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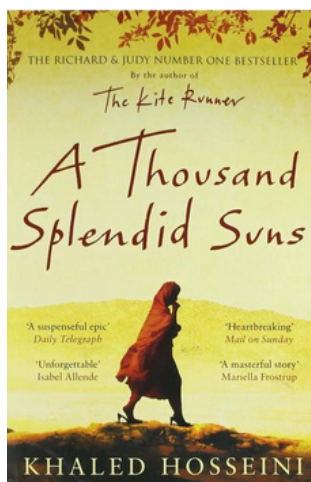


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# A TRIP TO CHANDIGARH AND AMRITSAR

- By Aditi Mane SYBAF B



Vibrant and culturally rich, the land of five rivers, Punjab is. A visit to the iconic Golden Temple had always been on my bucket list since my childhood and I can't believe I made it. The trip started by overnight train journey from Mumbai to Chandigarh. A train journey creates an aura that cannot be experienced with other types of journeys. The whole trip was planned and managed by Indian Odyssey.

**Day 2** Embarking on the journey to Chandigarh we were greeted by the meticulously planned streets and lush greenery. We reached late to Chandigarh by 4.00pm so there was change in the plan. We reached and checked in the hotel by 5pm and then we went for shopping at Sector 22 Plaza. It was a different experience as we were shivering and shopping in that cold breezy weather. The Gol Gappas I had were so delicious.

**Day 3** was very much exciting as we visited various places. The Rock Garden, an artistic marvel crafted from industrial and home waste, left us in awe. The serene Sukhna Lake provided a perfect spot for a peaceful vibe. Went for lunch back to the hotel checked out and left for Amritsar. Indian Odyssey planned us a surprise to visit Golden temple for night view and O My God it felt like Heaven.







**Day 4** we captivated by the spiritual aura surrounding Harmandir Sahib. The stunning architecture reflected in the shimmering waters of the Amrit Sarovar was a sight to behold. We delved into the heart of the city, exploring the bustling streets around the temple and savouring traditional Langar. After Langar we

experienced the patriotic fervour at the Wagah Border Retreat Ceremony. The vibrant colours, rhythmic movements, and national pride in the air created an unforgettable atmosphere. At the end of the day, we had Farewell night with dance and music followed by delicious buffet dinner.

**Day 5** Our day started with a visit to the poignant Jallianwala Bagh, where the echoes of history resonated in every corner. For Lunch we went to eat at a local Dhaba named Bharawan Da Dhaba and the food that they served was so delicious and flavourful. We had Amritsari Kulcha, Dal makhani, Chole, boondi raita and how can I forget Lassi. We went for local shopping after lunch and also having local cuisine while shopping. Thereafter we proceeded towards Amritsar railway station to go back to Mumbai. **Day 6** The whole day was spent in the train with lot of nostalgic memories. Our journey concluded with a sense of fulfilment, having explored the rich culture, history and flavours of Chandigarh and Amritsar.





# INAUGURATION OF RAM MANDIR

- By Bhumika and Shamak



With the honourable Prime Minister requesting the citizens to celebrate Diwali on the 22nd of January, as one of the reasons Diwali is celebrated to mark Lord Ram's return to Ayodhya after completing his exile. The history of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya is deeply rooted in the cultural and religious fabric of India. The significance of the Ram Mandir lies in its association with Lord Rama, an avatar of Lord Vishnu a revered figure in Hinduism. The temple is seen as a symbol of cultural and religious identity for many Hindus. In terms of economic reforms, the construction of the Ram Mandir has spurred economic activities in Ayodhya. The development of infrastructure around the temple site, such as roads, accommodations, and tourism facilities, has created job opportunities and stimulated local businesses. The increased tourism to Ayodhya is expected to boost the economy of the region, providing a new avenue for growth.

