

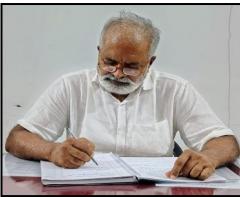
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## A monthly newsletter of Colonels Academy

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### Colonel's Desk



Dear Students,  
The countdown has begun for our Annual Sports Meet 2025, from 21st to 23rd December. This is your moment to shine, to push your limits, and to show the true spirit of courage, teamwork, and determination. Every race, every match, every cheer matters—not just for victory, but for the joy of giving your best and supporting one another. I urge each one of you to participate with energy, play with integrity, and celebrate every achievement. Remember, it is your passion, perseverance, and spirit that will make this event truly remarkable. Let's make Sports Meet 2025 an unforgettable celebration of talent, teamwork, and the vibrant spirit of Colonels Academy!

**Col. Akshaya.**

### Colonel's Pen

#### From a Class X Desk

Preparing for the Class 10 board exams is not just about marks – it is about building a strong foundation for the future. Starting early makes a huge difference. Create a simple and realistic study timetable, and stick to it with honesty. Focus on understanding concepts rather than memorising answers, because clarity brings confidence. NCERT books are your best guide – read them carefully, make short notes, and revise them regularly. Solving previous years' question papers and sample papers helps you understand the exam pattern and manage time better. Believe in your efforts, stay consistent, and trust yourself – with the right approach, you can definitely give your best in the Class 10 board exams.

**Nitish kr Mandal - X**

#### Moments That Matter

Kindness often appears in the simplest moments, yet its impact can last far longer than we realise. It does not always come in grand gestures; sometimes, it is found in small, thoughtful actions that quietly brighten someone's day. On an ordinary school morning, when a student's water bottle slipped from her hands and rolled down the corridor, a stranger picked it up and gently said, "Don't worry, it happens to everyone." That small act turned an embarrassing moment into one of comfort and reassurance. Similarly, imagine a classmate dropping their notes just before a test, and others stepping forward to help without being asked. Or on a rainy day, someone sharing an umbrella, even if it means getting a little wet themselves. These moments may seem insignificant, but they carry great meaning. In a world that often moves too fast, these quiet gestures create warmth, connection, and hope.

**Ishika - VIII (B)**

### Poem

#### Threads of Kindness

Across the world, in every hand,  
A kind act starts with just one stand—  
A smile, a word, a guiding light,  
Small deeds that make the darkest bright.  
Every story written, soft and true,  
Shows kindness growing as we do.  
A gentle touch, a helping call,  
These little moments change us all.  
And as these tales of love unfold,  
They shine like stars in threads of gold.  
For every heart, in its own way,  
Writes kindness into every day.

**Subhi Singh - V**

### Thought of the Month

**"Success is not final, failure is not fatal : it is the courage to continue that counts."**

**Winston S. Churchill**

### Paintings



### Glimpses of DADAJI ART FESTIVAL, 2025



**Shivangi Dinkar - VI (A)**

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### Colians' Quote

"Most people search for light outside, unaware that the quiet courage to stand alone is what makes their path visible"

Abdus Naiyar - VIII (B)

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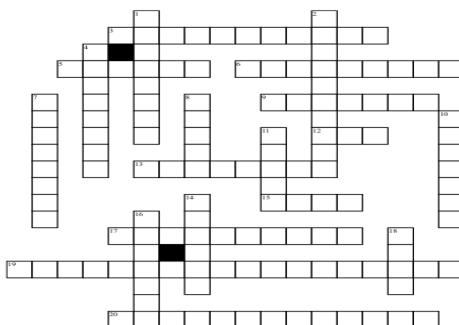
## Life Skills Crossword Puzzle

### Across

3. \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure that you are ready for the day
5. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ anything that you may need later
6. Use \_\_\_\_\_ on your iPad
9. \_\_\_\_\_ is the best policy
12. \_\_\_\_\_ to do you best
13. Come to class
15. Keep your \_\_\_\_\_
17. Something you use to wake up on time
19. Something you use to remember to do homework
20. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ just do it right away

