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# 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.

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# **DEDICATION**

To my loving parents

For always loving and supporting me.....

## 1. DISCUSSING

Sarah, Selena and their sister Sakura are going to Jackson's Island for Summer Holidays. Their brothers who are Jacob, Jason, and Justin are going with them to the Island.... "Finally, school is over and the Summer Holidays have come!" said Sakura in excitement.." Mom....Dad..how are we going to the island?"Asked Jacob stuffing some more baked beans .." Oh, Honey! You don't need to eat like that there are more beans in the kitchen "said Mom pouring some coffee into her cup ....."Tomorrow at 8'o o'clock, the train will arrive at the town train station. You can't go to the island by train, so when you are at the village near the island, the steamboat will take you to the island "said Dad buttering his toast....." oh Mom...Dad, you're the best" said Selena putting some strawberries to her smoothie...The Family finished their breakfast.....After breakfast, the family decided to go to the beach to spend time together. They swam in the sea happily

## 2. PACKING FOR THE GREAT ADVENTURE

After the swim, they came home. The children gathered in their study, So they could present their ideas to others ... "We need food of course for a week and gallons of water. "I 'll pack them all," said Sakura ....." We need a tent to sleep. Should we have a tent for cooking because there are animals?" asked Justin. They all presented their thoughts. They all agreed on everything. They ate their lunch and started packing. They all are packing their backpacks too. They packed the food, water, and everything into suitcases. The day they had waiting for so long.. Had finally come. They woke up early in the morning and got ready for their great adventure. They went to the train station, And they had their breakfast on the train. They were in the town near the island. They explored the town, They came to their hotel by supper time. Because it was too dark, They thought to go to the island in the morning. First thing in the morning, The steamboat arrived at the town.

They climbed onto the steamboat. Within an hour they arrived at Jackson's Island. They assembled their cooking tent. So, they can make their breakfast. The girls cooked some bacon, runny eggs, and toast, The Boys prepared the sausages and grilled them. They ate their breakfast happily. They went out of the tent and thought "This is the best spot for us to stay little did they know..... They were wrong. Thunder was crashing, the sky started getting dark. The boys rushed to find a better spot because they that the storm would be wild. Meanwhile, the girls unassembled the tent.

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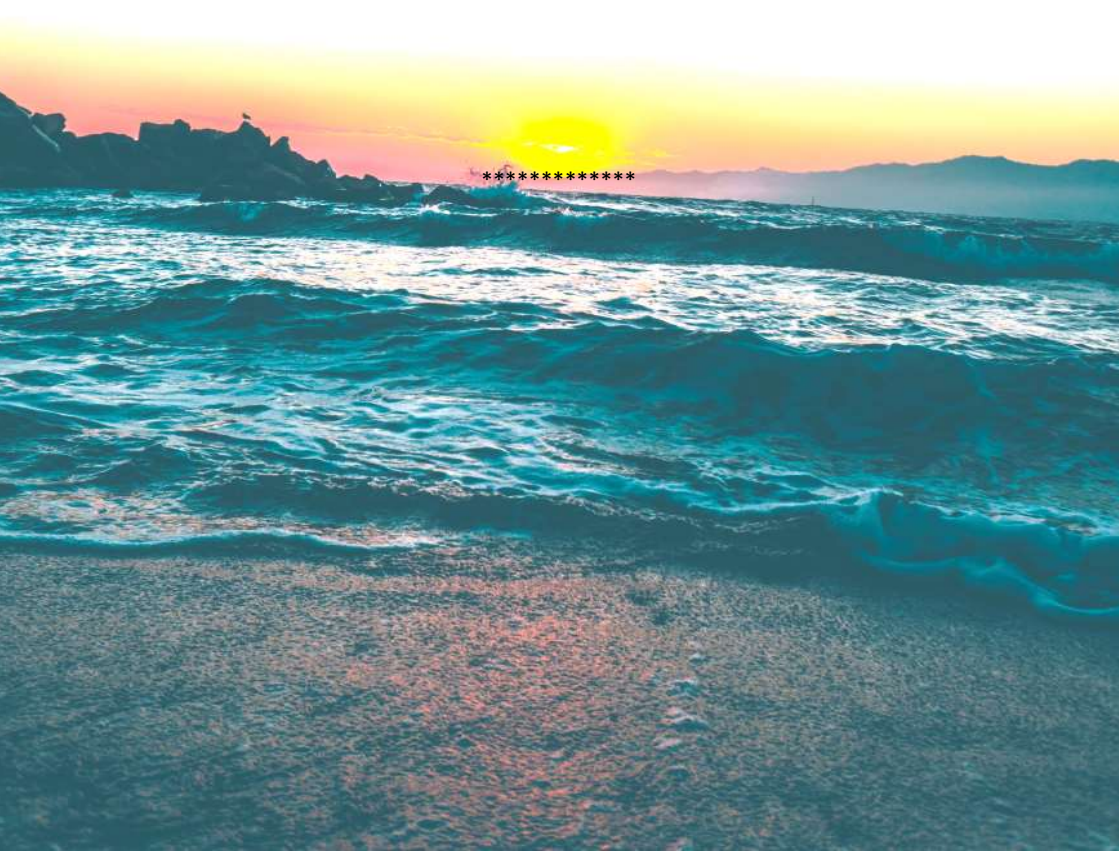
### **3. THE NEW SPOT AND MORE**

