



# Read Dream Share

## NEVER STOP READING

**Uthara Menon**

Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers'.

–Charles W. Eliot–

The term 'read' is a simple word, but the various destinations it can take you through this process is limitless. The hero that we become just by reading a fiction of superman cannot be replaced by the hero that we want to be by watching 'dawn of justice'. We absorb the thoughts and moments in those books and make it our reality. We skip into a parallel world where we are greeted by elves, princesses, eeries and whatnot.

Sounds great right...? This is the world of books, where we explore our imagination which we thought was limited. And by reading a sentence in a book, we are hooked in a very good way which actually helps us to understand ourselves.

Reading is not just a habit, its life, it helps you to grow, it helps you to achieve, it helps you to remember the meaning for living. There are days in my life which restricts me from spending five minutes for reading newspaper, but on the contrast i see my dad everyday ( being a pretty busy guy he is) studying the newspaper, front and back with utmost dedication. I remember him repeating ' Knowledge and wisdom is actually an all in one package coming with reading, be it a newspaper , a magazine, a book, even a piece of paper with writings' every day. Everyone understands and do get that reading is very important, but being in a world driven by alexa , siri and cortana we neglect the need to read. We depend on our most efficient virtual assistants to deliver our 7 o clock morning news who by the way deliver it precisely without hesitation. Well, what can we say when they are commanded by their master–humans.

Without even slightly complaining about technology we can bring change to our world. We can read. Lets get back to those days where we picked up newspapers by our own hands and started to read. Lets hand select those books that we wanted since childhood to understand why alice went to the wonderland in the first place. Lets take an oath to spend at least half an hour a day to read. To jump into the world of imagination, to explore the space, to speak klingon and even ride a unicorn.



**WHY READ**

TO DREAM TO ESCAPE TO IMAGINE  
 TO UNDERSTAND TO GROW  
 TO BUILD VOCABULARY  
 TO DISCOVER TO MOTIVATE

**BOOKS CAN :**

BOOST YOUR MOOD	INCREASE VOCABULARY
HELP YOU RELAX	LOWER STRESS
BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER	MAKES YOU A BETTER WRITER
HELPS YOU THINK	

**I ♥ BOOKS**



(Haroon Rasheed)

### Match The Character/Authors To Their Books

#### Character/Authors

- Oompa loompa
- Rick Riordan
- Baloo
- Mad Hatter
- The Alchemist
- Dobby

#### Books

- Percy Jackson
- Alice in Wonderland
- Paulo Coelho
- Charlie and the chocolate factory
- Harry Potter
- Jungle Book

Sudarshna M.V

### Book Facts



The largest book in the world is *The Klencke Atlas* 1.75 meters tall (about 5 feet 9 inches) and 1.90 meters wide (about 6 feet 3 inches when open).

## Postcard To My Favourite Author



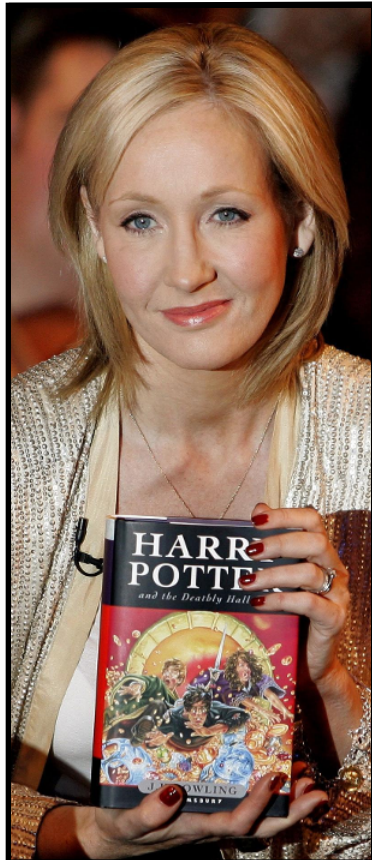
Dear J.K.Rowling

You are an amazing writer. You know that feeling,when you are reading a book and you know that it is going to be a tragedy; you can feel the cold and darkness approaching, see the net drawing tight around the characters who live and breathe on those pages. But you are tied to the story as if being dragged behind a carriage and you cannot let go or turn the course aside.... This is how I feel trapped by reading your book, Harry Potter and its series. I won't be able to rest until I reach the end.

