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1. My Mama (Mother)

Did you know why God made Mama's? God cannot take care of each one of us, so he gave us Mamas.

My Mama's name is Frieda. She is my first teacher who taught me to Walk, Talk, Sing & Dance.

My Mama is someone who loves me so much and her love is without any conditions.

My Mama is someone who makes me realise that I am the best and that there is no one better than me.

My Happiness is her laughter and my sadness in her sadness.

She spends her sleepless nights when I am not well.

My Mama is someone I cannot live without. She is everything in my life. At the moment she is in UK, i miss her a lot!!!

But I have a Papa who looks after me like my Mama and he is equally good.

I thank God who blessed us with my Mama & Papa.

Contributed by: Deepika Constantine

2. My father

The person I like the most in my family is my father.

The thing I like in him is his gentleness.

He never beats me but only scolds me.

My father has a lot of patience.

He also understands my feelings and sadness.

He encourages me to read lot of books.

Every day he spends some time to play with me. We play card games, caroms etc.

Before going to bed he asks us about the things happened in our class.

During the weekend we go for a walk. I long for the weekend because I can talk to him about everything.

He is my best friend because he knows all my secrets.

I love my father and he loves me a lot.

Contributed by: Shruti Sunil Jose

3. My Brother

My brother's name is Arjun.

He was born on 26th October 2010. He is 6 years old now. He is in 1st grade. He is cute and funny.

In the football match, I always choose him in my team. We both play together, eat together and sleep together.

I can't live without him for a day. If anybody tortures him, I bully them. Arjun doesn't takes any tension about anyone/anything. I like that nature of him.

He is a total chatter box .He has so many friends in the colony. He reads a book called 'The story house story'.

His favorite food is 'curd rice'. Once he got lost in our apartment. I searched all the blocks but could not find him.

I was searching him for an hour but couldn't find him. I got scared and demented.

At last in the park, I found him wailing. From that day I didn't leave him alone in my apartment.

He is good at football, cricket, and skating. His favourite indoor game is cricket attax and playing hungry shark on my mother's mobile.

Contributed by: Aryan Vishal

4. My Lovely Sister

I remember my 2.5 Years old little sister whenever I read the proverb 'Action speaks louder than words'. At this age, she hardly speaks sentences clearly but her actions speaks instead. There are many lovely occasions which I remember and cherish while interacting with her.

I enjoy playing with her. Sometimes her actions makes me laugh. She used to take our father's mobile, run towards me and points it to me. She will be very happy at that time. What she meant by this is that she wants me to show her favorite cartoon – 'Masha and the bear'.

Sometimes we will not hear anything from her. She will be so silent. And when we look for her, she might be doing something naughty like playing with my school stuffs or making drawing on the walls or making a mess of dresses in the cupboards.

She is so happy when she gets chocolates or when we get ready to go out. Sometimes when we hear a sudden loud cry from her she will be crying in pain because she might have hit somewhere or fell down. She has a special sound of cry when she is hungry or sleepy.

I feel more attached to my little sister when my parents say her actions are same as I did in my childhood. While playing with her, I feel my early childhood days are back...

Contributed by: Minnath Hafeez

5. My Grand Mother

My grandmother's name is lathika.

She is 64 years old and stays with my grandfather at our home in Always.

She was a teacher.

During vacation I stay with them.

Everyday morning I go to temple with my grandmother.

She makes yummy dishes for me.

Her soup and French fries are my favourite.

I enjoy doing activities with her.

She also got lots of interesting stories for me.

She helps me when I fight with my mom and dad.

Sometimes I help her in kitchen.

She is my best friend. I love her so much.

Contributed by: Vedant R Menon

6. My Favourite Teacher

My favorite teacher is Anitha Ma'm.

She is my class teacher.

She is strict but funny.

She cracks lots of jokes when she teaches.

She teaches us good songs.

She gives us sweets on her birthday and festivals.

We all stay quiet when she teaches.

She makes sure that we understand the subject very well.

At the end of the class Ma'm asks us questions.

Most of my friends also like her very much.

She is very caring and lovely.

We wish her all good things in her life.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

7. My Family

My Family is a small nuclear family which belongs to a middle class family. My family contains four members, a father, a mother, me and a small sister. Like other Indian families, we are not a big family. We live in Ghaziabad, India however my grandparents live in countryside. Together with my grandparents, my family becomes a small joint family.

My family is a complete, positive and happy family gives me and my sister lots of love, warmth and security. I feel so happy in my family as it care me and fulfil my all the needs.

A happy family provides following benefits to its members:

- Family makes a man grow and develop into a complete human being.
- It provides security and a lovely environment which helps us to share our happiness and problems.
- It makes a man social and intellectual.
- Person living in family is happier than a person living alone.
- It provides security from the outside conflicts.
- A family provides happy, active, quick learner, smart and better new generations to the society and country.
- A family makes a person emotionally and physically powerful, honest, and confident.

8. My Best Friend

My best friend is someone special whom I can share my all feelings. He is Raghav.

He lives with me as my neighbour in the same colony. We met each other in the nursery class on the very first day. We sit together in the classroom and share everything very happily without any problem.

We know each other very well as well as understand each other's need. He is leadership in nature, tall, fair in complexion, good looking and smart.

She is very good in studies and behaves well with everyone. He does his class work and homework very attentively. He is favourite student of class teacher as he is very punctual and follows all the etiquettes.

We share our Tiffin in the lunch time. He respects my feelings and helps me always. Many things of us like hobbies, likes, dislikes, etc are similar.

We love to listen music, watching cartoons and playing carom at home. We take care of each other in the school and playground.

We share school copies and help each other whenever one of us remain absent in the school. We love drawing sceneries and arts in our spare time.

We go at tour and picnic with our parents together in every winter and summer vacation.

9. My Village

My village is Colambugama. It is situated near the Nivithigala town in the Ratnapura district.

It is 18 km from Ratnapura town.

My village is very beautiful. It has a jungle with different types of trees, a waterfall, mountains and water streams.

It has a beautiful, clean and natural environment.

There are about 2000 people living in the village.

The main livelihood of the people is agriculture.

My village has a suitable weather condition for agriculture.

Tea, rubber and paddy are the main crops grown in the village.

Colambugama is famous for gems. Gem mining is the livelihood for some people.

My village has a school, post office, bank, temple and few boutiques. I love my village very much.

