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The 28th of MAY – The REPUBLIC DAY

Long Live Azerbaijan!

There is nothing more valuable for a nation than its independence. The independence which is gained with priceless efforts, courage and great heart. As it is said, to handle yourself use your head, but to handle others use your heart.

From time to time our country was under the occupation of different countries. But the most painful and long lasting of them was the period when we were under the occupation of Russia. In the beginning of the XX century our country was the part of the Transcaucasia Democratic Federative Republic.

lic in the East, was established. Among the important accomplishments of the Parliament there was the extension of suffrage to women, making Azerbaijan the first Muslim nation to grant women equal political rights with men. Mahammad Amin Rasulzade is widely regarded as the founder of the ADR. His famous words saying “The flag once raised will never fall!” sound like a motto for all times. During its short existence, which lasted only for 23 months, Azerbaijani Democratic Republic existed like a democratic, sovereign and peaceful republic. Today we celebrate this day as our Republic Day which is a symbol of independence and democracy.



The conflicts among the countries forming the union were so sharp that the future of the union seemed impossible. On 26 May 1918, after the Transcaucasian Democratic Federative Republic fell and its bodies were dissolved.

The 28th of May is remarkable as The Republic Day. On this day Azerbaijani Democratic Republic, the first democratic republic

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LESSONS ARE OVER

My name is Sabina Mammadova. It is my first year in Khazar University. My faculty is English Teacher. 27 of May was our final lesson from English for Professional Communication. Our instructor is Gulnaz Hajiyeva. Our last lesson was very interesting. Our teacher wished us good luck in exams and success in our future life. We also thanked to our teacher for her teaching, and giving her a bunch of flowers we expressed our gratitude to her. Because we have learnt a lot of new

things from Gulnaz Hajiyeva. She is strict teacher but we love her. Then I showed my presentation. I collected all the photos of students and made a presentation about their favorite phrases in English. Everybody liked the presentation. I saw happiness in their eyes. And they were also a little bit sad, because it was our final lesson. At the end we took photos for sweet memory.

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EXAMS ARE COMING

In our university, after May exams start. For our students exams are terrible and stressful things to study for especially for knowing that they can make or fail their final exams some of them study hard to achieve the best results, but some of them don't study hard they only want to know when their lessons finish. Some students are more active energetic at the end, but some students aren't. They are passive they become lazier and that's why, they fail their exams. But as a good student I want to give some advice to my friends in order to pass their exams please do things below:

First, create a timetable. It is important to budget your time you can know in which time and how many times you will study.

Second, always rewrite your notes in order to help your memory. When you rewrite something, you will probably think about what you are writing, what it is about and why you wrote it down. It is refreshes your

memory, it will be helpful for your exams.

Third, if you are really tired, don't study. It is better to study for 2 hours in a day than to try studying till 2 in the morning. You won't remember anything from that.

Fourth, choose good surrounding if you have bad surrounding. You probably won't be able to study.

Fifth, please, turn the TV off, take a rest, go for a walk with your friends before your exams, just relax and finally be prepared for the big day, for your exams! On the day of your exams look at your notes before the exam begins, so that the information is still fresh in your head.

Good luck to everyone!

I hope that my advice will help you to pass your exams!

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St. Vincent and the Grenadines-Azerbaijan Relations: Bound to Grow (part-2)

The First Part of this article was in previous number of our newspaper.



In part one of this two-part article series I discussed the origin of the fledgling diplomatic relations existing between two very different states located in contrasting regions of the world. On the one hand, there is Azerbaijan, an oil-rich country in Central Asia and, on the other, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, a small Caribbean island. In this second part, I want to go further and discuss areas of cooperation between the two countries and show that Azerbaijan can potentially benefit on many fronts from this relationship. It's already clear that St. Vincent and the Grenadines is benefiting from this relationship as some of its nationals are offered scholarships to pursue higher education in Azerbaijani universities. Let's examine some areas of cooperation where Azerbaijan is likely to benefit.

