



BMM Yuva Vani Newsletter September 2021

Welcome all readers to Yuva Vani's September 2021 Edition.

Oh boy ! Summer break's over and our young and talented writers are back to school. But before that they have shared every bit of their summer activities ranging from writing stories to travel experiences to watching olympics to family adventures and also facts of the destination they visited.

Thank you writers!

We hope you will enjoy reading their work.

Your comments and feedback to our young writers will be highly appreciated. Also, if you wish to contribute to upcoming monthly editions please feel free to whatsapp -

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Enjoy Reading !

Quote for the Month - Direction is more Important than Speed.



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An artwork for Ganapati Festival By Vaishali Shinde

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This artwork is created with various names of Ganesha forming the outline.





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BMM Yuva Vani Team wishes you all a very Happy Ganesh Chaturthi. May Lord Ganesh shower wisdom , intelligence , prosperity , happiness and success !



By Shlok Deshpande



The Olympics is an event that typically happens every four years. But because of Covid, it happened in 2021 instead of 2020. This is the first Olympics I could watch since I was too young for the 2012 and 2016 Olympics. So this year I asked a lot of questions to my parents about the scoring, medals, and other things.

I noticed throughout the events and sports that the athletes are under a lot of pressure. They need to be perfect in what they do and how they do it. Even one mistake could result in a bad placement. Though the athletes are under a lot of pressure they perform well. It is amazing and fun to see the athletes compete in swimming races, track and field events, play soccer, and gymnastics. I also noticed that there are very different types of sports in the Olympics and I was particularly surprised to see Equestrian and Skateboards as Olympic sports.

Another part I liked about the Olympics was the opening ceremony. I liked it when all the athletes from different countries walked into the stadium. Some



countries had sent two hundred or more athletes! Other countries send only ten or eleven. Then they lit the torch which I saw for the first time.

My favorite event was the swimming races. This was my favorite event because this is my favorite sport. While watching the races, I learned easier and faster ways to do a certain stroke. It is also interesting to see how fast the swimmers go in the race and their perseverance to do very long laps. Another one of my favorite events is diving. I like how the divers do flips and spins in the air and fall into the water without much of a splash. That must be hard to perfect.

After watching these Olympics I realized the importance of sports in our life. It's not only about winning or losing. It's about hard work, perseverance, focus, and stamina. No wonder the Olympics motto is *"Faster, Higher, Stronger - Together."*

In conclusion, I had a great experience watching the Olympics. It was inspiring to watch athletes do things that we couldn't even imagine doing. And when they do those things they make it look easy. The reactions on their faces when they won medals were priceless.

Finally, Team USA winning the most medals was the icing on the cake!



Anna's Saving

A Short Story by : Sejal Gore



Anna was walking home when she heard the tap tap tap of the shield that seperated the living from the dead. She tried to resist the urge to rip the fabric, seal it and go to the dead world. It didn't work. Using the cutter she always had in her pocket, she cut the shield, went inside and sealed it by chanting a special spell.

She walked around, amazed by all the ghosts she saw here. But the particular one was still waiting on her. She felt the tug. She walked this way and that, looking at alleys with beaten-up ghosts, starved ghosts, each one of them replaying their sad stories. She took a sharp breath of the stale air and there she was.

She heard the soft mumbling of a girl and a boy, and then she saw it. The memory, running fast, hard to watch. The boy saw the girl walking on the road, a car coming at her fast, the boy went in to save her, but both died. She shuddered. And then the boy and girl looked in her direction instead of walking on the road.



“You’re new here.” The girl said. “Yeah. Are you Tanga?” The boy asked. “No, I’m Anna. How do you see me?” She asked, surprised by how easily it came out. “I don’t know, we’ve been trapped here for so long...” The girl trailed off. “Anita, we’ve stopped our memory! We can change everything!” the boy said to the girl, whose name must be Anita. “Oh, I’m sorry to say, but you can’t change your memory now. You’re trapped in it for eternity, it won’t change.” Anna says. “Oh.” Anita says, a sad look on her face. Then it clicks to her.

“Hey, you want to change your memory, right?” Anna asks. “Yeah! But I’ll have to tell Nori first.” Anita said, searching for the boy that was standing beside her a few minutes ago. Then she sees him, going toward the car again. “NORI! NO! NORI!” Anita yells, and Nori listens. He looks back and runs away from the car.

