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**Please note that competition
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**Please write the name of the
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include the following details:**

Full Name (including Surname),

Date of Birth, Address,

Telephone No. and School.

Please underline the name
most commonly used.

**All competition entries should be
certified by a parent or guardian
as your own work.**

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full details requested above,
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**Closing date
for weekly competitions:**

November 2, 2022

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Zaina Fazlim
9 years on October 5

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.

Dear Kids,

We are integrating the Funday Times printed pages with the online edition. Competitions, such as Tomahawk Quiz and Famous Landmarks Quiz will include questions from articles featured in our online pages such as Famous People, Kids News as well.

This week we are starting a new competition, where you can win a copy of 'Gupshup Goes to Prison' (Page 5 online).

Please log on to the Funday Times website on www.fundaytimes.lk or check out the Sunday Times epaper on www.sundaytimes.lk for additional pages of this week's Funday Times.

**FROM THE
EDITOR**

**A colourful Art Day organized by
Immy Kids International Montessori
was held recently.**



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M. A. Pushpa Kumara**



Oscar Wilde

Irish poet and dramatist Oscar Wilde (1854 – 1900) wrote some of the finest comedies in the English language, including 'Lady Windermere's Fan' and 'The Importance of Being Earnest'. He was also known for his one novel, 'The Picture of Dorian Gray'.

Wilde was a great conversationalist and a man of wide learning, but his life ended in disgrace and poverty.

Early Life

Oscar Fingal O'Flahertie Wills Wilde was born on October 16, 1854, in Dublin, Ireland. His father was Ireland's leading ear and eye surgeon, who also published books on archaeology, folklore and the satirist Jonathan Swift. His mother, who wrote under the name Speranza, was a poet and an authority on Celtic myth and folklore. Wilde attended Portora Royal School in Enniskillen, Ireland (now Northern Ireland), from 1864 to 1871. He then received a series of scholarships for college. He attended Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, from 1871 to 1874 and then Magdalen College at the University of Oxford in England from 1874 to 1878. Before he graduated with honours, he received Oxford's Newdigate Prize for his long poem, 'Ravenna'. He then settled in London, England.

Aesthetic Movement and Early Works

Wilde was a spokesman for the late 19th century aesthetic movement in England, which advocated art for art's sake. He was influenced by the teachings of English writers John Ruskin and Walter Pater on the central importance of art in life. Like many in his generation, Wilde was determined to follow Pater's urging "to burn always with [a] hard, gemlike flame."

As a result, Wilde recklessly pursued pleasure.

In the early 1880s, Wilde established himself in social and artistic circles with his wit and flamboyance. In 1881, he published 'Poems', which echoed the works of such poets as Algernon Swinburne, Dante Gabriel Rossetti and John Keats.

Eager for further acclaim, Wilde agreed to lecture in the United States and Canada in 1882. Although the press crucified him for his aesthetic costume — velvet jacket, knee breeches and black silk stockings — Wilde spent the year encouraging Americans to love beauty and art. He then returned to Great Britain to lecture on his impressions of America.

In 1884, Wilde married Constance Lloyd, and they had two sons. He wrote book reviews for the Pall Mall Gazette and then edited the journal Woman's World (1887 – 89). He also published 'The Happy Prince and Other Tales', a romantic allegory (a story with more than one meaning) in the form of a fairytale.



Oscar Wilde



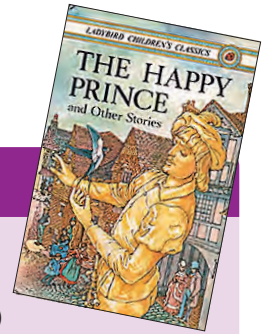
Famous books

Prose

- The Canterville Ghost (1887)
- The Happy Prince and Other Stories (1888)
- Lord Arthur Savile's Crime and Other Stories (1891)
- Intentions (1891)
- The Picture of Dorian Gray (1891)
- A House of Pomegranates (1891)
- The Soul of Man under Socialism De Profundis (1905)
- The Letters of Oscar Wilde (1960)
This was rereleased in 2000, with letters uncovered since 1960, and new, detailed, footnotes by Merlin Holland.
- Teleny or The Reverse of the Medal (Paris, 1893)

