

# The Secret Garden



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**Dedicated to**

My dear Mother, Father,  
Sister and My Kind  
Teachers

# Foreword

Literary development is a yardstick to measure the development of a country. The Kotte and Dambadeniya eras stand out in the history of the world because they were literary enlightening periods. If so, this is the golden period in the history of the Mahamaya as well. This is the reason why our daughters have been enchanting through book writing for many years now. It is a special event that our writers have succeeded in building a culture of writing books in the school and spreading it to the entire school system and this time involving the global student community in it.

Beyond this, this time the school community itself has also decided to rebuild the past Yatiwara writing tradition in the country in order to pay tribute to the founder of our school, Karadana Atthadassi Thero.

The Pirivena student monks have also taken up book writing "The Herana Gatkarani " project was introduced.

It is a matter of pride for me as the principal to lead the way in bringing about a qualitative change in the education of schools and Pirivena education through this academic and religious service, and it is also an achievement for the school.

This book, which is the result of recognizing one's innate talent at an early stage in life and turning to writing, will undoubtedly be a help for future education and future life.

**Shashikala Senadheera,**  
Principal, Mahamaya Girls' Collage, Kandy.

Once upon a time, there was a ten-year-old girl named pinky. She had a pet named Tony. Pinky's friends were Pammy, Sammy and Rani and they also had pets named Dimmy, Timmy and Bingo. Pinky and her friends were know for their good qualities and performed well in their term tests.



They attended School every day.  
After School,  
they would return home, bathe,  
eat, and then gather at Pinky's  
house to play. While playing, they  
also brought their pets would  
play along

In their class, there was another student named Blinda, who had a pet named Evilia. Unlike Pinky and her friends, Blinda and Evilia were known for their bad behavior.

One day, when Pinky and her friends entered the classroom they saw Blinda snatching a map from Cindy, a kind and diligent student in their class. "Please give it back to me", Cindy pleaded. " I can't, it's mine now," Blinda replied with a mean Expression.



"Don't worry, Sindy. I'll help you. Just wait until the interval," Pinky assured her. "I'll teach her a lesson".

During the interval, Blinda placed the map inside her book and went to the playground. Pinky devised a clever plan. She took a craft box, placed a paper frog inside, and slipped it into Blinda's bag. After the bell rang, everyone returned to class. When the teacher entered, the students took out their books. As Blinda opened hers, the paper frog popped out with a loud noise.



"Blinda! what are you ding?  
Always causing trouble!" the  
teacher scolded her. Blinda  
found a note in the craft box and  
became furious.



Meanwhile, during the break,  
Pinky returned the map to Sindy.  
"Thank you so much, Pinky",  
Sindy said gratefully. "This map  
may look ordinary, but it's very  
special. I found it in my grandpa's  
shed, and I want to know more  
about it. Will you help me?"

"Of course!" Pinky replied"



After school the friends quickly went home, bathed, and had lunch. They agreed to meet at the natureland park at 4 p.m. Cindy's mother allowed her to go, reminding her to be careful and suggesting she take her pet, Dave, along. Cindy agreed.

At Natureland, the friends decided to name their group "the Secret Five" "Let's look at the map" Pinky said. As they examined it, Rani noticed a missing piece. "We might need help from Dave and Tony," Pammy suggested.

