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A SHOT OF HOPE

To ask queries regarding Covid-19 and vaccination from our experts,

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Q How could we distinguish between a common cold and a corona virus infection? When should we be alarmed?

It is difficult to differentiate Covid-19 infection in children from other viral infections such as common cold. One can suspect Covid 19 when there is a history of contact.

One should be alarmed if the child has any of these symptoms - Irritability; feeding difficulty; breathing difficulty, fast breathing, tiredness, fever and reduced urine output.



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Q Does the effect of Covid-19 vary according to the different blood groups? Is there a chance of one blood group having a greater rate of Covid vulnerability?

There is no correlation among blood groups and severity of Covid-19. Infection is more severe in senior citizens and those with comorbidities.

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GREENHOUSE GAS emissions are causing EARTH'S stratosphere to SHRINK!



In yet another ominous sign, scientists have revealed that the Earth's stratosphere is shrinking due to greenhouse gas emissions, and it could have a devastating effect on satellite operations and GPS, they warned. According to scientists, **stratosphere, the region of the atmosphere from 12 to 40 miles above the Earth, has been shrinking by 328ft per decade.** Over the next 60 years, under the current climate change predictions, the upper part of the stratosphere could shrink by four per cent. This would take another 3,200ft from the top of the stratosphere - enough to put some satellites at risk due to less air friction for them to operate in, they added.

THE IMPACT

1 According to scientists, if the disruption continues then it could impact satellite trajectories and their measurements

2 There is a potential impact on the accuracy of global positioning systems such as GP and Galileo, as well as the transmission of radio signals across the planet, they warned

▶ Rising emissions of greenhouse gases from human activity have already led to the warming of the troposphere - where humans live and weather happens

▶ It has also led to the cooling of the stratosphere, which may be linked to the discovery that it has been shrinking for decades

▶ Experts say as a thermodynamic consequence, the troposphere has expanded and



the rise of the tropopause - the boundary between the troposphere and stratosphere, has been suggested as one of the most-robust fingerprints of anthropogenic climate change (DAILY MAIL)



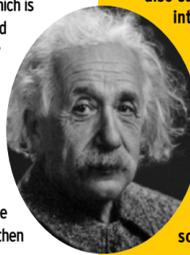
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Over a period of time, I realised that besides preparing physically for a game, you have to prepare yourself mentally also. In my mind, the match started long before I entered the ground. The anxiety levels were very high. I felt anxiety for 10-12 years, and had many sleepless nights before a game. Later on, I started accepting that it was part of my preparation. Then I made peace with the times I was not able to sleep at night. I would start doing something to keep my mind comfortable. That "something" included shadow batting, watching TV and playing video games in the wee hours of the day. Making tea, ironing my clothes also helped me prepare for the game. I would pack my bag the day before the game, my brother taught me all of it, and it became a habit. I followed the same drill even in the last match I played for India

Sachin Tendulkar,
former cricketer, on how he dealt with anxiety

£282,000

That's the price of a letter penned by Albert Einstein, containing his famous 'E = mc²' mass-energy equivalence formula that was sold at an auction recently. The German-born theoretical physicist corresponded with a fellow researcher in October 1946, telling him a question could be answered from the E = mc² formula. The one-page letter, which is signed off 'A. Einstein', is being auctioned off by Boston-based RR Auction in a timed sale, which will end next week, on May 20. Composed on Princeton University letterhead, the letter was written to the Polish-American physicist Ludwik Silberstein, who had previously contested part of Einstein's theory of general relativity. Translated into English, Einstein's response read: 'Your question can be answered from the E = mc² formula, without any erudition.' 'If E is the energy of your system consisting of the two masses, E0 is the energy of the masses when they approach infinite distance, then the system's mass defect is E0 - E / c²,' he continued.



