

A TRIP TO MOON

I was there up in the sky, searching for a heaven,
Looking here and there, in search of peace and pure surrounding.
I want to ride to the moon in the sky.
Unable to find any site without crime,
I could only see the corrupted and polluted here.
But, the moon has always been there for me,
I want a peaceful world to fly,
I want to ride to the moon in the sky.

Niranjan Kaur
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DID YOU KNOW THAT.....

- Candles were made by the Romans beginning about 500 BC. These were true dipped candles and made from tallow. Evidence for candles made from whale fat in China dates back to the Qin dynasty(221–206 BC).In India, wax from boiling cinnamon was used for temple candles.
- The Babylonians were the first to divide a week into seven days and a day into 24 hours.
- The Marathon race of today is based on a legend, according to which a Greek runner ran 40 km to convey the message of victory in the *Battle of Marathon*.
- The reign of Shah-Jahan is called the 'Golden Age of the Mughals.'
- Tools and weapons used by Aztecs were made of stone and not metal. Most weapons were made of Obsidian (a hard, dark, glass-like volcanic rock formed by the rapid solidification of lava without crystallization).

Niranjan Kaur
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MY TIME IN J.P.S

“Coming together is the beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success.”

It has to be said that putting together what I want to say today has proved to be one of the hardest thing I have had to do. It is so difficult to sum up what I felt and experienced in J.P.S. I have seen a great deal of change happening in and around me last year, especially regarding school, ‘winds of change’ were flowing through J.P.S. I guess!

The teachers who burn themselves through their hard work to light up, us “developing candles.” A perfect head to lead the school – our teachers, the other support staff who help us through various ways. Also, my experience with the principal ma’am, Mrs. Suchitra Kurup was really good and memorable. She believed in encouraging our talents and raising the confidence level of us students.

Being a student of JPS for 12 long years, I can surely say that it is not just a school but a place to learn and grow. Last two years were really memorable for me. My experience here, as the Head Girl was amazing. Lot of opportunities was there for every child. My time here in the school was very memorable.

Here, I put my pen down and leave you so that you may unravel the joys of school and create wonderful memories just as I did.

Niranjan Kaur

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Women empowerment has become the buzzword today, with women working alongside men in all spheres. They profess an independent outlook, whether they are at home or working outside. They are successfully taking up diverse profession to prove that they are second to none in any aspect. But, while doing so, women also take care to strike a right balance between their commitment towards their profession as well as their family. They play multiple roles, a mother, a daughter, a sister, a wife and as a working professional with remarkable harmony and ease.

Women empowerment is not limited to urban areas, but women even in remote areas and villages can be heard now making their voices heard loud and clear for their rights in society.

It is true that women face discrimination in society today. They face exploitation and harassment which can be of diverse types; emotional, physical, mental and sexual. They are often subjected to abuse and other forms of intimidation.

Women empowerment in the truest sense, can be achieved only when there is attitudinal change in society with regards to women, treating them with proper respect and, giving them equality in all fields - education, profession and social interactions.

Meghna Joshi

A REAL PRINCESS

This is a poem which compares the façade of a cliché princess with a princess of real substance.

A glittering tiara is not my need, And I'm not waiting for a prince indeed.

I don't need skin so white, Or a body suit fitting so tight.

I don't want any glass slippers, Or the mermaid's magical flipper.

I don't need a perfect smile or a beautiful voice, All I need is a life of my choice.

I don't own those golden locks, Or those wardrobes full of elaborate frocks.

Big carriage is not my hearts desire, Freedom and excellence is what I aspire.

I am not waiting to rise from an endless sleep, 'cause there is a warrior hidden somewhere deep.

Courage not jewels, is my ornament, And bravery adds on to the embellishment.

I am not someone fragile and weak, And definitely not at all meek.

I am not defined by corset or girdle, But by confidence to overcome any hurdle.

My home is not a castle for sure, But my path is defined and not obscure.

I don't have a fairy godmother or a wand full of magic, To help me elevate from incidents which are tragic

I can't master ballroom dance, But my hip hop skills might put you in a trance.

Hard work over magic is my preference, A heart's own will is stronger than deference.

I don't paint my life with million shades of pink, My life is a canvas full of colourful ink.

I'm not bound by anyone around me, As I'm here to write my own destiny.

I'm no coward, a princess am I, With self-esteem and confident quite high.

I'm no damsel in distress, Just for the sake of being called a princess.

I don't need a pea under a heap of mattress, To prove that I'm a real princess,

I possess zeal and full of ambition, And wish to lead life on my conditions.

I have a warm heart, a pious soul, And I am working persistently towards my goal.

Amidst all the smiles and tears, Life is nothing but facing your tears.

I'm here to express, not impress, Because I'm no cliché princess

I am not perfect, I'm just myself, I am a real princess, see for yourself.

Nirat Satsangi
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“जब मैंने विद्यालय में पहली बार अध्यापिका का किरदार निभाया।”

हर साल की तरह इस साल भी हमारे विद्यालय में 5 सितम्बर को शिक्षक दिवस बड़ी धूम-धाम से मनाया गया। हर साल नौवीं और दसवीं कक्षा के विद्यार्थियों को अध्यापक और अध्यापिका का किरदार निभाने का मौका दिया जाता है। सभी विद्यार्थी कक्षाओं में जाकर अन्य विद्यार्थियों को पढ़ाते हैं। मुझे मौका मिला अपनी मनपसंद अध्यापिका का किरदार निभाने का, जिनका नाम है श्रीमती गायत्री। यह मेरा पहला अनुभव था। पहले मैं नर्सरी कक्षा में पढ़ाने गई। सभी छोटे बच्चे बहुत प्यारे थे और उन्हें पढ़ाने में बहुत मजा आया। कुछ बच्चे शरारती भी थे पर इतने नहीं जितने बड़ी कक्षाओं में होते हैं। सभी बहुत ध्यान से पढ़ रहे थे। मुझे ऐसा लगा रहा था जैसे मैं सचमुच में अध्यापिका हूँ। यह सब बहुत अच्छा था और इससे बच्चों को पता चलता है कि पढ़ाना सचमुच में बहुत मुश्किल है। इससे हम अध्यापकों की जिंदगी का का एक चौथाई भाग बाँटकर समझ सकते हैं। जिस तरह अध्यापक हमें पढ़ाते हैं, हमें अच्छे बुरे की सीख देते हैं, पढ़ाई के अलावा हमें और भी चीजें सिखाते हैं, उसी तरह हमें भी अध्यापकों की इज्जत करनी चाहिए। उनके दिखे हुए ज्ञान को व्यर्थ नहीं करना चाहिए। अतः हमें उनके कदमों पर चलना चाहिए, नभी हम जिंदगी में आगे बढ़ पायेंगे और अपने माता-पिता और शिक्षकों का नाम रोशन कर पायेंगे।

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