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Sudoku 309

			6		
6		4			2
4	2				
				4	5
3			1		6
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Compiled by Peter Fernando

1. In the large square you can see three features:

Vertical columns

Six vertical columns with six small squares in each column.

Horizontal columns

Six horizontal columns with six small squares in each of them.

Grids

Six boxes or grids with six small squares in each of them.

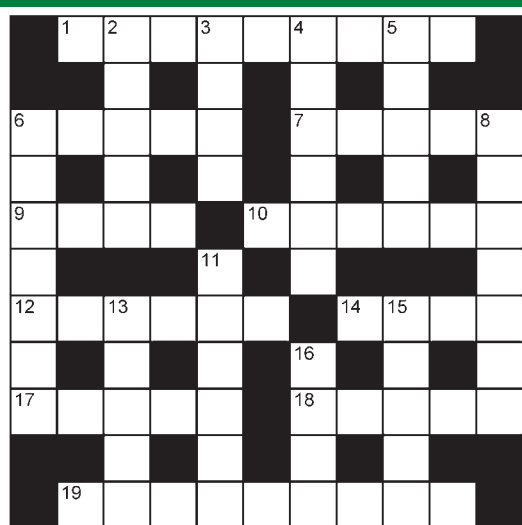
2. Insert Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the small squares in a way so as not to repeat the same number twice.

Now try to complete Junior Sudoku 309 using logic and reasoning. This is a good exercise for your mind.

Solution – No. 307

3	1	6	5	2	4
2	5	4	3	1	6
5	2	3	6	4	1
4	6	1	2	3	5
6	4	2	1	5	3
1	3	5	4	6	2

Junior Crossword – No. 946



Across

- 1 An underwater vehicle
- 6 Conceals
- 7 _____ and eggs, a breakfast meal
- 9 Counts up
- 10 Extreme fear
- 12 Ask somebody to come
- 14 Too
- 17 Someone on a horse
- 18 Acted dramas
- 19 Beds for small babies

Down

- 2 Opposite of did
- 3 Untidy shambles
- 4 Thief
- 5 More pleasant
- 6 Of more weight
- 8 Afraid and jumpy
- 11 Begins
- 13 An alcoholic drink
- 15 Fewest
- 16 Twirl around



Solution - No. 944

C	H	I	L	D	R	E	N	O
A	V	O	O	I				
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Chaniru Abeysooriya,
Nugegoda

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FunQuiz 244

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Changing Life Styles.....

Age group 11 - 13

1. Who are the indigenous people of Australia?
2. Name the French general who crowned himself as Emperor of France?
3. Name two scientists credited with discovering oxygen.
4. What is a baby rabbit called?
5. What is the world's largest inland lake?
6. What is the natural biological defense system that protects the body from disease and fights off germs?
7. Which city in Sri Lanka is known as 'Little England'?
8. What is the name of Dorothy's dog in 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz'?
9. Which tree is the symbol on the national flag of Lebanon?
10. How many members are elected to the current parliament of Sri Lanka?



FunQuiz 242 WINNERS

- Dulhara Alwis, Nugegoda
- Fathima Sara, Kalutara
- Rehan Kulasekera, Homagama

Answers

July 18, *Rafflesia arnoldi* in Indonesia,
Ceylon Krait, Australia, Meteorologist,
Louis Pasteur, Emily Bronte, Titanic, Ben-Hur,
The Lord of the Rings - The Return of the King,
Apollo, Germany

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Funday Times 20th Anniversary

Dear Readers,

Funday Times turned 20 years this month. We thank you all for being with us through the years. We have celebrated our anniversaries in previous years with a variety of features and events.

This year we have added some new colourful logos to enhance the design of the Funday. As you would have found, we are now incorporated as a pull-out in the ST2 section of the Sunday Times.

Since we are unable to get together for an Anniversary event due to the current situation, we are conducting a special Anniversary Competition for you with prizes sponsored by Hilton Colombo.

We hope you continue with us and we will endeavour to give of our best to make Funday Times your favourite kids' newspaper.



