



Konal is a popular household name today, especially after her lively anchoring of the Shera Kontho, a children's singing competition on Channel i. Moreover, Konal herself was the winner of this reality show in the year 2009. Currently, Konal is a student of Media and Communications at a private university. A trained classical singer, she grew up in Kuwait, speaks four languages, regularly covers 'Bangladesh' by Joan Baez in live concerts and eats when in agony. Recently she spoke to the Star Weekend about her dreams and wish lists.

What are the three things that you would take with you to a deserted island?
Water, fire and my best friend.

Which venue would you love to do a show in?
Madison square garden, New York.

Who are your musical inspirations?
My family, and every musician I come across.

Something that the world does not know about you?
I'm actually a shy person!

What is your favourite midnight snack?
Any crisp and dip.

If you had one chance to go back in the past and right a wrong, what would it be and when would it be?
Coming to Dhaka in 2008.

What are the top three songs you are listening to now?
Kaushiki Chakravarty's bhairavi bhajan 'Tum ajana Bhagwa,' John Denver's 'Country Road' and Rabindra Sangeet 'Prano bhoriye trisha horiye' by Sraboni Sen.

What are the activities that you like to do in Dhaka, other than going out and eating?
Shopping, taking rickshaw rides, visiting art exhibitions, attending musical programmes and so much more!

Name a song that you think describes you. Why do you think the song describes you?
'Amar shokol kaanta dhonno kore' by Tagore. It describes my positive nature. I always believe in the good among the darkest.

What is the one thing that you would introduce or change in the education system in Bangladesh today?
Exams! I would remove all exams that lead to unhealthy competitions and student suicides!



— ELITA KARIM
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