

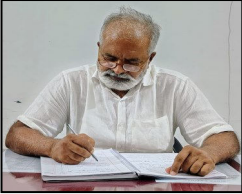
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## Colonel's Desk



A storyteller's mind listens deeply, observes quietly, and finds beauty in the simplest of details. It begins as a flicker of thought — a blend of imagination, emotion, and truth that breathes life into words, and you find yourself in a different world.

Dear Colians, nurture that storyteller within you. Let curiosity be your compass and creativity your voice. In every experience lies a tale waiting to be told — one that can inspire, heal, or transform. Remember, stories are not just written; they are felt, lived, and shared with the world.

Col. Akshaya.

## Colians' Pen

### THE LITTLE STAR WHO FORGOT TO TWINKLE

High above the quiet town lived a tiny star named Tinsel. All the other stars sparkled brightly, but Tinsel stayed still. "My shimmer is too small," he sighed to the moon. "I'll wait until I'm big and bright." One night, a lost firefly fluttered into the sky, crying, "I just need a little light to find my way home!" Tinsel hesitated, then gathered all his courage and gave a small, soft twinkle. That tiny flicker was enough — the firefly saw the glow and safely flew home. "Thank you, Tinsel! Your light saved me!" it called out. Tinsel felt a warmth he had never known. From that night on, he twinkled happily, knowing even a small light can make a big difference.

*Moral: You don't have to be the biggest or the brightest to make a difference. Even the smallest kindness can light up someone's world.*

Yuvraj Singh - VI A

### GUESTS IN MY MIND

Sometimes, when everyone is asleep, I talk to the stories inside my head. They don't have faces, but I know they're there. One of them laughs softly, another cries, and one just stands near the window, waiting for me to notice. I tell them about my day — how I forgot my lunchbox, how Ma scolded me, how I saw a rainbow after rain. They listen, like friends who never judge. At night, they become alive. The crying one learns to smile. The laughing one draws stars in the dark. And the quiet one whispers, "Write me down before I disappear." I don't know where they go when morning comes. Maybe they hide in my notebooks. Maybe they wait behind the clouds. But I know one thing — my mind is a small house, and stories live there like guests. Some stay, some leave. And when I grow up, maybe I'll meet them again — in a book, in a dream, or in someone else's story.

Pihu Tanishka - IV

## Poem

### THE SEARCH WITHIN

When I am alone, my heart starts sinking,  
I feel disturbed and keep on thinking—  
Who am I? What is my aim?  
Will I ever be true to my name?

Sitting alone, lost in thought,  
Sometimes I wander far away,  
Searching in vain for answers  
To the many questions I lay.

Then I look within myself,  
Suddenly, all seems so clear.  
I find my queries answered,  
And my goal drawing near.

Aadya Jha - VI(B)

## Thought of the Month

"Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life — think of it, dream of it, live on that idea."

Swami Vivekananda

## Paintings



Rudranshi Kumari - VI (B)

## October Gallery



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## Colians' Quote

Greatness doesn't come from perfection, but from the courage to keep trying when it feels impossible.

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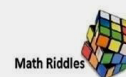
## Crossword Puzzle

### Math Logic Puzzles

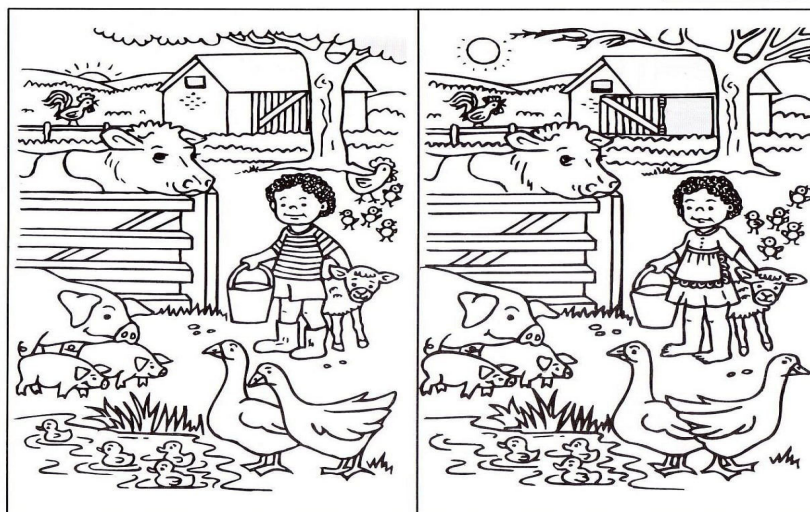
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using numbers  
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Math Crossword Puzzle



## Spot The Difference



## Brain Teasers

### Word Puzzles Brain Teasers

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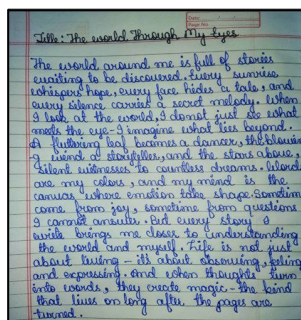
## Root Words

Root	Meaning	Example of Derivations
<b>Mal</b>	Bad, Evil	Malfunction, Malpractice, Malnutrition
<b>Struct</b>	Build	Structure, Construct, Instruct

## Brain Benders

- What belongs to you but is used more by others?
- I'm full of holes, yet I can hold water. What am I?
- What runs but never walks, has a bed but never sleeps, has a mouth but never eats?
- If you drop me, I'm sure to crack, but give me a smile and I'll always smile back. What am I?
- I'm found in your classroom, I have many words but I never speak. What am I?
- If you have me, you want to share me. If you share me, you don't have me. What am I?
- I'm always in front of you, but you can't see me. What am I?

## In the Spotlight



## A Handwriting Worth Applause

A pen in the right hand can create wonders — and Anish Kr (VII-B) proves it! Your handwriting is not just neat but truly delightful to read. Keep letting your pen tell beautiful stories through every stroke!

## I Don't Believe It!

- A single cloud can weigh **more than a million pounds!**
- Saturn could **float in water** because it's mostly gas!
- Cats can't taste **sweetness** — their tongues lack the receptors!
- The first-ever camera **photo took eight hours** to capture!
- There are **more bacteria in your mouth** than people on Earth!