of resources and services to avail yourself of from day one. While you are researching your town, check out student services at school as well. Read through all of the programs and perks the school offers. Then, make a mental note of those that might come in handy down the road.

## Keep an Open Mind

**6** A lot will change over the next four years. College is all about mind-expanding experiences. You will be learning about yourself and what you want out of life. You will also be meeting many people from different cultures and with different worldviews. Prepare yourself for new experiences by doing something you have never done.

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## PANDEMIC GARDENING

### Try your hand at growing microgreens

In the coronavirus-triggered lockdown, as people spent more time at home than ever, many took to gardening. In the months following the lockdown, social media was full of netizens' successful (and unsuccessful) attempts at growing capsicum, spinach and chillies, while some shared shots of their beautifully trimmed gardens. However, if you're done growing plants and can't figure out what to move on to, here's an option – grow some microgreens.



#### What's special about microgreens?

Microgreens are essentially baby plants, which are germinated when seeds are planted densely close together. They are tender, green and flavourful. Quick and easy to grow, they are super nutritious as well. Says Bithika Gupta, an entrepreneur from Delhi, "Microgreens are among the easiest to grow. Even kids can do it, even those without green fingers can do it. You get the joy of growing plants, and you eat them, too." You essentially eat an entire plant when consuming microgreens, instead of a part of the plant (like coriander or spinach leaves), which makes them more nutritious than adult plants, say experts.

#### WHAT TO GROW AS MICROGREENS

Cabbage, mustard, radish, red amaranth, broccoli, basil, saunf, coriander

#### Microgreens can be grown on window sills and dining tables

Growing microgreens at home is quite easy, say experts and home gardeners. "They can be grown on window sills and dining tables, in old namkeen or food trays," says Sangeeta Aggarwal, a gardening enthusiast who conducts workshops on growing microgreens. She adds that one should ensure that the seeds or grains that they are cultivating into microgreens are not coated with pesticides. **mw**



## 5 Etiquette rules in the time of COVID-19

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It's a changed world and tweens and teens need to update their manner manual to keep abreast with the social and health demands of the pandemic struck world. Here are five etiquette rules that are must-dos

**WASHING HANDS FOR 20 SECONDS**

This hygiene habit should be retained even after the pandemic is over as washing hands with a soap or hand wash for 20 seconds keeps people safe from all kinds of viruses and bacteria. The rule should be to wash before and after meals, post washroom visits and also after getting back home after a game.

**WEAR A MASK WHEN YOU LEAVE HOME**

It's okay to play with your friends in the park as long as you are wearing a mask and maintaining a social distance of 2 metres. Trying to hug a friend as a form of greeting or after a shot well played is akin to bad manners in the current world (this is temporary and need not be continued once the pandemic is over)!

**FOLLOW COUGH ETIQUETTE**

Always cough or sneeze in your elbow sleeves, irrespective of whenever the pandemic ends. Your cough droplets may contain viruses of any sort and exposing others to it is insensitive and unhygienic. "Excuse yourself while sneezing and avoid going out until you recover," advises etiquette guide Sunaina A Haq.

**DON'T PRESSURISE YOUR PARENTS FOR RESTAURANT FOOD**

Enjoy healthy home cooked food. You can request for your favourite snack once in a while but pestering your parents to regularly order isn't a very rational demand. Don't compare with your peers' parents as their perception on how they will manage to stay safe will be different.

**SAY NO TO BEING A COUCH POTATO**

The pandemic shouldn't be an excuse to just be with gadgets. Go out for physical activities (that can be done with social distancing) to stay fit and also maintain mental sharpness. "To not care for your health is also bad manners. Boost your immunity and that will boost your happiness," says psychiatrist Dr Jitendra Nagpal.

## QUIZ TIME (CURRENT AFFAIRS)

**Q.1) The first Nobel prize was awarded in \_\_\_\_.**  
A. 1876 B. 1778  
C. 1901 D. 1923

**Q.2) The first woman to win a Nobel prize was \_\_\_\_.**  
A. Elizabeth H Blackburn  
B. Mother Teresa  
C. Shirin Ebadi  
D. Marie Curie

**Q.3) Albert Einstein won the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1921 for his discovery of \_\_\_\_.**  
A. General Theory of Relativity  
B. Quantum Mechanics  
C. Photo Electric Effect  
D. Special Theory of Relativity

**Q.4) Which of the following famous physicists did not receive a Nobel Prize \_\_\_\_.**  
A. Stephen Hawking  
B. Shuji Nakamura  
C. Enrico Fermi  
D. Albert Einstein

### ANSWERS

1. C) 1901 2. D) Marie Curie 3. C) Photo Electric Effect  
4. A) Stephen Hawking

## KNOWLEDGE BANK (FUNGI)

### Pestalotiopsis microspora

Pestalotiopsis microspora is a species of endophytic fungus capable of breaking down and digesting polyurethane. It's the first fungus species found to be able to subsist on polyurethane in anaerobic conditions. This makes the fungus a potential candidate for bioremediation projects involving large quantities of plastic. It was originally described in 1880 by mycologist Carlo Luigi Spegazzini from Argentina.



