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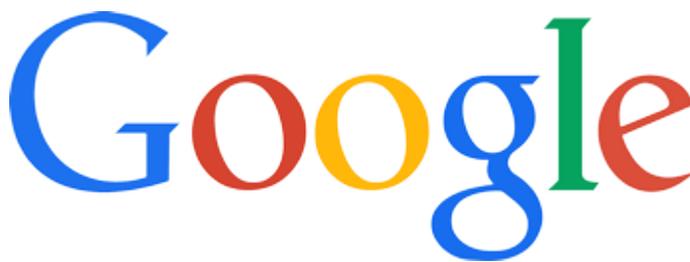
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GOOGLE UNVEILS PERMANENT NEW LOGO



Google has launched a brand-new logo, ditching an iconic font known to billions of users for more than 15 years.

When users visit the search engine's homepage, an animation shows the old logo being gradually erased, and a transformed emblem being drawn with crayons. One of the biggest changes will be for mobile users - who will be accustomed to seeing a small, blue "G" on their screens. The logo refresh follows a major shake-up which will see Google become part of a new parent company called Alphabet. It will house Google's main businesses, including YouTube, its search engine unit, and mapping software.

Source PTI

NEW £20 COIN TO MARK QUEEN AS BRITAIN'S LONGEST REIGNING MONARCH

A special £20 coin is being made to commemorate the Queen becoming Britain's longest reigning monarch.

On 9 September 2015 the Queen will have ruled for more than 63 years and 216 days. The silver coin features the new picture of the Queen that was unveiled earlier this year.



Source PTI

ONE BILLION FACEBOOK USERS IN A SINGLE DAY

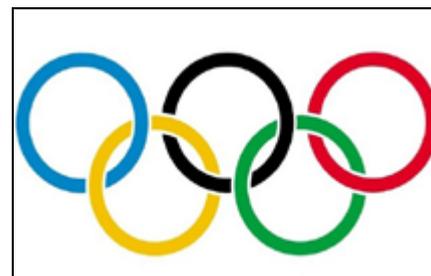
For the first time over a billion people used Facebook on a single day, according to company founder Mark Zuckerberg. The "milestone" was reached on 24th Aug., when "1 in 7 people on Earth used Facebook to connect with their friends and family", he said in a post. Facebook has nearly 1.5 billion users who log in at least once a month, but this was the most in a single day. The company gained its billionth user in October 2012.



Source PTI

LOS ANGELES IN THE HUNT FOR 2024 OLYMPICS

Los Angeles has been proposed as a host city for the 2024 Summer Games by the US Olympic Committee.



The city's bid outlines over \$6bn in public and private spending. The International Olympic Committee will pick the 2024 host city in 2017. Rome, Paris, Hamburg, and Budapest are all in the running. The 2016 Games are being held in Rio de Janeiro. Tokyo will host the 2020 Olympics. Los Angeles has staged the Olympics twice, first in 1932 and again in 1984. A successful bid for 2024 would make LA the only city besides London to host the Olympics three times.

Source PTI

SANIA MIRZA RECEIVES KHEL RATNA



Sania Mirza

Tennis ace Sania Mirza has received the prestigious Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award from President Pranab Mukherjee on the occasion of National Sports Day at the Rastrapati Bhavan. The 28-year-old from Hyderabad has thus become the second tennis player after legendary Leander Paes to have accorded with the highest sports award in India. Mirza, regarded as India's finest women's tennis player ever, won her first women's doubles Grand Slam title by lifting the Wimbledon title with Swiss legend Martina Hingis in June. Previously, she had won three Grand Slam titles in Mixed Doubles at the Australian Open, French Open and US Open each.

Source PTI

TRENDING IN

SPORTS



The Clipper Round The World Yacht Race, which will see 12 teams spend a year travelling the globe, will begin in London later. The world's longest ocean race at 40,000 nautical miles, it will feature 700 participants over its eight stages.

ENTERTAINMENT



Jess Glynne has topped the UK album chart with her debut I Cry When I Laugh.

