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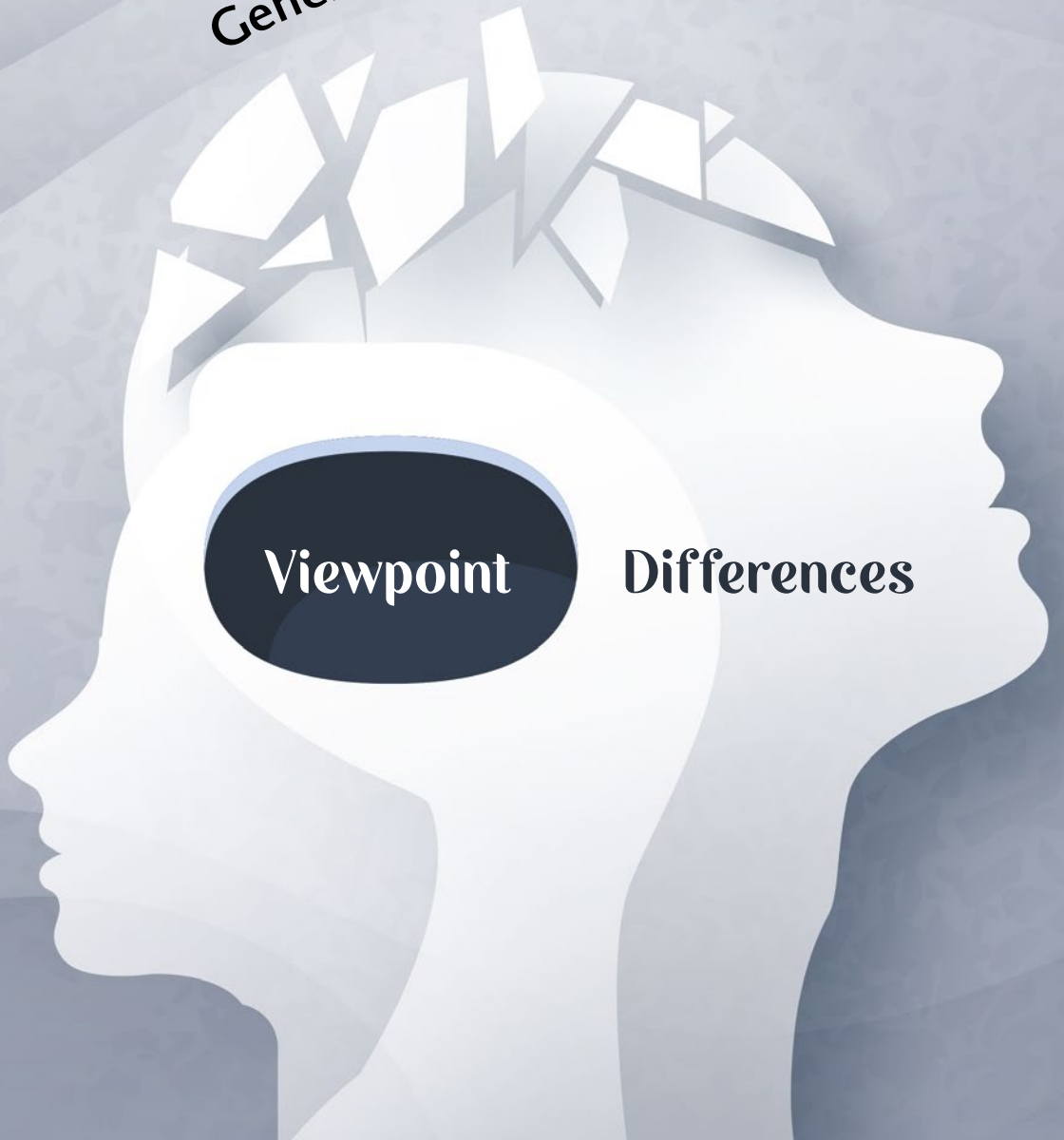


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Editorial

My dear young friends,

All of us youngsters have got a good understanding of the topic Generation Gap from the two issues of Akram Youth [June 2021 – This Gap Can Be Closed and July 2021 – Parents' Positives]. This understanding is becoming very useful in our daily interactions with our parents. Inspired by your positive feedback, we are presenting this third issue of Generation Gap, which focuses on the useful topic - 'Viewpoint Difference'.

