

# “அருந்ததி”

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# வெளியீட்டுரை

ஆசிரியர் செல்வி அருந்ததி துரைராஜா அவர்களிடம் மட்டுவிலில் கல்வி கற்ற மாணவர்கள் ஒன்றிணைந்து அவரின் சேவையால் உயர்ந்தவர்கள் என்னும் மனம் கொண்டு எம் உயர்விற்கு ஆசிரியர் காட்டிய அர்ப்பணிப்பான சேவையை மதித்து எம் அன்புக்காணிக்கையாக - குருதட்சணையாக அவர்களின் அகவை அறுபதில் மணிவிழா எடுக்க மனம் ஒருமித்து ஒன்றுகூடினோம்.

மணிவிழாவின் நினைவாக இன்றைய இளம் சந்ததியினரின் தேவையும் - குறிப்பாக கிராமப்புற மாணவர்களின் ஆங்கில மொழி ஆற்றலை வளர்க்கும் நோக்கோடும் மணிவிழா மலரினை ஆங்கிலமொழிக் கட்டுரைத் தொகுப்பாக வெளியிட எண்ணினோம். சிந்தனை செயல்வடிவம் ஆகியது.

அருந்ததி மலரின் கனதிக்கும் - உள்ளடக்கத்திற்கும் உதவிய அனைத்து அன்புள்ளங்களுக்கும் எமது மனமாற்ற நன்றிகள். மணிவிழா மலரினை சிறப்புற அச்சிட்டு எமக்களித்த மீசாலை சக்தி பதிப்பகத்திற்கும் எமது மனமாற்ற நன்றிகள்.

மேலும் 2020.02.16 அன்று மிகச் சிறப்பாக நடைபெறும் மணிவிழாவின் சிறப்பிற்கும் - செயலுக்கும் கரம் கொடுத்த - வழிகாட்டிய - சிறப்பித்த அத்தனை நல்லுள்ளங்களுக்கும் மனம் நிறைந்த நன்றிகள்.

ஆசிரியரின் சேவையை மதித்து அவர் நாமம் கொண்டு வெளிவரும் “அருந்ததி” மணிவிழா சிறப்பு மலரில் இடம்பெறும் ஆக்கங்கள் மாணவர்களை மையப்படுத்தி எழுதப்பட்டவை. இம்மலர் தரம் 3 தொடக்கம் தரம் 11 வரை கல்வி பயிலும் மாணவர்களுக்கு பயனுடையதாக அமையும் என்பதிலும் ஐயமில்லை இம்மலரை மாணவர் சமூகம் பயன்படுத்தி எமது ஆசிரியரது பெயர் இம்மண்ணில் வாழ துணைபுரியுமாறு கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றோம். மீண்டும் மணிவிழா சார்ந்த செயற்பாடுகள் சிறப்படைய உதவிய அத்தனை பேருக்கும் பெருமனதாய் நன்றிகள் கூறுகின்றோம்.

மணிவிழாக்குழுவினர்

# ஆசிரியர் அருந்ததி துரைராஜா

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தந்தை : கந்தையா துரைராஜா (தபாலதிபர்)  
தாய் : துரைராஜா திலகவதி  
பிறந்த திகதி : 16.01.1960  
கல்வி : தரம் 1-5வரை- யா/ மட்டுவில் கமலாசனி வித்தியாலயம்  
தரம் 6-11வரை - யா/ சாவகச்சேரி இந்துக்கல்லூரி  
உயர்தரம் (உயிரியல்)- யா/சாவகச்சேரி இந்துக்கல்லூரி

ஆசிரிய சேவை:

17.08.1988 - 19.01.1992 - யா/ சரசாலை சரஸ்வதி வித்தியாலயம்  
20.01.1992 - 31.12.1993 - ஆசிரிய பயிற்சிக் கலாசாலை (பலாலி)  
01.01.1994 - 26.01.2002 - யா/ மட்டுவில் கமலாசனி வித்தியாலயம்  
07.01.2002 - 15.06.2010 - யா/ கொக்குவில் இந்துக்கல்லூரி  
16.06.2010 - 16.01.2020 - யா/ செங்குந்த இந்துக்கல்லூரி

சகோதரன் : துரைராஜா வசந்தன் (நடத்துநர், இ.போ.ச)  
மைத்துனி : சிவஞானம்மா வசந்தன்

சகோதரிகள் : காஞ்சனா துரைராஜா - B.Sc  
(ஆசிரியர் யா/ முத்துத்தம்பி ம.வி. திருநெல்வேலி)

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மைத்துனன் : தம்பு சுரேந்திரன்

பெறாமகன் : சுரேந்திரன் விகாஷ் (மாணவன் யா/ பரியோவான் கல்லூரி)

ஆசிரியர் செல்வி அருந்ததி துரைராஜா அவர்களுக்கு மட்டுவில்லில்  
அவரிடம் கற்ற மாணவர்கள் 2020.02.16 அன்று மட்டுவில்லில்  
முன்னெடுத்த மணிவிழாவில் வாழ்த்தி வழங்கிய

## மணிவிழா வாழ்த்துப்பாமாலை

கவினுறு மட்டுவில் சேர் லிகித சேவை அதிபர்  
வளமிகு துரைராஜா திலகவதி தம்பதி  
நலமிகு இல்லறத்தால் பெற்ற நன்மக்கள் நால்வர்  
புவி புகழ் மேவு அருந்ததி பல்லாண்டு வாழியவே

ஆரம்பக்கல்வி கமலாசனி வித்தியாலயம்  
நிறைவாக சாவகச்சேரி இந்துவிலும் கற்று  
விஞ்ஞானம் ஆங்கிலம் கற்பிக்கும் ஆசிரியர்  
சரசாலை சரஸ்வதியில் பணியேற்றார் அருந்ததி

மட்டுவில் கமலாசனி கொக்குவில் இந்துக்கல்லூரி  
செங்குந்தா எனப் பணியாற்றிய ஆசிரியை  
திறமையான கற்பித்தலும் பாசமான அணுகுமுறையும்  
பெற்ற மாணவர் வாழ்த்த அருந்ததி வாழிய இனிதே

அன்புடன் பண்பும் நேர்மை நன்னெறி முறையும் கொண்டு  
வன்சொல் பேசாத ஆளுமையும் கலை வளமும்  
இன்சொல்லால் மாணவர்கள் மனங்களை ஈர்த்தெடுத்து  
கற்பித்தலில் வெற்றி கண்ட அருந்ததி வாழியவே

