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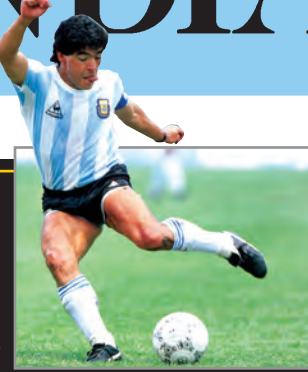
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Species are facing threats from changes in wildfires globally, warns a study. A large proportion of these species is critically-endangered or vulnerable


**19 %
BIRDS**

THE CONCERN: Recent fires have burned ecosystems, where wildfire has historically been rare or absent—from the tropical forests of Queensland, Southeast Asia and South America to the Tundra of the Arctic Circle

NEED OF THE HOUR: According to experts, emerging actions include large-scale habitat restoration, creation of low-flammability green spaces and letting bushfires burn under the right conditions. The role of people is really important, they add stating that indigenous fire stewardship will enhance biodiversity and human well-being in many regions of the world

FACTOID
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➤ Those species include 19 per cent of birds, 16 per cent of mammals, 17 per cent of dragonflies and 19 per cent of legumes that are classified as critically-endangered, endangered or vulnerable," said researchers.

➤ The study found that the species categorised as threatened by an increase in fire frequency or intensity, include the orangutan in Indonesia and mallee emu-wren in Australia


**16 %
MAMMALS**

**19 %
LEGUMES**

**17 %
DRAGONFLIES**

BEYONCÉ, TAYLOR SWIFT AND DUA LIPA DOMINATE 2021 GRAMMY NOMINATIONS

Beyoncé, Taylor Swift and Dua Lipa dominate the nominations for the 63rd annual Grammy Awards, leading a diverse if somewhat scattershot collection of artists for the January's edition of music's top awards show.

MUSIC

1 Beyoncé, with the most nods overall, received nine nominations in eight categories, including both record and song of the year for 'Black Parade'. In the best record category, Beyoncé will compete against herself as the featured guest on Megan Thee Stallion's hit 'Savage'

2 Swift, whose last two LPs received minimal attention from the Grammys — and did not win any prizes — got six nominations, including five for 'Folklore', the blockbuster album she recorded during the coronavirus pandemic

3 Lipa, the British dance-pop star is up for the album of the year for 'Future Nostalgia'

4 Other top nominees for next year's show, which is scheduled for Jan 31, include rapper Roddy Ricch, with six in four categories, and Brittany Howard, the frontwoman and guitarist of the band Alabama Shakes, with five for her solo debut



NOW, CALLERS MAY HAVE TO PREFIX 'O' FOR MAKING CALLS FROM LANDLINES TO MOBILE PHONES

Come January 1, landline users across India will need to prefix all calls to any mobile phone with a '0', with the department of telecommunications (DoT) calling on telcos to modify the dialling pattern for such calls in line with the sector regulator's recommendations.

BUZZ

➤ The move is likely to create fresh numbering resources for mobile services amid the continuing rise in India's mobile user base and the decline in wireline connections

➤ Back in May, the TRAI had recommended to the DoT that all calls from fixed-lines to mobiles numbers be pre-fixed with a '0', saying such a move would generate a whopping 2,544 million additional numbering resources for mobile services. It had also clarified that it wasn't suggesting an 11-digit numbering plan for mobiles, but merely prefixing the existing 10-digit mobile numbers with a '0', when called from landlines

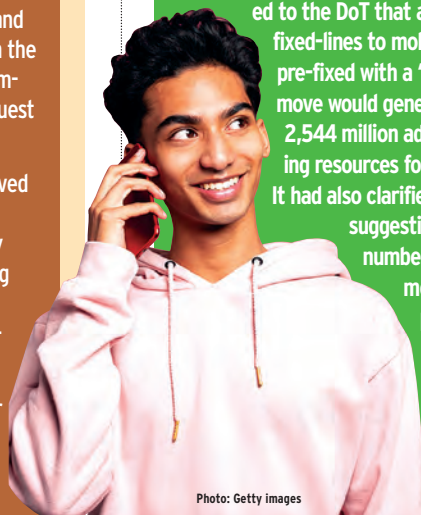


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TWITTER PLANS TO RELAUNCH VERIFICATION PROGRAMME NEXT YEAR

TECH BUZZ



Twitter Inc has released plans for its new policy on how people are "verified" on the site, an area the company has long promised to revamp to address confusion and criticisms over the blue check-mark badges it uses to authenticate the identity of prominent accounts. Twitter said, it paused public submissions for verification in 2017 after hearing feedback that the programme "felt arbitrary and confusing to many people."