In this issue, we will see the difference in viewpoints of both parents and youth. We will recognize that and set an understanding to guide us in bringing about a great solution. I hope that this bridge of understanding will remove the misunderstandings and difference of opinions between us and our parents that arises due to the generation gap.

Jai Sat Chit Anand

- Dimplebhai Mehta

Introduction



Hello friends, I am Raj.
Welcome to my YouTube channel...

"My parents will never understand me."
"They think only their own viewpoint is correct."
"They say 'no' to everything I say."
"I feel that we are on opposite ends."
"The gap between us will never close."

Friends, do you have similar complaints? Every youth running the race of life will have to face such complaints somewhere or other. At the same time, our parents, who do not want their child to fall behind, have such complaints for us.

Today we bring to you Generation Gap-3 'Viewpoint Difference' which contains interesting examples of how differences arise between parents and children due to viewpoint differences. It will surely provide you the direction to solve questions that arise in your daily life.

So, let's see how the viewpoints of children and parents differ.



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How often does this happen to you?
Tell the truth

Food



Why eat the same vegetables, flat bread, lentils and rice every day? Shouldn't you eat out at least once a month?

Dad – He doesn't know how meals are prepared in the hotel. Home cooked food is so good, so why spend unnecessarily?

Mom – Even though I work so hard to make good food, he still wants to eat out.

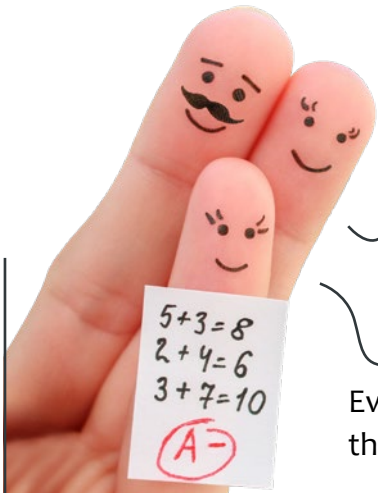
Branded clothes



The same quality clothing can be found a little cheaper elsewhere.

Since we buy clothes only a few times a year, we should only buy branded ones.

Expectation



He can do much better than this, but he is being lazy.

Even though I got good results in the exam, they are not satisfied.



Late Night Outing



If he roams around at night, he might get into bad company.



Let's enjoy with friends.

We surveyed several youth and parents on some similar questions. Let's see the results of the survey:



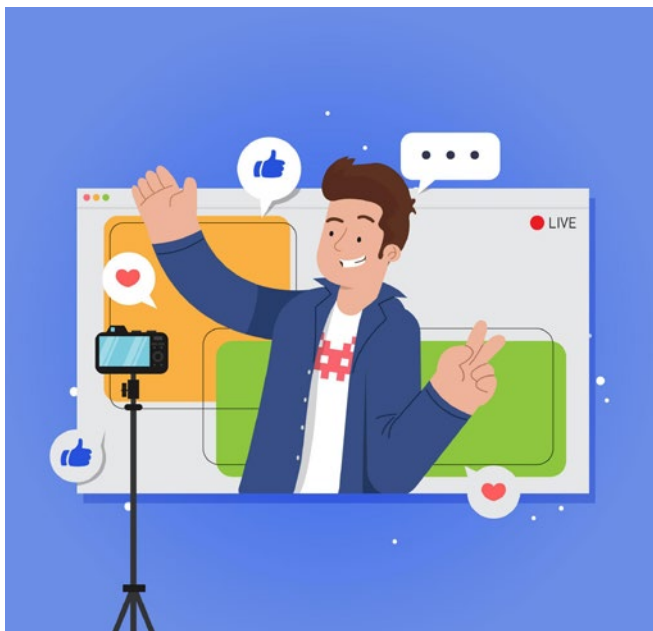
Survey

Q:1 What are the first thoughts that come to your mind when you hear the word 'skydiving'?

| | Youth | Parents |
|----------------------------|-------|---------|
| It would be thrilling. | 61% | 09% |
| It is dangerous. | 17% | 47% |
| It will be costly. | 15% | 41% |
| Very nice! It will be fun. | 46% | 08% |
| No ... no ... Can't go. | 03% | 33% |
| It's on my bucket list! | 11% | 08% |

