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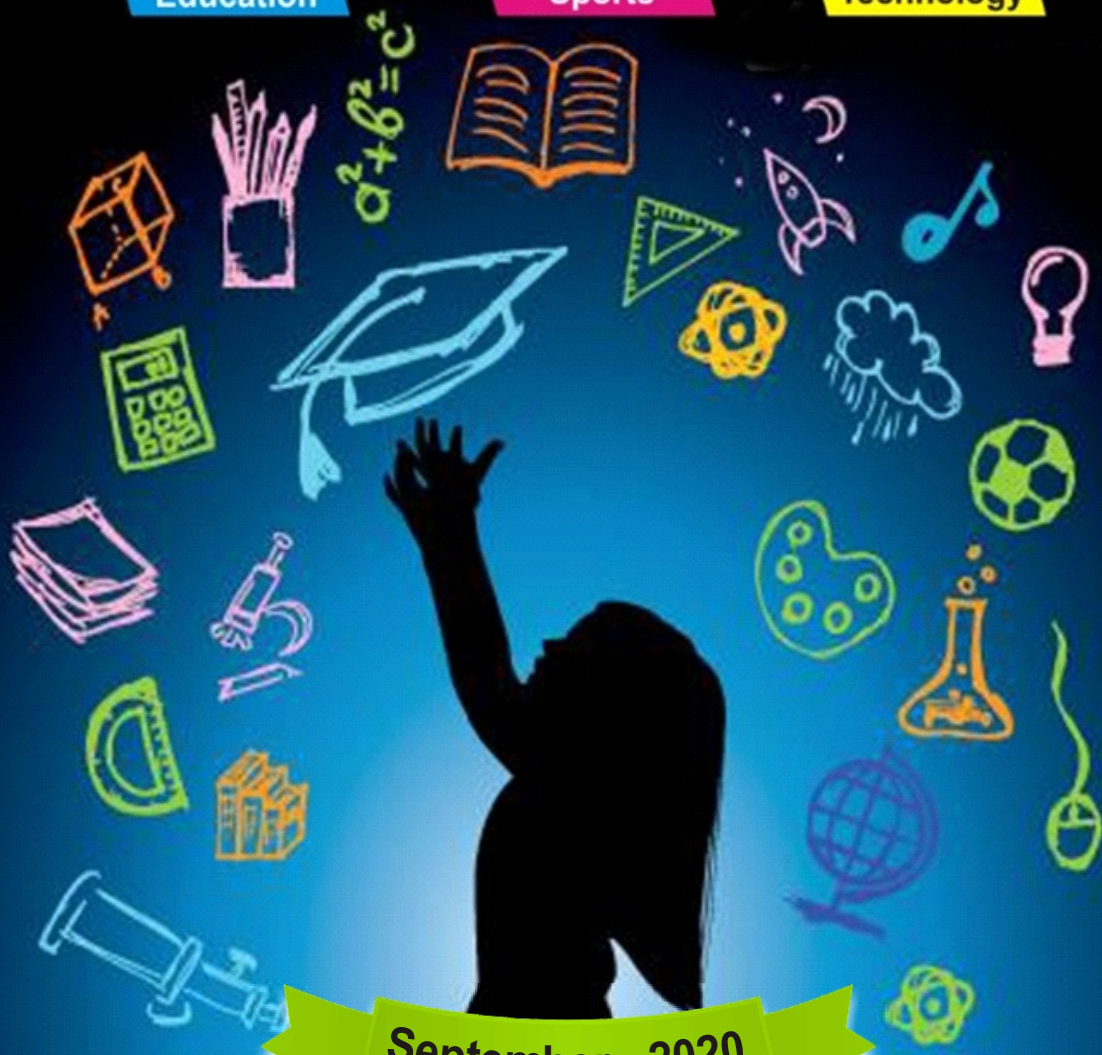


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WOMEN AT WAR



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Women were always misjudged as weak critters, both mentally and physically. But leaving all the stereotypes and differences behind, they have served in the military in many different roles in various jurisdictions throughout history. So throwing some light on women in combat roles, 14 percent of the active-duty Army, 23 percent of the Army Reserve, and 16 percent of the Army National Guard (U.S military). But this improvement is not so recent. Back in the days, women played some really important roles like in the battle of World War 2.

