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# FUN DAY

## TIMES



**Immy Kids celebrating Halloween**

Pic. by M. A. Pushpa Kumara



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**Please send competition entries to:**

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8, Hunupitiya Cross Road,  
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**Please note that competition entries 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),  
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.**

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

**Closing date for this week's competitions:**

**November 22, 2023**

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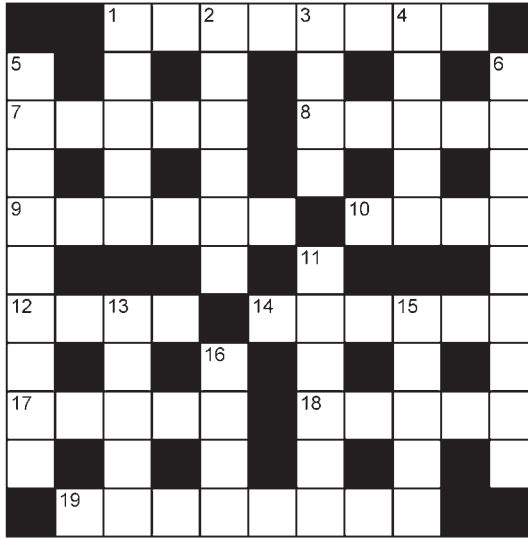


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**Junior Crossword – No. 985**



**Across**

- 1 Popular tinned fish
- 7 Follows an order
- 8 Of greater age
- 9 Body powder
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ and evens
- 12 Mountains
- 14 A head-rest on a bed
- 17 A shape on a valentine card
- 18 Not ever
- 19 Someone who writes music

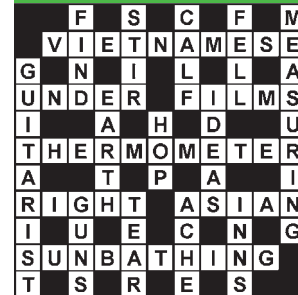
**Down**

- 1 Aroma
- 2 Save from danger
- 3 A metal that rusts
- 4 Finished
- 5 A pain in your mouth
- 6 A word puzzle
- 11 Huge people
- 13 A keyboard instrument
- 15 A very close friend
- 16 Brakes help a car \_\_\_\_\_

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

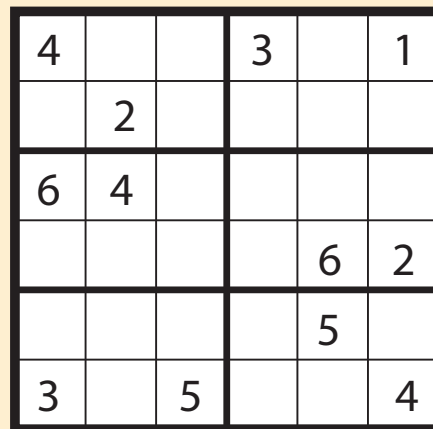
**All entries must be certified by a teacher or parent as your own work.**

**Solution - No 983**



**Surandi Rangegama,**  
Kohuwala

**Sudoku**  
346



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

**Solution – No. 344**

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



**'Bugs & Birds' Field Day**



The Sri Lanka Natural History Society has organized a field day and educational programme titled 'Bugs & Birds' to be held on November 12, from 6 a.m. to 12 noon at Diyasaru Park, Kimbulawala Junction, Thalawathugoda, close to the Parliament.



The programme aims to create awareness on pollination and pollinators, with two well-known naturalists guiding the participants and pointing out interesting species.

The programme is free, but the park entrance fee is Rs. 100 each for adults and Rs. 50 each for children under 12 years of age.

# Christmas Cover 2023

Hey Kids! It is time once again to think about the Funday Times Christmas Cover. We invite our readers to send in paintings for the Christmas Cover 2023 Competition.

Entries for the Christmas Cover should be of a suitable Christmas theme.

You could use any type of paints or crayons you like but try to make your picture colourful and creative. **All entries should be on A4 size paper.**

Please write 'Christmas Cover' at the back of your picture, along with your **Name, Date of Birth, Address, Telephone Number (if any) and School.**

All paintings entered for this competition should be certified as your own work by a parent or teacher. Uncertified paintings will not be considered for the prize.

The best picture will adorn the cover page of our Christmas issue.

The winner will also receive a prize.

**This competition is open to children between 4 - 15 years of age.**

*Good luck and happy painting!*



**Closing Date :  
December 15, 2023**



Or

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## Kekulu Kinder ART COMPETITION - 2023

### Application Form

Child's Full Name : .....

