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## Editorial Lead

As April unfurls its colors, we are delighted to extend a warm welcome to another edition of Schoolastic News. With the turning of the calendar, we are filled with a renewed sense of excitement and anticipation, eager to present to you the vibrant spectrum of voices that grace this month's publication.

Within the pages ahead, you will discover a diverse array of articles that reflect the myriad interests, talents, and perspectives of our Scholastic community. From thought-provoking features to captivating narratives, each piece serves as a testament to the creativity and intellect that flourishes within our midst. As editors, we are continuously inspired by the depth of insight and passion for learning that our contributors bring to the table.

We are particularly honored to feature the expertise of Ms. Shaheda. A.S., Principal of St. John Paul Academy – CBSE, Tamil Nadu, for her enlightening contribution to this edition. Her article, "Building Digital Literacy: Integrating Technology into Education Curricula," offers invaluable insights that enrich our understanding of the subject matter. We extend our sincere appreciation for her expertise and dedication to fostering holistic education.

Furthermore, we are privileged to showcase the perspectives of **Mr. Subir Roy**, **Former Art Head at Children's Book Trust/Shankar's Academy of Art**, **New Delhi**, in this issue. Mr. Roy's piece, "Exploring Engaging and Original Children's Illustration Styles for Timeless Storytelling," imparts invaluable guidance to aspiring professionals. We are profoundly grateful for his wisdom and generosity in sharing his knowledge with our readership.

As we embark on this literary journey together, let us embrace the spirit of curiosity and collaboration that defines the Schoolastic community. I extend my sincerest gratitude to our talented student writers whose creativity and passion infuse every page with vitality. Together, let us continue to explore, learn, and grow, enriching our minds and hearts along the way.

Happy reading, dear Scholastic enthusiasts!

Warm regards, Bhavna Sharma Editorial Lead info@fairgaze.com

# ANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION THE ROLE OF LANGUAGE LEARNING IN GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING



he Transformative Control of Dialect Learning in Cultivating Worldwide Understanding.

regularly interconnected In our international, wherein borders are difficult to understand, and societies intermingle, dialect-gaining knowledge develops as successful equipment for advancing global knowledge and bridging social isolates. Past easy conversation, the technique of securing cutting-edge dialects opens entryways to great experiences, compassion, and appreciation for the variations of human involvement. Here, we inspect the transformative part of dialect gaining knowledge of cultivating a greater interconnected and compassionate global community.

One of the simple methods wherein dialect gaining knowledge contributes to global knowledge is via way of means of serving as a door to diverse societies. When human beings set out on the tour to gain knowledge of a cutting-edge dialect, they inundate themselves now no longer simplest in its lexicon and language shape but also in the rich embroidered artwork of traditions, conventions, and values that form its speakers` worldview. Through this drenching, beginners choose a greater profound appreciation for social subtleties and create compassion in the direction of people from numerous foundations.

In addition, dialect-gaining knowledge develops cognitive capacities which might be simple for exploring a regularly complicated international. Considers have seemed that bilingualism improves cognitive adaptability, and problemfixing aptitudes, and certainly fights off cognitive lower in in a whole life. By hooking with the complexities of language shape and lexicon, dialect beginners training session their brains in methods that extend remote beyond phonetic capability. These cognitive advantages put together human beings with the ability and energy required to flourish in a speedy converting global scene

Dialect-gaining knowledge furthermore performs a pivotal component in cultivating cross-cultural conversation and collaboration. In a cutting-edge interconnected economy, groups paintings on a global scale, and multicultural corporations are usual in place of the unique case. Capability in several languages allows human beings to discover social subtleties, assemble beliefs, and increase critical institutions with colleagues and accomplices from diverse etymological foundations. By encouraging possible conversation, dialect-gaining knowledge lays the muse for effective collaborations that upward push above borders and impel advancement.

