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In the heart of a bustling city, Alex, a man well-acquainted with the challenges of adulthood, faced a costly twist of fate. His life had been marked by injuries, both physical and emotional, but he carried them with a determined personality that refused to yield.

One day, a costly accident disrupted the familiar rhythm of his routine. It was as if the universe had orchestrated a pause, urging him to explore a different path. Amid the urban chaos, Alex found himself wandering through the city's lively ambiance, seeking solace.

As he meandered through the crowded streets, a gentle melody floated through the air. Following the sound, he stumbled upon a street performer, a skilled stringer with a weathered guitar. The musician's fingers danced on the strings, creating a tapestry of emotions that resonated with Alex's own experiences.

Drawn to the music, Alex approached the stringer, a mysterious figure with a story etched in the lines of his face. "Mind if join you?" Alex asked, his curiosity piqued.

The stringer, nodding with a weathered smile, welcomed him. Together, they began an impromptu duet - the melody of a man navigating adulthood intertwining with the strings of a guitar that had weathered its share of life's storms.

As they played, the stringer shared fragments of his own journey. The ambiance transformed into a haven of unexpected comfort, and the music became a bridge connecting two souls entangled in the complexities of life. Alex, usually reserved, found himself opening up, revealing the challenges and triumphs that had shaped hispath.

The stringer, though a stranger just moments ago, became a confidant in the symphony of the city. Their impromptu performances became a regular occurrence, drawing a small but appreciative audience. The music, a blend of resilience and shared experiences, became a form of therapy for both.

Days turned into weeks, and Alex and the stringer continued their musical collaboration. One evening, as the sun dipped below the city skyline, casting a warm glow on the streets, the stringer shared a revelation.

"Life's like a song, my friend. It's not about the notes you miss or the chords that break; it's about the melody you create despite it all.

"With those words, the stringer played a soulstirring tune, a composition that seemed to encapsulate the essence of their shared journey. Alex realized that, in the midst of adulthood's challenges, he had discovered a unique harmony – a melody of resilience, friendship, and the beauty that could emerge from unexpected places.

As the final notes echoed through the city, Alex and

AMID OF EXPERIENCE



the stringer looked at each other, acknowledging the profound connection their chance encounter had forged.

In the tapestry of their lives, the stringer had become more than just a musician; he was a friend, a fellow traveler on the winding road of adulthood. And in the simplicity of strings and stories, they found a timeless symphony that transcended the complexities of their individual journeys.

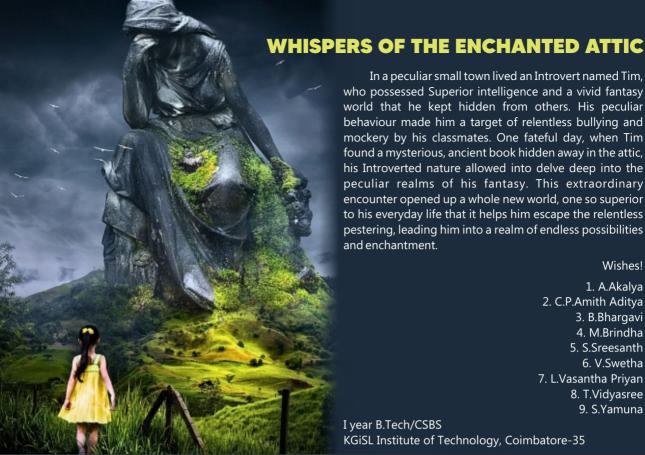
Moral: Amid life's disruptions and challenges, the unexpected connections we forge can weave a beautiful tapestry of resilience and friendship, creating a harmonious melody that transcends the complexities of our individual journeys.

Wishes!

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In a peculiar small town lived an Introvert named Tim, who possessed Superior intelligence and a vivid fantasy world that he kept hidden from others. His peculiar behaviour made him a target of relentless bullying and mockery by his classmates. One fateful day, when Tim found a mysterious, ancient book hidden away in the attic, his Introverted nature allowed into delve deep into the peculiar realms of his fantasy. This extraordinary encounter opened up a whole new world, one so superior to his everyday life that it helps him escape the relentless pestering, leading him into a realm of endless possibilities and enchantment.

Wishes!

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Amid a stony landscape, a handsome traveler embarked on a precarious journey.

His steely determination, like the mountainous terrain, was unyielding.

In solitude, he found jubilant moments, embracing the ecstasy of self-discovery and the beauty of the rugged, untamed world.

Moral: In the end, the handsome traveler's journey was not just adventurous but also studious.

Wishes!

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Indulge in Sweetness of Festive Delights: CHRISTMAS EDITION

As the holiday season approaches, it's time to elevate your Christmas celebrations with an array of delectable sweets that are sure to spread joy and warmth. Whether you're hosting a festive gathering or looking for the perfect treat to share with loved ones, these Christmas special sweets will add a delightful touch to your celebrations.



Classic Plum Cake:

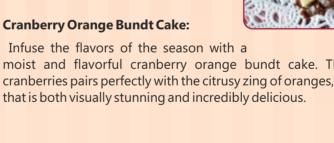
No Christmas celebration is complete without the rich and flavorful classic plum cake. Packed with succulent dried fruits, nuts, and a hint of spices, this moist cake is a time-honored tradition. Serve it with a dollop of whipped cream or a sprinkle of powdered sugar for a slice of festive perfection. The combination of textures and tastes in this plum cake will undoubtedly make it a star on your holiday dessert table.

Peppermint Bark Brownies:

Transform classic brownies into a festive delight by adding layers of peppermint bark. The rich chocolatey goodness combined with the cool and refreshing taste of peppermint creates a perfect balance for a holiday treat.



Infuse the flavors of the season with a moist and flavorful cranberry orange bundt cake. The tartness of cranberries pairs perfectly with the citrusy zing of oranges, creating a cake that is both visually stunning and incredibly delicious.