Date of Birth : .....

Permanent Address and Telephone Number : .....

Email Address : .....

Kindergarten Name and Address : .....

Kindergarten Principal's Name : .....

Phone Number : .....

Kindergarten Email : .....

District : .....

Kindergarten Principal's Signature : .....

1. Eligible only for children of 2 ½ to 5 years of age.
  2. Competition topic is 'Our Family'.
  3. Drawing can be submitted only on an A4 sheet using pastels only.
  4. Should be certified by the Kindergarten Principal, that the drawing is done by the child.
  5. It is mandatory to paste the application to the back of drawing.
  6. Certificates are given only for drawings where application form is filled correctly.
  7. The product wrappings and the drawing to be enclosed in an envelope without stapling together and sent to the following address before 30th November 2023.
  8. Address: Hettigoda Industries (Pvt) Ltd., No. 33/3, Sri Dharmarama Road, Ratmalana.
  9. It is important to have filled the application form correctly. If not, the drawing will be rejected.
  10. Any clarifications on the competition, please call Yuresh on 077 244 0442 or Isuru on 077 261 3255.
- It is mandatory to include a product wrapping from any of the following product categories, to partake in the competition.



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Kekulu Toothbrush



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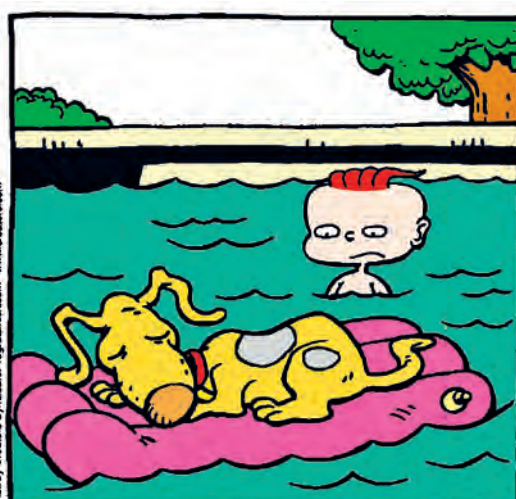
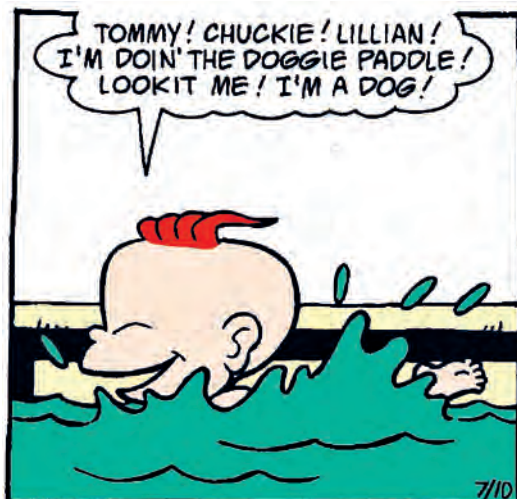
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Kekulu Baby Soap 5 in 1

\* Important Notice - To all Kindergarten Principals, please ensure that all drawings are submitted with the correct product wrappings to the above address before 30th November, 2023.

Rugrats





# Tomahawk

## Quiz No. 213

Questions for Tomahawk Quiz No. 213 are based on articles appearing in the Funday Times print issue and e-papers of October 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2023.

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. 213' 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

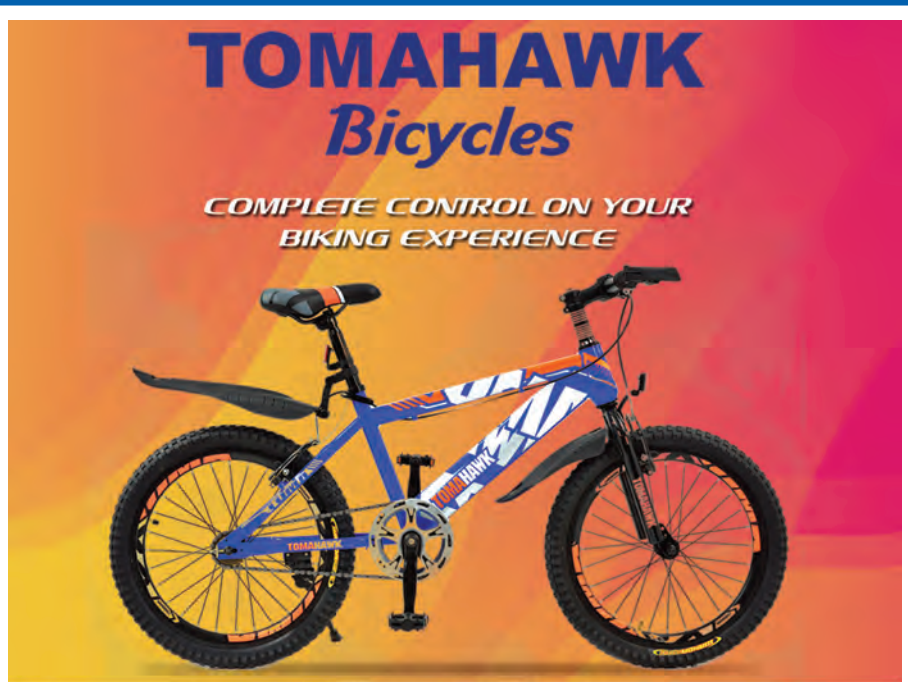
All Funday Times readers between 8 – 15 years are eligible to participate.

