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Compiled by **Peter Fernando**

Now try to complete Junior Sudoku 322 using logic and reasoning. This is a good exercise for your mind.



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Thameem Ibrahim 8 years on May 8



Aradhith Abeyratne 12 years on May 4



Raneesh Peiris 15 years on April 24

Photographs of members and non-members between 4 – 15 years, for the birthday page, should reach us at least ten days before the birthday, along with a letter from a parent giving full details.

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April 27

News in Pictures



Hanoi, Vietnam A woman rides a bike loaded with dogs. The health minister has recently warned of a possible fourth COVID-19 wave.



Venice, Italy Musicians and the chorus of the Fenice Opera theatre perform to mark its reopening. Bars, restaurants, cinemas and concert halls are partially reopening across Italy in a boost for coronavirus-hit businesses.



sets behind Stonehenge. It is named after phlox, the pink flowers that bloom in spring.

Yangon, Myanmar Protesters make a three-finger salute during a demonstration against the military coup in Sanchaung township.







Palestinian Hamas security forces rappel along the wall of a building as they show off their skills during a police graduation ceremony.





Glasgow, Scotland As Scotland eases lockdown rules, shops on Buchanan Street reopen for the first time since Christmas.



A worker holds a candle near a radioactivity sign at the monument to Chernobyl victims in Slavutych, the city where the power station's personnel lived, on the 35th anniversary of the disaster.



USA

Chloé Zhao holds her two Oscars, for best director and best picture, for the roadtrip drama Nomadland. She's the first woman of colour to win best director and only the second woman, after Kathryn Bigelow in 2010.

Source : The Guardian

Bali, Indonesia

Mourners lay wreaths with names of the 53 crew members on board the sunk **Indonesian Navy** submarine KRI Nanggala in the sea near Labuhan Lalang.



4 | REPORT



From a young reporter...

Mummies

In ancient Egypt, people used to preserve dead bodies of members of royalty and store the body in a pyramid with gold and diamonds which belonged to this person. These preserved bodies are called mummies. When a member of royalty died,

an experienced set of embalmers

prepared the dead body for preservation. First, they removed the important parts of the body such as the brain, heart and kidneys and deposited them in special vessels. Then the body was covered in salt

and left to dry. The inner parts of the body were stuffed with sawdust and immersed in medicine and perfumes. Then the body was wrapped with linen strips. The body was



then dressed in necklaces,

ornaments and a mask

Sarcophagus



Cairo Museum - Egypt

made of gold. Then the body was deposited into a gold or stone coffin called a 'sarcophagus'.

Royal mummies discovered in Egypt are now kept at the Cairo Museum. One of the most famous mummies discovered was that of King Tutankhamun. He ascended the throne when he was eight or nine years old and died at the age of 19. People say that his tomb is cursed, and people who enter his tomb were somehow 'cursed' and died in mysterious ways.

> Onadi Kotuthenne (11 years) **Musaeus** College

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Book Competition Essay Topic



Book Competition

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<u>13 - 15 years</u> New Year traditions Ifadha Deen Leeds Int. School, Galle



History of Michelin Stars

By Cecilia Hewavitharana

Michelin stars are synonymous with the culinary world, but a little-known fact is that its beginnings had nothing to do with gastronomy and more to do with tyres.

Founded in 1889, by the Michelin brothers, André and Édouard, in the French town of Clermont-Ferrand, the Michelin tyre company started off in a country that had less than 3,000 cars on the road. In 1900, aiming to increase the demand for cars, and therefore their tyres, they published the Michelin Guide - a small guide filled with useful information for travellers, such as maps, how to change a tyre and a list of fuel stations, restaurants and hotels along popular routes in France. The idea behind this was to showcase food worth travelling for - and when travelling, people would of course need tyres for their cars.

A similar guide was published for Belgium in 1904, followed by publications for certain European and North African countries, including an



Englishlanguage version of the guide for France.

1 star: "A very good restaurant in its category."
2 stars: "Excellent cooking, worth a detour."
3 stars: "Exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey."

Initially, the

guides were given away free of charge, but André Michelin supposedly came across the guides being used to prop up a workbench in a tyre shop.

Thus, based on the principle that "man only truly respects what he pays for", a new Michelin Guide was launched in 1920, at the price of 7 francs.

After noticing the popularity of the restaurant section of the guide, the Michelin brothers hired 'mystery diners' (now called restaurant





Michelin Bib Gourmand symbol

inspectors) to visit and review restaurants anonymously and in 1926, the guide began awarding a single star for fine dining establishments. Five years later, they expanded it to the 3-star rating that is still in use today.

In the initial years following World War II, the maximum stars awarded were reduced to only two stars, to reflect the lingering food shortages.

As of 1955, the guide has highlighted restaurants with "exceptionally good food at moderate prices" (called Bib Gourmand) and since 2020, restaurants have been awarded green stars for sustainable gastronomy practices.

The little red guide (and the stars it awards) which began as a simple, but ingenious, marketing strategy for a tyre company has perhaps endured for over a century because of how quickly it adapts to changes in trends and situations.

Today, it is considered by many as an authority on quality cuisine around the world, having sold more than 30 million copies and rating over 40,000 establishments in over 25 countries spanning 4 continents.

Sources: guide.michelin.comand/BBC

6 | KIDS' WORLD

Avurudu

Rabana playing Koels saying Avurudu is near Get ready to cheer

Kokis dancing Aluwa tasting Mommy and Granny Cooking so yummy

Cousins arriving Gifts sharing While talking Taste delighting

Flowers blooming Fruits trooping Oilcakes and Yummy dates

Colourful table With nice fables Things are good In the neighbourhood

Rivith Uyangoda (Grade 6) Lyceum Int. School, Nugegoda

An unforgettable day

One day I got up, had a bath, had my breakfast and went to school. After school finished, I came home to see my cousins were there! It was my American cousins. It was astonishing and surprising. We played Uno, Pokemon, Monopoly, Chess and Snakes and Ladders. Later we played some virtual games.