As World War I sucked in millions of young men into the killing field across Europe, it also turned into an opportunity for women on the continent to leave their humdrum and do something upfront. Their main role in World War I (1914-1918) was employment in munitions factories, farming, and other roles to replace men drafted for the army. They played an important role in making the system of food rationing work. The experiences of women in war have been diverse.

Historically women have played a major role on the home front. By the 18th century, some women accompanied armies were assigned combat missions. All the provinces and territories followed the suit and similar volunteer groups emerged. While most of the men were joining up, doing something to win the war. Surely women could help as well!"

In addition to the Red Cross, several volunteer corps had designed themselves after auxiliary groups from Britain. World War II (1939-1945) marked a decisive turning point, with millions of women handling important home front roles; approximately 350,000 American women joined the military during World War II. They worked as nurses, drove trucks, repaired airplanes, and performed clerical work.

On July 2, 1942 women were permitted to enlist in what would be known as the Canadian Women's Auxiliary Air Force. □ Lastly, the Royal Canadian Navy created the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service (WRENS). □ But there were some outrageous requirements beheld for enlistment: like age criterion (18 yrs. - 41 years), height complication of equal to or over 5 feet, and weight accordingly. They would not be considered for enlistment if they were married and had children dependent on them. The WRENS were outfitted in Galt, Ontario. Forevermore, women were paid less, two-thirds of what a man at the same level would make. Whilst women were limited in some of their roles, they were expected to perform to the same standard as a male soldier performing the same role. Worst of all, even when they went for the same military training, lived in the same conditions, and did almost the same jobs as men, they were not credited for their bravery and valor as it was given to "active operations against the enemy in the field", which women could not take part in. Later military leaders began to see the substantial impact the women could make. The negative reaction of men towards the female recruits was also coming and these were addressed in propaganda films. Documentaries like *She Marches* and *Wings on Her Shoulder* were made to show the acceptance of female recruits. Once in training, some women felt that they had made a mistake. Other women felt the need to escape and ran away.

At the beginning of the war, 600,000 women in Canada held permanent jobs in the private sector; by the peak in 1943, 1.2 million women had jobs. Women quickly gained a good reputation for their mechanical dexterity and fine precision due to their smaller stature. Women also had to keep their homes together while the men were away. Most of the women veterans encountered roadblocks when they tried to take advantage of benefit programs for veterans. It seems the nation was not yet ready for the greater social equality that would slowly come in the decades to follow.

World War II is a witness of a turnout of women into the battlefields. Similar enthusiasm was shared by conscript women from all over the world. Veterans like Frances Green, Margret Kirchner, Ann Waldner and all of them who decided to break the unethical rules and fight for their nation and their freedom, were the women of millennials. Moreover recently, these stereotypes seem to reduce, for example- In 2018 only, Norway and Sweden conscripted men and women at the same formal conditions in their armed forces.

A quote that well gears my article is :

"But most of these women -- the famous and the obscure -- had one thing in common: they did not think of themselves as heroes. They followed their consciences, saw something that needed to be done, and they did it. And their sacrifice was not in vain, especially if their courage continues to inspire others to fight injustice and evil wherever they find it".

-Women Heroes of WWII
By Kathryn J. Atwood



VENEZUELA CRISIS



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I thought Yugoslavia(1994) was the last case of hyperinflation but I was wrong, the political socio-economic fiasco already begun in a country on the northern coast of South America.

Hugo Chavez was the first elected president of Venezuela in 1998. He increased the oil prices in the early 2000s which led to levels of funds not seen in Venezuela since the 1980s, however, Venezuela began to face economic difficulties due to Chavez's populist policies, and on 2 June 2010, he declared an ECONOMIC WAR.

