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The global economy will take much longer to recover fully from the shock caused by the new coronavirus than initially expected. However, the crisis is also boosting the digital economy, offering a chance to boost transparency and e-learning, and give even small firms access to markets.

Kristalina Georgieva, MD, International Monetary Fund

WORD WATCH

EXIGUOUS: means scanty, inadequate, very small in size or amount. It is derived from the Latin word, 'exiguus'

MUSIC

Lady Gaga and Ariana Grande duet: The Grammy-winning divas come together for a duet called, 'Rain on Me'. Set to be released this Friday, the song is from Gaga's new album, 'Chromatica,' which comes out on May 29. 'Rain on Me' is the second duet Grande has released this month. Earlier, she released 'Stuck With U', in collaboration with Justin Bieber

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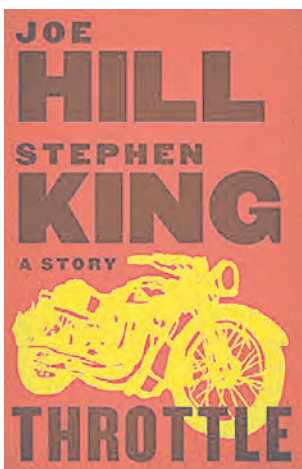
'THE FOREVER PURGE' DROPPED FROM UNIVERSAL'S RELEASE CALENDAR

Universal Pictures has pulled the latest chapter in their hit dystopian film franchise, 'Purge' from its release calendar. The film, 'The Forever Purge', will not be releasing on its scheduled date of July 10.



The series, which started with 2013's, 'The Purge', is set in a dystopian America— it celebrates an annual national holiday, known as the Purge— in which all crimes, including murder, are legal for a 12-hour period. The film was followed by three sequels: 'The Purge: Anarchy' (2014), 'The Purge: Election Year' (2016) and 'The First Purge (2018)'.

ENTERTAINMENT



STEPHEN KING'S 2009 BOOK 'THROTTLE' WILL BE TURNED INTO A FEATURE FILM

HBO Max has acquired the rights of Stephen King and son Joe Hill's novella, 'Throttle' for a feature adaptation. Originally published in 2009, the story centres around a father and son, who lead a biker gang that are terrorised by a big rig truck driver, on an isolated stretch of an American desert. The novella was published in a limited edition anthology, 'He Is Legend', honouring Richard Matheson, whose short story 'Duel' inspired the book.

NEWS IN BRIEF

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COVID-19 HAS SEEDS OF MAJOR MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, WARNS UN

UN secretary general Antonio Guterres has urged governments, civil society and health authorities to urgently address the mental health needs arising from the coronavirus pandemic, warning that psychological suffering is increasing.

SPOTLIGHT

The "grief at the loss of loved ones, shock at the loss of jobs, isolation and restrictions on movement, difficult family dynamics, uncertainty and fear for the future," are the major reasons of depression, he said. Those who are at risk and in need of help are front-line health care workers, older people and adolescents, he added.



GOLDMAN SEES WORST INDIA RECESSION WITH 45% SECOND QUARTER SLUMP

Goldman Sachs expects that India will experience its deepest recession ever, after a poor run of data underscored the damaging economic impact of lockdowns in the world's second-most populous nation. Gross domestic product will contract by an annualised 45 per cent in the second quarter from the prior three months, compared with Goldman's previous forecast of a 20 per cent slump.



ECONOMY

JAPAN'S ECONOMY FALLS INTO RECESSION: Japan has fallen into recession as the financial toll of the coronavirus continues to escalate. The world's third-biggest economy shrank 3.4% in the first three months of 2020, compared to a year ago— its biggest slump since 2015. The coronavirus is wreaking havoc on the global economy with an estimated cost of up to \$8.8tn.

WINDOW SEAT FOR STARTUPS IN ISRO'S GAGANYAAN TRIP

India's space agency will tap startups to develop food and medicines for astronauts, better tools to access machines in a spacecraft and green engines for its maiden humanspace flight Gaganyaan-1. It will also potentially help them build products and solutions that they can exploit commercially.

Isro has identified a set of technologies to develop locally at lower costs, for its Gaganyaan missions. These include, life support systems, including a spacesuit, inflatable habitats and thermal protection technologies for spacecraft to bring the astronauts back to Earth safely

SPACE



SAMSUNG UNVEILS 5G SMARTPHONE

South Korea's largest mobile carrier SK Telecom has introduced a 5G smartphone called Galaxy A Quantum, highlighting quantum-safe cryptography solution (that requires identification and certification, including mobile payment application), in cooperation with Samsung Electronics. According to the company, Galaxy A Quantum will be the world's first 5G smartphone.

