

# The IEI Reporter

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**Birthday**



**Minkoro**

**Coulibaly**  
Sept. 1

**Ana Sanchez**  
Sept. 8

**Ricardo**  
**Blasoni**

Sept. 18

**Adrian Silva**  
**Reyes** Sept. 17

**Jurarat**  
**Suranun** Sept. 28

**Ravinder Kolu-**  
**kundo** Sept. 20

**Alberto Espin-**  
**ios** Sept. 23

**Momoko Hattori**  
Sept. 23

**Hye Rim Park**  
Sept. 11

**Fair Day**  
**Tuesday,**  
**September 23**

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## The Moon Day by: Thanh Nguyen



**The Moon Day**  
Near the middle of September, I really miss one of the traditional days in my country. That day is called Moon Day or “Tet Trung Thu”. On that day, the children are bought a toy which is called “long den” to go around with their friends. And their parents sit together to eat moon cakes and drink tea. Although it’s almost the same as the Chinese Moon Day, my country tries to make it special for the children. They change the way to celebrate it every year. If you have the opportunity to come to my country on that day, you will be surprised.

We have many kinds of moon cakes. If you are a vegetarian, you can choose sweet cakes. The sweet cakes are made from green beans, red beans and salty eggs. Or you can choose regular cakes with meat, seeds and eggs. It can be a square or a circle. Vietnamese people usually buy it and give it to their friends and family. It’s very traditional.

*Seeing is.....*

*How I can learn. Patricia*

*Happiness. Thanh*

*Expecting. Aimee*

*The best gift of life. Hamza*

*A very important experience in life. In Young*

## My Best Vacation

By: Mohamed Coulibaly

When I was in New York on vacation last month with my family it was “My Best Vacation Ever”. I was with my mother and my little sister. We went to many places, like Times Square, Manhattan, and Queens. Every morning my mother cooked for us, and every night she made dinner for us. Sometimes, we went to a restaurant, like Japanese or African.

Every Saturday, my sister and I went to the movies with my other friends from my country and sometimes my sister and I went to the gym. My vacation in New York gave me many good memories, and it was wonderful.



*The early bird.....*

*Arrives quickly to his destiny. Patricia*

*Is the winner. Thank*

*Is the first winner. Aimee*

*Will be the first. Hamza*

*Will go to sleep earlier than others at night.*

*In Young*

*Will be successful. Moctar*

*Is always first. Marouane*

## My Strange Experience

By; In Young Kang

I will talk about a strange experience. I'm not sure if you will believe my story, or not, but I don't care if you don't believe my story because it is real and true!

When I was 11 years old, I used to stay home with my younger sister until my parents came back home from their work place. They used to work until late at night. I liked to play the piano, also I was playing the piano that day, which I want to talk about, and my sister was sitting beside me. While I was playing the piano, I felt very strange and afraid without any reason, then I felt cold on my back and the hair stood up on my head because I was scared. I noticed that someone was behind me, but there were only me and my sister at the house! I couldn't move and look behind me. Can you imagine this situation? Then I moved just my eyes, not my body or even my face, and I tried to see in back of me through the reflection on the piano like a mirror. At that time, I saw a woman who I had never seen before, and she wore white clothes and was looking down at me. She was a ghost!!! I still remember her face, and I will never forget this scary event.

Do you wonder what my reaction was after that? I was just screaming very hard. Do you have any strange experiences like me? This is the strangest event for me.



## The Sly Fox

By: Hamza Alnaimat

Once upon a time when the animals led the world, there was a great kingdom in the east. The lion was the king and all the animals were afraid of him. One day, the king was very sick and everybody came to see him except the fox. The lion said, "Where is the fox? I have been sick for three days and he has not come to visit the king. Why?" All the animals looked at each other. Then the wolf said, "My great lord, the fox doesn't like you and he hopes that you die." The face of the lion turned red. He was angry and he said, "Okay, he will see."

In the night, the tiger went to visit the fox, and he told him about every thing that had happened in the palace. In the morning, the fox went to the palace, and he took a gift with him to the king. The fox said, "My great lord, the king of the kings. I hope you will be okay soon." The animals were surprised when they saw the fox. The lion said, "I have been sick for three days. Where have you been?" The fox smiled and said..... TO BE CONTINUED



## Moctar Konate

Hi! I am Moctar Konate from Mali in West Africa. After IEI, I am planning to get my graduate degree in Biology and apply to medical school. I like to play soccer; I like to meet people and to go out. I like to try new things. When I become a doctor I want to go back to Mali. I like to play video games. I am a very simple person and I



take life each day as it comes.

Whenever you see me, you will say that I am a good guy. You are right about that, but to know that, you have to be close to me. If you pay attention, you will know that without being in contact with me. One of my teachers said that I have the most beautiful smile in the world? Who said it?

Friends By: Aimee Aholou

Hey! My name is Aimee.

I am a very nice person and I like to be friendly with other people, so, of course, I have many friends. I will tell you what I would do if my best friend stole something which belonged to me. Generally I really trust everybody especially my best friend. However, if my best friend stole something from me I would try to find out if it was really her who stole my money or bag etc...I would never accuse her before I got proof. However, if it is her, I will ask her why she did that or why she didn't ask me. I am not going to take that like a big problem. I will just break this relationship between her and me, but before breaking this relationship, I will tell her to bring back the thing that she stole. Sometimes, people say don't trust anybody even if it is your best friend and I think this is a good proverb.



## **The Sears Tower**

**By: Patricia Rodriguez**

**Hello everyone!!**

**Today I am going to talk about the Sears Tower; this is an interesting place. This summer my family and I had the opportunity to see it. The Sears Tower is in Chicago, Illinois. It was the tallest building in North America since 1973, the tower has 109 floors and it is 1,730 feet high. The Sears Tower is a center of work and commerce for thousands of Chicagoans. Also, you can see Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, from the top the tower. It is visited by more than 1.5 million tourists each year. From the Sears Tower you can see all of the city. I can say, in my opinion, the Sears Tower is a beautiful building to see.**

## **My Vacation**

**By: Marouane Iddir**

**I spent the month of August in my home country, Tunisia. I did all of the good stuff. I went swimming and to parties and saw my friends and family. I ate Tunisian food and I got a new girlfriend, Hamide. She is studying economics at the university. She is very beautiful and has a nice friend. That is why Hamza and Mohamed will be visiting Tunisia next summer. To be continued.....**

## ***What I Really Want.....***

*I'd love to speak fluent Italian. George Clooney*

*I'd love to see my kids as happy adults. Steve Carell*

*I really want to be superman. Jackie Chan*

*I want to find Treasure Island and meet John Silver because I want to be rich as soon as possible. Hamza*

*I really want to be successful in life so I can move around the world. Aimee*

*I really want to buy a house, a new car, have a good job, and, if I can I want to help my country develop. Thank Someday I'll be married with a man, and I'll live with him a long time. So I really want to meet a very good man who is successful, handsome, kind, nice, and takes care of our family very well. In Young*

*I really want to become a doctor and make the world the best place to live. Moctar*

*I really want to be a good father and be successful in life.*

*Marouane*

*I really want to do a lot of things. First, I want to finish my program and IEI and learn to understand English. One day I want to have a family. Patricia*

*To help my country and be the president of Mali.*

*Mohamed*