### Down

1. Making sure it is done when it is due
2. Put your stuff in a spot so you don't forget it
4. Write things down to \_\_\_\_\_ them
7. Make sure your \_\_\_\_\_ for the day

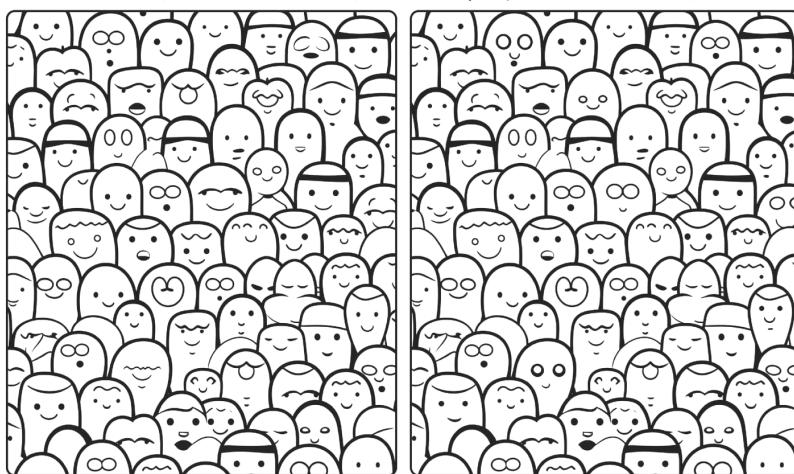


8. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ your time doing something unnecessary
10. Use \_\_\_\_\_ to keep your stuff organized
11. \_\_\_\_\_ things out you don't need
14. Put things away immediately so you don't \_\_\_\_\_ them
16. Use a \_\_\_\_\_ To help you
18. Keep your \_\_\_\_\_ clean



## Spot The Difference

There are eight differences in the images below. Can you spot them all and win the game?



①  $834 = 28$  ② Which hand is the odd one out?  
675 = 47  
918 = 17  
527 = ?  
What is the missing number?  
③ Move only 2 matches to make the highest number possible.  
④ You can throw me off a tall building and it won't hurt me. If you put me in water I break. What am I?  
⑤ F, K, O, R, ?  
What is the next letter?  
⑥ Without turning the page, find what is wrong with this picture.

① Move 1 match to make this sum correct.  
② **Snug** **Dam** **Pans** **Keep** **Live** **Grid** **Trap** **Rats**  
Which word is the odd one out?  
③ What is the missing number?  
④ How many holes does this t-shirt have?  
⑤ If John's son is my son's father, who am I?  
Who am I?  
⑥ What is wrong with this room?

## Root Words

Root	Meaning	Example of Derivations
<b>Therm</b> (Greek)	Heat	Thermometer, thermal
<b>Morph</b> (Greek)	Form/Shape	Metamorphosis, Polymorph

## Brain Benders

1. What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?
2. Why did the student eat his homework?
3. What has a neck but no head, and two arms but no hands?
4. Why don't secrets last long in school?
5. What can you catch but never throw?
6. Why did the pencil stop working?
7. What runs but never walks, has a mouth but never talks?
8. Why was the computer cold?
9. What has an eye but cannot see?
10. Why did the book go to the doctor?

## From Epochy Club

Epochy Club warmly welcomes Arindam Yadav (IX-B), Abdus (VIII-B), Taskheer (VIII-A), Atulit (VIII-A), Saanvi (IX-B), Aarya (IX-A), and Shreya Gupta (IX-B) as our new members for the session 2025-26. We are excited to have you on board and look forward to your ideas, creativity, and enthusiasm.

We also extend our sincere thanks to our previous members, Aditya, Vaishali, Pranav, Aryan, Sanskriti and Aayushi, for their constant support and valuable contributions. Your guidance has helped strengthen the spirit of Epochy Club, and we wish you success in all your future endeavours.  
- Club in-charge

## I Don't Believe It!

1. A day on Venus is longer than its year.
2. There are more stars in the universe than grains of sand on all Earth's beaches.
3. One language disappears every two weeks, taking culture with it.
4. The Eiffel Tower grows taller in summer due to heat expansion.
5. The letter Q does not appear in the name of any U.S. state.
6. If the Sun were the size of a blood cell, the Milky Way would be as wide as the United States.