Q: 2 Do you think being a full-time content creator is the right career choice?

| | Youth | Parents |
|-------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 66% | 42% |
| No | 23% | 25% |
| Maybe | 11% | 33% |





Q:3 Overall, do you feel that laptops / mobile phones / internet are affecting humans in a good way?

| | Youth | Parents |
|-----|-------|---------|
| Yes | 69% | 16% |
| No | 31% | 84% |

Q: 4 How many hours do you think are worth spending on social media / net surfing?

| | Youth | Parents |
|------------|-------|---------|
| 0 | 1% | 17% |
| 30 minutes | 25% | 42% |
| 1 hour | 34% | 34% |
| 2 hours | 45% | 7% |
| 3 hours | 67% | 0% |



Did you see friends?
How different the opinions of youth and parents are!
Let's see what the root cause of this is.



Why does this happen?

Technology: How much time should we spend on electronics? What should it be used for? In such matters, the viewpoints of children and parents are seldom the same.

According to a study, 85% of those born between 1946-1964 and 67% of those born between 1960-1980 do not have a smart phone. In comparison, about 92% of those born between 1981-1996 own a smartphone.

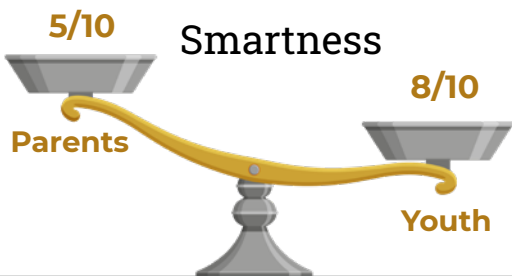
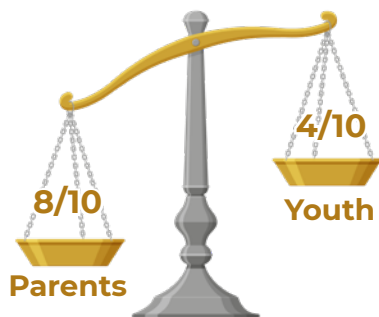
From a technical standpoint, the older generation mostly use their phones just to make phone calls. While for the younger generation, the phone is a digital window to connect with the world. The younger generation uses a phone for e-mails, online messaging, online payments, studying, doing business with the whole world from home, social media, playing games, listening to music, watching videos, making video recordings and for many other reasons.



Differences in the nature of parents and youths



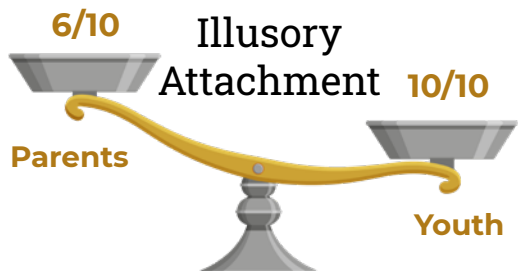
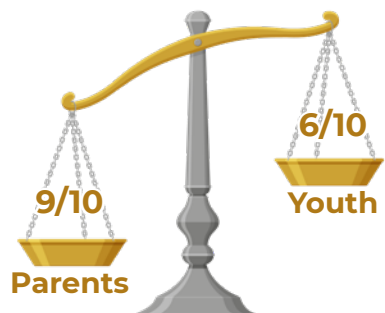
Strength to
take
adjustments



Smartness



Obey Elders



Illusory
Attachment





Heart and Intellect

Parents think from the heart.

Youth think from the intellect.

Parents think about their children.

Youth think about themselves.

Parents think about the pros and cons.

(E.g., What if an accident occurs?)

Youth think solely about their own pleasure.

(E.g., The road trip will be fun.)



Looking at this research, it seems that a bridge must be built between this Indo-Sri Lankan sea-like 'gap'. So, let's see what Niruma has to say about building this bridge.