FACTOID

▶ Einstein demonstrated mass-energy equivalence in 1905 - his so-called 'miracle year, which also saw him publish ground-breaking papers introducing the theory of special relativity, explaining Brownian motion and outlining the photoelectric effect

▶ Special relativity, which involves the relationship between space and time, determined that the laws of physics are the same for all non-accelerating observers and that light's speed in a vacuum is fixed, regardless of observer or source motion

73-million-year-old 'communicative' dinosaur species found in Mexico



A new species of dinosaur identified by Mexican paleontologists is believed to have been "very communicative", and used low-frequency sounds like elephants to talk to one another, a researcher has revealed. The specimen, which has been named *Tlatolophus galorum*, is thought to have died around 72 million years ago in what is now Mexico's northern state of Coahuila. After initially discovering the tail, paleontologists said, they later found most of its skull, a 4.3-foot bony hollow crest through which it communicated, as well as bones such as its femur and shoulder. "We are calculating the size, which could be between eight metres and 12 metres-long because just the tail is around six metres," said paleobiologist Angel Alejandro Ramirez.

These "peaceful, but talkative" dinosaurs could also have had the ability to emit loud sounds to scare off predators, the National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH) said

The name *Tlatolophus* is derived from *tlahtolli*, which means word in the indigenous Nahuatl language, and *lophus*, meaning crest in Greek, the researchers said

ELON MUSK MAY CREATE HIS OWN CRYPTOCURRENCY SOON

After applying brakes on Bitcoin as a payment mode to buy Tesla vehicles, Elon Musk has now revealed that he might create his own cryptocurrency in the near future.

1 Musk has announced not to use the popular cryptocurrency Bitcoin as a payment mode to buy his electric vehicles, citing environmental harm

2 Musk said that the electric car maker will not sell any bitcoin, and intends to use bitcoin for transactions as soon as mining moves to more sustainable energy

3 "We are also looking at other cryptocurrencies that use <1 per cent of bitcoin's energy/transaction," Musk said in a tweet

▶ Bitcoin nosedived more than 11 per cent after the tweet and was trading at nearly \$50,000.

▶ The company had only just started accepting Bitcoin in late March.



GOOGLE PHONE APP CAN NOW ANNOUNCE WHO'S CALLING

If you have an Android device with Google Phone app on, you will now be able to hear who is calling when the phone rings. According to 9to5Google, the company is rolling out a new feature for its Phone app that will announce the name and the number of any incoming calls - a move to help the users screen unwanted calls.



▶ You can set whether you want the app to announce caller ID every time the phone rings, or when an earphone is on

▶ To enable the new feature, open Google Phone, go to settings and then tap on Caller ID announcement

NEWS IN CLUES

FINLAND'S ARMI KUUSELLA WAS THE FIRST-EVER WINNER OF WHICH FAMOUS COMPETITION?

CLUE 1: Founded by Pacific Knitting Mills, a California, USA-based clothing company, the first edition was held in 1952

CLUE 2: While USA boasts the maximum winners, Eight, over the years, there have been two Indian victors as well

CLUE 3: The winner is awarded the Mouawad Power of Unity Crown

ANSWER: Miss Universe. Miss Mexico, 26-year-old Andrea Meza, was crowned the 69th Miss Universe on Sunday night in Florida, USA, marking the pageant's return, after it was cancelled in 2020 for the first time due to the pandemic. India's Adline Castelino (22) came fourth

A Cash Flow Statement shows the inflows and outflows of Cash and Cash Equivalents. It is one of the tools for Financial Statement Analysis and is prepared as per the revised AS 3. It forms an integral part of Financial Reporting requirements as per IND AS1. There are two methods to preparing a cash flow statement. We will be discussing the indirect method...

CASH FLOW STATEMENT (CFS)

FINANCING ACTIVITIES

- Bank Overdraft and Cash Credit are short term borrowings of the company and will therefore come under Financing Activities.
- How is Proposed Dividend treated in CFS?

As dividend is an appropriation of profits, it is deducted from the Surplus i.e. Balance in statement of P&L, in the year in which it is paid. As a result, this amount is added to the Net Profit before Tax under Operating Activities. Dividend paid is shown as a cash outflow under financing activities. If the Balance Sheet has dividend payable/unpaid dividend account we will need to open that account to get the amount of dividend PAID.

Example:

Particulars	31.3.2020 (₹)	31.3.2019 (₹)
Dividend Payable	5,000	NIL

Additional information: Proposed dividend for the year 2019 was ₹40,000 and 2020 was ₹30,000 respectively.

Solution:

Dividend Payable a/c			
To Bank (bal fig)	35,000	By balance b/d	NIL
To balance c/d	5,000	By Surplus i.e. bal in statement of P&L	40,000
	40,000		40,000

Note : The current year's proposed dividend will not be part of CFS since it will be declared and paid in the next year.



