



Learners' Resource Galaxy

# Voice of Homeschoolers

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# About Learners' Resource Galaxy



## **Vision:**

Learners' Resource Galaxy believes in individuals. We believe that each one of you is different. You are born with amazing potentials for a bigger cause. We are striving to develop human resource for a better tomorrow; hence, we create opportunities for the learners to explore their potentials for social excellence.

## **What We Do:**

We are working enthusiastically, majorly for children and young adults. And we will tap anything and everything that affects the future of our potential leaders.

We do appreciate the hard work done by schools in designing extra-curricular activities to ensure the holistic development of the children. Yet, we also believe that we have to create more alternatives for learners to support and guide them to take charge of their lives and learning.

## **Founder: Mrs. Humaira Salman:**

Humaira Salman is the founder and director of Learners' Resource Galaxy. Her vision and mission is to guide, counsel and groom the individuals to meet the challenges of life. She believes in the youth and provides multiple exposure and opportunities to them so that they can take charge of their lives and learning.

She is also recognized as a counselor and is an expert in designing tailor – made workshops for various institutes and organizations. She aspires to inspire and; therefore, her work allows her to explore wide range of subjects; in addition, she provides academic consultancy. She has also worked as a co-author for a series of academic books, workbooks and teachers' guides.

She has used her immense and wide experience of almost 25 years in the field of education to train the teachers and students of both urban and rural areas of Sindh and Punjab.

She is a mother of three homeschoolers and enjoys reading, cooking, travelling and socializing.

# PRINCIPLES OF CONSCIOUS PARENTING

By Humaira Salman  
Founder and Directress LRG

**E**

1. Trust your child

**D**

2. R-E-S-P-E-C-T

**I**

3. Be reflective

**T**

4. Build a relationship and keep it intact

**O**

5. Change how you see not just how you act

**R**

6. Be authentic

**I**

7. Talk less, listen more

**A**

8. Keep your child's age in mind

**L**

9. Do not stick to numbers unnecessarily

10. Don't be rigid

11. Don't be in a hurry

12. Share your dreams

Conscious, unconditional parenting asks you to step outside the traditional box of thinking and learn to engage and connect with your children before you discipline for the sake of convenience. It does not require you to abandon all your parenting practices, just to be mindful as you parent. Give your child the benefit of the doubt.

Remember that we are only a collection of everything we've ever observed, heard, read and seen. As we view the world, we collect, sort and file away our experiences as reference points for how to react in the future.

These experiences are built upon memory after memory giving us the total sum of our lives thus far and our outlook on the world. Everything can be completely changed by altering the experiences, starting at a young age.

Fill the hearts and minds of your children with love, positive limitless experience and let their personal self blossom.



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## ELIE WHO NEVER GIVE UP

By: Muhammad Saadi bin Arsalan, 11 years



Once upon a time, there was a girl named Elie when she was born, she was as cute as her siblings. When she grew up her parents get her to take admission to the school. After a few days, her parents were told that she cannot memorize well and was not able to recall the previous day lesson. Her mom and dad were worried about her, then the teacher told her mom and dad that they have to help her memorize things, so her mom and dad agreed, and they sat down with her and tried to make her memorize, but it took them a long time, few days she did a very good job but was on the same position like before. Know her parents were getting annoyed with her; they gave her everything that could develop her intellectual intelligence. she couldn't score good grades but she never gave up and always tried hard, also nobody wanted to be friends with her. She was good in Maths and understanding Science but in other subjects, she just got passing marks. She got a promotion to the next classes and she kept trying and focused on what she liked most.

One day the school Principal announced that a science competition is going to be held among different schools, she was very excited to participate in that but her teacher just ignored her, for the selection of participants a Random Test had been held in the school, and her teacher got surprised to see that she got highest marks. This way she participated in the competition, she worked hard and made her school win that contest.