THE ECONOMIC WAR: US DECLARED AN EMBARGO

The United States has been using Venezuela's vulnerabilities to engage in a low-grade economic war. Instead of military action, the US has imposed selected economic sanctions against certain Venezuelans. January 28, 2019, the US has declared a full-scale economic assault, it was indeed an embargo against the PETROLEOS DE VENEZUELA (PDVSA) the country's state-owned oil company that controls the world's largest oil reserves and produces virtually all of Venezuela's foreign exchange.

By 2014, the value of Venezuela's currency, the Bolivar, and the prosperity of the Venezuelan economy, was highly dependent on oil exports. More than 90% of the country's export earnings came from oil.

THE GLOBAL OIL PRICE DROPPED:

Venezuela holds the world's largest supply of crude oil, and petroleum products make up the vast majority of the country's exports. Production held virtually steady from 2002- just before the national strike to 2008 when global oil prices peaked. Figures from the ORGANIZATION OF THE PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES show the country earned about \$60bn from oil that year.

But the collapse in oil prices towards the end of 2014- a year after Mr. Chavez died from cancer which decimated the country's already-struggling oil-dependent economy. The global price of oil dropped. Foreign demand for the Bolívar to buy Venezuelan oil crashed. As the currency's value fell, the cost of imported goods rose. The Venezuelan economy went into crisis. Oil production in Venezuela has suffered from a poor oil

"Wartime economy"

Venezuela's wartime economy has the world's highest unemployment since end of Bosnian War in world's biggest contraction since 2014 start of Libyan Civil War

-April 2019 International Monetary Fund (IMF) World Economic Outlook

EPISODES OF HYPERINFLATION:

The solution of Venezuela's new president Nicolas Maduro was to print more money. This might seem silly but it can keep the economy moving while it gets over a hump caused by short-term price shocks.

The Venezuelan crises, however just got worse as the oil price continued to deplete, compounded by other factors. International investors started to look elsewhere, driving the Bolivar even lower. In these conditions, printing more money simply made the problem worse. It added to the supply of currency, pushing the value down even further. As the prices rose, the government printed more money to pay the bills, this cycle is what causes HYPERINFLATION.



Over 3 million Venezuelans fled from the country since 2014, they have landed into neighboring Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Chile; few others have gone south to Brazil.

THE CURRENCY MARKET TOOK A NOSE-DROP:

Venezuelans started to convert their savings into stable currency, like the US dollar. This lowered the value of the Bolivar even further.

The government responded by issuing currency controls. It set a fixed exchange rate, to stop the official value of the Bolivar dropping against the US dollar, and made it difficult to get the permission to exchange Bolivares into US dollars. The idea was to stabilize the currency by effectively shutting down all currency transactions. US dollars were still available in the black market, however. This increasing demand meant the black market price for the greenbacks rose, creating a difference between the official exchange rate (set up by the government) and the unofficial exchange rates.

ZERO MEDICAL BACK-UP:

Venezuela has suffered a huge rise in the number of malaria cases in recent years, out of 24 states at least 10 states have the cases even though Venezuela was the first country certified to have eliminated the disease in 1961. The Venezuelan Health Observatory has reported widespread shortages of antimalarial drugs- for all strains.

Jose Felix Oletta, infectious disease specialist and former health minister, says projections for 2018 suggest an increase of 50% in the number of cases in 2017.

Measles and diphtheria have also returned with a vengeance.

With the ongoing political-economic crisis and Maduro's oppressive treatment of dissentall we can do is pray for Venezuela before it becomes the next North Korea.