- The company has laid out more detailed criteria-
<https://help.twitter.com/en/managing-your-account/about-twitter-verified-accounts> for the "core types" of notable, active accounts it will verify, such as government officials, companies, non-profits, news organisations, entertainers, sports teams, athletes and activists
- Twitter said, it may also verify accounts that meet other standards, such as being one of the top-followed accounts in the user's country

DRINKING COCOA CAN MAKE YOU SMARTER: STUDY

Researchers have revealed that increased consumption of flavanols — a group of molecules, which occur naturally in fruit and vegetables

HEALTH

— can increase your mental agility. The study found that people given a cocoa drink containing high levels of flavanols were able to complete certain cognitive tasks more efficiently than when drinking a non-flavanol enriched drink.



Flavanols, a sub-group of plant flavonoids, are present in cocoa, grapes, apples, tea, berries and other foods. They are known to have a beneficial effect on cardiovascular health, but their effects on brain health are not well understood

Cambridge dictionary names 'QUARANTINE' as word of the YEAR 2020

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Cambridge Dictionary has revealed that its word of the year is 'quarantine'. The dictionary's editors said that it was the third most-searched-for word of the year, but comes in at number one once you discount words that recur almost every year, such as 'hello' and

'dictionary'. Cambridge Dictionary has said that the word acquired new meaning during lockdown, and has therefore been given an added definition. "A general period of time in which people are not allowed to leave their homes or travel freely, so that they do not catch or spread a disease," it reads.

➤ According to the dictionary, 'quarantine' was searched for the most in between March 18 and March 24, when restrictions began to be imposed due to the pandemic ➤ Alongside 'quarantine', other coronavirus-related words, including 'pandemic' and 'lockdown', ranked highly on Cambridge Dictionary's most popular list for 2020 ➤ There were also several new words added to the dictionary, including 'HyFlex', short for hybrid flexible, a term used to describe a style of teaching that sees some students participating in a class virtually ➤ 'Elbow bump' was also added as a way of referring to a friendly greeting that allows people to maintain social distancing

THE INDEPENDENT

Among the most common words were 'quarantee' — a teenager in lockdown, 'lock-stalgia', feeling nostalgic about lockdown, and 'coronial', a person, who was born during the coronavirus pandemic

Spotlight

A BLUEPRINT FOR FUTURE SCHOOLS

Don't blame the kids for forgetting the lessons, let's make the lessons unforgettable for them, said education reformist and guest speaker Sonam Wangchuk at the HP Reinvent The Classroom, an initiative by The Times of India and Times Newspaper In Education (NIE), to an audience comprising school principals, administrators and panelists from diverse backgrounds—education, technology and government services.

Wangchuk laid out the deficiencies in the current education system, which has seen little reformation for over three decades, and drew the blueprint of what the future class would be like.

Can you imagine school as an action lab, an experiential zone that you need to visit only three days a week? That is what the future of hybrid model of education would be like, according to Wangchuk, ending the 'digital apartheid' in India and giving access to experiential learning to every child — from remote villages to cities—in the country.

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How to measure your child's progress during virtual learning



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IS YOUR CHILD PERFORMING WELL AT SCHOOL?

1 Blackboard out, laptop screens on and turning to online assignments - children, along with their parents have got accustomed to online learning in the last 7-8 months. Most schools are shut due to Covid-19 fear with no clear timeline for reopening.

VIRTUAL EDUCATION HAS BECOME THE NEW NORMAL!

