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Q: What did they call the sugar that went to space? A: Intergalactose!

My doctor said my sugar is too high...
So I went home and put it in on a lower shelf!

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SUGAR by Kathy Wolfe

This week, Tidbits has some sweet facts about sugar, a compound that occurs naturally in all foods that contain carbohydrates.

- There are two sources of sugar, sugar beets and sugar cane. Sugar cane is a perennial grass that requires a frost-free climate with a lot of rainfall, since it takes about 660 gallons (2,500 liters) of water for every 2.2 pounds (1 kg) of sugar produced. Cane plants grow to a height of 10 to 20 feet. During harvest, the cane is cut just above root level, allowing new sprouts to grow for another harvest in 10 to 12 months. It's one of the world's oldest crops, with the country of New Guinea domesticating sugar cane around 8000 B.C.
- Brazil is the number one producer of sugar cane in the world. It was brought there by the Portuguese and by 1540, there were 800 sugar mills there. India is the second-largest. The United States is in tenth place, with the majority of production coming from Florida, Louisiana, Texas, and Hawaii. During his 1492 voyage, Christopher Columbus gathered sugar cane samples in the Canary Islands and carried them to other areas of his journey. The first sugar cane harvest took place in 1501 in the Caribbean island of Hispaniola. By the 1520s, there were sugar mills in Jamaica and Cuba.
- Sugar beets, a root crop, thrive in cooler climates, and have a growing season of about five months, providing for about 20% of the world's consumption. These beets are not the ordinary beets you might see in the grocery store. They are much larger with a single sugar weighing as much as 5 lbs. (2.2 kg). The U.S. is a major producer of sugar beets, with farms in Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.
- Sugar cane crops require 51% more land to produce the same amount of sugar as a sugar beet farm.
- During the sugar refining process, molasses is removed. The

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sugar cane or beets are crushed to extract the juice, which is boiled down to form sugar crystals. The thick brown syrup known as molasses is left as a by-product after the crystals have been removed from the juice.

• When it comes to foods, there are two types of sugar – natural and added. Natural sugars are just what you'd think, naturally-occurring, in foods such as fruits, some vegetables, and milk. Fructose and glucose occur naturally in fruits and plant juices. Both are monosaccharides, or simple sugars. When fructose and glucose molecules are bonded, it produces a compound sugar, or disaccharide. Sucrose, which is our common table sugar, is the combination of the two. Lactose,



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the sugar found in milk, is a disaccharide made from the is beverages, with soft drinks responsible for the majority. bonding of glucose and another simple sugar, galactose. The average American drinks 53 gallons of soft drinks a Maltose is formed during the germination of grains, and is year. Just one 12-oz. can of Coke contains 10 teaspoons of converted into malt.

sugar intake an adult woman is 24 grams (6 teaspoons) of added sugar per day. That's over and above naturally-occurring sugar. For an adult male, the amount is 36 grams (9 teaspoons) per day. Compare that to the current average consumption of upwards of 30 teaspoons of sugar per day.

• The United States is the largest consumer of sugar in the world. How has that consumption varied over the decades? Two hundred years ago, an American ate about 2 lbs. of sugar a year. In 1970, the amount was 123 lbs. How about today? That quantity is 152 lbs. in a year, about 6 cups a week. In 1822, the average American consumed about 45 grams of sugar every five days.

years later, that figure had skyrocketed to 765 grams every five days, more than ten times the recommended intake.

• The number one source of added sugar in a person's diet

• The American Heart Association's recommendation for You can consume two frosted Pop Tarts and a Twinkie for TIPETTS

Brown sugar is crystalline sucrose that has been combined with molasses, which gives it the color and rich flavor. Powdered sugar is granulated sugar that has been pulverized to a fine powder.

sugar, more than 80% of the daily recommended intake. less sugar.

• It's recommended that added

sugars should not exceed 10% of a person's daily calorie intake. Research indicates that worldwide, people consume more than 500 calories a day from sugar.

• Sugar content is listed on food packaging in grams, but how does that measure out? A gram of sugar is equal to 1/4 teaspoon, so that 4 grams equals one teaspoon. This means that a Starbucks grande ice flavored drink contains 7 teaspoons of sugar.

• In order to be called "sugarfree," one serving of a food must contain less than 0.5 grams of sugars, both natural and added. Reduced sugar foods have at least

(That's the amount in one of today's 12 oz. sodas.) Ninety 25% less sugar than the regular version of the product.