Holiday Spice Cupcakes:

Infuse the essence of the holidays into cupcakes with a blend of cinnamon, nutmeg, and cloves. Top them with a swirl of cream cheese frosting and a sprinkle of holiday-colored sugar for a festive and flavorful dessert.

Remember, the key to a memorable holiday celebration is sharing moments and creating traditions with loved ones. These Christmas special sweets are not just delicious treats but also a way to make lasting memories during this joyous time of the year. So, gather around, indulge in these festive delights, and savor the magic of Christmas with every bite.





As the clock strikes midnight and the calendar turns its page, the world collectively ushers in another New Year. It's a time marked by celebration, reflection, and the promise of new beginnings. The New Year is more than just a change in numbers; it symbolizes an opportunity to reset, refocus, and reimagine our lives. Before we embark on the journey of the coming year, it's essential to take a moment to reflect on the year that's bidding us farewell. The highs and lows, the challenges and triumphs - each experience has contributed to shaping who we are today. Acknowledging our growth and learning from our setbacks allows us to enter the New Year with wisdom and resilience. The tradition of New Year's resolutions has been a longstanding practice for many. While setting resolutions can be a positive step towards self-improvement, it's crucial to approach them with purpose and mindfulness. Rather than succumbing to fleeting resolutions, consider setting realistic and achievable goals that align with your values and aspirations. This approach increases the likelihood of success and sustained positive change throughout the year. Entering the New Year with a positive mindset can be a powerful catalyst for personal growth and success. Embrace the mindset that challenges are opportunities for growth and that setbacks are stepping stones toward success. By fostering a positive outlook, we can navigate the uncertainties that lie ahead with resilience and determination.

The only constant in life is change, and the New Year serves as a poignant reminder of this universal truth. Embrace change with open arms, viewing it as a chance to evolve and adapt. Whether it's a change in career, relationships, or personal habits, approach it with a sense of curiosity and a belief in your ability to navigate new territories. In the pursuit of our goals and aspirations, it's easy to overlook the blessings that surround us. Take time to cultivate gratitude for the simple joys and the people who enrich your life. Gratitude has the power to enhance our overall well-being and foster a positive

outlook on life. The New Year is an opportune time to strengthen existing relationships and forge new connections. Human connection is a fundamental aspect of our well-being, and fostering meaningful relationships can bring joy, support, and a sense of belonging. Make a conscious effort to reach out to loved ones, friends, and even make new acquaintances to enrich your social tapestry.

New Year resolutions are a tradition that allows individuals to set goals and intentions for self-improvement in the coming year. While the key is to set realistic and achievable resolutions, the following list provides some common themes that people often consider when making New Year resolutions:

Health and Fitness:

Exercise regularly, whether it's through a specific workout routine, jogging, or attending fitness classes.

Adopt a balanced and nutritious diet, emphasizing whole foods and reducing processed or sugary snacks.

Prioritize mental health by incorporating mindfulness practices, such as meditation or yoga.

Professional Development:

Set career goals and create a plan for achieving them, whether through acquiring new skills, pursuing further education, or seeking a promotion.

Improve time management and productivity at work to enhance overall job satisfaction.

As we stand on the threshold of a new beginning, let us embrace the New Year with optimism, purpose, and a commitment to personal growth. With reflection, realistic goals, a positive mindset, and a grateful heart, the journey ahead becomes an exciting adventure full of possibilities. May the New Year bring you fulfillment, joy, and the courage to embrace the opportunities that lie ahead. Happy New Year!





Introduction:

Christmas, the most wonderful time of the year, is a globally celebrated holiday that brings people together in the spirit of love, generosity, and joy. It is a time marked by traditions, festive decorations, and the exchange of gifts. Let's explore the enchanting world of Christmas and discover why it holds a special place in the hearts of millions around the globe.

The Origins of Christmas:

Christmas has its roots in the Christian tradition, celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. Christmas has also been a secular family holiday. However, the holiday has evolved over the centuries observed by Christians and non-Christians alike, devoid of Christian elements, and marked by an increasingly elaborate exchange of gifts. In this secular Christmas celebration, a mythical figure named Santa Claus plays the pivotal role, incorporating various cultural and secular elements.

Festive Decorations:

One of the most enchanting aspects of Christmas is the transformation of homes and public spaces are bathed in the soft glow of twinkling lights.. Families and communities come together to adorn their surroundings with twinkling lights, festive wreaths, and ornaments. Typical images on Christmas decorations include Baby Jesus, Father Christmas, Santa Claus, and the star of Bethlehem. The iconic Christmas tree, often the centerpiece of holiday decorations, is a symbol of life and hope.

The Joy of Giving:

Christmas is synonymous with the joy of giving. The tradition of exchanging gifts reflects the spirit of generosity and thoughtfulness. Families and friends carefully select and wrap presents, eagerly anticipating the joy on their loved ones' faces as they unwrap these

tokens of affection. Beyond material gifts, the season encourages giving in other forms, such as acts of kindness, charity, and volunteering.

Time-Honored Traditions:

Every family and community has its own cherished Christmas traditions. From exchanging gifts to singing carols, these rituals create a sense of continuity and connection across generations. Many people attend midnight Mass or church services, emphasizing the religious significance of the holiday. Others gather for festive meals, sharing laughter and creating lasting memories.

The Magic of Santa's Arrival:

For children, Christmas is a magical time filled with wonder and excitement. The anticipation of Santa Claus, the jolly gift-giver who travels the world in a sleigh pulled by reindeer, adds an extra layer of enchantment. Children eagerly write letters to Santa, leaving out cookies and milk on Christmas Eve in the hopes of catching a glimpse of the elusive figure in red.

In essence, Christmas nights are a tapestry woven with the threads of tradition, warmth, and the spirit of giving. They offer a magical backdrop for creating cherished memories and savoring the unique charm of the holiday season.