10. My School

My school is very excellent having red colour three storey building.

I like to go school on daily basis in the proper uniform.

My class teacher is very kind and teaches us to follow school discipline.

My school is located at very nice place and away from all the crowd and noise of the city.

My school has two small green gardens near to the main gate where lots of colourful flower beds, grassy lawns, fruits trees and two beautiful showers.

My school has lots of facilities such as one computer lab, two science labs, one big library, one common reading room, one big playground, one nice stage and one stationary shop.

My school has classes for nursery to 12th class students. My school has around fifty seven highly qualified teachers including men and women, 20 helpers, one principal and 10 gate keepers.

My teacher teaches us very politely and makes us learn subjects in very creative and attractive ways.

11. My garden

I have a small beautiful garden at my home in Kerala.

There are many beautiful flowers in our garden.

Rose, Hibiscus, Lilly, Orchids, Sunflower, Dalia etc. are some of them.

My grandmother takes care of our garden.

When we go to Kerala for vacation, I help my grandmother to water the plants.

She teaches me how to plant and take care of them.

When we go to visit our friends and relatives, we collect different plants from their garden also.

Every time when we go for vacation, we used to visit the nurseries in our neighbourhood with my father and collect more plants.

My most favorite flower is rose flower and orchids. We have different varieties of roses and orchids in our garden.

Sometimes my little naughty brother tries to pluck the flowers. I miss my garden when I am in Kuwait. I like my garden very much.

Contributed by: Madhav Prasanth

12. My Hobby - Drawing

My hobby is drawing.

I mostly draw pictures of people, animals and birds.

I use crayons, pencils, colour pencils etc. to draw pictures.

During birthdays of my parents, sister and friends, I gift my best drawings to them.

I spend my free time drawing pictures.

I got first prize in my school for the drawing competition.

I love drawing girls with different hair styles.

The hair styles i know are plaits, two sides, ponytail etc.

I like to draw the sunset the most.

I love drawing.

I like to become an artist when I grow up.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

13. My Hobby- Reading

My hobby is reading books.

Whenever I gets free time, I read books and I enjoy it.

My teacher always tells us that reading is very important for children as we gain lot of knowledge through it.

My parents also buys books for me and now there is a small library in my home.

There are lots of books about freedom fighters, warriors, kings, and etc. available there.

Last time when I won the school proficiency, my aunty gifted me a full collection of great fairy tales.

My favorite books are Mahabharata and 5001 fantastic facts.

Reading also helps me to gain confidence and prepare for school quiz competitions.

Contributed by: Ameya V

14. My Neighbour

A neighbour is the one who lives near or next to your house.

My neighbour's name is Preethi.

She is very kind to me.

My neighbour gives me chocolates whenever I visit her.

Her hobbies are gardening and cooking. She makes good cookies and cakes.

My neighbour has a lovely garden with lots of flowers like tulips, roses, lilies etc.

She has three kids. I love playing with my neighbours' kids.

She takes me to places like amusement parks, beaches, zoo etc.

She takes care of me whenever my parents go out. Sometimes she plays with me.

She helps me in my studies whenever my mother is busy at home. You should love your neighbour as yourself.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

15. My Pet - Cat

I have a pet animal.

My pet animal is a cat.

Her name is Kitty.

She is big with white and brown in colour.

She has a long tail. She has four kittens.

They all are very cute.

All of them are white in colour. Fish is her favorite food.

I give her milk every day.

She can climb the trees.

She likes to play in my bed.

I like to play with my Kitty.

I love her very much.

Contributed by: Krishna Priya

16. My Pet - Rabbit

I have a pet rabbit.

Her name is Bunny.

She is very cute.

She plays with me.

She hops when she is happy.

We play running race.

She runs very fast and wins.

She loves to eat carrots.

I keep her in a big and beautiful basket.

Every day morning when I get up I run to the basket to greet my bunny.

When I call her she shakes her ears and looks at me with her beautiful eyes.

I love my pet rabbit very much.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

17. My favourite Fruit

I like all fruits, but my favourite fruit is strawberry.

Strawberry is a small fruit.

Its shape is different from other fruits.

It has small spike like seeds outside its body which makes it look more beautiful.

I like all food that are made with strawberry like ice creams, cakes, milkshakes, jams, salads etc.

They are packed with nutrients and are excellent source of vitamin C.

Strawberries have a sour taste but when processed are used as a flavouring agent.

They give sweetness to food items.

Strawberry has a little green stem.

The colour of strawberry is so beautiful. It is red in colour.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

18. The first gift I received

The first gift I received was a book named 1001 amazing facts for Children.

I won the proficiency prize for class 2 and my father presented the book to me when he came back from his office.

I was thrilled and quickly opened the gift box. The book was full of colorful images and was very attractive.

My father told me that there are some amazing things in this book and you should try to read two pages every day.

Since then I used to read couple of pages, and sometimes more every day.

The book has so many interesting facts about space and planets, rain forests, wild animals, about our body etc.

Even though I received many gifts since then, that book was something special for me.

I always keep that book near to my study table.

I still remember that the best part of that day was the special dessert prepared by my mother.

Contributed by: Sangeetha Hari

19. Save Trees

Mother Earth has given us many gifts.

One of them is trees.

Trees are very important to us.

Many of our tribes live inside forests which have trees.

Trees provide us timber to make furniture.

Wild animals depend on trees for food and shelter.

Trees help to prevent soil erosion and floods.

They give out Oxygen and make the Earth clean and cool.

Many products such as paper, gum, rubber etc. are obtained from trees.

Trees reduce pollution and increase rain.

Birds make their nests on trees.

So friends, SAVE TREES by not cutting them and make them happy.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

20. The Sun

The Sun gives us light.

My teacher says that it is a ball of fire.

So it keeps us warm and gives us heat.

My mother dries our clothes in the sun.

Plants make their food with the help of sunlight.

When the sun rises it becomes day and when it sets it becomes night.

The sun rises in the East and sets in the West.

Every day morning I look at the sun through my window.

The sun rises early in the morning even before I get up.

I like a sunny day as I can play outside with my friends.

If there is no sun it will be dark everywhere.

So I like the sun very much.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

21. If I were a bird

I love pigeons. During our weekends my father used to take me to a place near the market where there are lots of pigeons.

Whenever I see them, I wish if I were a bird and I could also fly like them. With my wings I can fly above all the buildings in the city.

