

SCHOOL IS COOL

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The many interpretations and challenges of life

I conducted an activity in my class and was overwhelmed with the wonderful responses. The Address by Marga Minco is a poignant account of the personal challenges that all of us have to encounter as individuals while resolving crisis in our own lives. This story unfolds the disruption caused in the narrator and her mother's lives due to the war.

DPS WHITEFIELD

The story depicts the complex human emotions of fear, trust, hope and betrayal. The students of class XI were asked to express a strong emotion that they felt while reading the text. The students used art, music and theatre as mediums to represent the many emotions. It was a commendable effort put in by each student as they presented their work.

FEAR IS NATURAL

Fear is a natural, powerful, and primitive human emotion. Fear alerts us to the presence of danger or the threat of harm, whether that danger is physical or psychological. Each of us has felt afraid, and we can all recognize fear. This artwork is a combination of two other picturisations of the instances in the chapter 'The Address' where the emotion fear is represented. One such instance is... When Mrs. S's daughter knocked on Mrs. Dorling's door, she did not open the door to the daughter of her former acquain-



tance nor did she show any signs of recognition as she was scared of losing all those possessions she had taken from them. We struggle with a fear of loss of possessions. In other words, we have a kind of "loss aversion." The fear is that something of value may be lost and that loss will be regretted in the future. The story is divided into pre-war and post-war times. War is a time of helplessness and a sense of powerlessness, as well as a profound sense of fear of life, existence, earnings and about the future. The girl too suffered a lot during the war including her mother's demise.

Geethika Nambiar, class XI

Through this activity, the students understood the text better; they researched and put in a great deal of thought into presenting their ideas through diverse mediums. What they presented were artworks and a poem.

THE ADDRESS

Along each day, I'll find a thought of you, mother and kindle it involuntarily, nights whimpered in silent fear of what might become of them war slithered in, with sinister intent, I'll always remember your green sweater waiting for the day where I all the belongings I can recover Everything you have belongs to my

family, make me shiver, incapable of looking forward to a future crockery hanging on your walls we've eaten in similar fashion, gluttony is not a sin of your own, confusion lit the path with shadowed light from an envious lantern.

I know you'd find it fascinating, how so seemingly small a memory can leave something behind so that even the walls feel ashamed about leaving it unoccupied. but alas, I must move on as I grow numb to the pain feelings fading as cold as the chains take chances at a life you don't own, as emotions can't be bought but our belongings are not all that matters, our feelings are on a draft

Happiness has a price, none that money can pay but for us, our belongings are all, we needn't say

murmurs of discontent sprinted throughout our home, wanted to forget the 46th house, nothing to shield me from the pain like a dome, memories of betrayal are sneaking in like a mouse blood seeping through my chest, survived the war only to forget, I'll try my best to not remember your address.

Mritunjay Roy, Grade XI

THE WINGS OF HOPE

The Second World War had left millions of people dead, many of them innocent civilians who were ruthlessly murdered by the Nazi regime. This sketch represents the survivor of the War. This sketch is filled with symbolism. The broken chains with weights bearing the signs of the regime show the end of the war and the prevailing freedom of the persecuted. The symbolic star on the hand of the girl is a representation of how the Nazis segregated, ruthlessly tortured and murdered Jews. The wings represent the hope and determination of the survivors in rebuilding their life, many of them doing so after losing their near and dear ones to the war. This sketch portrays the emotions of hope and sadness. The sadness being the loss of loved ones through the war. This sketch tries to imply that with enough hope and determination, you can leave your past behind and reach heights you'd never imagine you could.



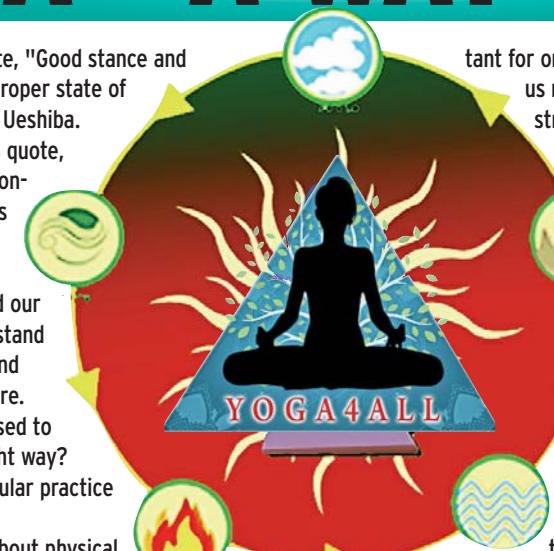
Prayagraj, class XI

YOGA - A WAY OF LIFE

Starting with a quote, "Good stance and posture reflect a proper state of mind," said Morihei Ueshiba.