Conclusion:

In essence, Christmas is a celebration that transcends religious and cultural boundaries, uniting people in a shared experience of joy, love, and goodwill. Whether celebrated in a snowy winter wonderland or a sun-soaked tropical paradise, the magic of Christmas lies in the warmth of human connections and the spirit of giving. As the holiday season approaches, let us embrace the traditions that bring us together and create lasting moments of happiness and togetherness.



Celebrating National Mathematics Day:

Honoring the Legacy of Srinivasa Ramanujan

National Mathematics Day is observed on December 22nd every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of the legendary Indian mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan. This day is an ode to the man who made significant contributions to the field of mathematics, leaving an indelible mark on the global mathematical community. The celebration of National Mathematics Day not only honors Ramanujan's legacy but also aims to promote the importance of mathematics in our daily lives and encourage the pursuit of mathematical knowledge.

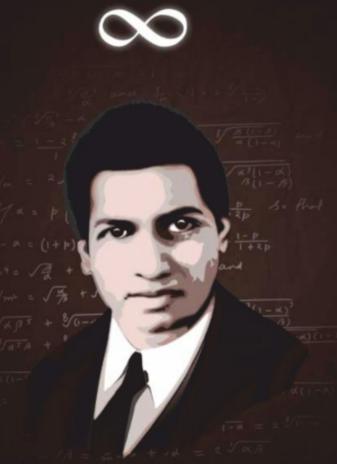
Srinivasa Ramanujan was born on December 22, 1887, in Erode, Tamil Nadu, India. Despite facing numerous challenges, including limited formal education, Ramanujan displayed an extraordinary aptitude for mathematics from a young age. His self-taught brilliance eventually caught the attention of renowned mathematicians, leading to collaborations and groundbreaking contributions to various mathematical fields.

Ramanujan's work covered a wide range of topics, including infinite series, modular forms, elliptic functions, and number theory. His findings, often presented in the form of enigmatic and unconventional results, have had a profound impact on mathematics, inspiring generations of mathematicians and researchers worldwide.

Educational institutions, mathematical societies, and research organizations organize events and workshops on National Mathematics Day. These gatherings focus on promoting mathematical knowledge, discussing recent advancements, and encouraging students to explore the wonders of mathematics.

Eminent mathematicians and scholars deliver public lectures to shed light on Ramanujan's contributions and discuss the relevance of mathematics in various fields. These talks aim to make mathematical concepts accessible to a broader audience and ignite interest in the subject. National Mathematics Day often sees the organization of mathematical competitions at various levels. These competitions provide a platform for students and enthusiasts to showcase their mathematical prowess, fostering a spirit of healthy competition and intellectual growth. Our "KGISL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY" also keeps competition to motivate the students.

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Exhibitions featuring Ramanujan's life and work, as well as interactive displays on mathematical concepts, are organized to engage the public. These exhibitions serve as a means to demystify mathematics and highlight its practical applications. National Mathematics Day encourages the development of a mathematical culture by promoting mathematics as a dynamic and evolving field. This includes celebrating the beauty of mathematical ideas, fostering curiosity, and emphasizing the role of mathematics in solving real-world problems.

National Mathematics Day serves as a reminder of the transformative power of mathematics and the enduring legacy of Srinivasa Ramanujan. By commemorating this day, we celebrate not only the extraordinary achievements of a brilliant mathematician but also the universal importance of mathematics in shaping our understanding of the world. As we look to the future, National Mathematics Day inspires us to continue exploring the vast and fascinating realms of mathematical knowledge.





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Thirukarthigai, also known as Karthigai Deepam, is a significant festival celebrated by Hindus, primarily in the Southern Indian states. This festival usually falls in the Tamil month of Karthigai (November-December). It is a joyous Hindu festival celebrated with fervor and enthusiasm. This auspicious occasion holds deep cultural and spiritual significance, particularly in the Southern Indian states of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh.

The earliest Hindu scripture states that the two great deities of Hindu culture Lord Vishnu and Lord Brahma started fighting among them regarding the superiority. They both thought each one was stronger than the other. To stop this huge fight, Lord Shiva came in front of them and tried to show his supremacy. He took the shape of a huge fire and challenged the two fighting Gods to find the end of the fire from the top and bottom. Lord Vishnu took the form of a boar and tried to reach the end of the fire beneath the earth. He failed miserably and came back to Lord Shiva saying that he was unable to find the end of the fire from the bottom. Lord Brahma on the other hand, took the shape of a swan and flew to find the beginning of the fire on the topside.

But his search was also in vain and he was unable to find the top of the fire. Thus, Lord Shiva proved his supremacy over the two Gods and managed to stop the fight. Lord Shiva actually proved that he is the main God of the earth and there is no use in fighting among other Gods regarding their supremacy. He then appeared like hill shape on Thiruvannamalai region. In fact, the names 'Tiruvannamalai' and 'Arunachala' denote "holy fire hill". Later on the kings and famous personnel built a temple on the hill in commemoration of Lord Shiva. This festival is celebrated with great marvel in this particular place.

Another legend links karthigai Deepam to Lord Muruga. Lord Muruga adopted the form of six babies in Saravana poigai, a lake and was looked after by six krittika stars. On this day, Goddess Parvathy united all the six forms of Skantda. Thus, Lord Karthikeya has six faces and popularly known as Aarumugan in Tamil culture.

Thirukarthigai is typically observed on the full moon day of the Tamil month of Karthigai. The central ritual involves the lighting of lamps or agal vilakku, symbolizing the dispelling of darkness and the triumph of good over evil. Devotees illuminate their homes with rows of oil lamps, creating a mesmerizing display of light. Special puja ceremonies are conducted in temples, and devotees visit shrines dedicated to Lord Muruga to offer prayers and seek his blessings.

