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IPL - 5 : Good, Weird or Crazy

Rohit Khanna

- Cheergirls in shorts... Good !!**
- Cheergirls in BHARATNATYAM costumes... Weird !!**
- Nita Ambani jumping around in Mumbai Indians uniform... Crazy !!**
- Ajinkya Rahane becomes a star overnight... Good !!**
- Navjot Sidhu's expert comments... Weird !!**
- Saurav Ganguly's hair-raising victory lap... Crazy !!**
- Sachin Tendulkar nominated to Rajya Sabha... Good (we hope) !!**
- Rajeev Shukla takes all the credit... Weird !!**
- Asha Bhonsle says... Why Sachin... why not me... Crazy !!!**

I guess there's something Good, Weird and Crazy about practically everything in life... (e.g.: My year old kid finally calls me Papa... Good. My year old kid calls everyone in the house Papa... Weird. My wife and mother-in-law also start calling me Papa... Crazy !!) but IPL-5 is a great example...

IPL is good for Indian cricket... Yusuf Pathan would jump up and say yes. So would Manish Pandey, Robin Uthappa, Ambati Rayadu, Shadab Jakati, Shahbaz Nadeem, Paul Valthaty, Sidharth Trivedi.. even poor old Mohammed Kaif. Its allowing many more cricketers to make a decent living off cricket. It's no longer just the 16 guys playing for India making the big bucks... at least another 100 others are earning well thanks to IPL. Also, IPL becoming a cash cow for the BCCI, means better pay for Ranji trophy players (i.e. another 150 at least) too. More matches in cricket stadiums across the country spells more income for state cricket associations, and hopefully better salaries for their staff as well. In fact, its created work for an entire range of professionals... coaches, fitness trainers, cheerleaders, even media teams specializing in sports coverage. And the list gets long, weird and crazy if you include touts, bookies, Shahrukh Khan, Priety Zinta, Shilpa Shetty, Sid Mallya, and of course Rajeev Shukla!

IPL is weird for cricket too... it's the premier platform for that bastardized form of the gentleman's game – T20. And many believe T20 is killing 'REAL' cricket. Look at those 'reverse sweeps' that Kevin Pietersen and so many others are playing – many say there's never been an uglier cricket shot. The bouncer is dead, preparing 'green tops' is discouraged, and 'agricultural' batsmen like Yusuf Pathan, mediocre talent like Steve Smith, Dimitri Mascarenhas and Kevon Cooper are celebrated. Purists like VVS Laxman go 'unsold' at IPL auctions, even a 'run-a-ball' strike rate is not good enough, and a well executed defensive stroke just earns 'boos' from the crowd ! And what's this 'auctioning' cricketers all about? Could there be anything more crassly commercial than an 'auction' for cricketers?

But then, lets flip the subject around – if you are a great cricketer, you will be great in any form of the game – Sehwag and Gayle have scored over 300 in tests twice and are fearsome in T20 as well. Rahane and Gambhir are technically 'pure' and yet top contenders for the Orange Cap in IPL-5. Jacques Kallis is flourishing in IPL-5, one of the greatest all-rounders ever. Sachin himself is a great supporter of T-20, so is Dravid, so is Kumble, and these guys have had awesome test careers and yet have sat through those crass cricket 'auctions'. And to the auctions themselves – would you as a cricketer like to be under-sold at a private meeting with Mukesh Ambani's shark-like negotiators who would use all their corporate 'saam-daam-dand-bhed' to beat your price down OR would you like a forum where the sharks end up fighting each other over you in a bidding war. Crass it may seem, even is, BUT there's no way Yusuf and Irfan Pathan or Ravindra Jadeja would have walked away with the incredible salaries that they are being paid, if it wasn't for that BIG BAD Auction! Think about it... *iss baat mein dum hai !* AND YET... IPL is potentially crazy, and potentially self-defeating for Indian cricket too. How so... especially after all that I've spelt out in the last paragraph? The worry is about how IPL is affecting India's top cricketers. IPL may be the straw that's breaking the Indian XI's back. After IPL-4 last year came the 4-0 thrashing in England... then last winter the 4-0 thrashing in Australia. Would linking these to IPL be a bit harsh... ? For some, maybe, BUT I feel that mentally and emotionally the team peaked at the World Cup final, and then because of the big money they stood to earn, they physically willed themselves to play IPL-4 (which is mentally and emotionally pretty non-taxing... unless you are Lalit Modi). After that, they were just far too drained in every way to compete in England, and I do think that problem stayed with them in Australia as well. And I feel that the guy who represents this symptom the most, is India's current cricket super-hero MS Dhoni. He can still play the occasional blinder... BUT lets accept, he's a pale shadow of the Captain Courageous that we all bowed down to at the World Cup last year!

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Has anything to share - We are all ears!!! Please send in your articles to: qualitimes@qualitreeinc.com

Part II - Testing "Search" is simple! Think Again!!!

Hrishi P

Out of box Search functionality:

In addition to field based search lucene also supports some out of box search functionality to give user more control to find specific and relevant results such as –

- Wildcard – To perform a single character wildcard search use the "?" symbol.
To perform a multiple character wildcard search use the "*" symbol.
- Phrase search – "Hrishi Potdar"
- Proximity search - "Belgium Chapter"~2 should bring back results with these 2 words within 2 word distance
- Boosting - search for student^2 membership and student related content should get preference over membership
- Booleans - search with NOT AND OR
- Grouping
- Field groupings

Other test scenarios:

As a good QA one should never forget to test exceptions, if you forget some; it can easily give a bad impression to end user.

- Test for No results found messages
- If searc* is supported that does not necessarily mean *earch is also supported
- Special characters
- Foreign language char

Additional testing challenges:

In addition if the site or application operates on Load balancer, always make sure you test each node independently for consistency.

