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Dedication

*This book is
dedicated to
My loving
parents,*

For always loving, caring, guiding and supporting me.

Preface

The primary goal of the current educational system is to mould a productive citizen and a caring family member who is equipped with knowledge and skills. The main responsibility of the school is to identify and recognize children's talents, as well as to sharpen their skills to meet the needs of the nation and the world.

Our Alma Mater is constantly guiding and assisting children who are creative. This project has been an ongoing process at our school for many years, particularly in terms of writing books. Many skilled and enthusiastic young writers participated in this exercise for years, producing novice writers to field of literature. We regard this as a great victory and a national need at this hour.

To continue this effort, we have adopted digital technologies and an e-book project this year. I am confident that this unique event provided youngsters with valuable experience and challenges that will benefit them in the future.

The Ministry of Education has hailed the project as an important step toward motivating young authors in schools. As principal of Mahamaya Girls' College, I am grateful to all of the students throughout the country who contributed to this endeavor. I commend and applaud all of the young authors of these-books for their perseverance and devotion in this difficult task.

I would like to thank our school management committee, employees, parents, for my students, administrators, and teachers from other schools who encouraged students to take part in this worthwhile effort.

Mrs. Shashikala Senadheera

Principal

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Once upon a time there lived three friends
called Meenu, Sandhu & Neli.

Everyday they gathered and played.



One day they all met in Sandhu's House.

"Do you know?" began Sandhu.

"I have a set of Binoculars."

"What? Binoculars? What is it?" Neli asked.

"It is an instrument with a lens for each eye
,used for viewing far away objects."

Sandhu replied.



Meenu said "I even have a binocular too .I will bring it tomorrow. "

And they went to their homes.

On the next day Meenu brought a transparent bottle with a full of water.

"Where is your binocular?" Asked Neli

"Here it is" Meenu showed the bottle to others.

"Oh! That's not a Binocular." Sandhu said.

"Why not? This is Binocular. Meenu replied angrily.

"Ah, okay. Tell us what are the things that you could see from it. "Neli asked.

"Mmmmm.....Well..... I could see the sea." Meenu said.

"No way ,we are living in Kandy. We don't have sea in this hilly area. Sandhu and Neli said".

Meenu got very angry and went to her home.

The next day also she brought it. Then she said to others that she could see trees and houses.

When Sandhu & Neli was trying to use it, suddenly lid has opened and water spilled down to eyes.



"Ohh..... perhaps this will not a Binocular." Meenu said and she began to cry.

Neli and Sandhu came to her.

"Don't cry Meenu, Will share our Binoculars with you. " Sandhu & Neli said.

Then Meenu felt very happy.

Then they played happily ever after.



Afterword

As modern technology permeates the social and economic arenas, students tend to distance themselves from the creative process, relying more and more on technological tools. To reduce this risk and help aspiring young writers produce their own books, I sought and presented a research proposal to the Ministry of Education in 2014. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to showcase their enthusiasm and knowledge. The students of Mahamaya Girls' College achieved a record for the most books written, paving the way for a new level of innovation.

The e-book project will enable the students to reach international readers, and I am confident that they have gained new experiences and challenges that will enable them to face the future with resolve.

I wish all of the young writers the best of luck in their future endeavors

Senevirathna Mahalekm

Founder of Books Publishing Project Among School Children

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Dihasa Mihinuli Senavirathne, the twelve-year-old student of Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy, has engaged in creative writing and drawing from a very young age.

She is very talented in drawing and won lot of art competitions in all-island, provincial and district levels.

During the last few years, she has written several short stories with colourful drawings of her own.

She spent a lot of time and worked hard to complete this book. She was greatly encouraged by her parents and her teachers.