கடமை கண்ணியம் கட்டுப்பாடும் தன் ஆளுமையாய்  
பணிவும் தெய்வபக்தியும் பக்குவமும் நிறைந்தவராய்  
திறமிகு ஆசிரியராய் மாணவரின் சொத்தானார்  
புகழொழி மேவு அருந்ததி வாழிய பல்லாண்டினிதே

வாழிய பல்லாண்டினிதே அருந்ததி வாழியவே  
ஓய்விலும் கல்விப்பணி தொடர்ந்திடும் சமூகத்திற்கே  
நீண்ட நல் ஆயுளுடன் நோய் துயர் ஏதுமின்றி  
புகழோங்க மட்டுவில்லில் வாழ்க பல்லாண்டினிதே

வாழ்த்தி வழங்குவோர்  
ஆசிரியரின் மாணவர்கள்  
மட்டுவில் பதி

கவியாக்கம்:-

சங்கீத வித்துவான் பொன். ஸ்ரீவாமதேவன்

மணிவிழா மலர்

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## ஆசிரியர் செல்வி அருந்ததி துரையாசா அவர்களின் மணிவிழா அழைப்பிதழ்

இடம் :- மட்டுவில் மாதுமை கல்வி நிலைய மண்டபம்  
காலம் :- 16.02.2020 ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை  
நேரம் :- காலை 9.00 மணி

தலைமை

திரு.ச.தயாபரன்

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வடக்கு மாகாணசபை]

## நிகழ்ச்சி நிரல்

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- \* மங்கள விளக்கேற்றல்
- \* இறைவணக்கம் - திருமதி.வெய்யசிவ தயாபரன் (ஆசிரியர்-மா/கைதடி நூலாவில் அ.த.க பாடசாலை)
- \* வரவேற்புரை - திருமதி.அ.சிவசாந்திவி (ஆசிரியர் - மா/ மட்டுவில் சந்திரமௌலீச வித்தியாலம்)
- \* ஆசியுரை - சிவசுந்தி.வொன்.லக்ஷ்நாமதாசுக் குருக்கள் (தர்மகந்தா - மட்டுவில் மருதடி தாள்தோன்றியிள்ளையார் கோவில்)
- \* தலைமையுரை

### வாழ்த்துரைகள்

1. திருமதி.வி.சத்தியசீலன் அவர்கள் (ஓய்வறிவை ஆசிரியர்)
2. திரு.இ.பாலச்சந்திரன் அவர்கள் (அதிபர், மா/ செங்குந்த இந்துக்கல்லூரி)
3. திரு.அ.அகிலதாஸ் அவர்கள் (ஓய்வறிவை பிரதீக்கல்விப் பணிப்பாளர்)
4. திரு.ஞா.இரத்தினசிங்கம் அவர்கள் (விரிவுரையாளர் - தேசிய கல்வியுற கல்லூரி யாழ்ப்பாணம்)
5. திரு.செ.சுப்பிரமணியம் அவர்கள் (ஓய்வறிவை அதிபர்)
6. திரு.த.ஸ்ரீஸ்கந்தராசா அவர்கள் (ஓய்வறிவை உதவிக்கல்விப்பணிப்பாளர்)
7. "கலாநிதி" திரு.ச.க.கண்ணதாஸ் அவர்கள் (சுலைவர் - மொழிபெயர்ப்புக் கற்கைகள் துறை யாழ் பல்கலைக்கழகம்)



**மணிவிழா சிறப்பு மலர் - "அருந்ததி" நூல் வெளியீடு**

**செந்தமிழ்சொல்லருவி திரு.ச.லலீசன் அவர்கள்**

**ஆசிரியரின், மாணவர்களின் வாழ்த்து**

**திருமதி.உமா சந்திரா பிரகாஷ் அவர்கள்**  
(கௌரவ உறுப்பினர் - கொழும்பு மாநகர சபை)

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**திருமதி.சிவஞானவதி செந்தூரன் அவர்கள்**  
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**திரு.சி.ஆர்த்திகள் அவர்கள்**  
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- ✽ ஏற்புரை - விழா நாயகி
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## *My Self* (Grade 3-5)

I am Malathy.  
I am nine years old.  
I am in grade four.  
I live at Madduvil.  
I have a sister.  
I like to eat fruits.  
My hobby is drawing.  
I like to play chess.  
My father is a principal.  
My mother is a teacher.  
I have a pet dog.

## *My self* (Grade 6)

My name is Raja. I am eleven years old. I live at Madduvil. I study at J/Madduvil Kamalasangam Vidyalayam. I am in grade six. I study English, Maths, Civics, Geography and science as the main subjects in our school. I like English best. I like to eat noodles. I like to drink soda.

My favourite colour is red. My favourite pet is dog. Its name is Jimmy. My favourite indoor game is chess. My favourite outdoor game is cricket. My favourite fruit is mango. My favourite flower is shoe flower. My best friend's name is Ravi. He plays with me often. My favourite actor is Vijay. My favourite hobby is reading. I can play piano. I want to be a doctor.

## *My Pet*

My pet is a dog. I have a pet dog in my house. Its name is Nik. My pet is dark brown in colour. There is a white patch on its head. My Pet has two small eyes and a tiny nose. My pet has a small bushy tail. My pet is wearing a red colour collar with a name tag. It has dark brown legs. My pet is quite small. My pet is very clever. It never allows other persons in to my house. My pet likes meals to have three times per day. My pet Nik always comes with me, when I go somewhere. I wish it could come to school with me. But that is impossible. I bathe my pet after I come home from school. It sleeps near my bed at nights. Sometimes it sleeps on my legs. My pet is my best friend. I thank god for giving me my beautiful pet. I love my pet a lot.

## *My Pet* *(Grade 6)*

I have a pet dog. I call him Lingo. He is black and white in colour. He has two bright eyes, a cold nose, and two long ears. When I call him Lingo, he wags his busy tail. He loves fish and meat and drinks a lot of milk. He is strong and smart. He can run very fast. I play with him in the evenings. Lingo is my best friend. He licks and bites my shoes to show his love. He barks at small dogs and cats. When bigger dogs come, he runs to me with his tail between his legs. He looks funny then. I give him a wash every Sunday. He sleeps under my bed and wakes me in the morning. We love each other a lot.