EXTRA PROPS

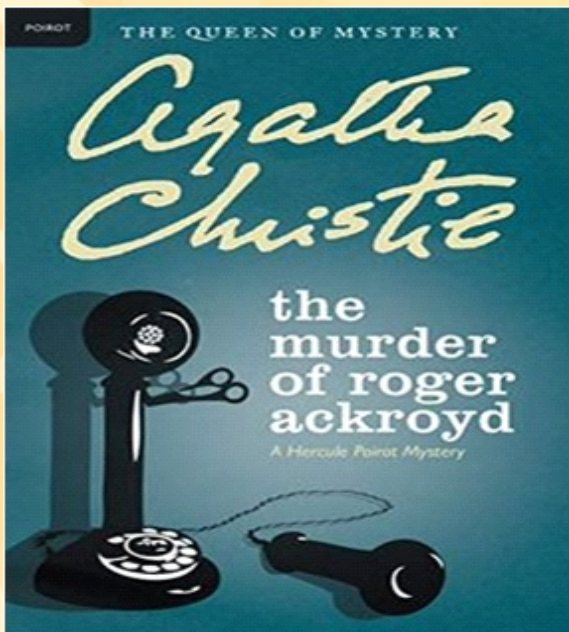
READATHON

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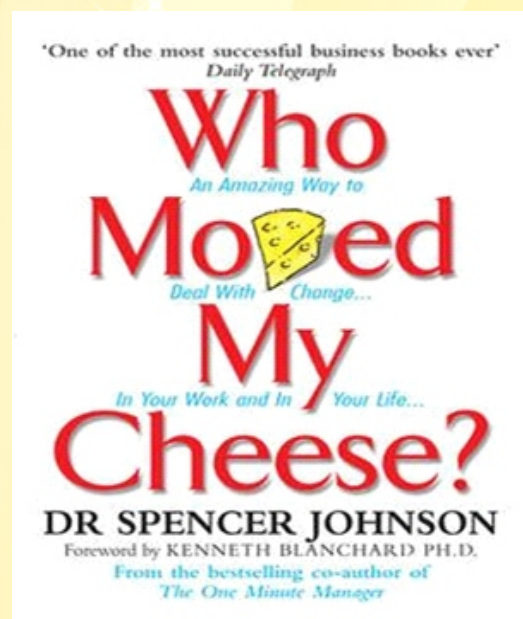
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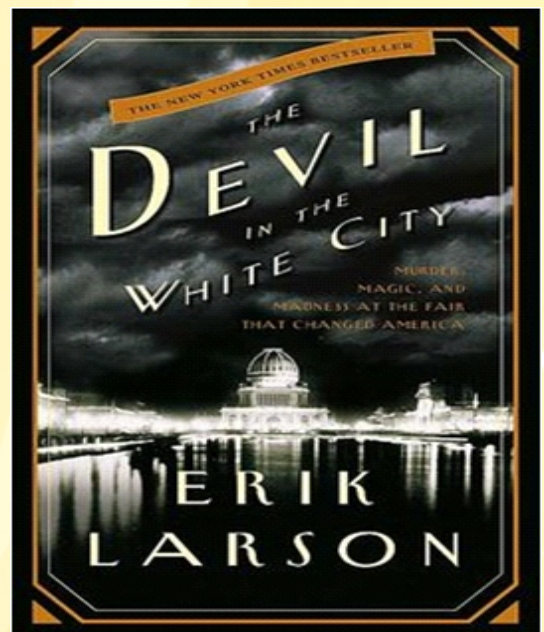
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2. WHO MOVED MY CHEESE Dr. SPENCER JOHNSON



4. THE DEVIL IN WHITE CITY ERIK LARSON



WORDS TO PONDER

This segment offers a vow of vocabulary enrichment, as Ludwig Wittgenstein said “a new word is like fresh seed sown in the ground of discussion.

1.)Rife- prevalent especially to an increasing degree

EXAMPLE- We can see a rife in the job market during such a pandemic.

2.)Pensive- musingly or dreamly thoughtful

EXAMPLE- Rainy days often put us in a pensive mood.

3.)Croesus- a very rich man

EXAMPLE- The best seats were reserved for the Croesus population of the town.

4.)Prognostication- an indication in advance

EXAMPLE- At the sight of the brooding mansion, the prognostication of ill fortune grew stronger.

5.)Incumbent- one that occupies a particular position or place

EXAMPLE- Incumbent often have an advantage in elections.

QUOTES AND NOUS

"You do not just wake up and become the butterfly,
Growth is a Process."