Continuing with this quote, nurturing the right personality and state of mind is very important. What people usually see is what they believe in and our personality requires to stand out. The right posture and words decide who you are. Now, how are we supposed to mould ourselves the right way? The solution is - the regular practice of Yoga.

"Yoga" is not just about physical fitness. It is about acquiring the stability and a higher conscious state of mind. Our habits and activities all come under control and takes a turn at necessary period of time. Physical strength is im-



tant for one to focus mentally. Mental stability helps us maintain physical ability but the core strength to sit and think energy is required, which we need physically.

Yoga helps us in acquiring and maintaining mental stability. Practicing yoga helps us to get more focused and concentrate. We usually do not concentrate much on yoga - neglecting it just as exercise but it gives extraordinary results.

Understanding the importance of yoga will keep us in touch with yoga and help us. Keep practicing it.

Vaishnavi Sundaran, class XII, Sri Jayendra Saraswathy Vidhyalaya CBSE School

Yoga should be practiced under the supervision of Yoga Guru. The views expressed in the above article are those of the author and the newspaper takes no responsibility for it.

An iconic person:

KIM NAM JOON

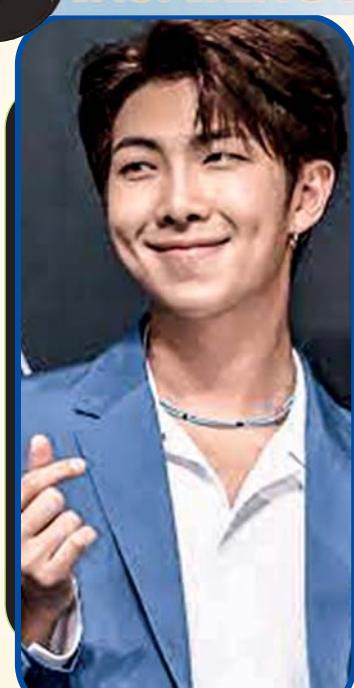
It doesn't matter who you are, where you come from, your skin colour, or your gender identity; just be yourself!

This is more than simply a statement. It is a good spell for showing respect and inviting it back. Music is an important part of people's lives. Kim, the most iconic member of BTS, a prospering and fresh-faced K-POP boy-band, is my ideal motivation. The key fact supporting this high claim is Kim's feel-good speech at UNICEF, which captivated the attention and etched a place in the hearts of millions.

Kim Nam Joon's address emphasised the significance of speaking up for oneself and demanding our own needs. His speech was a feast for my ears, and it inspired me to be even more confident, righteous, and proud of my own identity.



INSPIRING ICONS



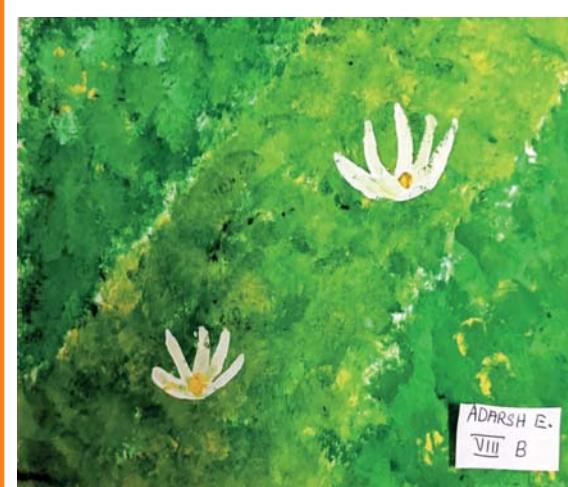
His energising speech encouraged us to speak up for ourselves and not to let pain remain in our hearts. It also provided me with an understanding of the societal attitudes as well as the judgmental society.