The singer already has five number one singles to her name, including Rather Be with Clean Bandit and her Tinie Tempah collaboration Not Letting Go.

HONOURS



Reigning world tennis champion Novak Djokovic has received one of the biggest honours of his career, when he was named the latest goodwill ambassador for the UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund).

WORD OF THE WEEK

Optimize--verb

opti-mize

meaning---Increase

antonym--decline

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Many of life's failures are experienced by people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

Thomas Edison



YE MERA INDIA

COMMUNICATION SATELLITE GSAT-6 SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully launched the Geo-synchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) D6 on 27th Aug., which carried India's latest communication satellite GSAT-6. PM Modi congratulated the ISRO team, terming the launch as a "phenomenal accomplishment".

Source PTI



INDIA'S ECONOMIC GROWTH SLOWS TO 7%



Official figures have shown that India's economy grew at an annual rate of 7% between April and June. This is slower than the 7.5% growth recorded for the previous quarter and lower than expected. India and China, which also posted 7% growth in the second quarter, are now the joint fastest growing major economies in the world. And

whether pace picks up in the July-September period will largely depend on the weather. This is the monsoon season and when rains are good and harvest plentiful, rural consumption goes up as people working in agriculture have more money to spend.

Source PTI

INDIA'S TOTAL INTERNET USER BASE STANDS AT 352 MILLION USERS

India has added 52 million Internet users in first six months of the year, taking the total user base to 352 million as on June 30, 2015. Interestingly, 213 million (over 60%) users accessed the worldwide web through mobile devices. The Internet in India took more than a decade to move from 10 million to 100 million and 3 years from 100 to 200 million. However, it took only a year to move from 200 to 300 million users. Clearly, Internet is mainstream in India today.



Source PTI

MUSSOORIE DECLARED WIFI TOWN



The Queen Hill of Uttarakhand, Mussoorie has been declared a free WiFi town by Chief Minister Harish Rawat. Under the Digital India Initiative, this is first hill-station across northern India to go the WiFi way. Mayor Manmohan Mall called it a stepping stone in putting Mussoorie on the Digital India map. For now, the

town's famous Mall Road that stretches to a distance of 4 km has been made entirely WiFi.

Source PTI

DID YOU KNOW?

Originally, The walled city of Delhi had fourteen gates and now only 5 are standing. They are: Kashmiri Gate: Pointing North to Kashmir; Ajmeri Gate: Facing Ajmer in Rajasthan; Lahori Gate: Facing Lahore in Pakistan; Delhi Gate: Road to earlier cities of Delhi; Turkman Gate: Named after pious saint Hazrat Shah Turkam.

AROUND THE WORLD

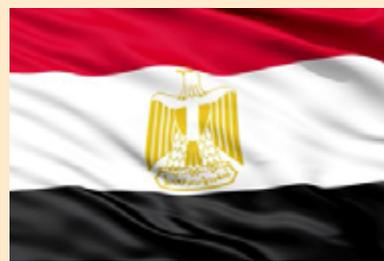
GRUMPY CAT AT MADAME TUSSAUDS

Internet sensation Grumpy Cat will become the first feline to have an animatronic wax statue at Madame Tussauds museum in San Francisco. The three-year-old cat will be immortalised in wax after her "animatronic with five different movements" is unveiled at the San Francisco museum later this year.



Source PTI

EGYPT SETS DATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS



Egypt will hold a long-awaited parliamentary election, starting on October 18-19, the final step in a process to bring back democracy that critics say has been tainted by widespread repression. Egypt has been without a parliament since June 2012 when a court dissolved the democratically elected main chamber, dominated by

the now-banned Muslim Brotherhood, reversing a major accomplishment of the 2011 uprising that toppled autocrat Hosni Mubarak.