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THE LUXURY OF CHOICE

We all have grown up on stories narrated to us by our grandparents, parents and other elders in our family. As they took us on fantasy journeys with their tales, their purpose was to convey values, beliefs, attitudes and social norms which, in turn, shaped our perception of reality. As a child we were fascinated by fairy tales, fables and the stories from Panchatantra and as we grew up we were told real life stories of great warriors and wise men. When these stories weren't enough, our elders shared episodes from their life stories related to overcoming adversity, enduring tragedy, relying on wit, making sacrifice and gaining new powers or knowledge and meaning of life. All these real life episodes, have influenced our behaviour, thoughts and actions greatly. It isn't the amount of challenges or the level of difficulty which has made an impact upon us but, the choices which were made and the way our elders conquered their challenges. These life stories not only guide us about how to live our life and face challenges in it but also communicate that we all are masters of our life and have the capability of manipulating it the way we want.

Life is filled with uncertainty, which is the greatest fear and challenge faced by all especially at times like this. While many things remain outside our control and our mindset is the only key to coping with difficult circumstances and facing the unknown. The current COVID-19 pandemic has heightened uncertainty over the economy, employment, finances, relationships, physical and mental health. As human beings, we all want to be safe and have a sense of control over our lives and well-being but, fear and uncertainty can leave us feeling stressed, anxious and powerless over the direction of our life. It can drain us emotionally and trap us in a downward spiral of endless confusions and worst-case scenarios about what tomorrow may bring. We're all different in how much uncertainty we can tolerate in life. Some people seem to enjoy taking risks and living unpredictable lives, while others find the randomness of life deeply distressing. But all of us have a limit after which we might start feeling helpless and hopeless and weak. It is at this moment, we need to question ourselves- would my life story be like this? Is this what I want to narrate to my next generation? Am I living the story I want told? Can I Make changes in my story? What do I need to change in this story? Answers to all these questions can lead us all to a different perspective and strengthen us to face the uncertainties of life and gain back control over it.

We all have the luxury of choosing to live the story we want told. By this, I mean, we are all writing a story with our lives and we have the power to choose how it would be like. The abundant choices available to us can create endless possibilities in our lives but, still choice remains a luxury. Every choice we make is accompanied with a consequence and this makes the process of making decisions more difficult. Every moment of our life is a matter of choice, even during such times of helplessness, hopelessness and despair we do have a choice to either endure it or create a bubble of possibilities around it. According to existential psychologists tension, striving and struggling for a worthwhile goal are to be considered positive as they try to close the gap between what one is and what one should become. The struggles of each one of us are unique and hence the meaning of life is unique to each individual and to each moment as no one can be replaced and no situation repeats itself. As Viktor Frankl puts it, “everything can be taken away from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedoms to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way.