INVESTING ACTIVITIES

- How are 'Investments' dealt with in Cash Flow Statements?



OPERATING ACTIVITIES

- Why do we 'ADD' certain items and 'REDUCE' certain others to find Cash Flow from Operating Activities?

Transactions of an enterprise are not relating only to its regular business operations. There are certain non-operating Incomes and Profits/Expenses and Losses that are recorded in the Statement of Profit and Loss. Since we need to find the 'OPERATING' flow of cash, we need to adjust these non-operating items from Net profit.

Example: Interest on Debentures is to be considered in Financing Activities and not in Operating Activities. So we add them to the Net profit.

Similarly, those items that are non-cash cannot be considered since we are calculating Cash generated from operations.

Examples of non-cash items: Depreciation on fixed assets, provision for doubtful debts, etc.

It is only after we make these adjustments to the Net Profit that we get our Cash from Operating Activities.

- Why do we take the difference in opening and closing balances for certain items from the Balance Sheet but are required to prepare accounts and find balancing figures for others?

Keep it simple. When there is additional information given for an item head, we have to open the ledger account for further analysis. Otherwise, we work with the difference in the opening and closing figures only.

Example:

Particulars	31.3.2020(₹)	31.3.2019(₹)
Fixed Assets	7,00,000	5,50,000
Accumulated Depreciation Account	1,30,000	1,00,000

Here since there is no additional information on fixed assets or depreciation charged during the year, we take the difference in Accumulated Depreciation A/c of ₹ 30000 (1,30,000- 1,00,000) as the depreciation for the year and increase in Fixed Assets of ₹1,50,000 (7,00,000 - 5,50,000) as purchase of new F/A.

However, for the same item heads when additional information is provided, we realise that multiple transactions have affected this account and the account has to be opened for further analysis.

Example:

(Continued from the above-mentioned sum)

Additional information :

One of the fixed assets (Cost of ₹ 50,000 having accumulated depreciation of ₹ 15,000) was sold for ₹ 17,000.

We will now open both the accounts for further analysis.

Fixed Asset a/c			
To Balance b/d	5,50,000	By Accumulated Depreciation	15,000
To Bank (bal fig)	2,00,000	By Bank (Sale)	17,000
		By Statement of P&L(Loss)	18,000
		By Balance c/d	7,00,000
	7,50,000		7,50,000

Accumulated Depreciation a/c			
To Fixed Asset	15,000	By balance b/d	1,00,000
To balance c/d	1,30,000	By Depreciation (bal. fig.)	45,000
	1,45,000		1,45,000

Therefore, the calculated value of loss (₹18,000) and depreciation (₹45,000) will be added back to the Net Profit before tax since they are non-operating expenses/losses.

- How are share issue expenses/under-writing commission/preliminary expenses/discount or loss on issue of debentures treated in Cash Flow?

These are capital losses and will be written off in the year they are incurred, either from available capital profits (if any) or else from revenue profits.

Example:

Particulars	31.3.2020 (₹)	31.3.2019(₹)
Share Capital	6,00,000	5,00,000
Securities Premium Reserve	15,000	NIL

Additional Information:

- Share issue expenses incurred were ₹5,000.
- New shares have been issued at a premium of 20%.

Solution:

Securities Premium Reserve a/c			
To share issue expenses	5,000	By balance b/d	NIL
To balance c/d	15,000	By Share Application	20,000
	20,000		20,000

Therefore, we know that the company has collected premium on fresh issue and the capital loss (share issue expense) has been written off against this available Securities Premium Reserve (capital profits).



IMPORTANT POINTERS:

- Dividend and Interest received on Investments are Cash inflows from Investing activities. Dividend and Interest paid are Cash outflows from Financing activities.
- Transactions that are movements between the items of Cash and Cash Equivalents are not considered to be Cash Flow. Example - Cash deposited into the Bank, Sale of short-term investments for cash etc.
- Issue of Shares/Debentures for consideration other than cash will not appear in Cash Flow Statements.

The revised dates for Board Examinations have not yet been announced. However, continue staying focused, strategise well and keep practicing all the topics regularly.

Wishing all the Class XII students appearing for their boards ALL THE VERY BEST!!
STAY POSITIVE,
and most importantly,
STAY SAFE!

