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Last Week's Chintito

I am an avid reader of the Star magazine and a fan of Chintito missed his feature while he was away. I am glad to see him back with a beautifully written travel story. He has done what great travel writers do—describe the places he sees and the people he meets without focusing on the self. We expect more articles like this from the writer in future.

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Friends Forever

I want to thank the writer on writing about such a timeless topic. I am particularly moved by the 'soft' side of an ex-ironman, Ershad. Everyone needs a friend. Unlucky is the man who does not have any. A true friend is the only one in the world who does not judge and give us total freedom to be ourselves. Emerson said, "It is one of the blessings of old friends that you can afford to be stupid with them." In my view, friendship is the only selfless form of relationship. A true friend does not expect anything other than friendship in return.

Shafiqul Alam Russel
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Striding Past the Streets of Uttara

It is encouraging that so many youngsters are becoming health conscious and taking up walking and jogging. The residents of Uttara are lucky that they have some parks and open spaces where they can take a walk and breathe some fresh air. Most residents in Dhaka do not have that opportunity.

I remember going for a walk with my father every afternoon when I was a child. The bond we developed while walking is forever. He used to talk about his childhood, student life, the countries he had been to, world literature and sports. Maintaining good health is important for everyone, but it is particularly crucial to students who often study under a lot of pressure.

I want to thank the writer for reminding us of the benefits of walking.

Abhinaba Rahman
Via Email

Research It!

I want to thank the writer and the Star magazine for introducing the readers to such a distinguished scholar. However, the feature misses to tell the readers what areas professor Andaleeb has conducted research in. It would have been nice to give the readers an idea about the research work of this world famous professor.

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