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In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

ME'RAJ ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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السلامُ عليكم!

It is with great pleasure to welcome all of you to a blessed new school year. This year is special in many ways as we have many additions to the Me'raj Family with three new great teachers, and many new wonderful parents and students, walhamdullah.

Upcoming Events:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences 11/14-11/18
- Eid Picnic 11/20
- School Closed 11/23 Teacher Workshop
- Thanksgiving Holiday 11/24 & 11/25 School Closed
- New Hijri Year 11/26 1st of Muharram

This year we are remembering one of our very dear teachers who has moved away to Florida and left us with very fond memories. We would like to thank Ms. Huda for all her efforts, and may Allah reward her for all her hard work at Me'raj.

By now, we hope you all have come together and made many new friends. We are so blessed to have all of you as part of the Me'raj Family, helping us reach our record high of 123 students and counting, masha'Allah. However, with growth comes challenges and hard work, requiring patience and dedication to overcome the challenges. Most importantly, we ask you to please communicate with the administrators and your child's respective teacher to ensure our children achieve academic excellence with a strong Islamic foundation.

We are delighted to welcome you and are looking forward to working with all of you to have a very successful academic year insha'Allah.

JazakumAllahu khair,
Me'raj Academy Administration



I Am Poem

*I am Muslim and Syrian,
I wonder how the earth looks from above.
I hear the wind shouting.
I see a fling horse.
I want a laptop.
I am Muslim and Syrian.*

*I pretend to be a doctor.
I feel music in my head.
I touch the sun.
I worry about failing tests and quizzes.
I cry about my family.
I am Muslim and Syrian.*

*I understand my siblings.
I say that there is only I god.
I dream about living in Makkah.
I try to be a good Muslim.
I hope to become a doctor.
I am Muslim and Syrian.*

Khirieh Almahdi Gr. 6

"The three great essentials to achieve anything are, first, hard work; second, stick-to-itiveness; and third, common sense."

-Thomas Edison



Name Ariana Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Characters



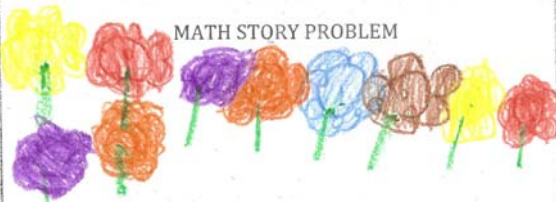
Setting



Ariana Alimi KG


Aida Akhtar

MATH STORY PROBLEM



Title:

Sarah has 10 flowers.
She gets 2 more.
How many flowers does Sarah have all together?
 $10 + 2 = 12$