- Drink one 12 oz. can of soda every day, and you will add enough sugar to your diet to increase the odds of developing heart disease by more than 30%. Those who drink 2.5 cans of soda a day are three times more likely to experience depression and anxiety than those who drink less. Excess sugar has been linked to cancer, and negatively affects its survival rates. Too much sugar has also been tied to memory deficiency and a drop in cognitive processes, as well as a significant chance of developing Type 2 diabetes.
- Sugar overload can produce mood changes including irritability and anxiety because of the cycle of blood sugar spikes and drops. Alertness is lowered and fatigue can actually increase.
- While pure cranberry juice has many health benefits, 12 oz. of sweetened cranberry juice contains 11 teaspoons of added sugar. And an energy drink gives you more than energy...it also gives you 10 teaspoons of sugar in a 12-oz.
- To dodge listing sugar as the first ingredient on a food's label, manufacturers use different names, such as high-fructose corn syrup. This chemically-manufactured sweetener is made from corn syrup and is about 55% fructose, which requires your body to take more steps to break down into energy.
- A Czech gentleman named Jakob Christof Rad was the director of a sugar refinery in 1841 when he produced the world's first sugar cube by pulverizing sugar, lightly steaming it, and re-forming it into teaspoon-sized blocks. He was granted a patent for the process in 1843. In 2013, Camille Courgeon of France fashioned the tallest sugar cube tower measuring 6 ft, 10 inches tall. Requiring 2,669 cubes, it took Courgeon 2 hours and 59 minutes to complete.







Homeless Veterans Grants for 2024

by Freddy Grove:

The annual Point-in-Time Count takes place on a given night in January every year and attempts to estimate the number of homeless who are out on the streets. The most recent one, done in January 2023, revealed that yes, what many of us sensed, there had been an increase in the number of homeless veterans -- 7.4% over the previous January.

To try to get ahead of the problem, especially given the coming January 2024 count, the Department of Veterans Affairs has announced millions to be spent on grants to help homeless veterans.

The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) grants will housing, and over 145,000 veterans and their families were helped to give out hundreds of millions to organizations that help veterans and their families find housing, find more stable housing or avoid loss of their home. The exact amount of the grants is yet unknown.

groups and organizations to help with the legal side of things: court proceedings, defense related to homelessness in criminal cases and legal representation.

VA efforts during 2023 saw progress in several areas despite the to 223 days). increase in the number of homeless veterans. During 2023, the VA homeless veterans. Nearly 39,000 homeless veterans found permanent

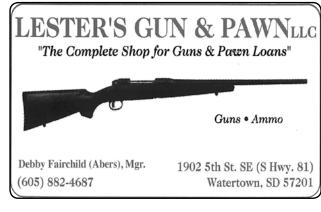


avoid foreclosure on their homes. The HUD-VASH program helped 13,000 veterans find affordable housing as well as support services.

Those support services follow the Housing First model, which But the Legal Services for Homeless Veterans and Veterans At- uses a plan with specific steps: Get the veteran into housing and Risk for Homelessness Grants program will give over \$26 million to then ensure they can stay there by offering several types of support. That can include job training, education help, health care and legal assistance. Studies have shown that veterans who are in the Housing First program find housing much more quickly (in 35 days as opposed

For veterans who are either homeless or in danger of becoming awarded over \$1 billion in grants to groups and organizations for homeless, go online to www.va.gov/homeless or call 877-4AID-VET (877-424-3838) to get help.

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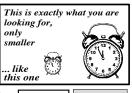


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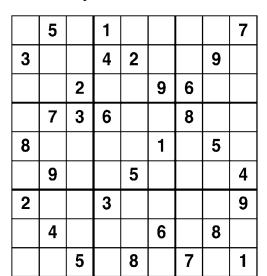


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busy manufacturing 17 million red blood cells every second, primarily in the spongy marrow of the bones.

- Just 1% of blood is white blood cells, those that help fight infection, heal wounds, and support the immune system by attacking invaders.
- Platelets comprise 4% of the blood, much smaller cells

than red and white cells. They group together in clumps to help control bleeding when a hole occurs in a vessel.

