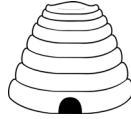


# Trivia



Honey never spoils. Archaeologists have discovered pots of honey in ancient Egyptian tombs that are over 3,000 years old and still perfectly edible. The natural composition of honey, with its low moisture content and acidic pH, creates an environment inhospitable to bacteria and microorganisms, giving it an eternal shelf life.

When you wake up in the morning you are taller than when you go to sleep, because you have let your spine straighten back out after all the bending, sitting, and moving you have done.

Bananas are berries, but strawberries aren't. Berries are defined as fleshy fruits produced from a single ovary, and bananas fit this description, making them berries, while strawberries are classified as aggregate fruits.

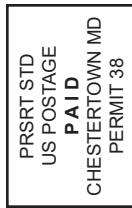
Cows have best friends. Research has shown that cows form close bonds with certain individuals within their herd, and they can become stressed when separated from their best friends. These social animals demonstrate a complex network of relationships within their groups.

Multitasking is impossible. When we think we're multitasking, we're actually context switching. That is, we're quickly switching back and forth between different tasks, rather than doing them at the same time. Research shows your error rate goes up 50 percent and it takes you twice as long to do things.

Octopi have three hearts. Two pump blood to the gills, while the third pumps it to the rest of the body. The unique cardiovascular system of octopuses contributes to their remarkable agility and adaptability.



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# Dates in History

## 323 BC

On June 13th, Alexander the Great, the young Macedonian military genius who forged an empire stretching from the eastern Mediterranean to India, died in Babylon (present day Iraq), at the age of 32. Finally reaching Babylon, Alexander began constructing a large fleet to take his army back to Egypt. However, in June 323 B.C., just as the work on his ships was reaching its conclusion, Alexander fell sick and died. Perhaps earnestly believing himself to be a god (as many of his subjects did), he had not selected a successor, and within a year of his death his army and his empire broke into a multitude of warring factions. His body was later returned to Alexandria, where it was laid to rest in a golden coffin.

## 1942

On June 4th, 1942, the Battle of Midway, one of the most decisive U.S. victories against Japan during World War II, began. During the four day sea and air battle, the outnumbered U.S. Pacific Fleet succeeded in destroying four Japanese aircraft carriers while losing only one of its own, the Yorktown, to the previously invincible Japanese navy. When the Battle of Midway ended, Japan had lost four carriers, a cruiser and 292 aircraft, and suffered an estimated 2,500 casualties. The U.S. lost the Yorktown, the destroyer USS Hammann, 145 aircraft and suffered approximately 300 casualties.

## 1950

On June 25th, an American team composed largely of amateurs defeated its more polished English opponents at the World Cup, held in Belo Horizonte, Brazil. Dubbed the "Miracle on Green," the game is considered one of the greatest soccer upsets of all time.

# On the Lighter Side

Why shouldn't pigs drive?  
They hog the road.



Once I ate at a fancy Italian restaurant.  
It cost a pretty penne.

Did you hear the sausage joke?  
It's the wurst.

What do you call a toothless bear?  
A gummy bear.

Knock, knock.  
Who's there?

Cows go.  
Cows go who?  
No, cows go moo!

John had a blind date at the gym.  
She didn't show up, so I guess they won't work out.

Are people born with photographic memories,  
or does it take time to develop?

I once wrote a song about a tortilla,  
but it's more of a wrap.

Have you heard the rumor about butter?  
Never mind, I shouldn't be spreading it.

What do you call a cow with no legs?  
Ground beef.