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

Closing Date: November 30, 2023

### Tomahawk Quiz No. 212

▶ Anuga Abeynaike, Panadura



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### QUESTIONS – QUIZ NO. 213

1. Who is the new character in the 'Winnie the Pooh' stories and what inspired the author to introduce it?
2. What are beavers best known for?
3. When was the Disney Brothers Cartoon Studio founded?
4. Where is the Gaza Strip located?
5. What is the origin of Halloween?

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4 - 6 years



- ▶ Tinuka Sasmitha, Kalutara
- ▶ Amhar Nafees, Gampola
- ▶ Rusith Weragoda, Yatiyantota

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

### 4 – 6 AGE GROUP

Circle the odd one out in each row.


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# Leonardo DiCaprio

**Leonardo Wilhelm DiCaprio is an American actor and film producer. Known for his work as a leading man in biopics and period films, he is the recipient of numerous accolades, including an Academy Award, a British Academy Film Award and three Golden Globe Awards. As of 2019, his films have grossed over \$7.2 billion worldwide, and he has been placed eight times in annual rankings of the world's highest-paid actors.**

Leonardo was born on November 11, 1974, in Los Angeles, California, the son of George DiCaprio and Irmalind Idenbirkin. His name allegedly came about because his pregnant mother was standing in front of a Leonardo da Vinci painting at a museum in Italy when he kicked, which made her decide to name him after the famous artist.

DiCaprio began his career in the late 1980s by appearing in television commercials. In the early 1990s, he had recurring roles in various television shows, such as the sitcom 'Parenthood', and had his first major film part as author Tobias Wolff in 'This Boy's Life' (1993). At age 19, he received critical acclaim and his first Academy Award and Golden Globe Award nominations for his performance as a developmentally disabled boy in 'What's Eating Gilbert Grape' (1993).



DiCaprio is the founder of Appian Way Productions, a production company that has produced some of his films and the documentary series Greensburg (2008 – 2010), and the Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation, a nonprofit organization devoted to promoting environmental awareness. He regularly supports charitable causes and has produced several documentaries on the environment. He currently serves as one of the United Nations Messengers of Peace.



He achieved international stardom with the star-crossed romances 'Romeo + Juliet' (1996) and 'Titanic' (1997). After the latter became the highest-grossing film at the time, he reduced his workload for a few years. In an attempt to shed his image of a romantic hero, DiCaprio sought roles in other genres, including crime drama in 'Catch Me If You Can' (2002) and 'Gangs of New York' (2002); the latter marked the first of his many successful collaborations with director Martin Scorsese.

DiCaprio portrayed Howard Hughes in 'The Aviator' (2004) and received acclaim for his performances in the political thriller 'Blood Diamond' (2006), the crime drama 'The Departed' (2006), and the romantic drama 'Revolutionary Road' (2008). In the following decade, DiCaprio starred in several high-profile directors' projects, including the action thriller 'Inception' (2010), the western, 'Django Unchained' (2012), the romantic drama 'The Great Gatsby' (2013), the biopic 'The Wolf of Wall Street' (2013), the survival drama 'The Revenant' (2015), for which he won an Academy Award and a BAFTA Award for Best Actor, and the comedy-drama 'Once Upon a Time in Hollywood' (2019), all of which were critical and commercial successes.



*Leonardo DiCaprio*







## World Tsunami Awareness Day

Compiled by Cecilia Hewavitharana

November 5 was designated as World Tsunami Awareness Day by the UN General Assembly in 2015 to raise awareness about tsunamis and share innovative methods of risk reduction.