Source PTI

BILLIONS WIPED OFF VALUE OF SHARES IN UK AND US

Weak Chinese economic data combined with fears of a US interest rate rise continue to haunt investors around the world. It was another volatile day on global stock markets with the FTSE 100 index of leading UK shares closing down 3% on 1st Sept. Around £48.5bn was wiped off the value of the Fointsie following another round of weak Chinese economic data and fears of a US interest rate rise on 1st September. Investors reacted on 1st September to further evidence of the economic slowdown in China with figures suggesting manufacturing activity was at a three-year low. The slowdown in China has been a major factor behind the sharp falls in oil prices.



THE WORLD'S BIGGEST SELFIE



Giga Selfie, billed as the world's biggest selfie service, will be available on Australia's Gold Coast this weekend. It uses a super high definition camera and cellphone technology to take photos big enough to accommodate even the most inflated egos. Travelers using the service stand on a designated spot on the beach and use a "Giga Selfie" app -- only available on that day, on that spot -- on their smart phone to trigger a distant camera. An enormous selfie is then emailed to them as a short video clip which starts as a close-up of their face and zooms out to reveal the surrounding scenery.

DID YOU KNOW?

The world's oldest wooden statue is twice as old as the pyramids. Experts at the Berlin Archaeological Institute have found the famous Shigir Idol, discovered in Siberia in 1890, is 1,500 years older than previously thought.

THAT'S COOL

Sea horses are monogamous life mates and travel holding each other's tails



Elephants show remarkable empathy, even to other species



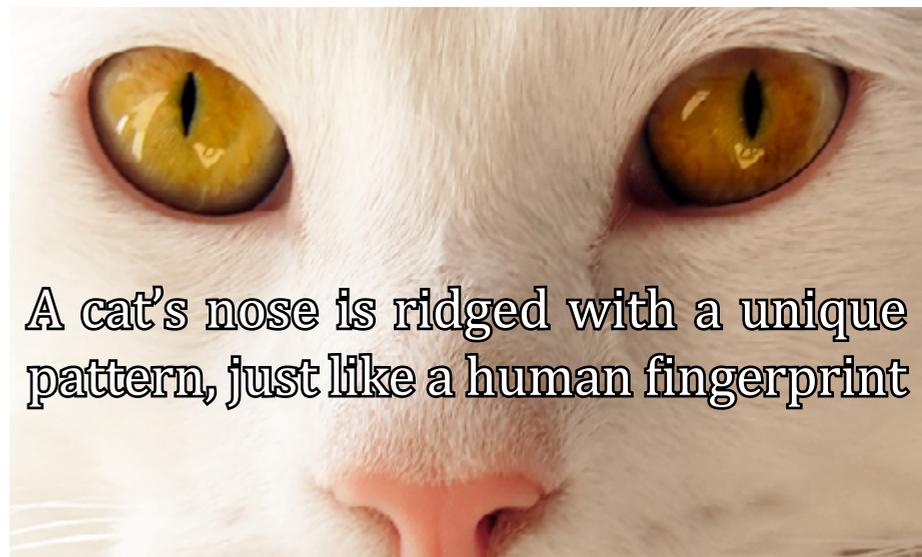
The Apple company has twice as much money as the U.S. government



Marshmallows were originally used as medicine



A cat's nose is ridged with a unique pattern, just like a human fingerprint



In Turkey, there is a city called Batman



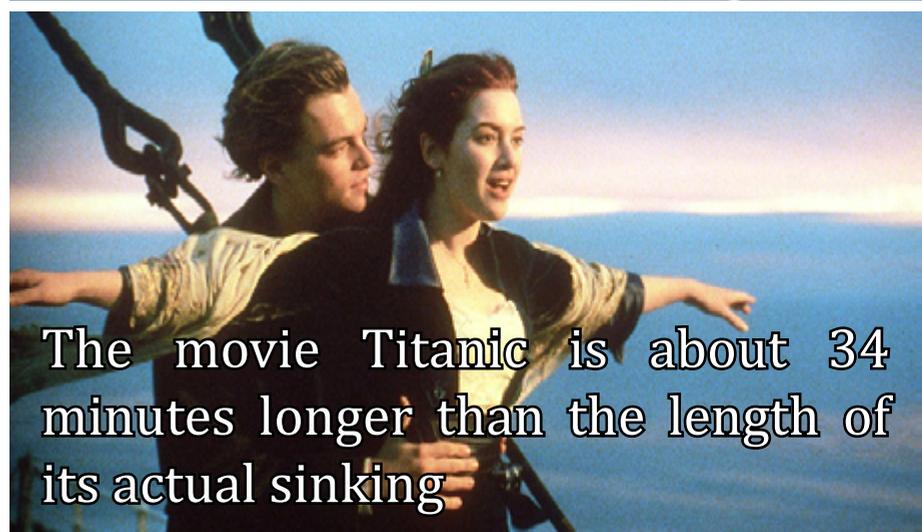
The bluetooth logo originates from ancient Viking leader of the same name