2 Virtual education has been a game-changer in many ways. It has also been different, in terms that instead of a competitive physical classroom environment where a student could be properly examined, the standards of mapping performance and progress have altered. But, when a child is in his or her budding years, when the learning really matters, how do you measure if your child is really making progress? While kids may still be subjected to exams, here are few creative ways to quiz your kid's learning prowess in the virtual setting.



SEEKING DIGITAL SUPPORT

Keeping in mind the challenges faced by teachers and students, we are ready with solutions. We are going to get behind teachers and leaders and share our insights in education, latest research into practical effective technology strategies, programmes and solutions that we are launching for schools across India.

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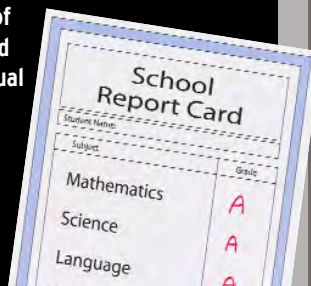
TALK TO THEM ABOUT THEIR CLASSES

3 One of the simplest ways to map your child's performance in the virtual setting is to engage in a conversation with them. This might be something a lot of parents may already be doing in traditional schooling system. Try talking to your children at the dinner table, when you take them shopping, and make learning a two-way process. The more you talk to them, more likely are they to be interested in opening up about their classes.



PROGRESS, NOT MARKS IS THE CRITERIA TO LOOK OUT FOR

4 This is the time when a lot of students are being subjected to open-book tests and virtual exam. Measuring a child's learning in the present setting may be somewhat different. Rather than focussing on the quantitative assessment, think about what they are learning contextually.



INTRODUCE CREATIVE PROJECTS AND CHALLENGES



5 Consider online schooling to be the time when you get to put your child's creative genius to test. If your child has adopted new skills in the lockdown, extend classroom learning skills onto other areas like daily skills such as planning meals and so on.

CHECK IF THEY ARE INQUISITIVE LEARNERS

6 Last but not least, one of the best ways to map your child's progress is to see for yourself how he or she sits in the class. Consider this a benefit of the virtual setting, when you can check for your own self if your child is doing well. Check whether your child asks questions, is eager to answer or exhibits good interaction.

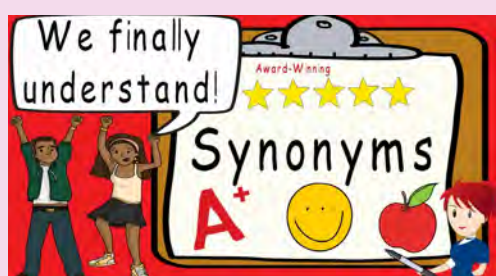
Selecting Synonyms

SURYAKUMARI DENNISON, teacher,
Aavishkar Academy, Bengaluru

Replace the underlined word in each of the following with the one closest to it in meaning. Choose from the four options.

1 THE BOY WAS THRILLED TO RECEIVE A BOOK FROM HIS UNCLE.
A. distressed B. delighted
C. discouraged D. determined

2 NOBODY BELIEVED THE GIRL WHO WAS ALWAYS UNTRUTHFUL.
A. mendacious B. mediocre
C. mischievous D. marvellous



3 HE WAS REVERED BY EVERYONE BECAUSE OF HIS SELFLESS SERVICE.
A. vanquished B. vindicated
C. vilified D. venerated

4 SHE SKILLFULLY SET TO WORK AND REPAIRED THE OLD CLOCK.
A. abruptly B. adequately
C. adroitly D. aggressively

5 THE POLICE WERE BAFFLED BY THE ABSENCE OF CLUES AT THE CRIME SCENE.
A. perplexed B. pacified
C. pleased D. protected

6 THE SIGHT OF PEOPLE BEING CRUEL TO ANIMALS IS HATEFUL TO ME.
A. opulent B. odious
C. obliging D. obsolete

ANSWERS: 1.B. delighted 2.A. mendacious 3.D. venerated
4.C. adroitly 5.A. perplexed 6.B. odious

How to know if your child has special needs

There are many types of special needs that are visible when you see a child. But there are some, where we need to look keenly for signs that may be indicative of a problem that needs our intervention.

