

Why did I fall
for it?

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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.
- Ms Shashikala Senadheera Principal Mahamaya Girls College - kandy 2023 . 12 . 03

One day, my sister and I were playing when suddenly I heard a loud noise.

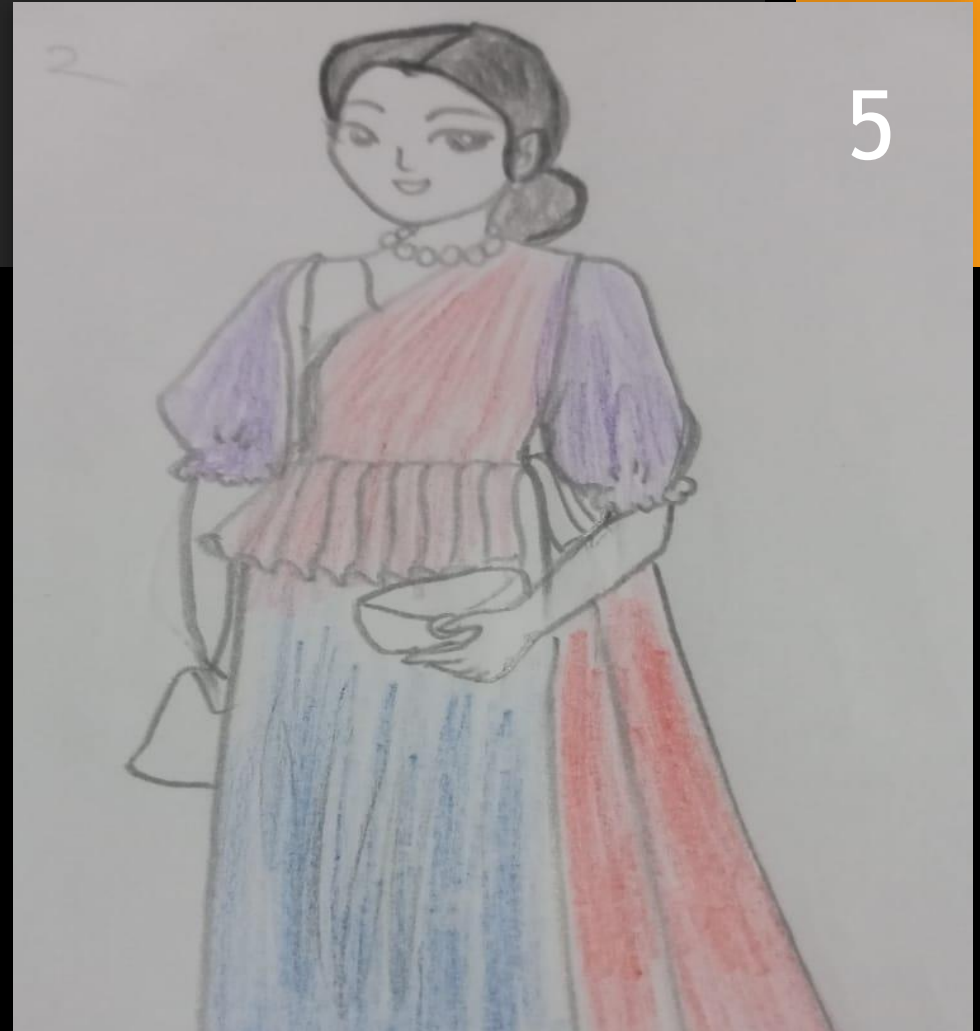


I was so nervous, and my sister was laughing. I said did I say something funny? She said no!

I was very sad. My sister told me don't worry it was another prank.
And my dog barked at my sister



My mom came home. I hugged my mother and said to her 'my sister pulled a prank on me'



My sister apologized me and asked would an ice cream fixed the mood? I said I don't want anything she asked why is that?

I was silent in that moment.



‘Then some shopping spree will help you’ my sister said



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Quickly a smile splashed into my face, then I said yeah, that would help.



My mom asked ‘how are you going to pay for it?’

And my sister told don’t worry it is another prank.

I said how could you? My mom gave me a lollipop and it fixed my mood. I said thank you mother. she said you're welcome and will go shopping at the end of the month.



The end....



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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