Essay Competition

9 years and below

Why I like the Funday Times

10 – 12 years

My favourite feature in Funday Times

13 – 15 years

Has reading the Funday Times helped you? If so, explain how it has.



Digital Art Competition

Age Group: 8 – 15 years

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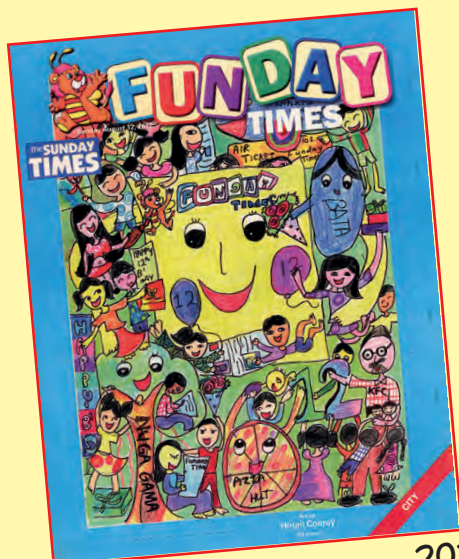
First issue - 2000



2005



2010



2012



2015

**Funday Times
over the years...**

August 11

News in Pictures



London, England
People enjoy the hot weather amid summer-themed sculptures.



Plymouth, USA
The newly renovated Mayflower II, a replica of the original ship that sailed from England in 1620, sails back to its berth in Plymouth, Massachusetts.



Riviere des Creoles, Mauritius
A general view shows the bulk carrier ship MV Wakashio, belonging to a Japanese company but Panamanian-flagged, that ran aground on a reef.



Indonesia
Locals harvest potatoes as Mount Sinabung spews volcanic ash in Karo, North Sumatra province.

Susya, West Bank
A Palestinian woman argues with Israeli border police officers who arrived to force her to stop building a house in Susya village in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.



Damxung, Tibet
Riders compete at the Dangjiren horse racing festival in Damxung county.



Pudong, China
Lightning strikes are seen above the skyline of Shanghai's financial district.

August 10

Gaza City, Gaza Strip
A clown hired by a local kindergarten instructs children how to wear a face mask during an awareness session about coronavirus, as education facilities reopened for the new academic year.



Cambridge, England
Head gardener Steve Coghill rakes a freshly mown wildflower meadow at King's College in Cambridge, to create a biodiversity-rich ecosystem on an area that had been lush lawn since the 1720s.



Breamar Castle, Scotland
A new neon artwork by the Turner Prize winning artist Martin Creed is displayed to celebrate the re-opening of The Fife Arms hotel.

Sources : The Guardian / Reuters



Sheran's Chin Mask

By Manoshi de Silva

Sheran was at the supermarket with his mother. While following his mother from shelf to shelf he pulled his face mask down to his chin. "Sheran, wear your face mask properly!" said his mother in a stern voice.

"But I can't breathe properly with it!" lied Sheran. The truth was that he just didn't like wearing a face mask.

"That's not true," said his mother, "some doctors and health workers wear it on a daily basis and sometimes even for hours!"

"But I am not a health worker," muttered Sheran, pulling it back up when his mother gave him an angry look.

The next day when Sheran went to the market with his grandfather, he pulled his mask down as usual. "Putha, wear that face mask properly, covering your nose and mouth," advised his grandfather.

"But my face is itching because of it!" lied Sheran trying to give a false excuse. "That's not true. Then everyone should be scratching their faces," said his grandfather shaking his head in disbelief. So Sheran pulled his face mask back up. But every time his grandfather looked the other way, Sheran put it down again.

That evening while coming home from his tuition class, Sheran pulled his face mask down as usual. "Sheran, can you please wear your mask properly," asked his friend Nadun.

"But why?" asked Sheran.

