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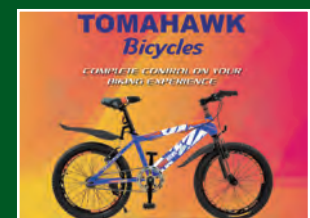
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Please note that competition entries (except Reeves Art) are accepted by email.

Please write the name of the competition and the date clearly at the top of your entry and include the following details:

Full Name (including Surname),
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All competition entries should be certified by a parent or guardian as your own work.

Competition entries without the full details requested above, will be disqualified.

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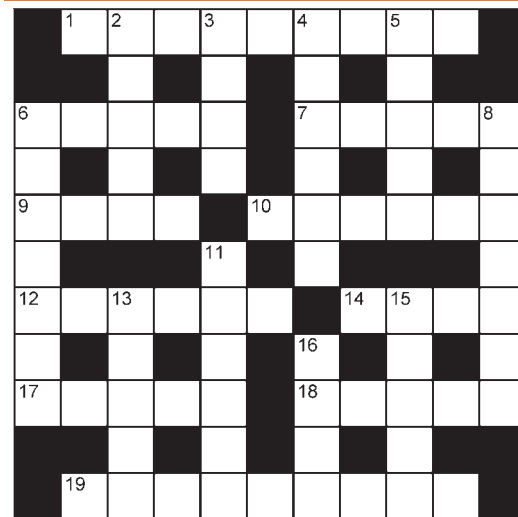


Gabriel Rodrigo
14 years on September 2



Tharindiya Senarathne
8 years on September 1

Junior Crossword – No. 971



Please enter your full name, date of birth, home address, mobile number and school.

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Across

- 1 Film-showing machine
- 6 Of the same size
- 7 Loud unpleasant sounds
- 9 Sleep on these
- 10 Fair-haired woman
- 12 A writer of books
- 14 A skin problem
- 17 Two times four
- 18 Vote into power
- 19 A large country in South America

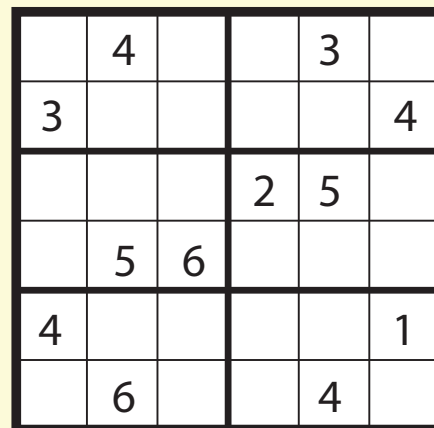
Down

- 2 Circular in shape
- 3 A month
- 4 Birthday cake light
- 5 A smelly vegetable
- 6 Hug closely in your arms
- 8 World's highest mountain
- 11 A glass container
- 13 A large wild cat
- 15 Free of dirt
- 16 A camper's shelter

Solution - No 969



Sudoku 332



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 grid

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 332 using logic and reasoning. This is a good exercise for your mind.

Solution – No. 330

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

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.

All paintings should be on A4 size paper. Please write Reeves Art Competition at the back of your entry, together with your name, date of birth, address, telephone no., and school.

Topic - Reading is fun
Closing Date : September 30, 2022

With



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International Day of Charity

Compiled by Cecilia Hewavitharana

International Day of Charity is observed annually on September 5. The United Nations established this International Day with the aim of sensitizing people to the plight of those less fortunate and encouraging them to help in whatever way they can.

The date was chosen to be September 5 to commemorate Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who passed away on that day in 1997.



Who was Mother Teresa?

Born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu on August 26, 1910 in what is now the Republic of North Macedonia, Mother Teresa went to India at the age of 18, where she devoted herself to helping the poor, sick, orphaned and dying.

In 1950, she founded the order, "Missionaries of Charity" in Kolkata (Calcutta). The order's main task was to care for people who nobody was willing to look after – it expanded within India

and then to other countries and included hospices and homes for the poorest and homeless.

Mother Teresa continued her work for over 45 years and passed away at the age of 87 in 1997. In 1979, she received the Nobel Peace Prize "for work undertaken in the struggle to overcome poverty and distress, which also constitute a threat to peace".

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF Charity



What counts as an act of charity?



Contrary to popular belief, large donations and grand gestures of kindness are not the only acts of charity. An act of charity can be as simple as cooking extra food to give an elderly neighbour or even just spending time with them if they are lonely.

Food for thought

Hunger is one of the leading issues in the world, but sadly, this is not due to a lack of food in the world. According to the World Food Programme, All the food produced in the world that is never eaten, would be enough to feed 2 billion people, which is more than twice the number of undernourished people worldwide.

