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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Reforestation Projects in the Amazon Rainforest

In Brazil, the government and environmental groups are working together to protect the Amazon rainforest. One of the most important projects is called reforestation. This means planting new trees in areas where the forest was destroyed. Every year, large parts of the Amazon are cut down because of farming, logging, and mining. This is bad for the environment, animals, and people. To solve this problem, Brazil started several reforestation projects. In some areas, local farmers help by planting native trees. These are trees that naturally grow in the Amazon. Scientists also study the best ways to grow these trees quickly and safely. Reforestation is a long process, but it is very important. Trees help clean the air, protect the soil, and fight climate change. With time and teamwork, Brazil hopes to save the Amazon for future generations.





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NATIONAL NEWS

Türkiye's Tourism and UNESCO Sites

Türkiye is a beautiful country with a lot of history. Every year, many people come to Türkiye for holiday and to see new places. There are old cities, mosques, churches, palaces, and bridges in many parts of the country. These places show the history of different civilizations. Because of this, UNESCO thinks Türkiye is very important. UNESCO protects important places in the world. Today, there are 21 UNESCO places in Türkiye. Some famous ones are Göbekli Tepe, Ephesus, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, and Safranbolu. Türkiye is not only famous for history. The country has seas on three sides, so it is great for summer holidays. There are also mountains, lakes, and hot springs for nature and health tourism. With its history, nature, sea, and culture, Türkiye is a special place. Many tourists visit Türkiye every year and they never forget it.



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LOCAL NEWS

Great Solotürk Air Show in Malatya





On May 12, 2025, Solotürk did a great air show in Malatya. The show was at İnönü University Stadium at 5:00 PM. Many people came to watch it. There were students, children, and families. The Solotürk pilot flew an F-16 jet. He flew very fast. He did loops, turns, and flew upside down. People were very happy and excited. Many people took photos and videos. The weather was sunny and the sky was clear. It was a perfect day for the show. People clapped and cheered after every move. The jet was loud, but everyone enjoyed it. After the show, the Solotürk team met the people. They took photos together and thanked the people of Malatya. Solotürk is part of the Turkish Air Force. They will visit other cities in Türkiye to do more air shows.

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CULTURE AND ART

THE POEM: ONSRA

You are the name of the street I walk through,
The scent of the air I breathe is yours,
The most beautiful flower in my garden,
You are the namesake of my soul.

I am a rain in Ankara,
You are a sea in Istanbul,
Maybe I am the driest soil,
But you are the most beautiful of all greens.

When the day comes,
When your hands touch mine,
And your eyes shine with the stars,
I will love you for the whites that fall into our hair.

You are the autumn, and I am the first of the springs.
You are the North Star,
And I am the compass that always turns and stops at you.

When I look at you,
It's my soul that I see.
Your beauty is hidden in your eyes,
Yet there was an unbreakable coldness in you.

There were a few wounds in your palms,
I kissed the wounds in your hands.
Because I knew the ones in your soul too,
And I hugged you through the wounds in your soul.

Tell me, Sir,
How many more stars must burn,
How many more flowers must fade,
Looking is not the same as seeing,
For you to truly see?

So how many more rains must fall on this city

Time is a river that keeps flowing,
And Sir, you know death is a deep sea.
If one day my eyes close quietly,
If our hands have never touched by then,
Touch my soil just once,
Take something from your soul,
And leave a little peony on mine.

ONSRA: "It is the word that describes the heartbreaking feeling when you realize you will never fall in love again – and your last love."





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HISTORICAL PLACES

Göbeklitepe & The Ancient City of Kızılkoyun

This section was written based on the "Göbeklitepe Ve Kızılkoyun" video of a student of our faculty (!Be sure to watch the video!)