TECH BUZZ

- The price of the handset has been set at \$530 (₹40,120 approx) in South Korea
- The Galaxy A Quantum comes with a quad-rear camera setup, a 6.7-inch display, and a 4,500mAh battery

Premji, world's 3rd biggest Covid relief donor

Azim Premji, Wipro's founder, known for his philanthropic activities, has become the world's third biggest private donor to help fight the coronavirus pandemic crisis. According to a data compiled by Forbes, 77 billionaires had donated for the cause of coronavirus till the end of April. Among these, Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey donated the highest amount (\$1bn), followed by Microsoft founder Bill Gates (\$255mn) to causes related to Coronavirus.

GET INSPIRED

PREMJI, ONLY INDIAN ON THE LIST

At the beginning of April, Azim Premji pledged ₹ 1,125 crore towards the fight against COVID-19. The money was donated with the intention of helping the medical and service fraternity — who are at the frontline of the battle against the pandemic — and people belonging to economically-backward sections of the society



Lockdown summer PET CARE TIPS



The pandemic-induced lockdown is difficult for everyone, including pets. Here are some ways to keep them clean, groomed and happy in summer.

- Bathe your pet at least once a week. Make sure the water does not enter their ear canals. Also, avoid applying shampoo on the face area.
- Avoid trimming the fur of your pet as you may end up hurting it.
- Follow a regular diet for your pets. During mid afternoon, when it gets really hot, you can give them some buttermilk without salt to maintain their body temperature.
- Play with your pet at least once a day for 15 to 20 minutes. Throw a ball and let them fetch it. It's a good way to let them exercise their muscles.

VIEWPOINT



Army considering proposal to allow civilians in force for 3 years

The Indian Army is considering a proposal to allow civilians, including young working professionals, to join the force for a three-year tenure as officers, and in other ranks for a variety of roles, even as front-line fighters. Its main aim is to bring people closer to the 1.3-million-strong force by giving them an opportunity to experience military life. "If approved, it will be a voluntary engagement. Initially, 100 officers and 1,000 men are being considered for recruitment," Col Aman Anand, spokesperson of the Indian Army said.

➤ The proposal, a part of broad reforms envisaged for the force, is set to be discussed at a conference of top commanders of the Indian Army, following which the process would be taken forward, the sources said, adding the scheme will benefit the Army financially

➤ At present, the Army recruits young people under the short service commission for an initial tenure of 10 years, which is extendable up to 14 years

➤ According to the proposal, the people to be recruited under the 'Tour of Duty (ToD)' will be eligible to be deployed as combatants in key forward locations, and there will be no restrictions in their roles

Welcoming the proposal, Anand Mahindra, chairman of the Mahindra Group, said, military training will be an added advantage for Tour of Duty Graduates as they enter the workplace. "In fact, considering the rigid standards of selection and training in the Indian Army, the Mahindra Group will be happy to consider their candidature," he added

Q Is it a good move?

Share your views at timesnie175@gmail.com

CHESSPLODE: A CASUAL PICK-UP-AND-PLAY GAME OF CHESS, WITH A TWIST



You can play Chessplode either in a multi-player mode with random gamers across the world against another person sharing your smartphone screen, or against Ziri (the game's own AI opponent). As soon as you capture an enemy chess piece or vice versa, other pieces in the same row and column explode, and are captured. The only exception is that pieces do not explode in the same row and column as the King. This makes the game not only a lot quicker but also makes you concentrate more on your next move to capture a maximum number of pieces in one go. You can also create custom level: place any piece at any position and play.

MOVE ASIDE DALGONA COFFEE, IT'S TIME FOR FROGGY BREAD

After Dalgona coffee, banana bread and pancake cereals became a hit, people's attention has now moved to what is known as "froggy bread".



INGREDIENTS

- For starter (make the night before) ● 112 gm - Flour ● 87 gm - Water ● 1 gm - Yeast
- Mix and let it develop in a warm place for up to 12 hours.