I can see our school and playground from the top. Planes will fly near me and I can wave my hands to the pilot.

I will collect small things nearby and will build a nest at top of a tree.

I will fly to the top of our nearby mango tree and eat lot of mangoes and will dive into the nearby stream and will have a cool shower.

Flying high, I can enjoy the fresh breeze and watch the beautiful sunset from the top.

I will fly around blue oceans and beautiful mountains. If I were a bird, I would have really enjoyed flying around our wonderful nature.

I wish god gives me golden wings one day which can appear and disappear when I wish.

Contributed by: Navneeth S

22. If I were a tree

Today my friend asked me a question. What would you do if you were a tree?

Trees are one of my favorites. They are one of the most essential and useful thing in this world.

I always loved the thick lush coconut trees around my house. If I were a tree, I would have provided shades and nest to all those who lives around me.

Birds would have found a sweet home inside me. I will inhale lots of carbon dioxide and exhale fresh oxygen for all living things around me.

My legs will penetrate deep into the soil and will suck water through my roots to quench my thirst.

I will produce beautiful flowers and fruits and lots of children will come and play with me.

I can imagine children climbing through my body, plucking and eating fruits and playing using swings.

I will make our surrounding cooler and also helps to produce rain.

More interesting, I will be watching all of you from the top, as I am the tallest in our surrounding.

Contributed by: Brian Mathew

23. Tiger

Tiger is the national animal of India.

It's one of the most beautiful animal on earth and are found in thick jungles.

They have Orange skin with beautiful black vertical stripes on it.

They are very fast in their actions.

They hunt deer's, cattle's etc for their food and sometime attack humans too.

They are also good swimmers and can even climb trees.

I always remember the dreadful Sherkhan who always tries to attack Mougli.

Sadly, Tigers are hunted by us for their skin, teeth, bones etc.

Sometimes, tigers are caught from the wild and kept in Zoo's and also trained to be used in circus for entertainment.

Today tigers are included in the endangered species list.

Therefore we should not allow anyone to hunt them and should not disturb their habitat that is forest.

Contributed by: Vedant Menon

24. Elephant

Elephant is considered to be the largest animal in the world.

They have four legs, two big ears, a long tail and a long trunk. The long teeth of an elephant is called the Tusk. The trunk is used to breathe, suck water, to lift things etc.

Elephants are herbivores and they prefer to stay in forests but humans capture them from forests and use them in circus, wood mills to lift heavy wood etc. Generally they are gentle in nature. In many of our temples they are used for religious ceremonies also.

Elephants have high intelligence and high memory power. In forest they travel in groups under the leadership of a leader usually the oldest one.

The group will include elder elephants, baby elephants etc. The elder one always try to protect their younger ones from any other enemies.

An Elephant can live for more than sixty years. Nowadays the number of elephants are reducing because they are hunted by humans for their tusks which is very expensive in international trade.

If proper rules and strict action is not taken against this, elephants would soon fall under the endangered species category.

Contributed by: Gayathri K

25. Dog

Dog is a pet animal and has been proved as very useful and an obedient animal for the humankind.

It is found all over the world in various varieties. It is very watchful animal provides its duties very faithfully.

It has a sharp mind and bright eyes. It is an omnivorous animal which can eat both diet related to the plant and animal origin.

It has very sharp teeth in order to tear and eat meat even bones.

They can be easily controlled and taught anything through proper training.

According to the varieties of dogs some of them have fur on their whole bodies or only on their neck.

Generally they have curved and hairy tail. They differ in their color, size and weight.

It is very faithful animal and never cheats its owner.

It guards the house of owner very watchfully from thieves 24 hrs a day.

It is very friendly however become very dangerous whenever goes mad.

26. Peacock

Peacock is known for its mesmerising beauty. This beautiful bird comes in different colours. There are mainly three species of peacock. These are the Indian peacock (found in India and Sri Lanka), the Green Peacock (found in Indonesia) and the Congo Peacock (found in Africa). While the Indian and Green peacock have an elaborate crest on their head and long colourful plumage, Congo peacock on the other hand, has a less attractive crest and short tail. Both Indian and Green peacock look extremely beautiful whereas the Congo peacock appears rather dull. The colour of the body and crest is what mainly distinguishes the Indian peacock from the Green peacock. The Indian peacock has a blue coloured body whereas the Green peacock has a green coloured body.

The Indian peacock has been given the stature of the National Bird of India. This joyful and beautiful bird has been a significant part of the Indian history as well as mythology.

The colourful and bright feathers that add to the beauty of peacock also serve as an item to beautify various things and places. A number of home décor items are crafted around these feathers. These feathers are also considered auspicious and are used to bring in good luck and prosperity. Peacock has inspired many notable artists in the past and continues to do so.

27. My class teacher

My class teacher is Mrs. Manel Karunathilake.

She is around 54 years old.

She always advises us.

Our class teacher is a teacher in English.

She is very kind to us.

She makes us very happy through her lessons.

She helps us with our homework.

She comes to class early in the morning.

She tries to inculcate good habits and human qualities in us.

I think she is an ideal teacher and an exemplary character for all of us.

I love my teacher very much.

28. Trees are our best friends

Trees are one of the best things that mother earth has provided us.

Trees give us many things. For example, trees provide us shade. Flowers give us good smell.

Some climbers give us fruits. Trees like neem are medicinal trees. Butterfly loves to suck nectar from flowers.

Birds make their nests on trees. The chirping of the birds in the morning is sweet to the ear.

Monkeys love to jump around the trees. We play under a big mango tree. When we are hungry, one of us climbs the mango tree and plucks the sweet mangoes.

When we are very tired we even sleep under the shade of this tree. It is the chirping of the birds that wakes us up.

Cool breeze soothes our mind when we are sad. We study together sitting under the shade of the mango tree.

Trees are indeed a gift from God. It is our duty to protect them.

Contributed by: Shraddha Sunil Jose

29. Importance of Education

Nelson Mandela once said- *“Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world.”*

Education by word is an enlightening experience. A process that cleanses the thoughts and mind of every person to experience the difference between right and wrong.

A tool that helps a person to be focused and ensure to be independent enough to change self, family and society and the entire world.

Education ensures equality, self-dependence, responsibility, confidence, humanity and expands the horizon of one's life.

True Education doesn't just mean studies through books and schools.

Every learning experience make a person educated. The gathered knowledge will never be stolen from a person.

