

THE FACT CORNER



Queen ants can live for over 30 years, making them one of the longest living insects



Out of 46,000 discovered species of spider, only a single one has been found to be a herbivore



The average adult human has two to nine pounds of bacteria in his or her body



Within three days of death, the enzymes that once digested your food begins to eat you

BRAIN TEASERS

1 Q. A merchant can place 8 large boxes or 10 small boxes into a carton for shipping. In one shipment, he sent a total of 96 boxes. If there are more large boxes than small boxes, how many cartons did he ship?

2 Q. If $9999 = 4$, $8888 = 8$, $1816 = 6$, $1212 = 0$, then $1919 = ?$

3 Q. A grandfather, two fathers and two sons went to the movie theater together and everyone bought one movie ticket each. How many tickets did they buy in total?

4 Q. If the zookeeper had 100 pairs of animals in

her zoo and if two pairs of babies are born for each and every one of the original animals, and then sadly 23 animal don't survive, how many animals do you have left in total?

5 Q. A little boy goes shopping and purchases 12 tomatoes. On the way home, all but 9 get munched and ruined. How many tomatoes are left in a good condition?

6 Q. In an alien land far away, half of 10 is 6. If the same proportion holds true, then what is 1/6th of 30 in this alien land?

SOLUTION:
1. 11 cartons total
2. 4
3. 3 (the grandfather is also a father and the father is also a son)
4. 977 animal ($100 \times 2 = 200$; $200 + 800 = 1000$; $1000 + 200 = 1200$)
5. Nine
6. 6

English Proverbs and Meanings

* **Every man for himself.**
You must think of your own interests before the interests of others.

* **He who hesitates is lost.**
If you delay your decision too long, you may miss a good opportunity.

* **He who plays with fire gets burnt.**
If you behave in a risky way, you are likely to have problems.

* **He who wills the end wills the means.**
If you are determined to do

something you will find away.

* **If you chase two rabbits, you will not catch either one.**
If you try to do two things at the same time, you won't succeed in doing either of them.

* **Lightning never strikes in the same place twice.**
An unusual event is not likely to occur again in exactly the same circumstances.

* **Many hands make light work.**
Sharing work makes work easier.

Garlic Cheese Corn Roll



Ingredients:
5 boiled, mashed potato
1 cup corn, 5 green chilli
1 tablespoon sesame seed
1 tablespoon red chilli powder
1/2 tablespoon garlic paste, 2 cup cheese cubes
1/2 tablespoon ginger paste
2 tablespoon coriander leaves
1 tablespoon fennel seeds, 5 tablespoon breadcrumbs
1 1/2 cup refined oil
Method:
Make a dough of potatoes with breadcrumbs, add salt and red chilli powder mix well and bind it properly. Now, take grated cheese and corn and mix it all with other ingredients. Make balls from the dough and press it with thumb for enough space for filling.
Now, stuff cheese corn filling in the gap created by the thumb and lock it properly so that it does not break while frying. Give any shape to the ball of your choice.
Put a pan over medium flame and heat some oil in it. When the oil is hot enough, deep fry the potato balls till they become golden brown. Serve hot with cheese dip.

JUNIOR CHEF

Soyabean, Pea and Oat Kebabs



Ingredients:
2 cup boiled, soaked overnight soybean
1/2 cup ground oats, 3 cloves garlic
salt as required
3/4 cup boiled peas
1 chopped onion
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
How to Proceed:
To prepare this easy kebab recipe, add boiled soybean, boiled peas, oats, onion, garlic in a grinding jar and grind them together to make a mixture. Add salt and cayenne pepper to this mixture and transfer to a bowl.
Now, use this mixture to make long kebabs. You can also use a stick to give these kebabs proper shape. Meanwhile, preheat the oven at 180 degrees Celsius.
Cook these kebabs in the preheated oven for 12-15 minutes and bake them till they are brown. If you have an electric tandoor, then these kebabs will come out better.
When these kebabs are made, insert bamboo skewers in them. Meanwhile, cut an avocado roughly and wash mint and spinach leaves. Grind them together to make the nutritious dip.

Vani Kola: Entrepreneur who returned back to her Motherland

Gone are the days when women were expected to stay in four walls of their houses, and workplace was considered a domain for men! 21st century women not only work proudly in this sector but many of them are proven leaders in the business world. Vani Kola, the founder of Kalaari Capitals, is one of those inspiring women. She is one of the leading Indian venture capitalist. She returned back to her country, despite having a successful career in Silicon Valley. She was listed as one of the most powerful women in Indian Business by Fortune India. Apart from running an empire, her favourite responsibility is to take care of her two beautiful daughters and spend time with her family.

