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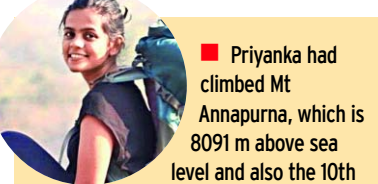


UN SUMMIT TO ADDRESS CRISES LINKED TO LAND DEGRADATION

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Meet Priyanka Mohite, the first Indian woman to climb five 8,000 m above peaks

Priyanka Mohite, 30, from Satara district in Maharashtra, has made India proud by becoming the first Indian woman to climb five peaks above 8000 m. She achieved the feat after ascending Mount Kanchenjunga on Thursday. Priyanka is also the recipient of Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award 2020. She finished her expedition to Mount Kanchenjunga, which is 8,586 m above sea level and also the third-highest mountain on the planet, on Thursday.



■ Priyanka had climbed Mt Annapurna, which is 8091 m above sea level and also the 10th highest mountain peak in the world in April 2021. By doing so, she became the first Indian woman to do so
■ Before this, Priyanka had scaled Mt Everest, the highest peak in the world standing at a height of 8,849 m in 2013. Later in 2018, she climbed Mt Lhotse (8,516 m), which is also the fourth-highest mountain, Mt Makalu (8,485 m), and Mt Kilimanjaro (5,895 m) in 2016
■ In 2015, she went all the way climbing Mt Mentosha, which is 6,443 m above sea level, and also the second-highest peak in the Lahaul and Spiti
■ It's her childhood passion for mountaineering that helped her to accomplish her dreams. She started climbing mountains as a teen in the Sahyadri range of Maharashtra

Quiz

- 1 Name the highest mountain of the world
- 2 Who was the first Indian to scale Mount Everest?
- 3 Who was the first Indian woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest?

1. Mount Everest
2. Aitar Singh Cheema was the first Indian man and sixteenth person in the world to climb Mount Everest in 1965
3. Bachendri Pal was the first Indian woman to scale Mount Everest in 1984

The 15th Conference of Parties (COP15) to the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) opens today in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, on the southern coast of West Africa, amid presence of more than a dozen heads of state and government, ministers, and 2,000 delegates from 196 countries along with the European Union (EU)...

DESERTIFICATION

WHAT IS DESERTIFICATION: Desertification is the process by which vegetation in drylands i.e. arid and semi-arid lands, such as grasslands or shrublands, decreases and eventually disappears. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) defines desertification as land degradation in arid, semi-arid, and dry sub-humid areas resulting from many factors, including climatic variations and human activities. In short, desertification is the permanent degradation of land that was once arable.

WHAT ARE ITS CAUSES: Land degradation is caused by direct or indirect human-induced processes, including man-made climate change. The causes of degradation include urban sprawl, mining, farming, and agriculture because of the clearing of trees and other vegetation, while crops deplete nutrients in the soil. The increased risk of drought brought about by climate change also adds to the issue.

WHERE IS IT HAPPENING? The IPCC says the extent of desertification on a global scale is difficult

- While land degradation can be a natural process, the pace of desertification has accelerated rapidly to reach 30 to 35 times the historical rate, according to the UN
- As per the UN, more than 24 billion tons of fertile soil disappear every year. In fact, today two-thirds of the Earth is undergoing a process of desertification and, if no action is taken, 1.5 mn km² of agricultural land, will be lost by 2050

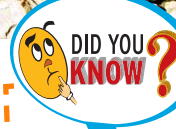
to estimate, but the regional data is alarming. It is estimated that 46 of the 54 countries in Africa are vulnerable to desertification, and desertification is currently affecting 38 of 48 countries in Asia.


X-PLAINED

WHAT ARE ITS CONSEQUENCES

- 1 Drylands, heavily visible among the world's poorest countries, cause loss of biodiversity by worsening the living conditions of many species, food insecurity due to crop failure or reduced yields, and loss of vegetation and food
- 2 It is also responsible for increased risk of zoonotic diseases, such as Covid-19, as animals

- 3 It also results in loss of forest cover, with a corresponding shortage of wood resources
- 4 Importantly, desertification results in decrease in drinking water reserves due to the loss of aquifers



6,000 years ago, the Sahara desert, now the largest desert in the world, was grassland covered with vegetation. The oscillations of the Earth's axis turned this area of the planet from an orchard to a sandy area where almost nothing can grow

HOW TO AVOID Desertification

- One way of mitigating land degradation is by improving land-use planning, including the management of water resources, livestock, and agricultural activities
- No-till (also called zero tillage) technologies could minimise soil disturbance, reduce the combustion of fossil fuels and increase soil organic matter
- Vegetation plays a key role in protecting the soil from wind and water erosion, by building barriers and stabilising dunes. Preserving it would stem the tide of desertification
- Similarly, organic farming and sustainable practices, such as rotational crops and combining trees with farming (known as agroforestry), which prevent soil erosion and drought, is a way forward
- Reforestation can stop desertification by regenerating vegetation cover and generating biodiversity
- Rotational grazing, which limits pressure to a particular area while others regenerate, through co-existence with crops that allow more efficient nutrient cycling, can also prevent land degradation