I have to tell you right off the bat that I have doubts about the possibility of trading in commodities on a large scale between the two states, primarily because of the large distance separating them and the geographical location of Azerbaijan. The fact that Azerbaijan is landlocked presents many logistical challenges. One of them is the geographical particularity of Azerbaijan that would have an upward impact on the prices of goods traded between the two countries. Complex shipping arrangements would inevitably inflate transportation costs. Trade opportunities may exist for some very specific goods. Though St. Vincent and the Grenadines' handicraft industry could offer promising possibilities of export to Azerbaijan, however, this sector puts out rather high-end products, which are rarely consumed on a large scale. Being a future oil powerhouse, Azerbaijan could be an

interesting energy supplier for St. Vincent and the Grenadines, but, here again, our traditional suppliers, especially Venezuela, are located much closer than Azerbaijan and can offer much lower prices for their oil. The bottom line is that the trade in goods between the two countries, while not impossible, is highly improbable because of the logistic and geographic challenges they face.

What are then the benefits that Azerbaijan can gain from a deeper relationship with the St. Vincent and the Grenadines? Two areas come to my mind. First, for Azerbaijani looking for a safe and stable place to put their money, St. Vincent and the Grenadines' highly developed international financial services sector should be given serious considerations. As many Eastern and southern European countries are facing daunting financial problems, Cyprus being the most prominent, many investors who placed their money in these European countries have had to absorb significant losses. St. Vincent and the Grenadines' regulations in the banking sector have recently been revamped by the Financial Services Authority (FSA), a body responsible for the regulation of the financial services industry in that. That makes the banking sector reliable for international transactions, especially offshore banking, mutual funds and trust funds investment. With a world financial industry in turmoil in the wake of the American-born 2007-2008 world crisis, investing money in St. Vincent and the Grenadines' banks should be considered a serious option for wealthy Azerbaijani.

The second business sector where benefits could be gained by Azerbaijani citizens and their government is tourism. As a fast-growing travel destination, St. Vincent and the Grenadines attracts an expanding number of tourists who appreciate the excellent conditions for yachting, diving and snorkelling, and the various possibilities for eco-tourism, cultural tourism and most recently sport tourism. The tourism sector is set to gain a significant boost with the completion of the Argyle International Airport due to become operational in the later part of 2014. The potential for further growth and development in the tourism sector is immense and Azerbaijani investors should look towards the small Caribbean island for potential profits. Huge tracks of land are available and at quite affordable prices. Hotels and resorts can be erected on sites that rival some of the most developed tourist



destinations in the world. With Dubai and many other destinations already highly developed and almost saturated, not to mention expensive prices for middle class tourists, St. Vincent and the Grenadines is about to become an alternative for tourist as well as for investors. It offers also an investor-friendly business environment that Azerbaijani investor could capitalize on.

The economic realities of our countries are very different. St. Vincent and the Grenadines is a small state seeking to develop its service industry so that it can compete in this globalised world, while Azerbaijan is an oil-exporting country with financial resources that need to be invested prudently. St. Vincent and the Grenadines can provide that avenue for investment, while at the same time benefiting from the increased employment that would accompany foreign investment. While the benefits potentially earned by St. Vincent and the Grenadines on a bilateral level are quite obvious, I trust that the benefits would be reciprocal and I honestly hope that many Azerbaijani will jump on the occasion of doing business with my country.



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EXERCISE AND SPORT FACILITIES

Actually students always don't have time to go to sport facilities or for exercising. Nowadays learning is more important for students, who both play sports and learn. I know some of these students. I also train with them. Every student has his or her own reason for training.

Most of people, not only students, exercise to lose weight and to be in good form. Girls usually go to the gym and don't eat much to lose weight. I think you well agree with me that to be in shape is good for everyone. Most of time they are running and training at home with a fitness trainer. The same



can be said for the gyms, but in contrast to the girls boys must train much more to reach perfection. Training is good not only for appearance, but also the inside of the body. Exercise is good for health. It helps fat people to lose weight, also to people who have problems with their heart. During exercise heart beats up to 2 times faster; it was proved by scientists. Also it helps with vision problems.

If we speak about specific sports, students like watching interesting and exciting games. Boys like watching football on TV, check all games in every country league and sometimes play football with group mates. But other guys like single combat sports like boxing, kickboxing and others.

Finally, I can say that sports and exercise help not only for your health but also it helps to spend your free time with exciting and interesting activities with others and no one can imagine life without sport.