In the evening, huge bonfires are lit in public spaces and temple premises, symbolizing the triumph of light. The bonfires, known as "Karthigai Deepam," are traditionally fueled by a combination of camphor and ghee, producing a mesmerizing flame that is visible from a distance. The lighting of the Karthigai Deepam is considered a sacred act, and devotees gather to witness this spectacular event.

The lighting of lamps not only signifies the victory of light over darkness but also represents the inner journey towards self-realization and spiritual enlightenment. It is believed that the divine light of Thirukarthigai removes ignorance and brings clarity to one's mind.

As with many Indian festivals, Thirukarthigai is also marked by the preparation and sharing of traditional sweets and savories. Families prepare a variety of sweets and savories to share with friends and neighbors. Popular dishes include Pori Urundai (puffed rice balls), Adhirasam (a sweet made with jaggery and rice flour), and Palkova (a milk-based sweet). Sharing these delicacies is seen as a gesture of unity and camaraderie among the community.

Thirukarthigai fosters a sense of community and togetherness. Families come together to perform the rituals, exchange greetings, and share the joy of the festival. It is a time when homes are adorned with decorations, and the air is filled with the sounds of devotional hymns.

Thirukarthigai, the Festival of Lights, serves as a beautiful reminder of the triumph of good over evil and the pursuit of spiritual awakening. Thirukarthikai stands as a vibrant and spiritually significant festival in Tamil Nadu, celebrating the triumph of light and goodness. The traditions and rituals associated with this festival have been passed down through generations, contributing to the rich cultural tapestry of the region. As families and communities come together to celebrate Thirukarthikai, the festival becomes a time for reflection, gratitude, and the renewal of spiritual bonds.



CIRCUS ANIMALS

What do you feel when you hear the word Circus?

Well, for a child it is happiness...

For people who are in love it is just a time pass...

For adults it's just while away the time...

For the people who perform in the circus is earning money...

For Animals it is ???

We think Animals are for our human entertainment. Certainly it is not...

Animals have souls like us. Animals are to be protected. We do not know how much pain they undergo while performing in the circus.

Animals are born to be in wild. It is not to kept in confinement. Animals are not meant to be in circus. It has it's own natural habitat to live.

Yes, in order to earn money people abduct animals from it's natural habitat and sell to circus.

Animals face lot of troubles to learn the tricks from the ring master. We do not know the other face of circus

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animals. We only have seen the circus animals wearing cute dresses and performing on stage.

After undergoing lot of pain and pressure they put up a happy face on the show.

Yes, for Animals it is torture.

Animals are to be safe guarded, they need their own environment like us.

Save Animals! Save Nature!!

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.
 A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.
 If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,
 Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?

2. Betty Botter bought some butter
But she said the butter's bitter
If I put it in my batter, it will make my batter bitter
But a bit of better butter will make my batter better
So 'twas better Betty Botter bought a bit of better butter

3. How much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?

He would chuck, he would, as much as he could, and chuck as much wood

As a woodchuck would if a woodchuck could chuck wood

- 4. She sells seashells by the seashore.
- 5. How can a clam cram in a clean cream can?

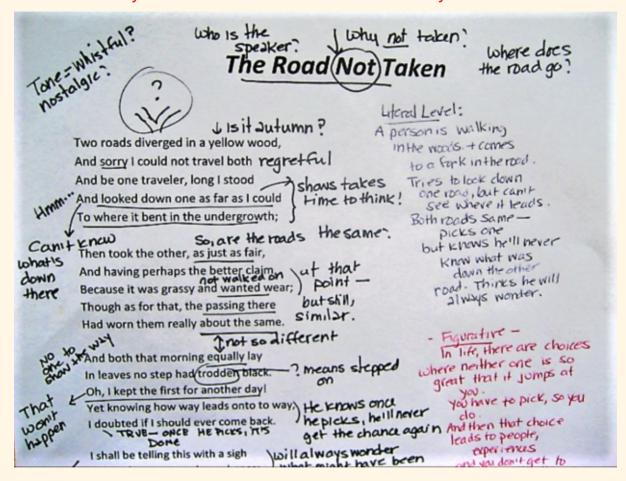




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Literal language says what exactly it is, whereas Figurative language refers to usage of figures of speech like similes, metaphors, hyperbole and personification, alliteration, idiom, onomatopoeia in order to narrate or even explain something always through comparative aspects in addition with some other different elements.

For instance: A Poem by Robert Frost 'The Road Not Taken' is taken for the analysis



Figurative: When you use a word or phrase that does not have normal everyday usage.

'The Road Not Taken' - The Road stands for Life of a Man

Not Taken stands for the Decisions / Wishes / Choices in man's life which is to be taken but sometimes it's very hard to decide or to choose as the first and second line of the poem states - 1. Two roads diverged... 2. ...could not travel both

Perhaps, it is must to pick a road to reach the destination, similarly in life it is must to take a decision to fulfil the choices at any cost.

Literal: Both the roads look alike but it is not clear where? and how? the other road leads, still remains wonder.

Analysing a poem is an interesting task as well as requires a lot of preparation

Wishes!