Education can be utilized for exploration of the different dimensions of life and the human conditions.

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Eleanor Roosevelt famously said “Education is essential to good citizenship and that education is important to life because it enables people to contribute to their community and their country.”

To nurture and transform a young mind to mature and responsible human being, education is the only path.

Empowering women through education improves the morals at home and indirectly the society also.

Considering the importance of Education, good and quality education should be accessible to all children in the society which ensures the uplifting of self and the society in whole.

Contributed by: Sreya Varsha Arun

30. Importance of Sports

In this day and age, when academics are not the sole factor for success, students are required to be well-versed in a variety of aspects.

Sports is one such arena which is incorporated into the extra-curricular activities in school. It not only serves as a break from study routine, but also helps a student remain healthy – physically and mentally.

Doctors advise to stay active as a way of dealing with many health problems. Those who indulge in athletic activities are lesser prone to falling ill. This also increases their life span. It appears that students who are able to balance their studies, fitness and leisure tasks have a better chance of leading happier lives.

In addition to health benefits, sports also improve your personality. You tend to become more strong and tolerant. American boxer and activist, Muhammad Ali, said, *“Champions aren’t made in gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them – a desire, a dream, a vision.”* It takes a lot to commit to sports, but the benefits are so many, that it’s all worth it.

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You need to be motivated for yourself, in order to achieve your goals. Proper introduction to sports also allows a student to consider it as a potential career choice.

People who are extremely passionate about a sport are able to devote all of their time and efforts into excelling at it.

Schools and colleges provide the platform necessary to take up a sport as a mainstream career. Grab every opportunity that comes your way. You never know how it may help you.

Involvement in sports is something you ought to do willingly, for yourself. It should not depend on anyone else's opinions or purpose.

Students should be made aware of the perks of taking part in sports. This would encourage them to take active decisions regarding their lives and be responsible.

31. Unity is Strength

The phrase, “*Unity is Strength*”, is more than just a proverb. It has been proven since the beginning of mankind. When divided, individuals have failed in achieving what they had aspired. But together, they have been able to conquer a lot more.

Take a look at your local history. You will surely notice how groups of people have stood for a certain cause, and because of their strength, their fight has had a powerful effect.

Unity is an important factor even within a family and social group. Family members, who stick together and support each other, tend to have lasting bonds.

This enables them to solve each other’s problems in a valuable manner. If there is no unity in friendship, cracks begin to form in the foundation and could potentially lead to misunderstandings.

French leader, Napoleon Bonaparte, believed that “*There are only two forces that unite men – fear and interest.*” However, the term interest, here, is roughly used.

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People can be united because of their need for a sense of belonging, which has nothing to do with common interests.

They could also be united because of a shared history or past, as is the case with citizens of a nation.

A lot of social groups have been able to get desired results because they stand united.

Their attempts are directed towards a single goal, which increases the chances of success.

Factors like trust, encouragement, understanding and love help maintain unity among people. As long as good thoughts motivate people, they will stand united and be stronger for it.

The moment there is a weak link in the group, everything collapses. Remember to stand tall against all hardships.

32. Advantages and disadvantages of Television

Some people claim that television is the root of all evil, while others think of television as a best friend.

Some blame the television for society's violence, consumerism, and misinformation, while others see it as a rich resource for education and global understanding.

Television plays a very important role in our daily life. It keeps us updated. Most of the people spent their free time watching television.

It entertains us in many ways by showing movies, songs, cartoons, serials and most importantly what's going around the world i.e. news. Television is also useful for the developing country like India.

Advantages:

We come to know about current affairs, news going all around in the world. Children also get entertain by watching cartoons, stories that provide you moral values and lessons.

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You can also watch food recipes and try them at home. You can watch movies, listen to songs, watch daily soaps, horror series etc.

Disadvantages:

If there are advantages of watching television, there are disadvantages too.

Watching television in excess can affect our health that is it affects our eyes, makes lazy like couch potatoes etc.

Television also makes a lot of sounds which affect our minds. Many TV shows are not suitable for innocent children.

We compromise our sleep when addicted to television.

We sometimes get negatively inspired by our favorite actors, actresses.

Contributed by: Apeksha Dambal

33. Advantages and Disadvantages on technology

Technology has brought about a revolution in the modern world. It has made our lives easy and fast. Technology has made the world a global village. Technology is a double edged weapon. Today I am going to talk about the advantages and disadvantages of technology.

Let us look into the advantages of technology first. Traveling was time consuming since animals were being used as vehicles. Now we have planes, trains etc. which has made our lives easy. We have made vast progress in the medical field too. Almost all vital organs can be transplanted. This includes heart, liver, kidney, lungs etc.

We also have advanced machines to perform various operations. Just by sitting in our room we can see a person and speak to our near and dear ones, no matter how far they are. Incidents that have happened anywhere in the world reach us within seconds. We can even shop, book ticket, read books etc. sitting at home.

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Things like fridge, microwave oven, AC etc. have made our lives easier. So you see technology has made the world a global village.

Now let us look into the disadvantages. Technology has made man machine addicted. As we are progressing, our lifespan has become short. This is due to the lack of physical activity. Many people are addicted to various gadgets around them like, remote controls, mobile phones, Lifts etc.

All these things make us lazy. Children are addicted to games on phones and laptops. They have stopped playing outside. At a very young age, they have various diseases like diabetes, obesity, blood pressure etc. There is less communication between people. People lead a sedentary lifestyle and hence diseases are there constant companions.

So we as a new generation, let us take an oath that we will use technology wisely as a means to progress and lead a healthy lifestyle. Thus we shall leave behind a better platform for the coming generations.

Contributed by: Shruti Sunil Jose

34. My first day at school

My mother accompanied me to school on the first day. Other parents accompanied their children as well. We all waited in front of the school office.

Soon a teacher came and led us to some classrooms. There we were put into four separate classes.

This was when some children began to cry as the parents were not allowed into the classrooms.

I did not cry because I had been to kindergarten before.

Actually my mother went home soon after for she knew I would be all right.

It was an enjoyable time for me as I got to know my new classmates.

The teacher was very busy writing down our particulars so we had plenty of time to ourselves.

Meantime some children continued to sob while their parents looked in anxiously through the windows.

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Soon recess came. Some of us headed for the tuck-shop while the rest headed for their parents.

I bought a drink with the money my mother gave me. Getting to know my new friends had made me thirsty.

