Happy Family Special

Vaishali P. Shah  
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Arti V. Prajapati  
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Darshika A. Mehwana  
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Rahul S. Patil  
92.15% (X.E.M.)  
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Mandil S. Shah  
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Pan J. Chaudhari  
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Jay U. Rana  
90.77% (X.E.M.)  
3rd in School

Arupk M. Anikshwar  
85.80% (XII-E.M.)  
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Abhishek K. Patil  
85.20% (XII-E.M.)  
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Digant H. Shah  
83.80% (XII-E.M.)  
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Ashu J. Patel  
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Porvez S. Patel  
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Bhavik L. Patel  
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Ghurma K. Paunlina  
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3rd in Dist.

Srijit S. Paunlina  
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Maril S. Solanki  
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Kusum Solanki  
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Amity School was established on 11th June, 1986. 24 years have passed and it seems too short a time since the school was established. Amity made its beginning in a small manner, in the building of another school. We had a vision, which later transformed into reality. It has been a journey of achievements, struggles, happiness etc, but it all has been worth the efforts. The year 2010-11 will be the Silver Jubilee year. We are proud to bring the 52nd issue on the first day itself.

This issue is dedicated to the family. What is a family, is it mother, father, brother? No. it is not so. It could be your school, your office, the people you commute with, and each family may be interacting with a different personality.

In the 51 issues published so far the school has tried to publish issues on the subjects which are pertinent for the society. The school is the centre for the betterment of society. These issues have been published keeping in mind the social responsibilities the school has towards society. Amity’s aim has always been to walk on the path of progress in the educational field, the success of these issues has made us more determined to take up such pertinent topics.

This time we are focusing on the burning problem faced in society, especially Indian. In our fad to follow western culture we have destroyed the very base of the Indian Society. We call the world our family and yet in most cases a joint family can’t happily live together.

In earlier times 10-12 people lived together in a family, the elderly were looked after in their times of need by the younger ones. The small toddlers were given the love and affection of their grandparents, aunt’s, uncles along with the parents.

The values which one inherited in the lap of the grandparents through fables, and mythological stories stayed with them all throughout life. These living universities guided and molded the characters of the children. Today we live as nuclear families where at times we find not even two children, but one. That we should share what we have with others is gone, children at the ages of 4-5 become proprietorial and do not share their things. Also the age of marriage is

I don’t care how poor a man is; if he has family, he’s rich.

-Dan Wilcox and Thad Mumford
Families are like fudge - mostly sweet with a few nuts.

- Author Unknown

increasing in society. Both the partners are educated, and both want to become professionals. At times instead of becoming partners in a marriage there is one up-man ship, ego walks in and the institution of family breaks, the people who suffer the most are the innocent children.

In these times it is necessary to change the meaning of family as is seen now. Instead of keeping only the family we are associated with at home, we should bring out the importance of the school as the family. If the parents and the school work together, the molding of a child will be at the centre of all. A person spends 16-17 initial years in school. Then who better than the school to help in mapping a good characterized citizen. If there is oneness between these two then the growth of a person will be seen.

We wished well all the students who would pass through the gates of Amity into different paths of life. Our school was a centre for the SSC and HSC boards and hence from 4th March to 17th March, there was activity galore in our premises. Among all this we had the exams and the results of the CBSE section. Routine work went on.

This year our first batch will appear for Std X CBSE Board Examinations. A change in the uniform has been decided and finalized, and effective 10th June when the school re-opens our children will sport a new look.

At Amity we believe in “Change is the only constant”. This issue onwards Maitri-Setu will sport a new look. Yes we have changed the size & style of the magazine from the 25th year.

A list of the proposed programmes scheduled during the Silver Jubilee Year is given below. We will try to adhere to these dates, but in unforeseen circumstances, we may have to deviate from the schedule.

11-06-10 Celebrating Silver Jubilee Year inception.
13-06-10 Special Celebration of the 25th years – Time 6.30 pm evening
Chief Guest : Dr. Varsha Das, Director, Gandhi Museum, New Delhi
Guest of Honour, Dr. Sudarshan Iyengar, VC Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad
05-09-10 Teachers Day celebration
26-01-11 Republic Day celebrations
27-02-11 Well wishers gathering
01-05-11 Social gathering of teachers
Your suggestions are always welcome.