Besides, dialect-gaining knowledge contributes basically to shielding social variations and phonetic legacy. As human beings inspect much less extensively talked dialects, they now no longer have chosen know-how into exciting social hones however furthermore contribute to the pretty act of preserving those dialects lively. In an international wherein several dialects are in danger of termination, the endeavors of dialect beginners to contemplate and have a good time in those dialects provide help to shield the social legacy for destiny eras.

In conclusion, dialect-gaining knowledge holds the massive capability to domesticate global knowledge and expand a greater interconnected and compassionate global community. By digging into the complexities of dialect beginners and culture. choose worthwhile bits of know-how, create simple cognitive aptitudes, and style great institutions with people from exceptional foundations. As we navigate a regularly interconnected international, the transformative management of dialect-gaining knowledge serves as a sign of consideration for constructing a greater complete, and concordant global society.

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## THE IMPACT OF COMMUNICATION IN A FAST-PACED WORLD

oday's modern age is more interconnected than you think, the communication that we take for granted is the single most important link that keeps the whole globe together. Our worlds of Facebook Twitter, and Snapchat have radically revolutionized the way of interaction, labor, and living. The effect of communication in this fast-changing environment is dynamic, and it is amazing how it affects our personal lives as well as our workplaces.

Communication in a fast-changing era is expected to not only move significantly but also act instantly consequently. Robotics, automation, and artificial intelligence are everywhere and we are experiencing more and more robotics every year. Many jobs are being replaced by machines, and our shopping The emergence of instant messaging, email, and social media allows us to communicate instantly with anybody in our class and the whole world. Now, in this era of the Internet, we have come to a time in which information is exchanged lightning fast, and thus, how we do business, decisions are made, and news is shared has undergone a dramatic transformation.

Besides the simplicity of use of communication resources, another factor that makes communication that brings people of all levels together is that the same tools are on the table and everyone is equal in terms of communicating and collaborating worldwide. From being a small startup to being a multinational corporation, it has become quite easy to communicate with potential consumers, partners, and working staff all over the world via technological methods. This availability of the communication mechanism has powered the process of innovation and optimization in finance, business, and the economy.

In this context, the breakneck speed of modern communication's triumphs, and toxins are the same, respectively. Persistent updating of the messages, notifications, and updates floods our attention and tests our ability to engage with other meaningful interactions. In this world of digital interactions, it could pose quite a challenge to take time away from all these trappings so that one can find peace of mind.

That is, not just the speed and brevity of digital communication but sometimes a message intended could be easily misinterpreted. The main source of ambiguity is that people cannot use tones, gestures, and context to understand the message, which in most cases leads to conflicts and confusion. Therefore, the ability to communicate properly, including empathy, listening actively, and clarity has become, makes this property more significant than before for people in the digital society.

As a result of the rise and spread of social media platforms and the internet, our way of creating friendships and maintaining relationships has been transformed. Although these technologies are convenient for us for connecting with others, they can, at times, bring feelings of loneliness, isolation, and the fear of missing out as we are likely to compare ourselves with others Unlike 0 The carefully engineered auite often indispensable and representations of some people's lives presented on social media can be a cause for making inappropriate or illusory comparisons and generating the sense of unimportance.

However, whatever barriers are imposed, communication remains the hallmark of



the cementing of connections, knowledge creation, and working for the common good in contemporary times where speed is attractive to many. Thus, we have arrived at the point where striking a balance between technology and our awareness of its possible disadvantages makes it possible for us to use communication tools toward the goal of bridging gaps, working together, and making society more tolerant and compassionate.

In conclusion, communication in an instant world implies multi-facet, being an important element in interconnection, exchange of information, and interaction with each other. Technology, through evolution, has made communication much easier and within reach, however, these advancements create new aspects they need to be aware of. To this end, by performing effective communication and promoting purposeful relationships, we can traverse the intricacies of the digital world to arrive at a world that is sincerely connected and ecstatic.