After that her friends and teacher realized that everyone is different with one another and everyone has his own intellectual skills, the best thing was she never got disheartened by people's bad remarks and bad behaviours, she never gave up and always tried harder, and now she is a scientist.



  
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*Social needs can  
never be fulfilled  
through social media!*

-HUMAIRA SALMAN

**ARTICLES**

## ADVENTURES OF A HOMESCHOOL MOM

**By: Saima Faisal**

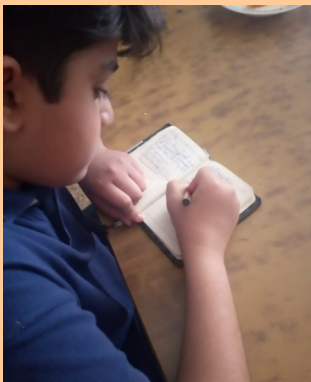
Being a homeschooling mom of two boys aged 11 and 4, I spent multiple days of week outside with a group of other children and mothers engaged with social activities, but after pandemic, social distancing prevented such gathering.

In this article I intent to share my experience of managing my son's co curricular activities.

It all started middle of July 2020 with me spotting some butterfly larvae on a lemon plant. Kids were amused and fascinated to see a real life "very hungry caterpillar" so together with my eldest son Talha, I started documenting the caterpillar's life. How much it ate and what stages it went through to become a butterfly.

The pictures show a caterpillar, a cocoon and finally a butterfly ready to fly away to its freedom.

Lemon plant also provided us with another opportunity to learn about flowing and fruiting cycle of lemons



There is no age limit to start learning use of tools and heavy machinery; children just need to be supervised and taking consideration of safety precautions.

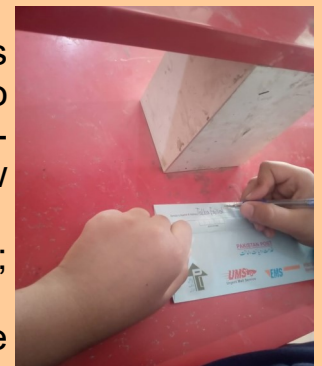
One of the family members had a welding plant and they were planning to make a hen house. I arranged for Talha to take part in measuring the iron frame and join it with the help of welding. It helped him learn the importance of measurements and apply this to real life scenario.



Talha wanted to share his journey of learning with cousins. His teachers suggested writing letter and posting it. Talha wrote to his cousins in Sialkot. It was his first visit to post office. He waited anxiously for the letter to be received and was happy to know his cousins loved his letter.

Soon he started failing to manage his time and lacked planning; again his teacher came up with the idea of to-do list.

He started jotting down basic tasks he would want to complete during the day. This simple and inexpensive activity inculcates the habit of time management and prioritizing.





## MUSLIM HEROES: TARIQ BIN ZIAD

Translated and Summarized by: Ahmed Abdul Waheed, 9.5 years



Tariq Bin Ziad was a very famous and brave Muslim commander of Africa. Not only brave he was a pious, active, responsible, and courageous person as well. He conquered the areas of Africa, Spain, France, and Portugal.

He was born in 640 ad in Bomtabik. He got training in the army. At that time Spain was under a very cruel ruler Roderick. He was very merciless and the people of Spain were very fed up from his cruelties. One of the ministers of Roderick named Count Jolene decided to help the people of Spain and joined with Tariq bin Ziad.

Tariq Bin Ziad decided to conquer Spain. He went with his army to Spain. Tariq Bin Ziad chose the Best possible space for his army to stay. That place had good resources of water, food, and a place to store their munitions. That place is now known as Gibraltar.

Tariq Bin Ziad ordered his army to burn their boats .so that his army fight with full courage and trust in Allah (SWT)and do not think about their return.

Tariq Bin Ziad's army had 7000 soldiers. After that Musa Bin Nazir sends 5000 more Soldiers to help Tariq Bin Ziad.

