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## Mysterious Places in the World

Have you ever heard of places that make your hair stand up? Places that are so mysterious and spooky that they give you goosebumps? Well, today we're going to tell you about some of the most mysterious places in the world!

First up, we have Bhangarh Fort in India. This fort is said to be cursed because it is believed that a beautiful princess was burned alive here by her own father because she fell in love with a commoner instead of a prince chosen by her father for her marriage proposal. The fort is now abandoned and people say that the spirits of the princess and her lover still haunt the place.

Next, we have Easter Island. This island is located in the Pacific Ocean and is known for its mysterious statues called Moai. These statues are so big and heavy that it's hard to imagine how they were built. Some people believe that these statues were built by aliens because they don't have any explanation for how they were built by humans alone.

Last but not least, we have Area 51. This is a secret military base located in the United States. People say that the government is hiding some secret technology or even aliens here, but the government denies all these claims. Some people even believe that if you visit this place, you'll be abducted by aliens!

These are just a few of the many mysterious places in the world that leave us wondering what really goes on there! Have you ever heard any other spooky stories about mysterious places? Let us know.

From abandoned forts to unknown islands and secret military bases, these locations have captured our imaginations and left us with more questions than answers. Whether you believe in ghosts, aliens, or secret technology, these places are sure to give you chills! So, pack your bags and let's explore the unknown!



### Editor's Note:

Hey guys! Ever wonder where your dreams go or what makes ocean roar? That's the magic of mysteries! Mysteries are like tiny puzzles, and curiosity is your superpower to solve them. In this issue, we're diving deep into some of the world's greatest unknowns. Get ready to be amazed!

We also have an exciting news! To fuel your adventures in exploration, we're building a safe online world "CURIOSBUDDY" for kids aged 5-15. So, fellow adventurers, buckle up to dive into articles bursting with fascinating facts and stories that will spark your imagination and ignite your inner scientist!

This issue is made specially for you, the Kreative Kids.

Your sincerely Kanira ♡

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# Riddle Ride

What kind of band never plays music?

Check the correct answer in next edition.





Answer to 16th January's Riddle Ride - "Age"






# Spring

## The KK Times

### Weather Forecast

Saturday		Sunday	
 26°C 79°F	 10°C 50°F	 26°C 79°F	 14°C 57°F

 GHAZIABAD





IMD predicts a fresh active Western Disturbance is likely to affect northwest India from 17th February. This may cause scattered to fairly widespread light/moderate rainfall accompanied with gusty winds/thunderstorms from 18th-20th in north western states. Western Himalayan regions may receive heavy rainfall/snowfall. Dense fog conditions very likely to prevail in morning hours in isolated pockets of Bihar and Odisha on 17th February.



# HAPPY Valentine's DAY



## DID YOU KNOW?

A SHRIMP'S HEAD CONTAINS THE SHRIMP'S HEART.





What does a pig put on dry skin?

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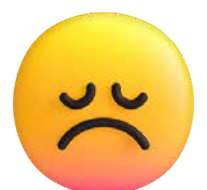
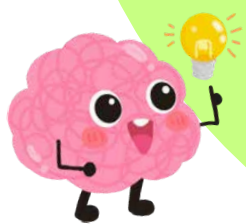
## Fun with Facts

## Fun Time

Match The Following  
Images

### Valentine's Day

Valentines Day is celebrated each year on 14th February. February 14th is known as Valentine's Day because the Roman Catholic Church commemorates two saints named Valentine on this day. Both Saint Valentines were ancient Romans who lived in the 200s and were martyred for their Christian beliefs.



## Vocabulary Building

**Incognito**- having one's true identity concealed

**Vertebrate**- animals with a backbone/spine

**Metabolism**- the chemical reactions in the body's cells that change food into energy

**Cognitive**- of, associated with, comprising of, or involve conscious activity

**Extinguished** - to cause something to stop burning

**Goosebumps** - a temporary condition in which small raised swellings appear on the skin because of cold, fear, or excitement

**Appropriate** - suitable or compatible

**Intricate** - very complicated or detailed

**Prodigy** - a child who is unusually good at something

Activity Area

February 26 is ‘Tell a Fairy Tale Day’. Why don’t you colour this image and write your own fairy tale ahead.

