

# Trivia

*did you know that ...*

The youngest pope was 11 years old, Pope Benedict IX.

*They have square watermelons in Japan - they stack better.*

A quarter has 119 grooves on its edge, a dime has one less groove.

*The flashing warning light on the cylindrical Capitol Records tower spells out HOLLYWOOD in Morse code.*

Hostess Twinkies were originally filled with banana filling. The filling was changed during World War II when the United States experienced a banana shortage.

*If you stretch a standard Slinky out flat it measures 87 feet long.*

Two very popular and common objects have the same function, but one has thousands of moving parts, while the other has absolutely no moving parts - an hourglass and a sundial.

*The longest words in the English language with only one syllable are the nine-letter "screeched" and "strengths".*

The Olympic flag's colors are always red, black, blue, green and yellow rings on a field of white. This is because at least one of those colors appears on the flag of every nation on the planet.

*Virginia has the most vanity license plates of any state.*

If a statue in a park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle; if the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle; if the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

*Hawaii is moving toward Japan 4 inches every year.*

In 2018, the month of February will not have a full moon.

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# Dates in History

**1806** On May 30th, Revolutionary war veteran and future President Andrew Jackson kills Charles Dickinson in a duel. Jackson called for the duel after his wife Rachel was slandered as a bigamist by Dickinson, whom referred to a legal error in the divorce from her first husband in 1791. The men rode from their homes in Tennessee to Kentucky, where dueling was legal, in order to settle their deadly feud as gentlemen.

**1897** On May 26th, the first copies of the classic vampire novel Dracula, by Irish writer Bram Stoker, appeared in London bookshops.

**1901** On May 21st, Connecticut became the first state to pass a law regulating motor vehicles, limiting their speed to 12 mph in cities and 15 mph on country roads.

**1957** On May 28th, National League owners voted unanimously to allow the New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers to move to San Francisco and Los Angeles, respectively. There were, however, conditions attached to the owners' decision. First, either both teams had to move or neither could, which meant that if one team reconsidered, the other would have to change their plans as well. Second, both teams had to announce their plans before October 1, 1957.

**1995** On May 20th, to the likely dismay of Washington, D.C.-bound road trippers hoping for a glimpse of the presidential residence through their car windows, President Bill Clinton permanently closed the two-block stretch of Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House to all non-pedestrian traffic as a security measure.

# On the Lighter Side

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club.

A cell phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands free speaker-function and begins to talk.

Everyone else in the room stops to listen.

Man: "Hello."

Woman: "Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?"

Man: "Yes."

Woman: "I am at the mall now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only \$1,000. Is it OK if I buy it?"

Man: "Sure, go ahead if you like it that much."

Woman: "I also stopped by the Mercedes dealership and saw the new 2005 models. I saw one I really liked."

Man: "How much?"

Woman: "\$90,000."

Man: "OK, but for that price, I want it with all the options."

Woman: "Great! Oh, and one more thing .....the house I wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$950,000."

Man: "Well, then go ahead and give them an offer of \$900,000. They will probably take it. If not, we can go the extra 50 thousand. It is really a pretty good price."

Woman: "OK. I'll see you later! I love you so much!!!"

Man: "Bye! I love you, too."

The man hangs up. The other men in the locker room are staring at him in astonishment, mouths agape.....

Then he smiles and asks: "Anyone know who this phone belongs to?"

*A man joined a big national company as a trainee.*

*On his first day he dialed the pantry and shouted into the phone, "Get me a coffee quickly!"*

*The voice from the other side responded, "You've dialed the wrong extension! Do you know who you're talking to?"*

*"No", replied the trainee.*

*"It's the Managing Director of the company!"*

*The man shouted back, "And do you know who YOU are talking to?"*

*"No.", replied the Managing Director.*

*"Good!", replied the trainee and put down the phone!*