Europe's Magical Kingdom: Eurodisney

by Tadib Muqtada

from both sides, with actual

coconuts, and since it was a

cave it looked as if it was a re-

ally dark night with a shade of

moonlight. As we got in the

ride which was meant to be a

the dark unknown waters.

After a while we found our-

selves drifting slowly in the

middle of a fast moving

stream, when we suddenly

heard pirates laughing really

loud, as we saw some light

shining into the cave we saw

drunken pirates folling on the

ground laughing their head off

Then we moved on to see a

place full of pirate's gold as

high as a small hill Later our

small boat headed for a nose

dive down to a smaller stream

As the ride came to a

screeching halt. I slowly

jumped off promising myself

that if I come back to Euro-

first rides I would go on

Disney this would be one of the

small ship we speeded off into

NE day in the middle of summer some of my dad's guests came to our house, and I knew them pretty well because I was good friends with their children During the middle of their visit my two friends and I decided to go to the DisneyLand in France. At first my dad thought it was an absurdly hasty idea but later that night as he thought it over he realized that it was acceptable as a treat to his son.

Next morning we left for Paris in the TGV which is probably the fastest passenger carrying train in the whole world. When we reached Paris we headed straight for the Enchanted Kingdom. It took us less than an hour to get there but I guess it was well worth the wait because once the kingdom came into view we just stood there and gasped.

It was huge beyond imagination. As we came back to ourselves we slowly entered this magical land. First we saw the huge EuroDisney Hotel which overlooked the whole Kingdom. But as we went through the gate I saw one of the most magnificent places I had ever

First their was a huge Beauty and the Beast Castle towering over us, as tall as 100 m. I was standing in the main section known as Main Street USA. This place was divided in to five sections. First of all Ad venture land, second Fantasy land, third Discovery land fourth Frontier land and last of all the place where I was standing on Main Street Usa. On my way to the center picked up a pamphict, as glanced through it I discov ered that there were 29 restaurants, more than a 100 attractions and 2000 workers and together they spoke over 50 different languages.

When I came to the center I headed for the Frontier Land. Over here we first went to the Phantom house. If I knew this

"An Edgy Trick"

Magic: Show an ordinary

playing card & a stainless steel

or metal tumbler to the audi

ence. Hold the card in your

right hand & try to balance the

glass on the top edge of the

card. Usually it is a difficult

task but the glass balances on

would be such a scary place I wouldn't have even entered it. because it had one of the most terrilying rides I had ever been on. After this heart stopping experience I headed for something a bit more relaxing and the closest thing to that was the Mark Twain boat ride,

1 never really liked slow boat rides that much, but this exceptional ride was one of my favourite rides. To start off this boat was designed as if it was made in the late 19th century and to give it some more real-

After a quick snack we decided to go to Adventure Land, The entrance for Adventure Land was very realistic, it looked just like the entrance for castles in the Early Arabian Nights and this one was just like the one in the cartoon hit. Aladdin! As we entered Adventureland we saw Skull Rock Mountain and Captain Hook's

same way in Peter Pan. As we walked we found out

Ship, designed exactly the



A world of wonder and fantasy

ity they had artificial rain. (which I thought was just amazing) a small cabin with Mark Twain reading a book, and his dog beside him. After this we decided to go on a real roller coaster which was called the Big Thunder Mountain ride. The queue for this ride was a very long one, but well worth the wait, because it was a ride that went through mountains and coal mines designed like centuries old. As we caught our breath after this thrilling ride, we headed back to the main centre.

that we were heading for the Pirates of the Caribbean ride We headed for the ride walk ing into a huge artificial cave As soon as we entered we just stood their and gasped for the second time we were totally 'amazed at the artificial decorations they had on They had beautiful palm trees growing

IME was going by at sn ails pace I kept glanc ing at my watch over and over again, willing the hands of the clock to reach 10.30 so that French class would end

French classes, in my opin ion, were one of the most boring classes we had in school Although I myself was good at the subject it was appailing to see the others teeble attempts at learning the language Most classes I had my eyes glued to Secret: The secret of this my watch just waiting for class one is also simple but needs to end. Right after French class we always had Games Raise the hidden forefinger

me of my tayour ite classes & support the edge of the Suddenly my teacher's voice glass & remove the other hand broke into my thoughts which gives the audience in Madame Braackenburg, my front of you the illusion that teacher asked one of my mends Paul a question. Paul was a perfect example of a use less French student. He did not know a single word of French even though he had been studying the language for one and a half year now When it actually came to speaking the language he would put on one of the most take and stupid French accents ever

Today was no different. In his usual pathetically sorry sounding French he answered my teacher's question in sentences which were grammatically incorrect. Apart from that his answer was wrong.