Gnani With Youth



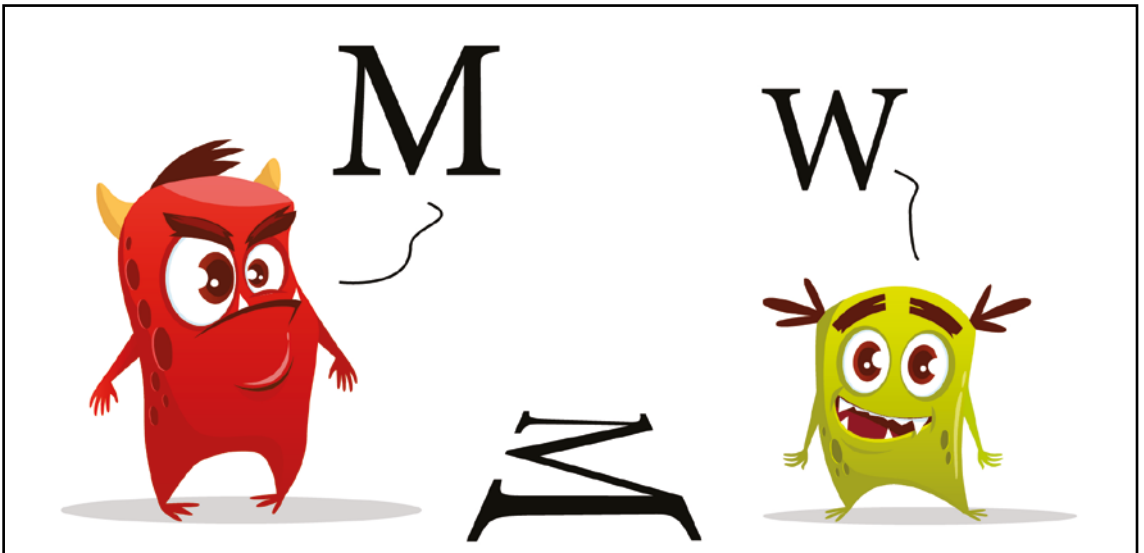
Questioner: Niruma, this generation gap leads to arguments because my parents' point of view is different from mine.

Niruma: We all know that our viewpoint and theirs is different. But that does not mean that we can reduce the gap by arguing. It will cause the gap to widen.

Questioner: So how do we stop these arguments? What is the way to do this? Pratikraman?

Niruma: Do not argue. We need to understand their viewpoint. If we don't understand, then ask them to explain. Say, "Try to understand what I am saying; this is my viewpoint." In the end, everything that happens is the result of scientific circumstantial evidences.

Questioner: Once the arguing starts, I am not able to stop it. I do have the Gnan that

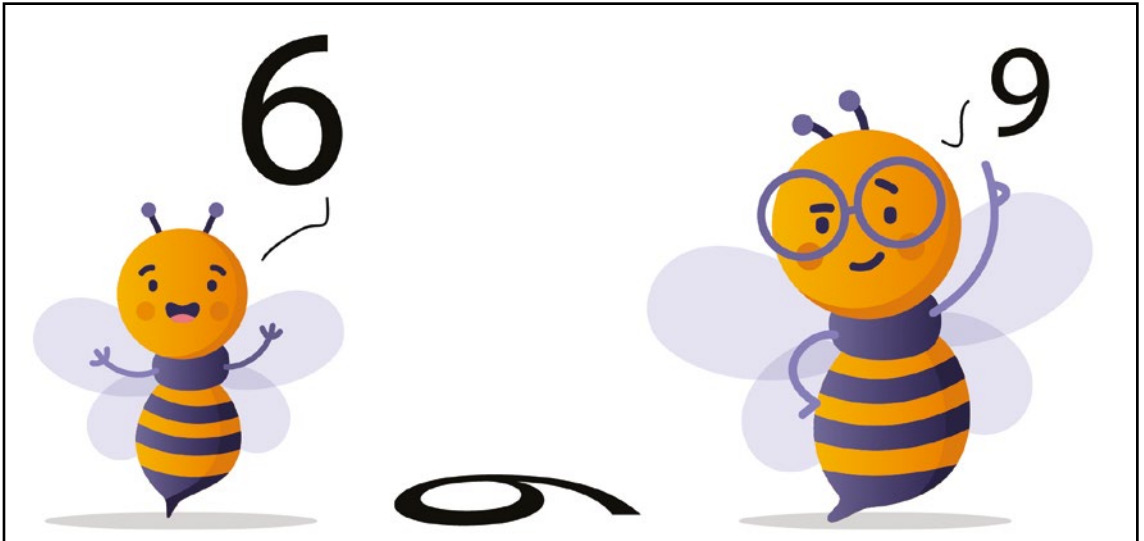


whatever happens next is the result of scientific circumstantial evidences.