When the battle started Christian army had 1 lac, 50 thousand soldiers, .and Muslims army had 12000 soldiers but they have strong faith in ALLAH(SWT).

Battle continued 8 days and Tariq Bin Ziad and his army fought bravely and conquered Spain.

Christians impressed by the high morals and good habits of Muslims and a lot of Christians accept Islam and the People of Spain spend a happy peaceful life in the Islamic empire.

Tariq Bin Ziad died in Damascus in 685 ad.

Taken from “مطالعة اسلام” book for class 6.

## Young Home school Leaders



### HANDY STATION



*A fifteen-year-old homeschooler, Abiha Salman is preparing for her O'Levels, besides this she is running a little business by the name of Handy Station. In March 2020 she started this venture through which she sold hand knit products (bookmarks, caps, tea coasters etc...). In about a few months Abiha started to get orders and now she is running her business successfully. Abiha uses Instagram and Facebook for marketing and is thinking to grow her business online. You can find her at:*

*Facebook: Handy Station*

*Instagram: handystation\_*





## **MISCELLANEOUS SECTION**



## Our beautiful dunya

**By: Syed Bilal Alam, 10 years**

Pay attention to our beautiful dunya,  
It has Mountains, Rivers and Oceans.  
Machu Picchu, Mariana trench are only a few I know,  
But the world is full of wonders, and special places to go.

This beautiful Earth who has made it?  
The one Allah, the creator has made it.

The least we can do,  
Is say alhamdulillah for making me and you!

But do people care?

Oh no they don't!

They are too busy with their phones and money,  
They don't look to earth how wonderful it is!

They say they are happy,  
but they aren't.

They say they are beautiful, but these are nothing  
compared to earths beauty!

So come explore our dunya,

Because it costs

0 rupees!

## I have two little sisters

By: Haiqa Haris, 8.5 years

I have two little sisters

They are so cool.

They jump and run,

They are full of fun.

I love them both,

They are like little  
toads,

I call them fools, when

They do not follow my rules

I have two little sisters

They are so, so cool.



## MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES FOR HOMESCHOOLERS



Ammar is 15 years old O' Levels student with many meaningful interests and hobbies. These are some of his hobbies which he loves to be involved in. Gardening, painting and wood works are some of his interests which are also important life skills. He's also very tech savvy and loves to work on game development, robotics and logo making etc.



# BEAT THE HEAT!!!


(Try these amazing recipes in this Summer)



## Strawberry Ice Lollies

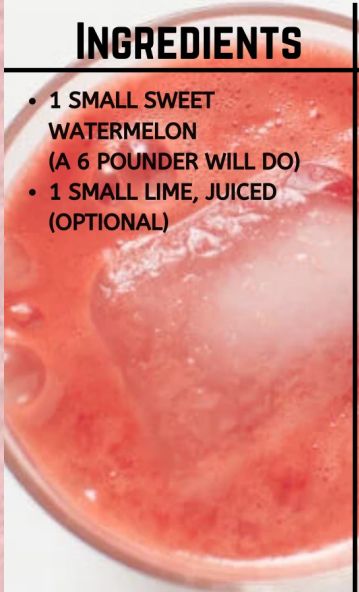
| INGREDIENTS   | METHOD  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 250G RIPE STRAWBERRIES</li> <li>• 100ML NATURAL YOGHURT</li> <li>• 1 TEASPOON HONEY</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WHIZZ UP STRAWBERRIES, NATURAL YOGHURT AND HONEY IN A BLENDER OR FOOD PROCESSOR.</li> <li>• TASTE, AND ADD MORE HONEY IF YOU NEED TO.</li> <li>• DIVIDE THE STRAWBERRY MIXTURE BETWEEN ICE LOLLY MOULDS, THEN POP A STICK INTO EACH ONE.</li> <li>• PUT THE ICE LOLLIES IN THE FREEZER FOR AT LEAST 4 HOURS OR UNTIL SOLID.</li> </ul> |