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IMD: Brace for another spell of heatwave

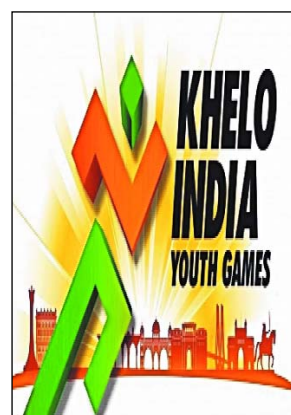


The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has predicted a fresh spell of heatwave conditions over parts of northwest and central India for three days, beginning Sunday. Maximum temperature in many parts of the region is expected to be over 42-44 degree celsius. On Saturday, the highest maximum temperature of 45 degree celsius was recorded at Barmer in west Rajasthan. According to the IMD forecast, heatwave conditions are likely to prevail over Vidarbha region till May 11, over west Rajasthan during May 8-11, over south Haryana and east Rajasthan during May 9-11, over west Madhya Pradesh on May 8-9, and over south Punjab and Jammu division on May 10-11.

Issuing its forecast on Saturday, the India Meteorological Department said a rise in maximum temperatures by 2-4 degree celsius (roughly over 40-42 degree celsius) is very likely in the region during the next three days. The remaining parts of the country may, however, not see any significant change in the maximum temperature during this period

Over 8,000 to participate in Khelo India Youth Games

More than 8,000 athletes will participate in the fourth season of Khelo India Youth Games to be held from June 4 to 13. The mascot, logo, jersey and theme song of Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) was launched at the inaugural event in Panchkula on Saturday in the presence of Haryana chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar and Union sports minister Anurag Thakur. The event will feature 25 sports, including five traditional games – Gatka, Kalaripayattu, Thang-Ta, Mallakhamba and Yogasana. The games will be held in Panchkula, Ambala, Shahabad, Chandigarh and New Delhi.



WhatsApp rolls out emoji reactions, bigger groups

With an aim to make the messaging platform more user friendly, Meta-owned WhatsApp has announced that it is rolling out new features, including emoji reactions, bigger files and groups. The company said that it is slowly rolling out the ability to add up to 512 people to a group,



which, till now, allowed to add only up to 256. WhatsApp said it recommends using WiFi for larger files, and it will display a counter while uploading or downloading to let users know how long your transfer will take. A recent report said that WhatsApp is likely working on the ability to view status updates right within the chats list in a future update of the app.

'KGF: Chapter 2' Hindi version beats 'RRR', crosses ₹ 400 cr mark

The epic-action film 'KGF: Chapter 2' continues its gold run at the box office. The film has successfully demolished all box-office records. The film, which was released on April 14, 2022, has collected over ₹ 1,100 crore at the box-office, and has emerged as a massive success among the pan-Indian audience.

The Yash-starrer was released in Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Hindi across a whopping 10,000 screens worldwide. 'KGF: Chapter 2' has garnered both commercial success and overwhelming love from fans in all languages



- 1 Interestingly, 'KGF: Chapter 2' has already beaten 'RRR' among the Hindi audience. The Yash-starrer has crossed ₹400 crore, while the lifetime box-office collection of the 'RRR' Hindi version is ₹261.63 crore
- 2 'RRR' was made on a whopping budget of ₹550 crore and went on to earn ₹1,127 crore at the box-office, while 'KGF: Chapter 2' was made on a budget of

₹100 crore. The action movie from the Kannada film industry has not only overshadowed 'RRR' but has also emerged as a highly profitable film

- 3 The film directed by Prashanth Neel has been noted for its spectacular cinematography, action sequences, and Yash's charismatic screen presence. Besides, Yash, the film also stars Srinidhi Shetty, Raveena Tandon, and Sanjay Dutt in key roles

Road safety for all is paramount

"DON'T LEARN SAFETY BY ACCIDENT!"

Platinum Jubilee High School (PJHSW) celebrated National Safety Day (chosen by the National Safety Council) to promote amongst students safety, health, and care for the environment. The session was on traffic rules and regulations for the students.

V Naresh (Circle Inspector Traffic) the chief guest, briefed the students about traffic rules and safety. He explained the '3 Es' in road safety, Education, Engineering and Enforcement. He explained how public-private partnerships bring the best results, where professionals with engineering, public health, public safety, and education expertise worked together to improve vehicular safety standards and generate public awareness.

He pointed out that accidents that can easily be prevented, take place regularly, often caused by irresponsible and careless drivers. To reduce the number of accidents and inculcate the habits of cautious driving, he explained the importance of traffic circles and roundabouts, designed to improve traffic flow and safety. He also talked about rules for pedestri-



Platinum Jubilee High School

an crossings at roundabouts. He discussed other traffic rules related to the wearing of helmets, parking and honking and asked the students to educate their families about them.

The students were thrilled to learn about different safety precautions and participated enthusiastically in the session. They made posters on safety and displayed them on bulletin boards in school. They also watched and discussed safety related videos.