2023 YEAR HAPPENINGS Q&A

1.What are the ICC trophies did Australia win this	8.Government of India reduces price of domestic
year?	liquefied petroleum gas by
A.ODI World Cup	A.200 rupees
B.T20 World Cup	B.100 rupees
C.T20 World Cup and ODI World Cup	C.250 rupees
D.World Test Championship and ODI world Cup	D.400 rupees
2. What are the states retained by BJP by the elections	9construction workers were rescued from a
results of Legislative Assembly Elections announced on March 2nd?	road tunnel collapse after being trapped for more than two weeks.
A.Madhya Pradhesh and Uttarkhand	A.121
B.Gujarat and Bihar	B.20
C.Arunachal Pradhesh and Assam	C.41
D.Tripura and Nagaland	D.37
3."Angel tax" came into effect on	10.Legislative Assembly Elections for Mizoram was
A.March 22, 2023	held on .
B.April 1, 2023	A.7th November
C.June 17, 2023	B.9th October
D.September 7, 2023	C.21st March
4.Manish Sisodia, Deputy Chief Minister of Dehli was	D.15th August
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arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation	11.Chandrayaan-3 becomes the first space mission to
in	land near the
A.Drunk and Drive case	A.Lunar North pole
B.Income tax case	B.Mars North pole
C.Liqour policy case	C.Mars South pole
D.Drugs case	D.Lunar North pole
5.Where is 2023 Men's FIH Hockey World Cup Finals	12parties for I.N.D.I.A alliance to fight against
held?	NDA alliance in the upcoming general elections.
A.Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneshwar	A.17
B.Birsa Munda International Hockey Stadium,	B.51
Rourkela	C.26
C.Aishbagh Stadium, Bhopal	D.21
D.CAFVD Sports Stadium, Pune	
z.a z sports staaran, r and	13.Ten Vaishno Devi pilgrims are killed and 57 others
6.Reserve Bank of India announced that it will	are injured as a bus falls from a bridge in
withdraw all 2000-rupee note in circulation by	A.Tamil Nadu
	B.Rajasthan
A.November, 2023	C.Chattisgarh
B.March, 2023	D.Jammu and Kashmir
C.July, 2023	
D.September, 2023	14.2023 ICC Under-19 Women's T20 World Cup was
F	held in
7.At least 96 people die during a, which began	A.India
two days before, in the states of Uttar Pradesh and	B.Australia
Bihar.	C.South Africa
A.Tsunami	D.England
B.Forest Fire	3

C.Earthquake

D.Heat wave

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15. Who was the 2023 Hyderabad ePrix winner?

A.Jean-Éric Vergne

B.Lucas Di Grassi C.Jake Dennis

D.Nick Cassidy

16.The _____bursts its banks, causing major flooding and impacting 22,000 people.

A.Kolleru lake

B.Lhonak lake

C.Badkhal lake

D.Agara lake

17. Narendra Modi's government wins a no-trust motion, tabled by the _____alliance.

A.I.N.D.I.A

B.NBA

C.CANZUK

D.EU-UK Mutual Defence Agreement

18.Gangster Atiq Ahmed and his brother and gangster Ashraf Ahmed killed in a shootout in

A.Prayagraj

B.Amristar

C.Pune

D.Aurangabad

19.______is disqualified as a member of parliament in the Lok Sabha after being found guilty of defamation.

A.Atal Bihari Vajpayee

B.Rahul Gandhi

C.Amit Shah

D.Nitin Gatkari

20. How did Anjali Singh died?

A. killed in a road traffic collision

B.Suicide

C.Due to Health issues

D.Murdered in home

ANSWERS:

1.D. World test Championship and ODI World Cup

2.D. Tripura and Nagaland

3.B. April 1, 2023

4.C. Liqour policy case

5.A. Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneshwar

6.D. September, 2023

7.D. Heat Wave

8.A. 200 rupees

9.C. 41

10.A. 7th November

11.C. Lunar South Pole

12.C. 26

13.D. Jammu and Kashmir

14.C. South Africa

15.A. Jean-Éric Vergne

16.B. Lhonak Lake

17.A. I.N.D.I.A

18.A. Prayagraj

19.B. Rahul Gandhi

20.A. Killed in a road traffic collision

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TONGUE TWISTERS

 $6.\,I\,scream, you\,scream, we\,all\,scream\,for\,ice\,cream.$

7. I saw Susie sitting in a shoeshine shop.

8. Susie works in a shoeshine shop. Where she shines she sits, and where she sits she shines.

9. Fuzzy Wuzzy was a bear. Fuzzy Wuzzy had no hair. Fuzzy Wuzzy wasn't fuzzy, was he?

10. Can you can a can as a canner can can a can?





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Knowing from known

More than Enough

 $I\,had\,a\,remembrance\,from\,the\,Tamil\,film\,Anniyan.$

Anniyan: Is stealing five paisa a crime?

Contractor: not a big crime

Anniyan: if five million people steal five paisa?

Contractor: seems crime

Anniyan: If five million people steal five paisa, five

million times?

Contractor: It is a heinous crime

This is only happening in many places. Even at home, in the nation, and the world. Frequently, we are doing the same without knowing the need. One day, I visited a house where I found lots of collections of new shirts, photo frames, unread books, and so on. I was shocked and asked about the need for that. He coolly said it was in return for the shopkeepers' respect towards me while I was crossing the shops. My mind asks a question: Is pleasant invitation a marketing technique? Isn't it? We can easily see this welcome at the entrance of every shop. What is the use of storing such things in large quantities? He continues, I will present it to the visitors of my home. The very next moment, my son said, "I had five shirts from you, Grandpa.... see I am wearing one among them." He was so happy. I stopped my talk on this with him, but I am asking you. Is it a need? Instead, he can give a few shirts to him and sell them. As a B.Com graduate, it will increase his marketing skills. My mom did it.

When I was a child, my mom trained me to sell drumsticks, which were more than enough for us. Like that, she taught many crafts to us. She never gave pocket money; instead of it, she gave raw materials for that craft work. I have made goods out of it and sold those for my pocket money, so it limited my expenses. My father cooperated in this matter. I produced magic pencils, hair bands, clips, chudi for my needs, and so on. On those days, I felt hard, but it was a good treatment for finance management. Now, I am coming to society.

Often, the government conducts competitive exams, but it makes another exam schedule before placing the achieved candidates in their positions. Without knowing the tricks of the government, the people are paying once again for it by thinking they may get another opportunity. I see a government-aided college professor who cleared NET six times, but she got her posting for Ph.D. qualification. She says that she wishes to know what is in every question paper. It is good to know about the questions, but is it good to spend more time at the same event? Think about it. Community election is an interesting matter.