## Watermelon Juice

| INGREDIENTS   | METHOD  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 SMALL SWEET WATERMELON (A 6 POUNDER WILL DO)</li> <li>• 1 SMALL LIME, JUICED (OPTIONAL)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SLICE THE WATERMELON IN HALF. USING A BIG SPOON, SCOOP CHUNKS OF SWEET WATERMELON INTO THE BLENDER.</li> <li>• SQUEEZE THE JUICE OF ONE SMALL LIME INTO THE BLENDER AND BLEND.</li> <li>• IF YOUR WATERMELON IS NOTABLY PULPY, POUR THE MIXTURE THROUGH A FINE MESH STRAINER INTO A PITCHER. IF NOT, POUR IT DIRECTLY INTO GLASSES.</li> </ul> |



# BRAIN TEASERS

**GUESS THE WORDS FROM THESE SCRAMBLED LETTERS**

Hint: all of these are vegetables

NOOIN      ?      ROCRAT

TROEBOTE

HARDSI      TOPTOA

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**UNSCRAMBLE!**

1. atrolilag
2. ngu
3. ntpaolee
4. nteatare

Hint: these are animals

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Fill in the empty squares using 1 to 9.

All 9 numbers must be used.

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Credit: David Shaar

بو جھو تو جانیں !!

عادل اسیر دہلوی

دھوپ میں رکھ دو گل جاتی ہوں  
 رفتہ رفتہ ڈھل جاتی ہوں  
 شربت کی پہچان ہے مجھ سے  
 فالودہ کی شان ہے مجھ سے  
 قلفی میں بھی جم جاتی ہوں  
 لسی میں بھی کام آتی ہوں  
 پانی ٹھنڈا کر دیتی ہوں  
 تازگی تن میں بھر دیتی ہوں  
 گرمی مجھ سے ڈر جاتی ہے  
 ڈر کے مارے مر جاتی ہے  
 نام تو میرا ابو جھو پیارے  
 بھید ذرا یہ کھو لو پیارے

جواب: برف

# اُردو سیکشن

نہیں تیرا نشیمن قصر سلطانی کے گنبد پر  
تو شاہیں ہے بسیرا کر پہاڑوں کی چٹانوں پر

علامہ اقبال





## ایک دن ہوا یوں۔۔۔۔

مصنف: حفصہ حقانی، عمر ۱۶ سال

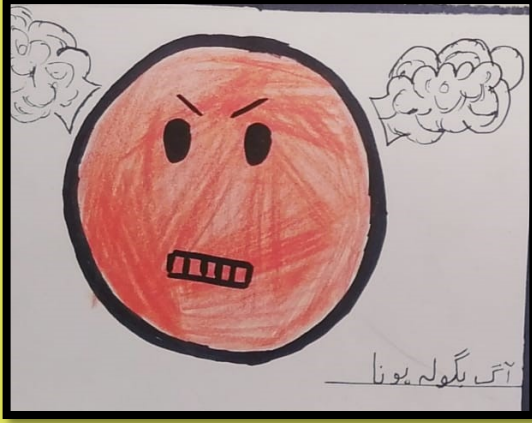
میں اور میری دوست صبح سات بجے اسکول جاتے ہیں۔ ایک دن اسکول کے راستے میں ہمیں دو چور نظر آئے، انہوں نے اپنے منہ چھپائے ہوئے تھے۔ ان کے ہاتھ میں پستول بھی تھی۔ یہ صورت حال دیکھ کر ہمارے تو اوسان خطا ہو گئے۔ پھر ہم نے خود کو سنبھالا اور ادھر ادھر دیکھا تو ایک پولیس اہلکار نظر آیا۔ ہم دونوں جلدی سے ان کے پاس گئے اور انہیں چوروں کے بارے میں بتایا، انہوں نے چوروں کو پکڑ کر بند کر دیا۔

