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Reading hour in the library.



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Importance of reading

Reading is to mind while exercise is to the body. "A man may as well expect to grow stronger by always eating as wiser by always reading."

But why do we really need to read? "Reading sweeps the cobwebs away." What does this mean? "Reading enhances thinking. It stretches and strains our mental muscles. It hits our narrow, delicate, intolerant views with new ideas and strong facts. It

stimulates growing up instead of growing old.

In other words, reading develops us. It scratches those itches down deep inside. It takes us through virgin territory we would not otherwise discover.

"A library of wisdom, then, is more precious than all wealth, and all things that are desirable cannot be compared to it."
Richard de Bury

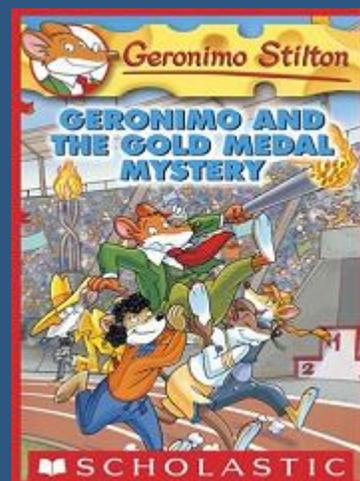
Principal's message



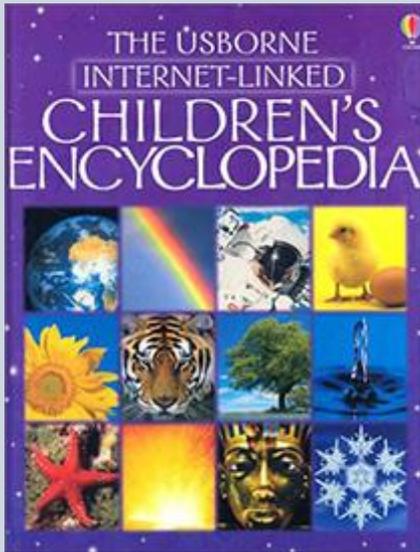
Ocean of knowledge – a school library can be defined in this way. It is like a multi-faceted personality which supports, promotes and creates poets, writers, philosophers and what not.

Form the ocean of knowledge let my children of KV Port Trust and my teachers drink as much as they can and quench their thirst.

-PRINCIPAL



Geronimo Stilton series are the most popular books right now in our library.



Encyclopaedia: A book or set of books giving information on many subjects or on many aspects of one subject and typically arranged alphabetically

How to use an encyclopaedia

An encyclopaedia is an easy-to-use reference tool found in all libraries. An encyclopaedia may be one volume and have a very specific topic as its subject, or an encyclopaedia may have multiple volumes that cover a wide range of topics.

1. Decide if you need a general encyclopaedia or a specialized one. Most general encyclopaedias are multivolume sets and follow a similar format.
2. Examine the directions for the specific encyclopaedia you are using. Most encyclopaedias are set up in alphabetical format, but not all are. Some encyclopaedias require that you know the key word or subject heading in order to find the correct information scattered

throughout a variety of volumes. 3. Locate the index. It gives you page numbers and volume numbers to locate the article you are researching.

4. Read the article. As you do research, you can find other cross-references that can broaden your topic and provide new insight into your research.

5. Study the outline provided for longer articles. This is a helpful reference tool when organizing your writing.

6. Cite authors correctly. Each encyclopaedia has different methods of listing authors. This information is either in the introductory material or in the index.

Library blog and website

The library blog was launched in 2010 and since then it has steadily grown in content and popularity. This month it has reached almost 70,000 hits.

It provides an online presence to the library. It features useful articles, book reviews, download links to many online resources, etc. It also features a photo gallery consisting of Vidyalaya photos since 2010!

The library blog can be reached at:

<http://kvptlibrary.wordpress.com>

Besides the blog, recently a library website was also launched.

Infolib, as the website is called, has quickly become very popular among the students as it offers many interactive features like online submission of book reviews, online book reservation, general knowledge quiz, etc.

Web OPAC of the library can be accessed through the library website.

You can visit the library website at:

<http://infolib.in>



Did you know that you can view photos of all sessions since 2010 in the photo gallery of the library blog.