Crafted by the skilled hands of sculptor Arun Yogiraj from Mysuru, the 51-inch-tall idol, captures the image of a five-year-old Lord Ram standing gracefully on a lotus, all meticulously carved from a single block of stone. The grand event saw the presence of around 7,000 VVIPs from across the nation which includes actors, sportspersons, industrialists, politicians, etc. Constructed in the conventional Nagara architectural style, the Ram





Mandir compound is designed to span 380 feet in the east-west direction, with a width of 250 feet and an impressive height of 161 feet. The temple's vertical structure consists of floors, each measuring 20 feet in height, supported by a remarkable ensemble of 392 pillars and adorn

with 44 gates. PM Modi followed a strict 11-day 'anushthan' and slept on the floor and had coconut water before the ceremony in Ayodhya on January 22. He also visited several temples across India ahead of the 'pran-pratishtha' ceremony of the Ram Mandir and took a holy dip at the Rameswaram 'Angi theerth' beach. The Prime Minister said devotees of Lord Ram are completely absorbed in this historic moment. "The devotees of Prabhu Ram, in every corner of the country and the world, are deeply feeling this. Today our Ram has come... After waiting for centuries our Ram has arrived. After centuries of unprecedented patience, countless sacrifices, sacrifices and penance, our Lord Ram has arrived," he said.





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- By Interview Team



## **Q-1. Tell us something about yourself.**

Ans: Hello and thank you for having me here today. My name is Yelandar Siriveni and I am excited to be interviewed by BAF TIMES. I recently cleared my first groups of CA Inter exams in the recent attempt of November 2023.

## **Q-2. What inspired you to choose CA as a career ?**

Ans: There are several reasons for choosing Chartered Accountant (CA) as a career. CAs are highly respected professionals in the field of finance and accounting. My cousins did CA and they are enjoying the same. In India around only 4 lakhs Chartered Accountants are serving the nation. I also want to be a part of it. There's a consistent demand for accounting and financial expertise which offers job stability. The CA is a globally recognized profession. CAs have the flexibility to work in various industries, including finance, taxation, audit, and consulting. I decided to do a CA course in the 10th standard itself. I want to enjoy the prefix of CA and when I give my visiting card to someone, they should know first my profession rather than my name.

**Q-3. As you know everyone thinks that CA is the toughest course. What would you suggest to your friends or who are afraid to choose CA as a career ?**

Ans: Yes, CA is one of the toughest courses but it is not as tough as you think. Every course will be tough when you don't have the motivation, focus and willingness to achieve it. Let's take the example that when we were in 10th it was tough for us. When we cleared it you felt that it wasn't that tough as per expectation and then the same goes for 12th and so on. Every level is tough and difficult at its place. If the CA course is not difficult then the course loses its value I suggest to those who are really interested in the field of accounts and finance to go for this course which helps in achieving their goals.

**Q-4. So, how do you manage your time & what is your daily schedule ?**

Ans: I plan my schedule for what is to be done the next day before a night by, prioritizing subjects based on levels (weak to strong) and allocating dedicated time slots for each. I study weak/theoretical subjects in the morning session, with proper writing practice for those topics which are highly scorable and regularly revise previously covered topics to retain them for a longer duration. The remaining time for practical subjects, I used to practise questions from textbooks of classes and then study modules of ICAI .Break down study sessions with breaks in between to avoid burnout. With sufficient sleep to keep the mind stable. You should revise your syllabus at least twice, solve mock tests and past year papers before giving the exam. I strongly believe that hard work and consistency will always win.