OTHER INGREDIENTS

- 287 gm - Flour ● 200 gm - Water ● 1 gm - Yeast ● 7 gm - Salt ● 15 gm - Olive oil

METHOD

- Combine all ingredients with the starter and knead until smooth.
- Let it rise until double in size
- Punch it down and stretch on to a baking sheet ● Shape it into a frog by cutting legs, adding eyes or any other texture you may want.
- Brush with olive oil ● Let it rest for 30 minutes and bake it for 20min.

Follow these 4 ECO-FRIENDLY HABITS IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Grow your own herbs

If you have unused kitchen items or old utensils, for example, old mugs, take-away food boxes etc, do not throw them away. You can spruce up your space by planting herbs like mint, coriander, parsley, even chillies, right on your windowsill. Remember to take your elders' help while planting them.

Home composting of kitchen waste

In an ideal world, your mom would opt for zero waste cooking. But for now, help her in using all the organic kitchen waste to create manure at home. Vegetable and fruit peelings, eggshells and non-greasy waste can be used to make manure. After mixing them, place them into your compost bin. They are good for plants.



Choose recyclable packaging

Encourage your elders to use packaging that has the minimum environmental impact. Opt for recyclable packaging— biodegradable snacks that come in paper-packaging, home-delivered food that comes with compostable cutlery, or no cutlery at all.

Waste segregation

Help your mom in segregating your waste. Seg-

regate into as many different bins as you can. Organic wet waste for composting, dry recyclable waste like milk/juice cartons, paper waste etc for recycling, and hazardous waste like batteries /syringes/ personal hygiene products for safe disposal. The more that gets recycled, the less is left for landfills.

Minimise trips to the market

Avoid making multiple trips to the market. You'll avoid hassle, save fuel, and help the environment.

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COMMONLY CONFUSED WORDS



1. DISINTERESTED
 > Disinterested means unbiased and does not mean uninterested.
Correct: The dispute should be resolved by a disinterested judge.
 Why are you so uninterested in my story?

2. LOOK, SEE AND WATCH
 > See is used as intransitive verb; you just see without any effort.
Example: I saw Malik at the grocery store today.
 Look is used as transitive verb; you make an effort to see: **Example:** Look at the pictures I took on holiday.



3. NUMBER AND AMOUNT
 > We use amount of with uncountable nouns. Number of is used with countable nouns.
Example: A great number of students volunteer for environmental projects.
Example: The amount of time it took to finish the job was very frustrating.

4. HOPE AND WISH
 > The difference between the two lies in the probability or likelihood of a person's desires coming true. We wish for something when it's unlikely or impossible to be carried out.
Example: I wish I belonged in the top ten of my class (But I do not).
Example: I hope to get a better job next year.



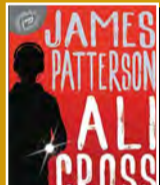
5. LISTEN AND HEAR
 > In general, we use "listen" to describe an intentional action - something we do on purpose.
Example: What type of music do you like to listen to?
 > We often use "hear" to talk about something unintentional - something we do not do on purpose.
Example: Suddenly I heard a noise. Someone was in the garden.
 > Remember, hearing is an event. Listening is an action.

Have you read these fantastic books?

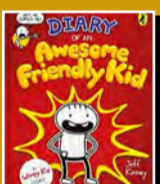
FOR AGES 8-12



WONDER
 by RJ PALACIO: A boy with a facial deformity starts school.



ALI CROSS
 by JAMES PATTERSON: Investigation of a disappearance!



DIARY OF AN AWESOME... by JEFF KINNEY: Greg's best friend Rowley Jefferson writes his own diary.



WINGS OF FIRE: LEGENDS
 by TUI SUTHERLAND: Ivy, Leaf and Wren fight for the survival of the human race!

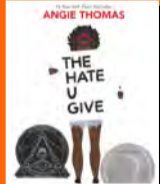


A TALE OF MAGIC...
 by CHRIS COLFER: In a world where magic is outlawed, Brystal Evergreen defies the odds.

YOUNG ADULTS (14-17)



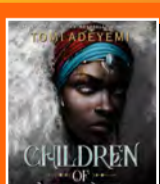
CHAIN OF GOLD
 by CASSANDRA CLARE: Cordelia battles demons in a quarantined London...



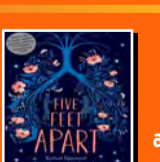
THE HATE U GIVE
 by ANGIE THOMAS: A 16-year-old girl sees a police officer kill her friend...



ONE OF US IS LYING
 by KAREN M. MCMANUS: A detour into detention ends in murder.