The boys found a cave and went inside to see whether there were any creatures. There were no animals. So they told their sisters about this and they agreed to stay in the cave. The siblings cleaned the cave and spread the plastic onto the ground. The boys went to fetch some wood and rocks. The boys were back in the cave, The girls assembled the tent and were fully unpacked. The girls even covered the top of the cave with plastic. Now they only need some wood to keep it there. Then it is a door that snakes can't get in. The boys were extremely shocked. The storm started, They were safe in the cave. They played games all day long. The next day was peaceful..." Rise and shine! get up sleepy heads" said Sakura falling back asleep, Oh I'm sure they slept late..Indeed they did, But first thing in the morning they found a beautiful pond, that was safe to swim.



They swam and went to their cave tents, they got ready and ate their breakfast. Soon they started to explore the island and Sarah found a cute Bunny family. They took the Bunnies to their tent, cleaned them, and fed them ..While feeding the bunnies they ate their lunch ...The bunnies were Happy with them

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## **4. RESCUING THE BEARS.....**

They went to the lake, To spend time together.  
"OMG! The cub is drowning " said Selena with teary eyes...Jason jumped into the lake and swam near the cub, He took the poor bear cub out of the water  
...The girls hugged the cub and gave it warmth because the cub was shivering. They gave the cute cub something to eat. The boys made little floaties for the bunnies and the cub, So now they are in the water with the bunnies and the cub...There was another cub who was drowning, Jason kept it in a little floatie with the other cub .."These two look similar "said Sakura hugging the rescued animals," Yes! they are twins. We must find their Mom and Dad" said Jacob. They were in their tent with the bunnies and cubs, they gave them food to eat. While they were eating, The siblings quickly changed their outfits. They went searching to find the cub's parents.

They found a huge cave, They entered it and saw the Mom bear had a wound ..Girls gave the animals to the boys and went to help the mom bear. It was in great pain. Selena got some Aloe, peeled it, and kept it in the wound. The wound was healed. The bear parents were happy to see their cubs. The bears gave them some fruits as a Present. They thanked the bears and left for their cave tents.

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## **5. THE BOYS PRANK GIRLS**

"we'll prepare the fruits, so we can enjoy eating them "said Jacob grinning....."Oh, how sweet of you guys !"Said, Selena ...The girls went out of the tent, They were not afraid because the tent was inside the cave and the cave was fully covered and sealed.

