> **"Good judgment comes from experience, and experience comes from bad judgment."**
>
> **— Rita Mae Brown, Alma Mater**

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EXPRESS DELIVERY

SPEED REDEFINING MODERN

In today's fast-paced world, time has become the most valuable currency. Customers no longer want to wait days or weeks for their purchases to arrive. This growing demand for speed has given rise to **express delivery**, a service model that prioritizes rapid transportation of goods from seller to customer. From documents and medicines to groceries and high-value electronics, express delivery has transformed how businesses operate and how consumers experience convenience.

WHAT IS EXPRESS DELIVERY?

Express delivery refers to logistics services designed to deliver goods in the shortest possible time frame, often within 24 to 48 hours, and in some cases, the same day. Unlike standard delivery, which focuses on cost efficiency, express delivery emphasizes speed, reliability, and precise tracking. It often involves optimized routes, priority handling, and advanced technology to ensure timely arrival.

EVOLUTION OF EXPRESS DELIVERY SERVICES

The concept of express delivery began with courier services handling urgent documents. With the growth of e-commerce, the scope expanded dramatically. Online marketplaces, food delivery apps, and even local retailers now rely on express logistics to meet customer expectations. Technological advancements such as GPS tracking, automated sorting centers, and real-time notifications have further accelerated this evolution, making express delivery more accurate and transparent.

IMPORTANCE IN E-COMMERCE AND RETAIL

Express delivery has become a competitive advantage in the e-commerce sector. Fast delivery increases customer satisfaction, builds trust, and encourages repeat purchases. Many consumers are willing to pay extra for quicker shipping, especially for urgent or high-value items. Retailers also benefit through reduced cart abandonment and improved brand reputation. In urban areas, express delivery has blurred the line between online and offline shopping by offering near-instant gratification.

ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY

Technology is the backbone of express delivery. Artificial intelligence helps predict demand and optimize routes, while data analytics improves inventory placement closer to customers. Mobile applications provide real-time tracking and communication between drivers and customers. Automation in warehouses speeds up sorting and packing, ensuring orders are dispatched without delay. Emerging innovations like drones and autonomous vehicles promise to make express delivery even faster in the future.

FUTURE OF EXPRESS DELIVERY

The future of express delivery looks promising and innovative. Consumers will continue to expect faster and more flexible delivery options. Same-day and one-hour delivery services are likely to expand beyond major cities. Integration of smart technology, green logistics, and customer-centric solutions will define the next phase of growth. Express delivery will not just be about speed, but also about efficiency, sustainability, and reliability.

CONCLUSION

Express delivery has become an essential part of modern life, reshaping commerce and customer expectations. By combining speed, technology, and service excellence, it bridges the gap between demand and fulfillment. While challenges remain, continuous innovation ensures that express delivery will play a crucial role in the global supply chain for years to come.

SAMSUNG BETS BIG ON THE BUDGET 5G CROWD

Samsung has launched the Galaxy A07 5G, targeting India's competitive mid-segment smartphone market. The device focuses on affordability while offering next-generation connectivity, reflecting Samsung's strategy to deepen its reach beyond premium buyers. With 5G gradually becoming mainstream, the A07 aims to attract first-time upgraders seeking longevity rather than luxury. Samsung's emphasis is on dependable performance, battery efficiency, and brand trust. In a market crowded with aggressive rivals, the launch signals Samsung's confidence in volume-driven growth. The Galaxy A07 5G reinforces the idea that future smartphone battles in India will be fought on value, not novelty.

VIVO PREPARES FEBRUARY PUSH WITH V70 SERIES

Vivo has announced the launch of its V70 and V70 Elite smartphones, scheduled for February 19, signalling an aggressive start to the year. The company continues to focus on design, camera performance, and premium aesthetics for upper mid-range consumers. By offering two variants, Vivo aims to capture different price sensitivities without diluting brand appeal. The move reflects Vivo's confidence in India's growing appetite for stylish, performance-driven devices. As competition intensifies, launches are becoming more frequent and more targeted. The V70 series underscores how smartphone brands now compete not just on hardware, but on lifestyle positioning and visual identity.

