

The kangaroo

Kangaroos live in Australia. The young kangaroo is called a joey. They live in groups called mobs. The mother kangaroo has a pouch on its body to keep her baby.

The kangaroo's front legs are short. The kangaroo's hind legs are long. They have a long, fat tail. Kangaroos can hop very fast.

They eat grass, fruits, seeds and grains. They live up to 25 years.



Samith Ailapperuma (8 years)
Trinity College,
Kandy

My little brother

My brother's name is Sameen Nethsara. I love my brother. My brother lives in Wennappuwa. My brother is seven months old.

My brother likes to drink milk. Sameen has no teeth. He sleeps for many hours. Sometimes he cries loud. My brother cannot play with me. He smiles with me.

Shamila Dilshan (Grade 5)
Joseph Vaz College,
Wennappuwa

Water pollution

Water can be polluted in many ways. The mixing of animal sewage, household waste, agro chemicals, industrial waste, minerals, oil etc., with water can cause water pollution. Then the water becomes discoloured as a result of mixing with the above mentioned wastes.

According to the standard of pollution levels introduced by the Global Environment Supervision Network:

- The water in about 150 major rivers in the world is polluted.
- The number of deaths per day around the world due to water pollution amounts to about 2500.

Polluted water is a threat to the existence of aquatic organisms. The water that is unsuitable for consumption should not be used.

There is only a limited amount of water on the earth, which can be used for human consumption. Therefore, we should take action to prevent the pollution of water.

K. Niroshini (11 years)
Warakapola

The postman

The postman is an important public servant. He works for the postal department. His job is to deliver letters, parcels and money orders to people.

Each postman is given a specific area, in which he has to deliver mail. In almost all big cities, towns and villages, the postman can be seen making his rounds on his bicycle. In remote areas of the country he has to walk long distances on foot to deliver letters.

For many people, writing and receiving letters is the only way to keep in touch with one's family and relatives. The arrival of the postman is eagerly awaited

in such homes. In rural areas, since a

large number of our population is still illiterate, the postman has to read and write their letters for them. Although this is not part of his job, he does this to help people.

The postman is a hardworking person. He has to work in the open, whatever the weather, sun or rain.



Shewuri Pinto (Grade 7)
Thihariya Islamic
International School

Forest



Chamika Gallage (Grade 3)
Rahula College, Matara

Fishing at sunset



Sawanthi Nipunika (Grade 6)
Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy

Pingo bearer



Pirosha Vidunuwan (6 years)
Gonawala

My best wish

Mother! Mother!
Father! Father!
Thank you for all
What you have done
Father you brought me food
Mother you gave me toys
Thank you both
And May You Be Happy!
It is my best wish.

Udani Navaratne (7 years)
Hillwood College,
Kandy

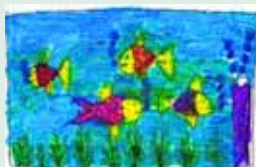
Pocahontas



Dilukshi Seneviratne (10 years)
Kandy Grammar School, Kandy

My fish tank

In our fish tank there are lots of fish. Our fish are very beautiful. In our fish tank I find some plastic plants. Inside our fish tank there is no dirt. These fish are very colourful.



In our fish tank, there is much water and there are many stones. The fish eat lots of food. In our fish tank there are gold fish, angels and many beautiful fish.

Dewmini Lokuge,
Oxford International School,
Warakapola

My best friend

My best friend's name is Nadira Abdeen. She is six years old. She is studying at Atami International, Wattala. She is in Grade One. She is very good. She has a brother.

She likes to eat cake. She likes to drink milk. She lives in Hunupitiya. I love my friend very much.

Rashfa Hannan (Grade 1)
St. Anne's Girls' Primary
School, Wattala

Thamasha Perera
(Year 1)
Gotham Junior School,
Gampaha

Sunday Times Newspaper

The Sunday Times newspaper is one medium of communication. Some newspapers are published daily, but the Sunday Times newspaper is published weekly.

The Sunday Times newspaper educates the people. That is why it has become popular among the people. In the Sunday Times newspaper there is a special newspaper for children. It is the Funday Times.

The sports page is very popular among young readers. Not only the sports page, also the TV Times is very popular among small children.

Maduranga Dharshana (13 years)
Assedduma Subharathie Vidyalaya

Note

Please ensure that all articles, poems and pictures sent for publication are certified by a parent or teacher as your own original work. We have found that some articles and poems sent to us have been copied from the work published by others.

Flower



A dancer



Krithika Srithar (4 years)
Colombo International
School, Kandy

A Poem for the Week

Create your own little poem and send it in to us. This competition is open to age groups from 4 - 14 years. The poems will be judged according to the age of the competitor.

Please remember that the poems you send should be your own original composition and not copied from anyone or anywhere. Entries should be in your own handwriting and clearly certified as your own creation by a teacher or parent.

Word limit: 100 words
Please write 'A POEM FOR THE WEEK' at the top of your entry.
The winner will receive a book voucher for Rs.500.

Magical Dreams

As I lean against my window,
And gaze at the twinkling stars,
And see the town bathed in moonlight,
It takes me to a land afar...

The magic of the night pours into me,
As I'm raised into the air.
Oh! What fun it is to fly over the country,
With the wind blowing through my hair!

And then I'm back in the land of dreams,
In a deep slumber so sweet and cool.
But then my alarm clock rings,
I sigh, as I get ready for school!

Dilshan Senaratne (12 years)
Ecole Internationale,
Digana