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QUICK REVISION

KEEP THOSE GREY CELLS TICKING

1 State Gauss' Law. Use Gauss's theorem to find the electric field due to a uniformly charged infinitely large plane thin sheet with surface charge density σ .

2 Derive the expression for the electric potential at any point P, at distance r from the centre of an electric dipole, making angle θ , with its axis. (b) Two point charges $4 \mu\text{C}$ and $+1 \mu\text{C}$ are separated by a distance of 2 m in air. Find the point on the line-joining charges at which the net electric field of the system is zero.

3 Derive an expression for the resistivity of a good conductor, in terms of the relaxation time of electrons.

4 A steady current (I_1) flows through a long straight wire. Another wire carrying steady current (I_2) in the same direction is kept close and parallel to the first wire. Show with the help of a diagram how the magnetic field due to the current I_1 exerts a magnetic force on the second wire. Write the expression for this force. Hence define one Ampere

5 a) Write the principle of working of a potentiometer.
b) Write two ways to increase the sensitivity of the potentiometer.
c) Why is potentiometer considered to be superior to volt meter to determine the cell's emf?
d) A potentiometer wire of length 1m has a resistance of 10Ω . It is then connected in series with a resistance of 5Ω and an accumulator of emf 6 V having negligible resistance. Determine the emf of the cell which gives a balance point at 40 cm.

SUBJECT: PHYSICS
CLASS XII-CBSE

6 (a) State Biot-Savart's law
(b) Derive an expression for the magnetic field at a point on the axis of a current carrying circular loop.

7 Draw V - I characteristics of a p-n junction diode.

(i) Why is the current under reverse bias almost independent of the applied potential up to a critical voltage?
(ii) Why does the reverse current show a sudden increase at the critical voltage?

8 Derive an expression for the impedance of a series LCR circuit connected to an AC supply of variable frequency.
(b) Plot a graph showing variation of current with the frequency of the applied voltage.

9 (a) Draw the labelled ray diagram for the formation of image by a compound microscope. Derive an expression for its magnification when the final image is formed at the near point.

(c) Explain resonance in series LCR-series circuit and deduce the formula for resonance frequency.



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(b) A compound microscope has an objective of focal length 1.25cm and eye-piece of focal length 5cm. A small object is kept at 2.5cm from the objective.

(c) Explain resonance in series LCR-series circuit and deduce the formula for resonance frequency.

9 (a) Draw the labelled ray diagram for the formation of image by a compound microscope. Derive an expression for its magnification when the final image is formed at the near point.

If the final image formed is at infinity. Find the distance between the objective and eye-piece.

10 a) Explain using a labelled diagram, the principle and working of a moving coil galvanometer.

b) How is radial magnetic field produced in a moving coil galvanometer?

11 Derive the Bohr's quantisation condition for angular momentum of the orbiting of electron in hydrogen atom, using de Broglie's hypothesis

12 Name the e.m. waves in the wavelength range 10 nm to 10 - 3nm. How are these waves generated? Write their two uses.

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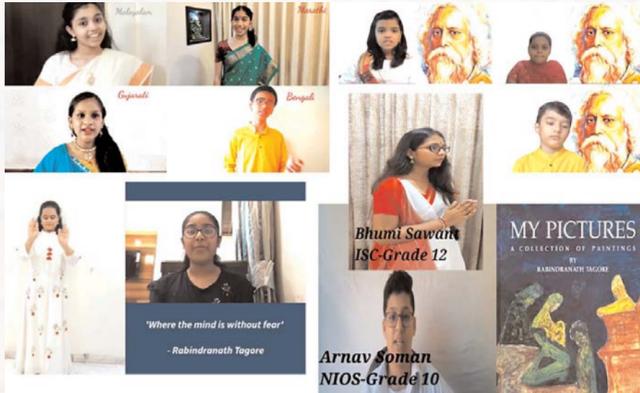
REMEMBERING TAGORE

May 7th is the 160th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore. A multifaceted personality, he is one of the finest in terms of writing and communicating through his stories, poems, paintings, songs, and anything else that he set his heart on. The students and teachers of Jasudben ML School, Khar, put up a lovely display of their talents to celebrate this occasion.