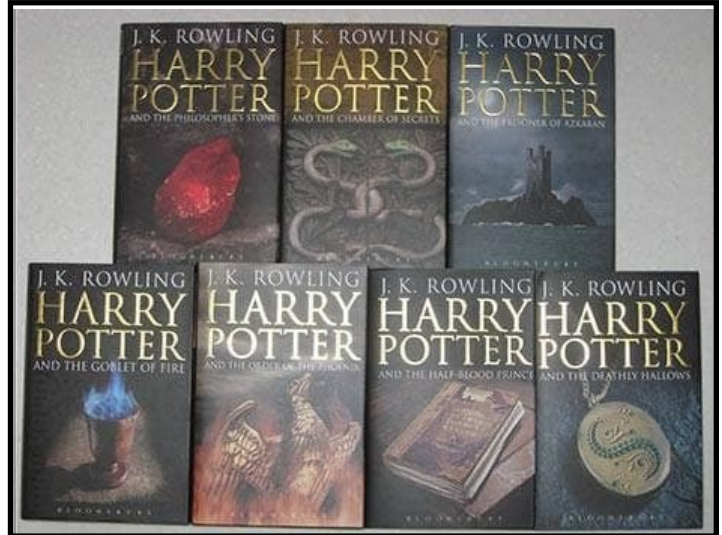
Your books have happiness, victory, hatred, sufferings, death, tears, hardwork, love, family and above all "Friendship" - A friendship that has stood up against all odds. Even when Harry was hated, bullied, avoided by others, when he needed help, when he was in danger or when they knew Harry was possessed by Voldemort, Ron and Hermione stood by Harry and supported him throughout his journey. They never betrayed or abandoned him. Above all the trio overcame all the hurdles and eventually became like a family that cannot be separated.

Your books have taught me a lot of lessons and thank you so much for making my boring and gloomy days so fascinating....

- Irene Roby

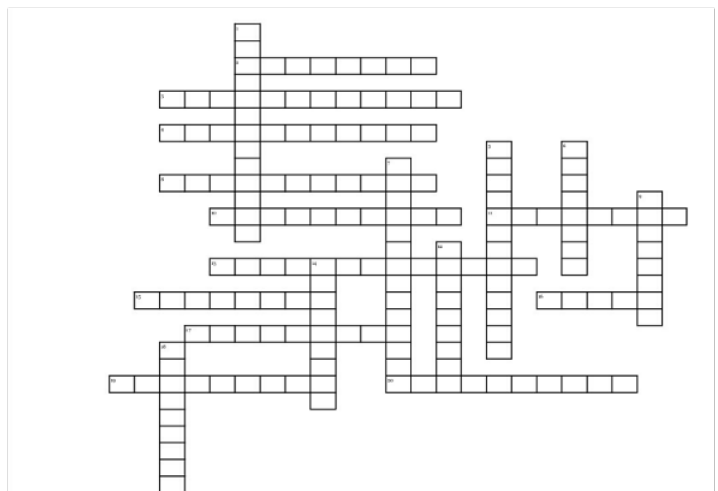


## Book Facts



The *Harry Potter* books are allegedly the most banned books in America due to religious complaints.

## Crossword



Across

2. Author of the book 'My Experiments with Truth'
3. Panchatantra has been written by
4. Which pertinent problem of our society does the novel 'Oliver Twist' highlight
8. Author of 'The Alchemist'
10. Which creepy series of books did R. L. Stine write
11. Where is Gulliver washed ashore during his first voyage in the book 'Gulliver's Travels'
13. The Book Broken Wings was written by
15. Who is the Father of English Poetry?
16. Name of the dog in the famous series of novels 'The Famous Five'
17. The author of Tom Sawyer
19. Famous author of 'Malgudi Days'
20. The famous author of 'Rusthi' who lives in Dehradun

Down

1. Name of the demigod summer camp where Percy Jackson is trained?
5. his man wrote 'A Christmas Carol'
6. Country in which Hogwarts school of witchcraft and wizardry is located
7. A famous book by Roald Dahl
9. The family Harry Potter lived with before going to Hogwarts
12. Where faction does tris from the novel 'Divergent' belong
14. Author of the 'Harry Potter' series
18. The German teenager who was killed in the World War

(Jishnu Narayanan)

# YASHODA'S LIBRARY

Rohith M.B



Yashoda Shenoy, a Class VII student of TD High School ,Fort Kochi runs a free library from her own home where you can find over 3,500 books in English, Malayalam, Hindi, Tamil, Sanskrit, and Konkani.

Yashoda's love for reading books started when she was in Std III. Once, her father had to pay a fine for not returning on time the book he had taken from a library. "If that is so, how can poor children afford to read books?" Yashoda asked herself.

When Yashoda needed space to set up her library, her father who is an artist converted a part of his gallery for her use. A family friend helped in building the racks for the books. The library was inaugurated by Dr K. S. Radhakrishnan, former Vice Chancellor of Kalady Shankara University on Republic day.

The library now has around 110 members, and Yashoda also requests if each of them could donate books from their personal collection, whenever possible.

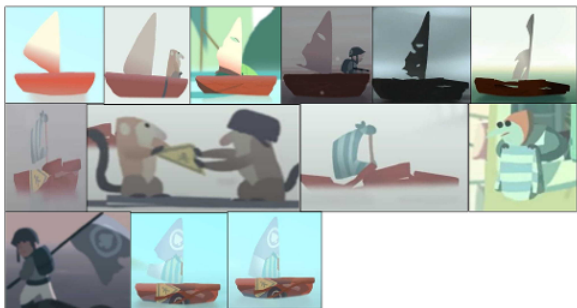
Yashoda does not charge any membership fee, but she does request that the books be returned on time. It wasn't easy for Yashoda to start a library and she looked to her father for help. Dinesh Shenoy put up a post on Facebook appealing to book lovers to contribute to his daughter's free library. Soon, help came from her family, who sent her books worth Rs 10,000. Later, Yashoda also started collecting books from scrap dealers.