POLITICS SHADOWS CHIP SALES TO BYTE DANCE

Nvidia's proposed AI chip sale to ByteDance has become entangled in geopolitical conditions set by the Trump administration. The deal reflects growing anxiety in Washington over advanced technology reaching Chinese firms. For Nvidia, global demand collides with regulatory uncertainty. For policymakers, AI chips are no longer commercial products but strategic assets. The episode illustrates how tech supply chains are increasingly shaped by national security concerns. Even private transactions now carry political weight. As AI becomes central to economic and military power, companies face a new reality where innovation must navigate diplomacy, regulation, and shifting alliances alongside market forces.
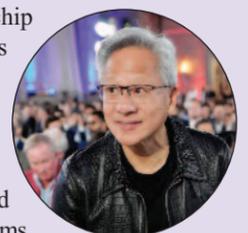
PLETHORA OF ACTIVITIES AT THE LUCKNOW PUBLIC COLLEGIATE

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The Lucknow Public Collegiate hosted a dynamic showcase of co-curricular excellence on 4th February, 2026, reaffirming its commitment to holistic education in alignment with the NEP 2020 framework. The day-long programme was designed to nurture creativity, critical thinking, environmental responsibility, civic awareness, and entrepreneurial skills among students.

The day commenced with an inspiring Inter-House Flower Arrangement Competition based on the theme "Eco Bloom – Flowers for the Planet." Students presented eco-friendly floral arrangements reflecting sustainability, conservation, and harmony with nature, keeping the audience captivated. Adding a flavourful touch to the day was the Inter-House Culinary Competition (Non-Flame Cooking) themed "Tiffin Time Tales," which highlighted innovation and mindful eating as students creatively reimagined everyday tiffin ingredients into nutritious and visually appealing dishes. Another exciting event, the Salad Dressing Competition themed "Fruits and Fun Fusion," further promoted healthy eating through imaginative blends of fruits and wholesome ingredients.

The event also featured an impressive exhibition, drawing visitors into a world of creativity, innovation, and knowledge. Parents and students exploring the floral displays were equally mesmerised by an inspiring array of exh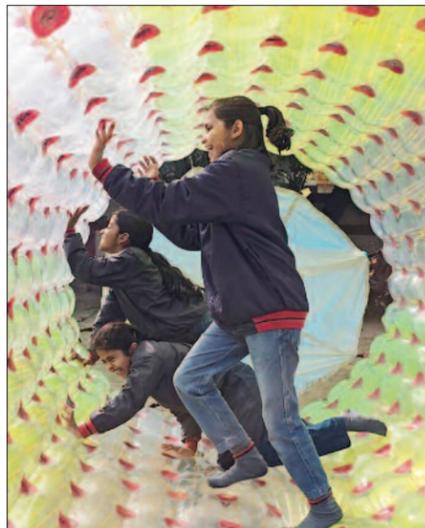ibits. "A Festival of Ideas and Artistry," the Art and Craft Exhibition, showcased exquisite handcrafted artwork and unique decorative pieces. Adding a unique charm to the exhibition, students of Nursery, LKG and UKG showcased creatively crafted Shadow boxes that visually narrated simple stories, reflecting imagination, expression , and the joy of early storytelling. The Science Exhibition – Unravelling the Wonders of Science featured interactive models and experiments that simplified complex scientific concepts. The Social Science Exhibition – Our World, Our Story presented engaging displays on history, geography, and civics, fostering global awareness and contextual learning.

The highlight of the exhibition was a student-led Manifesto-based Election Campaign, featuring two student-formed political parties. Through speeches, campaign strategies, and manifesto presentations, students simulated the electoral process, gaining first-hand insight into the importance of elections, informed voting, and democratic values.

Creative expression continued with the Photography Competition – Emotions Without Words: Reflection of Life, where students captured compelling emotions and moments of everyday life through powerful visual storytelling. The Business Model Competition provided a platform for young innovators to present sustainable and forward-thinking business ideas, demonstrating confidence, collaboration, and problem-solving skills.

