

Making Peace

An activity of "Fighting war and growing peace between India and Pakistan".

Nitin Sonawane, Yogesh Vishwamitra, and Jalandharnath Channole are three peace activists from India who seek to promote peace with their neighbouring country, Pakistan. India and Pakistan used to be part of the same British colony. But, ever since becoming independent nations, there have been violence and tension between them. Read "Fighting war and growing peace between India and Pakistan" (page 7, *What's Up* June 2025).

A. Using the *What's Up* story, fill in the details of the activists' peacemaking mission.

The three Indian activists' peacemaking mission in Pakistan

1. Length of mission:
2. What they preached:
3. How they were treated in Pakistan:
4. What they were gifted with when leaving:

B. Grafting is a technique whereby a bud or a young shoot of a plant is joined to the stem or root another plant in such a way that they grow as one plant. When the three activists returned to India, they grew the Pakistani mango sapling into a tree and grafted it with an Indian mango shoot.

What message do you think they wanted to express through the grafting of the plants?

- C. The peace activists received kindness and care while in Pakistan. From the story, what can you infer about the attitudes they had that may have contributed to the friendly responses from the Pakistanis?

- D. At school, conflicts can arise between classmates due to misunderstandings, gossip, rivalry or differences in values. Circle the actions below that help promote peace during conflicts.

Speak loudly to make a stand. Strive to win every argument.

Admit it if you did wrong. Avoid bad gestures. Use kind words.

Think before speaking. Be mindful of one's body language.

React badly to negative statements. Give others the silent treatment.

Stay calm. Stay angry. Choose to do the right thing.

Speak humbly. Put yourself in the other person's shoes.

Do not apologise first. Show patience. Put yourself first.

Take the initiative to reach out. Smile and be friendly.

- E. What other actions can you think of that help bring about reconciliation during conflicts between friends?