The library, which began with 2000 books, has now more than 3500 books: novels, stories, poems and non-fiction, for both children and adults, in Malayalam, English, Hindi, Sanskrit and Konkani. Books once taken have to be returned in two weeks but can be taken again. No fine is charged if they are not returned on time. For the aged and the sick, books are delivered to their houses. The youngest member of the library is two-and-a-half years old, and she comes every week with her father to borrow books. Yashoda has special provisions for her.

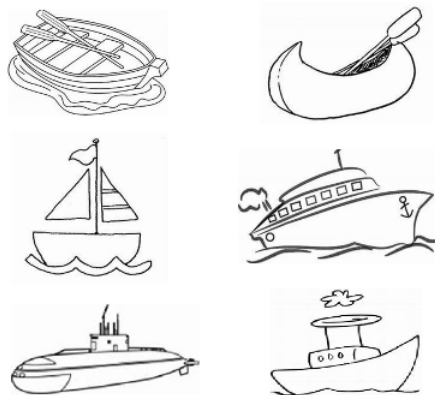
(Dona B George)

Little Red Boat



Make a story from these pictures with careful observation.


Match the following



CANOE  
SUBMARINE  
SAILBOAT  
TUGBOAT  
SHIP  
ROWBOAT

(Dona B George)

### SNAKE & LADDER

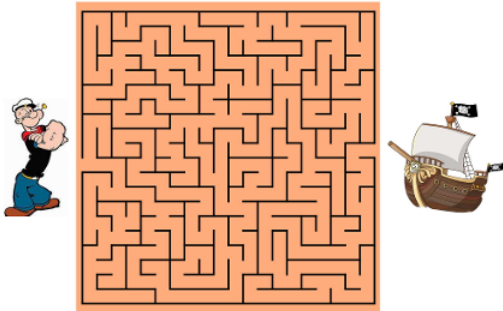


**What you need:**  
Dice  
A pen  
Paper

**How to play:**  
Roll the die. The players will move their pawns from left to right starting at 1 according to the number that you rolled.  
When the player lands on top of the snake, their playing pawn will slide down to the bottom of the snake. When the player lands at the base of the ladder it immediately climbs to the top of the ladder.  
Once the player lands on a number, the player is asked to mention a book which is hinted by the box. The first player to reach 30 is crowned as the winner.

1. a book that became a movie
2. a book that made you cry
3. a book that scares you
4. a book with a colour in the title
5. a book with a dragon
6. a book with a number in the title
7. a book by a female author
8. a book published in your birth year
9. a book with non-human characters
10. a book written by an Indian author
11. a book about a freedom fighter
12. a Malayalam novel
13. a book involving elves
14. a book about investigation
15. a book with animal characters
16. a biography or auto-biography
17. a book about a different culture
18. a book about kindness
19. a book about families
20. a book about courage
21. a book by an Asian author
22. a book about friendship
23. a book by an Amerindian author
24. a book about courage
25. a book about creativity
26. a book about a scientist
27. a book about Europe
28. a book about travelling experience
29. a book by Paulo Coelho
30. a book set in the summer

Poor Popeye the sailor man has lost his way to the boat. Can you help him find his way to the boat?



## Book Facts



The most expensive printed book in the world is the *1640 Bay Psalmbook* from America. It sold in November 2013 for USD 14.2 million.



*Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker is known as the Father of the Library Movement in Kerala. The activities of the Kerala Grandhasala Sanghom which was initiated by P. N. Panicker ignited a popular cultural movement in Kerala at the end of which the state acquired total literacy in the 1990s. In the new face of Kerala Grandhasala Sangham as Kerala State Library Council, the founder of the organisation, P.N. Panicker was out owing to political interference. But Panicker needed to work further for the society, so, in 1977 he founded the Kerala Association for Non-formal Education and Development (KANFED). KANFED was highly instrumental in starting the Kerala State Literacy Mission which leads Kerala for its total literacy movement and Kerala became the first State which won total literacy. He has also taken keen interest in promoting Agricultural Books Corner, Friendship Village Movement (Saurhudagramam), Reading Programmes for Families, Grants for Books and building libraries and Best Reader's Award P.N. Panicker foundation.*

## READING DAY

*At last the Government of Kerala stepped in to accept the contributions of P.N. Panicker and ordered to observe 19 June annually as Vayanadinam (Day of Reading) with a week-long series of activities at schools and public institutions to honour the contributions of P.N. Panicker to the cause of literacy, education and library movement.*