PJHS is managed by the Aga Khan Education Service, India (AKESI). This student-driven initiative, supported by AKESI, is a step in the right direction. In the end, 'Being alert and cautious today is the best chance to be alive tomorrow.'

Classical concert leaves audience spellbound



"FROM THE RUSTLING OF LEAVES TO THE SOUND OF HEARTBEAT, MUSIC IS PRESENT ALL AROUND US."

To acquaint students with the rich cultural heritage of the country, Army Public School Bolarum organised a Hindustani Classical Music Concert.

Anuj Sharma presented Raag Vrindavani Sarang in Dhrut Khayal while Atharva Sharma accompanied him on the tabla and music teacher S Srinath on the harmonium.

The audience listened in rapt attention as Anuj held them spellbound with his flawless singing. Atharva could be seen enjoying as his fingers moved expertly on the

Army Public School
Bolarum

tabla and added power to the rendition.

The budding musicians had performed live on Youtube platform last Sunday in an event organised by Lyfistry artistry monthly programme.

Principal Smitha Govind witnessed the concert and motivated Atharva and Anuj to keep honing their talent by gifting them a token of appreciation.

THE EDUCATIONIST

Think positive during exams

With the board exams on, most of the students from classes X and XII must be going through a lot of anxiety, fear, and nervousness. It is common for students having stressful days and sleepless nights before an exam, there's no getting away from it, but being prepared can help manage stress and allow you to perform at your best.

First of all don't panic, be calm and cool. Sort out your priorities. It means eliminate distractions, between cell phones, social media and friends. It is said that accomplishing anything requires a combination of inspiration and perspiration. This means that you need to work hard and work smart.



HERE ARE A FEW TIPS

FOCUS ON TIME MANAGEMENT: Good time management skills help students prioritize tasks. Becoming better at managing time allows students to become more organised, more confident and learn more effectively. It can also help students avoid the most dreaded procrastination problem, which will lead to stress, frustration and poor grades.

SET GOALS FOR EACH DAY AND EACH SUBJECT: Students should have specific goals for each day, like how many chapters should finish or how many math questions to practice.

THERE IS NO LAST MINUTE STUDY
Never leave your study until the last minute. Make best use of time and schedule.

ABOVE ALL, TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOUR HEALTH: Get a good night's sleep, eat and exercise well. Don't stay up all night to study. Regular sleep is the best way to control stress, have the energy needed to stay on track the next day and to perform better in exam. Eat healthy home cooked food, avoid junk food and drink plenty of water. Take a walk or play some games to recreate and recharge.

FINALLY, THINK POSITIVE. Thinking about the positive outcome can do wonders for your confidence. Tell yourself that you are going to come through the exams with flying colours.

SUNNY PHILIPS, English facilitator, Gitanjali International School, Kompally

Express YOURSELF

Always do your best, no matter what!

"Describe the best version of yourself, being a misfit is fine." What does this quote mean? It means we should live our life to the fullest and be happy with what we do and have.

We often compare ourselves with others, it is bad. We feel discouraged when he or she is appreciated by many people. We waste precious energy focusing on other people's lives rather than our own. Live your own life and trust yourself.

This happened once, when I was a kid. I love art and wanted to join an art academy to improve my art skills but the day I went there; it was a living nightmare. Everyone was more skilled than me. I could see

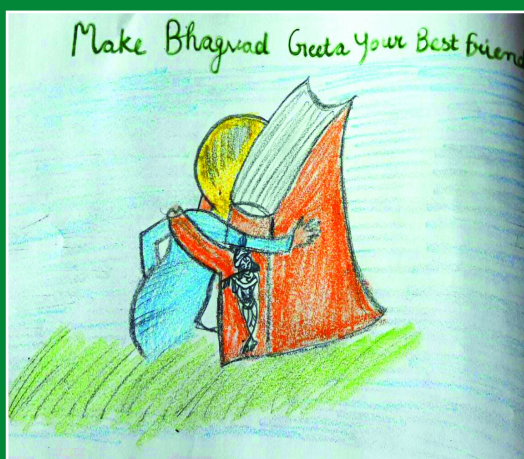


the brush in their hand gliding freely on the canvas, while mine was making jerky movements. I forced myself to try and get a single line right, yes it was time taking but finally, it was perfect. Then, it struck me that, if I focus on myself, I could do better.

I tried and finally got it. I was able to paint better than before. My tutor was impressed seeing my progress and he enrolled me in an art contest and I won a prize. Now I can produce art in any medium with zero sweat, all I did was stop comparing myself with others and fix flaws in my skill. This made me a better person. I love the newer version of me, it's never too late to change your actions and succeed in life!