One-third of food produced is wasted or lost – in industrialised countries, over 40% of losses occur at the retail and consumer stages, while in developing countries, 40% of losses happen at the post-harvest and processing stages.



The Oldest Charitable Organisation in Sri Lanka

The Colombo Friend-in-Need Society (CFINS), established in 1831, is the oldest charitable organisation in Sri Lanka. The organisation's main aim is to help people who have lost their limbs (due to accidents, explosives or illnesses, such as cancer, diabetes and vascular diseases) live a dignified and independent life. They provide artificial limbs, education grants, self-employment programmes and even have a bus equipped with the supplies to make custom prosthetics that travels to remote areas of the country providing a range of medical services.



A little boy with prosthetic legs at the AIDEX Sports Festival conducted annually by CFINS.

Sources : un.org/ Britannica/ wfp.org/ cfins.org

Tomahawk

Quiz No.199

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 199 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times of August 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2022.

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. 199' 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.

One lucky winner will receive a brand new Tomahawk Mountain Bike with the compliments of Tomahawk Bicycle Mall



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QUESTIONS – QUIZ NO. 199

1. In which year was the Funday Times first published?
2. Where is the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park located?
3. For what purpose was the Children's Peace Monument built?
4. Whose research helped originate Queueing Theory?
5. Who is currently the fastest person in the world and what are his world records?

All Funday Times readers between 8 - 15 years are eligible to participate.

(Those who have already won a bicycle are not eligible to participate.)

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Tomahawk Quiz No. 198

► Hesara Chanthuli, Ratmalana **WINNER**

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7 - 9 years



- Vinon Peiris, Panadura
- Iyaadh Rushdee, Ratnapura
- Chithuli Kodippili, Kadawatha
- Rithmi Seneviratne, Galle
- Christopher Jayatilaka, Mt. Lavinia

Winners please call Funday Times on 2479333/2479337 and arrange to collect your prizes.

7 - 9 AGE GROUP

Spot five differences between the two pictures.



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From a Young Reporter

A hike to Rumassala...

On July 11, 2022 my family and I went on an evening hike to Rumassala in Unawatuna, 3 km from Galle in the southern province of Sri Lanka. It is said that Rumassala is a part of the Himalayas that was mistakenly dropped by the monkey king 'Hanumantha' while bringing medicine to cure Rama during the Rama - Ravana war.

It took almost 15 minutes to reach our destination from Galle city. Despite the intense sun, the hills were full of greenery which kept us cool during the trek. As Unawatuna is a popular tourist area, we met many tourists through the route. We passed through a narrow path to enter. The surroundings were dark, as the trees were overgrown like a thick blanket and there was no chance for

sunlight to enter. It is difficult to walk because the road is not clear.

After another 15 minutes, we reached the summit. What a sight! We were able to see a complete view of Galle city. Around the hill was the sea and beyond that the city of Galle and a clear picture of the Galle Fort.

Next to it is a Japanese temple, the 'Sama' Stupa, which symbolizes Sri Lanka - Japan friendship, and then the jungle beach which is a tourist attraction near the forest at a distance of 200 m from Rumassala. It's a beautiful sight that you should not miss.

The springs flowing through the mountains to the coast, the native plants and the cool environment attest to the

richness of biodiversity.

We enjoyed burnt marshmallows with biscuits and chocolate as snacks while we were always concerned about environmental friendliness.

We were able to complete our journey within three hours. The time we spent was unforgettable. This is an opportunity not to be missed when you visit Galle.

Manidi Dissanayaka
Sacred Heart Convent, Galle



AIS Art Exhibition 2022

Asian International School held its annual art exhibition, on 22 and 23 June at the Lionel Wendt and Harold Peiris Galleries. The exhibition aptly called 'Wonderland' featured arts and crafts from Elementary, Junior and Middle Schools.

The Exhibition took inspiration from artists Henri Matisse, Sonia Delauney, Wenzil Hablik and works from Japan and Peru.

The Chief Guest, Professor Thomas Atkinson, inspired the students with his words of wisdom. A large gathering of parents and well wishers attended the exhibition.



Artemis: NASA cancels Moon rocket launch because of engine problem

August 30, 2022

The test flight of NASA's Moon rocket – the most powerful ever built – has been delayed.

Engineers were working on a number of problems ahead of Monday's planned launch, including concerns over whether the rocket had a crack in it and worries that there could also be a fuel leak.

But it was one of the engines on the huge rocket that wouldn't cool down to the correct temperature that eventually halted blast-off at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

The rocket, known as the Space Launch System (SLS), is the biggest rocket ever developed by NASA. It will be used to send astronauts back to the Moon.

The first flight, part of NASA's Artemis programme, is just a demonstration with no-one on board.

Why was the rocket launch cancelled?

NASA officially "scrubbed" the launch with 40 minutes to go until lift-off.

