



The sign that stands 50ft high in the Hollywood Hills originally spelt out HOLLYWOODLAND in 1923 and was lit by 4000 light bulbs that required a full time maintenance man to change them.

The Writers Guild of America Registration Office states that approximately 20,000 movie scripts are registered with the Guild every year and that of these less than 1% are picked by a studio and made into a film.

W.C Fields is reported to have said, "Women are like elephants, I like to watch them, but I wouldn't want to own one."

Plato is credited with saying "Wise men talk because they have something to say, Fools talk because they have to say something."

Henry III kept a quartet of lions in the Tower of London. They were called Fanny, Miss Fanny, Miss Howe and Miss Fanny Howe.

An exocannibal eats only enemies, while an indocannibal eats only friends.

There are more bacteria in your mouth than there are people in the world.

The average adult stands about 1cm taller in the morning than in the evening, because the cartilage in the spine compresses during the day.

Ninety nine percent of all life forms that have ever existed on earth are now extinct.

Small bats consume up to one and half times their bodyweight in food every day. For an adult human male this is equivalent to eating about 50 Christmas dinners every day.

Thai entrepreneurs have developed a way of processing the skin of the tilapia fish to make a bikini. It takes 15 fish to make one bikini.



In Massachusetts it is illegal for a gorilla to sit in the back seat of any car and in Montana it is illegal to have a sheep in the cab of your truck without a chaperone.

The Japanese cremate 93% of their dead compared with Great Britain at 67% and the United States at just over 12%.

The US Census Bureau estimates that the world population 3000 years ago was less than the population of the UK today.

One ounce of gold can be drawn into a thin wire 43miles long.

Octopush is a game of underwater hockey invented in England in the 1950's. The world championships will be held in Durban, South Africa in April this year when 36 teams from 13 countries will take part.

Pamela Anderson is often reported as Canada's Centennial Baby being the first baby born on July 1st 1967, the anniversary of Canada's independence. According to the Campbell River Upper Islander reporting a few days later, someone else actually came into the world two hours earlier.

In Tibet, it's considered good manners to stick out your tongue at your guests.

In 1949, unemployed Jack Wurm was wandering on a California beach when he found a bottle with a message in it. The message said: "To avoid any confusion, I leave my entire estate to the lucky person who finds this bottle, and to my attorney, Barry Cohen, share and share alike." Daisy Alexander, June 20, 1937. It was no hoax; Daisy was the heiress to the Singer Sewing machine fortune and had thrown the bottle into the Thames 12 years earlier. Wrum's share was \$6 million and an income of \$80,000 a year from Alexander's Singer stock.

It was the custom in Ancient Rome for the men to place their right hand on their testicles when taking an oath. The modern term 'testimony' is derived from this tradition.

Average per capita consumption of beer in the UK in one year is 174 pints. In the Czech Republic it's 275. In the USA 140 whilst in France it's only 38.

Average per capita consumption of wine in the UK in one year is about 19 litres compared to 56 in France and 9 in the USA.

There are more than 300 million Olive trees in Spain, which traditionally bear fruit after 15 years, and although thought to reach maximum productivity after 40 years, 1000-year-old trees can and do still bear rich loads.

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Octopush



Tibetan Tongue Greeting

Olive Trees