Since we didn't have a bell in our school (for some unexplainable reason! I took it upon myself to inform Madame Braackenburg that class had ended as soon as it became 10:30

French classes consisted of students from both Class 8 and 9, but only me and my friend James had games after French since we were the only students from our class.

From French class we made our way to the lockers situated in the basement of the building and took out our games kit. Although our school gymnasium wasn't in the school building, it was within the compound and was a five minute walk away.

We went into the changing rooms and changed into our brightly as ever. Right then we heard big whizzing noises coming from nowhere. As we went closer to the source that was making the noise we realized that it was Indiana Jones and The Temple of Doom roller coaster. As we saw it whizzing upside down and doing 3600 turns we wisely decided to walk on, thinking that this ride was only meant for people who hadn't gotten a headache for at least a year. After walking for a few minutes we afrived at Fantasy land. As soon as we came into Fantasy land we walked straight into the Alice in Wonderland Park where we got totally lost, and after about ten minutes heading straight into dead ends and signs, we gave up and came back the way we entered

to see the sun, shining as

After a couple of common rides like the Merry Go Round and Spinning Tea Cups we realized that our legs were so dog tired that if we walked anymore we would surely col-



Where thrills are at every corner

The Sensational Server by Tina

James and I went into the gym and started warming up with a lew laps around the building

Apart from our games teacher there was no one else in the gvin since it took a while for everyone to arrive from their respective Language classes. Once they arrived, we would all start playing Voileyball.

We were learning Volleyball at that time and it seemed that everyone had an uncanny knack for the game except me. I liked the game well enough and was enthusiastic to learn. but for some strange reason l just couldn't master the techruque of serving the ball. Some of my classmates and my games teacher had all in turn tried painstakingly to teach me how to do it, but had failed miserably. Their efforts had all been in vain for no matter how hard I tried, I just could not succeed

Or, at least I hadn't been able to. For after bearing all the humiliation and hearing the exasperated sighs of my classmates at my wretched attempts to serve. I had become determined to learn how to play the game properly. At home I had taken lessons from my elder brother, and I had soon learned how to serve the proper way. I realized that what everyone had forgotten to tell me was that hitting the ball right at the bottom to get upward trajectory was of utmost importance. Because no one had told me that the balls I served never cleared the net

Everyone had assembled inside the gym, and we were ready to begin the game. Five minutes of the game had passed, and the players were rotating in a clockwise direction, when suddenly it was my turn to serve.

I nervously took the ball praying to God that I would be able to serve. I hit the ball, and it miraculously went over the net! I couldn't believe it and neither could anyone else. The games clothes. Once changed people on the opposing team

had not been expecting the ball to go over the net, so they

were totally unprepared, and no one went to hit the ball Everyone was gaping in my di rection even my own team mates as if they just couldn't believe what had happened After a moment of stlence triumphant vells began echo

ing from all corners of the room "Well of course she should be able to serve - after all I was the one who taught her, bellowed my gaines teacher, while James declared that all those days he had spent coaching me had finally paid off. James came and gave me a pat on the back saying. "My student Good work!" Everyone was taking credit for something they all claimed to have done. I thought the way they were acting was really funny, since it had been inv brother who had taught me. not any of them. I served again. and this time someone hit it back. The ball was shooting in my direction, but everything seemed to be going in slow motion. It moved through the air into our court, and then I made one of the stupidest mistakes one can make when playing the game. I moved backthis eighth wonder of the world, wondering, will we ever come back? wards trying to get into position to hit the ball, when all of a sudden, the ball smashed right into my upturned face. I wear glasses and the impact of the ball made them fall off my face. They were dangling stupidly off one ear and below my nose I hurriedly took of my glasses glancing around to see whether anyone had noticed Unfortunately they all had, and they swarmed around me to see if I was okay. My nose felt like it had been smashed, my lips had cracked and I had cut my chin (don't ask me how) After recovering I went back

