

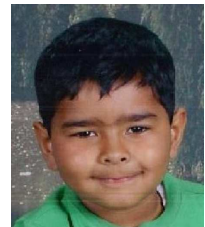
## My Dream House

Tanish Gupta, Age : 4 yrs



## I Want to be a Pilot

Baibhav Das, Age : 5½ yrs



## What They Think

Uditi Guha, Age : 6 yrs



## The Rainbow

Anisa Kundu, Age : 8½ yrs



Once, in a faraway land there was a rainbow. The land was ruled by a queen who used a 'rainbow' magic to keep the people healthy and happy. But the magic needed to be renewed every year for the spell to work.

A girl named Sara lived in such a place. It was a few days before they would have to renew the magic. But the people were worried because the queen was old and she was falling ill. Since Sara was the queen's daughter she went to see how she was feeling. When she entered the room the queen revealed a deep secret: how to renew the magic. But she said that Sara must first go into the forest and find a crystal ball on the way she must help many poor people.

Now a stingy maid over heard the queen and she said that she might be able to do it. "Very well, you will leave tomorrow and Sara will leave in the afternoon", the queen said. That night when Sara was in bed she thought about what the maid was up to. Finally she knew that the maid wanted to be queen. She thought what if she actually did win. After all she was going before Sara.

The next day in the morning the queen packed what they needed in a knapsack. She included their lunch, sunflower seeds, and water. She too was wondering what would happen if the maid won.

The maid left at 12:00 noon. She knew if she returned at night the queen wouldn't let Sara go. The first person she met was a beggar who was hungry. But of course she didn't give him some food. The next person she met was a dumb person who wanted the sunflower seeds. As usual she didn't give it to him. But when she saw the crystal ball she tried to catch it but couldn't. Turned out that the crystal ball had a secret magical potion. She tried to check what time it was but didn't have a watch and the trees were covering the sky. She thought that it was probably dark but when she returned she

was empty handed. To make things worse it wasn't dark.



Now it was Sara's turn. She took her knapsack and went to the forest. Again she met the poor man. But she gave him her whole lunch.

In return the man told her to give the sunflower seeds to the man who is dumb. So when she met that man she gave the sunflower seeds. She walked a few steps and finally grabbed the crystal ball and went out of the forest. When she returned to the castle her mother whispered the magic words.

The next day Sara was ready to renew the magic. She said these words: The rainbow of treasure, the rainbow of glee, please renew the magic of you and me. Everyone clapped and cheered for Sara. Then the queen put the crown on Sara and declared that she become queen.

**Moral : BEING GREEDY GETS YOU NOWHERE.**

## Maa Durga

Apurva Sarkar,

Age : 10 yrs



The Goddess Durga, the mightiest of all,  
We celebrate her from morning to nightfall,  
Ganesh, Lakshmi, Saraswathi,

.....and Karthik come with her,

To say hello to their grandfather,  
We eat, dance, and pray to this goddess,  
This symbol of power and freedom,  
Hear the sound of the dhak beating,  
Everyone having fun and dreaming,  
Five nights we have to celebrate her,  
Let's hope it doesn't go in a blur.

## My Favorite Tree

Trisha Ray, Age : 7 yrs



In the winter  
the tree stood still  
not making any noise  
up on that lonely hill

I told it to wake up  
but I had to wait until spring came  
not making any sound  
the tree wasn't the same

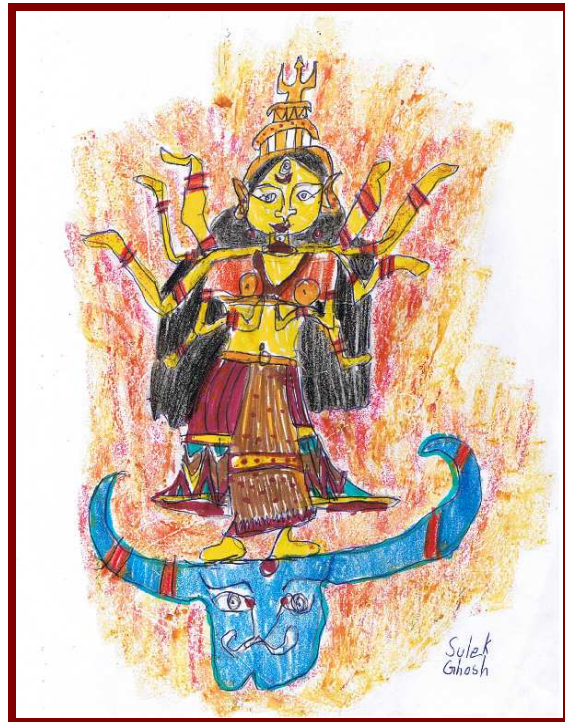
I waited and waited  
but there came no sound  
Loneliness was all around