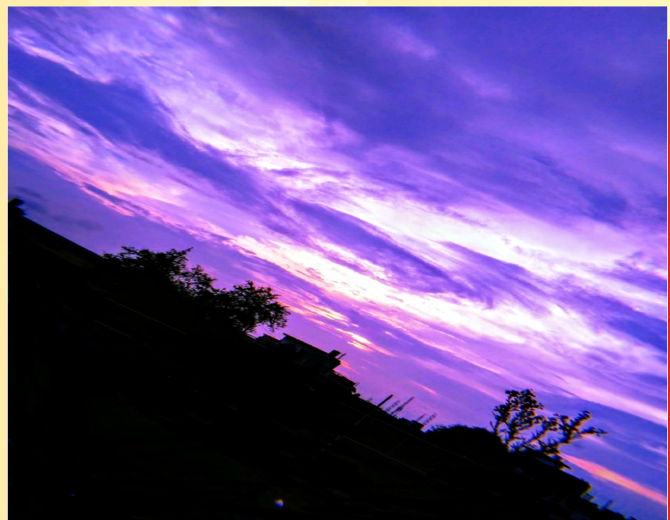
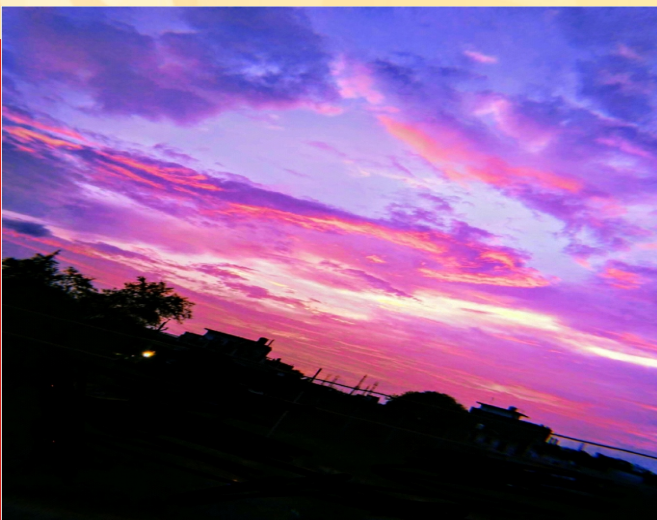
The choices we make today will define the stories get told about us. And it is going to be retold. We are going to talk about it, our kids are going to talk about it. They are going to be memories about us. And the lives we shape are going to share pieces of it. It will become a part of the legacy. What matters, therefore, is not meaning of life in general but rather the specific meaning of our life at a given moment. Everyone has a specific mission in life which demands fulfilment. Therein no one can be replaced and thus, everyone's task is as unique as is his/her specific opportunity to implement it. We all can access the luxury of choice by showing courage, positivity and hopefulness, by keeping in mind the long-term impact of the choices we make and by investing our time wisely in relationships, service and good will to others. These investments will always shape the arc of our story towards a positive end. Hence, until life is taken from us change is possible, and it always starts with just one right choice to head in a new direction. As, it has been rightly said, “until the lion learns how to write, every story will glorify the hunter.”

Adoring Sky

I personally feel that photography is a way of feeling and loving moments of beauty captured at the right time. A walk down the memory lane, looking at the captures, help us remember things that otherwise might have been long forgotten.



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अलंकृता सिंह
कक्षा २ अ

मां खुलवा दे स्कूल
ऐ मां मुझसे ऐसी भी
क्यों हो गयी भूल,
क्यों कुदरतने मुझसे
मेरा छुड़ा दिया स्कूल।

घर में रह कर अब तो
मैं हो गयी हूं बोर,
नहीं चाहिए मुझको अब
कोई भी छुट्टी और।

याद आती है मुझको
स्कूल की वह मस्ती,
ऑनलाइन की क्लास
मुझको अब नहीं जचती।

कभी इंटरनेट मेरा
कभी मैडम का चला जाता
है,
मुझे क्लास में बैठकर
पढ़ना रास ही आता है।

घर में रहकर भी हमने
समय व्यर्थ नहीं गंवाया है,
मेरी मैडम ने घर पर ही
हमको बहुत सिखाया है।

मां मैं अपनी सारी
भूलों को लुंगी सुधार,
बैस कुछ ऐसा कर दे
कि खुल जाए स्कूल का द्वार।



COVID-19

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We may be young or old,
But we must be bold,
Against the enemy untold.



We can't go to malls,
Nor can we go to waterfalls,
Because this virus is really
scaring,

Sending our spines into a shivering .

If you have to go out , think twice,

Wear your mask, be wise .

After coming home , sanitize,

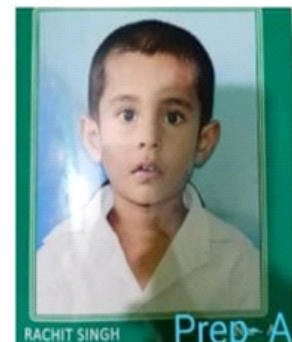
And wash your hands thrice.

Covid -19 is the name,

It is playing a hide and seek game.

By following the rules, we can ensure
endgame.