She is the woman with many accreditation and person behind Kalaari Capital. Born and brought up in a humble yet traditional family of Hyderabad, she did her early schooling from the same city. Vani completed her graduation from Osmania University (Hyderabad) in Electrical Engineering. It was in 1980's when she moved to United Nation to pursue her Master's from Arizona University.

Vani started to work in a renowned company- Empros based in Minneapolis. She worked there for almost 12 years before taking life changing decision of setting up her very first venture- RightWorks.

First glimpse of major success- Just like every start-up Vani's first venture had a small beginning. But, after completing 4 successful years, she sold 53% of the shares of the company amounting to \$657 Million, to Internet Capital Group, and finally sold the company to I2 Technologies for \$86 million in August 2001.

She did not stop there, and went on to start another company by the name NthOrbit in San Jose. The prime work of the company was to provide assistance and initial funding in the field of technology development. After Vani sold her first venture RW, she went on to find Certus Software, another start-up.

With this start-up Vani wanted to become a market leader in the world of financial market.

In some of her interviews she has often spoken about how the time and market conditions were very different at that time and internet bubble was also absent. Due to this reason people were unsure about the working, management and sustainability of start-ups, yet she managed to have such a glorious experience with all her start-ups. In India, be it be students or working professionals, people are obsessed with going to a foreign land, either to study or to make a career. The government spends significant amount of resources to educate and train us, and instead of returning the favour by contributing to the country's growth, we dream of flying to other nation.



Under such scenario Vani Kola's decision to return back to India, instead of having a full-fledged career in Silicon Valley is nothing less than an inspiration to all. It shows that our country has a lot to provide, we just have to be patient and brave-hearted. It was in 2006 when she decided to return back to Bangalore and it took her about 2 months to decide this. Obviously! It was not an easy decision to make.

She not only decided to leave Silicon Valley after working there for 22 years but, she also left the field of entrepreneurship and entered into the world of venture capital investment. The initial phase of this journey was bumpy, and Vani had to spend a good amount of her time understanding the Indian Market as well as its need. She completely turned her focus on traveling, researching, making contacts, understanding the mind-set of the people.

After Vani was done with all her research, she went on to conceptualize the idea for the new firm. There were many risk involved and she had put in lots of money towards this project.

Would people be interested in start-ups? Would Indian market accept start-ups with open arms? What type of company should the firm start investing in?

In addition to all this, there was no denying of the fact India was still naïve and was not ready for the Silicon Valley type venture capital investment.

But, even with all these questions, doubts and roadblocks she decided to move ahead. Vani decided to launch the firm because she was sure of one thing that Indian markets were on their way for huge transformation. During her research and travel she did notice one key point that young India is filled with confidence, they have unparalleled zeal to experiment and above all they were in no mood to 'play safe' anymore. This is how Kalaari Capital came into being in 2006.

KALAARI CAPITAL aims at empowering the prescient entrepreneurs by providing them initial funding. Their vision is to revolutionize the way Indians consume, work and live. The company has invested in about 35 companies in last 12 years. Some of them include- Myntra, Snapdeal, Urban Ladder, StalkBuyLove, toffee, upstox, YourStory, Zivame, etc.

Since its establishment, Kalaari Capital has tried to cover almost all the areas including mobile services, fashion, education, E-commerce and so on. Many start-ups funded by Vani Kola have turned out to be extremely successful ventures. This speaks volumes about her visionary approach and validate the mentoring provided by her to all young minds, who dare to make a mark in the world of business.

Vani Kola looks after Kalaari Capitals as its Managing Director and the companies continues to thrive under her guidance. At times, success might feel like a distant dream and failure might seem like the end of the world. But, it is your passion and courage which helps you to move forward.

As a successful businesswoman, Vani's life story is a perfect example for women all around the world, who dare to dream big. Vani is all up for being a support system to other women entrepreneurs. She is an active member of Forum for Women Entrepreneurs and Executives (FWE&E).

This organization is committed to pull women together and build strong as well as useful network. Vani is associated with the forum as it serves a crucial purpose. It provides a great platform for women to reach out for learning, sharing knowledge with their experience, and ultimately building a strong woman network.