Niruma: For that, you must spend 10 minutes every day for mom and dad.

Questioner: Doing what?

Niruma: Everyday, see where you argued with them throughout the entire day, and in that check where you made mistakes. Only if you do this every day, will there be awareness against it the next time. Otherwise, your awareness will keep on becoming dim. Have they committed an offence? They are acting as per their viewpoint. It is not your fault either as it makes sense from your viewpoint. Since we all have to live together, try to take as many adjustments as possible. If you cannot take an adjustment, just let it go at that time. If what you are saying is correct and if it is in the scientific circumstantial evidences, then you will get it regardless.

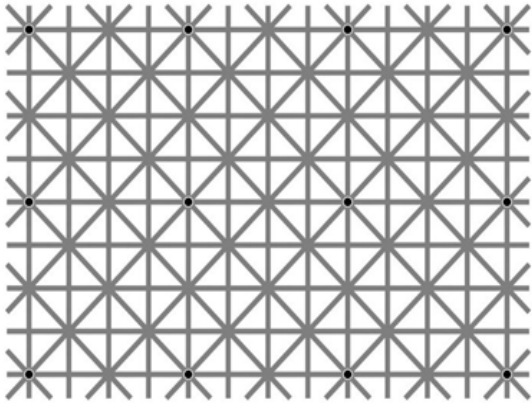


Friends,
The construction of the bridge is in progress.
Let's take a short break ...
a fun activity is waiting for us ...

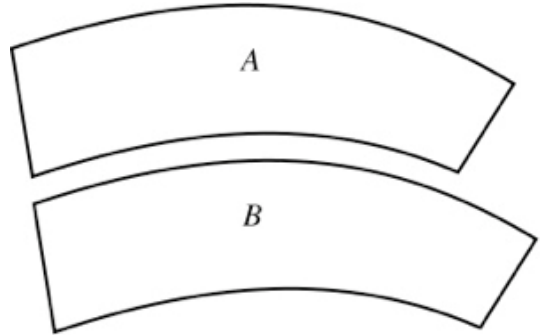


Activity

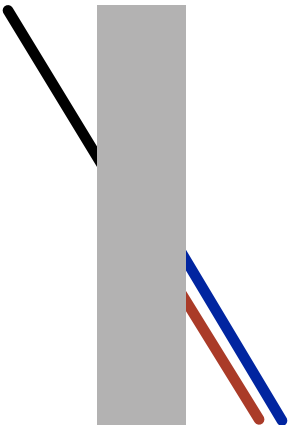
1. How many black dots are there?



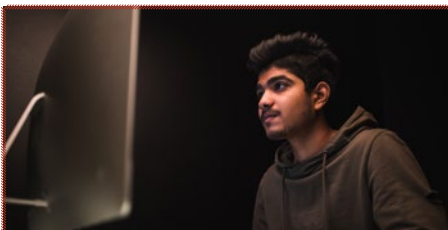
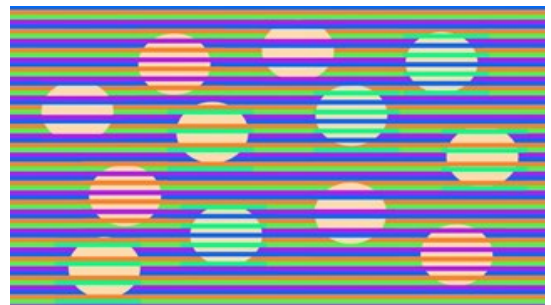
2. Which figure is bigger?



3. What color does the black line become? Red or blue?



4. How many different colors of balls are there?



Friends,
This activity was great,
wasn't it? Let's finish the
break and start building the
bridge again ...



Questioner: Jai Sat Chit Anand Pujyashree, my question is that my father and I have a difference of opinion regarding mobile usage. And sometimes when I do pratikraman, I think, “What did I do wrong?” Sometimes it feels like he uses it just as much as I do.

