

Trivia

did you know that ...

The ZIP in Zip Code stands for Zone Improvement Plan.

Koalas are not bears; they are marsupials.

The first item bought by scanning its UPC code was a ten-pack of Wrigley's Juicy Fruit gum, purchased at an Ohio supermarket.

Only one half of a dolphin's brain sleeps at a time. The other half that's awake signals the dolphin to come up for air to prevent from drowning.

Q is the only letter of the alphabet that does not appear in any U.S. territory or state name.

The cost of a first-class postage stamp in 1976 during the American Bicentennial was thirteen cents – one for each of the original colonies.

The popular game Bingo was originally called "Beano" because players used beans to cover the numbered squares.

Istanbul, Turkey is the only city that lies in two continents.

The first president to earn a PhD was Woodrow Wilson.

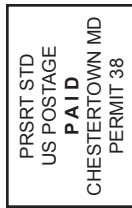
Cheesecake was invented in ancient Greece and served to athletes at the very first Olympic Games.

Big Ben doesn't refer to a clock; it is actually the name for the bell inside the famous clock tower.

Hawaiian Punch was originally developed in 1934 as a tropical flavored ice cream topping.

The Pony Express only lasted a single year before the transcontinental telegraph made the route obsolete.

European carousels rotate clockwise, while American merry-go-rounds spin counter clockwise.



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Dates in History

1787 On May 25th, with George Washington presiding, the Constitutional Convention formally convened. The convention faced a daunting task: the peaceful overthrow of the new American government as it had been defined by the Article of Confederation.

1918 On May 16th, the United States Congress passed the Sedition Act, a piece of legislation designed to protect America's participation in World War I. Along with the Espionage Act of the previous year, the Sedition Act was orchestrated largely by A. Mitchell Palmer, the United States attorney general under President Woodrow Wilson. The Espionage Act, passed shortly after the U.S. entrance into the war in early April 1917, made it a crime for any person to convey information intended to interfere with the U.S. armed forces' prosecution of the war effort or to promote the success of the country's enemies.

1926 On May 1st, Ford Motor Company became one of the first companies in America to adopt a five-day, 40-hour week for workers in its automotive factories. The policy would be extended to Ford's office workers the following August.

2012 On May 18th, Facebook, the world's largest social network, held its initial public offering (IPO) and raised \$16 billion. It was the largest technology IPO in American history to that date, and the third-largest IPO ever in the United States, after those of Visa and General Motors. At the time it went public, Facebook was valued at \$104 billion and had some 900 million registered users worldwide.

On the Lighter Side

Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a state police officer sees a car pattering along at twenty-two miles per hour. He thinks to himself, "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over. Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies, two in the front seat and three in the back, wide-eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver, confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand. I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly, twenty-two miles an hour!" the old woman proudly replies.

The officer explains to her that twenty-two was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grins and thanks the officer for pointing out the error.

"Before I let you go, ma'am, I have to ask: Is everyone in this car okay? These women seem awfully shaken."

"Oh, they'll be all right in a minute, officer. We just got off route 212."

Q: Why do bicycles fall over?

A: Because they are two-tired.

Q: How do you fix a broken tuba?

A: With a tuba glue.