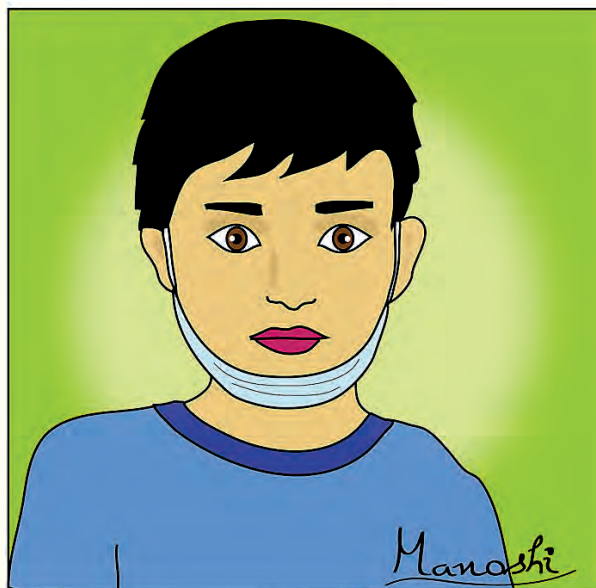
"To protect yourself from the virus, you already know that!" said Nadun sounding annoyed.

"The virus can even enter from your eyes! So what is the protection that you are talking about?" argued Sheran.

"But at least it will protect you up to a certain limit," started Nadun. But Sheran just ignored what his friend was saying.

"Why are you always pulling that face mask down?" shouted his mother on another day. "The face mask is not there to cover your chin; it's not a chin mask!"

"Well, if the virus wants to enter my body it can even enter from my eyes..."



started Sheran, giving his famous excuse so as to not wear the face mask.

"You are asked to wear it for a reason by the healthcare professionals, so you must listen and respect that and follow their advice! There is a reason why we are told to wear it," said his mother.

But Sheran didn't want to listen to any of it. He pulled it back up just to stop his mother from scolding him.

Sheran acted very stubbornly and pulled his face mask down at every opportunity he got, no matter how much he was told or scolded. "There is no point," he convinced himself, "without the mask it is still the same!" Sheran didn't follow any advice on other safety precautions either. He didn't see any importance even in maintaining a metre distance from others. "Just because I stand close to someone, I am not going to fall sick!" he thought stubbornly.

One day, Sheran went to the bookshop to buy some stationery. There was a boy standing next to him. Sheran noticed that boy was also wearing his face mask on his chin, just like Sheran wore it. "Maybe he also knows that there is no importance in wearing a face mask," thought Sheran. The boy was standing very close to him, only about a couple of feet away.

He then leaned towards Sheran to grab a book from the book stack that was right next to Sheran. "Achooo..!" The boy suddenly sneezed without control, almost drenching Sheran. "Yuk!" shouted Sheran covering his face.

"You sneezed all over me!"

"I am so sorry!" said the boy, "I didn't mean to... Achooo..." he sneezed again before he could even complete his sentence. Sheran felt as if he was standing under the shower.

"What are you doing?" shouted Sheran jumping a few feet away. "You could make me also sick!"

"Oh don't worry! This is not anything serious. It's just an allergy," said the boy sounding apologetic.

"How can anyone know without being tested, whether it's serious or not? There is a face mask on your chin. It's a face mask and not a chin mask, you know. Why don't you wear it properly to avoid sneezing on others?" shouted Sheran.

"Well you're wearing a chin mask too!" said the boy, "you can't advise me to wear it properly, when you don't!" Sheran walked away angrily. He couldn't wait to wash himself.

That evening, while having dinner Sheran told his family about what happened at the bookshop. "Now do you see why you must wear a face mask properly, when you go out?" asked his father. "If that boy wore his face mask properly, he wouldn't have sneezed all over you!"

"Also if you wore your one properly, half of your face would have been covered too," nodded his mother.

"It helps to stop germs from spreading from a sick person and slows the virus from spreading around quickly, making everyone sick. It's a community responsibility to ensure that we don't make others sick while keeping ourselves safe as well," said Sheran's grandfather.

Sheran finally understood the importance of wearing a face mask properly. Although it felt a bit unusual wearing one until you got used to it, the importance of wearing it was far greater. And in order to stay safe and to help others to stay safe, Sheran promised himself to wear the face mask properly from that day on.