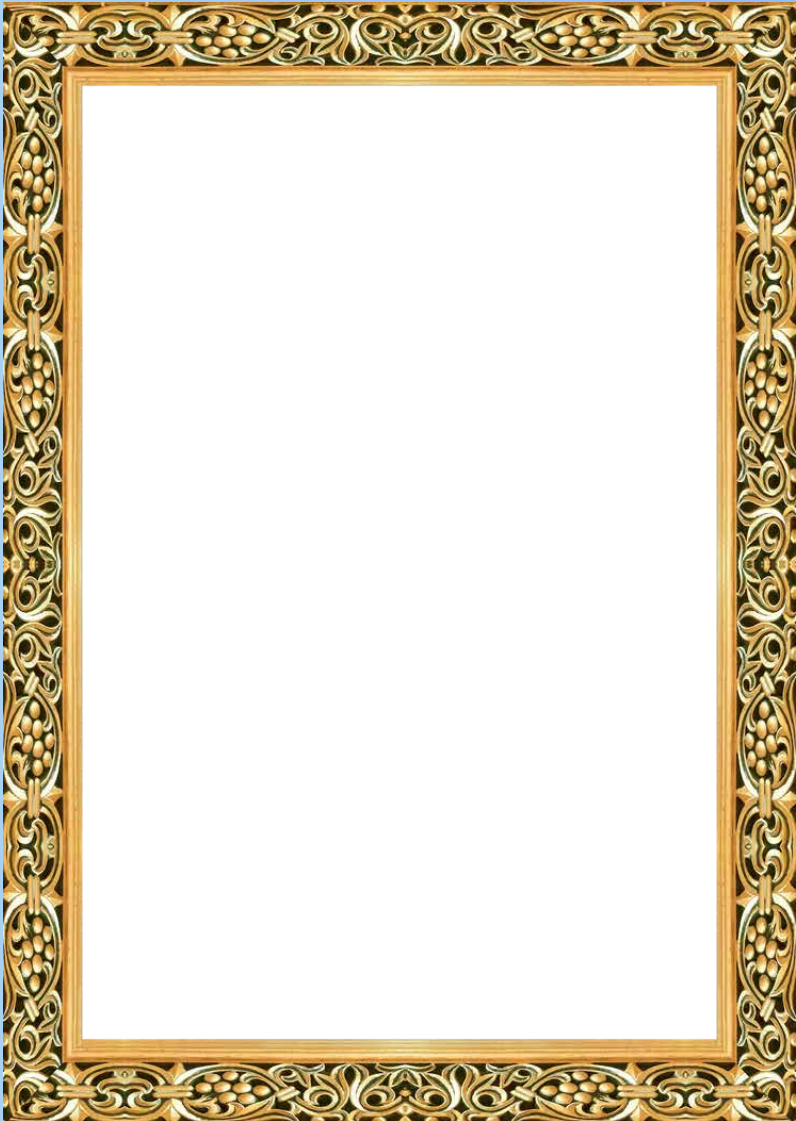






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Emma was a brave woman. Today she set out on an adventure in ...

[illegible]

## Draw a scene from the story



# Real and Strange!

## Did you know?

The Bermuda Triangle is located between the coast of Florida, Puerto Rico and Bermuda. It is theorised that ships and aeroplanes, ships and other vehicles have disappeared in that area because there are hexagonal clouds. Another theory is that ships may have disappeared due to 45 - 100 ft unexpected rogue waves.