At about four o'clock we went to the ground and played cricket. My cousin brother scored 99* runs in just 53 balls and my cousin sister scored just 5 runs. I scored a total of 23 runs in 13 balls. My brother scored 55 runs in 31 balls. We were surprised with our scores.

We returned home at 7.00 p.m., and went to bathe. After that we went to a restaurant. The name of the restaurant was 'The Great Wall'. We enjoyed eating together. We ate noodles with chicken and chips and many more items.

At around 10.00 p.m., we left the restaurant and returned home. After that we watched a family movie. We went straight to bed just after the movie ended. Even though it was a tiring day I believe that it was an unforgettable day in my life.

> S. Birrunthapan (11 years) St. Peter's College, Colombo 4

Day and Night



Asma Hazzan (Grade 7) Muslim Ladies' College, Colombo 4







My favourite character is Frankie Stein from the book and movie series 'Monster High'. Frankie is the main role and the daughter of Frankenstein. She was created in her father's lab! She grew up with the knowledge that there was so much to do and see in the world. So, she ventured out

My favourite character

on her own, with her parents ICoffin and of course that's how she

met Draculaura her best friend.

Together, the two ghoul friends formed a school called Monster High, where every kind of monster is welcome. They even became co-presidents of the student body! Frankie has a lot of friends at Monster High School and lately she has really started liking science experiments in class.

Her dad says she's a younger version of him but Frankie likes to think she's her own monster!

Frankie is thin and has a hand that can be removed from her body. She has black hair with a little bit of white streaks on top. Frankie loves to do different styles and loves to wear high heels. Her favourite pair is pink. Frankie's pet is Watzit whilst her favourite subject is Science.

She is a very friendly, kind and sweet girl. She is also clever and helpful to everyone. But she always gets into trouble because she tries to help everybody. But, fear not - her friends save her when she is in trouble.

I love Frankie because she is kind and helpful and I like the exciting adventures she gets into.

Her character shows that even though we think that monsters are bad, they are really just like us!

> Suhanya Gamaarachchi (Year 4) Horizon College Int., Nugegoda



Misha Enas (6 years) Alethea Int. School, Dehiwala

Evening sky



Atarah Roshan (9 years) Bishop's College, Colombo 3





Flower design



Wathsandi Jayawardena (10 years) Vishaka Girls' College, Sapugaskanda





Matheesha Dayananda (6 years) Royal Int. School, Kegalle





Aruni Gunarathna (Grade 6) Sussex College, Kandy

Paddy-field



Dinsara Wijayanayaka (Grade 5) Oxford College, Nawalapitiya

The Suez Canal crisis

The Suez Canal has proved to be not only one of the busiest but also one of the most important trade routes in the world. It runs through Egypt, connecting the Mediterranean Sea with the Red Sea. The Suez Canal was built on September 25, 1859 to avoid sailing around the African continent.

But on March 23, 2021 disaster struck! The massive Ever Given ship 1300 feet long and weighing 220,000,000 kg got stuck in the Suez Canal. It was owned by a company called Shoei Kisen Kaisha Ltd. It was no easy task trying to free a thing as heavy and big as the Ever Given ship. Hundreds of ships were delayed because of the blockage. There were however a few ways around this; 1- Bring the ships towards the Suez Canal

- and use ground transport.
- 2- Dig around the wedged part of the ship in order to free it.

Salvage crews relied on powerful tugboats and high tides to pull the ship out. And finally on March 29 the Ever Given was freed and the canal was reopened.

> Anandhan Francis (Grade 7) St. Michael's College, Batticaloa

Winners and Losers

Winners are always the champions. So who is the winner? Who is the loser?

The winner and the loser, they have no difference. But some losers always carry negative feelings for gifts. And they are working hard for that. We do not need gifts and do not need to achieve the trophy always. Willingness in life and ability, is the point of winning. By not trusting and always giving up for no reason can make you a loser.

This is my life experience. I went to an art competition. I went with my four school friends and 15 other children. We drew the picture and we went home. I lost as I did not practice enough. It is my life experience. But I did not let down myself. I did other things very well. Therefore, being a winner is good and loser is good.

So as I said the winner and loser have no difference as long as you trust yourself and do the job.

> Sahiru Anjelo (Grade 6) St. Martin de Pores College, Wennappuwa



My teacher



Mrs. Sewwandi Koattagoda is my teacher. She is very beautiful and smart. She is also very kind and polite. She loves her students. She teaches them very well. The students listen to her attentively. She teaches us Maths and Sinhala. She knows her subjects well.

She helps the students to study. Her students come up with good results in the examination. All the students respect her very much. She is my favourite teacher.

I really love my class teacher.

Diwya Weerapitiya (10 years) Gamini P. S., Horana

My wet pet

I had a pet, Which got wet, It was freezing, And it was sneezing,

It was cold, As an ice cube, I made it dry, So it got happy.

> Hafsa Fowzie (Grade 5) Girl's High School, Kandy

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8 COMPETITIONS

Tomahawk

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 183 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times of April 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2021. 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. 183' 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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- 1. Where is the Sistine Chapel located and what is it famous for?
- 2. Name a popular game played during Easter.
- 3. The 250th Birth Anniversary of Beethoven was commemorated with a sculpture exhibition. Where was this exhibition held?

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- 4. Who is Charlie Chaplin and what was he famous for?
- 5. What do triangle shaped traffic signs mean?



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