

Trivia

As the days grow darker in winter, reindeer eyes change colors from gold to blue.

Bristlecone pines are the world's oldest living things: They can be up to 5,000 years old.

It would take 133 days to drive to the moon.

Joseph and Noah McVicker were trying to make a wallpaper cleaner when they invented Play-Doh.

The trap-jaw ant can bite at 145 MPH.

The wind blows 27.7 million tons of dust from the Sahara desert to the Amazon Rainforest annually.

You have the same number of hairs as a chimpanzee.

Sixty crocus flowers produce one teaspoon of saffron.

The fastest car is the ThrustSCC, whizzing by at 763 MPH.

In 1963, Valentina Tereshkova became the first woman in space.

Carrots were originally purple.

The Wat Pa Maha Chedi Kaew temple in Thailand is made of 1 million glass bottles.

8% of the world's currency can be put into a piggy bank. The rest exists only on computers.

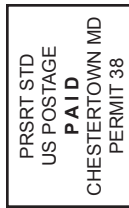
Humans are made of 28 different elements.

Willow trees talk to one another. If attacked by a caterpillar, a willow produces a smell that sends a warning to other willows.

Peach melba was named after Australian operatic soprano Dame Nellie Melba.

Every 1,000-franc coin from the Ivory Coast has a tiny piece of mammoth in it.

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Dates in History

1559 On this day in history, at midday on 15th January 1559, the 25 year-old daughter of Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn was crowned Queen Elizabeth I at Westminster Abbey by Owen Oglethorpe, Bishop of Carlisle. Elizabeth I ruled England for over 44 years and her reign is known as "The Golden Age".

1888 Notable for his strong vocals, virtuosity on the twelve-string guitar, and the song book of folk standards he introduced, Huddie William Leadbetter, known as "Lead Belly", was born January 20th. A man of many talents, Huddie could also play the piano, mandolin, harmonica, violin, and the accordion.

1896 First college basketball game with five players on each side is conducted by the University of Iowa on January 18th. Iowa invites student athletes from University of Chicago for an experimental game where Chicago beats Iowa 15-12.

1907 On January 23rd, Charles Curtis of Kansas became the first person of Native American ancestry to serve in the U.S. Senate. He later served as vice president under President Herbert Hoover from 1929-1933.

1950 On January 6th India officially proclaimed itself a republic as Rajendra Prasad took the oath of office as president. An Indian politician, journalist and lawyer by training, Prasad held the office until 1962.

2007 On January 9th Steven P. Jobs introduced Apple's long-awaited entry into the cellphone world, the iPhone.

On the Lighter Side

Breaking a leg during an audition ensures that you end up in the cast.

I rode the elevator to the eleventh floor, and as I got out, the operator said, "Have a good day, son."
"Don't call me son," I said. "You're not my dad."
He scratched his head and said, "No, but I brought you up, didn't I?"

Every morning for the past six months, I've announced loudly to my family that I'm going for a jog, and then I haven't.

It's a running joke.

I just got over my addiction to chocolate, marshmallows and nuts.

I won't lie, it was a Rocky Road.

What can you see in the middle of March and April that you can never see in any other month?
The letter R.

Jimmy's mother had three children. The first was called April, the second was called May. What was the name of the third?
Jimmy.

A kid in school hands in a blank piece of paper for his art homework.

The teacher says, "What's this?"

The kid says, "A picture of a cow eating grass."

The teacher asks, "Where's the grass?"

The kid says, "The cow ate it all."

The teacher says, "Ok, then where's the cow?"

The kid says, "It left because there was no more grass."