### What is a tsunami?

A tsunami is a series of waves caused by a large displacement of water, such as that caused by an undersea earthquake (of a magnitude of at least 6.5 on the Richter scale), a landslide, or volcanic eruption. Meteors or asteroids can also be a cause, but this has not occurred recently.

Tsunami waves can hit land every 5 to 60 minutes, over a span of hours, while receding far into the sea in between. In deep sea, tsunami waves are barely noticeable, appearing around a foot high, but slow down and gain energy and height in shallower waters. The highest wave ever recorded measured over 1,700 feet (during the 1958 tsunami in Lituya Bay, Alaska).

#### What does the word "tsunami" mean?

"Tsunami" literally means "harbour wave," derived from the Japanese words "tsu" (harbour) and "nami" (wave).

#### Tele-tsunamis

Occurring approximately every 15 years, a tele-tsunami (also called an ocean-wide or distant tsunami) is one which originates 1,000 km or more than 3 hours of tsunami travel time from the affected coastline. The last tele-tsunami to occur was the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami, which was nearly 19 years ago.

#### Signs of a tsunami

- Strong earthquake (of a magnitude of at least 6.5 on the Richter scale)
- Water rapidly receding (which leaves the sea floor exposed)
- Rapid rise of water
- Loud roaring noise from the ocean

#### What to do if a tsunami occurs (or is about to occur)

- Stay calm and move to higher ground (100 feet above sea level) or 1 mile inland
- If that is not possible, use the stairs (not an elevator) to get to at least the third floor of a sturdy building that is likely to withstand the force of the tsunami
- Follow the instructions of local officials and avoid coastal areas until the authorities inform that it is safe.
- If in a boat, go out to deep sea.

#### The Sendai Framework

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Reduction 2015 - 2030 "provides Member States with concrete actions to protect development gains from the risk of disaster," and endorsed by the UN General Assembly following the 2015 Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR).

Sources: [undrr.org](http://undrr.org), [un.org](http://un.org), [NOAA](http://NOAA), [National Geographic](http://National Geographic), [unep.org](http://unep.org), [unesco.org](http://unesco.org), [Britannica](http://Britannica)



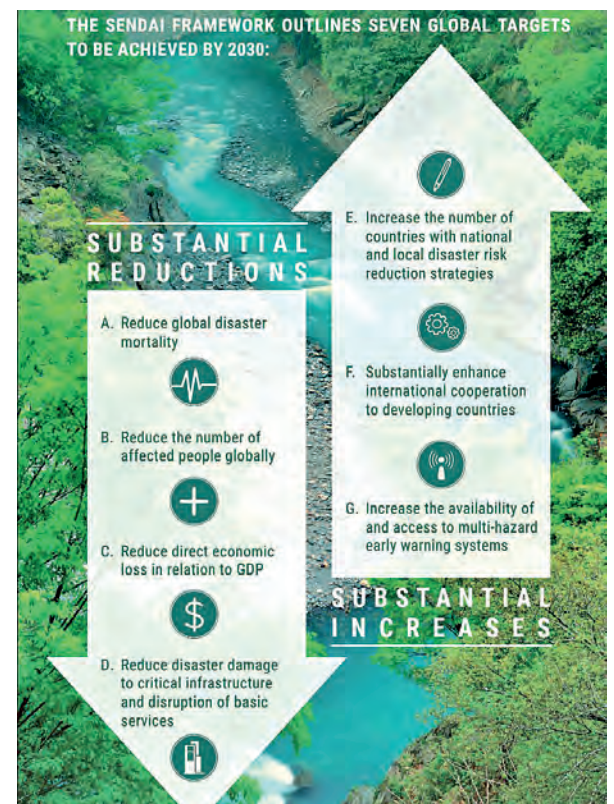
Tsunami waves hitting the coast Fukushima during the 2011 Tōhoku Tsunami (AFP / JIJI PRESS / Sadatsugu Tomizawa)

#### 2011 Tōhoku Tsunami

On March 11, 2011, an earthquake of a magnitude of 9.0 struck Japan (the strongest ever to be recorded in its history), which produced a destructive tsunami, with waves up to 132 feet high. The disaster claimed the lives of around 15,000 people and left over 450,000 homeless. Due to its devastating impact on buildings and infrastructure, as well as the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant, it is considered the costliest disaster in the world.



Aftermath of the 2011 Tōhoku Tsunami (AFP / Yasuyoshi Chiba)





## Girl Guiding and Google launch new online safety badges

October 30, 2023

The organisation behind Brownies and Guides have teamed up with one of the biggest tech companies in the world - Google.