## Mysterious Places around the World



## Others

- Island of the Dead Dolls
- Blood Falls
- Easter Island
- Loch Ness
- Lake Hilier
- Crooked Forest



### Eternal Flame Falls, New York, USA

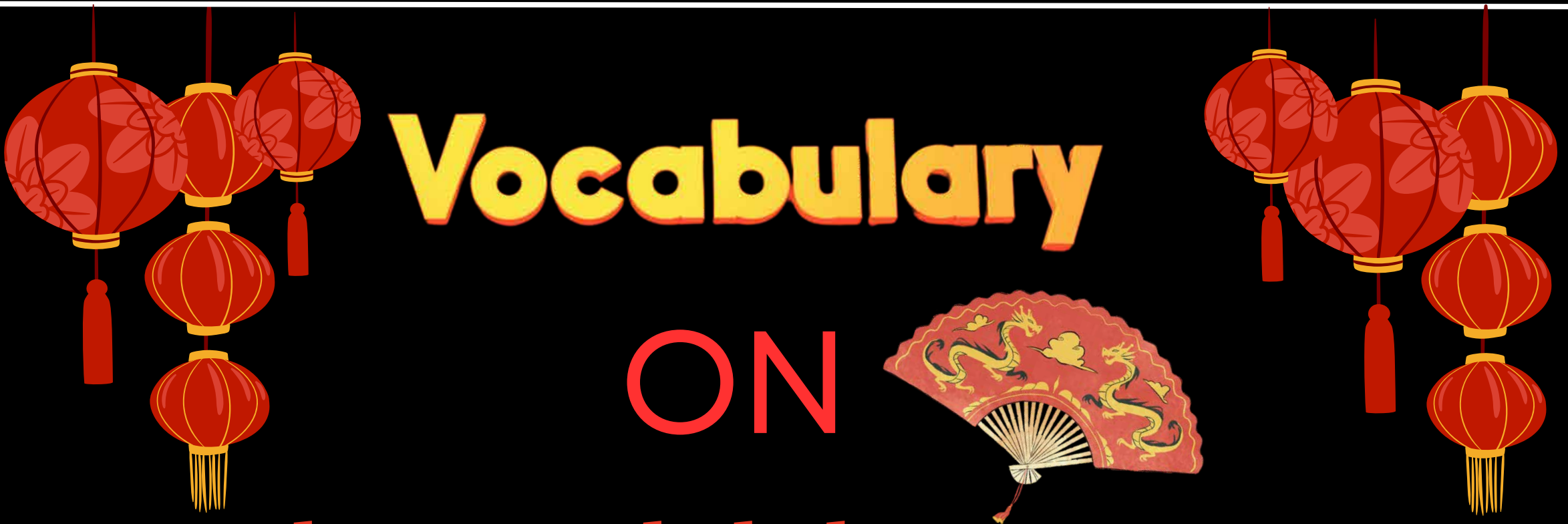
Eternal Flame Falls is located in western New York, USA. There is a natural gas leak under the falls that happens to be on fire. It is not literally 'eternal' and can be extinguished occasionally.

### A History Mystery- Stonehenge

Stonehenge is located on Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire, England. According to folk tales it said that it was built by 'Merlin, the wizard in Arthurian legend' who mysteriously moved the large stones from Ireland, where giants had gathered them. Stonehenge is about 5000 years old, but nobody knows who built it and why it was built.







Vocabulary  
ON  
CHINESE  
NEW YEAR



Blunder

Lively

Knack



Humanely



Diplomatic

Anxious



Evoke

Intertwine





TINY TITANS: UNVEILING THE MYSTERIES OF THE MINIATURE



Fairy Fly

Imagine a creature smaller than a grain of rice, yet able to lift 50 times its weight! Or a bird that beats its wings 80 times per second, humming like a tiny bee! The animal kingdom harbours a hidden world of miniature marvels, each with secrets waiting to be unraveled. Let's shrink down and explore the baffling mysteries of the tiniest insects, birds, and animals on Earth.