KIDS IN COLOUR

Kids in Colour together with Reeves Art Competition is conducted monthly. A topic is given for each month. Three winners from three age groups will be selected. Winners will be announced on the second Sunday of each month and all winners will receive an attractive gift pack from Reeves.

Please note that all paintings should be certified by a teacher or parent, refer page 2 for further details.

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How I help my mum and dad

I help my mum to cook. I help my mum to look after my sister. I help my mum to plant trees in the garden. I help my mum and dad by doing my homework alone. I play with my brother and my sister, without fighting.

Gavesha Pathiratne (Grade 4)
Royal College

My Aunt

My aunt's name is Madushani. She is my father's younger sister. She lives in Thulhiriya. She is a doctor. She is married to Udesha uncle.

She has lots of friends and some are my friends also. She can play piano and violin very well. I love to sing with her when she plays the piano. She makes us delicious food like cookies, cakes, rolls, buns and puddings. I love her food. She has a pet dog and its name is Bruno. She loves Bruno and I love Bruno too. I play badminton with her.

I love my aunt very much and she loves me too.

Nethumini Jayasinghe (8 years)
Musaeus College

Abilities and Talents

Different people have different abilities in this world. Some people are good at their studies while some are good in aesthetic activities such as music, dancing, painting and drama etc. Some of them have abilities and talents for sports and technical activities.

The most important thing is we have to identify our abilities and talents as early as possible in our life. If you can identify your true potential then you can succeed in it.

There is a popular saying, "You do not know what you can do, till you try it". It clearly says that we have to work hard with a strong determination to be successful. Therefore it is our duty to get the maximum benefits from our abilities and talents.

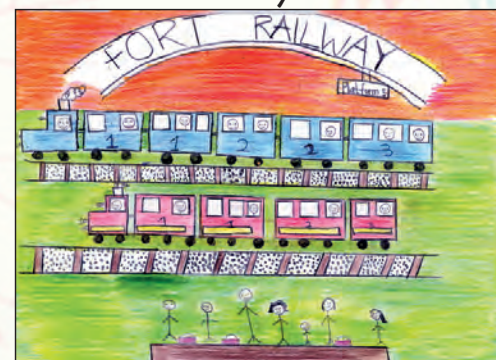
Enuri Barnet (Grade 9)
Gothami Balika M. V.

Jungle track



Binaya Gardiarachchi (Grade 4)
La Petite Fleur Academy, Dehiwala

Fort Railway Station



Saeedh Khan (Grade 5)
Royal College, Colombo

Friendship between a lion and tiger



Binupama Dissanayake (11 years)
Sheffield Int. School, Pita-Kotte

Days in facemasks in 2016

These days we see many people in the world wearing facial masks due to the Corona virus. Whenever I see people in face masks it brings back an old memory. This happened in the month of October in 2016.

One day when I was in school, all of a sudden I started to sense a scent of smoke lingering in the atmosphere. That day my grandfather picked me up early from school. He told me that the white fog that was around was a toxic smoke owing to a fire that had erupted in the garbage dump in Badulla Town.

Badulla is a beautiful city which is

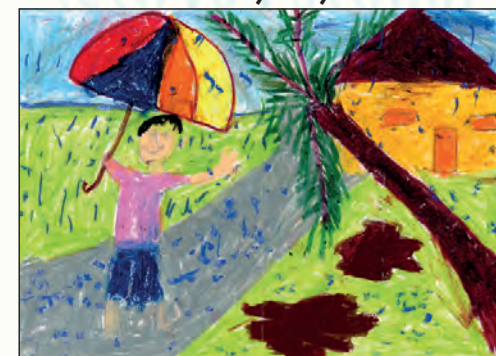
surrounded by the Namunukula range of mountains. Unfortunately, there had been a large garbage dump in the centre of the city. So somebody had set it on fire.

Later my grandfather brought a lot of face masks and we wore them for several days, whenever we went to the town. Soon it became the limelight of the country.