Plays

- Vera; or, The Nihilists (1880)
- The Duchess of Padua (1883)
- Lady Windermere's Fan (1892)
- A Woman of No Importance (1893)
- Salomé (French version)
(1893, first performed in Paris 1896)
- Salomé: A Tragedy in One Act: Translated from the French of Oscar Wilde by Lord Alfred Douglas, illustrated by Aubrey Beardsley (1894)
- An Ideal Husband (1895)
- The Importance of Being Earnest (1895)
- La Sainte Courtisane and A Florentine Tragedy Fragmentary.
First published 1908 in Methuen's Collected Works



Sources:
Britannica Kids
& Kiddie



Tomahawk

Quiz
No. 200

Questions for the Tomahawk Quiz No. 200 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times print issues and e-papers of September 4, 11, 18 and 25, 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. 200' 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.

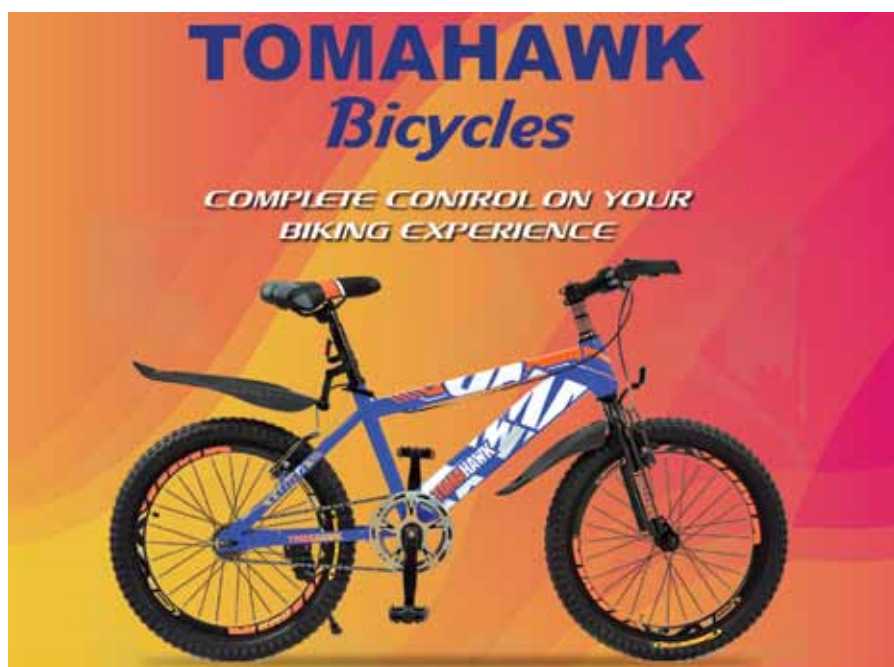
One lucky winner
will receive a brand new
Tomahawk Mountain Bike
with the compliments of
Tomahawk Bicycle Mall

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

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

Closing Date: October 31, 2022

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QUESTIONS – QUIZ NO. 200

1. When is the International Day of Charity commemorated and why was that date chosen?
2. Who established the first school in the world for the visually impaired?
3. Where do meerkats live and what characteristic are they famous for?
4. Two Sri Lankan national teams recently emerged as Asian Champions. Which two sports did they represent?
5. When was Queen Elizabeth II funeral held and where is she buried?

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4 - 6 years

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- ▶ Fathima Jameela, Colombo 6
- ▶ Ahdha Abdul Malik, Colombo 2
- ▶ Ahishne Saravanakumar, Colombo 13

Winners please call
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and arrange
to collect your prizes.

4 – 6 AGE GROUP

Match the animals to their babies.