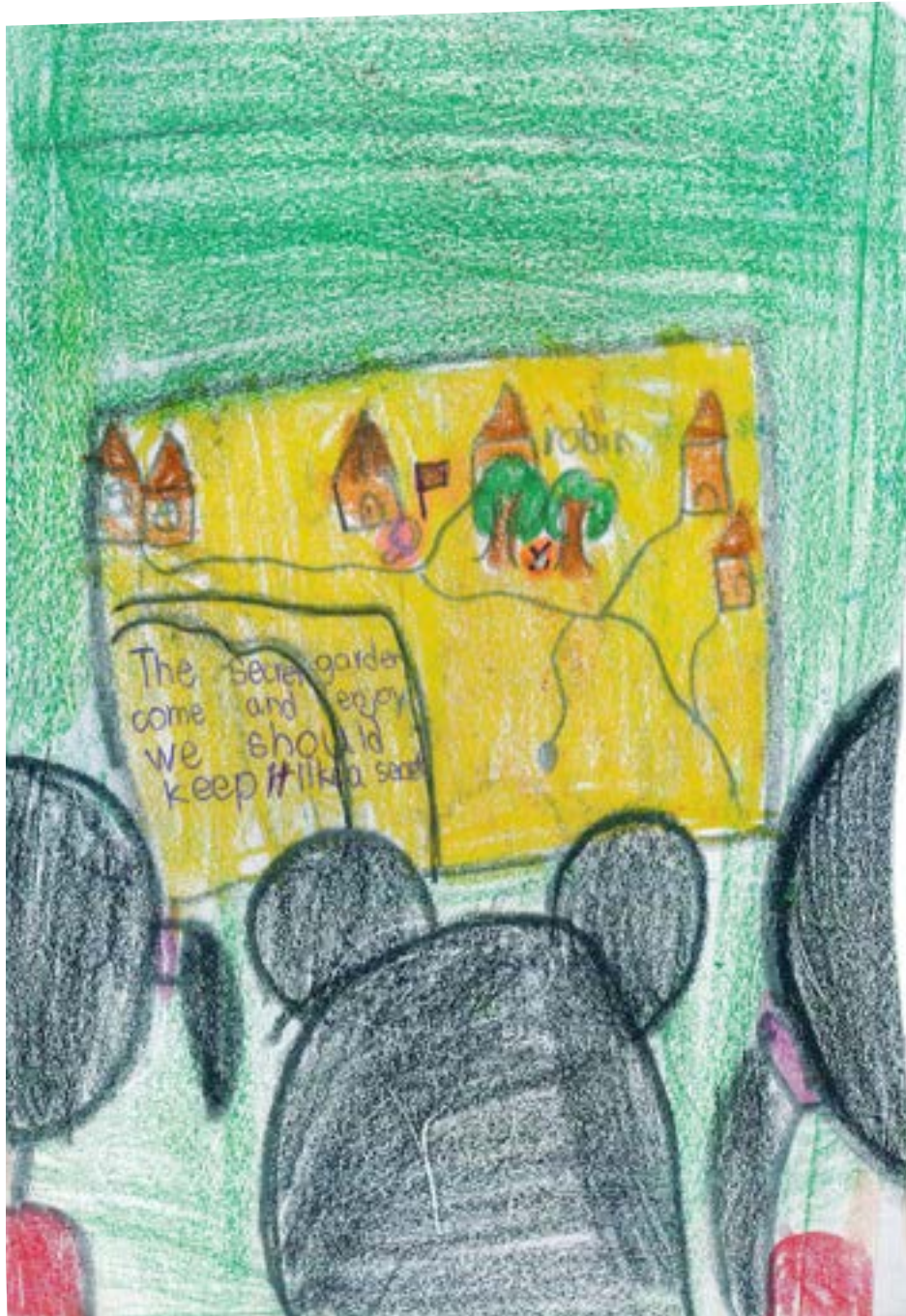


They let the pets sniff the map,  
and Dave and Tony barked at a  
nearby bush. To their surprise,  
Blinda and her pet Evailia  
emerged. " Ha! I overheard your  
plan earlier," Blinda sneered.  
"Evilia tore a piece of the map"



Tony snatched the map from Blinda, while Dave, Dimmy, and Timmy surrounded her. "I'll eat you for dinner!" Dimmy growled playfully, scaring Evilia. Not without me!" Timmy added.

With the complete map now in hand, Pinky thanked Tony and the others. They noticed the map pointed to a " Secret Garden" Excited, Sindy shared, " I think this might be my grandpa's garden! He mentioned it once."



The group studied the map closely. Pammy pointed out familiar landmarks like their school, Pinky's house, and Rani's house. "This tree must be where the door to the garden is" Pinky concluded.

The Friends marked the spot on the map and decided to meet the next day to investigate further.



The following evening, the Secret Five gathered in the garden.

They dug at the marked spot and found a key. Together, they went to Natureland and unlocked the hidden Door.



Behind it was a breathtaking secret garden. "We finally found it!" Sindy exclaimed with a big smile. The friends and their pets explored the beautiful garden, laughing and enjoying their adventure.

From that day on, the Secret Five and their pets treasured their special discovery and promised to keep it their little secret.





### Afterward

According to my concept, under the project that has been running since 2014 to direct school children to writing, we have been fortunate to have planted more than sixty thousand writer seedlings in the local literary field. The objectives of this project are to improve the quality of education, to promote literature that will contribute to the future development of the country, to hone the abilities of the future generation, and to build a platform to showcase the creations of children. It is our social responsibility to create the fertile soil for those seeds to sprout and grow. This is the only project in recent history that has been implemented continuously for several years at the school level, provincial, national and international levels for the sake of the productivity of education. This time, it is special that the *Pirivena* student monks have also been involved in this. The nation should be grateful for the dedication shown by the Principal, daughters, teachers, parents and alumni of *Mahamaya Balika Vidyalaya*. The printed book is still the main tool of our education. The enjoyment that a child gets from a book cannot be provided by anything else. It is experimentally proven that the use of various electronic devices to store human knowledge and the distancing of children from books has been detrimental to the quality of education and has created various problems in society. This project, which is being implemented as a solution to this, has been adapting the smart younger generation of the digital age to modern technology by writing electronic works for the past two years, together with school children in the country.