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Painters' Gallery



SOUL CONNECTION: ANVI TRIPATHI,
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STARING AT THE SKY



Staring at the sky, looking at hummingbirds fly
The cool breeze in my hair, the audacity in the air
What a gorgeous day it looks like
Yet, everything is dim inside
I can only imagine being my best
And that all my nightmares are put to rest
These colourful birds remind me of the colours they showed me
People who I thought had my back
Ended up talking behind my back
For something I never meant
I'm now labelled arrogant
Their presence is like an unlit candle
Until they start a viscous scandal
They say I do a lot of drama
For they don't know the trauma
I went through, Soon it was dark
The scandal was the night
I was too dim to be a star
Nightmares chase me afar
To my deepest darkest fears
Nightmares drive me into the world of the wreck
People crossing burnt bridges
Hummingbirds being stored in fridges
Sandhill cranes sitting on broken carts
Surreal it was, only to see.
These burnt bridges remind me of my broken heart
The people crossing this bridge will never return
Just like these burnt bridges my heart can never be the same again
Guess I'll always be together, but apart from everyone.

DHANVI, class IX, Global Edge School, Madhapur



A PRESUMPTUOUS MAN

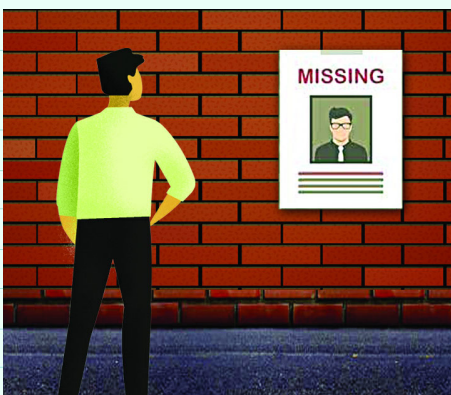
"It's not magic that takes us to another world, it's story telling"
- Val Macdermid

Mohan an innocent, naive and forgetful man, who had a habit of quickly assuming things, saw a poster on the wall while walking home from work. The poster had a huge wanted sign and a picture of a man with a nasty scar on his left cheek and a half shaven funny moustache. Below it was written that if someone finds him, the person will be rewarded a prize of Rs 10,000.

Mohan got excited and decided to go and hunt for this man tomorrow. He climbed a metro train and started looking for a seat, and that's when he spotted a man who looked exactly like the one on the poster. He luckily found an empty

seat right in front of him and started keeping an eye on him. Whenever the man caught Mohan staring at him he would look away or pretend to be doing something else.

Soon the man felt that something wasn't right and got off at the next station, Mohan followed him, and after a few moments the man started running. Mohan started chasing him the cat and mouse chase began. After chasing him for a few minutes Mohan caught him and said "Aha! I caught you criminal and I am now going to take you to the police station right now." "But what have I done?" cried the man. "Zip it," yelled Mohan and tied up the man's



hands and dragged him all the way to the police station.

When he reached there he walked up to the superintendent and said super confidently, "Here's the man you wanted. Give me my money and I'll go home".

The superintendent had a glance at the man and said, "We were never looking for this man!"

"What?" exclaimed Mohan.

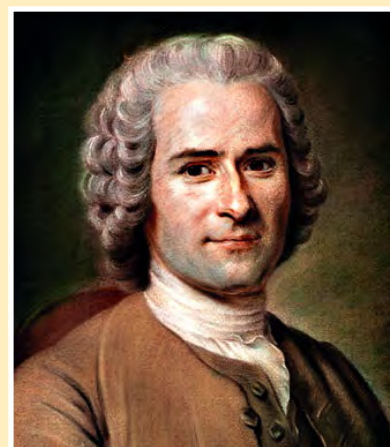
"I am the brother of the person you are searching for, he ran away from home and didn't return. So I pasted the wanted poster and below wrote the address of my home. You mustn't have read the whole poster," said the man chuckling. The superintendent scoffed and said "you may leave now." Mohan returned home disappointed at what he had done.

This story has two morals: Never be too quick to assume and half information is dangerous.

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The humankind is a complaining lot. We used to crib about what's not right even in a pandemic free world; now that we are in the middle of it all, we have every right to complain and be unhappy about so many things. However, must we be grumpy all the time? Well, all of us have a neighbour/relative/friend who talks negative at the drop of a hat. Sample: “I am telling you – the world is coming to end.” Or, “My history teacher always points out my mistakes. I hate her and I think she hates me!” It's no brainer how toxic these casually uttered negative words and sentences are. “A person's speech – the words spoken – are an indicator of their mental well-being. A person with a bitter or resentful mind will use negative words for all kinds of situations,” says Priya Warrick, psychologist and etiquette coach. So, choose your ‘words’ wisely.