Enhancing the day's festive spirit, the Baghira Adventure Camp provided children with an enriching learning experience that fostered teamwork, courage and enthusiasm.The event was truly a celebration of creativity, knowledge, and holistic learning, leaving students inspired to Make, Create, and Innovate. The judges were "blown away" by the talent, creativity, and hard work displayed by the students.Lauding the efforts of the students and teachers, Dr. Jawaid Alam Khan, Director/Principal, The Lucknow Public Collegiate, expressed his delight at the resounding success of the day's events and announced that such initiatives would be an annual feature, encouraging students to continue showcasing their talents.

Glacial Lakes: Mapping Tomorrow's Climate Risks

A new study mapping future glacial lakes offers a sobering glimpse into climate change's long-term consequences. As glaciers retreat, newly formed lakes increase risks of floods, landslides, and ecosystem disruption. Researchers stress that identifying these lakes early can help governments prepare disaster-mitigation strategies. The findings are especially relevant for Himalayan regions, where millions live downstream. While glacial retreat is irreversible in the short term, data-driven planning can reduce damage. The study underlines how climate science is shifting from prediction to preparedness. Mapping what lies ahead is no longer academic—it is essential for protecting lives and infrastructure in vulnerable regions.

MARTYR'S DAY OBSERVED AT THE LUCKNOW PUBLIC COLLEGIATE

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The Lucknow Public Collegiate, Sharda Nagar observed Martyr's Day on 30th January 2026 in the school where significance of the day was shared with the students. Martyr's Day is observed every year on January 30th to mark the death anniversary of the father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi. The day is also chosen to honour the brave martyrs who laid their lives for the country.

As a tribute to our martyrs, students reflected their respect and gratitude through creativity by participating in slogan writing and poster making activities that honored their heroic legacy.

To solemnize the wistful day a cultural programme was organized in the school. The programme started with the school anthem, followed by English speech.

The students also took pledge to become responsible citizens of the nation. Highlight of the day was a talk, recalling the chivalry of the martyrs, which reverberated the ideologies of Mahatma Gandhi all around the Odeum. Another speech was given by a student calling attention to the valor of the saint sufferers.

The programme concluded with a mellifluous Bhajan presented by school choir. In the end, Dr Jawaid Alam Khan, Director/Principal showered praises on the students for their wonderful performance. The programme ended with the national anthem.

Inter-Branch G. K. Quiz Conducted Successfully at Red Rose Senior Secondary School, Gomti Nagar

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Red Rose Senior Secondary School successfully organized an Inter-Branch Quiz Competition on Thursday, February 5 at the school campus, witnessing enthusiastic participation from students across all branches, Rajaji Puram, Krishna Nagar, Mohanlalganj and Gomti Nagar.

The event was conducted smoothly and efficiently, reflecting meticulous planning and teamwork.

The event was conducted smoothly in a well-organized and disciplined manner. The quiz aimed at enhancing students' general knowledge, awareness of current affairs, and analytical skills. The competition comprised multiple rounds that tested students on a wide range of topics, making the event informative and engaging.

Students participated with great enthusiasm and displayed commendable confidence, presence of mind, and team spirit. The audience also remained attentive and supportive throughout the programme, contributing to the lively atmosphere.

The Management and the Principal appreciated the efforts of the organizing committee, quiz masters, teachers, and volunteers whose coordination ensured the smooth conduct of the inter-branch quiz. Special appreciation was extended to the participating students for their sportsman spirit and enthusiasm.

ERAM EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY HONORS ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS AT FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION

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Eram Educational Society proudly organized a grand award ceremony to honor students who achieved exceptional results in the Class 12 Board Examinations 2024-25. The occasion coincided with the Society's Founder's Day and was celebrated in the presence of a large gathering of students, faculty members, and distinguished guests.

The awards were presented by the Deputy Chief Minister, lending prestige and significance to the event. Among the awardees, Shambhavi Shukla, a student of Eram Convent College, Kursi Road Campu, emerged as the overall topper across all branches of Eram Educational Society, under the guidance of the principal Shaima Khan she made a remarkable accomplishment that brought great

pride to the institution.The meritorious students were felicitated in front of thousands of attendees, creating an atmosphere of celebration, inspiration, and academic excellence. The event highlighted the importance of dedication, discipline, and perseverance in achieving success.On this occasion, the management of Eram Convent College reiterated its commitment to nurturing young minds, fostering academic excellence, and providing quality education aimed at holistic development. The Founder's Day celebration once again reflected the Society's enduring legacy of excellence in education.