"Scrubbing" is when the team managing the rocket launch calls off the attempted launch on a specific day.

In other words, it's delayed until further notice despite years of preparation and planning.

The scrub will have disappointed the hundreds of thousands of people who had gathered on local beaches to watch the rocket soar into the sky.

NASA Administrator Bill Nelson, himself a one-time astronaut, said the cautious approach was the right one.

"We don't launch until it's right," he stressed. "And I think it's just illustrative that this is a very



complicated machine, a very complicated system. And all those things have to work. You don't want to light the candle until it's ready to go."

NASA has the option to try again on Friday, if the engine issue can be fixed by then.

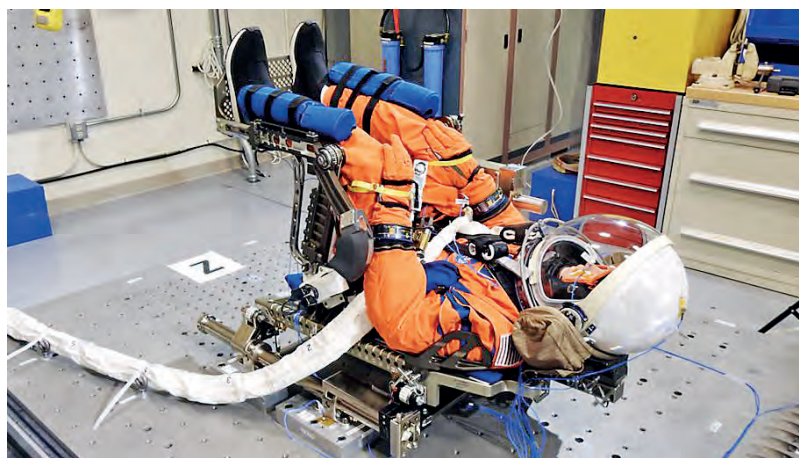
However, if controllers have to take the rocket back to Kennedy Space Centre's assembly building to swap out the engine, it could delay the next launch by several weeks.

All aboard!

When blast-off eventually happens, there won't be any people onboard, but the capsule won't be empty... passengers and items being sent on the mission to orbit the Moon include Girl Scout badges, Lego figures, tree seeds, a Snoopy plush toy and Shaun the Sheep!

NASA uses stuffed toys on flights because when they start to float, it indicates that the craft has entered space's zero gravity. Since the toys are soft and light, they won't break any equipment or accidentally press a button, either.

There's also a dummy in one of the astronaut seats...



A dummy, this space mannequin, named Commander Moonikin Campos by the public, will sit in the craft like a human astronaut would.

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The mannequin is named after Arturo Campus, an engineer who helped bring the crew of the damaged Apollo 13 safely back to Earth.

World's most powerful rocket

- The massive Moon rocket, known as the Space Launch System, is two metres taller than London's Big Ben.
- The SLS is the most powerful launch rocket since the Saturn V – the rocket for the Apollo Moon missions in the 1960s and 70s.
- As part of this mission, SLS will launch an uncrewed capsule called Orion into orbit around the Moon.



Thousands of people had gathered to watch the launch

Source: CBBC Newsround

August 31

News in Pictures

August 30



Mikhail Gorbachev, the last leader of the Soviet Union, who started a process of liberalisation and reform that eventually led to its dissolution, has died at the age of 91 in Russia. In this photograph Pope John Paul II meets with Gorbachev during an audience at the Vatican in 1990.



Balochistan, Pakistan
A man uses a satellite dish to move children across a flooded area in Jaffarabad district, Balochistan. Flooding in Pakistan has killed more than 1,000 people and affected over 30 million, in a catastrophe that is still unfolding.

Shikarpur, Pakistan
Displaced people sit on a tractor with their belongings after fleeing their flood-hit homes following heavy monsoon rains.



Storebælt, Denmark
Queen Margrethe II of Denmark waves from the deck of the royal yacht Dannebrog during the Danish army's fleet parade marking the Queen's 50th Regency Jubilee.



Tokyo, Japan
A shopper wearing a face mask checks her mobile phone beside a masked lion statue outside a department store in the Ginza shopping district.



Flintshire, UK
A damaged RAF Red Arrow jet lands after being hit by a bird at Rhyll air show in Wales.



Barretos, Brazil
A cowboy holds on to the reins of his horse during the Festa do Peao de Barretos (Cowboy Festival of Barretos).

August 29

Al-Tuwani, West Bank
Israeli soldiers accompany Palestinian pupils heading to class on the first day of the academic year as they walk along a dirt road passing the Israeli settlement of Ma'on.



Bourton-on-the-Water, UK
Footballers from Bourton Rovers create a splash as they fight for the ball during the annual Football in the River match.

Source: The Guardian