POSITIVE WORDS ARE USED BY ORATORS AND SPIRITUAL LEADERS

Encouraging words can be healing – they can comfort and uplift people. It is precisely one of the main reasons why spiritual speakers gain cult status by holding mass sermons for their followers. What do they actually offer – solutions? No. They offer encouragement and hope with the help of their eloquent vocabulary and

Exercise the power of POSITIVE VOCABULARY

Words are more powerful than we think them to be. They have the strength to make or break situations, relationships and more. It's important to choose good words to lead a productive and happy life. Here's how it can be done...

positive words. In fact, spiritualists across the world believe that positive speech is a weapon against disease and hardships. History is replete with examples of great orators who started and powered freedom movements by motivating people with their speech. Mahatma Gandhi's famous ‘Quit India’ Movement slogan and other soul-stirring speeches inspired people to join the freedom struggle against British rule in India. Similarly, other iconic leaders and even philosophers have challenged the imagination of the masses with their slogans. What are slogans? Strong, motivating words that are potent enough to change the course of history. French philosopher and author Jean-Jacques Rousseau's slogan of ‘Liberty, Equality, Fraternity’ had a deep impact on the French Revolution. On the other hand, French queen Marie Antoinette's insensitive remark, “If they don't have bread, let them eat cake,” made her extremely unpopular during the French Revolution. She is remembered even now for the ignorance and nonchalance of the ruling class towards the challenges faced by the poor people of her time. The verdict is clear – words can make or



tremely unpopular during the French Revolution. She is remembered even now for the ignorance and nonchalance of the ruling class towards the challenges faced by the poor people of her time. The verdict is clear – words can make or

break you. In the above-mentioned instances, both positive and negative words are now enshrined in the pages of history.

CHEERFUL LANGUAGE ATTRACTS GOOD PEOPLE/SITUATIONS

Talking positively will give you the right attention – in school, college, home, etc. It will win you friends and you will be in the good books of your seniors, teachers – you name it. It does not mean you have to ‘sweet talk’ and not call a spade a spade when required. “Putting positivity in your speech will subconsciously lead to positive action and make people trust

you more,” assures Warrick. Good words lead to good thoughts and vice-versa.

STEER CLEAR OF NEGATIVE VOCABULARY

Words that people casually utter such as: “Oh, I really hate apples” or “Look at how happy that celebrity couple looks in their wedding picture. They must be faking it.” Many say these things without meaning any harm and don't realise that strong words like ‘hate’ or ‘fake’ are not meant to be used so casually. A UK research has shown that positive language can change your brain in a healthy way and negative language can block the brain's de-stress mechanisms. According to the study, well-meaning words such as ‘peace’, ‘love’ and ‘compassion’ strengthen areas of the brain's frontal lobes and promote cognitive function. So, if you have felt particularly exhausted on a given day, check if you have used a lot of negative words throughout the day!



HAPPY WORDS CAN SOOTHE AND HEAL

It is said that using good language can build your reputation and attract happiness. On the other hand, if you speak negatively about other people or even yourself, you tend to absorb that negativity that leads to bitterness and frustration. “Speak politely and with humility and you will receive the same in return. By speaking arrogantly and using rude language, you can spoil your relationships and even career prospects,” advises psychiatrist Jitendra Nagpal. For instance, complimenting someone over their achievements will boost the person's mood and doing so will earn you goodwill of the person who may be willing to help you if you require it in the near or far future.

NEGATIVE VERSUS POSITIVE PHRASES

DON'T SAY THIS

“I cannot do this tough project.”
“I hate the texture of my hair.”
“Don't forget to order from takeaway on time.”
“You scored very low marks in physics.”

SAY THIS

“I will try to do this project even if it's complicated.”
“I like your hair more than I like mine.”
“Remember to order food from takeaway on time.”
“You could have done better in your physics paper.”



FRENCH RENDEZVOUS



hear you ask for examples? Voilà!
■ “Bonjour !” (Hello !)
■ “Merci, au revoir!” (Thanks, goodbye !)
■ “Désolé, je ne parle pas français.” (Sorry, I don't speak French.)
■ “Vous parlez anglais ?” (Do you speak English ?)
■ “Tu peux parler doucement ?” (Can you speak slowly ?)
■ “Excusez-moi, je ne comprends pas le français.” (Sorry, I don't understand French.)

Now, how about some must-have vocabulary from the famous French cuisine? What do the French have for breakfast? ‘Easy French 110’ will introduce you to some typical morning food routines so that you too can talk about your favourite things to eat before school. Would you like to take your pick from the following? Un petit-déjeuner sucré ou salé? (Sweet or Savoury breakfast?)
■ “Des tartines avec beurre, confiture de framboise” (Toast with butter, raspberry jam)
■ “Des pains au chocolat et des viennoiseries” (Chocolatine and French pastries)
■ “Deux bananes et une orange” (Two bananas and an orange)
■ “Du bacon et des œufs brouillés” (Bacon and scrambled eggs)

All this, even before we hit the lunch menu with French specialities like la quiche Lorraine, la ratatouille and les galettes bretonnes!

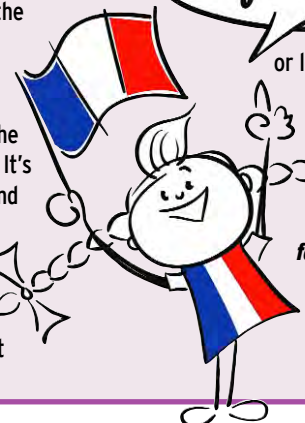
Learn more about the different meals, activities, games and cultural stereotypes told by foreigners in the streets of Paris. See you next column and à la prochaine!
Gunjan Gupta is a professor of French, Francophone literature and European art history. She teaches French at the Alliance Française de Delhi.