They plan to teach girls essential skills for staying safe online and are launching two brand new badges for Girl Guiders to collect.

A new range of online safety activities will teach girls about online identities, the importance of being kind online, and how to deal with online bullying.



Special Google online safety badges are up for grabs

There will be activities aimed at different age ranges, suitable for Rainbows (aged 4 – 7), Brownies (aged 7 – 11), Guides (aged 11 – 14) and Rangers (aged 14 – 18).

Guides will learn about their digital footprint, which is all the information you leave behind when you are online, and protecting personal information.

The activities are designed to be done offline so people won't need an internet connection for them, making them accessible to all.

The announcement comes as the Online Safety Bill becomes law on Friday October 27.

The bill will make online and social media companies legally responsible for keeping children and young people safe online.



Brownies will be able to learn how to deal with online bullying through the Kingdom of Kindness activity.

The companies will have to remove any content that is illegal or contains harmful material – such as posts promoting abuse, eating disorders or bullying.

Politicians and children's charities behind the bill have been campaigning for five years and they say it will make children safer.

But others argue young people need to know more about staying safe online and can't rely on the law to protect them completely.

CBBC Newsround

## Race car using discarded electronics

October 30, 2023

Plastic pollution gets a lot of attention. However, the ever-increasing pile of discarded electronics is not as well-publicized.

In 2014, over 49 million tons of toxic "e-waste" ended up in landfills. This includes computers, smartphones and televisions. If left unchecked, the number is expected to increase to 82 million tons by 2030.

Envision Racing hopes to raise awareness about the urgent need to recycle and repurpose our gadgets with a racing car made entirely from e-waste.

The fully functional 'Recover-E' vehicle was designed by UK artist Liam Hopkins. It is made with old electronic equipment from UK businesses and local schools. The sleek vehicle's front bumper is crafted from colour-coded layers of iPhones. Its body comprises flattened computer circuit boards. Even LED lights have been repurposed and fitted around the car.

"Unfortunately, today, we choose to discard and replace electronics instead of repairing and recycling them, leading

to a global e-waste crisis. Through design and creativity, we want to show the issue of e-waste and its potential to accelerate the creation of a circular economy," says Hopkins.

Fittingly, Recover-E was unveiled on the eve of the final race of the 2022/2023 Formula E season on July 27, 2023. The international event is the world's first all-electric single-seater championship.

Envision Racing's Managing Director and CTO Sylvain Filippi says, "We are on a mission to tackle e-waste and ensure the precious metals, minerals, and materials in old laptops, mobile phones, and other electrical devices are extracted and reused."

Alongside the car, Envision Racing also launched a "Recover E Waste



Envision Racing used e-waste to build a race car

to Race" competition. The contest challenged children and young adults to design a racing car prototype from discarded gadgets.

Four students from Abbott Community Primary School in Manchester, UK, won in the under ten-years category. Angelica Mirian from Mexico got top billing in the 12 to 16-year group. Hera May from the Philippines won in the 17 to 21-year section.

Dogo News



October 31

# News in Pictures



**Beijing, China**  
People in costumes attend an event during a Halloween celebration at Solana shopping mall. Halloween on October 31 is growing in popularity among Chinese.



**Sydney, Australia**  
Carnival Cruise Line's resident redback, Fangelica, marks Halloween by floating across Sydney Harbour as Carnival Splendor arrives in the city.



**Istanbul, Turkey**  
Turkish soldiers in camouflage take part in a parade to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Turkish republic.

**Johannesburg, South Africa**  
South Africa's Siya Kolisi, Cheslin Kolbe and Eben Etzebeth take a selfie as they arrive with the Webb Ellis Cup after winning the Rugby World Cup in France.



October 30

**Nairobi, Kenya**  
Workers unload a truck carrying Kenyan and British flags as they install them in the streets ahead of the visit of King Charles III and Queen Camilla, which begins on October 31.



**Galway, Ireland**  
Members of the Macnas performance group appear in their annual Halloween parade, called Cnámha La Loba, which was inspired by the legend of a wolf-woman who collected and preserved bones of animals, humans, and gods.

**Buenos Aires, Argentina**  
Argentines celebrate around the city's obelisk after breaking the world record for the most people dressed as Spider-Man. More than 2,000 people dressed up as the Marvel superhero to attend the event.



**Chongqing, China**  
A Giant Panda rests on a swing at Chongqing zoo.

**USA**  
Matthew Perry, the Canadian-American actor best known for playing Chandler Bing in the international hit series 'Friends' has died at the age of 54.



Source : The Guardian