

ANIMALS...

HOW TO LOOK AFTER A CAMEL

Baby camels are born without humps. They are able to run within hours of birth. They call to their mothers with a lamb-like “baa” sound. Mother and child camels are extremely close, staying together for several years.

A camel's hump does not store water. Their humps store fat.

Asian camels have two humps whereas Arabian camels only have one.

Camels are sometimes called “ships of the desert.” This is because they hold a lot of items to transport through the desert.

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Camel's coats (hair) reflect the desert sun and keeps them cool in very hot temperatures. It will also keep them warm in cooler temperatures.

Camels are herbivores meaning they eat mostly greens and vegetation.

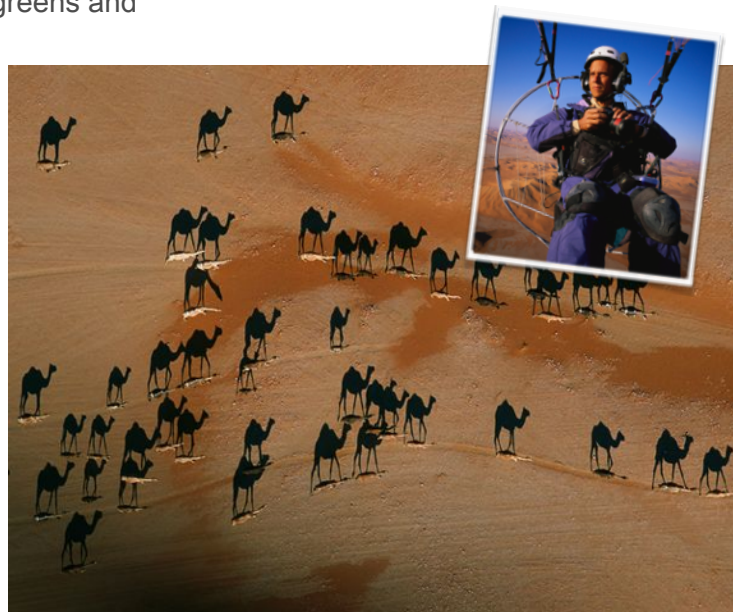
Camels can kick all four legs front and back.

This amazing photograph was taken by wildlife photographer George Steinmetz from this paraglider high in the sky.

Look closely, the camels you see are actually shadows.

NEXT MONTH...

How to look after a porcupine.!



YOU HAVE TO BE JOKING...

PENGUINS

Q: How did the penguin pass his driving licence?
A: He winged it.

Q: Where do penguins go to dance?
A: The snow ball!

Q: Why did the penguin cross the road?
A: He wanted to get to the other side!

Q: What do you call fifty penguins at the North Pole?
A: Really lost, because penguins live in the Southern Hemisphere!...

Q: Where do penguins go to the movies?
A: At the dive-in!

Q: Why was the penguin cold?
A: Because he lived in the Antarctic.

Q: What do penguins have for lunch?
A: Icebergers!

Q: What do penguins wear on their heads?
A: Ice caps!

Q: How does a penguin build its house?
A: Igloos it together!

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GIANT SNOWBALLS

Thankfully they didn't fall out of the sky, these snowballs appeared on a beach in Siberia

The icy boulders covered the 1 mile beach and varied in size from the size of a tennis ball to 3ft across.

The sculptural orbs are created during a rare environmental process when small pieces of ice in the near frozen sea grow into large balls after being rolled continuously near the shore.



Buckingham Palace is to undergo a 10-year refurbishment costing £369m.



The Queen will remain in residence during the work, to begin next April.

Very old cables, lead pipes, wiring and boilers will be replaced, many for the first time in 60 years, amid fears about potential fire and water damage.

Did you know Buckingham Palace has:

775 rooms

78 bathrooms

1,514 doors

760 windows

100 miles of electrical cabling

20 miles of heating pipework!

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WORD OF THE MONTH

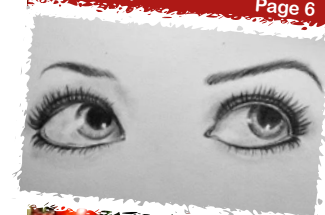
illuminate
(illuminating)

To light up.

'The Christmas lights illuminated the street.'

HEALTH

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QUESTION FOR A GROWN UP...

What is your Blood Group?




Quote of the month
"Dreams don't work unless you do."

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DECEMBER & JANUARY CALENDAR...

ADD IN YOUR DATES!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
28	29	30 St. Andrew's Day	DECEMBER 1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Last day of term
19	20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day 
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 New Years Day 2017
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15

INSPIRATIONAL PEOPLE

ANDY MURRAY

The remarkable journey of the new world no.1. Andy Murray is Great Britain's greatest sportsperson of all time because of an indomitable spirit and unwillingness to accept second place.

All good things come to those who wait. Andy Murray has had to wait more than most to achieve his ultimate ambition in life.

Tennis is in his family. His mother, Judy has been a driving force behind Andy's success, and he has often competed against tennis champion brother Jamie.

Andy's inspiring quotes:

"I used to think that losing made you more hungry and determined but after my success at the Olympics and the U.S. Open I realise that winning is the biggest motivation."

"You have to go into each match believing you can beat all of the players."

"I've realised over the years I play my best when I have time to prepare for each tournament as best as possible."



SCIENCE...

PHOSPHORUS SEAS

It may look like an alien life-form in the sea but this striking neon blue effect is a completely natural phenomenon.

The incredible image was taken in the Maldives.

It captures a natural chemical reaction called bioluminescence, which happens when a micro-organism in the water is disturbed by oxygen.

Although a rare sight on a beach, the phenomenon is more commonly seen at sea in wake of ships that stir up the oxygen in the sea, which causes the bioluminescent bacteria to glow.