	•	
Cat		Puppy
	•	
Dog		Lamb
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Hen		Kitten
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Sheep		Foal
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Horse		Chick

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Gupshup Goes to Prison by Arefa Tehsin

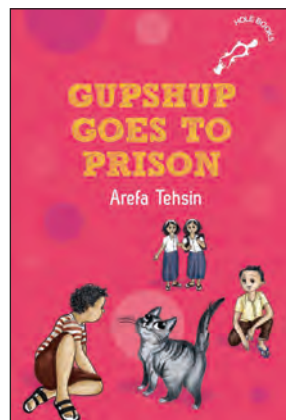


"Khalid's cat Gupshup has run away to the grounds of a prison. An open prison, it is called, but everyone knows that prisons are full of horrible people. Or are they?"

How on earth will Khalid get Gupshup home?"

Usually, a prison is a place where criminals are locked up. This story is about an open prison where prisoners are not locked but free to move in and out.

The Pallekelle Open Prison Camp in Sri Lanka is one such open prison. It prepares prisoners for day-to-day existence in the community. Over the years it has grown into a sprawling rural village, where there are no boundary walls or cells. Residents work and participate in leisure time activities. Many cultivate private plots of land and sell their produce.



NEW Competition

Win a copy of Gupshup Goes to Prison.

Write your own short story about your pet or an animal you like.

Age group: 7 – 10 years

Word count: Maximum of 300 words

Please include the following details:

Full Name (including Surname),

Date of Birth, Address,

Telephone No. and School.

All competition entries should be certified as your own work.



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The Exciting Voyage by Lalitha Somathilaka

'The Exciting Voyage' is the latest book by Kalabhooshana Lalitha Somathilaka.

The story is about two little ducks, who embark on an exciting voyage in a rowing boat. After many an adventure, the two friends row safely back home.



Cartoon Time!

Hey Kids! We plan to put in more cartoons in the Funday Times and what's more they will be your own cartoons. So, here's a chance for you to try your hand at producing your very own original cartoons.

Draw a little cartoon with a caption. It could even be a small cartoon story in a strip (not more than three boxes). The best cartoons you send will be published in the Funday Times. So good luck to all you cartoon fans!

Please remember that the cartoons you send in should be your original work and not copied or traced from anything. They should be certified as your own work by a parent or teacher.



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Win super books from

Age: 9 years and below

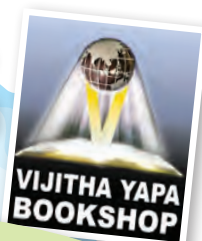
Word Count: 150

Topic: My class teacher

Win: Geronimo Stilton - A Cheese-Coloured Camper

Enter the world of Geronimo Stilton, where another funny adventure is always right around the corner. Each book is a fast-paced adventure with lively art and a unique format.

"My grandfather William Shortpaws, was back at The Rodent's Gazette and he was determined to torture me. He wanted to publish a guide book to Ratzikistan, the Siberia of Mouse Island. And he ordered *me* to go there to write it! But as you know, dear reader, I HATE TRAVELLING!"



Age: 10 – 12 years

Word Count: 150 – 200

Topic: My grandparents

Win: The Prince and the Pauper (OM Illustrated Classics)

When Tom Canty is born, he is barely wanted by his own poor family. On the same day, the birth of Prince Edward is celebrated by the entire country.

Tom grows up to be a wise boy who fantasizes about the Prince's life. Fate plays a strange trick when they meet unexpectedly and realize that they look exactly alike.



Age: 13 – 15 years

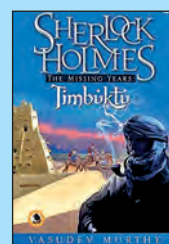
Word Count: 200 – 250

Topic: What you know about World Animal Day

Win: Sherlock Holmes – The Missing Years: Timbuktu by Vasudev Murthy

It begins when an Italian scholar travels from Venice to 221B Baker Street, to beg the help of the legendary detective. He carries an ancient parchment, written in the hand of Marco Polo himself, and it was torn in half, centuries ago to protect the world from a terrifying secret. Where is its missing half?

