

## I love my computer

The computer is a very important technology. It is an electronic device. The parts are, the monitor, key-board, mouse, printer and C.P.U. The C.P.U. is the brain of the computer. It has a lot of games.

The computers input devices are the keyboard and the mouse. The computers output devices are the monitor and the printer. It can type letters. The function keys are used to issue common commands. I love my computer.



**M. Salman (Grade 2)**  
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## I am a pencil

I am a pencil. I was born in a forest. Some men came and cut me and took me to a factory. They cut me into pieces. I was one such piece. I was taken to a machine and a long pin was put into me. Then I was nicely painted. I looked very beautiful. Then I was put into a box and kept in a shop.

One day a boy came to the shop and said "Mama, I need that pencil for my school work." I live happily with this boy now.

**Aadam Saheed (10 years)**  
**Royal College**

## Giraffes



**Ashane Perera (7 years)**  
**St. Benedict's College**

## The Bermuda Triangle

The Bermuda Triangle is a triangular region of the Atlantic Ocean, off the South East United States.

It is popularly known as the 'Devil's Triangle' because this small area is considered to be so mysterious.

In this part of the world, for some unexplainable reason, more than 50 ships and 20 aircrafts have vanished without leaving behind any trace. Over 1000 lives have been lost in the past 200 years. This triangle that extends from 25° to 40°N latitude and 55° to 85°W longitude, covering an area of 3,900,000 sq.km, is bounded by Florida, Puerto Rico and Bermuda.

In 1750, three Spanish treasure ships disappeared and on March 23, 1973, the freighter 'Amna' also vanished. On December 5, 1945, five US Avenger torpedo bombers, with

plenty of fuel took off on a routine training mission from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The last thing that the control tower heard was a radio message, telling that their instruments were going crazy. A seaplane was sent to investigate, but never returned. In May 1968, another US nuclear submarine was sent out, but it too did not return.

Some scientists believe that these incidents took place due to violent storms and dangerous air currents. But some say that there is a strong magnetic field in this area, which cuts off the radio signals. But nobody has been successful in this mission yet.

**Enakshi Sivasudhan (Year 10)**  
**Hindu Ladies College, Colombo**

## A fish tank



**Akila Hettigoda (Grade 1)**  
**S. Thomas' College, Mt. Lavinia**

## Playing with my friends



**Vinuri Hettigoda (Grade 4)**  
**St. Bridget's Convent**

## My garden



**Blmsara Wijeratne (Grade 3)**  
**Wesley College**

## Sunset



**Ruvini Priyadarshani (Grade 6)**  
**Gothami Balika Vidyalaya**

## Note

Please remember that articles, poems and paintings sent, will not be published unless they are certified as your own work by a parent or teacher. Articles should not exceed 200 words.

## Guides Day at the 44<sup>th</sup> Scout Camporee

The Sri Lanka Scout Association held their 44<sup>th</sup> Camporee at the Viharamahadevi park from the 23 – 25 August, 2007. The Girl Guides were invited on the 24<sup>th</sup> to be part of the day program there.

We arrived at 8.30 a.m. The Chief Guest on that day was Mrs. Kaushalya Fernando. She gave a speech and stressed the importance of taking part in Guide and Scout movements, while concentrating on studies as well. She spoke about having a balanced lifestyle without being stressed out by 'Exams.' She also sang with us the famous song from 'Vikurthi' the drama.

Afterwards the captain of the Scouts told us to make separate lines of our packs (schools). Each pack had to go with a specific scout troop. The Scouts introduced themselves and helped to participate in the games and activities which was known as the 'skill-orama,' such as rope climbing, archery, water crossing, tyre obstacles, first aid, balancing beam etc. After we finished, we had to go to the Scout troop we belonged to. We played a game with the Scouts for awhile and they served lunch which they had prepared. Afterwards we had ice-cream.

At around 3.30 p.m. all the Girl Guides and

Boy Scouts gathered near the stage. We were shown how to put up a tent, and a few knots that are useful. All the Scout leaders, commissioners and captains had a sing-along. Sometime later some packs performed for the Talent Search.

It was a very memorable day. I would like to thank all our commissioners and the Scouts for enabling us to participate on this day and all who organised these events for the young children.

**Renushi Ubeyratne  
(11 years)  
St. Lawrence's  
School**

## Treasure of the sea



Joshua Aldons (7 years)  
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## My mother

My mother's name is Nandini. She is 30 years old. She is a beautician. She is thin. She has three brothers. My mother likes pizza. My mother likes to play Scrabble with me. She can cook tasty food. She likes to watch football very much.

My mother takes care of my brothers and me. She likes to have a fish tank. I love my mother very much.

**Andrew Pratheepan (K.G. 2)  
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## A Poem for the Week

Create your own little poem and send it in to us. This competition is open to age groups from 4 – 14 years. The poems will be judged according to the age of the competitor.

**Please remember that the poems you send should be your own original composition and not copied from anyone or anywhere.** Entries should be in your own handwriting and clearly certified as your own creation by a teacher or parent.

**Word limit: 100 words  
Please write 'A POEM  
FOR THE WEEK' at the  
top of your entry. The  
winner will receive a  
book voucher for Rs. 500.**

## Pig

I am a big fat pig,  
Who likes to dig.  
I always grunt and squeal,  
And always gobble up  
my meal.

My wife is a big sow,  
Who always ties a big bow.  
She'll roll in the mud and play,  
But that's only in the month of  
May.

I have a mischievous  
daughter,  
Who's always afraid of  
slaughter.  
She is brown as she always  
plays in mud,  
And she always brings home a  
rose bud.

I have two naughty sons,  
Who only eat buns,  
They have two toys,  
Which look exactly like boys.

**Enoch Justin  
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Wattala**