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## **FEATURE STORY** IN IPL 2024, **MS DHONI** RELINQUISHES HIS RÒLE AS **CAPTAIN OF CSK**

eWith his indomitable spirit and unmatched leadership at the command of the Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in the Indian Premier League (IPL), Mahendra Singh Dhoni stands as a towering figure in the buzzing world of cricket, where captains are often praised for their tactical brilliance and leadership prowess. As even a legendary player like Sachin Tendulkar said and I guote "Dhoni is the best Captain I've played under" (source: crictoday), displays MS's supremacy on and off the field.

Beyond just numbers, Dhoni's tenure as CSK's captain epitomizes the finest attributes of leadership, determination, and unwavering resolve. Dhoni was a ray of sunshine for CSK from the very beginning of the IPL, leading the team to extraordinary heights with his brilliant cricketing instinct and unshaken calm.

CSK emerged as a formidable force under Dhoni's leadership, winning several IPL championships and making a name for themselves as one of the most prosperous teams in the competition's history. Dhoni earned the nickname "Captain Cool" from peers and fans for his calm leadership style, which was the foundation of CSK's success. He was renowned for his exceptional ability to accurately assess under extreme pressure. And due to key characteristics **Bv: VAISHNAVI SNIGDHA** 

like these, Sunil Gavaskar claims "M S DHONI may take over as the Indian team's coach later. I believe that is how things ht to be. I believe oug one needs some time to every before working on any recover assignm ents with (after the team retiring as a pla yer). (source: quora) Dhoni's presence transcended far beyond the boundaries of the cricket ground, inspiring a new generation of cricketers with his selflessness, honesty, and modesty. His leadership extended beyond the changing room, creating a culture of excellence and companionship among the CSK team members, and giving them a feeling of purpose and solidarity.

Although fans are reacting quite emotionally, as one fan commented "Why you must announce this just a day before IPL, @msdhoni?? Isn't it unfair to the fans who waited the entire year just to see you lead CSK again" (source: Indian Express), as all of them realize that his contribution to the team is indescribable. Dhoni's decision to step down as CSK's captain in the IPL 2024 signified the end of an era, but his impact remains apparent among the finest players. He has given more to CSK and Indian cricket than just monetary value; he embodies the values of sportsmanship and leadership that cut across generations.

We met a fan and captured his views on this topic. The fan seemed to understand the depth of thought behind Dhoni's decision to step down from the captaincy. He said, "I will definitely miss

Dhoni's captaincy, but Ruturaj Gaikwad is also а remarkable captain. As he has led Maharashtra 's cricket team in the Ranji Trophy tournament, so he also has a few skills. Dhoni will soon be retiring, and CSK will need



a strong skipper. To help Ruturaj polish his skills and learn from the experience, who better than Dhoni can make him understand the game in the best way possible? Even in the matches, we can see how he goes to Dhoni seeking his guidance for better control in the game, so, Dhoni will be eternally missed whereas Ruturaj is getting trained from the best".

Dhoni's everlasting contribution to the team serves as a beacon of hope as CSK begins an exciting chapter in its glorious history, encouraging players to pursue excellence and preserve the principles of honesty, tenacity, and cooperation. For many more decades to come, cricket fans will be inspired by his stature as one of the greatest captains in cricket history, which is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the enduring power of leadership.

It will be a challenge to fill the vacuum left by Dhoni's resignation from the



captaincy both in terms of his tactical ability and the wonderful traits that he brought to the group. He stood out as a captain above the rest because of his capacity to maintain composure under duress, to give teammates confidence, and to lead by example.

Dhoni's leadership went beyond his onfield accomplishments to include developing young talent and creating a mentoring culture among the CSK team. His advice and support were crucial in helping young cricket players develop their careers by teaching them the virtues of self-control, tenacity, and dedication to perfection.

Dhoni's presence will have an eternal impact on CSK as they usher in an entirely new era under a young captain. Experienced players and emerging players alike will find inspiration as well as guidance from him. His footprint on cricket will be everlasting for years to come, as his leadership abilities and admirable legacy will continue to live on.

