

A One Day Cricket Match

Cricket has its own glories and wonders. It is really an interesting game. Nothing can be more exciting than a One-Day Cricket match between India and Pakistan. I was glued to the T.V. set right from the first half. I was disappointed and disgusted to find that the entire Indian team was bundled out for just 173 runs in 45.3 overs. The stadium was resounding with the shouts of '*Pakistan zindabad.*' Pakistan's green flag was in sight everywhere. India's tricolor had simply vanished. Our fielders took the field. But the very first delivery by the opening bowler up-rooted Pakistani opener's middle-stump. The Indian spectators work up. A few tri-colors popped up. But nothing happened for the next fifty runs until a young. Left arm spinner from South India, making a debut at Lahore, took over. This young boy brought about the collapse of Pakistan with two consecutive hat tricks. The stadium became alive with slogans of 'Hindustan Zindabaad'. The entire Pakistan team was out in just 35.2 overs for 172 runs. My father joined me in the patriotic dance of excitement in from of the T.V set. The young bowler who tore apart the Pakistani batting was declared 'Man of the Match'. It was really an exciting and unforgettable match.