**Insect Incognitos:** Dive into the world of insects, and you'll encounter the fairy fly, a minuscule marvel measuring a mere 0.13 millimetres! They are also known as “Fairy wasps” or *mymaridae*, its official name. This micro-monster is the smallest known insect, weighing less than a dust speck. But don't underestimate its size – fairy flies are expert hunters, using their needle-like ovipositors to lay eggs inside the eggs of other insects. Did you know some species of fairy flies even paralyse their hosts, ensuring their offspring have a tasty meal upon hatching?

**Feathery Fantasies:** Soar through the skies with the bee hummingbird, the undisputed champion of tiny birds. This feathered gem, weighing a mere 1.8 grams, is the smallest warm-blooded vertebrate on Earth. Its wings beat an astonishing 80 times per second, allowing it to hover like a helicopter while sipping nectar from flowers. But the bee hummingbird's miniature life is no easy feat. Finding enough food to fuel its high metabolism is a constant challenge, and its tiny nest, smaller than a walnut, is a marvel of engineering.



Hummingbird

Etruscan shrew



**Microscopic Marvels:** Now, let's burrow underground to meet the Etruscan shrew, a miniature mammal weighing just 2 grams. This tiny titan holds the record for the smallest mammal by weight. Despite its size, the Etruscan shrew possesses a remarkably high metabolism, needing to consume its own weight in food every day! Interestingly, its brain is proportionally the largest of any mammal, suggesting a surprisingly complex cognitive ability for such a small creature.

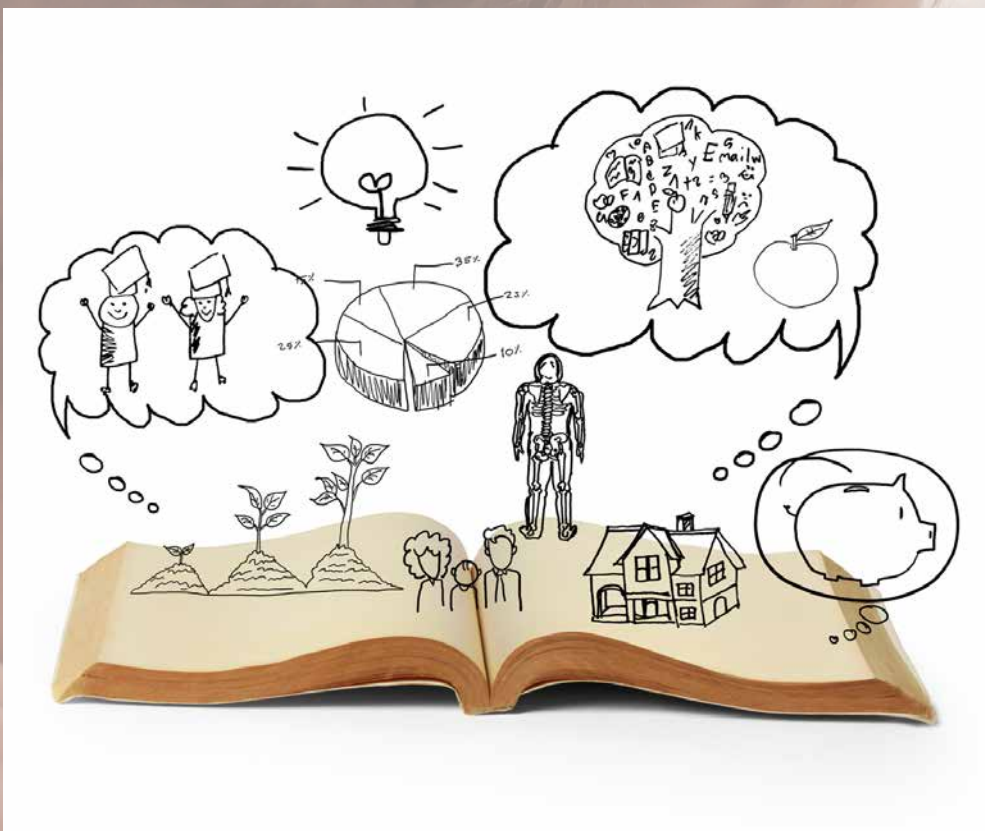
These are just a glimpse into the fascinating world of miniature creatures. From their incredible adaptations to their hidden lives, these tiny titans offer endless mysteries for us to explore. So, next time you see a tiny insect or hear the hum of a hummingbird, remember – the smallest creatures often hold the biggest secrets! Hope this quenched a bit of your thirst for knowledge about miniature marvels of the earth.