Rachit Singh PREP-A



RACHIT SINGH

Prep-A

WAQT

Intezaar ka vo pehlu jo aapke chahne par bhi jaldi ni beet ta
Mano jaise tham hi gya ho
bas ek zid par ada ho
K dekhu to pehle main khatam hoga ya phr intezaar krne vaala..
Jb aap apne saath hi ek jung lad rhe ho
Tb vo(waqt) apni man marziyan kar rha ho.
Phir b anjaane mein hi sahi par aap is waqt ko hi apna samajh lete ho
Kyunki koi aur na sahi, ek ye waqt to h jo saath chalta ho..
Har pal jb aap har baat par ek kashmakash se guzarte ho,
Tb vo ithlaakr apni chaal hi badal deta ho..
Ek lambi saans mein aap kuch second mein sochte ho k ab sb thk hojaega
Ae huzoor zara rukiye... ye waqt h janaab, ye phr rulaega.
Kehte h khuda sb dekhta h..
Aaj puchti hun us khuda se,
Kya ab bhi aapko mera hi dard ni dikhta h.
Har roz ye waqt mjhe ruswa karta h
Phr kyu tu ise nai palat deta h?
Jaanti hun aasmaan se aap b dekh kr mjhe haste h
Kyaa kismat paayi h na maine jo saare mjhe taj dete h..
Par ek aur baat jaanta h mera dil
K Ma Baap kbhi jhoot nai bolte h..
Kyunki har baar ek vahi to h jo mjhse kehte h
WAQT BADAALTE DER NAI LAGTI HA)..



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The Wise Man

Once upon a time there was a wise man in a village.

People have been coming to the wise man, complaining about the same problems every time. One day he told them a joke and everyone roared in laughter.

After a couple of minutes, he told them the same joke and only a few of them smiled.

When he told the same joke for the third time no one laughed anymore.

The wise man smiled and said:

“You can’t laugh at the same joke over and over. So why are you always crying about the same problem?”

Moral of the story:

Worrying won’t solve your problems, it’ll just waste your time and energy.

By

Suryaansh Kumar Rathor

Prep – A

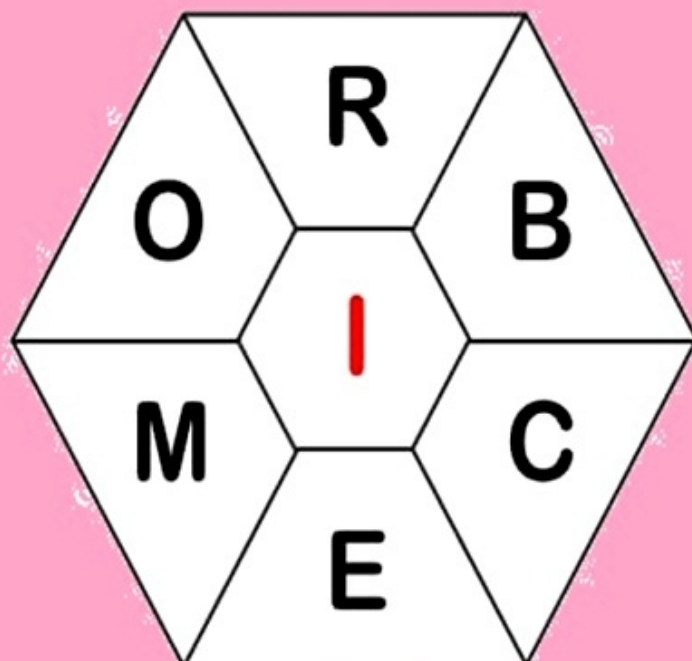




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Kehte ho k aurat sirf ghar mein hi achhi lagti h.
Tere har ek pehlu mein uska hona zaruri h...
Tu gire to ma bankar
Tu roye to behn bankar
Tu dagmagaye to biwi bankar
Tu buddha hojaye to teri beti bankar
Har ek kadam par vo aurat hi to h jo tujh mard ko smbhalti h...
To phr kyu aurat ka wajood itna kamzor h
Is duniye mein to sirf mardo ka shor h..
Aurato se kehte ho barabari krke to dikhao
Areee pehle 9mahine kok mein bachaa rkh k to dikhao...
Aaj tb b kuch aurato ne kamaal kr dikhaye h
Zara smbhal k rehna kyunki kehte h-
Khud Khuda b hmara triyacharitra nahi smjh paaye h. 😎

Make a new word by combining the letters in the hexagon.
The central red letter should be kept common everytime.



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