We thank you for your support and co-operation.

- Amity Educational Campus Parivar
Dt. 11/06/2010

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- Author Unknown
Each one of us wants that our family should be a happy family. To keep a family together, what is required is, understanding and the attitude of the family members. There should be openness between all, no lies, pride, or egoism should mar relations. Communication should be clear between all. It should be every person’s aim to not find fault with each other and waste time in unnecessary arguments, all should listen carefully to the views of the others, thereby solving the majority of the problems. Righteous thoughts and actions can make a happy family.

Let us see what can be done to make the family happy. It is rightly said that the family, which eats together, stays together. In today’s competitive life, we do not have a lot of spare time for the family, but one meal must be had together by all, where all participate and share the good and bad of the day, this will keep the family connected. Many a times the solution of a problem comes from within a family and that too from the least expected source.

Problems have to be tackled and answered they cannot be bottled up inside or one fine day it will lead to a massive row. No one is superior or inferior in the family all should be given equal opportunities. It should be the priority of all to ensure that a feeling of wellness and amity runs around.

This feeling is required in the various families we are associated with. Our office circle or the school, here too the influence of some people can be an asset for us. Very often, we find that we are able to be more open with the family we choose rather than the blood related family. The feeling of oneness automatically comes when people spend a lot of time together.

Our family is a circle of strength and love…
With every birth and every union the circle grows…
Every joy shared adds more love…
Every crisis faced together makes the circle grow stronger.

A family is a place where minds come in contact with one another. If these minds love one another, the home will be as beautiful as a flower garden. But if these minds get out of harmony with one another it is like a storm that plays havoc with the garden. Of all our social institutions, the family is perhaps the one with which we are most familiar. As we proceed through our lives, our experiences within the family give rise to some of our strongest and most intense feelings. Within the family context lies a paradox, however although most of us hope for love and support within the family a haven in a heartless world, so to speak the family can also be a place of violence and abuse. The family is both the fundamental unit of society as well as the root of culture. It is a perpetual source of encouragement, advocacy, assurance, and emotional refueling that empowers a child to venture with confidence into the greater world and to become all that he can be. Family quarrels have a total bitterness unmatched by others. Yet it sometimes happens that they also have a kind of tang, a pleasantness beneath the unpleasantness, based on the tacit understanding that this is not for keeps; that any limb you climb out on will still be there later for you to climb back in. Our most basic instinct is not for survival but for family.

When you look at your life, the greatest happinesses are family happinesses.
- Joyce Brothers
of us would give our own life for the survival of a family member, yet we lead our daily life too often as if we take our family for granted.

Sometimes our hearts get tangled
And our souls a little off-kilter
Friends and family can set us right
And help guide us back to the light.

Let us see a few views of our adolescence on this burning topic -

1. My small family is the heaven on earth for me. We all are so well connected by thoughts to each other that like the parts of the body when one hurts the pain is felt in the whole body, in the same way, if any person in the family faces problems, then we all can feel the pain.

2. I find that my parents are so involved in their daily routine that they have no time to spare for my brother, sisters and me.

3. I live with my grandparents, as my parents are in another city due to my father’s job, I feel they do not understand my feelings at times and this creates tension between us. At times, it gets terrible as they complain to my parents who in turn scold me.

4. My father is abroad for his job, mummy has to bear the responsibilities of the house and her job, my grandparents complain about my behavior to her and them I am fired or at times given a slap or two.

5. The love and affection that my family gives me more than compensates for the firing that they at times give me. My parents are the architects of my future, my mountains of hope, and my islands of happiness.

6. Poor is the child who does not have the mother to wipe off tears, the father to make demands on, the grandparents to play and cuddle with and the cousins to fight and share with.

7. My parents are my first teachers, who encourage me, laugh with me and cry with me. My grandparents and uncle show a lot of affection for me.

8. My parents constantly pressurize me when I talk with my male friends, it discourages me, why can’t they understand me.

In some families, please is described as the magic word. In our house, however, it was sorry.

- Margaret Laurence
You don’t choose your family. They are God’s gift to you, as you are to them.

- Desmond Tutu
An ounce of blood is worth more than a pound of friendship.