## GRAMMATICAL MISTAKES

### FUTURE/SUBSEQUENT

#### THE RULES:

- 'Future' means something after the present.
- 'Subsequent' means following. It implies the time after any particular moment.

#### HOW NOT TO DO IT:

- He is planning for the subsequent.
- Her future actions showed her deep frustration.

#### HOW TO DO IT PROPERLY:

- He is planning for the future.
- Her subsequent actions showed her deep frustration.

# BE FIT WITH YOGIC PRACTICES

"Yoga is the journey of the self, through the self, to the self."  
N. L. Dalmia High School has planned yoga sessions for grade 10 children. The idea was to help them ease out of the pressure, they have been crammed with, through Surya Namaskar, some stretching exercises and Pranayama.

Jyotsana Mishra, mother of Moresh from Grade 10 and herself a Yoga teacher said, "Seeing Moresh committed to these activities, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to N. L. Dalmia High School for taking the initiative of introducing such an innovative and helpful technique for the children. The children were truly rejuvenated and charged with a lot of positive energy. In such tough times where there is less-



The practice of yoga has been thought to date back to pre-vedic Indian traditions; possibly in the Indus valley civilisation around 3000 BCE. The Yoga Sutras of Patanjali date from the 2nd century BCE. Hatha yoga texts began to emerge sometime between the 9th and 11th century

er physical activity, yoga is always a better option, and we look forward to more such effective interactive sessions"

Lavanya Vinod of 10 D expressed, "The serenity that I felt during the session continued to keep me refreshed throughout the entire day. It brought a lot of positivity and helped to cope with the anxiety that we students usually undergo."

According to Riva Singh of 10 E, "As students of grade 10, we look forward to spending time together in school and creating memories which we shall cherish forever but the pandemic made it impossible for us to meet. This affected the mental health of the

students. Therefore, the management and staff of N L Dalmia High School undertook a great initiative of conducting an Online Yoga Session for the students of Class 10. It was a very soothing experience for all the students as they had the time to relax themselves and assess the situation. As Sakong Mipham correctly said, "The body benefits from movement, and mind benefits from stillness." This session was an eye opener for us which reinstated the belief that we are all together and this unity will eventually lead to our victory. It surely inspired the students to take up Yoga as a part of their daily activities and was a very fruitful, effective and enjoyable session.

## WEEKEND PLAN

Are you slightly bored as the weekend approaches because you can't step out? Worry not! If you can't step out then step in! Instead of spending your time binge-watching that series on Netflix (again) or procrastinating your time away to gods know where, why not catch up with your friends and cousins whom you haven't called up in ages? Catching up with your buddies is sure to bring a smile to your face. And what about that incomplete sketch you've been planning to finish or that book you've been planning to read (and avoiding)? Go and do it!

Nothing satisfies one's soul more than finishing an incomplete piece of work. What next?

How does cleaning your bookshelf or your room sound! I'll admit that this one isn't exactly uplifting but cleaning your surroundings is optimum utilization of your time. Plus, cleaning is one of the most effective ways of self-care! And you can also give yourself a bit of self-care by a little pampering of your skin... Maybe a bit of deep cleansing? How does that sound for your weekend? Maybe even start a workout regime? Learn to take care of yourself and your body.

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



## BOOK: THE ROOM OF MANY COLOURS BY RUSKIN BOND

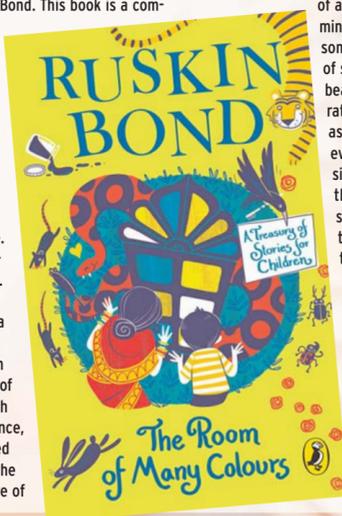
That's the thing about books. They let you travel without moving your feet." I relate this quote by Jhumpa Lahiri with the book titled, "The Room of Many Colours" by Ruskin Bond. This book is a compilation of more than thirty stories written by Ruskin Bond - an Indian author of British descent. Most of the stories take us to the beautiful snow bound mountains, deep valleys with sparkling water of the rivers, dense forests and all those mesmerizing panoramas displayed by the nature. At the same time, one experiences the simplicity of life.