over to Discovery Land and see

if there is anything relaxing

ery Land, we found the perfect

place to go to. A Michael Jack-

son 3-D movie. This was prob-

ably one of the most coolest

thing I ever saw because. I was

really tired and this gave me

the perfect opportunity to rest

my feet and, everything had a

3-D effect. For instance when

they were showing the movie

we thought that some of the

characters would jump on us

or crash against us, many peo-

ple even tried jumping at the

creatures thinking it was right

in front of them. As soon as

that movie finished we handed

back our 3-D glasses feeling

and started exploring Discov-

ery Land, out of all the things

we saw we decided to go to

Star Wars IBM show. This was

also one of my favourite shows

because it had a realistic touch

to it. To get into it we had to

enter an inter-star-wars type

shuttle where we were watch-

ing a big screen while we were

being attacked by other space-

ships, and all this time we

were moving up and down as if

we were really going to crash

After this we were all very

exhausted and it was getting

dark, so we decided to take

one last train ride which went

around the whole Magical

Kingdom. When we took this

beautiful and aceneric ride, we

were so tired that we decided

to call it quits. After we bought

some souvenirs we slow v left

into another space shuttle.

Then we had a quick snack

When we arrived at Discov-

over there.

fresh again.

other team by a score of 15-6. As we walked back to our class after the game everyone was excitedly discussing our win. I was the centre of attention and was named the "Woman of the match".

into the game. Thanks to yours

truly our team thrashed the

·As we walked into Biology class my friend Alison tapped me on the shoulder and said. 'Great game. You know, it took me a long time to train you. but it looks like you've finally

"You?! You didn't teach her. I did! You've got your facts all wrong Alison," screamed

"No hold on a second James 1 seemed to remember that

Cutting Trees is Equivalent to Suicide

Sadia Mahfuz

Class-IX

fishing. Which industrial desuppose right at this mo velopment and increase in ment you are sitting on a sofa, bed or chair. Am population there has been a growing need for deforesta-I right? All these are made of wood, as you must have known. tion. Severe degradation of If I'm wrong let's take for forests occurs due to logging. over-grazing and over uses of instance the newspaper that you are clutching or glancing fire-wood. This resulted in at right now ithis time I am complete destruction that amounts to about 20 million positive that I'd be right) is an important product of wood. You'd be surprised to know Yep, today I'm presenting you that during the last thirty years an article on trees and their 40 per cent of the world's importance. Let's start from tropical rainforests have been the beginning, what are trees? The dictionary meaning of tree lost. If this trend continues 50 is. 'a type of tall plant with a percent of the rain forests will have been destroyed in anwooden trunk and branches. other thirty years. that lives for many years" It has been proved that cut-(Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English). But a ting trees have resulted in better answer to this question economic and ecological disaswould be - trees are the most ters that have affected hundreds of millions of people. In exuberant celebration of life fact the lives and livelihoods of ever to have existed on this planet. As well as being the half the world's population de-

most extraordinary biological

powerhouse on earth, trees

provide a wide range of

products - such as food

drugs, resins, gums, dyes and

wood for fuel, paper and

building - that are valuable to

both developed and to

developing countries. Now let's

come to the question - where

are trees found? Well trees are

found everywhere, starting

from our houses to the snow-

covered Alpine valleys. Due to

the growing concern of our

Bangladeshi government by

know you must have been con-

scious about the usefulness of

trees. But still I'd give a brief

description of the uses. Trees

take in carbon dioxide that we

liberate and give out oxygen.

the life saving gas, that we in-

hale. Not only us, human be-

ings every creation of Almighty

needs oxygen, so definitely

without oxygen there would be

no life on this planet. Trees

also entrap gaseous pollutants

from the air. In addition they

help in soil formation, the re-

duction of soil erosion and the

recycling of nutrients. Trees

play a big role in maintaining

the balance of nature. The

other uses of trees are listed as

fodder for animals.

cottage industries.