Anita grabs him and tells Nori that there is a chance they can change their memory. Then both of them ask, “How?” Anna tells them. “You know how I can talk to you? Well, I’ll cut the shield so you can walk through, save each other, and then you’ll be off to heaven!” Anna said. She’d done this to ghosts who’d not seen her, but who’d been walking towards the cut.

Nori and Anita watched as she cut a slit big enough to put them through, and then the kids climbed in. Anna watched as Anita walked in front of the car, and Nori saved both of them this time. But the shield started closing. “Come back! Quickly! Anita! Nori!” Anna yelled. They rushed back into the shield, but Anita’s foot got jammed between the cuts. Nori and Anna pulled and tugged, but it was useless. Anna cut another slit where Anita’s foot was,



but it didn't work. They pulled again. Anita gave in, and came back to the dead side of the shield. As they both held hands, They turned into nothing but mist and went off to the other side of the dead, heaven. Anna went through the shield, once again chanted the spell, and went off to home.



MY TRIP TO SMOKY MOUNTAIN

Travel Experience by Mansh Pulse



Hello Everyone, My name is Mansh Pulse. I am 8 years old. I want to share my travel experience with you. Hope you will like it.

It was Saturday morning, I had to wake up early at 7AM. We ate our breakfast and got to travel to Smoky Mountain with my friend.

First, we stopped at a park which was in Indiana for a break. We played on the swings and the slides.

It took us 6 hours to reach the park. Next, we went to a hotel. When we reached the hotel, it was dinner time. We ate sandwiches for dinner.

We woke up early in the morning and we ate breakfast. For breakfast there were waffles, cereal and milk. My stomach was full after I ate yummy breakfast. Then we got ready to go to Smoky Mountain.



The first activity that we did was the zip line. I was so excited to do the zipline as it was my first time doing that adventure. The 1st level was 500 feet tall. I felt nervous because I thought the rope would break. When I rode the 1st level, the rope didn't break because it was built out of steel. After the 1st level I felt happy, and I wanted to go again.



The 2nd level was 600 feet tall and was the longest, but I was not scared at all. The 3rd level was 700 feet tall, and it was the fastest and it went through a tunnel.

Next, we rode a UTV. The trail had lots of mud, dirt and the UTV made a loud noise. Then we kept traveling to our cabin. The road to our cabin was bumpy, rough and dangerous but we finally reached our cabin safely.

The cabin had a balcony. Outside the balcony, we saw tall mountains. We played 8 ball pool, foosball, chess and checkers. We also played in the hot tub and slept on the bunk bed. We did fireworks at night, and we had lots of fun.



The next day we went river rafting on Pigeon River. We had a red raft that could carry 8 people. We had a lifejacket, helmet and some paddles. There was a long bridge, big waves and a red bus took us back to our starting spot.

We stayed in the cabin for 4 days.

Finally, we came back home and it took us 10 hours. I felt happy in the cabin but now I am sad because I can no longer stay in the cabin.

I hope you like my trip to Smoky Mountain.





Kayaking Trip

Family Adventure by Vanita Rikame



Hello , My name is Vanita Rikame and I am going to be a 4th grader. I am a 1st degree Black Belt and student of 2nd level Bharatanatyam. I like adventure activities. Today I am sharing my family's recent Kayaking trip.

We went to Whalon lake in Naperville. That was our 1st visit to this Lake. My dad talked to the guard to get 2 Kayaks. The guard asked all of us to pick up the lifesaving jacket from the lot kept near the entrance. We helped each other put on a life jacket. They gave us some instructions about riding a Kayak and safety like how to row left, right and front using a pedal. Also, the guard told us not to go to the bridge area because it is private and you may not be able to come back.

After the instructions we chose an orange and blue color kayak. My mom took a blue kayak and an orange one by my dad and younger sister Charita. All of us were scared in the beginning until we sat in the kayak.

We took some time to follow the riding instructions. When me and my mom were rowing, we saw a heron on the bank of the lake. We also saw a seagull sitting on top of the wood branch in the lake.



We had fun learning and rowing around like circling. Then we kept rowing and rowing. We tried to go near my dad's kayak. After some time it started raining but not a lot. We did not stop rowing. Later We decided to return near the starting point and stopped kayaking. Some of us were wet due to water getting into to Kayak while peddling.