ROBLOX LETS WORDS BUILD WORLDS

Roblox has unveiled AI technology that allows users to generate functioning models using natural language prompts. The innovation lowers technical barriers, enabling creators to design complex environments without coding expertise. For younger users especially, this marks a shift from learning tools to intuitive creativity. However, experts caution that such power also raises concerns about moderation, misuse, and intellectual property. Roblox positions the tool as an educational and creative leap forward. The launch highlights how AI is redefining user-generated platforms, turning imagination into instant output. As digital worlds expand, the line between player, creator, and programmer continues to blur rapidly.

NETFLIX FACES SENATE HEAT OVER MEDIA POWER

Netflix's co-CEO has faced intense questioning from a U.S. Senate panel over the company's proposed deal involving Warner Bros. Lawmakers raised concerns about competition, media concentration, and consumer impact. The grilling reflects heightened scrutiny of streaming giants as they reshape entertainment markets. Netflix defended the deal as necessary for scale and creative investment. However, regulators remain wary of consolidation reducing choice. The hearing signals a broader shift: streaming platforms are no longer disruptive outsiders but dominant players subject to oversight. As entertainment merges with big tech, questions of power, fairness, and cultural influence are moving firmly into the political arena.

MUSK'S SPACE MERGER LOOKS BEYOND EARTH

Elon Musk's merger of SpaceX and xAI signals an ambitious bet on futuristic data centres operating beyond Earth. The vision blends space infrastructure with artificial intelligence, aiming to overcome terrestrial limits on energy and computing. While critics see science fiction, Musk frames it as long-term necessity. The move reflects his belief that future technological growth depends on space-based solutions. However, regulatory, ethical, and feasibility questions remain unresolved. The merger underscores how tech billionaires increasingly think on planetary scales. Whether visionary or premature, the deal shows how the boundaries between space exploration, AI, and infrastructure are rapidly dissolving.

AI JOLTS US SOFTWARE STOCKS

U.S. software stocks have taken a hit following renewed concerns over AI-driven disruption sparked by Anthropic's advances. Investors fear traditional software models may struggle against rapidly evolving AI tools. The selloff reflects uncertainty rather than collapse, analysts note. Markets are grappling with how quickly AI can reshape value chains. While productivity gains are expected, timelines remain unclear. The reaction shows how sensitive tech valuations have become to AI narratives. For companies, the message is stark: adapt or be re-priced. AI is no longer a future possibility—it is an immediate force reshaping investor confidence.

AID GROUPS WARN ON MEDICINE ACCESS

Médecins Sans Frontières has cautioned that the proposed India–EU free trade agreement could restrict access to affordable medicines in India and other developing nations. The organisation fears stronger intellectual property rules may delay generic drug production. India's role as the "pharmacy of the global south" is central to the concern. Any disruption could affect treatment for HIV, tuberculosis, and cancer worldwide. The warning highlights tensions between trade liberalisation and public health. As negotiations continue, the challenge lies in balancing innovation incentives with humanitarian needs. Medicine access, activists argue, must remain a global priority, not a bargaining chip.