After recess we went back to our classroom and my new friends and I managed to coax two boys to stop crying.

In fact, soon we were laughing and playing together. Once in a while the teacher had to tell us to keep quiet as we were making too much noise.

Still some parents looked in anxiously through the windows.

Finally the bell rang for us to go home. Some of us were very relieved to be reunited with our parents.

I too was glad to see my mother waiting for me at the school gate. I had made many friends. It had been a wonderful first day at school.

35. My Classmates

We are a noisy lot, that is what our teachers say about us. This is largely due to Ah Keong. He is the noisiest of us all.

His voice is like that of a bull frog but volumes louder. It seems that he cannot talk softly. Actually he does not talk, he shouts. Perhaps his living with his family of ten children has something to do with it.

In this noisy bunch lives a boy who hardly ever opens his mouth. This is Padma, the boy who sits next to me. He is such a gentle and soft creature that one would think that he is a sissy. This is not so. No one dares call him one for he is a member of the school's Karate Club.

Then there is Doris, our class monitor. She sits right in front of the teacher's table. She is such a model student that all the teachers love her.

We all love her for she does not boss us around. She has given up doing that long ago. All she does is to make sure that the teachers have sufficient chalk and that the classroom is clean.

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Right at the back of the class sits our class sleepy-head. Mat seems to need more sleep than others. He catches cat-naps in between lessons.

The astounding thing is that he can fall asleep almost instantly. The moment the teacher leaves after a lesson, Mat's snores start up and we know he is at it again. Remarkably he wakes up when the next teacher arrives.

Every class has a clown. Our class has Jack, otherwise known as "Jacko The Clown". He is always up to some prank or other, putting tails on the boys' pants, frogs in the girls' desks and powdered chalk on the teacher's chair.

So when we hear a girl scream or see men-teachers strolling around with chalk on the seat of their pants, we know that Jacko has struck again.

The other classmates too have their own unique personalities. Each contributes his or her part to our class.

All in all we are a group of young children who perhaps are a bit noisy at times, but on the whole are well-behaved and pleasant to be with.

36. My neighbours

Many of us live in housing estates. I live in one myself. The one thing about living in a housing estate is that we have many neighbours.

Next to my house on the right lives a family whose parents seem to be always scolding the children. I do not know them very well because they always appear angry.

Never a day passes without hearing the children crying and the parents shouting at the top of their voices.

On the other side of my house, however, lives a very quiet and polite family. Mr. Verghese is a quiet man who seems to manage his family very well.

Though he has four children, which is one more than the other family, I never hear him scold his children. So his children never cry. What a wonderful family they are.

Further down the road is a family whose radio is switched on most of the time, except late at night. His immediate neighbours must have a tough time putting up with the noise of the radio.

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Then there is a family whose members seem to live in a world of their own. Many times we have met along the road and not once has any of them even nod his or her head in acknowledgement.

They are not blind or deaf. Yet they can walk straight past as if I am not there at all. I would not say that they are unfriendly. I guess they are simply not interested in knowing their neighbours.

On the opposite side of the road live Mr. Lim and his family. Mr. Lim is a bird-collector. So everyday a dozen or more birds sing melodious tunes right beneath his front porch.

It is preferable to the blare of the other neighbour's radio. However the bird droppings can give off an awful stench.

These are some of the neighbours living near me. There are others that I have yet to meet. However I am careful not to intrude on their privacy.

The friendly ones smile or raise their hands. The not-so-friendly ones look away. I have to live among them, friendly or not.

37. My Hobby

My hobby is reading. I read story books, magazines, newspapers and any kind of material that I find interesting.

This hobby got started when I was a little boy. I had always wanted my parents to read fairy tales and other stories to me.

Soon they got fed up and tired of having to read to me continually. So as soon as I could, I learned to read.

I started with simple ABC books. Soon I could read simple fairy tales and other stories. Now I read just about anything that is available.

Reading enables me to learn about so many things that I would otherwise not know.

I learned about how people lived in bygone days of magic and mystery.

I learned about the wonders of the world, space travel, human achievements, gigantic whales, tiny viruses and other fascinating things of our world.

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The wonderful thing about reading is that I do not have to learn things the hard way.

For example, I do not have to catch a disease to know that it can kill me. I know the danger so I can avoid it.

Also I do not have to go deep into the jungle to learn about the tiger. I can read all about it in a book.

Books provide the reader with so much information and facts.

They have certainly helped me in my daily life. I am better equipped to cope with living.

Otherwise I would go about ignorantly learning things the hard way.

So I continue to read. Besides being more informed *about* the world, I also spend my time profitably.

It is indeed a good hobby.

38. My father, My Super Hero

Super Hero's....Ben ten, superman, Spiderman.... there're tons of them - but for me MY father is a super hero. I chose this topic to thank my father for his love, for playing a starring role and influencing my life. Father - the coolest 6 letter word to happen in my life.

F - For all things you have taught me

A - And for promising me that you will never leave me

T – Tagging along and supporting me

H - Helping me in everything I face

E - Every day you are there for me

R - Raising me with utmost love and care

My mom says the first word I said is Papa. The happiest moment every day in my life is when he knocks at the door in the evening. As he enters there is so much excitement, he hugs me, kisses me and carries me on his shoulder as if we are meeting after ages. In a day several times he says I LOVE U ACHU. He is my inspiration, like a lighthouse to ships. He has always been a good listener, understands me, trusts me and advises me. He supports all my extracurricular activities, weekly twice, he drives me for my dance class, coming from Minaabdulla to farwaniya and then to salmiya. How can I not be proud of him? Every evening we play games together, also teaching me to be powerful, self-reliant and courageous. We pray and have dinner together. Sometimes when he drives home from Saudi and I demand for dinner out, and though he is tired

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and hates hotel food, cheerfully he will take me, cracking all sardarji jokes, instilling in me, the importance of family bonds and sacrifice. At bedtime, we play Kaun Banega Crorepati, it's so much fun, he will ask me questions and if I don't know any answer, I will use phone a friend and call my father for the answer, thus building self-confidence while imparting wisdom and knowledge. However busy he may be, he has never missed any of my cultural programmes and records them. When I am sick, he will be with me throughout, I feel secure when I cling on to his chest like a baby kangaroo. When mom scolds me, he will always say - my son - he is the best, he is the winner. Believe me, he has never scolded me till date.