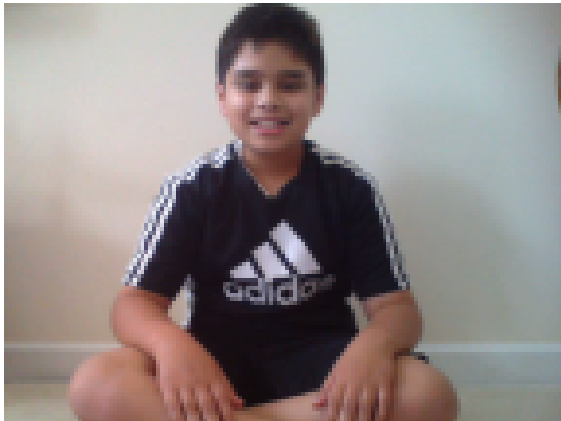


It was so much fun I got to even touch the water. It was so warm. I also got to touch the branches that were pointing straight up to the sky and the branches that were in the water too. Me and my sister were actually learning how to kayak. My sister and I had a good ride. One uncle from another kayak told us that *"you are rowing like a pro!!"*. We rowed right, straight and left. I felt it was hard to pedal at some time. I had to take some breaks. But it was so much fun. When it was raining, I thought it was going to thunder. But it wasn't. Maybe we will go kayaking again soon. That was a long day.



Did You Know?

National Park Facts by Aaryan Joglekar



Badlands National Park invites visitors to see its astonishing 244,000 acres of land every year. The park is a great place to see its landscapes, wildlife, and to hike. The park was named by the Lakota tribe which was the first tribe to discover the park. The lakotas named the park badlands because of its rocky terrain, lack of water, and maximum temperatures.

Fossil hunting is very popular at the park. Badlands was formed when layers of sedimentary rock were deposited into the region. At that time the environment changed drastically from sea to an amazing subtropical forest which changed to a savanna. After the sediments deposited, water started to flow from the black hills and began to wear the layers which formed valleys and eventually formed Badlands National Park. The whole park itself was formed 500,000 years ago. In 2010, a young visitor found a very rare fossil in the park. Park rangers got a closer look at the fossil and later declared it was a fossil of a saber tooth cat. Many other fossils have been found of different species such as rhinoceroses and reptiles. The most common animals in Badlands National Park are bison, black-tailed prairie dogs and mule deer. Coyotes, Pronghorn and bighorn sheep also are found but only by luck. Rattlesnakes are also found in the park. The best time to see wildlife is between 6:00 - 9:00 am. I would also highly recommend you to also visit Mt. Rushmore and Black hills.



Yellowstone was the first National Park established in the United States. Yellowstone National Park was established on March 1, 1872. The park goes across three states, Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho. The park has about 30 points you can visit too such as Lamar valley, Hayden valley, and Grand canyon of Yellowstone. All the points in Yellowstone are connected in a huge circle called the Grand Loop. The Grand Loop is 142 miles long. Geysers and hot springs are all around the park. It would take about 3 whole days to visit the park. The first day you should focus on thermal activity like the geysers and hot springs. The second day and third day you should focus on wildlife, rivers, falls, lakes, and mountains. If you enter the park from the North gate your point would be Mammoth Hot springs. If you enter from the West gate your first point would be Maddison Junction. If planning to enter from South



gate then the first point you would stop at would be Lewis Lake. If you entered from the Northeast entrance then your first point would be Pebble Creek. And if entered from the East then you would first arrive at Sylvan Lake.

Geysers and Hot springs

Norris Geyser basin and Mammoth Hot springs are great points to visit if you want to see geysers and hot springs. The difference between a geyser and a hot spring is that a hot spring is constantly bubbling and geysers only bubble once in a while. A geyser usually erupts and hot springs don't. Make sure to stay on the trail because there is thermal activity everywhere. The hot springs and geysers can reach up to a whopping 200 degrees Fahrenheit. If you would've put your hand in a spring or geyser then your hand would disintegrate after a minute. The geysers and hot springs are literally like lava. The only thing that can survive in these geysers and hot springs are microorganisms like bacteria. The bacteria that can survive in the geysers and hot springs are called Thermophilic bacteria. The bacteria have a cell wall which acts like a defence mechanism to survive in the hot temperatures. The color can also measure how much the temperature is. If the color in a hot spring or a geyser is green then the temperature would be about 60-120 degrees Fahrenheit and if red then 140-200 degrees Fahrenheit. The geysers are formed when deep underground there is molten rock, magma, and water. The magma mixes in with the water which becomes superhot. In a hot spring it is the same procedure but it can crack through dirt which gets mixed in with the water which can cause it to create mud pits, geysers, hot springs, and fumaroles.



