Imam Ali ibn Abi Taleb (AS)

"Live amongst people in such a manner, that if you die they weep for you, and if you are alive they crave for your company."

A Wonderful Celebration in Iran

Salaam dear young friends. It is nice to meet you again. Hopefully, you are all fine by the Grace of God and, of course, busy as usual, in your academic studies.

The harder you strive the better and brighter the prospects for you in future. So don't waste time, maintain your discipline and be punctual, whether in your classes at schools or colleges, or whether in performing your religious obligations, especially the daily ritual prayers.

Well, for the information of our young friends abroad, every year the holy city of Qom was bedecked with flowers. Its streets presented the spectacle of a garden on the move in the early morning hours as thousands of people, mostly women and girls, holding bouquets of flowers of different colours, poured into the spacious courtyards of the sacred shrine of Hazrat Fatema al-Ma'soumah (SA).

Do you know the significance of the event?

Yes, it was to mark the anniversary of the arrival of this noble young lady into the city of Qom in the year 202 AH over a millennium and two centuries ago.

As a matter of fact, this is an annual ceremony in holy Qom. The local people, would be joined by devotees from other parts of Iran, have been observing this for centuries on the 23rd of Rabi al-Awwal (yesterday), with prominent men going to the outskirts of the city at the break of dawn to welcome and escort to the city centre a camel topped with a howdah covered by a green cloth, as the symbolic arrival of the sister of Imam Reza (AS).

This virtuous descendant of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA), whose entourage was attacked by agents of the tyrannical Abbasid regime near the city of Saveh, did not stay long and succumbed to the wounds she has suffered and the toils of the long journey from holy Medina.

Her brief 17-day sojourn, however, transformed Qom on the edge of the Iranian desert into a centre of pilgrimage and Islamic studies for followers of the Prophet's Ahl al-Bayt from not just all over Iran, but from all over the world. Isn't it an interesting account young friends, especially you, our dear readers of Kayhan International's weekly Children's Page, living in other countries!

As you are aware, every year many people from several countries of the world, including the Americas and Europe, on visiting the holy shrine of Hazrat Ma'soumah (SA) in Qom, embrace the truth of Islam.

Hope you have enjoyed this week's chat. Goodbye all till

Moon Phases

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NEW MOON ROTATE WANING GIBBOUS SOLAR ECLIPSE ORBIT **CRATERS** REVOLUTION FIRST QUARTER NIGHT SUN AXIS MONTH DAY FULL MOON

Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions.

- I tell people to be careful when handling boxes. What am I?
- We applaud if you perform well. What am I?
- I look like a tiny trombone. What am I?
- I can only be played on a windy day. What am I?
- I am a candy that looks like a shepherd's staff.
- I begin your sentences. What am I?

Answers to the questions asked in the previous issue:

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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Question & Answers

Question: What is the antonym of DOMINOS? Answer: Domi Doesn't No

Question: It is equally big as an elephant but weighs nothing. What is that? Answer: An Elephant

Question: What is the difference between here and there? Answer: The Letter T.

Question: Why is an island like the letter t? Answer: Both are in the middle of water.

Question: What did the sea say to the sand? Answer: Nothing, it just waved.

Question: In a marathon race what does the winner lose? Answer: His breath!

Question: What road has the most ghosts haunting it? Answer: A dead end.

The Bald Man and the Fly

There was once a Bald Man who sat down after work on a hot summer's day.

A Fly came up and kept buzzing about his bald pate, and stinging him from time to time.

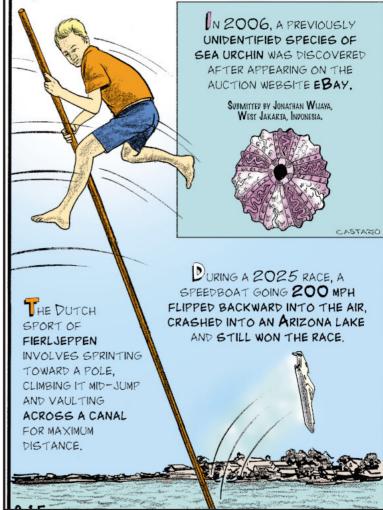
The Man aimed a blow at his little enemy, but his palm came on his head instead.

Again the Fly tormented him, but this time the Man was wiser and

"You will only injure yourself if you take notice of despicable en-

MORAL: "You will only injure yourself if you take notice of despicable enemies."





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