

Children's Corner

Spiritual Delights of Ramadhan and Eid al-Fitr

Salaam dear young friends and heartiest felicitations to you all in advance on the blessed day of Eid al-Fitr, whether it falls on coming Friday or the next day, Saturday, depending upon the sighting of the crescent.

Anyway, Eid al-Fitr is the icing to the spiritual cake of Ramadhan with which God blesses us every year in the form of the day-long fasts of this month of the Divine Banquet.

May God Almighty accept your fasting, prayers, and all other acts of worship for Ramadhan.

Fortunate are the ones who fasted during this month in obedience to Divine Commandments, and abstained from all those acts that do not befit a virtuous person.

And indeed miserable are those, who despite being sane and healthy, disobeyed God Almighty by flouting His Commandments and continuing the normal habit of eating, drinking water, and smoking during the daylight hours, and at times in public, for which the Divine Punishment is far more severe.

Yes dear youngsters, our weekly column is for the virtuous and certainly not for the vicious, who if they happen to read it, would hopefully reform themselves.

The Islamic spirit of Iranian youngsters is worth appreciating in view of the fact that it has infused the soul of resistance into millions of youngsters throughout the world, who are displaying their iron resolve in the face of adversities, as is evident in Lebanon, Palestine, Iraq, Yemen, Bahrain, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and other places, where their heroic efforts are foiling the plots of Global Arrogance.

This is all due to the discipline that Islamic teachings breathe into the body of all aspiring persons, whose life is based on faith, moral values, affection, and refusal to yield to the temptations of devils in human form.

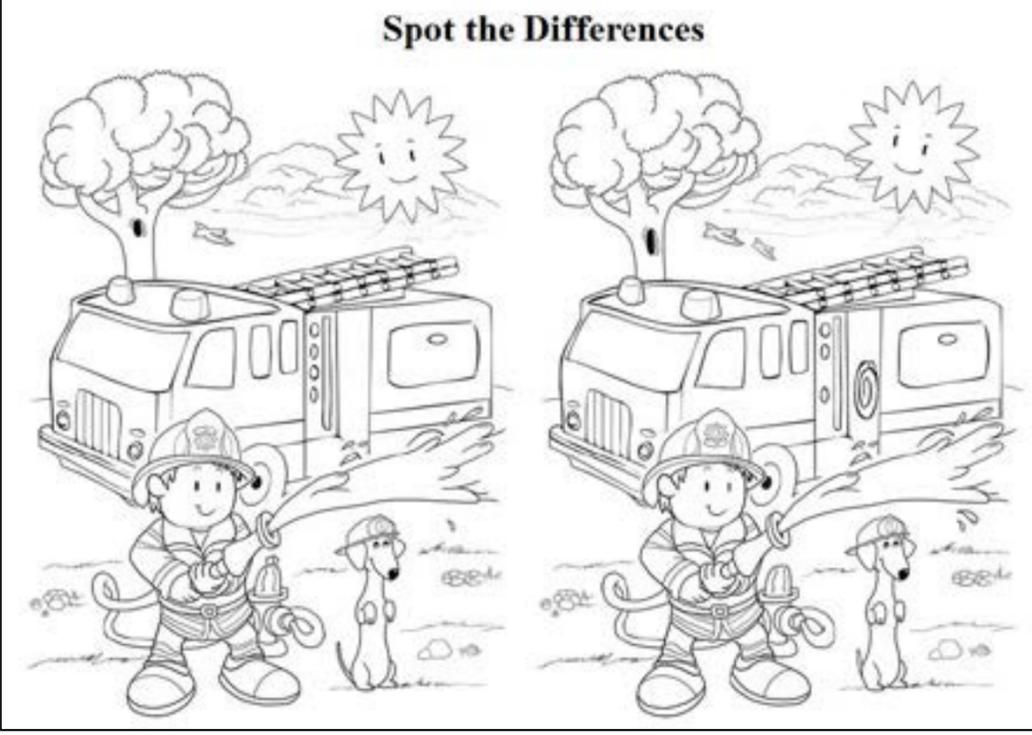
As a matter of fact, joys and happiness in Islam have a meaning and a purpose unlike the indulgence in sins and frivolities that accompany the festivals of other religions.

The Eid in Islam is thus an occasion of real joy on which the bounties of God are appreciated and gratitude expressed for having blessed humanity with such a beautiful world that is a place of trial and a stepping stone towards the unimagined rewards of eternal life in the Hereafter.

In view of this bounty, a true Muslim ought to reflect on the dynamic legacy of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA) and his Infallible Ahl al-Bayt.

For the faithful, so evident and obvious are the favours of the One and Only Creator that even the adversities that are created for them and their societies by the enemies of humanity, such as the US, appear mere hurdles to be surpassed on the straight and unwavering path towards the bliss of paradise.

So, let us lift our hands to beseech the Loving Lord for help at each turnstile of life, as well as divine guidance for those fellow humans who have strayed away from the path of the All-Merciful and All-Forgiving God.