Starting with the contributions of Tagore, and why he is so important even today, the presentation continued with students singing his famous "Ekla Chalo Re..." in four different languages. Namely Malayalam, Gujarati, Marathi, and Bengali.

The connection of each language to Tagore was explained while the song was being sung.

This was followed by a student talking about the painting style used by Tagore and how even though he started painting very late in his career, he



was still one of the first artists to display his work all over the world. The paintings of primary students were then showcased. It was followed swiftly by a drama and a poem recitation by the primary students themselves.

The presentation was concluded by

a dance performance that brought alive the poem "Where the Mind is Without Fear."

Students across the grades took part enthusiastically in what was the perfect tribute to the evergreen Gurudev!

BE THE HERO OF YOUR LIFE

We might feel life getting as complicated as entangled threads. We keep pondering over the decisions we took, the words we spoke, the way we reacted and the list goes on. Thinking about such things time and again makes us feel stressed and anxious. We aren't able to focus on a particular thing and our mental peace is snatched away. Now it's

time to put a halt on this. It's time for you to become the hero of your life.

Basically, "do what you feel" is right. That surely doesn't mean going on disobeying your elders. Now, you are not obliged to take decisions independently if you are hero. If you ever feel that seeking advice is the best option you can go for to win those battles you are fighting, don't hesitate to go ahead with

it. After all, even the greatest of our fantasy heroes - such as Harry Potter and Percy Jackson - have sought advices. This might not be easy but it surely isn't impossible. So, just believe in yourself and know that you are special.

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



Jobs fill our pockets, but adventures fill our minds

One of the best experiences of my life, was my school trip to Udaipur. I was in 8th, and my parents readily approved my wish to go for the trip. We reached Udaipur by train, and boarded our buses, where we sat for the next 4 hours! Our hotel, The Kumbhabagh, was just beyond Royal! The Jagdish temple displayed the intricate, royal Indian architecture, which is indeed mesmerizing! Over the next few days, we visited the City Palace, Chittorgarh Fort (the one known for

Queen Padmini and her sacrifice) and what-not. The lakes seemed to be magical. Local shopping was a super amazing experience. Scented saris, healing blankets etc. gained a lot of attention. We relived the lives of warriors like Maharana Pratap and learnt more than what we would, in classrooms! It would, remain one of my best decisions ever, that I would rejoice forever. The seven-day trip came to an end with us departing for our house with soulful memories to cherish! We were sad about it being over, but happy that it happened! Today, in the lockdown, as we think about those days, we could not but feel sad, hoping to come back stronger!

Garvit Agarwal, class X, NL Dalmia High School, Mira Road

Students display innovative skills



Sanjivani International School, Shiridi; true to its belief that learning comes best by doing, conducted an innovative parade on the 1st of May 2021 to recap the concepts learnt throughout the month of March and April. The significance of this parade was to encourage and promote the idea of experiential learning.

The theme of the parade was close to the topics covered broadly during the month and required the students to not only dress and act but also to brief the audience in accordance with their understanding of the topics.

The grade-wise topics included flowers, means of transport, trees, galaxy, sports personalities, etc.

Students used a variety of characters and costumes to project their learning while their dialogues and performance showed their understanding.

It was a great experience to witness the positive effects of experiential learning



among the students. It was a heart-warming experience especially watching the Pre-Primary kids describing their costumes.

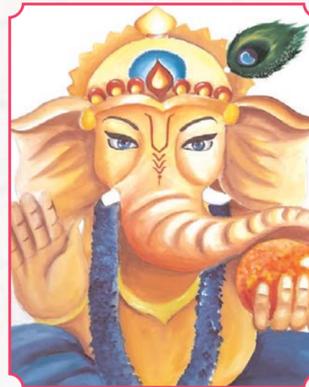
The MD Manali Amit Kolhe encouraged the students and appreciated their stage presence, confidence, and their oratory skills.

The school principal Ritu Sarvahi reminded them to participate more often while not worrying about winning or losing.

The whole hearted participation of the students encouraged by parents and staff made the event spectacular.

The Summer Vacations thus at Sanjivani International school, began on a high note!