## ***My School*** ***(Grade 7)***

St. Joseph's College is my school. It is in Jaffna town. It is a big school. Mr. Daniel is our principal. There are forty-five teachers and about one thousand students in our school. We have thirty classrooms, a big assembly hall and a nice library full of books. We can study many subjects in our school. We have the best teachers and we get the best results every year. We play cricket, football, badminton and basketball in our school. We enjoy our school sports meet and our prize day very much. Our school life is very interesting. St. Joseph's College has given many good men to our country. I love St. Joseph's College and I am very proud of it.

## ***My Friend*** ***(Grade 6)***

My friend is Kajan. He studies with me in grade seven. He is very good in his studies. All the teachers like him. So, we go together to school and back home. His father is a Public Health Inspector. His mother does not go out to work. He has no brothers and no sisters. He is only child to his parents. His hobby is reading story books. He likes to play football. Every evening he comes to my house to play with me. He has a lovely cat as his pet. He wants to be a doctor one day. I love my friend very much.

## *My Friend*

My best friend is Veena.  
She is nine years old.  
She is in grade four.  
Her hobby is playing net ball.  
She likes to drink orange juice.  
She likes to eat cake.  
She is tall and smart.  
My friend plays with me.  
I go to school with my friend.  
I love my friend.

## *My Village* *(Grade 7)*

The name of my village is Madduvil. It is about four miles from Chavakachheri town. It is a big village. Most of the people here are farmers. They earn money by growing paddy and vegetables. Madduvil brinjal is very popular among the people for its taste and shape. There are schools, temples, churches, community centres, sub-post offices, and health centres in our village. Madduvil Maha Vidyalayam is the biggest school among all the schools in our village. Madduvil Panriththalaichchi Amman temple is a world-famous temple in our village. Most of the people are Hindus here but there are Christians too. We can see a lot of natural beautiful places here. The people in my village are hardworking and helpful to each other. I am proud of my village.



## *My Village*

My Village is Madduvil.  
It is in Jaffna district.  
It is very beautiful and clean.  
It has temples, schools and shops.  
There are a lot of paddy fields.  
There are a lot of families.  
Famous Amman Kovil is in my village.  
I love my village very much.

## *My Country*

My Country is Sri Lanka. It is a beautiful island. It is in the Indian Ocean. It has nine provinces. There are many forests.

mountains and water falls. It has dry and wet climate. In ancient times Sri Lanka was called in different names. The national bird is jungle fowl. There are many religions practiced in Sri Lanka. I love my country.



## *My Country* *(Grade 8/9)*

Sri Lanka is an island in the Indian ocean. It's located in the south of India. The climate of Sri Lanka is tropical. We get rainfall and sun shine throughout the year.

There are three main ethnic groups in Sri Lanka. They are the Sinhalese, the Tamils and the Muslims. The Sinhalese are the majority. The Sinhala language and the Tamil language are the national languages of the country.

Sri Lanka is a famous tourist resort. Many tourists visit here to enjoy the beautiful places. The sea beaches, hill country, tea estates, botanical garden and the ancient buildings are some of the tourist attractions in Sri Lanka.

'Sigiriya' is an important place for the tourists. The wall paintings or the frescos at Sigiriya are world famous. There are many industries in Sri Lanka. Garments, gems, rubber, tea, brass wares and ceramics are some of the industries in Sri Lanka. We export these products from our country. We import flour, rice, fuels and medicines from abroad. I like my country very much.

## *My mother*

The best woman in the whole world is my mother. My mother's name is Kala Kumaran. She is a teacher. She is thirty-five years old. My mother was born on 25th December 1985. She is very beautiful. My mother is very intelligent and brave. She is a kind hearted woman. She is a sober type of person. My mother is fair in complexion. She is tall and quite fat. She has attractive eyes and pointed nose. Her hair is long and dark. My mother has a pleasant look. She always wears saree. She also wears 'Pottu' in her forehead.

My mother is my best friend at home. She always helps me with my studies. She washes my dirty clothes. When I return home from school, she gives me lunch and I tell what happened in my school. She plays games with me in the evenings.

My mother is the best cook. I wish to eat her meals always. My mother treats me with much love. She also cares my brothers a lot. I thank god for giving such a nice mother and I will do my responsibilities to her.



## ***My Vegetable Garden*** ***(Grade 7)***

I have a small vegetable garden. It is at the back of our house. I grow many kinds of vegetables in it. I have lady's fingers, tomatoes, brinjals and bitter gourds in my garden. I work in my garden in the evenings. My sister helps me with my work. We weed the plot and manure it regularly. We water the plants every morning. My mother picks the vegetables when she needs from my garden. She says they are fresh and tasty. Gardening is a very useful hobby.

## ***My Flower Garden*** ***(Grade 7)***

I have a small flower garden. It is in front of our house. I have planted many kinds of flowers in it. There are jasmynes, shoe flowers, sun flowers and roses. I water the flower plants every morning. I manure the flower beds and pull out the weed regularly. Butterflies and bees visit my garden every evening. I feel happy when the flowers are in bloom. My mother picks the flowers and takes them to the temple every Tuesday and Friday. I am proud of my flower garden.

## ***My Hobby*** ***(Grade 3-5)***

My hobby is playing cricket.  
It is the popular sport in Sri Lanka.  
Cricket is a team game.  
It is good for our health.  
I like to play cricket every day.  
We play cricket in open air.  
I like to watch cricket match in television.

## ***On the Sea beach*** ***(Grade 7)***

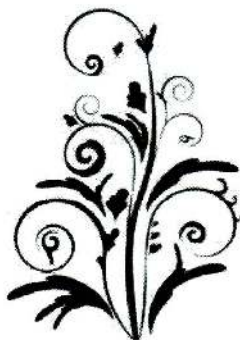
It was a hot Sunday evening. My uncle and aunt took me to the Pasikkuda beach. My cousins Rohini and Raja were with us. Aunty sat on the sand. We got into the water. It was very cold and nice. We splashed water at each other. Sometimes big waves pushed us back to the shore. It was great fun. We walked on the sand. We collected some seashells and corals too. We saw some fishermen going out to sea in their boats. By 5 o' clock aunty served biscuits and tea. We went home at night fall.