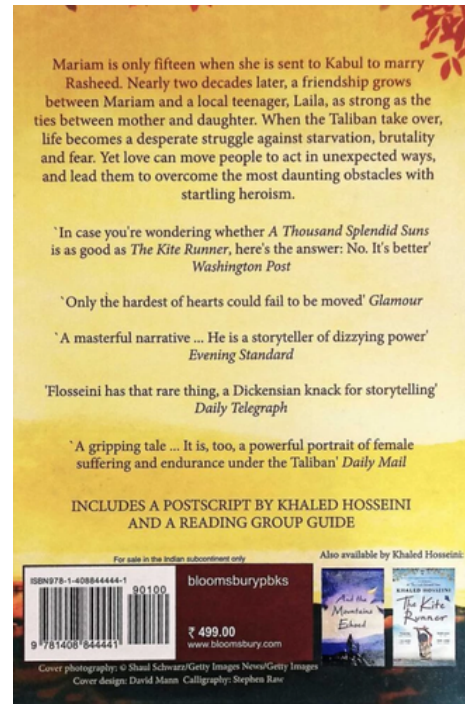
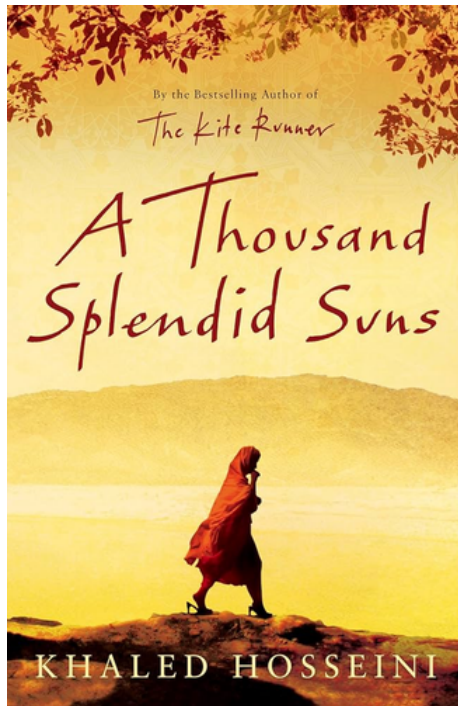
**Q-5. How was your experience till now ?**

Ans: Till now, I have not faced any failures during my journey. On the day of the foundation and inter results, I was extremely nervous about the outcome. Finally the results were positive. The subject-wise marks were unexpected, the papers which went well scored fewer marks and vice versa. My parents are very happy with the result and have supported me a lot. I am determined to continue achieving such results and keep them happy forever.

# BOOK REVIEW : A THOUSAND SPLENDID SUNS

- By Tanvi Desai SYBAF A

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The story centers around Mariam an illegitimate child of Jalil, a local businessmen of Herat. All her life she was treated as a unwanted person by the society and was not given the basic freedom to stand up for her own self but like others she too had dreams and wanted to be loved. The another major character of the book Laila had entire different upbringing from that of Mariam her father was a modern man who believed that educating a women will help in the development of the society and hence Laila differ from most the femals of her age, she had a rebellious nature and was like the women that Afghanistan needed at that time.



The book explores the relationship of Laila and Mariam who stood for each other in the unkind situation which life threw at them. Hosseini through his book will make you experience the dreadful events of the war that took place in Afghanistan and give you the glimpse of how it affects all the people individually and through all this it gives you the message that no matter what the situation it is if you truly have a compassion to live, the life will do the miracles for you and it will make you believe that when we make sacrifices for love it truly never a sacrifice but it feels like a decision.

I believe it is as a heart wrenching story which will make you bawl like a child but I guess we all deserve to have good cry. Hosseini will make you question on your beliefs, your reasons for living at several times while reading and yet he will never stop. He is really a true god gifted story teller who by his words know how to pull the strings of your heart. I can proudly say that this book with such strong emotions and excellent plot is one of my most favorite books and I think every woman should read this book.

# **FIN-DICTION**

- By Preeyal Satam SYBAF C

*Word of the month :*

**z o m b i e      c o m p a n y**

noun

**Definition:** a Zombie Company is a corporate entity with very limited cash flows, only sufficient to pay the interest on the debt borrowed but not the principal amount of the loan.

**Meaning:** a Zombie company is one that appears to be alive (in operation) but is, financially speaking, in a state of insolvency or near insolvency. These companies may survive with the help of external financial support, such as loans or government assistance, allowing them to continue their operations even though they are not economically viable.

**Usage:** Despite its financial troubles, the company managed to stay afloat, earning the label of a '**zombie company**' in the industry.





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1st	Ashita Sawant	TYBAF
2nd	Jeff Alvis Alvares AND Ankita Abhyankar	TYBAF

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ADITYA PANDHARE (SYBAF)



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