

Children's Corner



Academic Year, Holy Defence and Ahvaz Incident

Salaam dear young friends. Congratulations on start of the new academic year and promotion to higher classes. Surely, you are all fresh and full of energy after the long summer holidays.

Well friends, speaking of soldiers and battlefields, reminds us of the selfless efforts of Iran's Muslim combatants during the 1980s when our homeland was aggressed upon by the enemies of humanity.

As a matter of fact, we are commemorating the yearly Holy Defence Week these days to mark the anniversary of the 8-year war that was imposed on the newfound Islamic Republic by the US through its agent, Saddam of the tyrannical Ba'ath minority regime of Baghdad.

You may have learned from your elders, how the youngsters of the 1980s rallied to the call of the Father of the Islamic Revolution Imam Khomeini (RA), to defend the Islamic system of government and the soil of Iran.

Those were the days when teenagers, joined silver-bearded elders to enact epics at the warfronts in order to thwart the advance of the armed-to-the-teeth enemy.

On the anniversary of the Holy Defence Week, on Saturday, the Islamic Republic saw terrorism once again raise its ugly head when in the southwestern city of Ahvaz the annual military parade was sprayed with gunfire resulting in the martyrdom of 26 men, women, and children and injury to 60 others.

The dastardly act that occurred only two days after the grand nationwide commemoration of the anniversary of the tragedy of Ashura, the martyrdom of Imam Husain (AS), was yet another proof that the enemies of Islamic Iran are Godless elements devoid of any humanitarian tendencies.

What has inspired our youth to defend the honour of the homeland were the egalitarian values of Islam. They walked in the footsteps of the teenage martyrs of Karbala, to show the world the philosophy behind the martyrdom of Imam Husain (AS).

We still remember vividly the regular recitation of the famous Kumayl Supplication and the Ziyarat (salutation) of the Martyr of Karbala, Imam Husain (AS), in the bunkers on the frontlines, interspersed with cries of Allahu Akbar by Iranian forces that demoralized the Ba'athist enemy.

These spiritual shields enabled us to manufacture state-of-the-art defence technology during those crucial days when the US, along with the rest of the western regimes, as well as the socialist east, had imposed economic and arms sanctions upon us.

Thanks to the talents of our youth, we have come a long way since those days. Today, Iran manufactures its own sophisticated armaments that are superior to the weapons of the west and the east.

God Willingly the dedicated efforts of you youngsters will make Iran invincible and defeat all forces of evil, till the reappearance of the Lord of the Age, Imam Mahdi (AS) to establish the global government of peace, prosperity and justice.

Word Search Puzzle Sports

B	A	S	K	E	T	B	A	L	L
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RIDDLES

Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions.

1. I can wave my hands at you, but I never say goodbye. You are always cool when with me, even more so when I am high! What am I?
2. I start with "T", ends with "T", and within me is "T". What am I?
3. My first half means container. Not a lot of people understand my language. What am I?
4. I walk on 4 legs in the morning, 2 legs at noon, and 3 legs at night. What am I?
5. I start with an E, end with an E, and have a letter in me. What am I?
6. If a man carries my burden, they will get crushed to death. Though not rich, I leave silver in my track. What am I?

Answers to last week questions:

1. Compass
2. Coffin
3. Wholesome
4. Lounger
5. Salt
6. Ruler

Funny Questions & Answers

- Question: When does a horse talk?
Answer: Whinney wants to!

- Question: What's the best way to lead a horse to water?
Answer: With lots of apples and carrots!

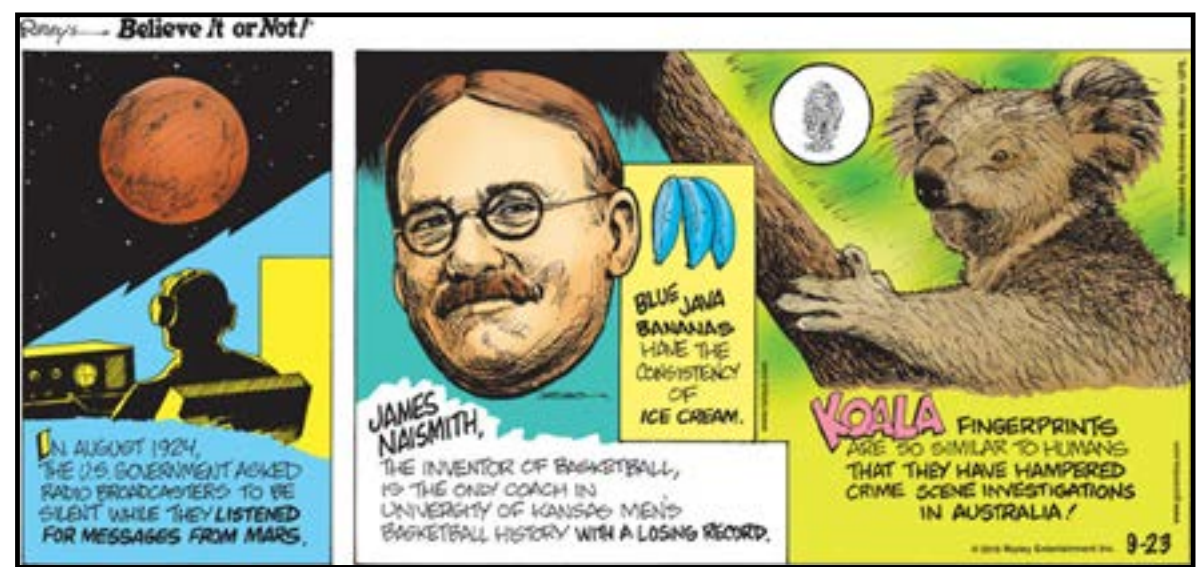
- Question: What did the dog say when he sat on sandpaper?
Answer: Ruff!

- Question: What disease was the horse scared of getting?
Answer: Hay fever!

- Question: How long should a horse's legs be?
Answer: Long enough to reach the ground

- Question: Which side of the horse has the most hair?
Answer: The outside!

Send your jokes. Heard any jokes lately? Well, try and make us laugh too!
Don't hesitate! Mail it to us.
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Imam Husain (AS)

"Beware of things for which you have to apologize. The true believer should not make mistakes in order to apologize. The hypocrite makes mistakes and apologizes every day."



The Three Tradesmen

A great city was besieged, and its inhabitants were called together to consider the best means of protecting it from the enemy.

A Bricklayer earnestly recommended bricks as affording the best material for an effective resistance.

A Carpenter, with equal enthusiasm, proposed timber as a preferable method of defense.

Upon which a Currier stood up and said, "Sirs, I differ from you altogether: there is no material for resistance equal to a covering of hides; and nothing so good as leather."

MORAL: "Every man for himself"