He has taught me many valuable lessons on positive thinking and makes me apply it. He never says NO for anything. He has made me set my goals and every night before I sleep he makes sure that I read it. Friends! Believe me, I topped in all programmes I attended. It does really happen! The other thing he taught me is SECRET. Love everything in this universe and the universe will give you back everything you desire. Lastly he taught me to pray to the subconscious mind about whatever you wish, and for sure it really works our dreams do come true! Those who don't believe in Superheroes have never met my father. Even when I am all grown up, I know, that I will be glad that I have my own, unique, Superhero, my best friend, the one and only one - who can make me smile in any circumstance - my father.

I LOVE YOU PAPA!!!

39. Save Earth

Henry David Thoreau the famous American poet and philosopher once said, *“Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads.”* This statement brings to light how fortunate we are, to be living on a planet that provides everything for us.

Save Earth campaigns refer to the attempts made by people to conserve the flora and fauna; to preserve the state of the water bodies, the atmosphere – all of which are essential for the growth and development of beings that inhabit Earth.

As the standard of life is increasing exponentially, in this 21st century, it is becoming more and more difficult to safeguard the planet that was given to us.

Our wants are mounting up to such an extent, that Mother Earth is being wrung dry to satisfy us. While every individual can adopt basic measures, to contribute towards saving Earth, severe damage is being inflicted because of deforestation and pollution.

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Progressive countries are competing to have an upper hand in different fields such as technology, tourism, education etc.

But the important question is, what progress are we really making, if we are adding to the destruction of Earth? Governments are becoming alert, and taking steps to reduce the ozone depletion.

People are actively involved in planting more trees, protesting against construction of unnecessary facilities, reducing emissions from vehicles and efficient disposal of waste. On the other hand, global warming isn't diminishing and is leading to fluctuating weather.

We must consider the benefits of living a simpler life, so that our future generations have a planet to live on. Simple does not necessarily equate to low quality of living.

We can still learn to be content with minimal luxuries. Also, progress should be made using safer procedures. Otherwise, we may head towards a fancier lifestyle and be left with a crumbling planet.

40. A birthday party

Fiona is my neighbour. She turned twelve recently and her parents held a birthday party for her. I was one of those invited.

The party began at about three in the afternoon. There were about twenty of us children gathered in Fiona's house.

We were all dressed *in* our best clothes. Everyone, especially Fiona, wore a happy smile.

We gave our presents to Fiona and she happily opened them.

It must really be exciting to receive all those presents.

After that Fiona's mother served us soft drinks and delicious titbits.

We then played some games like "Musical Chairs" and "Treasure Hunt". The winners were given prizes.

At about four-thirty Fiona's mother brought out the birthday cake.

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It was beautifully decorated with pink and white icing.

Twelve colorful candles sat in the middle of the cake. We all sang "Happy Birthday" to Fiona after which she blew out the candles and cut the cake.

We clapped our hands eagerly.

We helped ourselves to slices of the delicious cake. Then we continued our games.

Finally at about six in the evening the party came to an end.

We were all tired but happy.

The parents of the other children came to collect them.

I helped Fiona and her mother clean up the mess we made.

After that I walked home which was only two doors away.

41. If I Were a Millionaire

We all love dreams, especially good ones. Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam once said 'You have to dream before your dreams can come true'.

I dream to become a millionaire. But there is a reason why I think I should earn big money. I belong to a middle class family and I have one little brother.

My loving parents supports me well and fulfil all my wishes. But sometimes I see my parents struggling. So if I become rich, the first thing I want to do is to support my parents so that they can take some rest. Then, I will fulfil the wishes of my little brother. He is fond of toys and his biggest dream is to go to Disney land.

With money, I can easily fulfil his wishes and take my family to Disney land. I will surely save some money for our future needs as well.

Whenever I travel to my school, I used to see lots of children in the street begging for money, cleaning cars and selling balloons. I used to wonder why those kids were not going to school.

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Once I asked my father about them. He explained to me about the problems of poverty and told me that some of them are even orphans.

I felt really sad that day and realized how lucky I am. If I am a millionaire, I will surely support them by donating money to support their needs. I will also open a school for them and will provide free education.

I remember how our watchman uncle in my school once struggled for his son's treatment. We all donated some money for his treatment.

I will construct hospitals for the poor and old aged people and will take care of them. I know that simply dreaming will not make one rich.

I need to work hard and study well to make my dreams come true.

Every day, I pray to god to keep me focused in my studies and inspire me to work hard so that one day I can become a millionaire and help others.

Contributed by: Sharath Prasad

42. My Ambition in Life- To be a Scientist

I always wondered what I want to become. My choices always changed from time to time- from Army Man to Police to Engineer to Doctor. But all that changed the day I saw the news about the success of India's Mangalyaan Mars mission.

It was an inspiring moment when our honourable Prime Minister declared to the nation that the mission was successful. The scenes of our scientists in ISRO celebrating excited me. It was a moment of pride when India received appreciation from all over the world. Since then I believe that my life's mission is to become a scientist. My dad and Mum was also happy hearing it from me.

The life of a Scientist is both thrilling and exciting. A scientist is always engaged in a quest to explore new knowledge and discoveries. I believe that a scientist can serve the society and help to empower the poorest of the poor. A Scientist can help farmers to develop new seeds and fertilisers, Can help patients with better medicine and new treatments -making it affordable, Can help poor children with new technologies for their education, Can develop new clean technologies for power this world thereby bringing down pollution in this world.

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I got mesmerised by the life stories of Indian Science pioneers like Sir CV Raman, J.C Bose, Srinivasan Ramanujan and Satyedranath Bose. While CV Raman won the Nobel Prize in Physics, JC Bose invented the wireless transmission which revolutionised the world.

Srinivasan Ramanujan's mathematical discoveries are still actively researched by scientists all around the world and Satyendra Bose invented BOSON, the god particle.

More important, I believe that a scientist can solve many challenges the world is facing right now. In fact, the rapid growth in science and technology will be the key driving force in our progress, making this world safer for our future generations.

I am fully aware that I have to study hard and should do a lot of hard work and dedication to become a scientist. But I am determined to face those challenges.

I always pray to god to give me strength and courage and motivation to work hard so that I can make my dreams come true and serve my country.

43. Don't Judge a Book by its Cover

The English idiom "don't judge a book by its cover" is a figurative phrase which means "you shouldn't judge significance of something by its outward appearance only".