## *My Leisure Time Activity*

Different people have different leisure time activities in their life. Having a leisure time activity is an essential thing for human life. Leisure time activities are very helpful to relax our mind and decrease our stress. I have many useful activities to do in my leisure time, such as reading books, gardening, watching television etc. Among them gardening is my leisure time activity.

We have a big garden at home. I started this leisure time activity a long time ago. I usually work in my garden on weekends and whenever I have free time. My parents help me to give some creative ideas.

There are many advantages in gardening. It makes my garden beautiful. Gardening is a good exercise and helps me to lead a healthy life. I have grown vegetables using carbonic fertilizers and cow dung. I earn extra money by selling flowers and the extra vegetables. So, gardening is a very useful leisure time activity.



## *A Visit to the Children's Park* (Grade 8)

There is a children's park in our town. It is a beautiful and interesting place. We can play around and we see lovely flowers there. The large fish tanks there are fantastic. We can have a go in the swing. We can go up and down the sea-saw. The merry-go-round is very fine. We can go up the ladder and come down on the slide. We can enjoy walking across the cable bridge. We can see the whole town from the top of the steel tower. The fountain lit with colour bulbs look great. We can eat ice-cream and chocolates there. We must not pick flowers or litter the ground.

## *My Favourite Game* (Grade 8)

Cricket is my favourite game. It is one of the most popular sports in the world today. There are many reasons why I like cricket. It is a very fascinating game. It holds the attention of the spectators from the beginning to the end. It is a team game. It teaches us the team spirit. We learn to accept both victory and defeat alike. This is good for our health.

## *My Favourite Book*

Books are valuable treasures. Books are the main source of gathering information. As students, we must read books. Every student has a book as favourite one. By the way, my favourite book is Vendor of sweets. It is a story book. This book is also considered as a novel. My favourite book was written by an Indian author R.K.Narayan. The story in this book is very interesting one. There are two main characters in the story. They are Jagan and Mali. Jagan is the father of Mali. The whole story is about them.

My favourite book is an amazing creation. There are many good things for the readers in this book. By reading my favourite book, I identified the different qualities of human. My favourite book has hundred and fifty pages. The writer uses simple English language in this book. I read this book in my school library. Every student should read this book minutely. I love my favourite book a lot.





## *My Favourite Person*

Everyone has a favourite person in their life. My favourite person is my mother. Mothers are god's gifts for all of us in the world. Mother is an excellent example of love, affection and sacrifice.

My mother is an ideal woman. There are many qualities in her. She is very gentle, polite, affectionate, religious and intelligent. She plays many duties in the family. She always keeps our house neat and clean. She looks after me and other members of the family carefully. She always thinks of our comfort. She is very conscious about my studies also. She always expects my bright future. She wants me to be well educated and established in life.

She is very kind hearted woman. Nobody is as kind as my mother. If any family member of our family become ill then she takes care of them very well. My mother is truly prosperous. We pray God for her good health always.



## *The Television* (Grade 9)

The television is the most popular mass media in the world today. It is found in almost every home now. A scientist named John Logie Baird invented it. It has brought the whole world to our door step. The television provides us entertainment. We have no need to go out to see the cinema. It also imparts knowledge. There are so many educational programmes on television. But as with everything else, the television too has disadvantages. School children watch television till late at night. Thus, they neglect their studies. So, if we use television in good way, it will be very useful to everyone.



## *Home Garden*

People spend their leisure time usefully by doing something. Some people do gardening as their leisure time activity. Most of such people have home garden. My hobby is also gardening. I have a small home garden behind my home. It was prevented by fence. There are many types of plants in my home garden.

I have divided my home garden into four parts. I have planted flower plants like rose, jasmine, sun flower and shoe flower in one part. There are creepers in the second part such as blue pea flowers and butterfly pea double flowers. In the third part I've planted the plants with medical quality like mimosa, vilvam, and balsm. In the fourth part I've planted the plants, which are taken as a meal. Agaththi, and Murungai are some examples for such plants. I always use natural manures for my home garden.

I water my garden daily. My mother and my father are main helpers of me for maintaining my garden. We earn natural food items from my home garden. By doing home garden, I feel very happy. I love my home garden a lot.



## ***Navarathiri / Hindu Festival*** ***(Grade 6/7)***

Navarathiri is one of the popular festivals among the Hindus. It usually falls in October. Navarathiri literally means nine lights. These nine lights are apart for the worship of three attributes of the mother Goddess namely Durka, Luxmy and Saraswathi. During the first three nights we worship Durka for valour and courage and the next three nights we worship Luxmy for wealth and properties. The last three nights are devoted to Saraswathi. The Goddess of learning is indispensable for perfect and successful life on earth.

## ***My Ambition*** ***(Grade 8)***

A man without ambition is useless. Everybody is born with some purposes. Then she or he should fulfil it. I do not want wealth or power. I want only to serve my village and country. That is my only ambition.

Therefore, I want to become a doctor. A doctor is like a god to his patients. By becoming a doctor, I shall serve the poor and the sick. I shall go to the villages and give them free treatments.

I will stay in my village and advice the people on how to prevent diseases and stay healthy. I won't charge any money from poor people. I believe that this profession gives me happiness and the opportunity to serve the community. So I pray to god every day to give a good way to become a doctor.

## *Trees are our Best Friends* *(Grade 9)*

Trees are one of the best things that mother earth has provided us shade. Flowers give us good smell. Some climbers give us fruits. Trees like neem are medicinal trees. Butterfly loves to suck nectar from flowers. Birds make their nests on trees.

The chirping of the birds in the morning is sweet to the ear. Monkeys love to jump around the trees. We play under a big mango tree. When we are hungry, one of us climbs the mango tree and plucks the sweet mangoes. When we are very tired, we even sleep under the shade of this tree.

It is the chirping of the birds that wakes us up. Cool breeze soothes our mind when we are sad. We study together sitting under the shade of the mango tree. Trees are indeed a gift from God. It is our duty to protect them.



## *How do you spend your weekend?*

Sunday is the weekend day for all the workers. As a student, I also do not have school on that day. On that day, I get up at 7 o'clock in the morning. I brush my teeth and wash my face. My mother prepares tea for me. I have my tea. After that I have a bath. I pray god for all the good things. I take my breakfast with my family at 9 o'clock. Then I study for two hours. I watch television with the permission of my parents for some time. Later, I help my mother to prepare lunch by cutting vegetables. Then I have my lunch with my parents and brother. After that, I get ready to go to my tuition class at 3 o'clock. It's tiring but my knowledge gets better improvement. I return home at 5 o'clock. Then, I play games with my lovely brothers. After that, I wash my body and pray my god again. Then I do my home works and study for three hours. After 8.30pm, I help my mother to prepare dinner and eat it with my beautiful family. After dinner, I spend some time with my computer. After 9.30pm, I go to sleep. Therefore, weekend is the day of relaxation.