I would recommend this book to all those who want a break from the busy, hectic schedule of the cities. Ruskin Bond has spent many years of his life in the hilly cities such as Dehradun and Shimla. Hence, his stories too are associated with life of people living in the mountains. Some of them are of

the pre-independence era. This collection of stories also shares some real-life incidences of the author. However, each of these is a marvellous one. Some full of adventures, some brimming with emotions, some having a touch of suspense. The beautiful way of narration makes one feel as if he is watching everything with his own eyes, silently listening to the talks of the characters or maybe sneaking into someone's house to have a glance of all amusing things taking place.

Also, a sense of love and care towards nature is developed after reading the book. If read closely, there is a learning point in each story.

Varada Shendye, class IX, SSPM's Sri Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir, Borivali East



# EVOLUTION OF FEMINISM

SEEMA KAR, TEACHER, HIRANANDANI FOUNDATION SCHOOL, POWAI

Feminism may sound as a huge word but actually means nothing more than equality. If women learn to stand up for themselves, feminism would become as simple as any other word. The very true fact is that the ladies from the earlier times, till today think that 'Pampara' which means traditions are the specialty of their family since the first generation. Which may be true but some traditions have been modified according to modern day needs of people and have lost their true meaning, for instance "dowry".

Dowry system is a criminal offence but is still, very quietly followed all over India. The question is that is dowry still followed due to the male domination? No, the answer is that it is due to the ladies who are equally responsible for it.

The elder members of the house should be hold responsible for and the



teachings which are inculcated within the younger generations. The immediate need of the hour is to stand together and take everyone responsible for all the happenings and find solution instead of fighting for our rights.

"United we stand divided we fall", it is time we understand that we are all united and equal. It is time that we stop bending the 'traditions' for our needs and follow them for the original reason they were made for. People in history have fought a lot and here we are still continuing the same battle in the 21st century.

Feminism is a blockbuster that came in as a golden light, as an eye opener. It is time to put a stop to all the ill traditions and women learn what is right and wrong and how she should stand up for her own-self instead of being helpless. Feminism teaches and gives a platform to all to educate themselves and know their rights. Feminism is equality, feminism is oneness. All the genders are equal and we all are united.

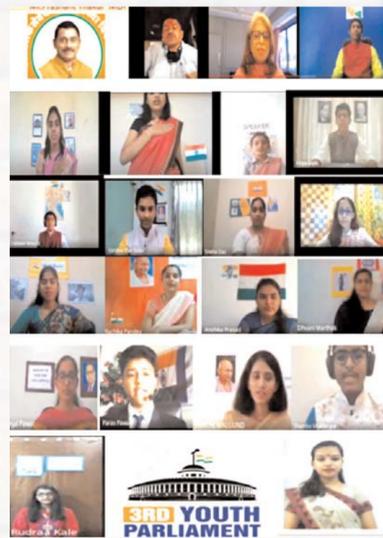


# Virtual Youth Parliament

Delhi Public School Panvel had initiated a virtual *Kishor Sabha* / Youth Parliament on the 12th of November 2020-2021.

The session was conducted online, with participants from classes IX to XI addressing on various recent government policies and programs having ruling and opposition parties, playing vital role in parliamentary system of government in a democratic set up. The session was honoured by the presence of Prashant Thakur, Member of Legislative Assembly Raigad Panvel, Anita Dua, principal of Delhi Public School Panvel and Abhinav Sarogi member of Delhi Public School Panvel management. The Members of youth parliament highlighted on National Education Policy, Farm Bills, Defence Deals for national security, cyber-crime, cyber safety, etc. There were overall ten sessions each signifying its best outcomes. As Mr. Prashant Thakur inspired young parliamentarians with his motivational words citing the importance of being aware, awake, and to arise as a dutiful citizen of this democratic country. His words captivated the minds of each audience of this event. Anita Dua highlighted on the importance of accepting the situations or challenges and transforming threat to opportunities.

It was truly a new learning experience for the participants. The students participated with great zeal and enthusiasm.