Holmes springs into action.



Write at the top of your Essay

■ Book Competition ■ Essay Topic



International Day of the Girl

October 11, 2022

October 11 is the 'International Day of the Girl' - a day to bring attention to girls' rights and the various challenges that they face all around the world.

For 2022 the theme of International Day of the Girl is "Our time is now - our rights, our future".

The aim is to raise awareness and ambition of girls everywhere and to make sure they get equal access to the same opportunities as anyone else.

2022 is actually the 10th birthday of the 'International Day of the Girl'!



Malala Yousafzai has taken part in many 'International Day of the Girl' events.

What is International Day of the Girl, and why does it exist?

Day of the Girl is a day to help educate and bring attention to girls' rights and other types of challenges that girls face around the world.

Currently, 130 million girls around the world do not have access to education.

Being unable to get an education, being made to marry while you're still a child, or simply not being given as many chances at things as boys - these are just some of the many difficulties girls can face.

These issues can affect girls in countries all around the world but some issues can be more of a problem, or more severe, in certain places.

For example in the UK, everyone has access to schools and an education - it's no different if you're a girl.

But in other countries it can be hard for girls



Happy International Day of the Girl!

to go to school - their family might not be able to afford it or they might want them to stay at home or get married instead of completing their studies.

International Day of the Girl was set up by the United Nations - or the UN - a worldwide organisation that brings countries together to talk about important world issues.

The UN also called for governments and people in power to do more to tackle unfair treatment that girls can face.

It also aims to ask for female role models in businesses to raise awareness about things that can hold girls back from achieving.

CBBC Newsround

Nicole Mann, the first native American woman in space

October 10, 2022

On October 5, 2022, NASA astronaut Nicole Aunapu Mann became the first Native American woman to launch into space. Mann is also the first woman to command a SpaceX Crew Dragon spacecraft to the International Space Station (ISS). The 45-year-old is a member of the Wailacki of the Round Valley Indian Tribes.

The SpaceX Crew-5 mission team, which includes NASA astronaut Josh Cassada, Japan's Koichi Wakata, and Russia's Anna Kikina, arrived at the ISS on October 6, 2022. The astronauts will spend five months aboard the floating space laboratory and conduct over 200 new scientific studies. The experiments are geared to prepare for human exploration beyond low-Earth orbit and to benefit life on Earth.

Mann earned her bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the

US Naval Academy and a master's degree from Stanford University. The California native began her military career with the US Marine Corps as a second lieutenant in 1999 and was a naval aviator by 2002.

Mann's illustrious military career includes 47 combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan. The US Marine colonel has also been a test pilot for the US Navy's fighter aircraft. She was elected for astronaut training by NASA in 2013.

Mann hopes her achievements will encourage other Native American kids to pursue their goals. "I hope it will inspire young Native American children to follow their dreams and realize that some of those barriers that are there or used to be there are being broken down," Mann told BBC.



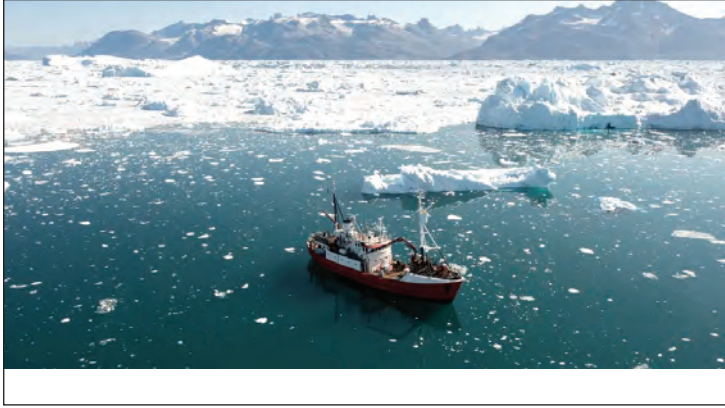
"Anytime we are able to do something that is a first, or wasn't done in the past, it's so important. They have these opportunities."