## *The Job I like most*

There are many jobs in the world to do for our career. We can select many areas for working such as Agriculture, Industry, Business, Science and technology, Education, Environment, Health, politics, Law, Media, Arts and Travel and Transport. Everyone has freedom to make own decision.

The job I like most is to be a teacher of English. I like this profession due to several reasons. The first reason is, it is a noble profession. A good teacher gets a humble pleasure when he / she notices the progress of his or her student. That pleasure cannot be gained from any other job. On the other hand, learning is a great merit. A good teacher always pays his or her attention to the children. The teacher fixes good habits in the minds of children. The teacher is the correct guide of a nation.

The other reason that I like this job very much is, the English language is considered as an international language. "Teaching is the best way of learning." Therefore, I would like to be a good teacher of English.

I think everyone should have a job in life. When there is a target, it is very easy to achieve the target. So I dedicate and commit myself and achieve my goal as a teacher of English.

## *How did you spend your last vacation?*

Vacations are the best time to relax and enjoy. I went to seaside with my family in my last vacation. I can say my holidays were one of the best in my life.

Last Vacation my father decided to take my family out. Everyone agreed to go to the beach as it was a beautiful day. We packed our things and left.

We reached the beach and found a spot under a shady tree. We unpacked the things. After that, we started building sand castles others were very excited. It was a very funny experience. As it was a sunny day, the cooling sea water was refreshing.

By noon, we had our lunch. Followed by some fun activities we had a wonderful time at the beach and really enjoyed ourselves.

It was a day well spent with all the members of the family. And with this we had a great opportunity to breathe in the fresh air. It was an enjoyable day at the beach.



## *The Teacher I like most*

I meet many teachers in my life. But I like my class teacher. Her name is Mrs.Ranjini. She is about thirty years old. She is slim and fair. She wears her hair in a plait. Our class teacher is a teacher of English. She teaches us English language very attractively. She is very efficient in teaching. She makes us very happy throughout her lessons. She knows how to attract students to her lessons. She entrusts every student with activities very cleverly.

She comes to the class early in the morning and directs us to clean the classroom. She advices us very often and corrects us when we go wrong. She directs us to the correct path in the society. She explains everything very kindly and lovingly. She is willing to see our progress in every way like education and morality.

I like her because she is very kind and helpful to us always. I think she is an ideal teacher and an exemplary character for all of us. Therefore I like my teacher very much.



## *My Favourite Game*

Cricket is my favourite game. It is a very popular game. It is loved by everyone in the world. Some persons play it very well, but many others enjoy either watching it on tv or listening to radio.

It is played by several countries in the world. Eleven players participate to play in this game. But ball and wicket sticks are used to play cricket. It is a team event. One or two boys only can't play it properly.

Many organizations, factories, offices and clubs organize matches and they play very well. Winners of the team will be famous in the world step by step. They will earn huge wealth within short team. Some of the famous cricket players will be sponsored by several advertisement centers and companies.

My ambition is also to become a famous cricket player in the world. Therefore, I participate in several cricket matches with clubs since my childhood. One day I'll become a famous cricket star like Muttaiah Muralitharan.



## ***Good Health Habits*** ***(Grade 7/8)***

We must take in fresh air, eat nutritious food and drink clean water to grow healthy. We must also learn good health habits. We must brush our teeth, comb our hair, wash ourselves and wear clean clothes.

We have to trim our nails and cut our hair short. We should wash our hands well using soap before and after meals. We must wash our hands and legs thoroughly after using the toilet. Using boiled and cooled water for drinking is a good habit. We must eat food that has carbohydrates, proteins, fat and vitamins. Too much of sugar is bad for our body health. Eating too much of anything is not good for our health.

We must wash vegetables and fruits carefully before eating or cooking them. Work and rest are as important as food and drink for our health. People say eight hours of work and eight hours of sleep can keep our body healthy and fit.

Finally smoking, drinking alcohol and chewing betel leaf are bad habits. 'Health is wealth.'

## *Reading as My Hobby* *(Grade 8)*

We spend our time happily with hobbies. There are many hobbies in the world like reading, collecting stamps, gardening etc.

Hobby helps to spend time with advantages. My most favourite hobby is reading. I read not only story books but also other materials.

Some reading materials are newspaper, novels, magazines, story books and legends. These are valuable resources for the students. They help to gain knowledge. These reading materials give good lesson to our life. There are many newspapers published in our area like Thinakkural, Uthayan, Valampuri etc. I like to read the Thinakkural paper because they contain various types of news, articles for children. They come very beautifully.

In the Tamil magazines there are essays, poems, stories, international news for children, inventions and general knowledge. In the English magazines there are some interesting essays, poems, stories, local news, beautiful pictures and grammar activities. I gain more advantages from reading. I get cheerful mind from reading.

‘Reading maketh a full man.’ We spend our leisure time profitably and meaningfully.

## *An Unforgettable Incident in my life – An Accident*

It was a Saturday. It was very cold. My mother was standing out in the balcony watching the traffic, and I was reading a book. While I was deeply involved in reading the book, I heard the faint voice of my mother calling me.

I rushed to her. She pointed out something to me. I saw the traffic block and the collision of two cars face to face on the road. I quickly put on a t-shirt and ran to the scene to rescue the people in the cars. Other people too came running for help. The driver of one car was dead but the other car driver seemed to be serious and breathing hard. We all rushed towards him. He was badly wounded. We helped him to get out of the car. He was bleeding from head to toe. They took him to the nearest hospital.

I stood next to the cars and watched along with some other people. The cars were badly damaged. There was a lot of blood splashed on the road. After some time, a team of police arrived and removed the dead body of the driver and cleared the crowd. They began their investigations.

It was a terrible and sad experience. I hope the driver would have recovered from injury now.

## *Vandalism*

Vandalism is an offense that is caused when a person deliberately destroys, alters or defaces someone else's property without permission. It is mostly aimed at public property as public transport services and other public places. It also occurs at individual level too. Among many reasons, personal attitudes and basic social problems are at the root of vandalism.