Nail biting is called "onychophagia."



The movie Titanic is about 34 minutes longer than the length of its actual sinking



COOL STUFF

OBI WORLDPHONE SF1



Backed by former Apple CEO John Sculley, Obi Worldphone (formerly called Obi Mobiles) has launched two affordable Android smartphones priced between \$129-249. Obi Worldphone SF1 is priced at \$199 for the 2GB RAM/16 GB internal memory version and \$249 for the 3 GB RAM/32 GB internal memory version.

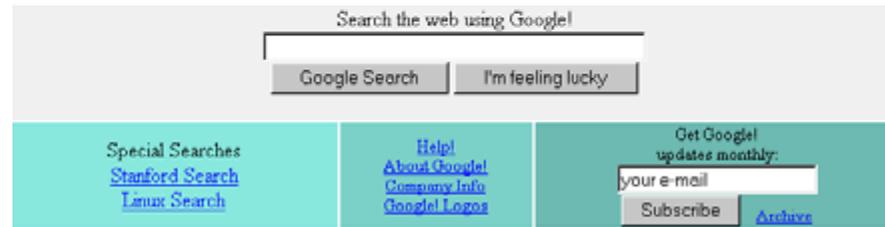
W? WHAT? WHERE? WHEN?

GOOGLE'S LOGO HISTORY

For the sixth time in its 17-year history, Google has changed its logo, this time to better suit both desktops and mobile devices.

WHAT WAS GOOGLE'S ORIGINAL LOGO?

This was Google's first ever logo. The company used this logo from September to October 1998. Google's original homepage had a simple design because the company founders were not experienced in HTML, the markup language used for designing web pages.



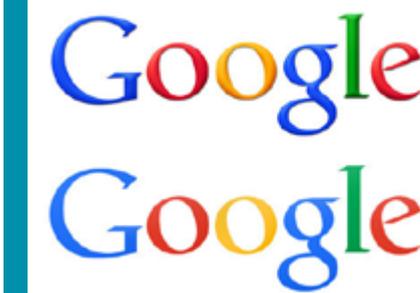
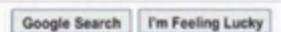
WHEN DID GOOGLE GET AN EXCLAMATION?

Google logo donned an exclamation point from October 1998 to May 1999.



WHICH WAS GOOGLE'S LONGEST RUNNING LOGO?

Google used this logo from May 31, 1999 to May 5, 2010 -- almost 10 years and 11 months.



WHAT LOGO WAS USED FROM MAY 2010 TO 2013?

New 'O', Google used this logo from May 6, 2010 to September 18, 2013.

WHAT LOGO HAS BEEN REPLACED RECENTLY?

Before today's redesign, Google made the last change or rather tweak in its logo in September 19, 2013.

WHEN DID GOOGLE GET ITS MAKEOVER RECENTLY?

The newest Google Logo has been launched on the 1st of September 2015. The overhaul will change the appearance of the letter 'g' that Google uses as its shorthand logo on the smaller screens of smartphones and other mobile devices. The letter 'g' will now be capitalized and displayed in colour instead of being kept lowercase and white.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Google Sky Maps allows you to view stars, constellations, galaxies and planets. Check out www.google.com/sky.
2. Google's first ever Twitter post was as satisfyingly geeky as you could hope for. The message, sent in February 2009, reads "I'm 01100110 01100101 01100101 01101100 01101001 01101110 01100111 00100000 01101100 01110101 01100011 01101011 01111001 00001010."