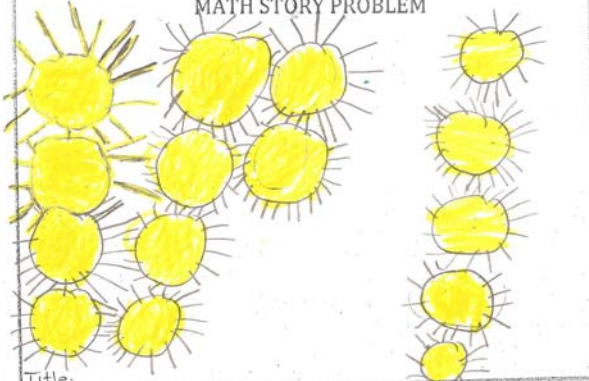
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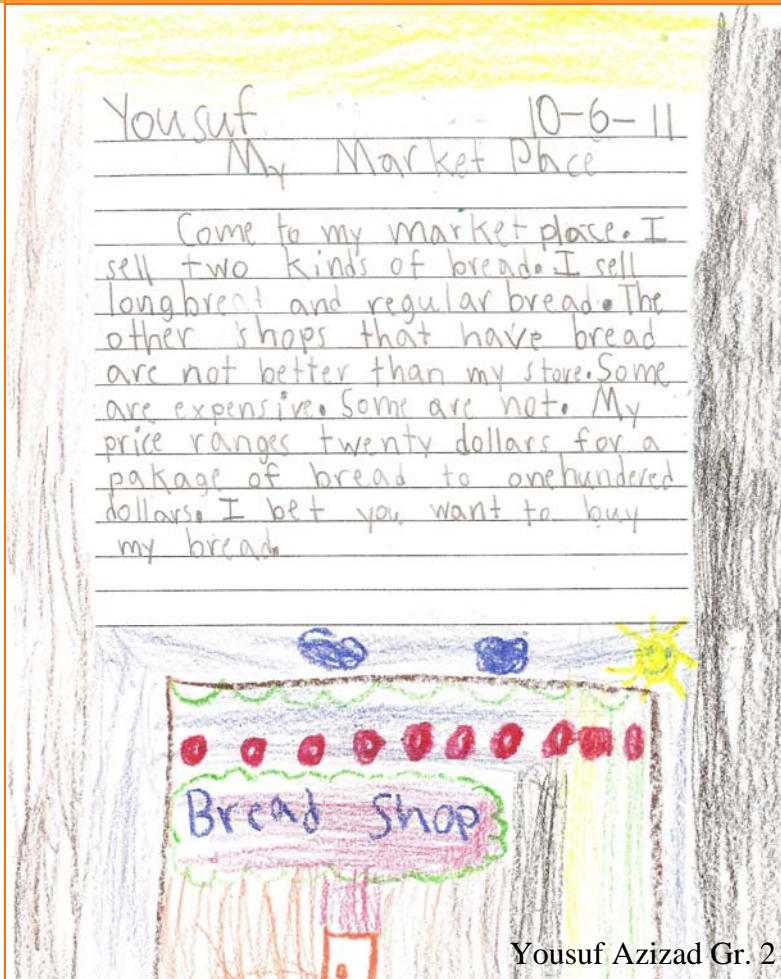
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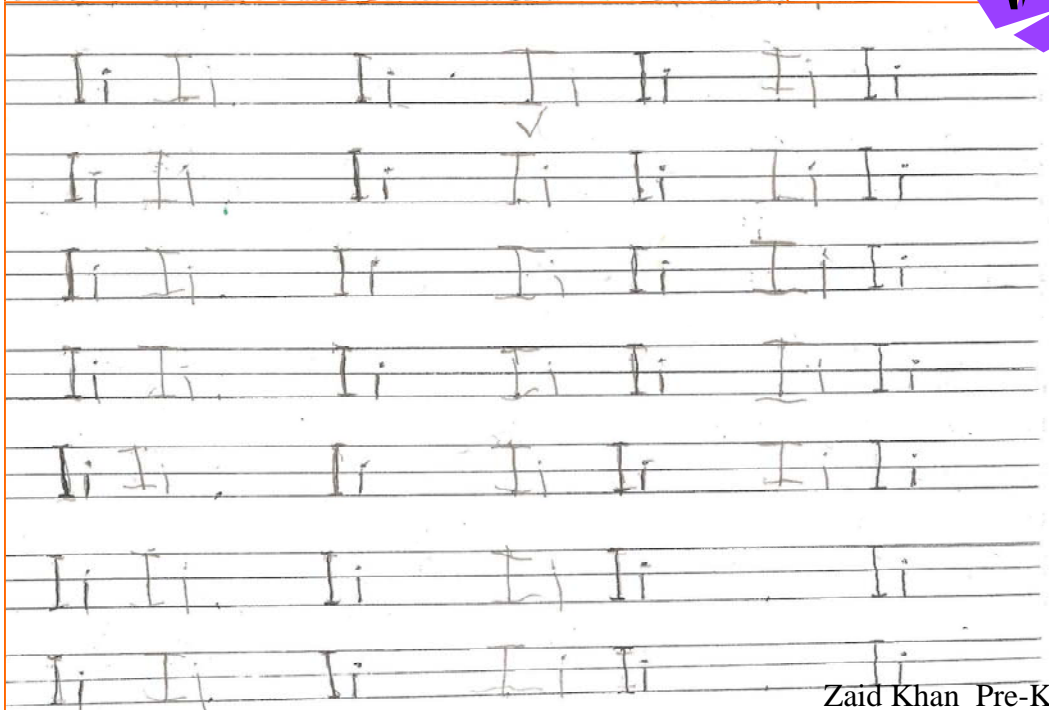
Title:

Abbad sees 10 suns.
He sees 5 more.
How many suns does Abbad see all together?
 $10 + 5 = 15$





“When a man says I cannot, he has made a suggestion to himself. He has weakened his power of accomplishing that which otherwise would have been accomplished.”
-Muhammad Ali



Zaid Khan Pre-K

My mother is the best mom
in the whole world!