I would say that this man, Kim Nam Joon, RM of BTS, who has a heart of gold, deserves infinite accolades and 'likes' from people from every country and corner of the world to encourage his continued climb to prominence.

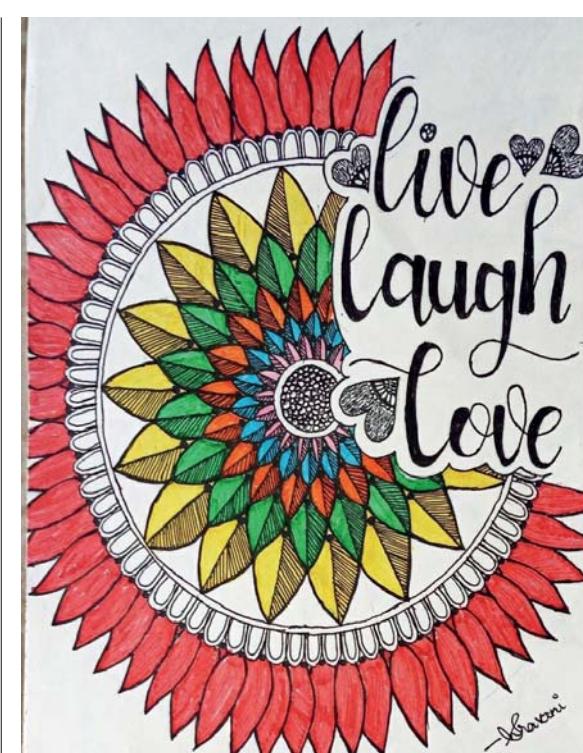
I'd like to offer some advice that will allow us to stand up for ourselves and create a new persona that is a great blend of boldness and equality. This avatar of ours would get us a lot more goodies than we thought.