Pujyashree: Yes, but does your dad feel hurt or happy?

Questioner: Hurt.

Pujyashree: So, then it is your fault, turn back.

Questioner: And sometimes, I even apologize in person. Then Dad tells me to ask Deepakbhai how he would solve such an issue.

Pujyashree: No, but you may have developed some negative opinions towards your dad, ‘He is like this, he doesn’t let me do this. He is doing the same thing with mom’. There must be some negativity towards your dad, right?

Questioner: Yes, that’s why it happens.

Pujyashree: Yes, so erase all of that. Do pratikraman. Don't see your dad as being at fault. No matter what, he is your benefactor, see his positives. Doesn't he have positives for you?

Questioner: There are many positives.

Pujyashree: Isn't dad positive for



mom? Is he positive for the home or not?

Questioner: Yes.

Pujyashree: So, let's look at the positives! What is the point of seeing his faults?

Questioner: I don't want to see his faults but sometimes conflicts arise.

Pujyashree: Yes, but why does the conflict arise? If you want to go for an outing and dad doesn't let you, then your illusory attachment is not satisfied. As a result, you see his negatives.

Questioner: Not in such a matter, but it happens in minor things.

Pujyashree: Yes, you must be having some insistence from your side

in minor matters, right?

Questioner: Yes, that's exactly the reason.

Pujyashree: So, if you decide to do something and when he does not agree with it, then you see his faults. So, just leave it. Tell him, "Dad, my viewpoint was like this, but if you say no, I will not do that."

Questioner: It happens because I am not able to explain things clearly to him.

Pujyashree: Yes, just decide that if he does not agree with what you have planned, then don't do it at that time. Then, when he is in a good mood, tell him, "Dad, I had such a desire." Parents heartily want to fulfill all the desires of their children. However, when children make a mistake, they get annoyed, but after a while, if the children talk to them lovingly, they will say, "No problem, you can do this much." They will immediately allow you to do whatever you want.

Wow! Gnanis are simply amazing!
They can easily solve even the most difficult questions. Indeed, this is a very important point which will help in resolving the generation gap.
Now I will definitely try to fill this gap.



Food



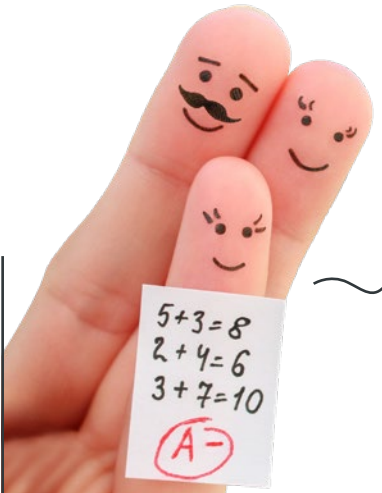
"Dad, the food here is hygienic and not very expensive. I really want to eat out today. If you agree, can we eat here today?"

Branded clothes



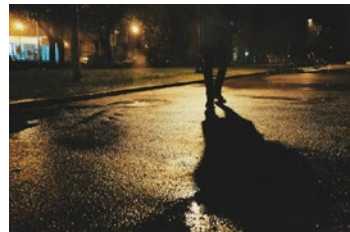
"Dad, I like branded clothes, but I will not buy anything that exceeds our budget. I will buy less clothes. Is that okay?"

Expectation



"Dad, I had given my best. I will correct the mistakes I made this time and will achieve better results with full effort next time."

Late Night Outing



"Dad, I am going out with Vyomesh and Kalpesh. We will enjoy a little and then come back. We will not do anything that leads to bad company. I will come back as soon as possible. May I go, Dad? "

Generation Gap MEMES

What do children think of themselves...



I am not afraid of anything.



What do parents think...



He is only a child.



Let's go out to eat at a restaurant...

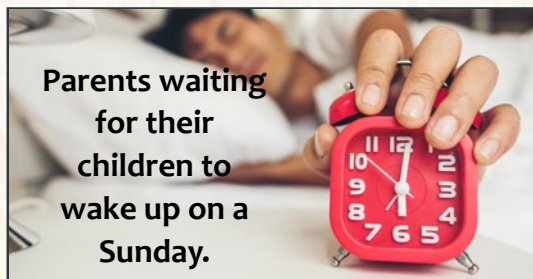


I can make all these dishes at home...