Now I am no longer living in this wonderful city but the garbage mound is still there in the centre of the city, destroying its natural beauty and the health of the people who are living there.

Pabalu Meegaswatte (Grade 7)
Vidura College

Rainy day



Yashan Ibrahim (5 years)
Mattegoda

In my garden



Sehas Demika (8 years)
St. Bernadette's Model School,
Polgahawela

River



Nethma Bimsarani (8 years)
Matara

Wildlife



Nazar Shafni (15 years)
Benhill College, Gampola

Our house and garden



Udamsha Shvithmi (Grade 1)
Royal Int. School, Kegalle



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Education

Education is the act of learning things around us. It helps us to easily understand and deal with any problem and makes balance throughout the whole life in every aspect. Education is the first and foremost right of every human being.

Without education we are incomplete and our lives are useless. Education helps us to set a goal and go ahead by working on that goal throughout the life. It improves our knowledge, skill, confidence level and personality. It empowers us intellectually to interact with others in our life.

Education brings maturity and teaches us to live in society with the changing environment. It is the way to social development, economic growth and technological development.

Dinuli Rajapaksha (Grade 2)
Lyceum Int. School, Ratnapura

How I spent Covid 19 holiday period

On March suddenly schools were closed because of Covid 19 situation. I did lots of things at home. I joined Zoom online classes. I planted vegetables and fruits. I played with my brother. I watched educational programmes. I wish to meet my friends again.

I enjoyed very much during this period.

Sandul Senarathne (8 years)
St. Sylvester's College,
Kandy

The Peradeniya Botanical Garden

The Peradeniya Botanical Garden is situated in Peradeniya, Kandy. It is on the Kandy Colombo main road. It was made in 1921. It is about 147 acres in extent. It is one of the oldest botanical gardens in Sri Lanka.

The Mahaweli river borders the Peradeniya Botanical Garden. It adds beauty to the garden. Thousands of visitors come to this garden every day. It is a main tourist attraction in Sri Lanka.

The garden is home to many plants and trees. The plants and trees are nicely arranged. There are over 4,000 labelled

trees in the garden. There are giant bamboo, roses, orchids, cactus etc. There are memorial trees too. They attract the visitors.

A visitor can have a good knowledge of different plants and trees. Many students visit this garden to learn about them.

This botanical garden is a very attractive place in Sri Lanka.

Methupama Wijerathne (Grade 8)
Holy Cross College, Gampaha

Let's live in harmony in our country

We are Sri Lankans. We live in a multi ethnic society. We live collectively in this country. We are very proud to say that we are Sri Lankans because all ethnic groups live in one land together.

We know each others culture. We have Buddhist culture, Hindu culture, Muslim culture and Christianity. We respect each other and share ideas with others. We respect other's ideas. In this way we can live in harmony in our country.

When we live like this we can build a prosperous country.

For example, we should greet other ethnic groups when they have festivals, we should share food with them, we should participate in community activities with others, we should help them when they are sick or in trouble, we should donate money when they are in need.

I think in this way we can develop good relationships with other groups in our country. I think this leads to a peaceful environment in our country. We can live together very happily.

Yusuf-ul-Haq (8 years)
Matale Int. School

Tomahawk

Quiz
No.174

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 174 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times of July 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2020. All you have to do is to find the answers to the questions given.

Write the answers neatly on a postcard. Cut the strip 'Tomahawk Quiz No. 174' seen at the top of this page and paste it on your postcard. Please get your entries certified as your own work by a teacher or parent.

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QUESTIONS – QUIZ NO. 174

1. Who created the first vaccine and when?
2. Name five books authored by Sybil Wettasinghe.
3. Where is the Empire State Building located?
4. Which is the most important prehistoric cave excavated in Sri Lanka?
5. What special discovery did an international team of scientists find from articles recovered in the excavations?



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7 – 9 years

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- ▶ Thinuli Pathiraja, Dehiwala
- ▶ Ahamed Azma, Weligama
- ▶ Makinah Somasundaram, Ragama

7 – 9 AGE GROUP

Spot 6 differences between the two pictures.



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