## HOW TO WRITE A STORY

Writing a story is so much fun! You get to make up your own world, create cool characters, and add twists that will make your readers say "Wow!" Here are some tips to help you write your own story!

**1. Setting:** First, you need to decide where your story will take place. Will it be a jungle, a castle, or outer space? Think about what kind of setting will fit your story best. If your story is about a brave princess, a castle might be the perfect setting! If your story is about a group of animals trying to escape a forest fire, the jungle might be a better choice!



**4. Plot:** After you've decided on your setting, characters, and twists, it's time to write your plot! Your plot is the story that happens in your story. It should have a beginning, middle, and end. In the beginning, introduce your characters and setting. In the middle, add your twists and challenges. In the end, have your characters overcome the challenges and achieve their goal!



**2. Characters:** Next, you need to create your characters. Think about what kind of people (or animals!) you want in your story. Do you want a hero, a villain, or both? What about a sidekick or a best friend? Make sure your characters are unique, interesting, and have different personalities.

**3. Twists:** Now it's time to add some twists! Twists are surprises that happen in your story that your readers won't expect. They can be funny, scary, or exciting! For example, in a story about a group of animals trying to escape a forest fire, you could add a twist where the animals have to cross a river to get to safety, but the river is filled with crocodiles!



**5. Dialogue:** Don't forget to add dialogue to your story! Dialogue is what your characters say to each other. It helps bring your story to life and makes it more interesting to read. Make sure your dialogue is appropriate for your audience and fits the personalities of your characters!

Remember, writing a story is all about having fun! Don't be afraid to let your imagination run wild! Happy writing!



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TIME



# Jammu & Kashmir

HEY, KIDS! ARE YOU EXCITED TO LEARN ABOUT A BEAUTIFUL PLACE CALLED JAMMU & KASHMIR? JAMMU & KASHMIR IS A VERY SPECIAL UNION TERRITORY IN INDIA THAT IS FILLED WITH LOTS OF FUN AND EXCITING THINGS TO SEE AND DO! LET'S EXPLORE SOME OF THE AMAZING TOURIST SPOTS IN JAMMU & KASHMIR TOGETHER!

FIRST UP, WE HAVE THE VAISHNO DEVI TEMPLE! THIS TEMPLE IS DEDICATED TO THE GODDESS VAISHNO DEVI, AND IT'S LOCATED IN A BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAIN SETTING. YOU HAVE TO TAKE A SPECIAL TRAIN CALLED THE "BHAIRON BABA EXPRESS" TO REACH THE TEMPLE, AND IT'S A REALLY EXCITING RIDE! ONCE YOU REACH THE TEMPLE, YOU'LL SEE A BEAUTIFUL STATUE OF THE GODDESS, AND YOU CAN OFFER HER YOUR PRAYERS.

NEXT, WE HAVE THE INDIRA GANDHI TULIP GARDEN! THIS GARDEN IS FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL TULIPS IN ALL SORTS OF COLORS. IT'S A GREAT PLACE TO TAKE SOME PICTURES AND ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS. YOU CAN ALSO TAKE A SPECIAL BOAT RIDE ON THE NEARBY DAL LAKE, WHICH IS FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL LOTUS FLOWERS AND EVEN HAS A FLOATING VEGETABLE MARKET!