The scenario that greets

one today is very different

from that a few decades ago. A

much greater proportion of

the population made a living

from agriculture, forestry and

producing oil.

and lots more.

construction of houses.

follows -

Fuel.

furniture.

medicine.

providing shade.

fruits.

ecosystems The government of Bangladesh took up various initiatives including afforestation, reforestation and tree planting on marginal and vacant lands. Did you know that as trees a play in preservation and development of environment it reduces global temperature increased due to Green House effect The present government has given high priority to afforestation programme

pend on the wise management

of watershed forests and

But certainly tree planting is not keeping pace with felling. A FAO/UNITP study esfimates that an elenting plantations whether for industrial purposes or otherwise, only accounts for ten percent of the area of tropical forest cleared each year. What is more, no amount of planting in this way can replace the bewilderingly rich, intricately interdependent diversity of life built by nature in the tropical forests over the ages.

in this planet 40 percent of all terrestrial species live in trees and so do millions of the world's tribal people's. So I suggest that we should rather 'think before we leap'. Instead of mercilessly cutting trees we should consider the terrible consequences that await us in the coming years. Instead of cutting trees we (an take alternatives, like substituting aluminum for wood (in furniture and doors and windows) We are now teens and the world would be in our hands oneday. So in order to have a better and prosperous life, why don't we hold hands and help our government as a new pledge for a greener Bangladesh?

Waiting for Spring

Asrarul Islam Chowdhury

You have always been a joy to me Ever since the day I saw you Like the Spring birds You sing in my heart And like the Autumn leaves You fall away Leaving me with the hope That Spring will come again.

Teenage Special

ABRACADABRA

by Magician Subrata Biswas

the card

goods practice.

the glass is balanced.

by Gulshana Yasmin Hoque (Shukti)

Care during the week : Once a week, use a face pack. You could make your face pack and follow the instruction mentioned. It is desirable to use very little cosmetics, for they cover the skin and prevent the grease secreted by the oil glands to come up to the surface. This results in blocked pores, and you may soon get blackheads. Then, pimples may start appearing. Since a teeners skin is little more oily, you have to be careful in using an oily foundation, pressed powder, and liquid foundation, otherwise, it may - prove to be too heavy on a tender young skin. It is better to concentrate on eye make-up . Use only a moisturizer for the face.

Audience View

Some Problems: During the period of puberty, certain beauty problems might crop up. They are a natural phenomenon, and only a passing phase. So with a bit of care you can easily overcome them. Do not be unduly concerned or emotionally upset, as they could aggravate a prevailing condition as your emotional state has a direct bearing on your skin.

One of the main problems is that the skin on the face gets very oily, which results in · blocked pores, blackheads and

you have not known before. You may seek the help of others but sometimes one gets more confused, as everybody has a different story to tell. I would recommend a good diet free of chillies, chocolates, tea coffee and sweets. A 500 mg Vitamin 'C tablet taken every day gives good results. One - tablet of arovt Vitamin A and D is suggested to be taken everyday for a fortnight; then give a gap of three months and take another fortnightly course, you should not consume too much of this vitamin, as it gets stores in the body, and too much is not needed. If you understand how pimples come about, then perhaps treating them would be easier and would result in your pursuing skin care methods in the correct manner. Pimples or acne start off from a very oily skin, and perhaps the inadequate cleaning of such a skin. An ofly skin picks up more atmospheric impurities than a dry or normal skin. So the moment you find your skin getting very oily, take the necessary steps. By ignoring your skin at this stage you will have to pay a heavy price later on, as you might develop a profusion of pimples, which can take an acute form. To be continued......

Magician's View

pimples. This is a condition

World's First Library by Nahian Hossain (Class III) and they thought that they IBRARIES are very

important to us. We read books and from books we get information. We get information about history. geography, law, politics, literature and so many other things from books. We can enjoy reading story-books. So we cannot think of the modern civilization without libraries

Do you know who established the first library in the world? It was 5994 years ago from now that the world's first library was established in Babylon, (present southern Iraq between the river Tigris and Euphrates). The Babylonian were clever people. They invented many things

should keep their history in record. So they established the' world's first library. But the interesting thing is

that their libraries were different from our libraries. Paper was not discovered at that time. So they wrote on clay tablets and then baked them. At first 'their writing system was picture-writing then it was changed to "cuneiform", a wedge-sahaped writing. They wrote about their religion. their history and their laws. They also wrote poems and rhymes. One of these writing on baked clay is preserved in Louvre Museum in Paris. This was the world's first library.