Performance:

In today's world of mobile apps, performance cannot be ignored. Per my experience for a content store of 50000+ articles and papers the average response time was recorded as @ 0.19 sec under significant load. Not bad hmm J

Stay Tuned:

Whatever I have discussed so far is consider a very basic requirement and functionality of a simple search engine. In my next article I would like to share some more advanced fun features of search. Remember; person usually use search when he/she does not exactly know what he is looking for and what makes it more challenging is to give exactly what user wants.

(Hrishi Potdar has a rich experience working with various testing tools and implementing various software testing methodologies.)

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AND THAT... brings me to the real VILLAN in this whole IPL Circus - the BCCI and the little cozy club of businessmen who own the IPL teams. There is ZERO transparency. WHO really owns the Jaipur team?? WHY did the Kochi franchise vanish overnight?? HOW did the HUGE problems between Sahara and the BCCI get sorted out overnight? WHAT is Lalit Modi actually guilty off?? IF Lalit Modi committed financial irregularities, how come NO ONE else knew? How come no one else is guilty? HOW do we know that ALL finances are now clean?? HOW is Rajiv Shukla qualified to be Commissioner of the IPL?? WHY didn't the Punjab team have enough money for the auction this year?? Was Flintoff's auction 3 years ago, fixed to favor CSK?? Or Pollard's auction fixed to favour MI??

I am NOT saying that the IPL is a lousy business idea. It's a GREAT idea, because obviously there was a MUCH greater appetite for cricket than anyone imagined, and the IPL has monetized that potential. BUT just like any other corporate entity its finances MUST be an open book. Firstly, so that everyone financially linked to the IPL is satisfied about its fiscal health. BUT even MORE importantly, to keep the fair name of the gentleman's game untainted, and along with that the reputations of India's cricket super heroes who play the Game. 'Cos IF the whiff or the stain of illegality... of cozy back-room deals... of 'fixing' team compositions, maybe even the occasional match result... were to touch the Icons whom the fans follow and worship... then IPL will be doomed, and along with it will vanish ALL the good that the IPL has done for Indian cricket and its cricketers! And that will be beyond weird or crazy !! It will just be SAD!

(Rohit Khanna is an executive producer at CNN-IBN, India and has earned fame for his sincere writings)

Oye Hoye !!!



**Fashion Fades...
Only the Style remains !!**

In Ascending order and from left to right ...

Parthive, Charanjeet and Sunmeet posing for a Kodak moment.

It's party time folks!!

Vipin, Charanjeet, Suresh, Brinder and Sunmeet seen at a social gathering organized by Qualitree, Newark.

Punches, pulls and bumps!!

May 3 - Rajesh R

May 3 - Sushma P

May 5 - Bharath K

May 10 - Vipin K

May 13 - Surendra K

May 15 - Sreekanth K

May 15 - Thyaga K

May 15 - Kishore K

May 22 - Harshpreet D

May 25 - Supriya U

May 30 - Surinder P

Band Baajaa Naresh

Tum jio hazaaron saal...Saal ke din ho kain hazaar...
Qualitimes wishes Naveen a very happy, warm and prosperous year ahead!!



*You have chosen each other above all the rest
To share your love and laughter to live life at its best
May you always fill each other's lives with love.*

Qualitimes wishes Naresh and Kalpana a very happy married life and all the success in this beginning of new journey!

JUMBLE

SNHO

RADF


LEFAB

RVAECI

BILOEF

Participate and win; the first correct entry wins a gift of \$10.00*.

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QA ka Vijay

Business Manager:

“Vijay, would you mind looking at this small functionality change for me for the project you worked on 6 months back with us? It will only take few hrs of your time”

Vijay:

“Jao Jake ooss aadmika sign leke aao jisne iska business case likha, Jao jake ooss aadmika sign leke aao jisne iske requirement document banaye, Jao jake oss aadmika sign leke aao jisne isse develop kiya, Aur fir, aur fir aap jis application ko bologe, ooss application ko mai test karke fek doonga”

Hrishi P

Answers to last month's Jumble:

- FLOUT
- VENAL / NAVEL
- PAUCITY
- PUERILE
- COGENT

Last Month's Winner:
Shameem S


Other correct entries:
Madhukar G, Rakesh D, Vijayant R, Brian H

Answers to last month's Word Puzzle:


- NEVEN / LEVEL
- TOROT
- OTTO
- TERRET
- KEEK / DEED / PEEP

Last month's winner:
Srikanth M

Other correct entries:
Srikanth K, Shameem S, Madhukar G, James J, Rakesh B, Sanjay L, Raviraj J



- Qualitree's relationship further strengthens with its existing soft phone development client. More testing projects to be executed from the offshore testing centers in Bangalore and Toronto.
- Q goes Q - In order to increase its footprint in Canada, Qualitree has increased its focus in the Quebec province of Canada. Negotiations in the final stages with many companies in the Quebec province.
- Qualitree consolidates its relationship with a non profit organization from the Ontario province of Canada. A successful completion of a short term assignment resulted in the promising start of the much longer assignment. The assignment starts in the middle of the month.
- Qualitree and Zap-fX in close talks with a mobile application development company in the Ontario province of Canada. The tool is under evaluation and its success will embark a new relationship.



In the following word puzzles, a word starts and ends with the same letter. Figure out the words and win*

1	_ P I C U R _	
2	_ R Y S _	
3	_ I L L O _	
4	_ T A S I _	
5	_ O M P E _	

* Send in your entries to "qualitimes@qualitreeinc.com" with the subject "Word Puzzle"
The first correct entry wins a gift of \$10.00