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Leyth Sharaf is a Year 11 student at Dubai College and the author of *Seventeen Missions to Save the World*, a science fiction adventure that introduces young readers to the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Inspired by authors such as Rick Riordan, Sharaf blends humour, action and imagination in a story about two teenagers who are pulled through a time portal into 17 dystopian futures and must return to 2025 to prevent them from becoming reality.

Sharaf's passion for writing developed during a selective summer creative writing course in the United States for academically gifted students. Last year, he explored language and artificial intelligence through a project on natural language processing and public sentiment analysis, which earned him the "Best Innovation" award at the UAE Science Fair in 2025.



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