Disabilities like visual impairments, cerebral palsy, hearing impairments may be easier to detect. But many learning disabilities like

► Learning disabilities like dyslexia, dyscalculia, autism and attention deficit disorder is difficult to detect in very young kids



INDICATORS OF ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDERS INCLUDE

► Failing to pay attention to details, sustain attention over activities including play. Not listening when spoken to directly.

► If the child is not able to follow instructions and fails to finish academic work, basic chores and responsibilities, he/she may be struggling with taking

commands and organisational skills.

► Ignoring the tasks that require sustained attention and concentration. Being forgetful, showing carelessness and getting easily distracted.

► Talking too much, fidgetiness and difficulty with quiet play.
► Interrupting conversations, not being able to wait for their turn, saying answers out of their turn. The child seems to be constantly 'on the go'.

► Difficulty in learning language and child's inability to read age-appropriate material, spelling skills or oral language that are not matched to an expected age.

► Children who have other members in the family who have difficulty in reading, writing and spelling should be monitored closely.



QUIZ TIME (CURRENT AFFAIRS)

Q.1) Which state hosted the 21st Mines Environment & Mineral Conservation week?

A. Odisha B. Gujarat
C. Maharashtra D. Uttar Pradesh

Q.2) Which institute has developed an Agricopter drone to eliminate manual spraying of pesticides in agricultural fields?

A. IIT Bombay B. IIT Delhi
C. IIT Kanpur D. IIT Madras

Q.3) Indian players Harmeet Desai and Ayhika Mukherjee have won gold in the recent Commonwealth tournament. Which sport did they play?

A. Table Tennis
B. Badminton
C. Shooting D. Athletics

Q.4) Which is the purest form of carbon?
A. Diamond
B. Coal
C. Graphite D. Coke



ANSWERS

1. A) Odisha, 2. D) IIT Madras, 3. A) Table Tennis, 4. A) Diamond

CHECK YOUR APTITUDE

1 A is father of B and C. B is the son of A. But C is not the son of A. How is C related to A?
A. Niece
B. Son-in-law
C. Daughter
D. Grandson

2 If GIVE is coded as 5137 and BAT is coded as 924, how is GATE coded?
A. 5427 B. 5247
C. 5724 D. 2547

3 Hari is twice as old as Johnny, who is three years older than Rahul. If Hari's age is five times Rahul's age, how old is Johnny?
A. 2 years B. 4 years
C. 5 years D. 8 years

4 A B C, D and E are 5 schools facing towards north. A is in the middle of E and B. E is to the right of D. If C and D are at two ends, which school is on the left side of C?
A. E, B, A, C, D, D, B

ANSWERS: 1. C) Daughter 2. B) 5247 3. C) 5 years 4. D) B

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Euglena

Euglena is a genus of single cell flagellate eukaryotes. It is neither a plant, animal nor fungi. It is the best known and most widely studied member of the class Euglenoida, a diverse group containing some 54 genera and at least 800 species. Species of Euglena are found in freshwater and salt water. They are often abundant in quiet inland waters where they may bloom in numbers sufficient to colour the surface of ponds and ditches in a green or red hue.

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When intellectuals meet, ideas collide and fuse, and what results is a whole new, reformed ecosystem. At the HP Reinvent The Classroom, an initiative of The Times of India and its student supplement, the Newspaper in Education, educationists, educators, digital leaders, tech experts joined hands to 'build the future classroom' brick by brick, byte by byte--sustainably.

Education reformist and guest speaker Sonam Wangchuk corroborated with the panelists from diverse fields on how essential it is to focus on 3Hs of education—a bright Head, skilled Hands and importantly, a kind Heart. Wangchuk said that without 'curiosity, empathy and initiative', one can't make a blueprint of the future schooling system. "It is important to understand the roots of education system and why they have remained unchanged for three decades," said Wangchuk.



WANGCHUK, who built an experiential school in Ladakh and revolutionised the education system, forcing even Bollywood to adapt his success story into a character played by actor Aamir Khan in 3 Idiots, said to educationists in the forum that it is essential to know not just how to educate the learners but why we need to reach out and engage with them in different ways.