Painters' Gallery



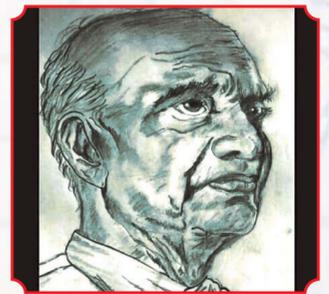
DURGA KHICHDA, class IX



VAIBHAVI MAYEKAR, class IX



RADHIKA GUPTA, class VIII



ANIKET VENU, class IX

Navodaya English High School and Junior College, Thane

THIS TOO SHALL PASS

School days never come back in life and this batch has lost over a year due to the pandemic

The academic year 2020-21 has almost come to an end, leave the tenth graders. What an iconic year it was. No one could've imagined how our world will get flipped upside down. All of it was sad and despairingly so. Maybe the first few days were exciting but didn't we all end up feeling a sense of longing? Longing for the feeling of sitting in a physical classroom again, to annoy that particular teacher a bit, to gush over a new movie that you've seen



with your classmates, to simply go to school again. And all the tenth graders passing out must definitely feel the nostalgia hit hard.

But, now the clouds are clearing a bit. The horizon is clearing now. Now we all cross our fingers and bow down in reverence. This time too, shall pass. And we're only waiting

for the day when we can finally step out and go to school. Till then, we wait with patience.

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



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FANTASTIC CHALLENGE TO PLAY AGAINST INDIA: WILLIAMSON

SAYS IT IS EXCITING TO BE IN FINAL OF INAUGURAL WTC

New Zealand captain Kane Williamson is excited to face India in the World Test Championships (WTC) final next month as he considers showdowns against Virat Kohli's men to be a "fantastic challenge". India and New Zealand square-off in the final of the inaugural World Test Championships in Southampton from June 18. "When we play against India, it has always been a fantastic challenge and so it is really exciting to be playing against them," Williamson said in a video posted by the ICC on its Twitter handle.

Exciting to be in the final

■ "It's really, really exciting to be involved in the final, obviously to win it would be that much better," said the 30-year-old, considered one of the best current batsmen in the world. Talking about the championship and how it progressed, Williamson said, "We saw the contests in the WTC has brought real excitement "... the games were really tight such as in the India-Australia series and our series against Pakistan as well where you had to really fight hard to get the results, which is really great."

India batsman Hanuma Vihari, who is in England for a county stint with Warwickshire, said it would be a great feeling to play for his country in the WTC final. "I am excited but I would want to be in that moment and not get too much carried away by the importance of the situation," he said. "But as a sportsman, to play for India in the final of the inaugural World Test Championships is always a great feeling," said the 27-year-old batsman.

The majority of the Kiwi players have reached the UK as they play a two-match series against England starting June 2 before the WTC final. The Indians are expected to reach here in the first week of June after a hard quarantine in Mumbai. **PII**



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■ We're not going to treat these two Test matches against England just as warm-ups for the WTC final. I know for a fact we're going to get out there and pride ourselves the way we've been playing Test cricket and we want to win Test matches for New Zealand. The way we've been training for the last while is something we didn't always have in the past, having the facilities and having a marquee up and getting a number of trainings in before going to England. The nice thing is that the nerves and the unknowns are away, I've played at Lord's couple of times now. I've played one Test there in 2013 and a couple of county games too, so it's nice to get there when things feel familiar. Sometimes you can get there and get a little but starstruck with the whole experience and everything because you grow up as a kid wanting to be there and all those sort of things. **PII**

Neil Wagner,
New Zealand pacer

Kane Williamson

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FEDERER GETS SERENA'S VOTE IN GOAT DEBATE

SAYS HE HAS CLASS AND REALLY CHANGED THE GAME

While fans and pundits continue to debate who should be considered the greatest men's tennis player of all time, 23-times Grand Slam winner Serena Williams says Roger Federer gets her vote. Rafa Nadal picked up a record-extending 13th French Open title in October to join Federer at the top of the list of men's Grand Slam winners with 20 titles, while world No. 1 Novak Djokovic, the youngest of the 'Big Three' at 33, is on 18. The 39-year-old Federer is this week playing only his second tournament since returning to the Tour in March after spending more than a year on the sidelines due to two knee operations. "I think two words sum it up: Roger Federer," Williams, who turns 40 in September, told reporters, adding she was a "superfan". "He's just a synopsis of greatness and class and amazing and really changed the game. You see players playing like him, moving like him, doing his techniques. The guy is (a) genius. I just feel like he is really the greatest player," Williams said. "You can't not like the guy, that's how I feel. His game is so fantastic. If I could only play like him."