When spring came the tree finally moved  
I couldn't believe this was true

Then I danced around the tree and everything  
was happy for me

## Durga Thakur

Sulek Ghosh, Age : 8 yrs



## Elephants

Subhon Ghosh,

Age : 6 yrs



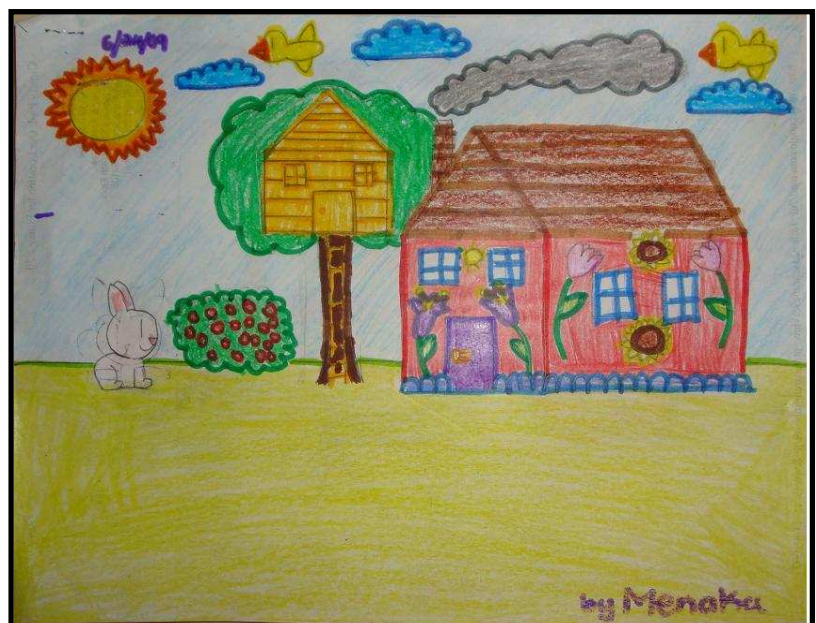
## My Favorite Dinosaurs

Adarsh Hiremath,  
Age : 7½ yrs



## My House

Menaka Chinnusamy,  
Age : 8 Yrs



## The Durga Puja

Nilu Banerjee, Age : 14 yrs

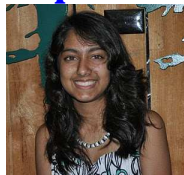


The month of October is a very auspicious time for those who practice Hinduism. It is a time when many Indians, especially Bengalis, celebrate the *Durga Puja*. This holy festival signifies the killing of the evil *asuras* by *Maa Durga*, a goddess with ten hands. *Durga Puja* is held for ten days, the amount of time for which the war between the goddess and the demons raged, even though most people celebrate it for just four days. My family views this festival as a fun and entertaining way to spend time. Usually, my parents prohibit my brother and I from going to malls, parks, or even around the neighborhood by ourselves. However, our parents are comfortable enough to let us go around the *Puja* with our friends. Sometimes, we even get to go on school days; of course, we do our homework before leaving the house.

Walking to the beat of the *dhak*, people roam around the food, jewelry, and clothing stalls, bargaining, purchasing, and chewing. This is a far cry from the festivals of almost any other religion. Hindus like to turn up the music and just relax while watching the *aartis*. We also go to India often and bring back many Indian clothes and jewelry. As I do not get a chance at most other parties, I enjoy wearing *salwar kameezes* and *lehengas* to *Durga Puja*. Yes, the *Durga Puja* is just like a huge party with all your friends that lasts for ten days. Adults are gossiping about the newest *Bollywood* releases or commenting on their work life problems, while their children battle evil ninja spies. Everyone is celebrating the fun with shows, plays, and recitations. For us, the *Durga Puja* is a time where religion, friends, and family all come together in a thoroughly enjoyable medley.

## Sharadiya Durgotsab

Arpita Sarkar, Age : 14 yrs

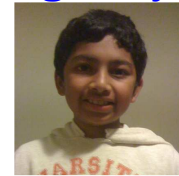


This grand festival, held once every year,  
Is to praise the goddess who has no fear.  
Ten arms gracefully carrying weapons and a lotus flower,  
This goddess is one of strength and impeccable power.  
Radiant with a soothing smile upon her face,  
Dressed from head to toe in regal silk and lace.  
Lakshmi, Ganesha, Saraswati, and Kartikeya come along,  
We ask them to help us choose right over wrong.  
Maa Durga visits the Himalayas for five wonderful days,  
And the sun gives off brighter rays.  
Her parents give her a warm welcome as we look to her,  
The amazing beauty of this goddess, of that we are sure.  
Let's celebrate her coming in vibrating dhaks and traditional chow,  
Maa Durga is here, the time for rejoice is now.