The accomplished astronaut may not be done breaking barriers. She is among the 18 astronauts selected for NASA's Artemis program, which aspires to return humans to the Moon as early as 2025. If selected for the inaugural mission, Mann will make further history as the first woman to land on the Moon.

DOGO News

October 12

News in Pictures



Greenland

University of Edinburgh researchers monitoring water temperatures in Sermilik Fjord, south-east Greenland, as a new study shows climate change may be having more impact on the melting Greenland ice sheet than previously thought.



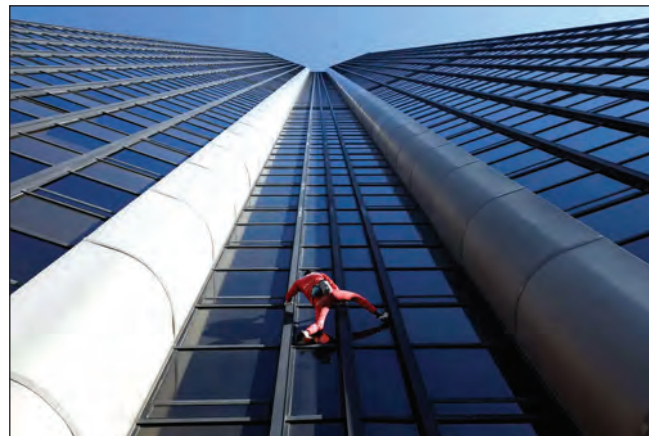
Las Tejerias, Venezuela

Belgian shepherd dogs from the national service of medicine and forensic sciences during rescue work after the area was hit by devastating floods following heavy rain.



Doha, Qatar

A gondola travels down a canal at a theme park inside the Villaggio shopping mall.



Paris, France

French 'Spiderman' Alain Robert climbs Montparnasse Tower to highlight the fuel and energy crisis.



Bangkok, Thailand
Monks walk to receive alms on a flooded street in Koh Kret.



La Paz, Bolivia

Members of the Zebbras programme, an initiative of volunteers who help educate drivers and pedestrians on road safety, head off to work.



London, UK

A plaster cast of a battle scene from the temple at Karnak is displayed during the 'Hieroglyphs: unlocking ancient Egypt' exhibition at the British Museum. The exhibition, which marks 200 years since the decipherment of ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs, explores the inscriptions and objects that helped academics unlock an ancient civilization.

October 11



Chittagong, Bangladesh

Children at the Haliashahar garbage dumping station. People living near the site complain of the overwhelming smell of rubbish and say they have difficulty breathing when the waste is burned.



Choloma, Honduras

People affected by floods after the passage of Tropical Storm Julia are evacuated by boat in the department of Cortés. Julia dissipated in western Guatemala, near Mexico, after leaving at least 11 dead and eight missing in northern Central America.

Source : The Guardian

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Young Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2022:

October 12

Natural History Museum rewards amazing pics



A Bryde's whale surfacing in the Gulf of Thailand by Overall Winner 16-year old Katanyou Wuttixchaitanakorn of Thailand



Two male Alpine ibex fighting in a huge landscape of the Italian Alps by Ekaterina Bee (Winner, 10 years and under)



An osprey waiting in a dead tree for the fog to lift by Ismael Domínguez Gutiérrez of Spain (Winner, 11 – 14 years)



Two lions who live in Kenya's Maasai Mara by Amaya Shah of Kenya (10 years and under category)



A Brydes whale feeding against a background of Bangkok by Jointup Charoenlapnumchai (11 – 14 category)

A goldcrest sings his high-pitched song from a spruce in western Finland by Nooa Mikkola



Underwater photo of a veined octopus peeking out from a clam shell by Samuel Sloss from America.



A daisy - *Bellis perennis* on a frosty front lawn by D'Artagnan Sprengel of New Zealand

Source : CBBC Newsround