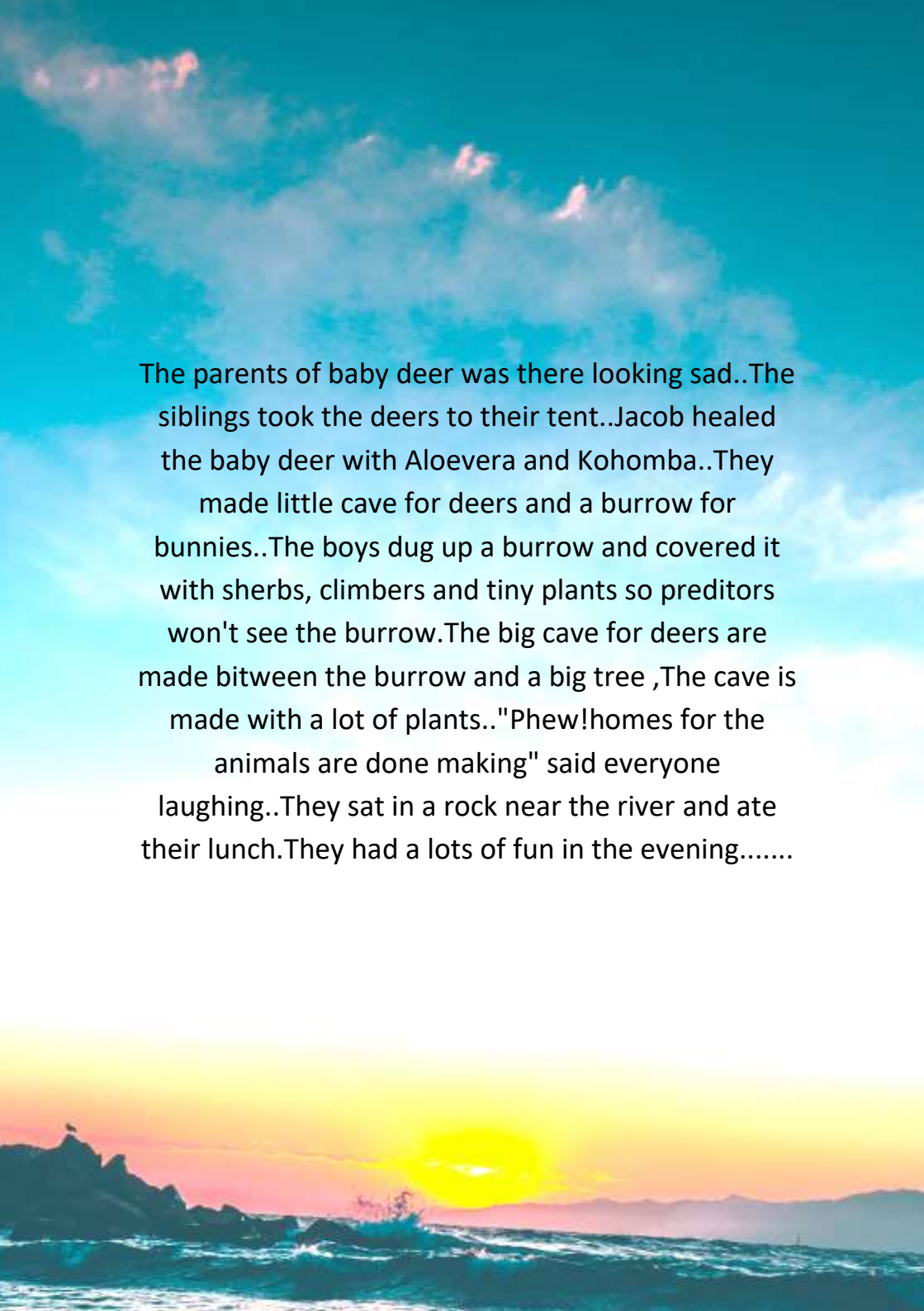
They chose the best spot to make a home for the Bunnies. They spread a soft blanket onto the plastic spread ground and some tiny plants for deco...The girls even decorated the inside of the whole cave with plants. Meanwhile, the boys had made the mango super sour for the girls, And a yummy salad for themselves..The girls came inside the tent and ate their mango "EWW! it's super sour why'd you make it sour "said Sarah angrily. Then boys burst out laughing. The girls went to the cooking tent and made yummy pickled fruits. They're not bad like their brothers, so they made them some pickled fruit too." We're sorry! Please forgive us! "Begged Justin .."Ofcourse we'll forgive you "said Sakura giving Justin the pickled fruits.." Thank you! You're the best sisters" said Jason..."We know it!" said all the girls grinning.

The evening was so peaceful...They found some banana leaves ,Sakura preped the banana leaves as a long plate..Selena prepared some vegies to grill.she gave the prepared vegetables to Jason ,So Jason can grill it..Sarah and Jacob grilled some eggs and bacon .Justin helped Sakura to make Lemonade and Tanghulu..Sakur and Jacob dumped every dish in the banana leaves and dumped the rice ,also placed the tanghulu and lemonade in the wooden table.. "Selena,could you get ice from the refrigerator?please" begged Sarah.. "yeah sure thing!" said Selena while grabbing ice and pouring it to every glass.Jason poured the lemonade ."well done! Sakura and Justin"said every one...They enjoyed their dinner happily ...

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## **6. THE BABY DEER AND ITS FAMILY**

The girls got up in the morning and prepared their breakfast..Boys on the other hand 'Sleepy Heads'.Sakura woke up Justin and he woke up his brothers.For their breakfast they had French Toast,Potato Wedgies,Cappucino,Cheese cake and Baked sausages.Sakura made some fruit juice for them..They enjoyed their breakfast .The girls were so happy because everyone finished their breakfast without a single piece of bread crumbs . Sarah and her siblings packed their backpacks for a Hike .They each packed their own backpack and with own needs and lunch.They went for the hike with their cute bunnies.Each kid holds a bunny.They came across a little cave made out of plants."Shall we look at it?"asked Jason curiously."Yes,ofcourse we should"said Selena..They bend to look at the little cave and saw there was injured baby deer.

