

# Access Times

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## Foreword

The U.S. Independence Day has just gone by and we are sure all of you have got glorious times to have observed it and have recently celebrated the Indian Independence Day. To supplement the delight and happiness we have come up with an Access newsletter “Access Times”, first of its kind which shall consist of all the Access moments of students’ synergy. In addition to students’ contribution in print, we express the pleasure of having them performing community service projects, songs, drama, elocutions, etc. Students getting selected for Pune Summer Camp demonstrate their remarkable growth and learning in the English Access Micro-scholarship Programme.

And let’s not forget a mention about The YES (Youth Exchange and Study) Program in which eligible



An Access class in progress

students have pooled their efforts and interests and are looking forward to getting selected for the 11 months U.S. experience. Thus we all expect that this issue, henceforth, with every publication, shall raise the bar for students’ accomplishments in Access.

- Access Program Team



Celebration of Democracy

# Budding Voices

The young learners of English Access Microscholarship Program 2017 have pulled their socks to zap their energies into learning, indulging and producing academia beyond school.

Little instances of their creative work and prodigy are as follows :

## My Promise

Each day I'll do my best  
And I won't do any less  
My work will always please me  
And I won't accept a mess  
I'll colour very carefully  
My writing will be neat  
And I will not be happy  
My papers will be complete  
I'll always do my work  
And try my best on every test  
I won't forget my promise  
And do my very best.

- (Khadeeja, Batch-3)

## Interesting facts about the English Language

- a) Longest English Word without repetition of any letter- UNCOPYRIGHTABLE
- b) 'Pronunciation' is the most mispronounced word in the English language.

- (Kashish Sharma, Batch-4)

## Food for Thought

A house is made of  
Walls and beams....  
A home is made of  
Love and Dreams.

Don't be mean, be meaningful  
The best way to make your dreams  
True is to come wake up.  
Imagine .....with all your mind  
Believe .....with all your heart  
Achieve .....with all your might.

- (Sahiba Abbasi, Batch-2)

## The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein is a must read for children. It's a story that can bring tears to your eyes. Children can learn about the importance of caring, giving, and how we should treat others. It is both one of the saddest and most hopeful stories ever told. I love this book.

- (Shivam, Batch-5)

## Effect of Globalization in Indian Villages

The effect of globalization on common people in India has recently been seen in up-search. Thanks to cheap availability of the wireless internet, that includes 3G and 4G mobile connectivity. The villages in India are greatly impacted by the effect of globalization, as we are noticing an increased brain-drain in village youth. A large number of youngsters from the village have already moved to the big cities in search of life that they have observed on social media and on television soaps. Even the youngsters living in cities are looking for the opportunities to move abroad.

- (Alina, Batch-1)



Group work



Community work volunteers with their teachers



# Access Indulgences

**Earth Day** was enthusiastically celebrated on April 22, 2017 with students going on a nature walk in the locality, worksheets completed on reduce, reuse and recycle of materials, making captioned paper bags.

**Labour Day** was acknowledged on May 1, 2017 with a student-teacher brainstorming and mind-mapping paraphernalia.

**Mother's Day** was celebrated by Access students and teachers on May 13, 2017. Students delivered remarkable performances in short skits and song dedicated to their mothers. Parents of the children were invited to enjoy their wards' performances and interact with the teachers. Mothers and Children jointly cut a cake to celebrate the occasion.

**Community Project: EOTO: Each One Teach One** was an initiative of service to society which was conducted from May 13, 2017 to May 24, 2017. This initiative was very successful. Thirty students of Access program helped one child each from the S.D.M.C school, Nizamuddin Basti with their holiday homework. They also organized fun activities like poem recitation, art and craft, listening and writing activities to facilitate learning.

**All India Access Teacher Professional Development Seminar** from June 8-10, 2017 at Bangalore, was an enriching experience for Access teachers. Apart from nationwide access to Access teachers and U.S. academic experts, we got

assistance of newer teaching methodologies and curricula development techniques which came out as effective teaching tools in the Access classroom.

