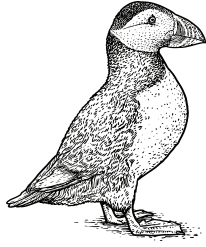


Trivia

A baby puffin is called a puffling, and both parents take turns incubating the egg before it hatches.



During WWII, La-Z-Boy® manufactured seats for tanks, torpedo boats, gun turrets, and armored cars.

How many numbers from 1 to 999 contain the letter “A” in their English spelling? None.

Stuck inside on a rainy day in 1816, writers Mary Shelley, Percy Shelley, Lord Byron, and John Polidori challenged each other to a scary story writing contest. Mary came up with the idea for Frankenstein and published it two years later at age 20.

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Polar bears are nearly undetectable by infrared cameras. Thermal cameras detect the heat lost by a subject as infrared, but polar bears are experts at conserving heat.



The Tower of London once had a zoo that was home to a now-extinct subspecies of Barbary lion.

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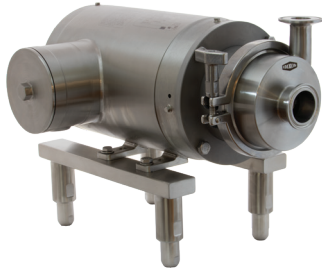
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Dates in History

- 1507** On April 25th, German cartographer Martin Waldseemüller was the first to use the name America on his world map “Universalis Cosmographia.”
- 1513** On April 2nd, explorer Juan Ponce de Leon claimed what is now Florida for Spain, becoming the first known European to reach Florida.
- 1896** 1st modern Summer Olympic Games opened in Athens, Greece on April 6th. American athlete James Connolly became the first modern Olympic champion when he won the triple jump (then 2 hops and a jump); later 3rd in the long jump, 2nd in the high jump.
- 1920** Ice hockey made its Olympic debut at the Antwerp Games on April 26th with center Frank Fredrickson scoring 7 goals in Canada's 12-1 drubbing of Sweden in the gold medal match.
- 1974** On April 8th, Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves hit his 715th career home run, breaking Babe Ruth's legendary record of 714 homers. A crowd of 53,775 people, the largest in the history of Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium, was with Aaron that night to cheer when he hit a 4th inning pitch off the Los Angeles Dodgers' Al Downing.
- 2019** On April 19th a new species of human was announced. It was named Homo luzonensis and it stood 3ft tall. The 50-60,000 years old remains were found in a cave on the island of Luzon, Philippines.

(onthisday.com, history.com)

On the Lighter Side

Why did the skeleton cross the road?
To get to the body shop.

Can a match box?
No, but a tin can.

Which two letters in the alphabet are always jealous?
NV.

Why is it impossible to starve in the desert?
Because of all the sand which is there!

Why didn't the bike want to go anywhere?
Because it was two-tired!

What do you call an illegally parked frog?
Toad.

What English word has three consecutive double letters?
Bookkeeper

Newton, Pascal, and Archimedes are playing hide and seek. Archimedes starts to count, Pascal hides in a bush, and Newton draws a square on the ground and steps into it. Archimedes finds Newton first, of course, but Newton replies, “Nope. One Newton on one square meter is equal to one Pascal”

Don't trust atoms. They make up everything.

A boy asks his father, “Dad, are bugs good to eat?” “That's disgusting. Don't talk about things like that over dinner,” the dad replies. After dinner the father asks, “Now, son, what did you want to ask me?” “Oh, nothing,” the boy says. “There was a bug in your soup, but now it's gone.”

(laughfactory.com, rd.com, cultureamp.com)