VİDEO ON YOUTUBE: https://youtu.be/OLe_rhsAo8c?si=8dWx954OWQswj95K

GÖBEKLİTEPE:

Göbeklitepe is a very old place in Türkiye. It is about 12,000 years old. This means it was built a long, long time ago, even before things like pottery or writing. Some people think Göbeklitepe was a special place for meetings and maybe for religion. There are big stone pillars there. These pillars have pictures of animals on them, like lions, foxes, and birds. People did not live in Göbeklitepe all the time. It seems they came to this place for special events. After some time, the place was covered with soil and forgotten. A farmer found some of the stones in 1994. Then, archaeologists started to dig and found the amazing old pillars. Now, Göbeklitepe is a very important place for understanding the early history of people and how they lived. It shows us that people were doing interesting and complicated things even a very long time ago.





KIZILKOYUN:

The Ancient City of Kızılkoyun

Kızılkoyun is an old place in Şanlıurfa, Türkiye. It is not as old as Göbeklitepe, but it is still very old. People lived here a long time ago. Archaeologists are still working at Kızılkoyun. They have found many things under the ground. These things tell us about the people who lived there. We know that Kızılkoyun was a big place, like a small city. It had walls around it to protect the people. Inside the walls, there were houses and maybe special buildings. Some of the things found at Kızılkoyun are from a time called the Bronze Age. This was thousands of years ago. People who lived in the Bronze Age knew how to use metal. Kızılkoyun is important because it helps us to learn about the history of this area. It shows us how people lived in big groups a long time ago. The things found there tell stories about their lives. Today, Kızılkoyun is a place where scientists learn about the past. Maybe one day, more of the old city will be found. This will help us understand even more about the people who lived in Şanlıurfa many years ago.

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SPORTS





Filenin Sultanları: The National Women's Volleyball Team of Türkiye

Filenin Sultanları is the national women's volleyball team of Türkiye. The Turkish Volleyball Federation manages the team. The name "Filenin Sultanları" was given during the European Championship in 2003. These women play for Türkiye in international volleyball matches. They played their first international match in 1957, in the International Istanbul Tournament. The team has six main players and some spare players. The main players are Gizem Örge, Cansu Özbay, Melissa Vargas, Hande Baladın, Aslı Kalaç, İlkin Aydın, Zehra Güneş, and Meliha Diken. Their first big success was winning second place in the European Women's Volleyball Championship. In 2011, they came third in the same tournament. Between 2015 and 2023, they reached the semi-finals five times. They made history by becoming the first Turkish team to win the European Championship in team sports. They are a good example of teamwork and strong will. In recent years, they have won many matches. They are a big source of pride for Turkish people. People in Türkiye love and support them very much.

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POP CULTURE

Met Gala 2025: Fashion and Stars

Met Gala 2025 was on May 5 in New York. It is a big fashion event. Many famous people came to the red carpet. The theme was “Future of Fashion. Celebrities wore shiny, colorful, and different clothes. Zendaya wore a silver dress that looked like a space suit. Rihanna had a dress with robot parts. Timothée Chalamet wore a simple but cool black suit. Jennie from BLACKPINK also joined the event. She wore a white and silver dress with futuristic design. Many fans loved her elegant style and said she looked like a princess from the future. People all over the world watched the event online. They talked about the best and worst outfits. Some clothes were very beautiful. Some were strange or funny. The Met Gala also helps a museum. It gives money to the Costume Institute at the Metropolitan Museum. This year’s Met Gala was shiny, fun, and exciting.







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ENTERTAINMENT

WHITE NIGHTS FESTIVAL - ST. PETERSBURG

White Nights is a famous event in the north of Russia. It is especially popular in St. Petersburg. The festival Stars of the White Nights started in 1993 by Anatoly Sobchak. It happens every year in summer, especially in June.

In this festival, there are concerts by musicians and artists from different styles. Many international artists also join the festival. St. Petersburg's White Nights are very famous for opera and ballet. The Hermitage Theatre and the Mariinsky Theatre are important places for the festival.

There are also many outdoor activities. During the festival, people can walk and enjoy the historical and touristic places in the city. The big rivers and old buildings in St. Petersburg look very beautiful during the White Nights. The festival is usually celebrated with many activities near the Neva River in the city center.





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