

Trivia

The creators of Puma and Adidas, who design and manufacture athletic clothing and accessories, were rival brothers Rudolph Dassler and Adolf Dassler.

Add 250ml of water to 250ml of alcohol and you get less than 500ml of liquid. You will get 480ml, due to the bonding between ethanol and water molecules.

Historians have surmised that Humpty Dumpty was not an egg but a cannon used during the English Civil War of 1642–1649, which the royalists sat atop a wall surrounding the city of Colchester to ward off an attack from the Parliamentarians.

Karl Benz designed and created the first automobile powered by an internal combustion engine in 1885. Benz merged with Daimler in 1926 to create the brand Mercedes-Benz.

The “ManhattAnt” is a unique species of ant found only within a 14-block strip of New York City.

Jeanette Rankin became the first female member of U.S. Congress in 1916, four years before women were given the right to vote.

The facsimile (fax) machine was patented by Scottish inventor Alexander Bain in 1843.

The word “hundred” is derived from the old Norse word “hundrath,” which actually means 120, not 100.

Zero is the only number that can't be represented in roman numerals.

The number Pi is irrational, meaning that Pi cannot be written as a fraction.

Two and five are the only prime numbers that end with two and five.

The only temperature that is the same in both Fahrenheit and Celsius is -40°.



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Dates in History

1590 Pope Urban VII died on September 27th, thirteen days after being chosen as Pope, making his reign the shortest papacy in history. He was 69 years old upon his death.

1630 Boston was founded by English Puritans fleeing religious persecution. A fleet of 11 ships carrying 700 people sailed from England to Massachusetts. At first the people settled at Charlestown, which had been founded the year before. However, fresh water was scarce, so most of the new settlers moved across the river to a peninsula called Trimountaine. On September 7th, the new settlement was named Boston, after the town in England from which many of the settlers came.

1817 Born in Corinth, Vermont, Alexander Lucius Twilight, an educator and legislator, was the third of six children of Mary and Ichabod Twilight. Indentured to a local farmer, Twilight worked in his spare time and eventually saved enough to purchase the last year of his indenture. Twilight went on to attend Randolph Academy and in 1821 graduated with the equivalent of a high-school degree and two years of college. He then entered Middlebury College and received his B.A. degree on September 9, 1823. Twilight was the first African American to graduate from an American college.

1905 The physics journal *Annalen der Physik* published Albert Einstein's paper "Does the Inertia of a Body Depend Upon Its Energy Content?", on September 27th. The paper introduced the equation $E=mc^2$, which says that energy and mass (matter) are interchangeable; they are different forms of the same thing.

1922 The first 3D film, called *The Power of Love*, had its premiere at Los Angeles' Ambassador Hotel Theater on September 27th.

On the Lighter Side

Why were the teacher's eyes crossed?
She couldn't control her pupils!

Teacher: Didn't I tell you to stand at the end of the line?

Student: I tried but there was someone already there!

How is an English teacher like a judge?
They both give out sentences.

Why did the teacher go to the beach?
To test the water.

Teacher: If I had six oranges in one hand and seven apples in the other, what would I have?

Student: Big hands!

Teacher: If you got \$20 from five people, what do you get?

Student: A new bike.

Teacher: What is the shortest month?

Student: May. It only has three letters.

Teacher: Answer my question at once. What is seven plus two?

Student: At once!

Why did closing her eyes remind the teacher of her classroom?

Because there were no pupils to see.

What did the ghost teacher say to the class?
Look at the board and I will go through it again.

Why did the teacher write on the window?
Because she wanted the lesson to be very clear!

What has five eyes and is laying on the water?
The Mississippi River