Water Falls

Canyons, Mountains Brink of lower falls is a great point to see scenic views of the fall. The fall drops 328ft down. The fall was formed when water kept on eroding rock which led to a fall. The Brink of Lower Falls leads to the upper falls. The Grand Canyon of Yellowstone has two falls; the whole canyon consists of a rock called rhyolite. Rhyolite is volcanic rock which forms the whole place. The canyon used to be a volcano that erupted with lava but then dried up and became rhyolite. Then water flowed in and eroded most of the rhyolite which formed a canyon. Mount Washburn is a mountain in Tower Junction. The mountain used to be a volcano and still is but it's not active. You can go on a trail that leads to the top of Mount Washburn.

Rivers and Lakes

The Yellowstone river is a great place to fish. And Yellowstone Lake is a great place to see a scenic view of the lake. In winter when Yellowstone Lake freezes, American Bison walk over to an island in the middle of the lake. But if they stay there too long then in spring the ice melts and the bison have to stay there until winter again. The lake includes lake trout and other small fish that the trout can eat. On the other hand Yellowstone River includes cutthroat trout and river otters and beavers. In Winter beavers build dams so they can have more food and a place to live. River otters swim in these rivers because they have a lot of food to eat and so their babies can play around. Sometimes the river otters eat the trout for food.



Wildlife

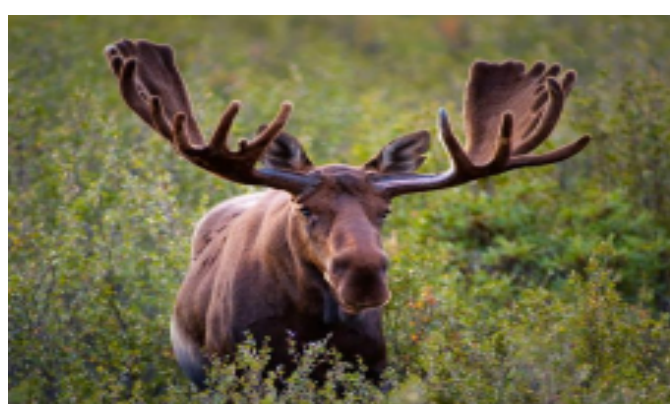
67 mammals live in Yellowstone. In 2016 approximately 690 grizzly bears were found in the park. Wolves were brought to the park because many years ago when the park was first founded there wasn't a balance between the animals. There were more deer than any animal in the park so then when the wolves came the wolves ate the deer to create a balance in the park's ecosystem. Big cats such as Canada lynx, Bobcat, cougar, and wolves are very rare to find in summer and spring. Sheep or goats such as Mountain Goats, bighorn sheep are mainly found in high top mountains. Most common animals in Yellowstone are Bison, Bears, Deer, mountain goats, and elk.

Recommendations

Here are some of my recommendations if you are planning to visit the national park. First, while you are going to Yellowstone, also visit Badlands National Park and Mount Rushmore in South Dakota. Second, is to book a hotel in Livingston, Montana at the North Gate, because if you do you can get an astonishing view of the Rocky Mountains spreading from Canada to New Mexico. If you stay in Livingston, Montana it would take an hour to reach the park. If you don't feel comfortable driving an hour then my recommendation would be to stay at Gardiner, Montana. Gardiner is a small town which is right on the border of Montana and Wyoming. Yellowstone National Park starts at the border of Wyoming. So it would only take five minutes to drive to the park. If not comfortable with that either then stay at the west gate 'cause on the west border of the park there is a huge town which you can stay at which also takes about five minutes to drive to the park. If you want to see animals in the night then try to camp because the night animals come around 11:00. Most common animals to spot at night are wolves.



Pictures





Thank You!

We look forward to hearing from you ...

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