

## My favourite idol

My favourite idol is Sherlock Holmes. He is a great detective. Sherlock Holmes shared lodgings with Dr. Watson in 221B, Baker Street, London. He is famous for solving problems. Sometimes he likes to play his violin in different tunes. He also does different experiments. He is very intelligent.

Dr. Watson helps Holmes' work. Holmes writes all the reports and examines them very carefully. If he wants a clue he will find it very carefully.

He has an ability of telling the profession, age and many other things when visitors come to visit him. Even the Switzerland police give problems to Sherlock Holmes that even they can't solve. If Holmes doesn't get a problem to solve he plays his violin the whole day till a mystery comes for him to solve.

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## Sea mammals

There are many sea mammals in this world, such as the whale, dolphin, sea lion, seal, platypus and narwhal. They can swim well. Some sea mammals, such as the sea lion, seal and narwhal can come to the sea shore.

Some types of whales eat flesh. The dolphin is one of the most intelligent animals in this world. It helps the people who are lost in the sea. But some people are killing these innocent dolphins.



The sea lion is an animal that shows many tricks to us. Sea lions look the same as seals, but they are black in colour. Sea lions can live in the sea and in the shore. The sea lion has been famous because of its tricks. Let us protect these animals.

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## My house

**Keyshalee**  
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## "Freedom"

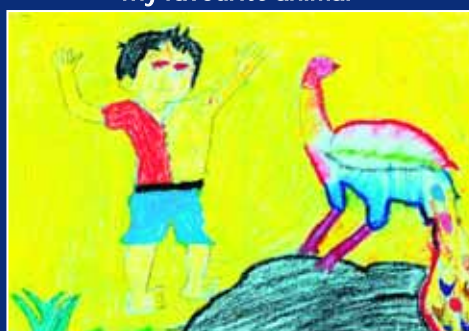
**Neth Wijesinghe**  
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## The forest



**Shabnam Siddique** (7 years)  
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## My favourite animal



**Lashan Jayalath**  
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## A street boy

There is a little boy,  
Who dwells in the street.  
He carries an old bag,  
In which he carries all his rags.

He has no mother,  
He has no father,  
To give him  
love.

He has no  
toys,  
To give him  
joy,  
Which we  
always cry  
for.



He sleeps under trees,  
Which always gives him  
peace,  
Where we are scared to  
sleep.

He always makes a tune,  
Which makes me sad and  
fume,  
With whom they led him  
down.

He has a small tin,  
Which is like a dustbin,  
Where he collects some  
money,  
To fill up his tummy.

**Bhanuka Kumara**  
Republican  
International School,  
Nuwara Eliya

## My pet

My pet  
is a squirrel.  
Its  
name is  
Aththimbale. It likes to  
eat dates. It has a long  
tail. It has come from  
Colombo. It likes to play  
with me. I like it very  
much.



**Zenita Balaji**  
(Grade 5)

## A gift

Very often my parents take us to Colombo on the main road by car. There we see a place called Weweldeniya, where people sell plastic goods. I was crazy over a tent which I saw and struggled to get it for myself. Yes, I was lucky enough to be the owner of this beautiful and elegant tent.

From that day onward, my mother did not have any worries to control us at home. We were so quiet, my sister and I, playing and arranging this tent as our own house. To have snacks sometimes, we make sandwiches and soft drinks and invite our friend Thiyuni to have a treat with us.

What my mother loves most is that we study in this tent and at the last promotion test we were able to get good results. Thanks to my home sweet home.

**Casselrine Roshan**  
(10 years)  
**Good Shepherd**  
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## An interesting visitor

My mother was busy in the morning preparing food for an interesting visitor. She is a very popular author, that is, Enid Blyton. She was coming that evening. A soft knock on the door, and I know who it is. When Enid Blyton comes I wanted my mother to take her for a walk. So I took her for a walk around the Kandy lake.

We went to the 'Temple of the Tooth Relic.' Enid Blyton told me she would never forget her Sri Lanka trip. After that walk, we came home. She

said that she too has a little daughter called Gillian. My mother laid the table for lunch and we all sat together and enjoyed it.

Enid Blyton told us that it was very delicious. She admired the beauty of Sri Lanka. I felt proud of my motherland Sri Lanka. It was time for her to go back... I was pinched by someone. Oh dear it was a dream!

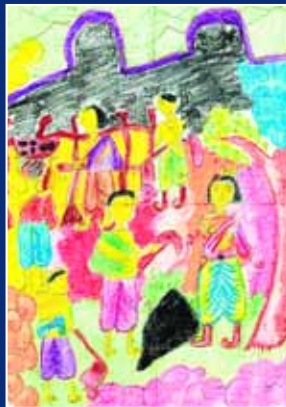
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(9 years)  
**Mahamaya Girls,**  
**College, Kandy**

### Superman



**S. Rashad (9 years)**  
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### A shramadana



**Champika Herath (13 years)**  
Kuly/Saranath M.V.

### Note

Please remember that articles, poems and paintings sent, will not be published unless they are certified as your own work by a parent or teacher. Articles should not exceed 200 words.

## 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.**

## The awesome rainforest

The sunrise is as nice as a diamond so bright,  
And the rainforest is filled with golden sunlight,  
Raindrops on trees are as white as snow,  
The grass on the ground looks green below.

The sky starts to look as blue as the sea,  
Animals are active like a little busy bee,  
The monkeys' are as funny as clowns,  
Butterflies look like pretty little gowns.

The treetops are green like icing on the cake,  
The creepers in them look as long as a snake,  
Worms are crawling as slow as snails,  
Wolves are howling, wagging their tails.

**Shamindri Jayawarna**  
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**School - Kandy**