■ “J'ai soif.” (I'm thirsty.)
Another episode on the same YouTube channel presents the ‘Must-Know Phrases If You Don't Speak

French’ for beginners who arrive in a Francophone country. You will not be in a classroom but learn with the locals doing street interviews in France. Try repeating the questions and phrases they suggest out loud to learn the pronunciation. It's as authentic and real-life as learning French while living in Paris! Did I just

je parle français!



Queries relating to language skills

Do you find grammar confusing? Do you get stuck with words when writing a letter, an essay or a blog? Do you have a fear of public speaking? Or do you simply want to improve your communication skills? Times NIE is here to help you to master the intricacies of the English language and get a peek into foreign languages too. Just shoot us your queries on toinie175@gmail.com

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Name of Activity	Duration	Class	Market Price	Times NIE Offer
HappyMango Learning Solutions -Learn Robotics, AI, VR and Coding	12 sessions	1 st - 12 th	Rs.4,000 onwards	Rs.2,600 onwards + E-Certificate
LearnIQo-Debate and Public Speaking Workshop	4 weeks - 12 hours	3 rd - 12 th	Rs.6,000	Rs.5,400 + E-Certificate + Free participation in 1 LQ Debate Tournament (Use code: NIE)
Leapwaters-Great Communicator Camp to become Confident and Smart	4 weeks - 20 sessions	1 st - 8 th	Rs.2,360	Rs.1,504 + E-Certificate + 1 Skill a week Free for 6 months + Special Treasure Hunt.(Use code SUMMERFUN)
Leapwaters-Learn Coding, Games, Apps, AI and more “Fun & Learn”	4 weeks - 20 sessions	1 st - 8 th	Rs.2,360	Rs.1,504 + E-Certificate + 1 Skill a week Free for 6 months + Special Treasure Hunt.(Use code SUMMERFUN)
Leapwaters-Learn Dance, Fitness, Theatre and more “Fun & Learn”	4 weeks - 20 sessions	1 st - 8 th	Rs.2,360	Rs.1,504 + E-Certificate + 1 Skill a week Free for 6 months + Special Treasure Hunt.(Use code SUMMERFUN)
Leapwaters-Fun with Arts and Crafts to learn and unleash your creativity	4 weeks - 20 sessions	1 st - 8 th	Rs.2,360	Rs.1,504 + E-Certificate + 1 Skill a week Free for 6 months + Special Treasure Hunt.(Use code SUMMERFUN)
Roots Design and Film Media-Workshop on Still-Life Drawing and Painting	15 days - 3 hours	8 th - 12 th	Rs.5,000	Rs.1,800
Roots Design and Film Media-Workshop on Short Film making	4 weeks - 3 hours	8 th - 12 th	Rs.10,000	Rs.6,500
Roots Design and Film Media-Learn to Design Fashionable Clothes	4 weeks - 3 hours	8 th - 12 th	Rs.10,000	Rs.3,500
Roots College of Hotel and Culinary Arts -Crash course in preparing Food and Beverage goodies	7 days (3 to 4 hrs per day) from 17th May	8 th - 12 th	Rs.10,000	Rs.3,990
Skill Live-Foreign Language Courses - Korean, Japanese and Mandarin	3 weeks - 16 classes	1 st - 10 th	Rs.6,000 per language	Rs.3,499 per language
Skill Live-Foreign Language Courses - French, Spanish and German	3 weeks - 16 classes	1 st - 10 th	Rs.6,000 per language	Rs.3,499 per language
Skill Live-Language Courses- Coding, Trinity English and Sanskrit	3 weeks - 16 classes	1 st - 10 th	Rs.6,000 per language	Rs.3,499 per language
Brainology-5 Days Super Memory Master Class	5 days	3 rd - 12 th	Rs.6,000	Rs.500
Canon-Photography Workshop	1 hour	5 th - 12 th	Rs.7,000	Free
DigitCodemy-Learn STEM, Coding and App Development	3 weeks	KG - 12 th	Rs.4,000 onwards	Rs.3,880
DQ Labs-Doodles and Design Level UP Workshops	18 sessions	4 th - 12 th	Rs.8,000 onwards	Rs.6,000 onwards
STEM Academy-Coding, STEM, AI, Tech, Art and Design Workshop	2 weeks	1 st - 10 th	Rs.7,500	Rs.5,000 + E-Certificate
The Talk Room-Personality Development Workshop	2 weeks	6 th - 12 th	Rs.3,999	Rs.1,499
Think Tac-Summer Science Programmes	8 sessions	3 rd - 8 th	Rs.1,650	Rs.1,320 (Use code SUMMER22)
Cube Matrix Academy-Chess and Rubik's Cube Workshop	3 months	1 st - 12 th	Rs.10,000	Rs.7,000
Nayi Taleem-Young Actors Programme	5 weeks	1 st - 8 th	Rs.3,500	Rs.3,000
The Brain School-Learn to Develop 10X Memory Power	2 hours	3 rd - 12 th	Rs.1,500	Free
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SEFT-Junior Fashion Design Bootcamp	2 weeks	4 th - 11 th	Rs.12,000	Rs.7,500
Horus Financial Consultants - Financial Literacy Workshop	3 hours	3 rd - 10 th	Rs.499	Rs.299
Xceedible-Leadership Workshop	1 week	5 th - 12 th	Rs.3,000	Rs.999
Codeshala-Coding for Kids	30 classes - 1 hour each	1 st - 12 th	Rs.600 per class	Rs.350 per class
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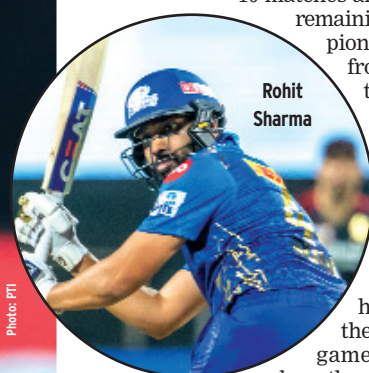
MI HAVE NOSE AHEAD AGAINST KKR