Visit <http://kvptlibrary.wordpress.com>

Directory of websites of Kendriya Vidyalayas in Ernakulam Region

KV Adoor (Shift I and II)
<http://www.kvadoor.gov.in>

KV AFS Akkulam
<http://www.kvafsakkulam.nic.in>

KV NAD Aluva
<http://www.kvnadaluva.org/>

KV Calicut No.1
<http://www.kvcalicutone.org>

KV Calicut No.2
<http://www.kv2calicut.nic.in/>

KV Chenneerkara
<http://kvchenneerkara.nic.in/>

KV Ernakulam
<http://www.kvernakulam.com/>

KV Ezhimala
<http://www.kvezhimala.org/>

KV Idduki
<http://www.kvidukki.gov.in/>

KV INS Dronacharya Kochi
<http://www.kvinsdronacharyacochin.nic.in/>

KV Kalpetta
<http://www.kvkalpetta.org>

KV Kanhangad
<http://kvkanhangad.org/>

KV Kannur No.1
<http://www.kvkannur.org>

KV Kannur No.2 Keltron Nagar
<http://www.kvkeltronnagar.in>

KV Kasargod No.1
<http://www.kvcpcri.org>

KV Kasargod No.2
<http://www.kvvidyanagar.org/>

KV Kavaratti
<http://www.kvkavaratti.org>

Introducing kids to libraries

Although a child will find the different environment of the library interesting, it's best to keep the first visit short in order to maintain their interest. The new people, interesting things to look at and different activities to explore will all appeal to a young child, and you can make each visit a little longer to enable them to explore this new environment at their own pace. The aim is to make the library a relaxed, interesting and friendly place to visit and to develop a lifelong passion for visiting.

Children's letters to God

The following letters express that part of a child's world reserved for special thoughts and wishes. Some letters are disarmingly wise, others naive; some are knowing, some simple. Many are weighted with seriousness; others are lit with smiles. All of them are addressed to God with much hope and trust.

Dear GOD,
In school they told us what you do.
Who does it when you are on
vacations?
- Jane

Dear GOD,
Did you mean for the giraffe to
look like that or was it an accident?
- Norma

Dear GOD,
Who draws the lines around
countries?
- Nan

Dear GOD,
Thank you for the baby brother, but
what I prayed for was a puppy.
- Joyce

Think it over:

*To add a library to a house
is to give that house a soul.*

Cicero



Dear GOD,
Please send me a pony. I never
asked for anything before, you can
look it up.
- Bruce

Dear GOD,
If you watch me in church Sunday,
I'll show you my new shoes.
- Mickey

Dear GOD,
I bet it is very hard for you to love all
of everybody in the whole world.
There are only four people in our
family and I can never do it.
- Nan

**Compiled by Stuart Hample and Eric
Marshall in *Chicken soup for the
mother's soul***





Poetry

Rain

*I am the princess of the world.
My arrival is declared by my
black guards.
My departure is announced
by my seven maids.
I shower down to see my
people.
To see my tiny tots playing in
the field.
To give life to lifeless things.
To drive out dryness from the
field.
To beautify the nature with my
dew crystals.
And to know there pain and
loving.
I touch the land with a hope
of getting a green world.
I touch the water with a hope
of getting pure water.
My each drop is for everyone.
And my beauty remains in the
heart of every creative
people.*

Poem by Tanya James, 11-D.

Look in a book

*Look
in a book
and you will see
words
and magic
and mystery.*

*Look
in a book
and you will find
sense
and nonsense
of every kind.
Look
in a book
and you will know
all
the things
that can help you grow.*

(Poem by Ivy O. Eastwick)

KV Kochi No.1

<http://www.kv1kochi.org/>

KV Kochi No.2

<http://www.kvtwonavalbasekochi.org/>

KV Kollam

<http://www.kvkollam.gov.in/>

KV Kottayam

<http://kvkottayam.nic.in/>

KV NTPC Kayamkulam

<http://www.kvntpcayamkulam.org>

KV Mahe

<http://www.kvmahe.org>

KV Malappuram

<http://www.kvmalappuram.gov.in/>

KV Ottapalam

<http://kvottapalam.nic.in/>

KV Palakkad No.1

<http://www.kv1palakkad.nic.in/>

KV Palakkad No.2

<http://kvkanjikode.nic.in/>

KV Palayad

<http://www.kvthalassery.org/>

KV CRPF Pallipuram

<http://kvppm.nic.in>

KV Pangode

<http://www.kvpangode.nic.in/>

KV Pattom (Shift I and II)