It is easier and faster to look at the instantaneous outer features of an object or a person. Many cannot deal with the troubling feeling of doubt (fear) when conversing with a stranger so to make it less challenging for themselves, they put a label on their new associate and act accordingly.

For example, you see a good-looking person and a bad-looking person. You know nothing about them except their skin colour, their physical traits and fashion. Then what? You make all sorts of thoughts and make a massive data in a minute just taking a look of their outward appearance.

You may get attracted to the good-looking one but that could be a disaster for your life. He/she may not possess any real ability or talent. He/she can even turn out to be corrupt too. Outward appearance can be greatly misleading.

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There are utterly valueless things that look so good and taking them on their face value is foolishness.

On the other hand, some of the ugly looking things possess immense value. Their appearance is in no way equivalent to the worth they have. A person must be judged on the basis of his/her capabilities and not on his/her external appearance. Many of the truly good and great person are respectful.

Therefore assessment of people on the basis of appearance is a futile approach. For some people book cover is the summary of whole book in one page. Designers use colours, pictures and text to give a good impression of the content that the reader will find inside.

Book cover is a great tool to develop the curiosity of the reader as the world is really fast that we have only time to take a look on its cover, so the cover is where they either accept or reject the book. However the books with eye-catching covers do not really mean that it is worth reading, it could be a waste of your precious time.

So readers, do not get misguided by the outward appearance of anything whether a person, a book or a thing.

44. How I celebrated my birthday

I was anxious about the day. I know that my parents was planning something special for my birthday, as they always did, but this time, got a smile back to my repeated questions. As different from last year, I didn't see any body invited this time and no shopping as well. Did they forget? I remember last year's birthday bash, with all my friends and relatives partying, making it a lovely evening. That evening my parents took me for a shopping, gifted me some chocolates' and a pair of new dress. I felt really happy and thanked them for their wonderful gifts. But what about tomorrows party? i again asked with excitement. My parents smiled at each other. 'Varun, we will go for a trip tomorrow. But make sure you take your savings box along' Said my father.

I felt exited, a birthday tour. I felt like going to the moon. The next morning, i woke up early. I was not able to control my excitement. I took my shower and put on my new dress. My father and mother gave me a kiss and wished me all the best and gave blessings. We prayed to the almighty and thanked him for all the fortunes showered on us. I also prayed for an additional support for mathematics as I found the new lessons difficult to crack. I jumped into the front seat. I always loved my trips in front seats, sometimes annoying my dear mother. As we started our Journey, My father told me that today we will have your birthday lunch with some new friends. I was still confused to where we are going. Soon we reached the place.

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It was an old building at the banks of river periyar. Some kids were playing around. I felt like joining them but decided to stick on with my parents. One elderly person greeted us and took us to their office. My father asked me to donate my coin box to that uncle. I saw a big smile in his face as I passed on my coin Box. I was a bit disappointed. The old man started explaining about his activities. Soon I realized that all kids which I saw playing outside where either orphans or under privileged, neglected by our society. He told us, how many of them had stopped going to schools and the difficulties he faced to build up a system to support them. Today 200 of those children is living in that place. I had tears in my eyes. I realized how lucky I am and felt really happy that my small coin box will go in support to his activities. He also told us the importance of supporting our society and why these kids deserve our support. He also thanked my parents for their decision to support by deciding to cut off the spending of my birthday party and donate the money for a cause. He took us around and introduced us to the group of children. They greeted us and soon we became good friends. We started playing in the open ground and had a great time playing together.

Soon we were called for the Lunch. We all sat in a big hall and took a delicious traditional lunch. There was happy faces all around. It was time for us to leave the place. I was a bit hesitant to leave that place, as I again wanted to play with them. My father promised me that he will take me to this place often. As we drove back I told my mother- This was my best birthday party ever and the most inspirational day in my life. Thank you. I still remember the smiling face of my father as he drove us back home.

45. Mother's Day

'Mother is the one who can take the place of all, but can't be replaced'. She is the most precious and important factor of our life.

The moment a girl realises the life growing within, the world around her changes, attitude changes. She learns to love and accept the world in a wider perspective.

Her love is deep like an ocean and she is the sky where we fly high safe. I have always felt that through our eyes she can read our mind. None of our worries are hidden from her and without her we are nothing.

She gives us birth and finds herself responsible for the right upbringing of a responsible citizen. For that reason, it is often seen that, a child is never blamed for his mistakes like we blame his/her mother for the same.

She has dedicated herself for her family and takes deliberate effort to pass on the values to her kids, just like what she gained from her mother. She sets the example for next generation.

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She is the only one who works selflessly twenty four hours every day without any gain, to keep her family happy. Mother can be compared to nature who gives away all it has, but keeps no expectation of something in return.

She even fights with the circumstances to keep their child safe and sound. As per the Indian culture, she is considered as the primary God of every living being.

Every child might have heard her saying “you won’t understand now, but once you become a mother you will remember my words”.

This is a phrase passed down for generation by mothers. We do not need a special day to thank and honour them for their love, care and affection. She will always be there for us till she breathes the last. So let’s take opportunity to thank her from the bottom of our hearts, for her kind gestures unlimited help and love.

Happy mother’s day to all mothers!!!

Contributed by: Malavika Krishna K

46. World Water Day- March 22

Three most essential things for Humans to survive in this planet may be easily identified as Air, Water and Food. As our population increased, pressure to tap more and more resources also increased which lead to the over use and exploitation of all Natural resources. As a result of this human greed over centuries, today, communities across the world faces acute water shortages and air pollution. Today, we are left with a crisis where over 663 million people are living without a safe water supply close to their homes, spending countless hours queuing or trekking to distant sources, and trying to cope up with the health impacts of using contaminated water.

World Water Day is a United Nation Initiative and is all about educating our society about the preciousness of water and taking action to tackle the water crisis. It is an annual event celebrated every year on March 22. The day focuses attention on the importance of fresh water and advocates for the sustainable management of freshwater resources.

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World Water Day is also used to highlight required improvements for access to water, sanitation, hygiene facilities in developing countries. Every year the awareness campaign will be on a specific theme. This year's focus is on reducing the wastage of water.

This world is not only for us. This is also for our future generations. It's important that we not only live here but also leaves a warm and fresh environment for our future generations. We, as students, can also play our part in building up this awareness among the society. Today let's declare that water is as precious as Gold and we will not waste it unnecessary.