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STUDENTS' PRESENTATIONS:



Teachers are creatures that help students open their eyes to the world. Parents bring us to this world; help us to eat, to walk. However teachers help us to live, to see, to understand, to realize in this world. It means that the role of parents and teachers are 50-50%.

I think words "teachers" and "psychologist" should be used together. If someone wants to be a teacher, she first of all should be a psychologist in order to understand students' inner world, psychology. When teacher look through the class she should not see students all together, she should see different individuals.

When I entered Khazar University, when I saw my teachers, I immediately loved them.

From September Parvin Karimova is my English teacher. She is very energetic, kind and patient, her teaching style is modern. Because of these, we students like her. Every lesson she always brings something new to class. To tell the truth, until entering Khazar University, I didn't know what is a PP presentation. She firstly explained what is presentation, how to make presentations and then divided us into groups and demanded presentations. She likes when students search for something new, learning new words.

On May 3rd as usual we had English classes. Parvin Khanim came to class and announced that we will have presentations according to syllabus - "Cities and countries". She divided us into groups. First of all, she chose three team leaders and then in separate piece of papers wrote rest students names. Team leaders came closer and chose their group mates. That was really fair. This treatment made us more friendly. Because students like to work with their friends, not the rest of class.

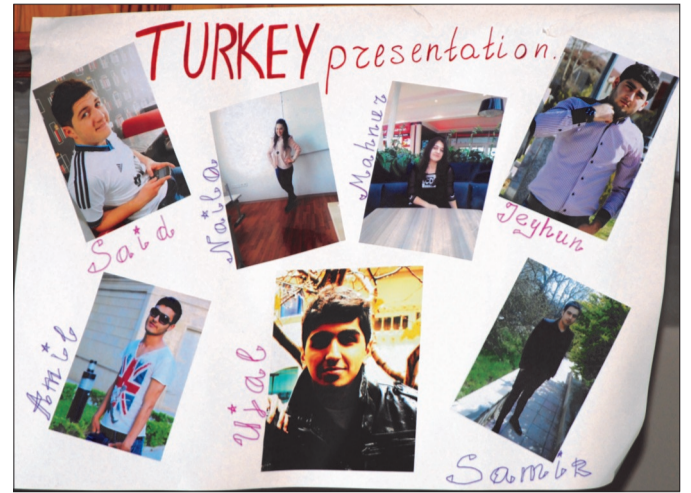
Then the next round started. We had to choose our theme. We were free to choose our topic. After discussions we chose: first group - Azerbaijan, second group - Mexico, third group - Turkey. In this group work our main aim was to attract more tourists for these countries. We picked up a lot of materials, after classes gathered and shared with them, made plans.

At last presentation days came. First group (Azerbaijan) filmed a more about ancient and modern Baku. That was really good job. I know that for filming this movie first group got wet under rain, got suntan under sun rays day by day. However, the result was perfect. Beside this movie they also showed videos about Azerbaijan. Our guests were Jamala Mammadova, Gulnaz Hacıyeva and Jala Qaribova. Everybody liked this presentation and enjoyed.

The next presentation was about Mexico. Second group opened the presentation in Spanish, the national language of Mexico. They presented slide-shows and gave a lot of interesting information about this amazing country.

And the last presentation was about Turkiye. The presentation began with the national anthem of Turkey. The third group showed videos, slides and gave surrounding information. Our teacher from the Department of English Language and Literature Elif Tuylu also was invited to this presentation. She liked this presentation very much. At the end of the presentation, students offered everyone Turkish pakhlava.

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IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION IN FAMILY

The education which children receive at home is more important than they receive at school. Because culture of family helps children a lot. Children see their family every time, and most of them want to be as their mother or father. Their behavior depends on their family and their education which they get at school.

Firstly, their school education is important for them. They learn many things at school which is very useful for their future life. In addition, they see life science lesson at school education in their life.

But family education is much more important than school education. The effects of family on children are more than school. Family's effect on children is more than school. Families can educate their chil-

dren with their own behavior. For instance, if they behave well with other people, and if they seen more diligent, their children will also want to be like their parents.

As a result we can say that, the most important part of children education is their family. We know that, children are such a mirror of their family. At last, consciously, I confirm parents should behave seriously with their children for goodness.

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BOOKS OR COMPUTERS?