# JOY OF GRATITUDE

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues. Keeping this thought in mind- The Cambria International School, Kalyan had celebrated Thanksgiving Day through online platform from Grades 1 to 9 on Friday 26th November, 2020 with fun and frolic.

The aim of celebrating Thanksgiving Day with the Cambrians is to imbibe in them the value of gratitude and thankfulness for

the maximum and minimal things as well. The celebration commenced with the video representation, PPT on the history of Thanksgiving Day, learners preparing lovely and beautiful thank you cards in a creative way and presenting it to their loved ones to express their gratitude for all the things that they are blessed with. As it is rightly said

Thankfulness is the quickest path to Joy.



## LOSING YOURSELF!

In the meander of becoming different, you forget who you really were! You've gained certain things, But lost some of the best moments. In rugging yourself to extremities. You no more wish to think your way, You proceed with a filtered idea,

And even more filtered presentation, That's where you become different, Very different from who you were and what you wanted to be. You slowly have started comparing your unexecuted ideas to those of the others executed ones.

You alter that idea keeping in mind the liking of the other person, and that's where, YOUR VERY OWN IDEA recieves a setback, It's no longer your idea, but just a rough sketch of someone else's taste.

ADITI BHOSLE, class X, Girton High School, Mumbai

# IS SWITCH-HITTING UNFAIR?

Former Australia captain Ian Chappell has suggested that the ICC ban switch-hitting, saying the shot is "blatantly unfair" to the bowler and fielding team. In the ongoing ODI series between India and Australia, Glenn Maxwell and David Warner have caught Indian bowlers off guard a number of times by playing the switch-hit



Glenn Maxwell is the master of switch-hitting

## PLAYERS MUST SPEAK ABOUT IT

(Switch-hitting) is very skillful, some of it's amazingly skillful - but it's not fair. How can one side of the game, ie. the bowlers, they have to tell the umpire how they're going to bowl. And yet the batsman, he lines up as a right-hander - I'm the fielding captain, I place the field for the right-hander - and before the ball's been delivered, the batsman becomes a left-hander.



One of the main reasons why he's becoming a left-hander is so he can take advantage of those field placings. I'd love the administrators who made those laws, I'd love them to explain to me how that's fair. I just can't believe the players don't arc-up about it. If I'm captain, I'm going to take the ball myself and I'm going to tell the umpire I'm bowling right-arm over (the wicket), and then I'm going to run in and bowl around.

Ian Chappell, former Australian captain

## WHAT'S A SWITCH HIT?

A switch hit involves effectively changing from a right-hander to a left-hander or vice versa just before the ball is delivered by the bowler for the purpose of executing the shot. Experts believe that the switch hit is skewing the balance between bat and ball. After all, bowlers can't indulge in such stunts: they have to inform umpires in advance which end they will bowl from, and which hand they will use. The switch-hit has been declared a legitimate shot by International Cricket Council (ICC).

## MORE THOUGHT NEEDED

I think they will have to look at it far more closely than has been done. These are the natural changes and innovations of the game. When (former Zimbabwe batsman) Andy Flower started playing reverse sweep I said that in the next five years this would become a common shot. Now many batsmen play it. In time more innovations will come. The game is changing, it's becoming more attacking and players are prepared to take risks.



Sachin Tendulkar, former Indian player

## UNFAIR TO BOWLERS

I agree completely with Ian Chappell. I have long said that the switch hit is unfair because the bowler sets the field for a right handed batsman who cannot then become a left hander. A right arm bowler should then be allowed to run in and bowl left handed too.

Harsha Bhogle, commentator



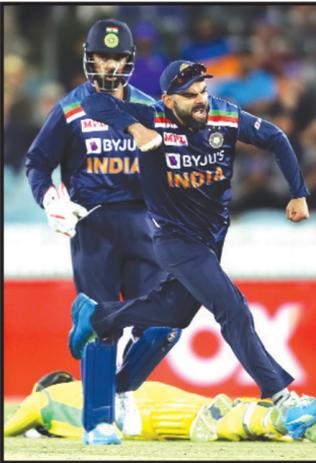
## TAKE IT ON THE CHIN

It's seriously getting difficult. The bowlers constantly have to think on their feet and try and read what the batsmen are trying to do and if a batsman tries to adjust early to play a certain shot, you try and bowl certain deliveries to combat that. But it has become difficult with switch hit and everything that goes on with it. As a bowler you just have to take it on the chin and try to bowl the next delivery.