SWATHI K S, class XI, National Model Senior Secondary School, Coimbatore

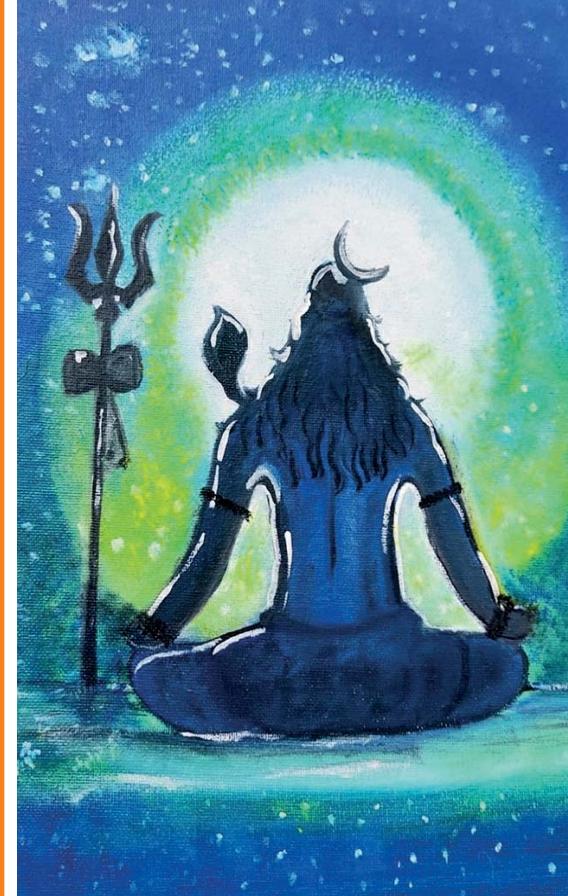
Painters' Gallery



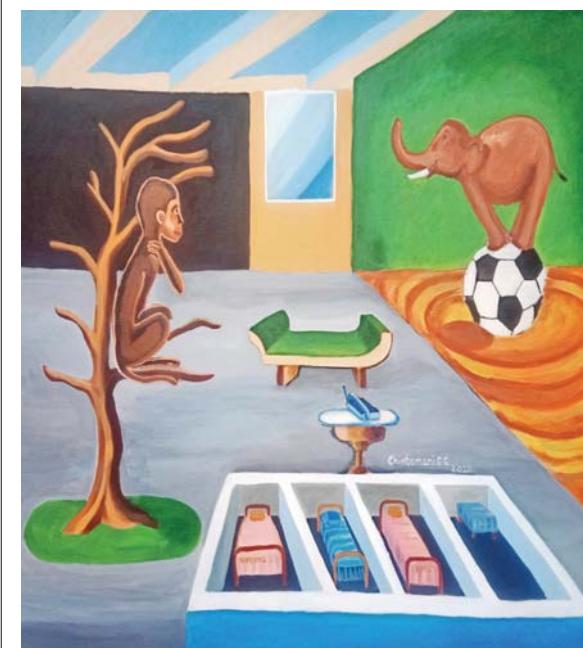
ATTRACTIVE FLOWERS: Adarsh E., class VIII, Samved School



LIFE: Shravani S Beliya, class X, Samved School



LORD SHIVA: Veena Anand, teacher, Carmel High School, Basaveshwaranagar



WANTS INFINITE: Chintamani G G, art teacher, NPS Kengeri

It's not just a place where you get to learn Einstein's Theory of Relativity. It's also a place where you can think beyond the classroom. Hence we say, **SCHOOL IS COOL!**

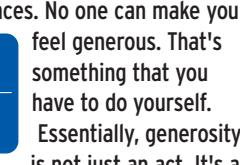
Generosity makes you feel alive

If you ever feel like you are stuck in life and are not growing. If you sense a lack of enthusiasm, here is a solution. Start helping needy people around you. Generosity is a quality that touches the spirit. When you feel generous your life becomes full of compassion and love. Generosity and gratitude are followed by self-care. You are grateful because

you have something or you feel something. Generosity is an expression independent of external circumstances. No one can make you feel generous. That's something that you have to do yourself. Essentially, generosity is not just an act. It's a state of consciousness. One cannot find expression in an act. Generosity and charity begin at home. Just feel generous.

TEACHERSPEAK

Sharada Ravi Shankar, dance teacher, St Francis de Sales Public School



It is important to inculcate quality values and ethics early in children

Positive values are the elements that help make a person's strong personality". We are all aware of this fact but very few people lay emphasis on inculcating these values right from the start? A few years ago, in a cricket match between Australia and South Africa, Australian player Cameron Bancroft was caught by television cameras trying to rough up one side of the cricket ball with sandpaper to make it swing. This act was formulated by then captain Steve Smith and then vice-captain David Warner. Sportsmen all over the world felt ashamed of this incident. This scandal truly represents the lack of sportsmanship spirit. Another such occurrence took place in the final day of a test match between India and Australia in January 2020. Steve Smith, a part of the Australian team, was caught by the stump camera scuffing the markings made on the bat during the drinks break. After looking at the brilliant performance by Rishabh Pant during the match, Steve Smith took a step down the wicket crease and dug a groove into the ground in order to reduce Pant's batting efficiency and walked away. Pant had to re-mark his guard before the play resumed. The craving to do such actions only arises when we don't learn the true ethical values from the start itself. I have heard about a story in which a boy steals