One day, my friend called me and spoke about my temple's car festival. It is a ten-day festival. It has lots of customs and happy gatherings. She says there are two parties for the community election, so both of them are spending a lot on the temple and the devotees. So they are happy. Then, I begin my calculation. It is crossing 1-3 lakhs per candidate for a day. Then I said to my friend, "If the spending is like this, how will the profit be from the temple? Think..... until the election, both of them didn't spend this much for their society as individuals but, now, how they are ready?" My friend may think that I am confusing. In reality, unwanted rewards and unexpected spending for a cause show that there will be an earning out of that cause. So the total earnings should be more than enough to cover the total spending to the society. It is applicable to all types of elections. The people should be aware of it. Another interesting thing is paying high taxes (any type) and few savings.

One of my relatives is a retired person. He is saving totally differently. As a senior citizen, he is unable to spend more than a limit, and he is not willing to share or help his children or relatives; in the meantime, he doesn't have the belief in his friends to invest in new things. So he tries to say it is money only. It is easy to see older adults on the roadside, too. After their death, the municipality would find a large amount under their bed, or it may happen in rescue time. In these cases, it is not 'more than enough.' They are weak in money management, and on the other hand, they might betrayed by their dearest. One of my friends is somewhat different.

When my friend gets a new job with a good salary, she buys a lot of new sarees and wishes to visit many places. The sarees added as more than 20. I ask her why she buys like this. Her reply makes me mum. She says that her husband does not allow her to buy new dresses; instead, if she asks for them, he used to say she was a spendthrift, so she got sarees from her mother, who is no more now. After four years, she buys for her own, so this issue is not right to consider as more than enough. It is a need. Financial experts say while a person gets a good job with a good salary, he/she has to satisfy her needs for one year from the salary. The second year's salary has to be maintained as supporting money for the emergency and needs. From the third year, only the person has to invest in savings such as fixed deposits, mutual funds, and so on. When people try to know what 'More than Enough' is, it will be the financial management for their future.



1

World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day is observed on 1 December every year to raise awareness and knowledge about HIV and a call to move toward ending the HIV epidemic. It was first celebrated in 1988. The theme of 2023 is "Lead The Communities".



2 National Pollution Control Day

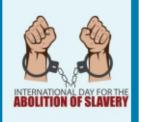
National Pollution Control Day is celebrated on 2 December to raise awareness about pollution and its hazardous effects. This day is observed in memory of the people who lost their lives in the Bhopal gas calamity which is considered one of the biggest industrial disasters.



2 Inter

International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

It was observed on 2 December to make people aware of the modern slavery that works against human rights. Do you know more than 40 million people in the world are victims of modern slavery? This day reminds the situations of exploitation that a person cannot refuse due to threats, violence, coercion or abuse of power.



World Computer Literacy Day

It is observed on December 2 and aims to encourage the development of technological skills, mainly among children and women in India.



3

World Day of the Handicapped Day

World Day of the Handicapped is also known as the International Day of People with Disabilities (IDPD). It is observed on 3 December to raise awareness about understanding and accepting people with disabilities. The theme for 2021 was "Leadership and participation opersons with disabilities toward an inclusive accessible and sustainable post-COVID-19 world."



4 Indian Navy Day

Indian Navy Day is celebrated every year on 4 December to highlight the role, achievements, and difficulties that Navy people face.



5

International Volunteer Day

International Volunteer Day (IVD) is celebrated on 5 December every year. This day provides a chance for volunteers and organisations to celebrate their efforts, and values and promotes their work among their communities, etc.



5 World Soil Day

World Soil Day is observed on 5 December to raise awareness about the importance of soil, healthy ecosystems, and human well-being.



6

BR Ambedkar's death anniversary

On 6 December 1956, he passed away. The day is observed to commemorate his unforgettable contribution to society and his achievements.



6 National Microwave Oven Day

It is observed on 6 December to celebrate and honor the invention that has made their lives easier by making it convenient and faster for them to cook and reheat food.





7

Armed Forces Flag Day

Armed Forces Flag Day is observed across the country on 7 December with the objective of collecting funds from the common people and honoring the martyrs and the men who fought with bravery on the borders to safeguard the country's honor.



7 International Civil Aviation Day

International Civil Aviation Day is observed on 7 December worldwide to raise awareness about its importance to the social and economic development of States and the role that ICAO plays in International air transport.



8

Bodhi Day

Every year on December 8, Bodhi Day is observed all over the world, usually under various names. To honor Gautam Buddha and his preachings, it typically occurs on the eighth day of the 12th month of the lunisolar calendar.



9 International Anti-Corruption Day

International Anti-Corruption Day is observed on 9 December every year to highlight how corruption affects health, education, justice, democracy, prosperity, and development.



10

Human Rights Day

Human Rights Day is celebrated on 10 December. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted in 1948 by the United Nations General Assembly. This day is observed to protect the fundamental human rights of all people and their basic human freedom.



10 Death Anniversary of Alfred Nobel

He was a famous scientist, inventor, businessman, and founder of Nobel Prizes. His father was an engineer and inventor. He was born on October 21, 1833, and died on December 10, 1869. He invented dynamite and other more powerful explosives.



11

International Mountain Day

International Mountain Day is celebrated on 11 December every year to educate children and people about the role that mountains play in providing fresh water, clean energy, food, and recreation. The theme of 2021 is "Sustainable mountain tourism".



11 UNICEF Day

It is observed on 11 December by the United Nations. UNICEF stands for United Nations International Children EmergencyFund.