**Access Iftar Party**, during Ramadan was a momentous evening for all the guests and hosts of Access. It was celebrated on **June 20, 2017**. A delicious Iftar meal and wishes instilled warmth in the air.

**U.S. Independence Day** was observed on July 4, 2017 soon after Access program resumed after summer break. Students learnt the US national anthem and their Old Glory i.e. their national flag. They had AV sessions followed by quizzes, board rushes and worksheets which clarified them about the brief history of the U.S. It was a learning experience.

**Malala Day** was celebrated on July 12, 2017 where students made colourful posters made in groups. The posters spoke of Malala's birthday and her contribution to Women Education Rights. They also read about Malala's life before after the Nobel Prize.



Each One Teach One



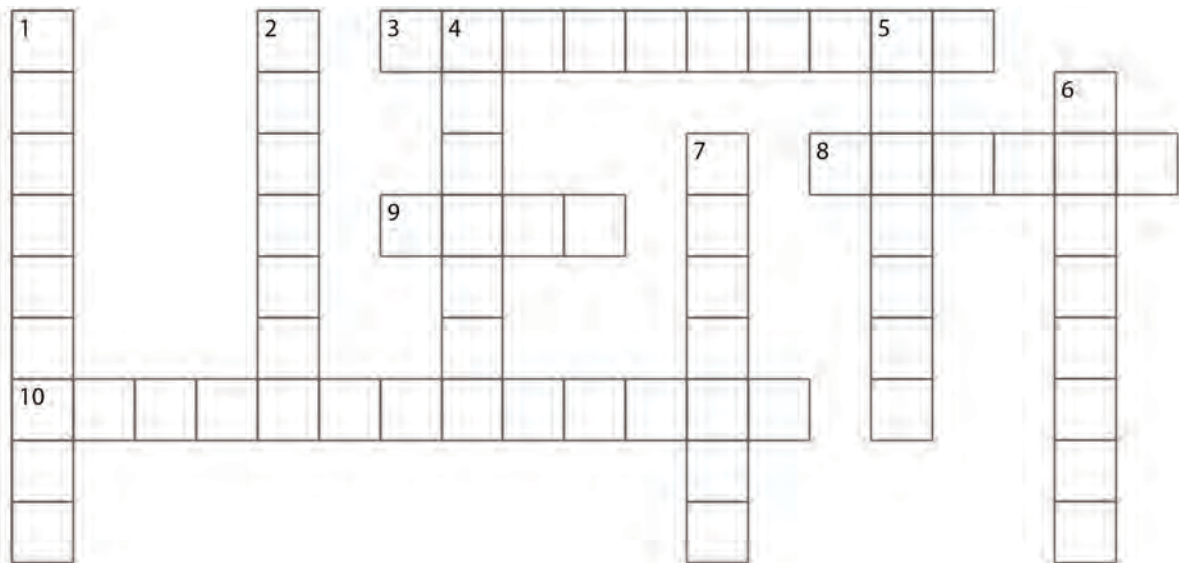
Mother's Day celebration



Iftar, 2017

# Monsoon Puzzle

Using the Across and Down clues, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.



## ACROSS

3. The air surrounding and bound to the earth.
8. High-level clouds that are mainly composed of ice crystals.
9. Frozen precipitation in the form of white or translucent ice crystals.
10. The process by which water in plants is transferred as water vapor to the atmosphere.

## DOWN

1. An instrument used to measure atmospheric pressure.
2. Type of cloud that typically has a flat base with a piled-up, puffy top.
4. A booming or crashing noise caused by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning.
5. An arc of colored light in the sky caused by refraction of the sun's rays by rain.
6. Is a measure of the amount of water vapor content of the air.
7. Any wind that changes direction with the seasons.

MONSOON	RAINBOW	SNOW	BAROMETER
THUNDER	HUMIDITY	TRANSPIRATION	CUMULUS
ATMOSPHERE	CIRRUS		

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