## My life

Shoumil Sarkar,

Age : 9 yrs



Near a computer  
A boy lives peacefully  
Playing fun video games

He hears the door close  
His mother calls for supper  
He doesn't respond

He hears the garage  
He knows his dad has come home  
He runs to his dad.



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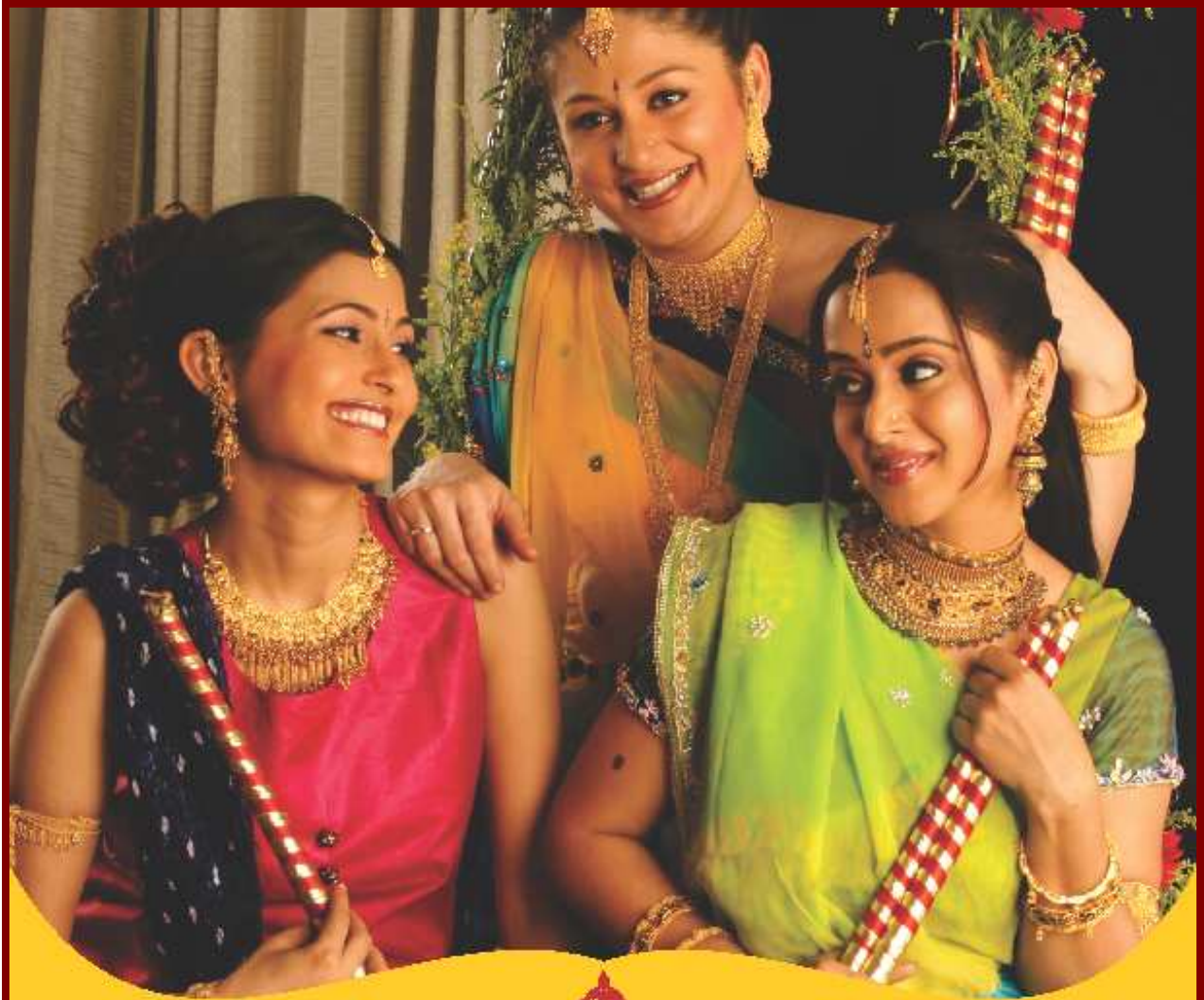
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