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21 Modaks for Ganesh Chaturthi

Written By: Nandini Nayar Illustrated By: Chandrima Chatterjee

This beautifully illustrated picture book teaches readers about the festival of Ganesh Chaturthi and also a bit of mathematics—

counting from 1 to 10. It includes a really easy recipe for modaks and an aarti at the end of the book. We really enjoyed the simplicity with which the book explains the festival. The book also talks about the cons of using Ganesh idols that have been painted with colours that harm the environment.

Recommended Age: 3+ years | Price: ₹399 Published By: AdiDev Press | www.adidevpress.com

Mahi: The Elephant Who Flew Over the Blue Mountains

Written By: Anand Neelkantan Illustrated By: Doodlenerve

In this sweet story, Mahi, a young elephant, keeps troubling his grandfather, asking him if he can fly! When he finally learns the secret, Mahi takes off and flies over the blue mountains to find and

rescue his father Varana, the former chief of the herd. Little does he realise that his pursuit, which was undertaken without his mother's blessings, will put his entire Anastan community in trouble! Mahi's life is filled with ups and downs, just like any normal child's—his friends make fun of him and his mom doesn't believe in his capabilities. Read the book to figure out what Mahi achieves.

Recommended Age: 7+ years | Price: ₹399
Published By: HarperCollins Children's Books | www.harpercollins.co.in

Hack the Boredom Code

Written By: Neera Maini Srivastav

This book is like a treasure chest of learning and is divided into three sections—Mind, Body and Spirit. Each section has tips, tricks and amazing solutions that will help you deal with your boredom! The book takes simple daily activities, like the trip to and back from school, and tells you how to instil some excitement in it, without getting out of the vehicle you are travelling in of course! It has over 50

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different ways of engaging the body, 50 ways to channelise the mind and 50 ways to help the spirit. It also has a year-long boredom tracker, where you can keep track of what you did and what you enjoyed the most, so you can refer to it when you are bored!

Recommended Age: 10+ years | Price: ₹299
Published By: Garuda Books | www.garudabooks.com

Tales from the Puranas and Itihaas

Retold By: Daaji

Illustrated By: Gayatri Pachpande

'Tales from the Puranas and Itihaas' has 25 stories from Indian mythology where each story ends with a moral and lessons to learn. From the chapter called 'Churning the Ocean of Milk' we learn to reflect on ourselves, our potential that's as unlimited as the ocean and the ability

to regulate the good and the bad to achieve our goals. Other chapters teach us to emulate those we admire, explain karma and tell us about life and why we are attracted to only some people. The book has 25 lessons to learn to become a better person.

Recommended Age: 8+ years | Price: ₹250 Published By: Red Panda | www.westlandbooks.in



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Watch these info-taining environmental documentaries this fortnight.

■ CHASING CORAL

This eye-opening documentary explores the devastating impact of climate change on coral reefs around the world and emphasises the urgent need to address



climate change to protect these vital marine habitats.

■ DOLPHIN REEF

A Disneynature film, this documentary traces the life of a young dolphin named Echo as he explores coral reefs and learns important life skills from his mother.



The documentary provides a visually stunning and heart-warming glimpse into the underwater world of dolphins, showcasing the animals' intelligence, social interactions and the challenges they face in their marine environment.

■ BEFORE THE FLOOD

This powerful documentary explores the devastating impacts of climate change and advocates for urgent global action.



■ KISS THE GROUND

This documentary explores regenerative agriculture as a solution to climate change. It is optimistic and informative, offering hope and actionable insights.



■ A PLASTIC OCEAN

This eye-opening documentary investigates the widespread problem of plastic waste in our oceans, revealing its consequences. It encourages viewers to reconsider their plastic consumption.



■ CHASING ICE

This documentary follows James Balog, an environmental photographer, as he documents the melting of glaciers over several years.



■ OUR PLANET

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Narrated by Sir David Attenborough, this documentary showcases Earth's ecosystems. The series captures the beauty of the natural world and the behaviour of various species. It features footage from various locations around the world, making it visually stunning.