WANGCHUK'S LEARNINGS OF EDUCATION TODAY & FUTURE CLASS

EDUCATION TODAY

Lectures and letters are passe: Today, students don't get excited with traditional concept of 'chalk-and-talk', when they have access to everything online. Teachers need to therefore work on experiential lessons. With the digital delivery of concepts, now the learner gets lessons from not just own class teacher, but from multiple sources such as professors and experts from around the world. Hence, what teachers need to do is adapt to the new role of curators, facilitators and engagers. Admission criteria for higher education is still dependent on exam scores. Patterns have to change, and this is possible only if students learn through experience. Varsitys need to select students based on projects, innovations, internship experiences.

THE FUTURE CLASS

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LIFE LESSONS: BRINGING CONCEPTS TO STUDENTS

The children in Wangchuk's school learn by living the experiences. The eco-friendly school is run by students themselves, like a little country that forms a government. They take the responsibility of their actions and learn on the job while executing their functions.

For instance, children who take care of the dairy use statistics to track the milk production of cow. They also gauge the temperature at which the farm animal gives the best produce. The children, therefore, learn two topics here: data interpretation and analysis and solar heating, and its effects, as the cow shed has to be in a warm temperature. This also makes them understand how warm-blooded animals function, and hence, biology is covered too.

The children looking after the organic farms: The students learn about microbial interactions and how it has an effect on plants. Those nurturing the apricots have taken care of the shelf life and plant produce by monitoring the best conditions for it. Apricot jams are then made and put in jars, which are sold to the school kitchens, teaching them the concept of selling price, cost price and profits.

The children who take care of the building: They understand how the building atop Ladakh mountains has been made sustainably, focusing on the southern sky where abundant winter Sun is available, keeping the school building warm. The students, hence, understand architecture and how geography plays a key role in determining structures that are built.

CHANGING NATURE OF SCHOOLS

According to Wangchuk, this is the blueprint for the future class, once the pandemic ends:

A hybrid model and perhaps, visit to school three days a week: With this organic shift to digital classroom, there is a possibility of covering the curriculum through e-classrooms with students stationed at homes.

Schools, therefore, turn into experiential zones or action labs: Children of future may probably head to school for experiences, collaborations, ideation, innovation and application. This would bring in them the 4Cs—Creativity, Critical Thinking, Collaboration and Communication.

Make the student a learner for life rather than a curriculum scorer: Learning on the job will be the key differentiator of a potential high achiever rather than a rote learner with A grades. This way children will become partners in the process of learning.

Family, the first and key learning ground: Parental participation and home schooling will increase in the times to come. The home itself will be the other action lab, wherein a student can have access to kitchens, kitchen gardens etc. The family will have to play a key role in building a good human and inculcating the value of extending the knowledge to serve others and join the work force.

Taking learning to entrepreneurship: The real learners have learnt their lesson when they can apply it in real life. For eg, some of the students who worked in organic farms, have gone about establishing an apricot jam firm. This is the best reward for a teacher that the student is scoring well in life rather than a marksheet.

To sum it up in Wangchuk's words: Don't blame the children for forgetting the lessons, let's make the lessons unforgettable for them.

Key areas we are focusing on are engagement, assessment, assignment completion, positive behaviour management, and social-emotional management for students and teachers.

KENNETH WHITFIELD, head of US Business Development, Classera and Mahmoud B Alqabry, strategic partnerships, Classera



In 2020, 1.4 billion children were out of school globally and it significantly impacted governments, schools and higher education institutions. However, digital learning stepped up its game and rescued the education institutions.

NYLA KHAN, Miral partner



The future of education is hybrid classrooms and we're taking a leap closer to it. It seems that going back to regular learning will be difficult for children as it is no longer restricted to textbooks and has moved to app-based solutions, skills, computers and new digital tools and technologies.

SANJEEV BHARGAVA, Director, Brand, The Times of India



Every classroom in India and across the world should be connected. Access to technology and infrastructure is extremely important. I really hope that every child even in the remotest villages of India gets equal access to quality education as those in metros.