Williams won the last of her majors at the 2017 Australian Open before becoming a mother and has since been chasing a 24th major title to equal Margaret Court's record. On Monday, the American won her first match since losing in the Melbourne semi-finals in February. **REUTERS**

Photo: REUTERS

VENUS FUMES AFTER HEAVY WINDS FORCE TIME VIOLATION

A struggling Venus Williams got more than she bargained for in the form of divine intervention when heavy winds resulted in a controversial time violation in her 5-7 6-2 6-2 loss to Anna Schmiedlova at the Emilia-Romagna Open in Parma on Monday.

After taking the first set 7-5 despite being 5-2 down, 40-year-old Williams was losing her grip on the match when heavy winds forced her to take her time on serve, resulting in the time violation and a confrontation with the chair umpire.

"I can't control God," Williams told the chair umpire after going 4-1 down in the second set. "I'm just saying that wind blows and there is nothing I can do about that. "I can't control God, talk to him," the former world number one added, pointing a finger upwards before walking back to the baseline. Schmiedlova sealed her fourth consecutive victory over the American after two hours and 39 minutes.

Meanwhile, top seed Serena advanced after beating teenage qualifier Lisa Pigato 6-3 6-2. "Her future is super-bright, I look forward to cheering for her in the future," Serena said of Lisa. **REUTERS**

GOOD COORDINATION KEY TO SUCCESS: GURINDER

Defender Gurinder Singh has attributed the Indian men's hockey team's success on recent tours to good coordination among the players.

India remained unbeaten during their tour of Europe in March where they played the likes of Germany and Belgium and then registered only one loss in Argentina in April.

Gurinder said coordination is one aspect the team has always worked on, and it paid dividends against the top sides. "One of the things that we have always focused on is good coordination on the field. If there is no coordination between players then the skill of players will not be utilized properly," Gurinder said. The 26-year-old, who has 58 matches for India, said the side is now focussed on fine-tuning a few techniques ahead of the all-important Tokyo Olympics. **PII**



Photo: REUTERS

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: Which female cricket player won the April 2021 ICC Women's Player of the Month?

- a) Ashleigh Gardner b) Ellyse Perry
c) Alyssa Healy d) Meg Lanning

Q2: Who among the following tennis players claimed the 2021 Madrid Open Men's Singles tennis title?

- a) Dominic Thiem b) Novak Djokovic
c) Stefanos Tsitsipas d) Alexander Zverev

Q3: Which player has been named the April 2021 ICC

Men's Player of the Month?

- a) Kane Williamson b) Rohit Sharma
c) Joe Root d) Babar Azam

Q4: Who clinched the gold medal in the 45kg category at the Asian Weightlifting Championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan?

- a) Jhilli Dalabehera b) Vikas Singh
c) Sukhna Dey d) Ganesh Mali

Q5: Cricket player Nuwan Zoysa has been banned for violating ICC anti-corruption code. Which country did he play for?

- a) West Indies b) Sri Lanka

c) Bangladesh d) Zimbabwe

Q6: Mark Selby has become the world champion for



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the fourth time. With which sport is he associated?

- a) Snooker b) Tennis
c) Badminton d) Chess

Q7: Which cricketer has announced his retirement from international cricket after the World Test Championship?

- a) Virat Kohli b) Ravichandran Ashwin
c) B J Watling d) Trent Boult

Q8: Which tennis player clinched the 2021 Madrid Open women's singles title?

- a) Aryna Sabalenka b) Simona Halep
c) Mari Osaka d) Ashleigh Barty

Q9: Ravi Kumar Dahiya has won gold for India in which sports event?

- a) Weightlifting b) Shooting
c) Boxing d) Wrestling

Q10: Jurgen Klopp began his managerial career at which German club?

- a) Borussia Dortmund b) FSV Mainz 05
c) Bundesliga d) FC Köln

ANSWERS: 1 c) Alyssa Healy

2 d) Alexander Zverev 3 d) Babar Azam

4 a) Jhilli Dalabehera 5 b) Sri Lanka

6 a) Snooker 7 c) B.J. Watling

8 a) Aryna Sabalenka 9 d) Wrestling

10 b) FSV Mainz 05