TOP SOUNDS

TOP 5 SONGS

- 01 FIGHT SONG -by- RACHEL PLATTEN
- 02 AIN'T NOBODY (LOVES ME BETTER) -by- FELIX JAEHN FT J THOMPSON
- 03 DON'T BE SO HARD ON YOURSELF -by- JESS GLYNNE
- 04 HOW DEEP IS YOUR LOVE -by- CALVIN HARRIS & DISCIPLES
- 05 MARVIN GAYE -by- CHARLIE PUTH FT MEGHAN TRAINOR

MOVIES

TRIPLE NINE

The film follows a group of criminals and corrupt cops who find themselves in serious trouble. The Russian mafia is blackmailing them, and the only way to deal with them is to perform what is believed to be an extremely challenging heist. Impossible as it may seem, however, they eventually hatch a plan: on one side of town, half of the crew will beat down a rookie cop named Chris Allen (Casey Affleck), and while the rest of the force is distracted by a 999 call ("officer down"), the other half of the corrupt cops will pull off the job. This all seems like it's going to work until Allen winds up surviving the attack and fights back.

Director: John Hillcoat

Starring: Woody Harrelson, Kate Winslet Aaron Paul Norman Reedus Chiwetel Ejiofor Casey Affleck Anthony Mackie & Gal Gadot

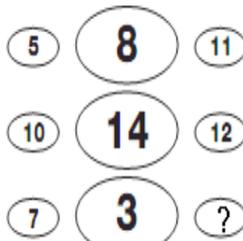


Crossword Answer



FUN WITH MATHS

WHAT NUMBER REPLACES THE QUESTION MARK?



Turn to page 8 for answer

SCIENCE ENVIRONMENT



TECHNOLOGY

NASA TEAM LIVING ON MARS FOR A YEAR

A team of NASA recruits has begun living in a dome near an old volcano in Hawaii to mimic what life would be like Mars. The isolation experiment, which will last a year starting this week, will be the longest of its type attempted. The experiment is intended to help NASA prepare for a possible human mission to the Red Planet. The six-strong team will live in close quarters under the dome, without fresh air, fresh food or privacy.



PLUTO MAY HARBOUR ALIEN LIFE

Pluto may contain a subsurface ocean warm enough to host life, according to English physicist Brian Cox who also said that humans could be the only complex life in our galaxy. Cox believes the tell-tale ooze of glaciers on Pluto's surface hints at the possibility of a subterranean sea warm enough to host organic chemistry.



The New Horizons spacecraft completed a 3-billion-mile journey across the Solar System and performed a flyby of Pluto in July.

MOUNT MCKINLEY TO BE RENAMED DENALI

Mount McKinley, the tallest of North America's mountains, is officially being renamed Denali, on the eve of President Barack Obama's historic visit to Alaska. The mountain had been named in 1896 for a future US president, William McKinley, but local authorities had worked on the change for years, restoring an Alaska Native name with deep cultural significance. The mountain rises about 20,000 feet above sea level.



GOING TO SPACE IS JUST ONE ELEVATOR RIDE AWAY

The Canadian company Thoth Technology recently invented and secured a patent for this "space elevator," which is seen to pave the way for easier launching of astronauts, goods and eventually, tourists into orbit. The elevator will be placed in a free-standing 12.4 mile-high tower, which will



become the world's tallest structure once constructed. The tower, which will be inflated and supported by a series of gas-pressurised cells, will also act as the docking platform for space planes that, will carry satellites, cargo and tourists into lower orbit. Thoth is eyeing to build a 0.9-mile-tall demonstration elevator as an initial step, before building the full 12.4 mile-high tower.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ In Finland, 9 out of 10 plastic bottles are returned for recycling and almost 100% of glass bottles are also recycled.
- ❖ Recycling aluminum saves 95% of the energy cost of processing new aluminum.

