

Word of the day: DOODLE SACK (old English) - bagpipe.

A 'spermologer' is a collector of trivia.

On this day in 1799, the Rosetta Stone was discovered in Egypt.

No one thought of making different left and right shoes until around 1800.

In the 19th century, Peru fought two wars over bird poo.

To err is human. To blame it on someone else is politics. HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

Satire is a sort of glass, wherein beholders do generally discover everybody's face but their own.
JONATHAN SWIFT

President Andrew Jackson's pet parrot was thrown out of his funeral for swearing too much.

Over six seasons, 1,243 characters have been killed in Game of Thrones - an average of 21 deaths per episode.

"Friendship is born at the moment one person says to another, 'What, you too? I thought I was the only one.'" C.S. LEWIS

The collection noun for a group of hippos is a bloat.

You're not imagining it - summer heat really does make people crankier.

Word of the day: ABBIOCCO (Italian) - drowsiness after eating a large meal

"One of the universal rules of happiness is: always be wary of any helpful item that weighs less than its operating manual." TERRY PRATCHETT

Every individual hair on your body communicates with every other hair so they can grow in a coordinated fashion.

Word of the day: Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia - the fear of long words.

Prague has a graffiti wall dedicated to John Lennon despite the fact that he has never visited.

80% of the planet's animal biomass gets around on six legs.

In 1983, David Ashworth, a British social scientist changed his name to Perri 6 to ensure his name came first in any bibliography (6, P.)

11 of the 12 men to have walked on the Moon were in the Boy Scouts.

Robert the Bruce was born in Chelmsford.

Up to 95% of East Asians don't have the gene for smelly armpits whereas 98% of Europeans do.

Rats have independent nostrils and smell in stereo

The difference between literature and journalism is that journalism is unreadable, and literature is not read. OSCAR WILDE

Before I got married, I had six theories about bringing up children; now I have six children and no theories. JOHN WILMOT, Earl of Rochester

I cannot smell mothballs because it is so difficult to get their little legs apart. STEVE MARTIN

"The most effective way to do it is to do it." AMELIA EARHART