Spot the Differences

Funny Questions & Answers

- Question: Why did the king go to the dentist?
Answer: To get his teeth crowned!

- Question: What did the tooth say to the dentist as she was leaving?
Answer: Fill me in when you get back

- Question: What song does a cat like best?
Answer: Three Blind Mice.

- Question: What game did the cat like to play with the mouse?
Answer: Catch!

- Question: Where did the school kittens go for their field trip?
Answer: To the mewseum

- Question: How do rabbits travel?
Answer: By hareplane.

- Question: What is a bunny's motto?
Answer: Don't be mad, be hoppy!

Imam Ja'far Sadeq (AS)

"All praise belongs to Allah, who assisted us to observe the fasting of this month and maintenance of prayers during it, and enabled me to reach the last of its nights!"

RIDDLES

Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions.

1. I am an odd number that become even when beheaded. What am I?
2. Late afternoons I often bathe. I'll soak in water piping hot. My essence goes through. My see through clothes. Used up am I – I've gone to pot. What am I?
3. I move without wings, between silken strings, I leave as you find, my substance behind. What am I?
4. I was was, before was was was. What am I?
5. Draw, fire, or fill me; I'm still empty. What am I?
6. I fill a room but take no space. What am I?

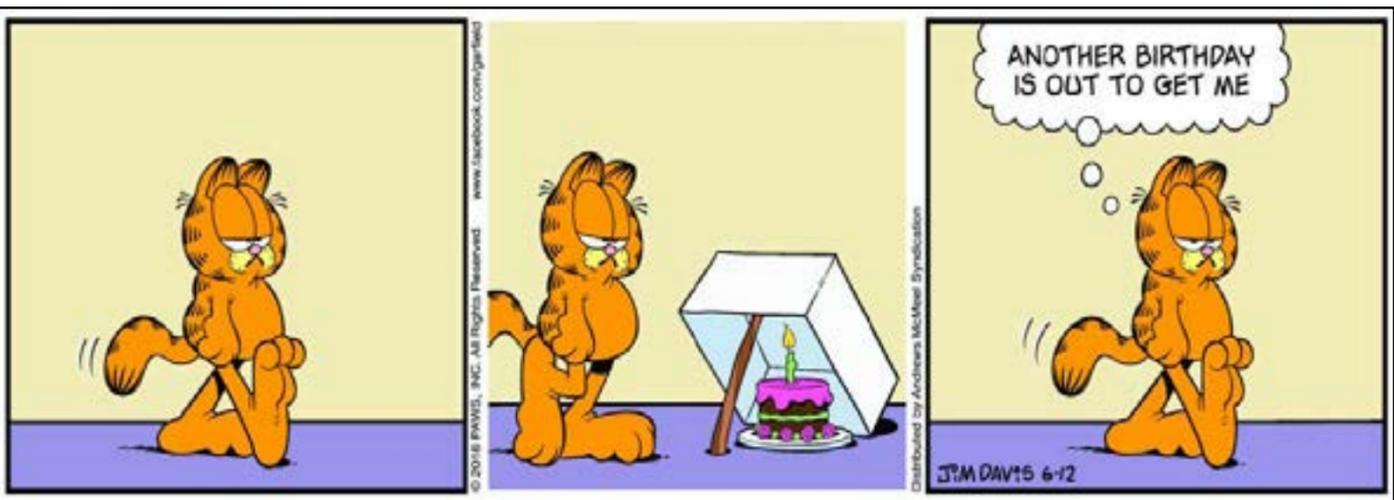
Answers to last week questions:

1. Panda
2. Scarecrow
3. Key
4. Bungee
5. Onion
6. Picture Frame

Send your jokes. Heard any jokes lately? Well, try and make us laugh too!
Don't hesitate! Mail it to us.
Kayhan International address: Ferdowsi St., Shahid Shahcheraghi Alley, Teh-ran.
Email:kayhanintl@yahoo.com

The Goose with the Golden Eggs

One day a countryman going to the nest of his Goose found there an egg all yellow and glittering. When he took it up it was as heavy as lead and he was going to throw it away, because he thought a trick had been played upon him. But he took it home on second thoughts, and soon found to his delight that it was an egg of pure gold. Every morning the same thing occurred, and he soon became rich by selling his eggs. As he grew rich he grew greedy; and thinking to get at once all the gold the Goose could give, he killed it and opened it only to find nothing. MORAL: "Greed often over reaches itself."



Ripley's Believe It or Not!

THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND EXTENDS FARTHER NORTH THAN NORTHERN IRELAND.

IN THE UNITED STATES, A POUND OF POTATO CHIPS COSTS 200 TIMES MORE THAN A POUND OF POTATOES!

THE ONLY MEMBER OF ZZ TOP WHO DOESN'T HAVE A BEARD IS FRANK BEARD.

© 2018 Ripley Entertainment Inc. 5-29