12

Universal Health Coverage Day

The United Nations proclaimed 12 December as International Health Coverage Day (UHC) by resolution 72/138 on 12 December 2017. The purpose behind celebrating the day is to spread awareness of the need for strong and resilient health systems and universal health coverage with multi-stakeholder partners.



13 National Horse Day

In some parts of America, December 13 is recognized as National Horse Day. This day honours the historical, cultural, and economic contributions that horses have made. Look up the background and significance of the unique observance.





14 National Energy **Conservation Day**

It is observed on 14 December to raise



Vijay Diwas

Vijay Diwas is celebrated on 16 December in India to remember the martyrs, and their sacrifices, and to strengthen the role of armed forces for the cause of the



18 Minorities Rights Day in India

Minorities Rights Day in India is observed on 18 December to preserve and promote the rights of minority communities in India. This day focuses on issues like the safety of minorities in the state. On this day several campaigns, seminars, and events are conducted to inform and educate people about them.



International Migrants Day

International Migrants Day is celebrated on 18 December to raise awareness about the protection of migrants and refugees. The International Organisation for Migration (IOM) is calling on the international community to come together and remember the migrants and refugees who have lost their lives or have disappeared while reaching a safe harbor.



Goa's Liberation Day

that helped Goa to receive freedom from



20 International Human **Solidarity Day**

International Human Solidarity Day is observed on 20 December annually to highlight the importance of unity in diversity. This day also reminds people to work together in fighting poverty, hunger, and disease.



Blue Christmas

A Western Christian practice known as "Blue Christmas" takes place on or near the longest night of the year, which is typically December 21 (the Winter Solstice). It aims to console grieving family members or friends who are having a difficult time finding joy and hope during the holiday season.



World Saree Day

An effort has been made to recognize and celebrate the elegance of this traditional clothing on World Saree Day. It is observed every year on December 21. Sarees are among the most exquisite, graceful, and beautiful gifts made by Indian artisans and handed down through the ages.



National Mathematics Day



23 Kisan Diwas

Kisan Divas or Farmer's Day in India or National Farmer's Day is celebrated on 23 December across the country to commemorate the birth anniversary of the former Prime Minister Chaudhary Charan Singh. On this day various events, seminars, functions, and competitions are organized on agriculture and its importance to educate and provide knowledge





National Consumer Rights Day



Christmas Day

Christmas Day is celebrated on 25 December worldwide annually to commemorate the birth anniversary of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.



25 Good Governance Day (India)

Good Governance Day in India is observed on 25 December to commemorate the birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee, His Samadhi namely 'Sadiav Atal' was dedicated to the nation and reflects his personality as a poet, humanist, statesman, and a great leader.



Veer Bal Diwas

Veer Bal Diwas is observed on December 26 to pay homage to the courage and martyrdom of the four sons of Guru Gobind Singh Ji, the last Sikh Guru.



Boxing Day



27 International Day of **Epidemic Preparedness**

International Day of Epidemic Preparedness is observed on December 27 to fulfil the great need to raise awareness, the exchange of information, scientific knowledge and best practices, and quality education to curb the fatality of the Epidemic.



Ratan Tata Birthday

Ratan Naval Tata, the Indian industrialist. philanthropist, entrepreneur, and former chairman of Tata Sons needs no introduction. You may not find him on Forbes, but he surely has space in the hearts of all ages, genders, and groups.



Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti

It is celebrated as the birth anniversary of Guru Gobind Singh and this year it falls on 9 January. He was the tenth Guru out of a total of ten Sikh Gurus. On 22 December 1666, he was born in Patna, Bihar as per the Julian calendar.



New Year's Eve

New Year's Eve is celebrated on 31st December as the last day of the year.





- 23RD DECEMBER

ARTICLE ON NATIONAL FARMERS DAY

Every December 23rd, we observe National Farmers Day to honour and express gratitude for farmers' indispensable contributions. This day serves as a poignant reminder of the tireless work, commitment, and resilience demonstrated by those toiling in the fields for a plentiful harvest that sustains nations.

Farmers are the backbone of any country, playing a pivotal role in feeding the ever-expanding global population. National Farmers Day is an occasion to recognize their unwavering efforts and acknowledge the challenges they face. From sunrise to sunset, farmers work tirelessly to cultivate crops, raise livestock, and contribute to the agricultural industry, forming the foundation of our economies.

The celebration is not just a symbolic gesture but also an opportunity to raise awareness about the significance of sustainable agriculture. In the face of environmental challenges and climate change, farmers lead in adopting innovative practices for food security while preserving the planet. Various events unfold nationwide on this day, from educational programs to agricultural fairs, as communities unite to express gratitude and support for farmers. It's a time to celebrate the traditions and heritage of agriculture while looking ahead to a future where farmers continue to play a vital role in shaping a sustainable and secure food supply.

In conclusion, National Farmers Day is a day to acknowledge and appreciate hardworking individuals dedicated to nourishing the world. As we mark this day, let's contemplate the importance of agriculture and commit to supporting farmers in their ongoing endeavours to feed our communities and sustain the global population.

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December, the concluding month of the year, unfolds as a tapestry woven with diverse cultural celebrations, each thread carrying a rich history and unique significance. Let's delve deeper into the specific origins and symbolism behind some of the celebrated traditions during this festive season.

1.Winter Solstice:

The winter solstice, occurring around December 21st, holds profound historical and cultural importance. In ancient Rome, the festival of Saturnalia was a weeklong celebration honoring Saturn, the god of agriculture. Romans engaged in merrymaking, gift-giving, and feasting during this time, and societal norms were temporarily inverted. Slaves were granted temporary freedom, and revelry filled the streets. This festival marked the triumph of light over darkness and laid the foundation for some of the modern customs associated with the holiday season.