SNAP SEES AD REVIVAL

Snap has reported stronger-than-expected fourth-quarter revenue, buoyed by increased holiday advertising spend. The results suggest a cautious recovery in digital ad markets after months of uncertainty. Snap credited improved targeting tools and advertiser confidence. While challenges remain from larger rivals, the performance offers reassurance to investors. The upbeat numbers reflect how seasonal spending still matters in the digital economy. Snap's rebound shows that niche platforms can survive volatility with focused strategies. As advertisers reassess budgets in an AI-driven landscape, platforms that demonstrate engagement and adaptability may yet carve out sustainable growth despite intense competition.
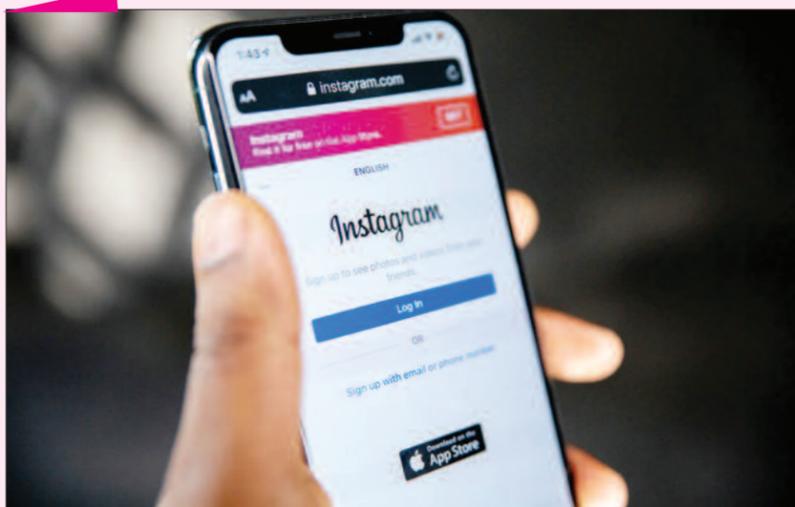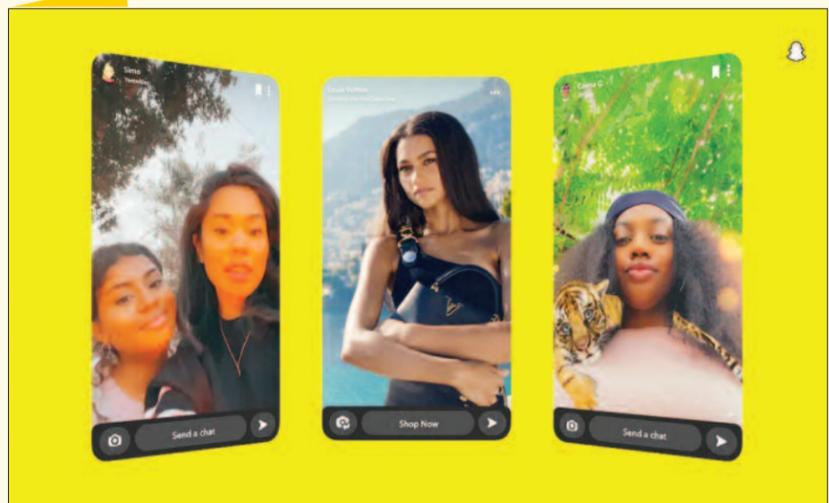
INSTAGRAM OUTAGE HIGHLIGHTS FRAGILITY

Instagram experienced a widespread outage affecting over 10,000 users in the United States, reminding users of the fragility of digital platforms. While services were restored, the disruption triggered frustration and speculation. Such outages underline how deeply social media is woven into daily life. Meta has not reported lasting damage, but repeated disruptions can erode trust. As platforms scale globally, reliability becomes as critical as innovation. The incident reinforces calls for transparency when services fail. In an always-connected world, even brief digital silences expose how dependent societies have become on invisible infrastructures.

GOOGLE'S AI MOMENTUM STRENGTHENS

Google's latest quarterly results depict a company gaining strength in the AI era rather than losing ground. Strong advertising revenues, cloud growth, and AI integration across products highlight resilience. Google's strategy focuses on embedding AI into existing ecosystems rather than chasing hype. Investors appear reassured by disciplined execution. The results challenge narratives of Google being threatened by newer AI players. Instead, scale, data, and infrastructure remain decisive advantages. As competition intensifies, Google's performance suggests incumbents can adapt successfully. The quarter signals that the AI race is not about speed alone, but about sustained, system-wide integration.
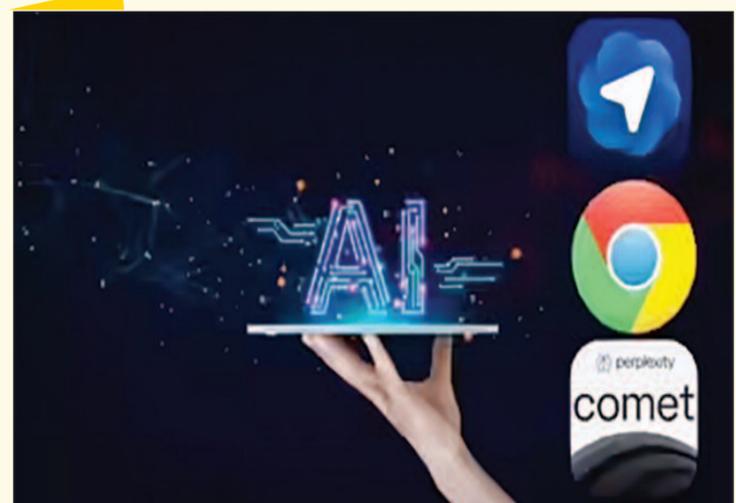
CHEETAH DREAMS IN THE DESERT