ANOTHER AMAZING PLACE TO VISIT IN JAMMU & KASHMIR IS THE BETAAB VALLEY! THIS VALLEY IS FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL GREEN MOUNTAINS AND LUSH GREEN FORESTS. YOU CAN GO HIKING AND EXPLORE THE VALLEY, OR YOU CAN JUST RELAX AND ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL SCENERY.

FINALLY, WE HAVE THE AMARNATH CAVE! THIS CAVE IS LOCATED HIGH UP IN THE MOUNTAINS, AND IT'S FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL ICE SCULPTURES OF THE GOD SHIVA. YOU HAVE TO TAKE A SPECIAL TREK TO REACH THE CAVE, BUT IT'S DEFINITELY WORTH THE EFFORT!

SO, WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? PACK YOUR BAGS AND HEAD TO JAMMU & KASHMIR! YOU'LL HAVE AN AMAZING TIME EXPLORING ALL OF THESE BEAUTIFUL PLACES!



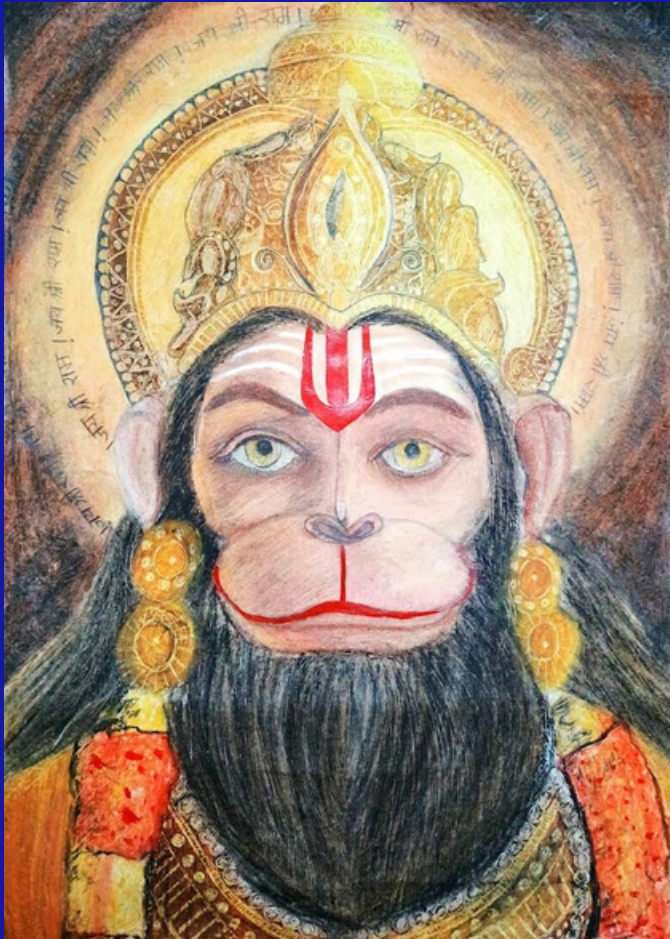




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Special Entry



ABHIJAY KUMAR  
IS A KREATIVE  
KID AND A  
"CURIODUDDY".  
HE IS APPEARING  
AS READER OF  
THE MONTH FOR  
THE SECOND  
TIME.

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# Architectural Marvels of the World



Have you ever visited places which are mind-blowing? From intricate designs to carefully planned buildings to amazingly tall structures, there are some places that are heavenly.

- The Taj Mahal, Agra, India 🇮🇳

The Taj Mahal is a mausoleum in the memory of the beautiful royal Mumtaz Mahal, wife of Shah Jahan. 👑



- Leaning Tower of Pisa, Italy 🇮🇹

The Leaning Tower of Pisa is a tower in Pisa in North Western Italy. It stands at about a 4 degree tilt.

Well bye.

## SPORTS NEWS



Indian tennis star Rohan Bopanna confirmed his participation in the men's doubles event at the Paris Olympics 2024 during a recent interview. However, details regarding his specific partner remain undecided. "It's exciting to have Indian representation in men's doubles," Bopanna stated.

