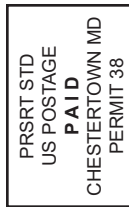


Trivia



Bend your arm at the elbow and flex. What do you see when you look at your bicep? The ancient Romans apparently saw the resemblance of a tiny rodent, which is why it's called a "muscle," a word derived from the Latin term *musculus* meaning "little mouse."



NASA has found some pretty incredible things in space, and that includes a floating reservoir of water that holds the equivalent of 140 trillion times all the water that's in Earth's oceans. What makes it even more amazing is the fact that the reservoir surrounds a giant black hole.

The term "toast", as in drinking to one's health, comes from the literal practice of dropping a piece of toast in your drink. In the 16th century, it was common practice to add a piece of scorched or spiced toast to wine. The bread would help to soak up some of the acidity and improve flavor in poor wine.

Google Images (previously Google Image Search) is a search engine owned by Google that allows users to search the World Wide Web for images. It was introduced on July 12, 2001, due to a demand for pictures of the green Versace dress that Jennifer Lopez wore in February 2000.

The blob of toothpaste on a toothbrush has a name. It's called a "nurdle" and there was once a lawsuit over which toothpaste company had the right to portray it.

There is a Boring, Oregon and a Dull, Scotland. They have been sister cities since 2012.

"Jay" used to be slang for a foolish person. It is derived from an early (at least as early as the beginning of the 16th Century) use of jay to refer to a chattering, stupid or foolish person, a reference to the bird's characteristic noise. This is where the term "jaywalker" comes from.

Each of the suits on a deck of cards represents one of the four major pillars of the economy in the middle ages: hearts represented the Church, spades represented the military, clubs represented agriculture, and diamonds represented the merchant class.



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Dates in History

1881 On May 21st, In Washington, D.C., humanitarians Clara Barton and Adolphus Solomons founded the American National Red Cross, an organization established to provide humanitarian aid to victims of wars and natural disasters in congruence with the International Red Cross. Barton worked with the sick and wounded during the American Civil War and became known as the “Angel of the Battlefield” for her tireless dedication.

1953 On May 29th, at 11:30 a.m. Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay, a Sherpa of Nepal, became the first explorers to reach the summit of Mount Everest, which at 29,035 feet above sea level is the highest point on earth. The two, part of a British expedition, made their final assault on the summit after spending a fitful night at 27,900 feet. News of their achievement broke around the world on June 2, the day of Queen Elizabeth II’s coronation, and Britons hailed it as a good omen for their country’s future.

2010 On May 20th, a masked man crept into Paris’s Musée d’Art Moderne and slipped out with five priceless paintings, including Pablo Picasso’s “Le Pigeon aux Petits Pois,” Henri Matisse’s “La Pastorale” along with works by Georges Braque, Fernand Léger and Amedeo Modigliani, collectively worth about \$70 million at the time. Vjerman Tomic, who came to be known as “Spider-Man” for scaling the sides of buildings for entry, and who honed his parkour skills as a teen scaling the gravestones and mausoleums of Paris’s Père Lachaise cemetery, was convicted and sentenced to eight years in prison. Investigators are still hunting down the paintings, which experts have described as unsellable on the open market.

On the Lighter Side



According to a recent study, 9 out of 10 people who are afraid of hurdles never get over it.

“Poor old fool,” thought the gentleman as he watches an old man fish in a puddle outside a restaurant. He invites the old man inside for a meal and asks, “So how many have you caught today?”

The old man replies, “You’re the eighth.”

A pair of cows were talking in the field. One says,

“Have you heard about the mad cow disease that’s going around?”

“Yeah,” the other cow says.

“Makes me glad I’m a penguin.”

I accidentally handed my wife a glue stick instead of ChapStick.

She still isn’t talking to me.

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. John Watson went on a camping trip. After sharing a good meal, they retire to their tent for the night. At about 3 AM, Holmes nudges Watson and asks,

“Watson, look up into the sky and tell me what you see?”

Watson says, “I see millions of stars.”

Holmes asks, “And, what does that tell you?”

Watson replies, “Astronomically, it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo. Theologically, it tells me that God is great and we are small and insignificant. Horologically, it tells me that it’s about 3 AM. Meteorologically, it tells me that we will have a beautiful day tomorrow. What does it tell you, Holmes?”

Holmes retorts, “Someone stole our tent.”