To have a success at school and university we have to do a lot of things: find information about something, find new words, read different things, etc. A few years ago people should go to the library. They were reading books there and spending too much time. But now we can find information on the internet. We do not need to leave our homes. Some people even read books on-line. From year to year it becomes easier to get the information we need.

Nowadays, computers are replacing books, books are becoming outdated. Computers have changed the face of the world. E-books are now available all over the web. We can download all kinds of books.

But what is the difference between books and computers? There are a lot of differences and similarities between them. First of all, reading on the computer can cause more damage to your eyes. It is very bad for your health. Books are not this much harmful. Second, most computers are bigger than a book. You can't carry them, can't go to work or university with

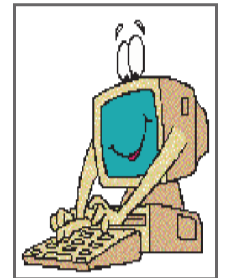
them. Computers need more places in your room and you need to repair them. They work for 3-4 years (maximum). But books are long life and you can read your book everywhere: in the park, at university, at home, etc.

Although, computers are replacing books, they have advantages too. It takes less time to find information, you don't need to go to the library, you stay at home and study for exams or write an essay. I prefer a book to a computer. The light from the computer is too bright, that's why reading from a computer is more difficult for me. I spend 2-3 hours in the library every day. I borrow some books and read them at home. I use computer to connect with my friends. I've never read any novel from the computer. When I read books, I can imagine it in my brain. I can read them everywhere, especially in the car and subway. Reading a book on the subway is my hobby.

In conclusion, both of them are important for us. Today, we can't imagine our world without com-

puters. I hope computers will not replace books, they will not disappear. I am against computerized education. I hope the future of books will continue to be bright. They are cheap and they do not have batteries. Some people think that computers will replace books but I think they will co-exist.

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IMPORTANCE OF CHILDHOOD

All we know that life is impossible without children. Children are our future. We students had our childhood years before and it differed from childhood of new generation. Childhood is sacred period in everyone's life that we remember through our lifetime. Nowadays when we see children in poor conditions, sometimes my heart is broken. Taking into account the fatalities of Nagorno-Karabakh conflict or ongoing wars in the world where children are made sacrifice, we feel pity for them and their families. Today's child is tomorrow's outstanding phenomena. Today's child is the future of us. This situation needs an urgent consideration, especially in rural areas, in special institutions for orphan children. Each individual should protect children of their age

and think of it deeply. Azerbaijani children have been deprived from their childhood as a result of continuing Nagorno-Karabakh conflict. This case should be reached to the related international organizations over time.

Our duty is to explain care, love charity and our rights to children. If we want our children to be diligent and well-bred in society then we must try to do everything for them. When I think about children who died in the war in Syria, children who are suffering from starvation thirst in Kenya I pray God for each my day.

The life of 21st Century differs substantially with its new technologies and devices. Today, children spend their time watching useless TV programs, playing

different games. This case can be resulted in deficiencies for their future life. XXI Century's technology is highly appreciated, but parents need to pay special attention to the time that their children spend on. From that point of view, I kindly ask all the parents and youths not to waste their time, but evaluate them for their future life and future study.



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PARENTS AND CHILDREN

Nowadays children have a lot of opportunities than the children had in the past. It's good for children's point of view to the world. From another side, it detects relationship and respect with family. I agree that many children don't get much attention from their parents as children did in the past and it shows itself in respect and relationship.

For me respect is one of the important things in the world. It de-

pends on upbringing. If parents explain their child how to treat to others or older people in public, it will be visible on child's attitude by its positive sides.

On the other hand if parents don't take care of their child, this child will be disrespectful. Children must be treated good way and it will show its effect in their future life.

Big families come from the course of good relationship. I know

and see the difference between our culture and European culture in upbringing a child. Because I see that our grownups are more respectful, take care of their family, good in relationship than European people and par-

ents. Children also must be explained that it is good to keep in touch with their relatives. But in this case, I think fathers should be in the main role. Relationship is very important to every family.

Finally, parents should grow their children up correctly for the life and position in public. Great persons are the result of upbringing by great parents. Parents should treat their children so kind and equally so strict that in order not to damage their future.

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We don't throw cigarette and candy papers on the floors of our homes, so please don't throw paper, plastics, cigarettes and trash onto the streets and side walks of Baku, the home of all of us.

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