KOLKATA RESEMBLES SINKING SHIP AS THEY FACE MUMBAI

Kolkata Knight Riders resembled a sinking ship ahead of a rather inconsequential IPL-15 match against bottom-placed Mumbai Indians who, even if already out of reckoning, will have their tails up here on Monday. Panned for trying out too many combinations at the top, a part of their constant chopping and changing strategy this season which backfired on them pretty badly, KKR are coming off a 75-run drubbing at the hands of table toppers Lucknow Super Giants. While MI will enter the upcoming game on the back of a five-run win over second-placed Gujarat Titans.

GUN FOR INDIVIDUAL GLORY

MI under Rohit Sharma have already been eliminated from the race to the playoffs as they have just four points from 10 matches and even if they win all their remaining games, the five-time champions can reach only 12 points, far from what is needed to advance to the next stage. Royal Challengers Bangalore have 12 points already and three other teams have 16 and 14 points. Two-time winners KKR, under new captain Shreyas Iyer, came a cropper against Lucknow Super Giants on Saturday and the huge margin of defeat has left them with eight points from 11 games. They have three matches left and the maximum they can reach is 14 points, which is again something that cannot guarantee even a fourth-place finish. However, despite the inconsequential nature of the match, players from both the beleaguered sides can still gun for individual glory at the DY Patil Stadium. With the season coming to a close for both



Rohit Sharma

Photo: PTI

the teams, the focus will also be on how to go about the task in the next edition, apart from looking to cap off their hugely disappointing campaigns on a positive note. Heading into the game, the Mumbai Indians enjoy an advantage thanks to their massive 22-8 head-to-head record against the Knights Riders.

APPROACHING A MILESTONE

At the moment, the best part about MI is that both their openers – skipper Rohit and Ishan Kishan – clicked together against the Titans and they would certainly look to convert their scintillating 40s into bigger scores against the struggling Knight Riders. MI captain Rohit is also approaching a milestone as he is 88 runs away from completing 5000 runs for the franchise in the IPL.

We struggled in the power play which has been a frustration for us throughout the season. We've been good throughout the middle phase and not too bad at the death
Head coach, BRENDON MCCULLUM

and he can very well reach the mark on Monday. While the likes of Rohit, Kishan and Suryakumar Yadav are adept at utilising the power play, KKR have struggled to score to force the pace in the first six overs, something their head coach Brendon McCullum singled out after the big loss to LSG. Even as the KKR stare at elimination, the team will still need to find a way to be more aggressive without losing wickets in the first six overs, keeping in mind the next season and an eagerness to finish this one on a good note. But it is easier said than done against an MI unit that has just begun to find its bearing. AGENCIES

Upcoming IPL Match



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MAN UTD LOSE AT BRIGHTON

ONE OF THEIR MOST EMBARRASSING SEASONS FOR DECADES

Manchester United's dismal season hit a new low as Brighton condemned them to a 4-0 defeat that ended their hopes of finishing in the Premier League's top four on Saturday. United have endured a host of humiliations in one of their most embarrassing seasons for decades and this lacklustre loss was among the very worst.

LOWEST POINTS EVER

Ralf Rangnick's side were routed by goals from Moises Caicedo, Marc Cucurella, Pascal Gross and Leandro Trossard at the Amex Stadium. After 5-0 and 4-0 defeats against archrivals Liverpool, a 4-1 loss at Watford that saw Ole Gunnar Solskjaer sacked in November and an FA Cup at home to Championship side Middlesbrough, it seemed impossible for United to fall any further. But they were so gutless and hopeless on the south-coast that even United's travelling supporters turned on them. Sixth placed United are certain to miss out on the Champions League for only the fifth time in 30 seasons.

Rangnick's team were stunned in the 15th minute when Ecuador midfielder Caicedo scored his first goal in English football.

With 58 points and only one game left, United's fifth successive away defeat means they will finish with their lowest points total in the Premier League era. It would be no surprise if Erik ten Hag, the Ajax boss who has agreed to take charge of United from next season, was having second thoughts about his decision to accept the task of rebuilding a team languishing well behind the standards set by Liverpool and Manchester City.