Vandalism is willful and deliberate of public property. What causes this type of behaviour? The reasons are many or some youths show hatred for the society and its values. These irresponsible citizens are tempted to do these undesirable acts of vandalism. They do not have a sense of belonging or loyalty towards their society or nation.

Vandalism in every country is rather impossible to enforce the laws strictly. One way to eradicate or reduce the rate of vandalism is to install civic sense into the citizens, besides of course, the introduction of compulsory education up to age of sixteen. Schools can provide a healthy atmosphere for children to form healthy attitudes and this in turn would make them to realize the values of discipline in life.



## *Let's Protect Public Property*

Property belongs to the government is known as public property. They are not for the benefits of one person only but they belong to the whole society. Public libraries, schools, hospital, religious places, public transport systems are some examples for public property.

What is the attitude of people towards public property in the present society? Many people do not think of them and they do not have a sense of protecting them for next generation. That situation creates a huge destruction to the country. Because the state has to spend a large amount of money annually for maintaining public property.

Therefore, it is the responsibility of every citizen protecting public property for the betterment of the country. How can we protect them not to do such means acts? However, protecting public property should be our prime duty in the present society.

Protecting public property means saving our own money. So as good citizens let us determine to protect public property of the country. Then we would be able to have a prosperous country in future.

## *Advantages and Disadvantages of Mobile Phones*

Mobile phones have become a necessity in every house at present. It is one of the most important inventions of the modern science and technology. In the field of communication, it plays an important role in many ways. Undoubtedly mobile phone has become the most popular electronic media. There is no other source of entertainment which can compete with this today.

Mobile phones have both good and bad effects like in any other productions. Mobile phones bring vast knowledge in different fields. News items and some entertainment programmes improve viewers' knowledge and they entertain people immensely.

Some unsuitable programmes affect the children. It is the responsibility of parents assisting their children for selecting only the important events in phones. But the children like to watch all the programmes in the phones. Limitation is a weak characteristic of many children and adults. Viewers and users of mobile phones must be wise enough to be critical in selecting the events.

On the whole all of the users of mobile phones may be affected by discussions. So, we have to reduce the usage of mobile phones and live long life in future.



## *Uses of trees*

Trees are the most valuable and useful gift that all living beings, receive from nature. From a man's birth to death tree plays the main part.

People get various types of things from trees. It gives food, medicine, clothes, water, timber and also fresh air. We should have many useful trees in our environment.

Leaves and palm leaves are used as animal fodder. Human beings too live on green leaves to enrich their mineral food value. Timber is used to make furniture and build houses and cut pieces are used as fire wood. It is our duty to protect trees from this disaster and encourage everyone to plant a tree in their garden.

Many people destroy and cut trees for various reason. So, we have to be aware of cutting trees in future. We have to protect our environment by growing trees. So don't cut trees and get good future.



## *Water is gift of nature*

Water is a very useful natural resource. You can drink it pure. It's next to blood. Seventy percentage of earth's surface is covered with water. It is vital for all life and helping us to survive. We use it to drink, wash, bathe, cook, generate electricity and for transportation.

We have to face many problems like floods, and drought due to water. We are unable to get pure because, all the impurities like waste pesticides, insecticides, factory waste water fall into the river and pollute it. People too never care to keep the spring or river water clean. In some places when they go on pilgrimage, they litter wastes everywhere. These too would be washed into flowing water.

To avoid all these we must not waste water. In other countries the recycle waste water and use for bathing and gardening. Sea water is used after purification for the drainage system. Spring water is used only for drinking purpose.

Water plays an important part in our life. We ought to use it carefully.



## *Impact of Tourism in Sri Lanka*

Sri Lanka is one of the most attractive countries in the world. It has more geographical features including rivers, waterfalls, beaches, gardens and forests.

Thousands of tourists visit Sri Lanka annually. In Sri Lanka, there are many famous waterfalls. They are Dunhinda, Diyaluma and Bambarakanda. Bambarakanda is the tallest waterfall in our country, and the Dunhinda is the most beautiful waterfall.

Dalada Maligawa is the most famous Buddhist temple in Sri Lanka. It is very popular for Tooth Relic of Baddha. Kandy is the most beautiful holiday destination in Sri Lanka. Peradeniya and Haggala are some relaxing holiday destinations in Sri Lanka for both local and foreign people. Peradeniya is always famous for Essala Perahera. The Trincomalee natural harbour in Sri Lanka is very famous in the world. The Nuwara Eliya is very famous for world's end and kanniyai in Trincomalee is famous for hot water.

Kandy is the historical and romantic hill country. It is very famous city for all the foreigners with its cool weather and lovely greenish environment is certainly the perfect get away location.

Sinharaja is the hotspot rainforest in Sri Lanka. It has a biological diversity for endemic species. Embekke temple is very famous for Buddhists. It is decorated with dancers, musicians and birds. Tourism is the most important engines of growth and development in the Sri Lankan economy.

## *A Visit to the Zoo*

Last week our biology teachers arranged an educational trip to the Dehiwala zoo. Because we had to know about animals and birds for our studies. Dehiwala zoo is situated 200km from our school in Colombo district. So Last Sunday we started our journey early in the morning and reached there around 10.00 a.m by bus. First of all, our teacher bought tickets at the entrance. Then we entered the zoo.

First we went to see the birds section. It looked really amazing. Because there were many beautiful birds in many varieties of colours. Our teacher told their scientific names and explained their habits for us very well. Their sounds also gave me a bit of pleasure.

Then we saw the animals section. We can see many endangered animals there. Especially we can see many varieties of monkeys such as chimpanzees, gorillas, orangutany etc. When we give the banana for small red monkeys, they picked them from our hands happily.

Next, around 1 o' clock we had our lunch. Then we visited the aquarium section. I felt very cold there because that section was surrounded by the water resources. There we saw many varieties of fishes. As well as we also saw crocodiles and tortoises there.

Then all of us gathered in the middle of the zoo to watch the elephant's circus. We all really enjoyed that especially elephants dance. We also took some photos. Finally, around 5 o' clock we started our journey towards our school with sweet memories. I got a lot of enjoyment and learnt a lot from the trip. So, this is an unforgettable trip in my life.