انہوں نے ہم سے ہمارے بارے میں پوچھا، ہم نے بتایا کہ ہم دونوں اسکول جا رہے تھے۔ انہوں نے ہم سے ہمارے والد کا نمبر پوچھا اور ان کو فون کر کے بتایا کہ دو بچیاں جن کے نام حفصہ اور ہادیہ ہیں، ہمارے پاس ہیں، آپ آکر انہیں اپنے ساتھ لے جائیں۔ میرے ابو آکر ہم دونوں کو گھر لے آئے۔ ہم دونوں بہت ڈر گئے تھے۔ اس ڈر اور خوف کی وجہ سے مجھے بخار بھی چڑھ گیا تھا۔

اگلے دن اخبار میں یہ خبر آئی کہ کراچی کے ایک رہائشی علاقے میں پولیس نے دو چوروں کو دن دھاڑے چوری کرتے ہوئے پکڑ لیا۔ پولیس اہلکاروں نے چوروں کی خوب پٹائی کی اور چوری کیا ہوا مال مالکان کو واپس کر دیا۔

یہ خبر پڑھ کر میرے گھر والے بہت خوش ہوئے اور انہوں نے مجھے اس بہادری اور سمجھداری سے کام لینے کے لئے شاباشی بھی دی۔

## اُردو کھیل کھیل میں



ہمارے معاشرے میں اردو زبان کے استعمال میں کمی کے باعث بچوں میں اُردو لکھنے اور پڑھنے کے شوق میں کمی کے ساتھ ساتھ یہ زبان مشکل بھی لگنے لگی ہے۔ خاص طور پر اردو محاوروں کا استعمال بچوں کو بہت مشکل لگتا ہے، لیکن اگر ہم ان محاوروں کو بچوں کی پسندیدہ سرگرمی کے ساتھ جوڑ دیں تو بچوں کی اُردو زبان میں دلچسپی بحال ہو سکتی ہے۔



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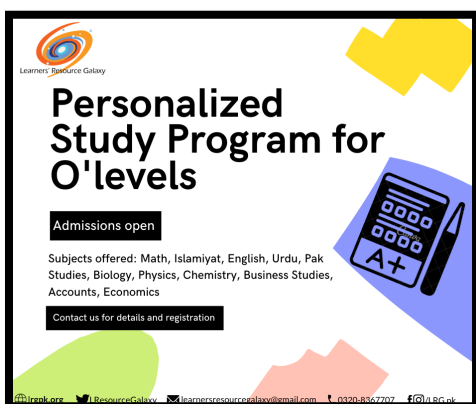
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## Personalized Study Program for O'levels

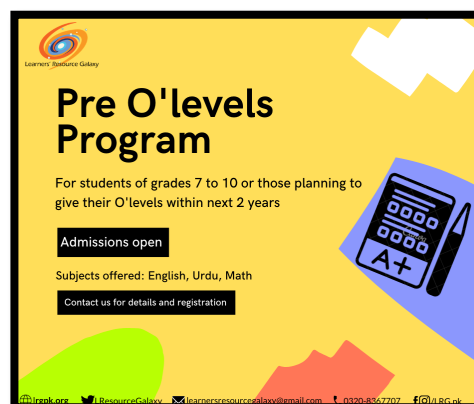
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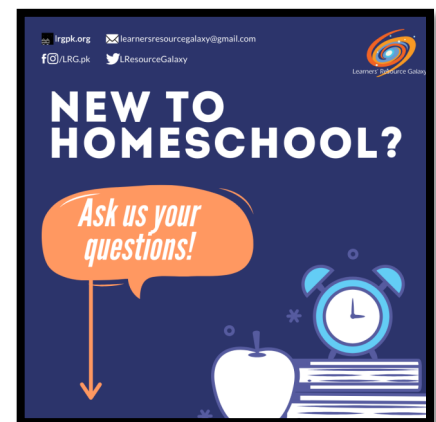
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