

CLIMACOPHILIA - the feeling of sexual desire for the act of falling down the stairs.

Word of the day: SMULTRONSTÄLLE (Swedish) - a hidden spot that you escape to for relaxation or alone time such as a café or secluded park. Literally 'place of wild strawberries'.

When Dutch police arrested a bird for shoplifting, Dutch media dutifully put a black bar over its eyes in all media photos to protect its identity.

Britain's smallest ever surgical patient is believed to be Molly the fish, who weighs 1g. Last month she successfully had a tumour removed, and has since made a full recovery.

Previews of upcoming films were originally shown after the main feature, hence the name 'trailers'.

A well-known vasectomy doctor in Austin, Texas is named Dr. Richard (Dick) Chopp.

A small town in Texas has repeatedly elected beer-drinking goats as their mayor. So far they are on goat #3.

The average cost of a wedding in the UK is £30,000, slightly higher than the median income.

Word of the day: VOORPRET (Dutch) - joy in anticipation of the actual fun event, e.g. planning out just how many naps you will take on holiday

For up to 2 billion years, Venus may have been a habitable, Earth like planet.

Mayan drinking vessels were decorated with pictures and drawings very similar to modern comics, with speech bubbles and rude jokes. In one of them a cheeky rabbit, sometimes referred to as 'the Mayan Bugs Bunny', tells an old man to "smell your sweat, wizard penis".

In 2017, management of a Japanese train line apologised publicly after one of their trains departed the station 20 seconds early.

A year later, another train left 25 seconds early; the operator called the mistake "inexcusable".

One of Nebraska's state slogans is "Honestly, it's not for everyone."

In the early 20th century, a psychologist devised the term SONNTAGSLEERE for "the depression one feels on Sunday before the week begins"

In 1847 surgeon Robert Linton, known as 'the fastest knife in the West End', is believed to have performed a leg amputation in 28 seconds.

Word of the day: OPSIMATH – a person who begins to learn or study late in life.

In September, a pair of Eva Braun's pink, silk knickers sold for £3,700.

French nobleman Marquis de Favras was presented with his death warrant before his hanging. His reported last words (upon reading it) were "I see that you have made three spelling mistakes".

The smell of newborn babies triggers a release of dopamine, in a manner similar to drug-addiction cravings being sated.

On the 5th of May 2005, MIT held a time-travellers convention. 400 people attended, but no-one identified themselves as a time-traveller. The invitation remains open.

In 1919, Boston was hit by the Great Molasses Flood - also known as the 'Molassacre' - when a faulty vat filled with hot molasses exploded open, releasing a 15-foot tidal wave down the streets of Boston, killing 21 people.

It takes approximately 600 cows to make enough footballs for one NFL season.

The difference between screwing around and science is writing it down. ADAM SAVAGE

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