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Dear Principal,

The R.L.Chopra Memorial Inter-School Creative Writing Competition was initiated in 2007 in the memory of Late Sh. R.L. Chopra, Founder Chairman of New Era Public School. The aim was to encourage reading and creative writing among students. With the classes going on in full swing in the offline mode, we are pleased to resume our much awaited competition of the year, The R.L.Chopra Memorial Inter-School Creative Writing Competition. Over the years students have enthusiastically participated in this competition and enriched themselves through this literary experience.

This year's R.L.Chopra Memorial Inter-School Creative Writing Competition will be held on 18th August 2022. The book selected this year for English is *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe and for Hindi is *Hind Swaraj* by Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi.

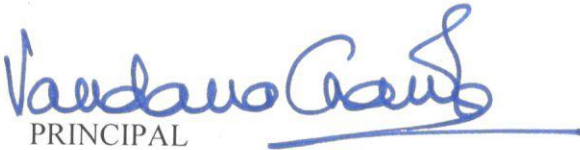
Participants are expected to write a creative writing piece based on their interpretation of the ideas in the book on a statement/topic given on the spot. The 2nd activity of the competition is a Book Discussion Round where one participant from each school will get an opportunity to present his/her insights and views on various aspects of the book.

We await a positive response from you so that this endeavour succeeds in bringing students together for an enriching literary experience.

A copy of rules and regulations for each activity and a list of our past books is being attached with this invitation.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely


PRINCIPAL

RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. BOOKS SELECTED

English- Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

Things Fall Apart is the debut novel by Nigerian author Chinua Achebe, first published in 1958. It depicts pre-colonial life in the south-eastern part of Nigeria and the invasion by Europeans during the late 19th century. It is seen as the archetypal modern African novel in English, and one of the first to receive global critical acclaim. As a story about a culture on the verge of change, *Things Fall Apart* deals with how the prospect and reality of change affect various characters. The tension about whether change should be privileged over tradition often involves questions of personal status. Okonkwo, for example, resists the new political and religious orders because he feels that they are not manly and that he himself will not be manly if he consents to join or even tolerate them. To some extent, Okonkwo's resistance of cultural change is also due to his fear of losing societal status. His sense of self-worth is dependent upon the traditional standards by which society judges him.

Hindi- Hind Swaraj by Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

पुस्तक- हिंद स्वराज

लेखक- श्री मोहन लाल कर्मचंद गांधी

महात्मा गांधी द्वारा रचित 'हिंद स्वराज' अहिंसा का पाठ पढ़ाने वाली, स्वराज का महत्व बताने वाली एक उत्कृष्ट रचना है। इस पुस्तक को एक संवाद के रूप में लिखा गया है, जिसमें गांधी जी एक संपादक के रूप में बात करते हैं और वार्ताकार किसी वाचक के रूप में बात करते हैं। प्रस्तुत पुस्तक में भारतीय पारंपरिक सोच और आधुनिक सोच का मिश्रण देखने को मिलता है। इस पुस्तक के माध्यम से गांधी जी ने अपने नए विचारों से पाठक-गण को परिचित कराया है, तो दूसरी ओर राष्ट्रवाद की भी खुलकर चर्चा की है। 'हिंद स्वराज' हिंदू-मुस्लिम एकता के साथ-साथ देश के लोगों को सभी प्रकार की परतंत्रता से मुक्ति का संदेश देता है, इसलिए आज के आधुनिक समय में भी विश्व को इस पुस्तक के विचारों पर चलने की आवश्यकता है।

B. RULES: Creative Writing

Topic	:	To be announced on the spot
Eligibility	:	Students of classes XI– XII (English) Students of classes IX – X (Hindi)
No. Of Participants	:	1 for each
Word Limit	:	500-600 words
Last date of Registration	:	8 th August, 2022
Reporting time	:	9 a.m.
Competition time	:	9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

C. PRIZES:

1 ST Prize	:	Cheque of Rs. 1500, a book and a certificate
2 nd Prize	:	Cheque of Rs. 1000, a book and a certificate
3 rd Prize	:	Cheque of Rs. 500, a book and a certificate
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D. RULES: Book Discussion

Date	:	18th August 2022
Reporting time	:	9 a.m.
Venue	:	New Era Public School, Mayapuri
Eligibility	:	English (XI-XII) Hindi (IX-X)
No. of Participants	:	1 student for each
Novel to be discussed	:	Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe (English) Hind Swaraj by Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi (Hindi)

PRIZES:

1st Prize	:	Scholastic book voucher worth Rs 2,000 and a certificate
2nd Prize	:	Scholastic book voucher worth Rs. 1,500 and a certificate
3rd Prize	:	Scholastic book voucher worth Rs. 1.000 and a certificate

Note:

1. The results of the Creative Writing Competition will be announced on 10th September 2022 and will be put up on the school website www.newerapublicschool.in
2. If you desire to participate, please register with us through an e-mail at uchpneps@gmail.com.
3. For further queries, please contact Mr. Arun Arora at 9873947363 (between 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.)

The books that we have explored:-

English

Year	Book	Author
2007	Night	Elie Wiesel
2008	Tuesdays With Morrie	Mitch Albom
2009	A Mighty Heart	Mariane Pearl
2010	The Last Lecture	Randy Pausch
2011	Battle Hymn of The Tiger Mother	Amy Chua
2012	We The Living	Ayn Rand
2013	Brave New World	Aldous Huxley
2014	Man's Search for Meaning	Viktor Frankl
2015	To Kill a Mocking Bird	Harper Lee
2016	The Lowland	Jhumpa Lahiri
2017	The Emerging Feminine	Rashna Imhalsy Gandhy
2018	Difficult Daughters	Manju Kapur
2019	The Kite Runner	Khaled Hosseini

Hindi

2016	Pinjar	Amrita Pritam
2017	Mrigtrishna	Sudha Murthy
2018	Nirmala	Premchand
2019	Mahabhoj	Mannu Bhandari