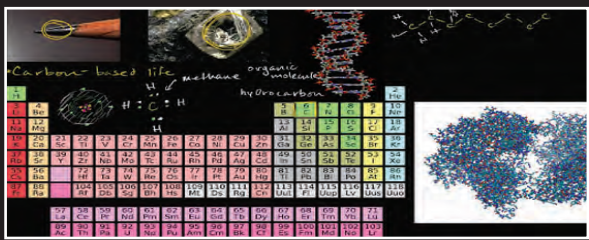
VENKATESH SARVASIDDHI, senior head-digital skills, NSDC



CARBON AND ITS COMPOUNDS

CARBON: LIFE'S BUILDING BLOCK

- Carbon is the sixth element in the PT and is a non-metal.
- Derived from Latin word 'Carbo' which means coal.
- The amount of C present in the earth's crust is small.

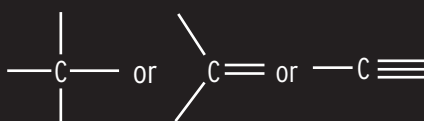


VERSATILE NATURE OF CARBON

Carbon has a unique property to form large number of compounds. Carbon can form many compounds with different elements in the periodic table. Carbon can show catenation, which is a remarkable property of Carbon atom to form bonds with itself and give rise to a single large structure or chain.

TETRAVALENT NATURE

Carbon also shows tetraivalent nature, which means it will always have four bonds around itself. Silicon also exhibits this nature to some extent. Carbon has four valence electrons, that is, four electrons in the outermost shell.



Carbon usually has 4 bonds

ACTIVITY: Ball and Stick Model

OBJECTIVE: To construct various carbon compounds using ball and stick model.

MATERIALS REQUIRED: Molding clay, toothpicks/bamboo sticks.

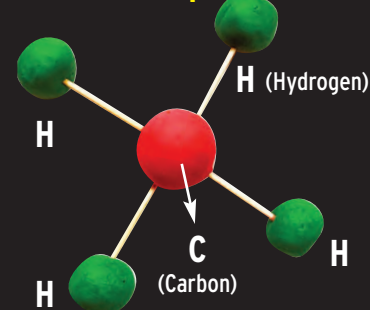
THEORY: In Chemistry, the ball and stick model is a molecular model which explains the three dimensional position of atoms and bonds between them.

In this activity, the atoms will be typically represented by clay balls and bonds will be represented using toothpicks/bamboo sticks.

In the figures given below, Red colour balls indicates Carbon atom and green colour balls indicate Hydrogen atoms.

You can try this activity with the simplest example- Methane having one Carbon atom.

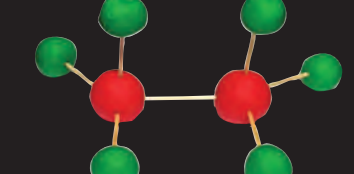
Ball and Stick Model for Methane-CH₄



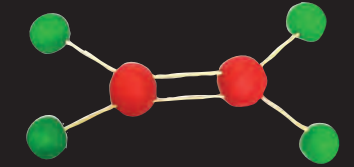
From this model it can be illustrated that Carbon has four covalent bonds around itself and the four bonds are formed with hydrogen by sharing of electrons.

Similarly, you can try the structure of Ethane

Ball and Stick Model for Ethane-C₂H₆



Saturated and unsaturated compounds Ethene-C₂H₄ (Double bonded system)



Saturated hydrocarbons are hydrocarbons that contain only single bonds between carbon atoms. They are the simplest class of hydrocarbons.

Unsaturated hydrocarbons contain at least one double or triple bond between carbon atoms.

Ethyne C₂H₂ (Triple bonded system)



Conclusion

Through this illustration, we can study how Carbon forms different types of bonds with other atoms. You may try other examples like formation of water, formation of Ammonia etc. Just grab some moulding clay with two different colours, give them a spherical shape. Try working out with the simplest example and then go on building complex ones. It's as simple as that.

