

Culture 3 – Summary and homework for Dec 13, 2009

Hello,

We covered a few more Vedanta Alphabets, discussed the importance of good values and habits. I also told stories for these alphabets which were familiar to most of the kids. The overall interest and participation in the class was really good.

A - for Ambition

I explained what a goal is and why should one have a higher goal. I told the story of Dhruva - how he was not allowed to sit in his father's lap. Following his mother's advice how he prayed to Lord Vishnu (Narayan), who blessed him and is remembered even today as a north star in the sky, Dhruva Nakshatra.

B - for Brotherhood

We discussed why it is important to share with brothers / friends and not cheat. Love and care for others as we would do for our brother (sibling), family, neighbours and nation...

C - for Cleanliness

What is being clean and why it is important to be clean?

Clean outside - Clean body, room etc.

Clean inside - having a clean mind - hear and think good things.

D - for Daddy

We talked about how daddy (parents) takes care of us. I told the story of Sravana, a young boy who carried his blind parents on his shoulders to holy places in order to fulfill their wish. Unfortunately he was killed by King Dasharatha's arrow who thought that the sound was from an animal who had come to drink water. Later Sravana's parents also died in grief.

Homework due Dec 20 (could be submitted after the holidays for students who missed Balvihar)

Write answers to the following questions in about 1-3 sentences each

1. What is your ambition?
2. How do you share and show love and care for your brother / sister / friends ?
3. What do you do to keep yourself clean?
4. How do you take care of your daddy (parents)?

As always please feel free to let me know if you have any questions / suggestions.

Thanks
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