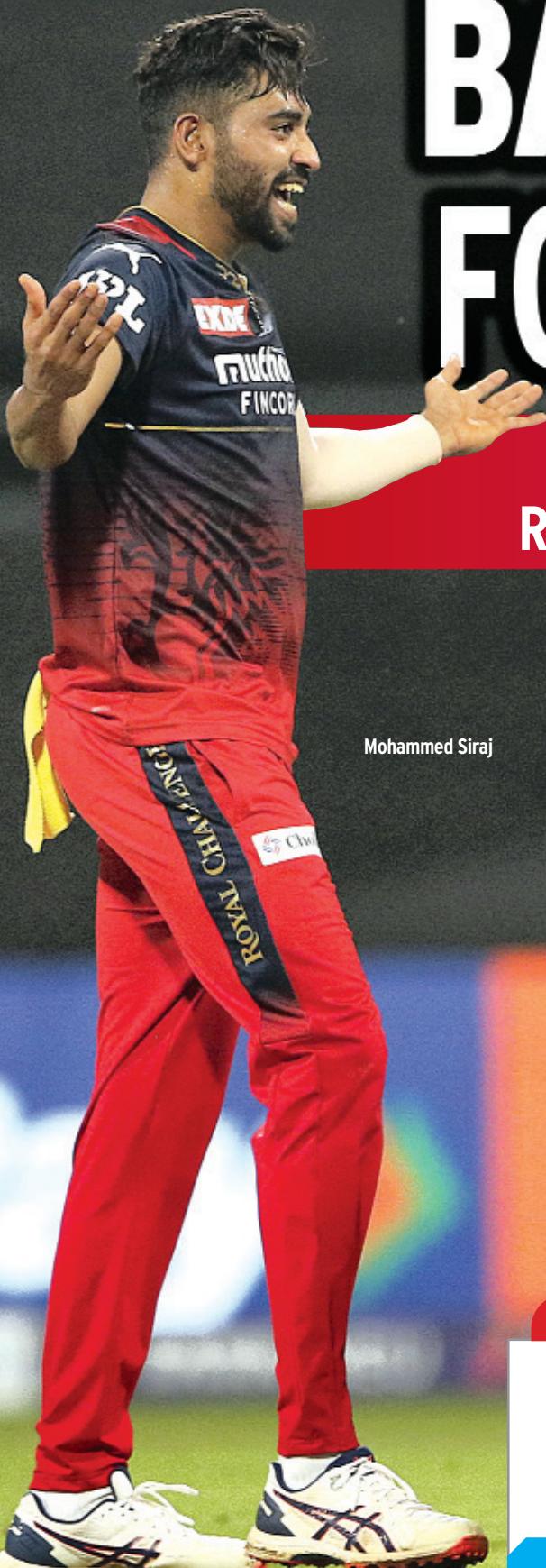
STUDENTSPEAK

Siddharth Kothari, class X, St Joseph's Boys High School

"Mom, I am dying soon for my wrong-doings but that makes me recall the time when you encouraged me to steal things from others. I wish you would have stopped me from doing it. I am only realising the difference between good and bad now, the last day of my life!" His mother is speechless! The two real life incidents and this story will make us realise that our future depends on the actions we take today. This difference between wrong and right must be clarified right from the beginning. That will help a child choose the right path. Therefore, I request all my fellow readers to understand the essence of being virtuous as it has a long term impact on our lives. Doing good and displaying the right ethics reaps benefits whereas, doing wrong things on purpose just for the sake of short-term enjoyment leads to long-term downfall.

BANGALORE HOPE FOR BETTER SHOW

RCB AIM TO STOP JOS BUTTLER AGAINST RAJASTHAN, KOHLI'S FORM IN FOCUS TOO



Mohammed Siraj

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oyal Challengers Bangalore will be aiming to halt the Jos Buttler juggernaut when they take on Rajasthan Royals in the Indian Premier League on Tuesday. Attention will be on Virat Kohli as well following his second consecutive first ball duck in the competition. RCB would be hoping their star batter to be back among the runs besides a much-improved performance by the batting unit after a shocker in the previous game.

MORE FOCUSED

While the Challengers come into the match on the back of a demoralising nine-wicket loss to Sunrisers Hyderabad, Rajasthan have had two successive wins and are one of the in-form teams this season. While the focus would be on Kohli, RCB have also power-hitters in captain Pat Cummins, Glenn Maxwell, Dinesh Karthik and Shahbaaz Ahmed, who can be destructive on their day and



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if they fire in unison, the RR attack would have a tough time. Du Plessis, the highest run-scorer for his team, has blown hot and cold with the willow but remains a vital cog for the team. Karthik too with his hitting abilities is playing the finisher's role to near perfection.

They are up against Rajasthan's varied attack, led by Trent Boult, who has troubled Kohli in the past with the delivery that comes in. Prasidh Krishna and the spin duo of wily Ravichandran Ashwin and Yuzvendra Chahal can also pose problems for the RCB batters. Chahal, with 18 wickets so far, can turn the game on its head. And ditto for Ashwin, who can be the opposition's nemesis on his day. Add to it the four overs by Obed McCoy; Rajasthan have a decent attack.

BRUTAL ONSLAUGHT

For Rajasthan, opener Jos Buttler has been in sublime form, having already hammered three hundred this season. Opener Devdutt Padikkal and skipper Sanju Samson have also been toying with opposition attacks and are among the runs. And so is Shimon Hetmyar, who can compound the bowling team's woes with his brutal onslaught.