Bopanna had created history last week after he became the oldest grand slam winner after teaming up with his Australian partner Matthew Ebden to defeat the Italian pair of Simone Bolelli and Andrea Vavassori in the finals of the Australian Open 2024. Bopanna, 43, had broken the record of Australian tennis champion Ken Rosewall who had won a grand slam at the age of 37.

Newly minted Australian Open champion Rohan Bopanna has revealed that he will not be participating at the mixed doubles event though at the Paris Olympics this year. Speaking about why he will not be participating in this event, Bopanna informed “Unfortunately, mixed doubles participation won't be possible due to the current ranking of Indian female players. The only event currently guaranteed is men’s doubles.”



# 19 Shining Stars Honoured by President Murmu!

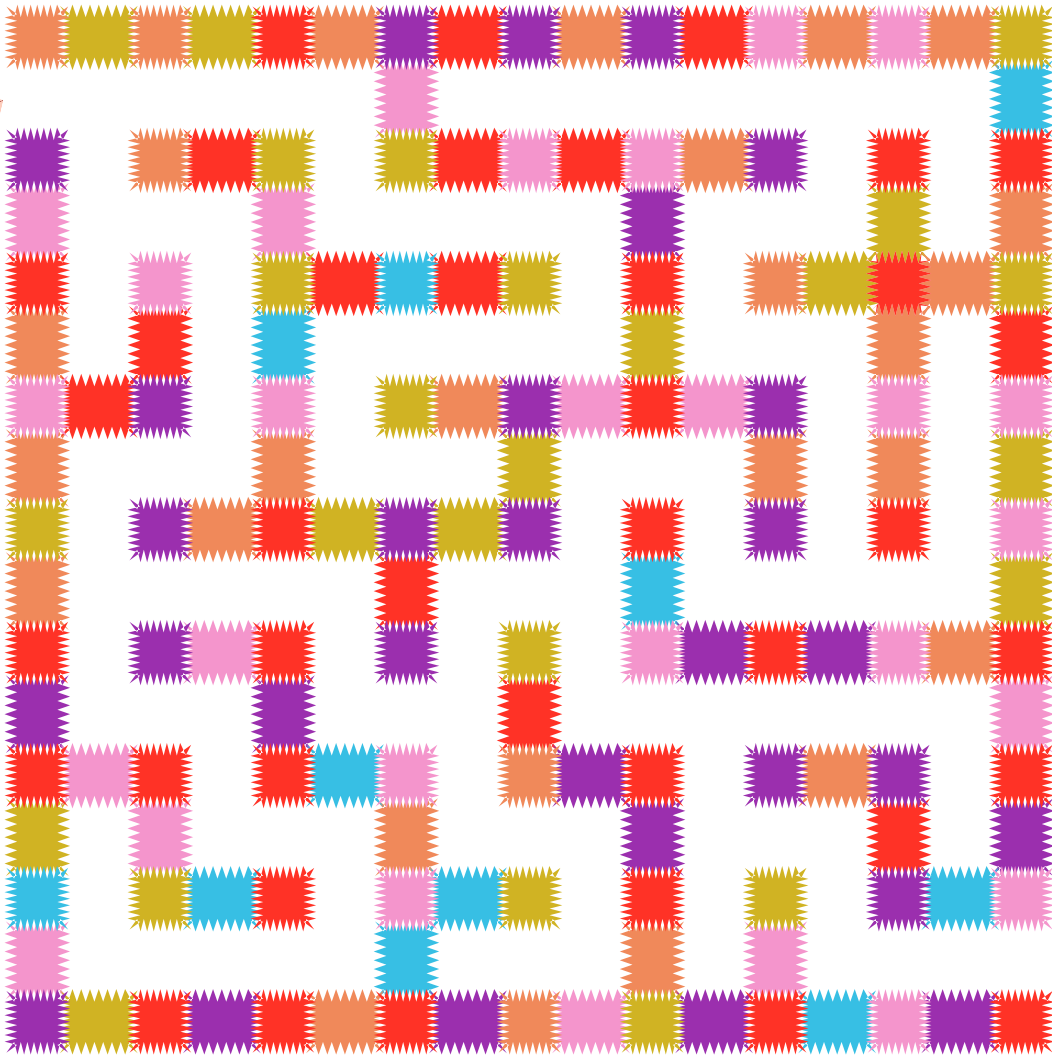
Indian President Droupadi Murmu celebrated the achievements of 19 incredible young people at a special award ceremony before Indian Republic Day! These talented children, aged 5 to 18, were recognised for their exceptional work in various fields like art, culture, bravery, innovation, social service, and sports. Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar-2024 was conferred upon them. Imagine being honoured by the President for your amazing skills! Among these shining stars were nine boys and ten girls, each with a unique story to tell. Some impressed with their artistic talents, while others showcased their bravery in challenging situations. There were young innovators with bright ideas, kindhearted individuals dedicated to social service, and even rising sports stars who dazzled everyone with their athletic prowess.