SOUMYA SHAJI, teacher, Delhi Public School, Electronic City, Bengaluru



'RIP LEGEND'

Photo: GETTY IMAGES

5 GLORIOUS MOMENTS

A genius with the ball at his feet, Diego Maradona toyed around defenders and sometimes even goalkeepers were not spared when the Argentine maestro was on top of his game. His skills amazed fans, his goals were celebrated by millions and his football was nothing short of extraordinary. Here we try to list down some of his finest moments on the football pitch

1 GOAL OF THE CENTURY

In the quarter-final of the 1986 World Cup, Maradona single-handedly pulled Argentina through by bagging both goals in a 2-0 win over England. While the first one was the infamous 'Hand of God' goal, the second was the 'Goal of the Century'. After picking the ball in his own half, Maradona dribble past the entire England defence and goalkeeper Peter Shilton to score one of the most beautiful goals ever scored in World Cup history. It came just four minutes after the 'Hand of God' call, which should have been ruled out rightfully as the ball had clearly been punched by Maradona.

2 WHEN MARADONA RULED NAPOLI

Italy was all about Juventus and AC Milan until Maradona arrived in Napoli. The club had found their saviour, a leader who led by example and let his football do the talking. Maradona led Napoli to two Serie A titles and a UEFA Cup triumph. Napoli have not yet managed to win the league title since Maradona left the club.

4 KNOCKING ITALY OUT FROM 1990 WORLD CUP IN NAPLES

Maradona was treated as a deity in the southern Italian city of Naples for the way he led Napoli. But, he was hated almost in all other parts of Italy among fans of other clubs. Italian fans were left furious when Maradona claimed Napoli fans should support Argentina over their country in the 1990 World Cup. In an incredible turn of events, Argentina came up against Italy in the semi-final and it was none other than the man himself who scored the winning penalty to dump Italy out of the WC.

5 STANDING OVATION AT THE BERNABEU

Diego Maradona was the first Barcelona player to be given a standing ovation at arch-rivals Real Madrid's home ground - the Santiano Bernabeu. The home fans stood up to applaud the Argentine after his stunning solo goal in the Copa del Rey in 1983. Andres Iniesta and Ronaldinho are the only two other Barcelona players have since managed to receive a standing ovation at the Bernabeu.

3 1986 WORLD CUP GLORY

In the final against West Germany, he was tied down by the opposition defenders, who had come out with a simple plan to keep him away from scoring. But being the little genius that he was, Maradona registered an all-important assist to help Argentina score a late winner in a 3-2 win to lift the ultimate trophy.

"A very sad day for all Argentinians and for football. He leaves us, but he is not gone because Diego is eternal. I stay with all the beautiful moments I lived with him and I wanted to send my condolences to his family and friends. Argentina and Barcelona forward Lionel Messi

IND VS AUS 1ST ODI PREVIEW

WILL INDIA SHINE AGAINST AUS?

The lack of international cricket this year makes it hard to determine form, although Australia head into the white-ball series on the back of beating 50-over world champions England in September

India haven't played together since the tour of New Zealand in February, when they clinched the Twenty20 series but were whitewashed 3-0 in the ODIs. But they can take solace from winning their last Test and ODI series in Australia two summers ago, although Smith and Warner were banned for ball-tampering. With Rohit injured, Shikhar Dhawan is likely to open the innings, potentially alongside Mayank Agarwal with wicketkeeper Rahul pushed down the order.

The potent combination of Mohammed Shami and Jasprit Bumrah will spearhead a dangerous pace attack on expected lively pitches, with all six white-ball games either at the Sydney Cricket Ground or Canberra's Manuka Oval. Both grounds will operate at 50 percent capacity due to virus restrictions, with tickets expected to be sold out.

Facing an Australia team in their own backyard with a Steve Smith, who is getting back his rhythm, an eternally hungry David Warner and a future great in Marnus Labuschagne isn't the best of propositions and Men In Blue will be tested. AGENCIES

"I think what we have to keep in mind is that we have to keep looking to get him (Virat) out. When you go away from that and you look to contain players you can miss a trick there. He's probably the best one-day player of all time so it's about sticking to our plans and being really committed in that regard.

What Maxi's (Maxwell) shown in T20 cricket in particular is his bowling keeps improving all the time. I think Marcus Stoinis has proved that as well with the amount of exposure he's had over the past couple of years bowling at the death, it gives us a lot of flexibility in there.

Aaron Finch, Australia's limited-overs captain

Aaron Finch

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