Scientists are exploring whether the critically endangered Asiatic cheetah could be reintroduced into Saudi Arabia as part of rewilding efforts. Once widespread across Asia, the species now survives in tiny numbers. Supporters argue that restored habitats could aid conservation. Critics warn of ecological risks and ethical concerns. The proposal reflects a growing trend of ambitious rewilding projects backed by wealth and political will. Whether conservation can succeed outside historical ranges remains debated. The discussion highlights desperation and creativity in saving species on the brink. For the Asiatic cheetah, survival may depend on bold, unconventional choices.

INDIAN CITIES HEATING FASTER THAN EXPECTED

A new study warns that Indian cities may experience far greater temperature increases than climate models currently predict. Urban heat islands, dense construction, and reduced green cover amplify warming. The findings raise urgent concerns for public health, energy demand, and livability. Vulnerable populations face increased risks during heatwaves. Researchers argue that urban planning must urgently integrate climate resilience. Cooling strategies such as green spaces and reflective materials are no longer optional. The study highlights a dangerous gap between projections and lived reality. For India's cities, adapting to heat is becoming a survival challenge, not just an environmental issue.

CRICKET FANS GEAR UP FOR 2026 T20 WORLD CUP

With the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 approaching, broadcasters and organisers have released viewing details to engage global audiences. The tournament promises high-stakes clashes and packed schedules across venues. For fans, accessibility through multiple platforms reflects cricket's expanding digital footprint. The event is expected to draw massive viewership, reinforcing cricket's commercial and cultural power. Teams are already fine-tuning strategies. Beyond sport, the World Cup is a global spectacle blending entertainment, nationalism, and business. As anticipation builds, the tournament underscores how cricket continues to evolve into a year-round, multi-platform experience.

INDIA'S ASIAN CUP AMBITION CONFIRMED

The Asian Football Confederation has confirmed India's bid to host the 2031 Asian Cup, signalling confidence in the country's sporting infrastructure. Hosting the tournament could boost football's profile domestically and accelerate development. Challenges remain, including facilities, grassroots systems, and fan engagement. However, the bid reflects India's growing ambition in global sport beyond cricket. Success would demand coordination between government, federations, and private partners. The confirmation itself is a milestone, placing India firmly in continental football conversations. Whether hosting materialises or not, the bid reflects a nation increasingly willing to invest in sporting identity.

FUN COOKING – CHEESY KULHAD PIZZA

A modern street-style fusion snack.

CHEF'S CORNER

Ingredients:

- 2 pizza bread bases or bread slices (crumbled)
- 1 cup pizza sauce
- 1 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- 1 small onion (finely chopped)
- 1 small capsicum (finely chopped)
- Oregano and chilli flakes (optional)
- Butter for greasing
- 1 earthen kulhad (clay cup)

Instructions:

1. Lightly grease the kulhad with butter.
2. Add a layer of crumbled bread or pizza base at the bottom.
3. Add pizza sauce, chopped vegetables, and cheese.
4. Repeat the layers until the kulhad is full.
5. Top with extra cheese and seasoning.
6. Bake in an oven or heat covered on a pan until cheese melts.
7. Serve hot directly in the kulhad.

Chef's Tip: Cover the kulhad while heating to melt the cheese evenly.

FUN ACTIVITY – NEWSPAPER BAG CRAFT

Materials:

- Old newspaper
- Glue or tape
- Scissors
- Sketch pens

Steps:

1. Fold a sheet of newspaper lengthwise.
2. Fold the bottom edge upward to make a base.
3. Fold the sides inward and secure with glue or tape.
4. Open the bag carefully.
5. Decorate the outside with designs or messages.