Dhoni's deeply embedded enthusiasm to promote positive change outside of the cricket world is seen in his work with NGOs and educational institutions. Acknowledging the potential of education as a means of progress in society and empowerment, he has played a significant role in promoting initiatives that attempt to remove obstacles from schooling for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. By his campaigning, Dhoni raises attention to the issues associated with educational accessibility and equity and directs resources toward grants and scholarships that help gifted youngsters from underprivileged families achieve their goals in both academics and athletics.

Furthermore, Dhoni's involvement with educational institutions goes beyond surface-level interactions, as he actively takes part in initiatives that aim to uplift and empower young people. Students find value in his inspirational addresses, which implant in them the idea that success can be attained through hard work, persistence, and a dedication to glory. Dhoni inspires the upcoming generation of youth to dream big and work hard to achieve their goals, regardless of their socioeconomic background, by sharing his life lessons and the principles that have guided him.

Dhoni's relentless belief in education is reminiscent of his broader objectives of social transformation and empowerment. He recognizes that putting money into children's education improves lives on a personal level as well as the communities and the progress of the nation. As a role model who epitomizes leadership, compassion, and dedication to others both on and off the cricket field, Dhoni continues to leave an enduring impression through his numerous endeavors in the world of education.



## BUILDING DIGITAL LITERACY: INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY INTO EDUCATION CURRICULA

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n today's fast-paced world, where technology is advancing at lightning speed, it's crucial for our education systems to keep up. Digital literacy, the ability to effectively navigate, evaluate, and create information using digital technology, is no longer just a nice-tohave skill—it's a must-have for success in virtually every aspect of life. As we march into the digital age, integrating technology into education curricula becomes paramount in preparing our students for the future.

Gone are the days when classrooms were filled with only textbooks and chalkboards. The digital revolution has brought forth a plethora of tools and resources that can enhance the learning experience in unimaginable ways. By integrating technology into education curricula, we open doors to a world of possibilities for both students and educators.

One of the primary benefits of incorporating technology into education is the ability to personalize learning experiences. With adaptive learning software and online platforms, students can progress at their own pace, receiving targeted support and feedback tailored to their individual needs. This not only increases engagement but also ensures that no student is left behind.

Moreover, technology allows for immersive and interactive learning experiences that transcend traditional teaching methods. Virtual reality simulations, educational games, and multimedia presentations can bring complex concepts to life and make learning more engaging and memorable. By harnessing the power of technology, educators can spark curiosity and creativity in their students, turning passive learners into active participants in their own education.

Furthermore, integrating technology into education equips students with essential 21st-century skills that are vital for success in the digital age. From coding programming and to digital communication and information literacy, students gain practical knowledge and hands-on experience with the tools and technologies that drive our modern world. These skills prepare them for future careers and empower them to be responsible digital citizens who can navigate the complexities of the online world safely and ethically.