- Spanish Proverb
Blood’s thicker than water, and when one’s in trouble, Best to seek out a relative’s open arms.

- Author Unknown

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A marriage may be made in heaven but the maintenance must be done on earth.

- Unknown
Be careful that your marriage doesn't become a duel instead of a duet.

- Unknown
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Let a mother counsel her children with love as well as with knowledge, for a proud youth may not heed his mother's words but he will not forget her love. - Unknown
गीता शिविर अद्वैत

विश्वास मु.पो. जैनक, त.चि. महादिव अने 
दृ. दारभाद शेशाथी शारदुल्लाह त्रिपट्रित 'गीता शिविर'नूँ आयोजन त.25/04 च सात, वेस्टर सात विवाद आयोजक स्तोत, होटल पास संग्राम। शेखर श्रीमती सलिम राजा तथा श्रीमती श्रीमान श्रीमान S.H. श्रीमाने।

प्रसन्न अने गीताका सिद्धका रेता द्वारा 'गीता' भाषाका साथ साथ आरम्भ, आवेदन, समाहार, समारोह आदि साक्षात्कारने दिन आयोजन आयोजन। कथन जल रोजनारह द्वारा 'गीता' भाषाका साथ साथ आरम्भ, आवेदन, समाहार, समारोह आदि साक्षात्कारने दिन आयोजन आयोजन।

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The family is a strong backbone, which supports us in the same way that a strong foundation supports a building. It is the string, which binds the different pearls of the necklace together. It inculcates in us values, character, humanity, humility, responsibility, caring, sharing. We all mutually respect each other and even if we do not agree at times, we listen to the views of other. My family has so far helped me overcome all my problems and sustained me in achieving my goals. I am happy to not only have my family as my strength, but my teachers too have always been there as the family where I spend most of my time. Their enthusiastic and steady support has helped me overcome many of my weaknesses. Infact with the teacher’s support I have turned my weaknesses into my strengths. I am thankful that I have the support of the various families of my life, my parents, grandparents, teachers, and friends.

- Kesha Viveki (Std. XI)

What is a family? Father, mother, brother, sister! No, it is those who surround our lives with love and joy, who stand by us in the times of our need.

With order, there is no chaos in the family; a well-organized family will be able to function smoothly. When all know their responsibilities and shoulder it harmony comes in the family. All are important enough to have their own view. Respect is a key factor in a happy family.

- Ayushi Gandhi (Std. IX)

We all wish that our family should be called a happy family. This happiness depends on the communication that goes on in the family. There should not be any communication problem between the family members. They should not waste unnecessary time in argument but should spend time to find solutions to problems. There should be no ego hassles. At least the family should have one meal together and at this time, no television should be viewed, infact general discussions should be made, so that exchanges of ideas are there.

There is no use of bottling up problems and controlling emotions, as one fine day they will erupt like the volcano and then there will be no solution. All are equal in the family and hence should be treated as such. Sharing work, money, responsibilities will help build the character of the children. The needs of others should be considered.

- Mrs. Sunita Panda

The role of my family in my life is permanent, like the Kodak print, which never fades in thundering rains or tsunamis. My parents and grandparents are the four pillars who support the building of my life.

They boost me up when needed but also reprimand me when I do wrong. I am the rough diamond that they polish. They never let me give up. I am thankful for their support in my life.

- Kaushal Yadav (Std. X-B)

The happiness of the domestic fireside is the first boon of Heaven; and it is well it is so, since it is that which is the lot of the mass of mankind. - Thomas Jefferson, 1813
When our relatives are at home, we have to think of all their good points or it would be impossible to endure them.

- George Bernard Shaw
Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one.

- Jane Howard
There is no cure for laziness but a large family helps.

- Herbert Prochnov
Opinion

From the 51st issue onwards Maitri-Setu is now online. We give below an excerpt of an e-mail sent by Mr. Sai Raval, (ex-teacher) who has settled in the USA.

I am very happy to see our Maitri Satu on line.

GREAT JOB !!!

Congratulations to Sarojben for devoting her 15 years to OUR AMITY FAMILY !

I really like the article on stress and tension about exam. It is very time oriented and selection of different articles are very much based on the demand of time. You have shown some excellent ways to reduce stress during exam. I hope that ALL students must have read this BEFORE their final exams.