Mom

Parents waiting for their children to wake up on a Sunday.



I just finished studying,
I can relax now.

Mom: Finish your chores...!



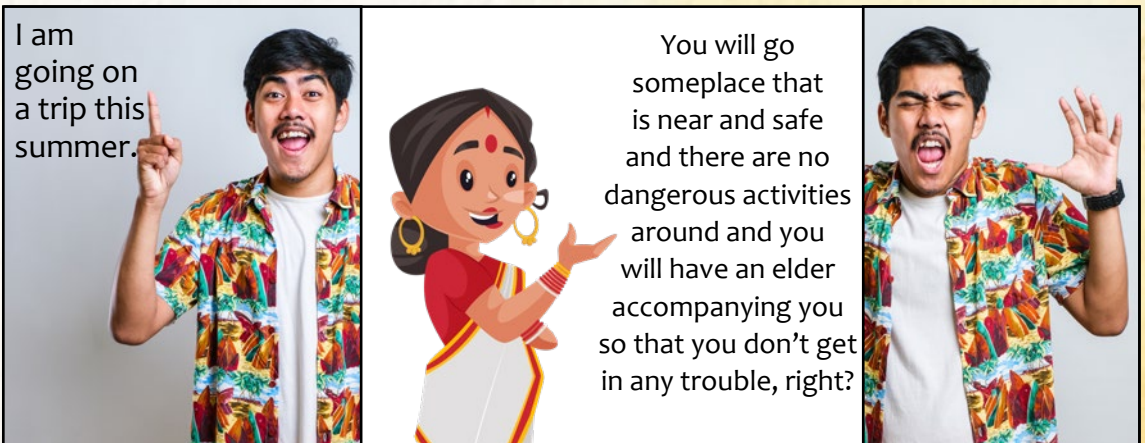
Will I get Rs. 200 to
go out to eat today?

The most I can
give is Rs. 10.



I am
going on
a trip this
summer.

You will go
someplace that
is near and safe
and there are no
dangerous activities
around and you
will have an elder
accompanying you
so that you don't get
in any trouble, right?





#Poem

Balak aajna khub zadapi WIFI che!
2G jeva mummy-pappa pachal rahi jay che.

Balak moj-masti ma dodti super farari che!
Ne mummy-pappa satark ane savdhan savari che.

Kadach thoda juna pan balak ne hitkaari che!
Balako samajo emno anubhav upkaari che.

Chalo chalavi lidhu ke vacche thodo matbhed che!
Pan shu emne dukh didhano tamne khed che...?

Saachavi saachavi mota karya, koi kupal saman!
Have emne kanta maari deva, to che bhool mahaan,

Mummy-pappa saathe, bas thodu chaalavi levanu che!
Eman hajaro upkaar mate, bas thodu devanu che.

Emna sukh parthi j aavshe, tamara sukh tamam!
Mummy-Pappa ne khush raakhe, tene kudrat aape enaam.



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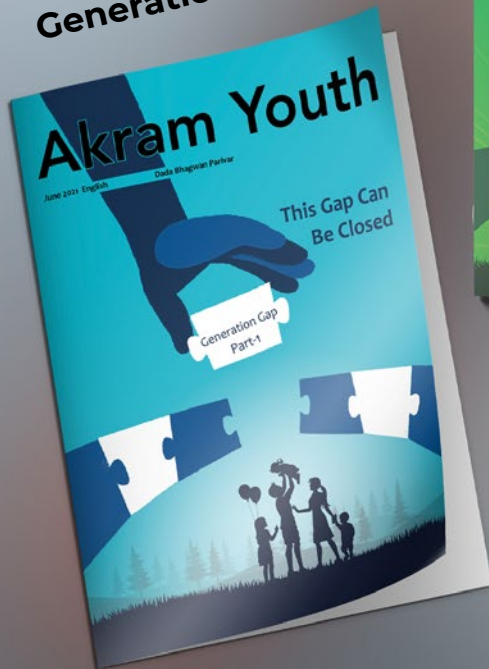
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