Creative Twist:

Use it as a gift bag or lunch carry bag.

FUN FACTS

- The human gut contains trillions of bacteria that influence digestion, immunity, and even mood.
- Clay utensils like kulhads can add trace minerals to food and help retain heat longer than steel or plastic.
- Your brain continues to form new neural connections well into your late twenties.
- Cheese releases small amounts of dopamine because it contains casein, a protein that breaks into mood-lifting compounds.
- The average person spends nearly one-third of their life sleeping, which is essential for memory and learning.

RIDDLE OF THE DAY

The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?
Answer: Footsteps
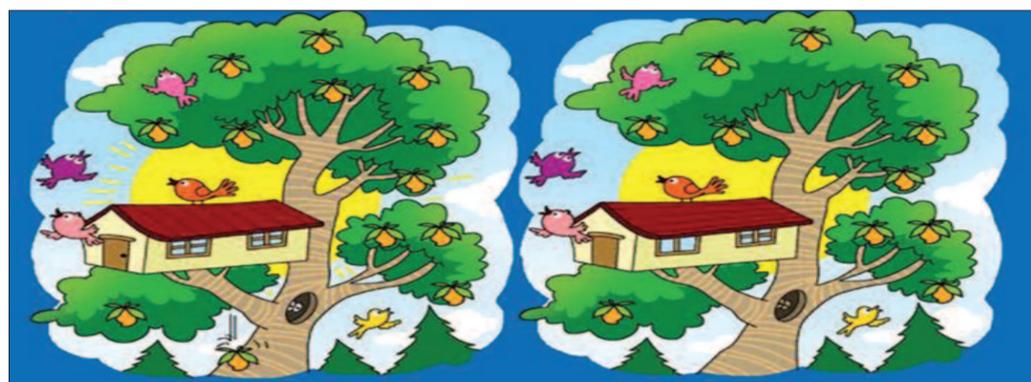
TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Q1. Which element has the chemical symbol "O"?

Q2. Who proposed the theory of evolution by natural selection?

Q3. How many chambers are there in the human heart?

Q4. What does CPU stand for in a computer?

Q5. Which continent has the largest population?

Answers: Oxygen

Charles Darwin

Four

Central Processing Unit

Asia

SUDOKU

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

WINTER CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Read the clues below and fill in the grid.

ACROSS

1. Shoes for snowy or rainy days.
3. A type of tree that stays green.
4. Warm clothing for the upper body.
7. The opposite of warm.
9. Warm gloves for hands.
11. Related to very cold regions.

DOWN

2. Cloth worn around the neck.
3. A figure made by stacking snowballs.
4. A black-and-white bird that can't fly.
8. A small vehicle for sliding on snow.
9. Frozen water that falls from the sky.

DIFFERENCE

Tradition in Ice: How the Sapporo Festival Preserves Local Culture

By Md. Sawood Basari

The survival of local culture in a globalized world depends not on resistance to change, but on meaningful adaptation. In northern Japan, the offers a compelling example of how tradition can be preserved through creativity, community participation, and cultural consciousness. Far more than a tourist spectacle, the festival functions as a living cultural institution.

HISTORICAL ROOTS AND COMMUNITY ORIGIN

The Sapporo Snow Festival began in 1950 as a small, local initiative when school students created simple snow statues in public spaces. Its origin reflects a collective spirit rather than commercial ambition. This grassroots beginning remains central to the festival's identity, as local residents, volunteers, and public institutions continue to actively participate in its organization and execution.

SNOW AS A MEDIUM OF CULTURAL MEMORY

In Hokkaido, snow is an inseparable part of daily life. The festival transforms this natural condition into an artistic and cultural medium. Snow and ice sculptures frequently depict historical figures, traditional architecture, folklore, and regional symbols. These temporary structures act as visual narratives, allowing culture to be experienced rather than merely observed.

Key Ways the Festival Preserves Local Culture

- Active involvement of local communities and institutions
- Representation of Japanese history, folklore, and regional identity in sculptures
- Promotion of traditional food, music, and performances
- Use of local materials and seasonal environment
- Intergenerational participation, passing cultural values forward

This point-wise structure highlights how preservation operates at multiple social levels.

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