The background of the page features a beautiful sunset scene. The sky is a mix of bright yellow, orange, and light blue, with soft, wispy clouds. The sun is a large, glowing yellow orb positioned in the lower center of the frame. Below the horizon, there are dark, silhouetted mountains and a body of water with white-capped waves. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

The parents of baby deer was there looking sad..The siblings took the deers to their tent..Jacob healed the baby deer with Aloevera and Kohomba..They made little cave for deers and a burrow for bunnies..The boys dug up a burrow and covered it with sherbs, climbers and tiny plants so predators won't see the burrow.The big cave for deers are made bitween the burrow and a big tree ,The cave is made with a lot of plants.."Phew!homes for the animals are done making" said everyone laughing..They sat in a rock near the river and ate their lunch.They had a lots of fun in the evening.....

## 7. A LITTLE WITCH

Early in the morning they went to hike, without eating breakfast..They packed a little breakfast meal..but they did drink some coffee.They hiked for about an hour.they saw many kinds of animals,They heard a screaming sound ..They crept behind a big bush a watched what happend.A witch was hurting an old man...The boys jumpeed out from the bush and said" Hey! Let that poor man go!" ...."How dare you talk to me like that"said the witch furiously..The witch wandered her wand and suddenly the old man started barking like mad.."The man is barking beacause of...you!"said the witch grinning...Then with a little splash of colours she dissapered with the man...The sibilings stared in horror..They went to the tent because it was too dark...They could do nothing but think about the old man....Owls are awakend..Bats are flying in sky making sounds.The witch slowly crept inside the tent with the old man...And stayed awakend all night ..The sibilings waked up in the morning.....



## 8. A LITTLE SUPRISE

The witch was staring at them when they were awake..Too their suprise,The witch was their beloved Mom..And the old man was their beloved Dad..The kid was super shocked.Then finally Selena said "Mom,Dad you are great actors"... "Thank you dear" said Mom and Dad together.... "Mom..Dad why did you came to the island?"asked Justin curiously.... "Oh Honey! you said that you will be back in a week but ,the week overed two days ago" said Mom giggling.....They got clean for breakfast..Mom and the girls prepared a delious meal..Meanwhile Dad and the boys were plannig what to do through out the day...Selena placed sizzling eggs and bacon..while her sisters and mother brought other dishes.. "Hmm...Finaly a eatable meal"sighed the boys.... "What! we didn't prepared you tasty meals? Huh! didn't we?"said the girls in anger.. "No you didn't"said the boys running out of the cave ..The sisters chased after them ..The parents watched their kids running after eachother..Mom told the boys to apolagize from their sister...They indeed apolagized ,Ofcourse their sisters forgave them....They spendded the rest of the week happily ...

## **9. A FEAST IN A ISLAND**

The family woke up early in the morning ,So the can enjoy the island..The kids packed their backpacks for the adventure,They 're parents also packed their backpack..The girls were incharge of their meals ....They cooked some white rice,grilled vegetables,and some spicy cabbage that's been tossed.Selena made some lemonade..They took some fruits and vegetables to give the animals..They were ready to go hiking..They came across a beautiful bridge that helps you to go over a river..The kids saw a swing that could hold more than eight people..Sakura wrote down about the huge swing..There was a large muddy puddles , Dad accidently fall in to one.Because Dad was covered in mud they searched a place that they could bath and have a swim..Mom saw a tiny brooke,indeed it was super clear.There were Guppies who swam around in the brooke.When they dressed up in their swim suits .They slowly put their feet in the clear water..They saw the Guppies swimming around their feet .Dad jumped in to the crystal clear water.Mom took out her waterproof camera and took photos of her kids..

## 10. LAST DAY...

They really enjoyed swimming in the brooke.They dried up their selves.Then they started to hike again .After a few meters they saw a lake but it looked like a tiny waterfall..Sarah took pictures from Mom's camera..The family climbed up to a green valley .They thought to eat their meal there..Girls odered the boys to lay the picnic clothe on the ground..They sat down and enjoyed their tasty meal.."Hmmm! so yummy .Justin ,Jason ,Jacob didn't you tell their cooking isn't tasty? ..Their cooking is wonderful"Said mom enjoying her grilled vegetables.."Yes the food is amazing" said dad drinking a glass of lemonade ..The boys didn't answer but they ate the food happilly.It was getting a little sunnier and hotter ..Mom told that they should find shade..Dad pointed to a a tree near the rock pool ,Which is obviously nature's gift to us.They waited until it was a bit cooler..And started hiking again.They went to the tent and had a great sleep .because they have to leave the island tomorrow.

## 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

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