AWFUL DEFENDING

Alex Telles made a hash of his clearing header and Gross's shot was blocked by the 20-year-old Caicedo, who smashed a 25-yard

rocket into the bottom corner. United had failed to muster a single shot on target in a terrible first half performance. Fred and Edinson Cavani were sent on to replace Anthony Elanga and Nemanja Matic at the break, but United were unable to raise their game. Just four minutes into the second half, Cucurella cried tears of joy after he joined Caicedo in scoring his first goal in English football. United paid the price for awful defending as the Spanish defender was allowed to run onto a cutback and drive his shot into the roof of the net. In disarray at the back, United were breached again in the 57th minute. Diogo Dalot tried to clear off the line from Danny Welbeck, but the ball hit Trossard and trickled into the net, with VAR awarding the goal after a check for handball. Furious United fans taunted their players with chants of 'you're not fit to wear the shirt' and 'we want Ten Hag', to which Albion's supporters responded by bellowing 'we want 10' in reference to their goal spree. It could almost have been that bad, but Alex is Mac Allister hit the post and Welbeck curled wide as United surrendered without a fight. AGENCIES



Moises Caicedo

Photo: REUTERS

DHANUSH, PRIYESHA EXTEND INDIA'S SHOOTING GOLD RUSH AT DEAFLYMPICS

Dhanush Srikanth teamed up with Priyesh Deshmukh to win gold in the 10m air rifle mixed team competition at the 24th Deaflympics 2021 in Caxais do Sul, Brazil. Shooting on competition day six on Saturday, Dhanush and Priyesh beat Germany's Sebastian Herrmann and Sabrina Eckert 16-10 in the gold-medal match. This was Dhanush's second gold of the games after having won the men's 10m air rifle individual title.

India now have three gold medals in shooting at Deaflympics 2021 with Abhinav Deshmukh winning the men's 10m air pistol event on Friday. India also have two bronze through Shourya Saini in men's 10m air rifle and Vedika Sharma in women's 10m air pistol, for a total of five medals from shooting.



Dhanush Srikanth and Priyesh Deshmukh

Photo: Twitter

Shourya and Natasha Joshi, the second Indian pair in the 10m air rifle mixed team competition, also made it to the bronze-medal match, but went down 8-16 to the Ukrainian pair of Oleksandr Kostyk and Violeta Lykova. AGENCIES

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: Each team is allowed a maximum of how many touches before the ball goes over the net in a game of Volleyball?

- a) Three
- b) Two
- c) Four
- d) Five

Q2: Against which country did India play its first one-day international match?

- a) England
- b) Australia
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) New Zealand

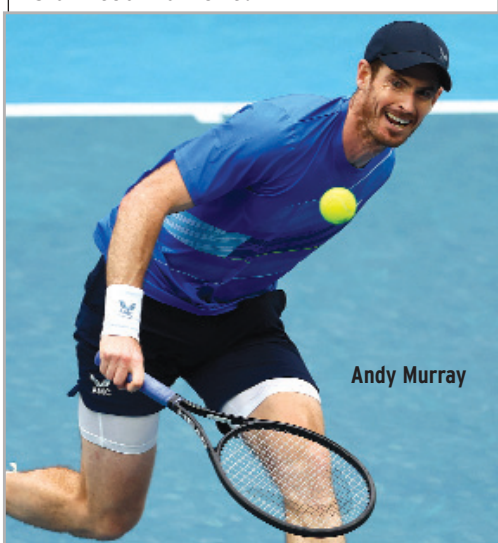
Q3: Who is the only manager to have won three UEFA Champions League tournaments in a row, in the 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 seasons?

- a) Jose Mourinho
- b) Zinedine Zidane
- c) Xavi Hernandez
- d) Carlos Ancelotti

Q4: Who was first Indian gymnast to qualify for the Olympics?

- a) Dipa Karmakar
- b) Sunita Sharma
- c) Krupali Patel
- d) Aruna Reddy

Q5: Before Andy Murray, who was the last British tennis player to win a men's singles Grand Slam tournament?



Andy Murray

Photo: GETTY IMAGES

- a) Dan Evans
- b) John Lloyd
- c) Fred Perry
- d) Kyle Edmund

Q6: Who won the 10th Italian Open 2021 title?

- a) Novak Djokovic
- b) Dominic Thiem
- c) Roger Federer
- d) Rafael Nadal

Q7: Which of the following won the FIFA Club World Cup 2020?

- a) Juventus
- b) Barcelona
- c) Manchester United
- d) Bayern Munich

Q8: In 2013, forward player Rani Rampal helped India win a bronze in which competitive event?

- a) Hockey Champions Trophy
- b) Women's FIH Hockey Junior World Cup
- c) Junior World Cup
- d) Olympics Games

ANSWERS: 1 a. Three
2 d. New Zealand
3 b. Zinedine Zidane
4 a. Dipa Karmakar
5 c. Fred Perry
6 d. Rafael Nadal
7 d. Bayern Munich
8 c. Junior World Cup