RR would be hoping that the top order delivers once again at the MCA Stadium, which has witnessed high-scoring games. The weak links in Rajasthan's batting are Karun Nair and Riyan Parag and the duo would need to step up and deliver. For RCB, they have the best death bowler in Harshal Patel, but he would need support from Mohammed Siraj and Josh Hazlewood. The four overs by Sri Lankan spinner Wanindu Hasaranga, who has eleven wickets, could also change the match's fate. **mn**

Upcoming IPL Match

APRIL 26

7.30 PM

Maharashtra Cricket Association Stadium, Pune



Jos Buttler

BARCA WOBBLE CONTINUES

RAYO'S VICTORY PUTS REAL MADRID ON BRINK OF TITLE

Barcelona suffered a shock 1-0 defeat by Rayo Vallecano on Sunday, handing Real Madrid the chance to win La Liga if they draw at home to Espanyol next weekend. Barca's place in the top four is still not secure either after a third consecutive defeat at Camp Nou continued their late-season wobble and saw them squander the chance to pull away in the race for Champions League qualification. Madrid remain 15 points clear with five games left to play and while Barcelona have a better head-to-head, Carlo Ancelotti's side know they will be uncatchable if they take just a point from Espanyol on Saturday at the Santiago Bernabeu.

BEATEN AT HOME

Barcelona should still have enough for the top four given they sit six points clear of Real Betis in fifth, with five games left to play, but winning this game in hand against an out-of-form Rayo side would certainly have made the run-in more comfortable.

"There are games that get complicated because we don't start how we should," said

Missing out on the Champions League would be unthinkable for Barcelona, who started the season with debts of more than a billion euros

Xavi. "It's a shame because it was a golden opportunity." Instead, their form, as much as their position, will be a real concern for coach Xavi, whose team have now won only twice in their last six matches. This loss comes after they were beaten at home by Eintracht Frankfurt in the Europa League quarterfinals and then defeated by Cadiz in La Liga, also 1-0.

"We're struggling a lot at home," said Sergio Busquets. "We're in this negative dynamic at Camp Nou. We have a cushion, and we had a chance to take advantage, but we haven't managed it."

SURVIVAL GUARANTEED

Rayo, meanwhile, move up to 11th in the table, reaching the 40-point mark that should guarantee their survival. After a good start to the season, promoted Rayo won 12 games without a win between February and April but any concerns about relegation are surely now over. They took the lead in the seventh minute when Isi Palazon danced through Barcelona's midfield and spotted the curving run of Alvaro Garcia, who had dashed inside from the left. Sergino Dest was too slow to react, and Garcia struck quickly, controlling with his left and firing in with his right, giving Marc Andre ter Stegen no chance to adjust. Barcelona had chances, in the latter stages as Memphis Depay's shot was blocked by Nikola Maras after a dummy by Dembele, who himself had a shot diverted onto the post by Stole Dimitrovski.

Gavi looked to have a claim for a penalty in the 89th minute when Catena barged into the back in the box—but neither the referee nor VAR were convinced. With 11 minutes of added time, Barca kept coming, and Dembele saw another effort cleared off the line by Catena. Rayo held on for a sensational victory. **AGENCE**

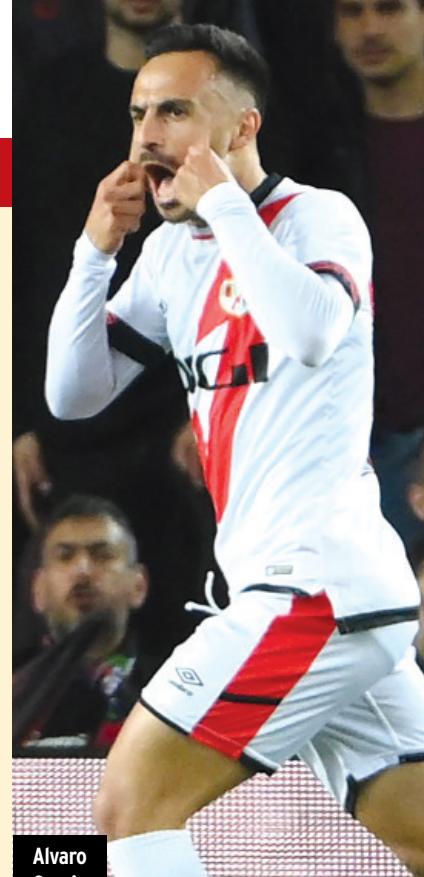
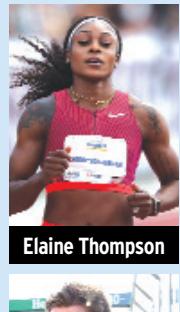