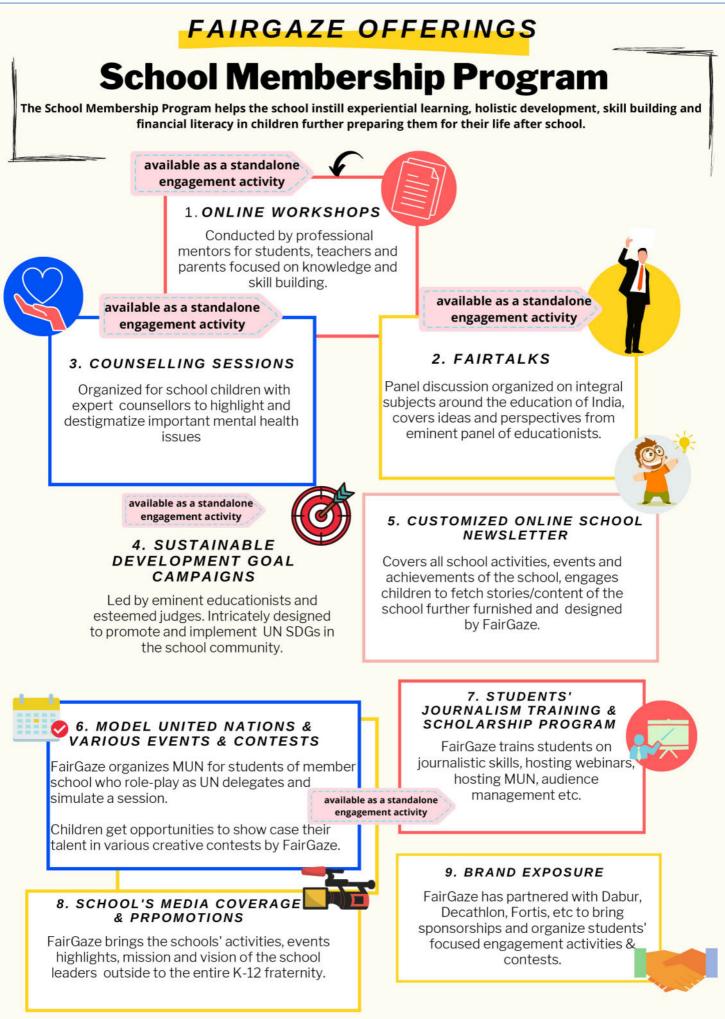
However, while the benefits of integrating technology into education are undeniable, it's essential to approach implementation thoughtfully and responsibly. Providing adequate training and support for educators is crucial to ensuring that technology is effectively integrated into the curriculum. Teachers need ongoing professional development opportunities to stay updated on the latest tools and best practices for integrating technology into their teaching practices.

Additionally, it's essential to address issues of access and equity to ensure that all students have equal opportunities to benefit from technology-enhanced learning experiences. Bridging the digital divide requires concerted efforts to provide



access to devices and reliable internet connectivity, particularly for students from underserved communities.

In conclusion, building digital literacy through the integration of technology into education curricula is essential for preparing students for success in the 21st century. By embracing technology as a tool for personalized learning, interactive experiences, and skill development, we can empower students to thrive in an increasingly digital world. However, it's crucial to approach integration thoughtfully and inclusively, ensuring that all students can harness the transformative power of technology in their education journey. Together, we can pave the way for a brighter future where every student has the skills and confidence to navigate the digital landscape with ease.







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## EXPLORING ENGAGING AND ORIGINAL CHILDREN'S ILLUSTRATION STYLES FOR TIMELESS STORYTELLING

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raditional art in India has many styles and techniques. From North to South from tribal art to the art produced in the royal courts, there are remarkable variations. One thing that is common in this art is, that all of them are two-dimensional. And the concept of photographic perspective was nonexistent in them.

The Art of Illustrations, as we recognize them today (on the other hand) uses a wide range of styles and techniques including drawing, painting, printmaking, collage, montage, digital design, multimedia, and 3D modeling. And almost all these techniques have been tried out in (Children's) illustrations by creative illustrators.

A challenging part for an illustrator working on a project is how to begin. If

it is a picture book it must have the elements of fun as well as suspense in the images. The characters, their expressions, body language, dress the detailing of the surrounding area, and the time are important to create the correct mood of the narrative.





There are words and sentences which create a certain image in mind. If the content has a Ladakhi village as background the illustrator must do a little research to know about that place. The landscape the typical houses the animals and people — the way they dress up etc. When you have ocean or space or desert as content you try and build up a notion about them through available references. The challenge lies here between your mind and your skill. If your skill cannot support your thought process you feel frustrated and keep on trying till you feel happy about your creation.

The same narrative can be depicted differently by different illustrators. What matters is how the illustrator or his creative team sees the original concept. The Ramayana or The Mahabharata can be depicted visually in very many ways depending on the target group. Products available on these epics in the public domain are examples of this. The same can be said for the Arabian Night or Panchtantra stories. I remember doing a story once, that was set in Kerala and had a dhoti-clad local Santa Claus bringing gifts for the family kids. Loved the idea.

Sometimes the art created by a professional artist gets appreciated by his fraternity but fails to get approval from a child. So it is very important to let the child in you remain alive and make friends with your child's boss.No baby talk for them, please. They like to be taken seriously.

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