CHILDREN OF VIRTUE AND VENGEANCE
 by TOMI ADEYEMI: Zélie must stop the threat of civil war in Orisha.



FIVE FEET APART
 by RACHAEL WISNIEWSKI: Stella and Will are in love, but can't get within five feet of each other.

10 Tips for a safe online experience

WEB SAFE



- Keep Windows and third-party applications completely up-to-date.
- Back up your data regularly to a CD, DVD, or external USB drive.
- Don't respond to email or social media messages if you don't know the sender.
- Don't click on email attachments or objects sent via social networks if you don't know the sender.
- Don't click on links in email or IM (instant messaging) messages. Type addresses directly into your web browser.
- Don't give out personal information in response to an email.
- Shop or bank only on secure sites. These URLs start with 'https://' and you'll find a gold padlock in the lower right-hand corner of your browser.
- Use a different password for each website you use and ensure it consists of more than 5 characters and contains numerals, special characters and upper- and lower-case letters. Don't recycle passwords at all.
- Make sure you share your online experience with friends.
- Install Internet security software and keep it updated.



KNOWLEDGE BANK



Mountain bluebird
 They have light underbellies and black eyes. Adult males have thin bills and are bright turquoise-blue and somewhat lighter underneath. Adult females have duller blue wings and tail, grey crown, throat and back. Their call is a thin 'few'; while their song is warbled high 'chur chur'. Mountain bluebird is the state bird of Idaho and Nevada, US. It's an omnivore that can live 6-10 years in the wild. They are fairly common, but its population declined by about 26% between 1966 and 2014, according to the North American Breeding Bird Survey.

Learn how to be content alone & evolve



The current lockdown has unlocked a part of my mind's arena to re-think about the free time that we take for granted. I now realise the importance of being all by myself, and minding my own business. The most important thing I tell my students in virtual classroom: make your time worthwhile, invest it on yourself, rather than aimless ruminations. I have also learnt that it is never too late to explore and learn new things. I have recently started learning French and this is one of the



best, however late, decisions of my life. I love using a few phrases every now and then - much like a wannabe! Nevertheless, this is my way of sharpening my linguistic skills and be a better version of myself. So, while each one of us is fighting a silent battle against the virus, let this not give you a chance to crib and complain. Do not hesitate to rise up to the occasion and unleash your heroism in these testing times. When it is a rocky course ahead, be a rockstar!
 SIMPY DADIJALA, Teacher, DPS, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi

WUZZLES

Each Wuzzle is a word riddle which creates a disguised word, phrase, name, place, object, etc. For example, WUZZLES: W O R D P U Z Z L E S

1. jointed

Print Your Answers Here:

1. _____
 2. _____

Answers: 1. Jointed

Quiz time

MIND YOUR HISTORY
 Are You Good With Names?
 Take this quiz to find out more

Q.1) What now-ubiquitous device was invented by Zenith engineer Eugene Polley in 1955?
 A. Remote control B. Computer C. Smartphone D. Calculator

Q.2) Who invented Gramophone?
 A. Michael Faraday B. Fahrenheit C. Sir Alexander Graham Bell D. Thomas Alva Edison

Q.3) Which insurance salesman invented the fountain pen in 1884?
 A. Lewis Edson Waterman B. Sir William Grove C. Charles Kettering D. George Fountain

Q.4) Who invented the original telephone?
 A. Newton B. Albert Einstein C. Alexander Graham Bell D. Hans Lippershey

ANSWERS
 1. A) Remote control 2. D) Thomas Alva Edison 3. A) Lewis Edson Waterman 4. D) Alexander Graham Bell

POWER-UP WORD QUEST!

Can you find the names of Mario's power-up items on the grid below? Words can go up, down, left or right, but never diagonally. When you've found them all, complete the page with one of your favourite stickers.

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FAMILY CIRCUS

"Oh boy, roast beef! I know two of my toes are gonna be happy!"

S.F. AND COMIC KIDS

Spot six differences between these panels.

Word Wise
 different from other people.
 Synonymous words: Oddity, peculiarity, strangeness, irregularity, weirdness, singularity, bizarreness, whimsicality, etc.
 Examples:
 ■ The lady was noted for the eccentricity of her clothes.
 ■ He was struck by the oddity of the answer.

MISSY'S MAZE

Dr. Twelfth needs your help! Can you lead him to Missy?

Collect the greatest mix-up in the entire Missyworld!