Obviously.

The way she does things
for me makes me happy.

Her hard work and personality
is very nice and helpful.

Eager to do anything I say
and help me, too!

Ready to love and care
for me!

My Mom's the greatest because....
She works hard, she is
raising me, and she
loves me, too. I love
my mother.



Sahih Al-Bukhari Hadith 8.2
Narrated by Abu Huraira

A man came to Allah's Apostle (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) and said, "O Allah's Apostle! Who is more entitled to be treated with the best companionship by me?" The Prophet (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said, "Your mother." The man said, "Who is next?" The Prophet (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said, "Your mother." The man further said, "Who is next?" The Prophet (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said, "Your mother." The man asked for the fourth time, "Who is next?" The Prophet (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said, "Your father."

Sanaa Mehdi, Gr. 3

Manal Mian, Gr. 3

Al-Tirmidhi Hadith 4939 Narrated by
Mu'awiyah ibn Jahimah

Jahimah came to the Prophet (peace be upon him) and said, "Messenger of Allah, I desire to go on a military expedition and I have come to consult you. He asked him if he had a mother, and when he replied that he had, he said, "Stay with her, for Paradise is at her feet."

Marvelous

Obedient

Thoughtful

Humble

Excellent

Respectful

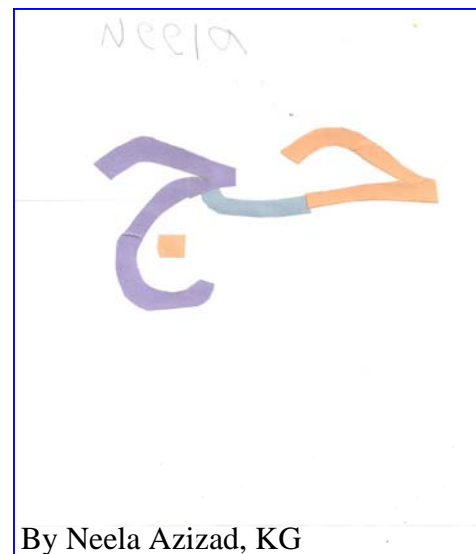
My Mom's the greatest because....
She always looks after me so I don't
get hurt. She gives me sympathy
when I need it. She cleans my clothes
and she gives me food when I'm
hungry. She lets me have toys,
birthday parties and play dates. She
is the best mom anyone could have.



“The month of Dhul-Hijjah is a season of worship, and seasons of worship bring along blessings, benefits and opportunities to correct one’s faith and make up for shortcomings. Every one of these special opportunities involves some kind of worship, which brings the slave closer to his Lord. And Allah bestows his blessings and favors on whom He wills. The fortunate person is he who makes good use of these special months, days and hours, while worshipping Allah. He is the most likely to be touched by the blessings of Allah. [Ibn Rajab, al-Lataa’if pp.8]

The first ten days of Dhul-Hijjah are marked blessed for both the pilgrims and non-pilgrims.

Rewards of good deeds are multiplied in these days. It has been confirmed in Sahih al-Bukhari from Ibn Abbas (r.a.) that the messenger of Allah (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said: “No deeds are more virtuous than deeds on these days.” The companions asked: ‘Not even Jihad?’ He (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) replied: “Not even Jihad for the sake of Allah, unless a man goes out risking himself and his wealth for the sake of Allah, and does not come back with anything.” [Sahih al-Bukhari vol. 2, no. 457] And it is these ten days, of which Allah takes an oath saying: “By the dawn; by the ten nights.” [Surah ak-Fajr 1-2] This is why it is recommended to increase in making Takbeer, Tahlil, and Tamhid during these days.” [Zaad ak-Ma’aad vol: 1, pp. 56]



Following Dhul-Hijjah is the first month of the Islamic calendar, the month of Muharram. “Muharram is the best month for general voluntary fasts, after Ramadan. It is especially recommended to fast on the tenth day of Muharram with a day before or a day after it. Muslim reported from Abu Hurayrah (may Allah be pleased with him), that the Prophet (sallallahu alayhi wa sallam) said: “The best of fasts after the month of Ramadan are in the month of Allah, which you call Muharram. And the best of prayer after the obligatory prayer is the night prayer.” [Muslim 1163]