Photo: AFP

VERSTAPPEN, THOMPSON-HERAH GET TOP HONOURS AT LAUREUS SPORTS AWARDS

Reigning Formula One world champion Max Verstappen and Jamaican Olympic sprint queen Elaine Thompson-Herah winners won the top honours at the 2022 Laureus World Sports Awards.



Championship victory by the Italian men's football team that won its second Laureus Team of the Year Award as a result.

Tennis sensation Emma Raducanu received the Laureus Breakthrough of the Year Award following her US Open victory at the age of 18. India's star javelin thrower and reigning Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra was also nominated in the category.

Verstappen, who secured his first World Championship at the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix in December, said: "I was very happy, of course, but it was a lot of hard work and years of preparation. **mn**

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: Who was the first Indian to cross seven important seas swimming?

- a) Yuri Gagarin
- b) Amrendra Singh
- c) Bula Chaudhury
- d) Junko Taibei

Q2: Which boxing move, involving a hook and footwork, is employed to prevent aggressive boxers from lunging in?

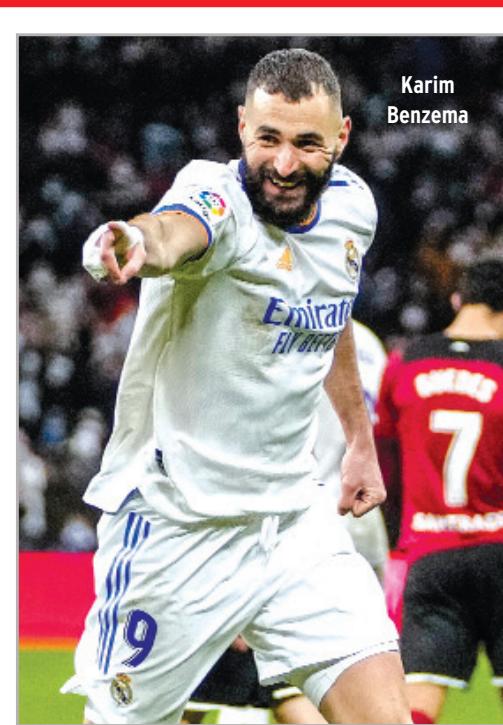
- a) Bolo punch
- b) Overhead punch
- c) Check hook punch
- d) Jab punch

Q3: The ICC Men's Cricketer of the Year Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy was first awarded in 2004 to _____

- a) Anil Kumble
- b) Rahul Dravid
- c) Ricky Ponting
- d) Shane Warne

Q4: Benzema went scoreless for only the second time in the last 11 games in all competitions. Against which team was he playing?

- a) Atletico Madrid
- b) Barcelona
- c) Manchester City
- d) Osasuna



Q5: Which term is used when a player violates the rules in badminton?

- a) An error
- b) A fault
- c) A mistake
- d) An out

Q6: How many goals has Pedri scored for Barcelona since joining?

- a) Nine
- b) Five
- c) Eight
- d) Two

Q7: KKR's Pat Cummins reached his half-century in the match against MI in just ____ balls

- a) 14
- b) 26
- c) 45
- d) 22

Q8: Who among the following is NOT associated with billiards in India?

- a) Subash Agrawal
- b) Ashok Shandilya
- c) Manoj Kothari
- d) Mihir Sen

Q9: The 'Dronacharya Award' is given to _____

- a) Sportsmen
- b) Coaches
- c) Umpires
- d) Sports Editors

ANSWERS: 1. c. Bula Chaudhury
2. c. Check hook punch 3. b. Rahul Dravid
4. d. Osasuna 5. b. A fault 6. a. nine
7. a. 14 8. d. Mihir Sen 9. b. Coaches