APPLE'S IOS 9

With the launch of iOS 9, Apple is dramatically increasing its browsing speed and reducing how much storage space is unnecessarily used up. App thinning ensures apps use the lowest amount of storage space on a device by only downloading the parts it needs to run on the particular handset it is being installed onto.



It 'slices' the app into 'app variants' that only need to access the specific files on that specific handset. Following the update to iOS 9, if Wi-fi signal drops and Apple believes it is too weak for the user to stay online, it will automatically switch to a mobile, cellular data where available. The feature is called Wi-Fi Assist and it can be enabled in the Settings menu in iOS 9.

TWITTER'S PERISCOPE TOPS 10 MILLION

More than 10 million people have signed up to Twitter's livestreaming app, Periscope, since it was launched at the end of March, with the aim of letting everyone send livestreamed videos from their phone to the world. And now users are sending 40 years of video per day, according to Twitter, which owns Periscope. Periscope said the amount of time watched "is the metric we care about most", because it tells it how successful it is for users and indicates how many people are using the app.



FACEBOOK'S NEW TOOLS TO TACKLE VIDEO THEFT



Facebook has announced measures to tackle video piracy on its website. The company said new video matching technology would alert selected content creators if their videos were reposted to Facebook without permission. In August, YouTube star Hank Green wrote a blog criticising the company over its slow response to video piracy.

TECH FACT

- ❖ Almost no one in Nigeria, Ghana, Bangladesh and Uganda owns a landline telephone.
- ❖ Ukrainians get their political news online. However, only 53% of Ukrainians have access to the internet.

ACTIVE BODIES

ACTIVE MINDS

ENGLAND'S IAN BELL RETIRES FROM ODIS



Ian Bell

England batsman Ian Bell has announced his retirement from the one-day international format in order to concentrate on prolonging his Test career. Bell, who has scored an England record 5,416 runs in 161 one-dayers, was left out of the squad for the five-match series against Australia starting next week. He helped his team win this year's Ashes, a record-equalling fifth Test series victory for him over the Australians, but averaged only 26.87 with the bat. Bell has scored 7,569 runs in 115 Tests at an average of 43, including 22 centuries.

HOW ACTIVE IS YOUR MIND?

CURRENT AFFAIRS, 2015

- Which country recently won a unanimous vote to host the Asian Football Confederation Asian Cup in 2019?
(A) Bangladesh (B) India
(C) UAE (D) Nepal
- Which team won the Indian Premier League (IPL) title 2015?
(A) Chennai Super Kings
(B) Royal Challengers Bangalore
(C) Mumbai Indians
(D) Rajasthan Royals
- Who has recently won the Monaco Grand Prix Formula One World Championship title?
(A) Lewis Hamilton (B) Nico Rosberg
(C) Sebastain Vettel (D) Sergio Perez
- Who was named Player of the Tournament in IPL 2015?
(A) Rohit Sharma (B) Dwayne Bravo
(C) Andre Russell (D) David Warner
- Who recently won the CEAT Indian Cricketer of the Year award?
(A) Murali Vijay (B) Ajinkya Rahane
(C) Virat Kohli (D) Shikhar Dhawan

Turn to page 8 for answers



Which country dominates Olympics basketball like no one else?

Answer Four : USA has won the gold 14 times out of 18 editions

INDIAN WOMEN'S HOCKEY TEAM QUALIFIES FOR RIO OLYMPICS



India's women hockey team has qualified for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. India women joined the nine teams already qualified for Rio - Korea as Asian Games champions, Argentina as Pan Am Games champions and Great Britain, China, Germany, Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand and the USA through the Hockey World League Semifinals. This is only the second time that India women will be participating in Olympics and the first time they have that they have qualified for the Olympics.

DE VILLIERS BREAKS GANGULY'S RECORD



De Villiers

Former India captain Sourav Ganguly's record of being the fastest to reach 8000 ODI runs has been broken by the South Africa skipper and stroke-maker AB de Villiers. The South African batsman took 182 innings to reach the milestone whereas Ganguly belted the same numbers in 200 innings.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ India won the 1983 World Cup and won their first ever Test at Lord's three years later in 1986. India won their second World Cup 28 years later in 2011 and remarkably won their second ever Test at Lord's three years later in 2014.
- ❖ Allan Border played 153 consecutive Test matches.