<http://www.kvpattom.nic.in>

KV Payannur

<http://www.kvpayanur.org/>

KV Port Trust Kochi

<http://kvptkochi.gov.in/>

KV SAP Trivandrum

<http://www.kvsappkda.nic.in/>

KV Thrissur

<http://www.kvthrissur.nic.in/>

India: some interesting facts

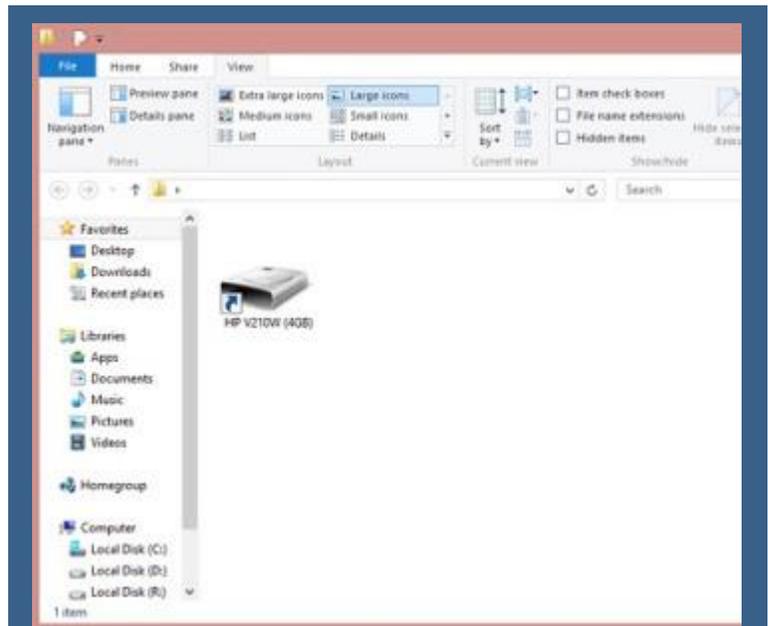
1. India is the world's largest, oldest, continuous civilization.
2. India never invaded any country in her last 10000 years of history.
3. India is the world's largest democracy.
4. Varanasi, also known as Benares, was called "the ancient city" when Lord Buddha visited it in 500 B.C.E, and is the oldest, continuously inhabited city in the world today.
5. India invented the Number System. Zero was invented by Aryabhata.
6. The World's first university was established in Takshashila in 700BC. More than 10,500 students from all over the world studied more than 60 subjects. The University of Nalanda built in the 4th century BC was one of the greatest achievements of ancient India in the field of education.
7. Sanskrit is the mother of all the European languages. Sanskrit is the most suitable language for computer software - a report in Forbes magazine, July 1987.
8. Ayurveda is the earliest school of medicine known to humans. Charaka, the father of medicine consolidated Ayurveda 2500 years ago. Today Ayurveda is fast regaining its rightful place in our civilization.
9. Although modern images of India often show poverty and lack of development, India was the richest country on earth until the time of British invasion in the early 17th Century. Christopher Columbus was attracted by India's wealth.
10. The art of Navigation was born in the river Sindhu 6000 years ago. The very word Navigation is derived from the Sanskrit word NAVGATI. The word navy is also derived from Sanskrit 'Nou'.
11. Bhaskaracharya calculated the time taken by the earth to orbit the sun hundreds of years before the astronomer Smart. Time taken by earth to orbit the sun: (5th century) 365.258756484 days.
12. The value of pi was first calculated by Budhayana, and he explained the concept of what is known as the Pythagorean Theorem. He discovered this in the 6th century long before the European mathematicians.

Recover Files From A Virus Infected USB Drive

Has this ever happened to you? You open your USB flash drive and find that all your files have disappeared. The drive is empty save for a shortcut to the drive itself having the same name as the drive and having the extension .lnk. When you open this shortcut you may, or most probably may not, be able to access your files.

It is a virus. And this is how it spreads. If a person inserts such device to a windows machine infected with this virus, it simply hides all the contents of that portable device and creates a link file (with extension .lnk) with the name of the portable device. This virus creates a link file along with a hidden folder without any name – just blank space – and moves all the contents of the drive to this hidden folder.

So is there a solution? Yes, there is. In a Windows machine, unhide the files in your system (also uncheck the "Hide Protected OS files"). The directory with an empty name appears in the USB drive. Copy the folder to your desktop and run a virus scan on the copied folder. Then you may access the folder to retrieve the actual files. Ensure that the USB drive is formatted after this.



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There are perhaps no days of our childhood we lived so fully as those we spent with a favorite book.

–Marcel Proust

If one cannot enjoy reading a book over and over again, there is no use in reading it at all.

–Oscar Wilde

If you only read the books that everyone else is reading, you can only think what everyone else is thinking.

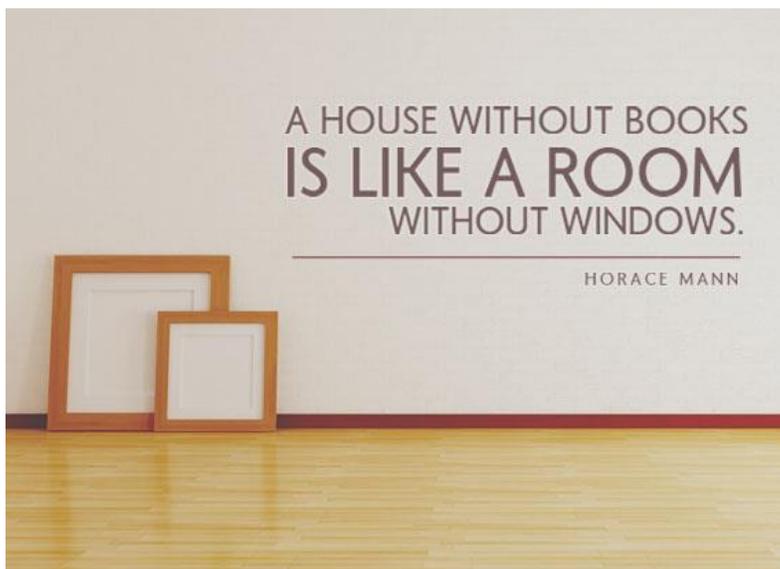
- Haruki Murakami



A book is a dream that you hold in your hand.
- Neil Gaiman.

“I love books.
I love that moment when you open one and sink into it you can escape from the world, into a story that’s way more interesting than yours will ever be.

Elizabet Scott



Great books help you understand, and they help you feel understood.
–John Green