## *Why I like English* (Grade 10)

Of all the subjects, I like English the most. The reasons for this are not far to seek. First and foremost, English is a world language spoken in almost every part of the world. Without a knowledge of English, we will be just frogs in the well.

English is the gateway to the treasure house of knowledge. We find one of the world's best literatures in English. There are so many delightful poems, tales and plays that have won immortal fame. English is the language of trade and commerce, travel and communication. A fair knowledge of English is a must for those intending to go abroad, for there is no country where English is not spoken. Besides, the latest books on science and technology are written in English.

We find only poor translation of them in the vernacular. If you intend doing higher studies, you must learn English. If you want to learn other European languages like French or German, you should first have a good knowledge of English.



## *Attractive place in Sri Lanka*

There are many attractive places in Sri Lanka. Sigiriya is one of the famous and most attractive places in Sri Lanka. Sigiriya means lion's rock. Hight of the rock is around 200 meters. According to the history of Sri Lanka this rock was used as a kingdom in Sri Lanka by the King Kashyapa in 5th century.

Sigiriya is located in the Matale district near Dambulla town in the Central province. The name of the place is derived from this structure "Sinhagiri" the Lion Rock. This ruin is surrounded by gardens, ponds and other structures. It is included as one of the World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. Sigiriya provides evidence for the great technologies in the ancient Sri Lanka. Several ponds are located on the top of the Sigiriya. Most of the people climb Sigiriya in order to watch paintings. Those paintings are very beautiful. Those paintings describe Angeles. The palace and fortress complex are recognized as one of the finest examples of ancient urban planning.



## *Water*

### *(Grade 10)*

All living beings need water. We can live for a few days without food. But we can't live without water. We find water as liquid in rivers, lakes, ponds, streams and seas. It is around as solid in ice form and gas in vapour and clouds. We need water for our daily activities like bathing, cooking and washing.

Water is essential for agricultural purposes too. If there is no water, we can't grow any food. Water is needed for running power plants. We must not waste water. So, it is essential for industry too. People sometimes dump garbage in water ways. Severe water pollution can kill large numbers of fish, birds and other small animals.

So, let us all try to conserve this precious resource without polluting it. We should always try to conserve this precious life – giving liquid. We must not pollute it. We must use water sparingly in our daily activities.



## *The ways to improve our English Language*

English is an important language in our life and also it is an international language. Without English we can't do anything in the world. So, we have to improve our knowledge of English. It is very essential for our future life too. We should study English in the correct way.

If we want to improve our knowledge in English language, first we have to develop our knowledge in four skills. They are listening, speaking, reading and writing. At the same time we have to learn many English words and study English basic grammar. Reading is the best way to improve vocabulary. So, if we read many English language books, we can improve our Knowledge.

Every day we should talk with our friends and parents in English without fear. It is very possible to improve our speaking skills. We should spend few hours daily to watch English programmes on tv and use the internet also. It makes us to know, how to pronounce English words correctly and fluently. When we practice these, we will learn more unfamiliar words.

English language is an official language. If we have to get a job in foreign offices, we must learn English. Most important books for higher studies are written in English. It is spoken almost all over the world. It is also essential to the field of education. The knowledge of English is a very essential thing in the present world.



## *Modern Technology*

In this modern world, it is hard to imagine living without the aid of technology. Some people say that technology has changed the world by making one's life easier and fun. Time to time there were new technologies invented that helps in making life easier for the people in communication, transportation, education and even the entertainment.

E - mail, cell phones and internet are only few examples of technological improvements in communication. Earlier people were only be able to send letters through mails, in order to send messages to their loved ones far away from home.

In these modern days, we can now connect easily with our families and friends using cellphones and internet services by sending them messages through e -mail or sms, which they can be able to read and reply right away using these new inventions.

In addition, cars, trains and airplanes are some of the inventions in transportation made by technology. These modern transports allow us to travel comfortably and quickly to our destinations all over the world. In the old age, transportation was only limited to horses and ships that took several days to arrive their respective destinations. With these innovations on transportation, people can be able to visit different places throughout the world.

Modern technology doesn't leave the education. All the administration works in the schools are prepared and implemented through telephones, computers and internet services.

## *Sources of Knowledge*

Sources of knowledge is the important part of every human life. It comes from different sources, such as people, television, radio, newspapers, books, journals, magazines, encyclopedias, web pages and online library. They are very important to our day to day life. It takes major role in our life.

Newspaper contains news, information, entertainment and advertisements. It gives news like what is happening around the world. It also expresses opinion about social and political problems through the editorial.

Books contain information, articles and stories. It gives information on what is happening around the society and reflects opinion of the author.

Reading is a very good thing for improving our source of knowledge. With the advancement of internet life has been made easier with quick access to information and the number of tasks that can be performed online. Internet is the vehicle for the information. The internet is a source of guidance. It is a quick and easy way to get a general idea on many topics including health.

Television or radio includes sounds, images and video. It is a great source of local information. We should use these sources in proper way. Multimedia projectors and computers are used in numerous ways. All the records are kept in folders in the computers. Classroom works and activities are also done through the computers or CD players. It helps the students to get much benefits from the lessons, workshops and group discussions etc. Also, students can easily search information from the source of access or web sites. Nowadays there are lot of sources available all over the world to improve our knowledge.

## *Mahatma Gandhi*

### *(Grade 9)*

Mahatma Gandhi has been the greatest man of modern times. He was the father of the nation. People called him Bapy (father) in love. His full name was Mohan Das Karam Chand Gandhi. He was born on 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, 1869 at Porbandar in Gujarat. As a marker of modern India, he will ever be remembered. His father was the Dewan of Raj kot. At the age of seven he went to school. But he was an average student. After matriculation he joined college. Later he went to England to study law. He became a lawyer and returned to India. But he was not successful as a lawyer. He went to Africa. There he fought for the rights of Indians.

On his return to India he joined congress. Soon he became an important leader of the congress. Then he started non-cooperation movement against the British rule in India. He was a great devotee of Ahimsa or non-violence. He struggled for the removal of untouchability. He also did much to improve lot of women and weaker sections of the society. He was sent to jail many times. At last India won freedom on 15<sup>th</sup> of August, 1947 under his able leadership. Gandhiji was a saint-politician. His faith in god was firm and deep. He never told a lie. He advised people never to utter untruth. He was a great social reformer. A mad man killed him on 30<sup>th</sup> of January, 1948. His samadhi at Rajghat is visited by hundreds of people daily.