Shaun Pollock, South African all-rounder

## Need to play with heart and desire when you are in Aus: Kohli



After registering a 13-run win over Australia in the third and final ODI, India skipper Virat Kohli hailed the never-say-die attitude shown by his team when put under pressure situations. While India opened their account in the ODI Super League with the win, Australia took the series 2-1. While the top-order failed to fire in unison, the middle-order rose to the challenge and both Hardik Pandya and Ravindra Jadeja played match-winning knocks of 92 and 66 respectively to guide India to 302/5. Virat Kohli himself got among the runs as he played a knock of 63 runs. ANI

Playing international cricket for 13-14 years, you should be able to come back like we did. I would have liked to go on for a bit longer, but we had a great partnership between Hardik and Jadeja. It was exactly what the team needed to get that boost, even though we've lost the series.

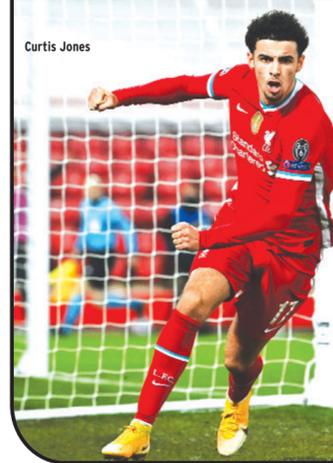
Virat Kohli

## Transition from T20s to ODIs tough



Shreyas Iyer

## CL: Liverpool, Man City in last-16, Shakhtar stun Real Madrid



Curtis Jones

Teenage sensation Curtis Jones scored his first European goal to send Liverpool into the last-16 of the UEFA Champions League on Tuesday as they beat Ajax Amsterdam at Anfield. Meanwhile Zinedine Zidane dismissed suggestions he might walk away from Real Madrid after another defeat by Shakhtar Donetsk left their European hopes in the balance. FC Porto joined Manchester City in advancing to the next phase of the Champions League after the two played out a goalless draw in their Group C clash. PTI

## TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

### CRICKET QUIZ | David Warner

**Q1:** David Warner's breathtaking debut in the T20 side was against which country?

- a) South Africa  b) India   
c) England  d) Pakistan

**Q2:** Warner is the third batsman in the history of Test cricket to score centuries in both innings of a Test match thrice. Who were the first two players?

- a) Rahul Dravid and VVS Laxman   
b) Sunil Gavaskar and Ricky Ponting   
c) Sachin Tendulkar and Brian Lara   
d) Don Bradman and Kapil Dev

**Q3:** David Warner has passed 150 on five occasions in ODI cricket, equalling which Indian player's world record?

- a) Virender Sehwag  b) Kapil Dev   
c) Sachin Tendulkar  d) Sunil Gavaskar

**Q4:** Warner was the \_\_\_ man since 1877 to debut for Australia, in a T20, before playing first-class cricket?

- a) First  b) Second  c) Third  d) Fourth

**Q5:** In which year was David Warner named vice-

captain to Steve Smith, in both the Test and ODI sides?

- a) 2014  b) 2015  c) 2016  d) 2017

**Q6:** During the Ashes series in 2013-14 in Australia, Warner scored runs freely and emerged as the highest run-scorer. What was his score?

- a) 523  b) 524  c) 525  d) 526



**Q7:** In February 2014, which IPL team snapped up Warner for a whopping amount of ₹5.5 crore?

- a) Rajasthan Royals  b) Mumbai Indians   
c) Delhi Capitals  d) Sunrisers Hyderabad

**Q8:** Warner bettered his own record to become the highest run-getter in the 3-match Test series against South Africa, scoring 543 runs in six innings. In which year did he achieve this feat?

- a) 2013-14  b) 2014-15   
c) 2016-17  d) 2018-19

**Q9:** In which year did Warner play a dashing 178 against Afghanistan, helping Australia post 417 onboard - the highest ever World Cup total?

- a) 2011  b) 2015  c) 2019  d) 2007

**Q10:** David Warner has made crore? journey so far. How many matches has he played?

- a) 140  b) 142  c) 144  d) 145

**Q11:** What is David Warner's career? highest score in his Test career?

- a) 344 not out  b) 344   
c) 335 not out  d) 335

**Q12:** How many runs has David Warner made in ODIs?

- a) 5455  b) 5505  c) 5404  d) 5707

**ANSWERS:** 1- a) South Africa 2- b) Sunil Gavaskar and Ricky Ponting 3- c) Sachin Tendulkar 4- a) First 5- b) 2015 6- a) 523 7- d) Sunrisers Hyderabad 8- a) 2013-14 9- b) 2015 10- b) 142 11- c) 335 not out 12- a) 5455