- Mr. Sai Raval, Atlanta, U.S.A.

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Men are what their mothers made them.

- Emerson
The great advantage of living in a large family is that early lesson of life's essential unfairness.

- Nancy Mitford

18 Teaching English Poetry — Shalama, Angad

19 Mathematics Wizard Competition was organised. Children were made to solve sudoku puzzles and mental mathematics.
The happiest moments of my life have been the few which I have passed at home in the bosom of my family. - Thomas Jefferson
A family is a deeply rooted tree with branches of different strengths all receiving nourishment from an infinite source.

- Manny Feldman
A family is where all members contribute and share, cooperate and work, and accept their responsibilities toward the good of the group. - Manny Feldman
A family is where character is formed, values are learned, ethics are created, and society is preserved.

- Manny Feldman
"A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie." - Tennera Jordan
BRAIN TEASERS

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To solve a Su Doku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

ALPHA TRIANGLE

Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.
1. Victory sign, 2. Hospital drip, 3. Contend with,
4. Immorality, 5. Pertaining to Sanskrit scriptures,
6. Gadget, 7. Threw out

QUOTE UNCODE

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using a apostrophe give you dues to location vowels Solution is by trial and error.

TODAY’S CLUE : E EQUALS W.

EXPQ CVAO SQ NZVMSQ P YPF SM XA
WPSFO QXA EXVIA EYZC PFC IVOAD XSO
VEF OVGI?

FAST FIVE

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given? One letter has already been entered to get you started. On your marks, get set...

ACROSS    DOWN
1 FETAS    1 RIFTS
6 IN PET   2 ALINE
7 RESIN    3 OR TEN
8 POOLS    4 POMES
9 MR SET   5 PESTS

GO FIGURE

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

The operators : [ + x - ]

All happy families resemble one another but each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.

- Leo Tolstoy
**POEMS**

**PARENTS**
Parents are God Almighty
He created them as soul of himself,
They are God on earth
The value of water in the desert
The value of light in the darkness.
The value of silence in the violence
The value of breeze in the summer

- *Shakespeare*

**FAMILY**
Forever yours and yours
Always there in trials and tribulations
Most desired gift from God
Impossible to live without
Last to unknowingly hurt you
Your character building pillar

- *Dhara N. Patel (Std. XI)*

**JOLLY FAMILY**
My family plays an important role in my life so nice,
It has my grandparents, dad and mom so wise,
In addition, I have my uncles and aunts, who look after all my wants
My brothers, sisters and cousins are my best friends, who make me aware of new trends.
Whenever I lose hearts and do not look forward to a new start,
They stand together to support me and make me stand smart
My mom and dad always fulfill my needs, encourage me to do good deeds
My grandfather shows the way out of troubles
My grandmother shows me the way to make soap bubbles.
My mother makes my favourite dishes
And also shows me the way out of crisis
My brother always tries to disturb me,
I love him and hence do not curb him
This is my sweet family
Full of caring but also jolly.

- *Urmila Danga (Std. XI)*

**CARE & SPARE**
Home is a place where a family stays
Life is raw clay, which a family molds and makes
It teaches me unity, it builds my personality
It my be nuclear or joint, staying happy together is the point
Parents give us love and bring us up with care
It is our duty to give them love and few minutes spare

- *Sneha Jaiswal (Std. XI)*

Let a mother counsel her children with love as well as with knowledge, for a proud youth may not heed his mother’s words but he will not forget her love.  

- *Shakespeare*
POEM: KNOWING FAMILY

We divide ourselves according to our blood associations,
We divide ourselves as per emergence,
We divide ourselves as nearest and dearest.
But is it family?
Can it bring us glory?
Can we become cheery?
We live in universe,
We live and converse,
We converse and co-operate,
Co-operate with each other,
We develop a system dependent on each other,
Can’t we call it as family?
Won’t it bring us glory?

- Vaibhav Mahajan (Std. 9-A)

Likely as not, the child you can do least with will do the most to make you proud.
- Mignon McLaughlin
Love is a fruit in season at all times; and within the reach of every hand.

- Mother Teresa
No matter how old a mother is she watches her middle-aged children for signs of improvement.

- Florida Scott Maxwell

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