2. Festive Holidays:

December is synonymous with Christmas, a celebration with roots in Christian tradition commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ. The lighting of the Christmas tree has its origins in 16th-century Germany, while the custom of hanging stockings is said to stem from the legend of St. Nicholas. Hanukkah, the Jewish Festival of Lights, commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. The lighting of the menorah, one candle for each night, symbolizes the miracle of the oil lasting eight days. Kwanzaa, introduced in 1966 by Dr. Maulana Karenga, is a celebration of African-American culture and heritage, with each of its seven principles (Nguzo Saba)

emphasizing values like unity and self-determination.

3. Cultural Diversity:

In Japan, Omisoka involves cleaning and purifying the home in preparation for the new year, a tradition deeply rooted in Shinto customs.

4.End-of-Year Reflections:

As December prompts introspection, some cultures engage in specific practices. In Japan, the tradition of "oosouji" involves a thorough year-end cleaning, not just of homes but also of businesses and public spaces. This symbolic act aims to welcome the new year with a clean slate, both physically and spiritually.

5. Year-End Celebrations:

New Year's Eve celebrations vary globally, each with its unique customs. In Spain, it is a tradition to eat 12 grapes at the stroke of midnight, symbolizing good luck for each month of the upcoming year. In Brazil, people dress in white, often heading to the beach to offer flowers to Yemanjá, the goddess of the sea, as a gesture of goodwill for the year ahead.

By exploring the origins and symbolism of these traditions, December emerges not just as a month of celebrations but as a cultural mosaic, with each celebration contributing to the rich tapestry of human history and diversity.

As the new year dawns, may it be filled with promises of fresh beginnings and brighter tomorrows. Happy New Year..!...







Did you know that the tradition of bringing evergreen trees into homes during Christmas can be traced back to 16th-century Germany? The use of Christmas trees became more widespread in the 19th century and is now a popular holiday tradition worldwide. Additionally, mistletoe, often associated with Christmas, is a parasitic plant that has been linked to various traditions and myths throughout history.

Poinsettias, popular Christmas plants with vibrant red and green foliage, are native to Mexico. The Aztecs referred to them as "cuetlaxochitl." In the 1820s, Joel Poinsett, the first U.S. ambassador to Mexico, introduced the plant to the United States, and it was later named after him.

THE CHRISTMAS CACTUS:

The Christmas cactus, another festive plant, is native to Brazil and blooms in response to longer nights. Its scientific name is Schlumbergera, and it's a favorite for indoor holiday decorations due to its colorful flowers.

The tradition of hanging wreaths on doors during Christmas has historical significance. Wreaths, made from evergreen branches, symbolize strength and endurance through winter. In ancient Rome, they were used as a sign of victory and were associated with the god Saturn.

CHRISTMAS SEASON AND SOME OF ITS TRADITION:

During the Christmas season, more than 28 sets of LEGO are sold every second around the world. That's a lot of building blocks for festive creativity!

CHRISTMAS BOOK FLOOD:

In Iceland, there's a tradition of giving books as Christmas presents, and it's called "Jólabókaflóð," meaning "Christmas Book Flood." People exchange books on Christmas Eve and spend the night reading and enjoying their new literary treasures.

WORLD'S TALLEST CHRISTMAS TREE:

The world's tallest Christmas tree was constructed in 1950 in a Washington shopping mall. It was a Douglas fir, standing at a towering 221 feet. Talk about a tree that reaches new heights for the holidays!

Mistletoe, beyond its association with kissing, has

ancient significance in various cultures. Druids considered it sacred and believed it had healing properties. In Norse mythology, mistletoe was associated with love and was linked to the story of the death and revival of the god Balder.

The tradition of the Advent wreath, with its four candles representing the weeks leading up to Christmas, originated in 19th-century Germany. Each candle has a specific theme – hope, peace, joy, and love – with a central candle, the Christ Candle, lit on Christmas Day.

FRUITCAKES

Fruitcakes, a traditional Christmas dessert, have a rich history dating back to ancient Rome. Over time, different cultures added their own twists to the recipe. The cake's long shelf life made it a popular choice for holiday celebrations.

RELATION BETWEEN MINT AND CHRISTMAS:

Mint, commonly associated with candy canes and holiday treats, has historical roots in Christmas celebrations. Legend has it that a choirmaster in 17th-century Germany created the candy cane to keep children quiet during Christmas services. The candy was bent into a shepherd's crook shape to represent the shepherds who visited the baby Jesus.

THE YULE LOG AND CHRISTMAS:

The Yule log, a tradition dating back to medieval times, originally involved burning a large log throughout the Twelve Days of Christmas. Over time, this evolved into a symbolic dessert shaped like a log. The custom symbolizes the bringing of warmth and light during the dark winter days.

Holly and ivy, often used in Christmas decorations, have ancient roots as symbols of protection and good luck. Early Christian traditions adopted these plants, with holly representing Christ's crown of thorns and ivy symbolizing eternal life.

WINTER BLOOMING FLOWER:

In some cultures, the Christmas Rose (Helleborus niger), a winter-blooming flower, is associated with the holiday season. Legend has it that it sprouted in the snow from the tears of a young shepherd girl who had no gift to present to the baby Jesus.

In some cultures, the tradition of decorating with oranges and cloves, known as pomanders, dates back centuries. The fragrance was believed to ward off illness and evil spirits during the winter months.

Lastly, the tradition of hanging stockings by the fireplace comes from the story of St. Nicholas, who supposedly left coins in the stockings of three poor sisters. This act of generosity led to the custom of hanging stockings for gifts on Christmas Eve.





ILAKKIYA SANGAMAM'S LITERARY MUSE

About us:

Nurturing literature and fine arts:

Ilakkiya sangamam is a trust that has taken up the commendable task of developing and promoting the various literature fields and fine arts. This is a visionary trust that serves as a vibrant platform for the writers and artists. It recognises the emerging writers in the path of literature. Through this, it paves the way for shaping the public vision of arts and literature. The trust also encourages and honours the contributors.

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