Let's encourage water conservation techniques like rain water harvesting and water recycling for sanitation and gardening. Let's be vigilant about water pollution. Let's not allow our fresh water bodies to be used at Dump yards for waste. It's the responsibility of every citizen around the globe to be a part of this exercise so that we can make this world a better place.

Contributed by: Victor Geirge

47. Things I like to do

I like playing the guitar. Though I am not very good at it and am still learning, I can play some tunes.

I spend quite a lot of time playing the guitar so much so I get scolded sometimes by my mother.

I suppose I do tend to spend a bit too much time with it. Anyhow, playing the guitar is very enjoyable.

I also like taking evening walks around my neighbourhood. In the evening the air is cool and refreshing.

The children are busy playing and the neighbours are friendlier. So I take leisurely strolls, sometimes stopping to play with other children and sometimes stopping to chat with the neighbours.

Another thing that I like doing is getting up late in the morning. During weekdays I have to get up early or I will not get to school on time.

On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, it is so pleasurable to just lie in bed in the morning without having to get up and hurry to school.

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Again I tend to lie too long in bed and my mother has to come and tell me to get up.

Listening to the radio and watching television are also things I like to do.

Of course I do not listen and watch everything.

I only tune in to my favorite programmes and enjoy myself while seated on my favorite chair.

There are other things that I enjoy doing too but there seems to be not enough time to do them all.

So I generally just stick to doing those I mentioned plus any others that I have time for.

48. Honesty is the best policy

Everyone is familiar with the stories of Pinocchio and the boy who cried Wolf. While Pinocchio's nose elongated every time he told a lie, the boy in the other story met with a brutal fate, upon lying to the villagers.

These stories are an attempt to teach children the importance of being honest. They depict the consequences of lying. But what they do not throw light on is the fact that, being dishonest to others is being dishonest to oneself.

Honesty enables a person to be the best version of them. It shows that they are a genuine person, with nothing to hide.

It allows them to fully be at peace with who they are and not feel the need to lie or hide anything. Moreover, those who are honest are trustworthy. Such attributes make them a likeable person.

Benjamin Franklin's quote, "Honesty is the Best Policy." is a plain truth of life.

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Honesty is one of those roads, that may not always be easy, but once taken, they simplify your life to a great extent.

Those who are honest have fewer things to worry about.

They are known to have stronger relations with people. Lying, on the other hand, is a negative habit.

It's like quicksand, in the sense that once you start lying, you are caught in a trap. You end up lying more, as time goes by.

It creates a bad impression on people. And bad impressions are difficult to get rid of.

Regardless of your intentions, honesty is usually the best tactic to a healthier lifestyle.

There's no greater good you can do than be honest with yourself about what you believe and want out of life.

It brings together the body, mind and soul and establishes a sense of balance.

49. Nature

Nature is the most precious gift given to mankind. We have a duty to save nature. But man is destroying it for his own selfish needs.

He is cutting down trees, killing wildlife and polluting the air with poisonous gases. Many fish species have perished, flowers withered and bright, colourful butterflies can hardly be seen any more.

We are steadily moving towards the path of destruction. Man is selfish in his needs and destroying the land for his own progress. New industries and factories are being built without taking into account the smoke and chemicals emitted from these places.

Beautiful villages are used for industrial purpose. The lands of the poor farmers are being bought by paying meagre compensation to cater to the needs of the industrialists.

We forget the fact that animals and birds are made homeless when forests are destroyed. Thus they come out of their habitat and enter the residency areas of human beings in search of food.

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That is the reason these days we find the many animals on the roads rather than in the jungles. We are taught in schools that plants give us food and shelter.

The current generation can at least imagine about the plants and trees but the future generation will see them only in laptops, as they would have already become extinct.

Imagine a world where there will be no forests, only concrete jungles, no water but acid rain and no fresh air only smoke-filled clouds.

The ozone layer has already started depleting. We, being the torch bearers of the future of mother earth, has a duty to propagate the love for nature. We have to preserve it and save our planet from being wiped out.

When we teach our children A for apple; tomorrow he will ask us, "Mother, what is an apple?" So let's all take a pledge to plant at least one tree in our gardens and nurture it.

Let us take a promise to plant at least one tree today and join the efforts to save this nature.

50. Parents are Visible God

Everyone loves their father and mother. Don't you? There is no doubt that every child sitting here loves and respects their father and mother. However is there any difference which we can find unique in India in our attitudes towards parents? Yes, we should be proud to say that in our culture and tradition, our parents are treated as equal to god.

Our parents are the one whom we interact daily. Every day we see how they struggle to keep us happy. Our parents work hard to give us the best. They sacrifice their luxuries to provide food and education for us. That's why we consider them as visible god. Indian Culture clearly defines the importance of expressing love and obligations towards our parents. Our ancient Vedic text says 'Matha Pitha Guru Deva' which means father, mother and teacher should be treated as god itself.

Bhagawan Vishnu Once said to Marekendeya Rishi that those who serve their parents, thinking that their father as the Lord of Universe, Mother as Holy River Ganga are my best devotees. This simply demonstrates the importance of serving our parents. Infact, Bhagawan has himself demonstrated how we should respect elders and parents. Sri Rama, chose to forest for 14 years to keep his father's words given to his step mother. Even though he underwent years of hardship, he never became angry with her and forgive her.

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Another example is the story of Ganesha and Karthikeya. Once mother Parvathi set a race for them. She said that both should race by travelling around the world and the one who completes first will get a special mango. Hearing this Subramanya Immediacy started and flew on the back of his peacock. But Ganesha started walking around his parents. As he completed his third round Karthikeya finished his trip and landed. However Parvathi declared Ganesha as the winner after hearing Ganesha who said- My world is my parents and I finished my travel around the world.

Another example is when Guru Shankaracharya's who as a boy saw his mother struggling to bring water from a distant river. One day when she fell ill, Shakaracharya and his friends dug a channel from the distant river right up to his home so that his mother don't need to struggle to get water. He also gave a promise to his mother when he took the decision to be a Saint. He kept his words by fulfilling the wish of his dying mother and appeared before his using his Yogic powers.

Dear Friends, Its time to realize that the very existence of us is because of our parents. Serving them is the most pious act as per our culture and tradition. So today let's take a pledge that we will always listen to them and will never hurt them through our actions or words, we should always love and respect our father and mother and help them when they need.