President Murmu highlighted the importance of this event, saying it encourages the young minds who are taking charge. She emphasised the immense potential of India's youth, recognising their energy as a driving force for the nation's progress. She also encouraged young people to actively participate in sports and physical activities, underlining the importance of a healthy lifestyle.

These 19 young prodigies from 18 different States and UTs are an inspiration to us all! Their dedication, talent, and perseverance serve as a reminder that age is just a number. With hard work and passion, anyone can achieve great things! Let's celebrate these young heroes and continue to encourage the next generation to chase their dreams and make their mark on the world!

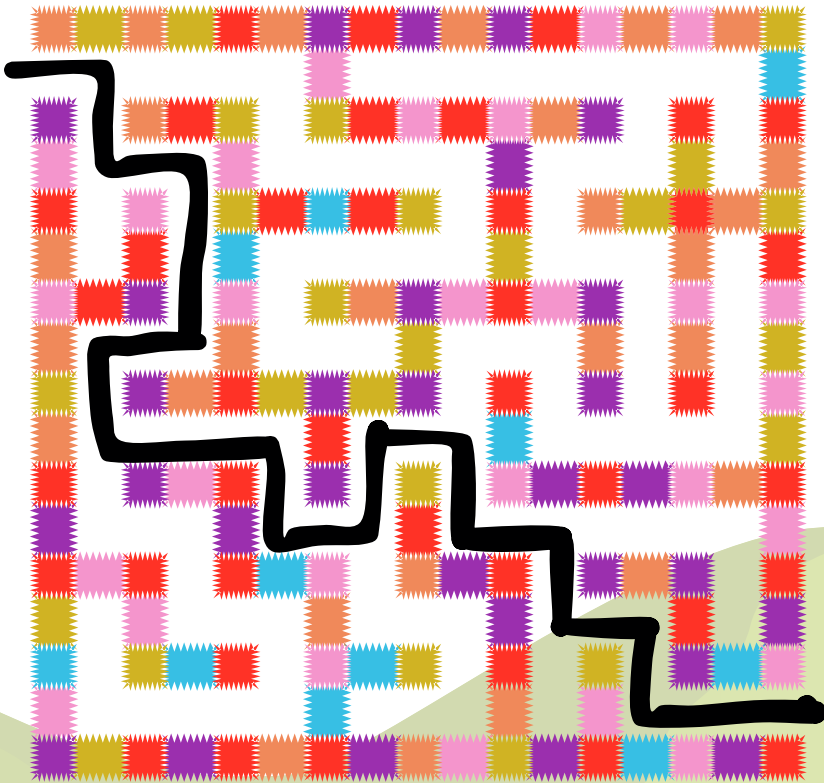
# WORLD Thinking Day

Which kid will reach the sailboat?



Help the heart to send a letter to the brain.





ANSWER

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