FIFA WORLD CUP



There is no greater football tournament than the FIFA World Cup. It is a massive competition, where nations from different continents gather to compete each other. The current Champion of FIFA World Cup is Germany, who claimed their fourth world cup title by beating Argentina in 2014 World Cup final. Brazil is the most successful team in the world cup with 5 titles. The next 2018 FIFA World Cup will be held in Russia.



OUR PAGE

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Just Joking!



An old man went to the doctor complaining of a terrible pain in his right leg. "I am afraid it's just old age", replied the doctor, "there is nothing we can do about it." "That can't be" fumed the old man, "you don't know what you are doing."

"How can you possibly know I am wrong?" countered the doctor.

"Well it's quite obvious," the old man replied, "my other leg is fine, and it's the exact same age!"

FUNNY FACTS

- ❖ Charlie Chaplin once won the third prize in a Charlie Chaplin look-alike contest
- ❖ It was once against the law to slam your car door in a city in Switzerland!

Gurleen kaur, Class 4,
Summer Fields School

HOBBY



Varun Sahni, Class - 3D
School- The Shri Ram
School Aravali

OUR SUN IS NOT UNIQUE IN THE UNIVERSE

The sun is a common middle-sized yellow star which scientists have named Sol. This is why our system of planets is called the Solar System. There are trillions of other stars in the Universe just like it. Many of these stars have their own systems of planets, moons, asteroids, and comets. The Sun was born in a vast cloud of gas and dust around 5 billion years ago.

Swapnil Talwar, Class 5,
Summer Fields School

LIFE IS A BLESSING

I do not sulk, I do not cry,
Life is a blessing,
Give it a try.

I don't complain, I don't fear,
Life is a blessing,
Don't shed a tear.

I spread smiles, I spread happiness,
Life is a blessing,
Believe in kindness.

RISHABH SACHDEVA, CLASS-10
MODERN SCHOOL, BARAKHAMBA ROAD

NATIONAL TREE OF INDIA

The Banyan tree, the national tree of India, also called the Indian fig tree grows over a large area. The roots then give rise to more trunks and branches.

Because of this characteristic & longevity, the Banyan tree is considered sacred in India.

Ayana Goyal, Class 3,
DPS East of Kailash

WHAT IS THE "DEMON METAL"?

Meteorites that fall on earth sometimes contain nickel. On earth nickel is usually found in ores, mixed with other metals such as iron and copper. In past centuries, chemists had so much trouble isolating pure nickel that they called it the "demon metal." In fact, the word nickel is related to a German word meaning "imp" or "demon." Canada leads all nations in the production of the "demon metal," accounting for almost 30 percent of world supplies.

Arnav Goel, Class 6,
DPS, RK Puram

REBUS

BACKHANDED

Boy's Mother



Answer
1.B, 2.B
3.D, 4.D,
5.C, 6. A,
7-C



Answer
TMikhail Gorbachev

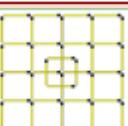
Apartheid

HOW ACTIVE IS YOUR MIND?

Answer
1-C, 2-C, 3-B,
4-C, 5-B

IQ

Answer
35



SUDOKU Answers

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5	9	2	3	1	7	8	6	4
7	3	4	9	6	8	1	2	5
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1	2	9	6	8	3	4	5	7
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4	7	5	1	3	9	6	8	2
2	1	3	8	7	6	5	4	9

GUESS WHO?



Shahrukh Khan

WORD SCRAMBLE

ANSWERS:

1. SAD, 2. SURPRISED, 3. ENVY,
4. SHAME, 5. EXCITED

SOLVE THE RIDDLE

The letter W

Answers and explanations

8 Divide the circle, horizontally and vertically, to give 4 quarters. The sum of the numbers in the segments of each quarter equals 11.

FUN WITH MATHS

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS REGRETTEED