## Trivia



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You lose a large percentage of your taste buds while on an airplane. The combination of dryness and low pressure reduces the sensitivity of your taste buds to sweet and salty foods by around 30%, according to a 2010 study.

Snails need moisture to survive; so if the weather is not cooperating, they can actually sleep up to three years. It has been reported that depending on geography, snails can shift into hibernation, or estivation (also known as 'summer sleep'), helping to escape warm climates.

In a group of 23 people, there is a 50% chance that two will share the same birthday. In a group of 77 people, there is a 99% chance.

The average person spends two weeks of their life sitting at traffic lights.

Hidden beneath the surface of Kentucky lies Mammoth Cave, the largest cave system on Earth. With more than 400 miles (642.7 kilometers) of mapped passageways.

Australia is wider than the moon, 372.8 miles (600 kilometers) wider, to be exact.

If you play tennis at Wimbledon, swearing is not allowed. Therefore, judges have to learn swearwords in different languages in order to enforce the rules.

Since 1962, the official sport of Maryland has been jousting.

Blushing is caused by a rush of adrenaline. It's also genetic, so if you're prone to it, it's likely one of your parents is, too.

Crows can recognize human faces and remember them for their entire lives. They've also been known to leave gifts for humans. *womansday.com* 



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On March 15th, Julius Caesar was assassinated in the Roman Senate house by **B.C.** Marcus Junius Brutus and Gaius Cassius Longinus along with 60 other conspirators. The group believed that his death would lead to a restoration of the Roman Republic. However, the date would end up going down in infamy as the "Ides of March" which would plunge Rome into a fresh round of civil wars. Rome ultimately emerged as an Empire ending the republic for good..

On March 25th, the first colonists to Maryland 1634 arrived at St. Clement's Island on Maryland's western shore and founded the settlement of St. Mary's. In 1632, King Charles I of England granted a charter to George Calvert, the first Lord Baltimore, yielding him proprietary rights to a region east of the Potomac River in exchange for a share of the income derived from the land. The territory was named Maryland in honor of Henrietta Maria, the queen consort of Charles I.

On March 29th, the unmanned U.S. space 1974 probe Mariner 10, launched by NASA in November 1973, became the first spacecraft to visit the planet Mercury, sending back close-up images of a celestial body usually obscured because of its proximity to the sun. Mariner 10 had visited the planet Venus eight weeks before but only for the purpose of using Venus' gravity to whip it toward the closest planet to the sun. In three flybys of Mercury between 1974 and 1975, the NASA spacecraft took detailed images of the planet and succeeded in mapping about 35 percent of its heavily cratered, moonlike surface.

## On the **Lighter Side**



How does NASA organize a party? They planet.

All I ask is a chance to prove that money can't make me happy.

I think they picked me for my motivational skills. Everyone always says they have to work twice as hard when I'm around!

I used to work at a stationery firm, but I quit. It just felt like I wasn't going anywhere.

When an application asks who is to be notified in case of emergency, I always write, "A very good doctor."

I always tell new hires, don't think of me as your boss, think of me as a friend who can fire you.

Why did the skeleton fail all his tests? His heart wasn't in it.

Whoever stole my copy of Microsoft Office, I will find you! You have my Word!

To the pessimist, the glass is half empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

What does a baby computer call his father? Data

I quit my job at the helium factory? I refused to be talked to in that voice.