## *Great Person in Sri Lanka*

All have their own favourite persons. It may be a family member or a national hero. My favourite person is the greatest Sri Lankan, C.W.W Kannangara.

C.W.W Kannangara was the first Minister of Education in Sri Lanka and is considered as the “Father of Free Education” in Sri Lanka.

He was born in a rural town in Ambalangoda, Southern part of Sri Lanka, on 13th October, 1884. His father’s name was Daniel Wijekoon Kannangara and his mother’s name was Emily Wijesinghe. He obtained primary education from temple, that may have helped him to change his attitude. In secondary education Kannangara won many prizes than other students and he was the all - round student in the school. Captain of school cricket team and member of debate and soccer teams made real platform to him to win many colours in the school for his great performance.

Dr.C.W.W. Kannangara who was 60 years old, when he introduced the free education scheme. He is enshrined with gratitude in the hearts of thousands of us who have benefited by free education. As long as free education lasts in our country Dr.C.W.W. Kannangara would be venerated by the people in Sri Lanka.

## *Duties of a prefect*

The prefect board of a school has an important place in a school. The school and the students have a great respect for them. The prefects play an important role in a school. They assist in all school activities, support both staff and pupils and maintain discipline among the pupils.

The main role of a prefect is to aid in the running of the school by providing their time to perform a particular duty on a daily basis. They should obey the rules of the school, respect the teachers and conduct themselves in a good manner. They should be the examples to their fellow students.

The role of a prefect falls into four main categories. They are maintaining good discipline, helping staff, supporting younger pupils and organizing events. The prefects maintain an atmosphere of friendly cooperation, peace, discipline and unity in the school. They should wear the correct uniform at all times. They should be able to report all discipline notes to the head of the behaviour committee. Also, they should report any issues to the head prefect. They must maintain both academic and behavioural standards. They should be prepared to attend all the meetings as required.

## *Protect our public property*

The property we use can be classified as public property and private property. Public property can be used by everyone in the society but private property belongs to only one person or to a number of people.

Today public property is being destroyed rapidly. Some people care only about their own property, but we all have the right to use public property without any obstruction. Also, we must know how to protect them.

Libraries, schools, temples, hospitals, buses and trains can be identified as public property. When we use public property, we should know how to use them without damaging them. In school, we have to protect the furniture and other things in the classroom.

Public property belongs to us as well as to the next generation of people in our country. Therefore, it's our duty and responsibility to keep in mind to protect them. Today we can see some people destroy public property. If we destroy public, the government will collect taxes from all of us to replace or repair this property. We must educate the people about the importance of protecting public property. It is our duty to protect public property like our own property for the next generation.

## *Importance of time*

‘Time is Gold’ – This statement is very truth and great. We all should keep it in mind. Time is precious. It helps us in every way. Every minute or second pushes us forward but the time should not be backwards.

In this way, in our childhood we need to gain many things for our life. Such as education, learning good manners and making use of our personal talents and etc. So, first we are sent to a school. This period is the most valuable in our life. So, we should not waste our precious time and lose anything. Each one should use their time maximum usefully. We should plan and make a time table to our works. If we work according to this method, we will not waste our single minute.

During our young age still, we need to build up our personality. Hence, we need to acquire the experience and knowledge during this period. Without wasting time we should concentrate on what we could gain during the period. The person who has a good time management skill or punctuality, will not fail in anything he does.

Finally, we grow old and must be able to look back and think how we had spent our time during the young age. If we had spent our time usefully and meaningfully, we can be proud of ourselves. Otherwise we will have to repeat for the rest of our lives thinking of the wasted time.

‘So, don’t waste your time’

‘If we lose our valuable time, it will not come again’

## *Reading is better than watching tv*

There are many activities to spend our free time. Some of them are very useful for all and some of them are not suitable for students. According to this, 'Reading is better than watching tv.'

'Reading makes a perfect man' is the old aged saying that we've heard of most intelligent people do reading as a hobby since they know the benefits of reading.

A person who reads more is knowledgeable and wise. He gets many things and he can improve his knowledge in many ways. It also makes a person refined and disciplined. Reading can know exactly what is good and what is bad. Reading can be done much trouble. We can use variety of materials to read such as books, newspapers, magazines and other materials.

At the same time, some of the people are interested in watching television. They became highly impressed with the pictures in front of them. They do not have to imagine at incidents or sceneries when they could be easily viewed on the screen. This can destroy the imaginary powers or the creativity of human beings. Television is also a useful device. It gives a lot of information within a few seconds.

However, when we compare these two activities both are useful. But if one gets addicted to either of them it would be more harmful than the benefits we reap. According to that, if be reading or watching tv one should exactly have an idea of the objective in mind and should be done to a certain limit. Both activities can give us much pleasure and build up a good person.



## *How I help our parents*

In my home, everyone does many works in many ways. I also do works. I help to my parents in many ways. I help to my mother in the kitchen in variety of works, such as cutting vegetables, sweeping the house, scraping the coconut, peeling the onions, raking water from the well and removing the waste things in the kitchen. I help to my father in the garden. We have a home garden behind our house. My father and I do the works in the evenings. I do in different types of works such as watering the plants, picking the vegetables, weeding, manuring the plants and sorting out the vegetables. I work with our parents very happily. I am proud of this.

## *My favourite tv programme*

My favourite tv programme is 'super singer.' It is one of the wonderful programmes. This programme gives chance to perform with proud. This programme is telecasted in 'Vijay' channel at 7pm to 8pm. Most of the talented participants show their talents on the stage very happily. All of them have great voice. They sing different rhythmic songs with sweet voice. All the singers do their performance very well. They come to compete with their family. Competitors make the audience happy. Sometimes they confuse on admiration of the competitors' talents. This programme is watched by all the music lovers. Really this is a fantastic tv programme. I love this programme.

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## *A religious festival*

There are many religious festivals for Hindus. 'Thaippongai' is one of them. It is celebrated in January. All the Hindu people celebrate 'Thaippongai.' Before this day, all of them clean their house and surroundings. On that day, early in the morning they get up and finish their morning activities. Then they start to make the 'pongai.' First they put a new clay pot on the hearth and make 'jaggery pongai.' This day is called 'harvesting day.' All the Hindu people make the Pongal and say thanks for the sun on this day.





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