

Trivia

The bat is the only mammal in the world that can fly.

The winner of the North American Wife Carrying Championship wins their spouse's weight in beer.

In Michigan, you're never further than six miles from a body of water.

In Green Bank, West Virginia, no wireless signals are allowed, because they could interfere with the operation of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory's radio telescope.

Winter pansies, lenten roses, winter aconite, and snowdrops all bloom in winter.

Bob Bretall of Mission Viejo, California, nabbed the world record in 2015 for the largest comic book collection with 101,822 unique items.

The largest snowflake on record measured 15 inches wide and 8 inches thick at Fort Keogh, Montana, in 1887.

Although President John Tyler was born in 1790, two of his grandsons were still alive as of February 2020.

The scientific name for a brain freeze is "sphenopalatine ganglioneuralgia."

Green Bay, Washington, is known as the toilet paper capital of the world because the first splinter-free toilet paper was produced there in the early 1900s.

Red squirrels make mushroom jerky to prepare for the winter.

Betty White was born in 1922, but commercially-available sliced bread didn't hit shelves until 1928, meaning Betty White is older than sliced bread.

The Ecology Global Network estimates four babies are born every second of every day worldwide.

Liberia, Myanmar, and the United States are the only countries in the world that do not use the metric system.

Some cities use beet juice, beer waste, and pickle brine on icy winter roads instead of salt.

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Dates in History

- 1534** As the only son of Sultan Selim I, Suleiman succeeded his father to the throne in 1520. He occupied Baghdad on December 4 and embarked on a series of military campaigns that expanded and consolidated his empire. His reign is now regarded as the peak of Ottoman influence.
- 1920** The Government of Ireland Act, also known as the fourth Home Rule, was passed by the Parliament of the United Kingdom on December 23. Intended to establish separate home rule institutions, Home Rule never took effect in Southern Ireland, due to the Irish War of Independence, which resulted instead in the Anglo-Irish Treaty and the establishment of the Irish Free State.
- 1946** Sites in California, Missouri, Massachusetts, South Dakota, and Michigan, and an island straddling the U.S.-Canada border, were considered as potential sites for the United Nations headquarters, built between 1948-1952. New York City was almost rejected as an option until John D. Rockefeller Jr. offered on December 12 to donate \$8.5 million to purchase 18 acres along the East River.
- 2002** The Enron corporation declared bankruptcy on December 2 in the largest such case in U.S. history. From its origins as a pipeline company, Enron expanded rapidly through a series of acquisitions to become the seventh largest corporation in the country. It financed its growth with off-the-books structured financing. By the time the company declared bankruptcy, much of its actions seemed no different than an updated ponzi scheme. Its chief financial officer, his wife, other Enron employees, and the chairman of the board, were all charged with crimes for the actions they took at Enron.

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On the Lighter Side

- What genre of music do elves love to listen to? Wrap.
- Why did Santa put a clock in his sleigh? He wanted to see time fly!
- What did Santa name his dog? Santa Paws.
- What was Santa's best subject in school? Chemistree.
- How does Santa capture photos? With his North Pole-roid.
- What do you call someone who's obsessed with Christmas? Santa-mental.
- What is Santa's favorite breakfast food? Snowflakes.
- What did one ornament say to another? "I like hanging out with you."
- What do monkeys sing at Christmas? "Jungle bells, jungle bells..."
- How do sheep greet each other during the holidays? Fleece Navidad!
- Reindeer don't go to school—they're elf taught.
- What name does Santa Claus use when he takes a break from delivering gifts? Santa Pause!
- How do the elves clean Santa's sleigh on the day after Christmas? They use Santa-tizer!
- What do you call a party for snowmen? A snowball.
- What do you call an elf who runs away from Santa's Workshop? A rebel without a Claus!
- What do reindeer say the day after Christmas? There's snow place like home.
- What nationality is Santa Claus? North Polish.
- What type of motorcycle does Santa Claus drive? A Holly Davidson.
- What do you call a reindeer ghost? A cari-boo.

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