• There are 60,000 miles of blood vessels in your body, vessels that include veins, arteries, and capillaries. So what's the difference? Arteries carry blood away from the heart, while veins carry blood back toward your heart. The tiny capillaries, with a diameter smaller than that of a human hair, connect arteries and veins. The aorta is the main artery in the body, carrying blood from the left side

inches (2 cm).

• There are four main blood types – A, B, AB, and O. What determines your blood type? Proteins known as antigens are on the surface of some red blood cells. Type A blood has the A antigen, while Type B has the B antigen, Type AB has both, the walls of the arteries.

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but Type O has neither. A third type of antigen known as the Rh factor determines whether your blood type is positive or negative. If the protein is present, the type is positive, if not, it's negative.

• The most common blood type in the U.S. is O positive, and AB negative is the least common. Blood type can be dependent on ethnicity with more African Americans and Asians having Type B positive than Caucasians and Hispanics. In Japan, the most common blood type is A positive.

• It's a good idea to know your blood type in order to monitor your health. Yet more Americans know their horoscope sign (66%) than their blood type (51%)! Research indicates that blood type affects risk of disease. People with Types A, B, and AB blood seem to have an increased risk of coronary heart disease, with Type A having a 24% higher risk of heart attack. Type AB people have a significantly higher risk of stroke. A, B, and AB also have a higher risk of blood clots as well as pancreatic cancer. Type 2

of the heart to the rest of the body. Its diameter is about 0.8 diabetes seems more prevalent in those with Type A and B. A neurological study revealed that people with Type AB have a high degree of risk for cognitive impairment and memory problems, while Type O had the smallest risk.

• High blood pressure is the result of too much force against



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How to Give Your Peta Healthy, Happy New Year

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: This week, many Americans are celebrating their newest gift to the family: a cute puppy or kitten, duck or chicken, or pocket pets like hamsters and guinea pigs. It's also a time to form new resolutions in anticipation of the New Year. I hope that new pet owners' first resolution will be to establish a

relationship with a veterinarian with expertise in their specific pet.

Some pets need to start or continue a vaccination schedule so they grow up healthy — puppies are at risk of contracting

SENIOR NEWS LINE by Matilda Charles

Finding a Nursing Home

Choosing a nursing home isn't easy, even in the best of circumstances. Whether it's for you or a spouse, or for your parents, for now or for later, there are things you need to know and red flags to beware of.

When you want accurate information, you have to consider the sources you use. Ask friends and family for recommendations or warnings about local facilities. Go online to the National Institute on Aging (www.nia.nih.gov) and search for nursing homes and long-term care facilities. Print out their Medicare Nursing Home Checklist and take it with you to each facility. Check the Medicare Compare tool (www.medicare.gov/care-compare) for local facilities. Call the Eldercare Locator, at 1-800-677-1116, run by the U.S. Administration on Aging. Look for online news stories and reviews about any facility you consider.

Visits to the facilities you are considering are a must. Whether it's daytime appointments with a member of staff or sudden visits at night, what you see can be revealing. Try to time at least one surprise visit at mealtime. Is the

Stop In And See Us Today! Main Street Graceville, MN 320-748-7392 1 purchased refrigerated unbaked 9-inch pie crust 2. In a medium saucepan, 1 (4-serving) package sugar-free vanilla cookcombine dry pudding mix, water and apple-pie spice. Stir and-serve pudding mix 1 cup water in apples. Cook over medium heat until mixture thickens and 1 teaspoon apple-pie spice apples start to soften, stirring or ground cinnamon 4 cups cored, peeled and often. Remove from heat. Add sliced cooking apples pecans and caramel topping. Mix gently to combine. 1/4 cup chopped pecans 1/4 cup fat-free caramel 3. Spoon hot mixture into prepared pie crust. Bake for 40 topping to 45 minutes. Place pie plate on 1/2 cup reduced-calorie whipped topping a wire rack and allow to cool. Cut into 8 pieces. When serving, 1. Heat oven to 375 F. Place top each piece with 1 tablespoon whipped topping. pie crust in a 9-inch pie plate and flute edges. RECIPE BROUGHT TO YOU COURTESY OF Graceville Market, Graceville, MN

parvovirus, for example, so bolstering their immune system is very important. Your vet can also provide advice and tips for caring for pets. Guinea pigs, hamsters and rabbits communicate happiness or distress in unique ways that a new owner may not be familiar with. Puppies are wiggly and energetic. Kittens are curious and fearless. Vets can help new owners navigate these waters and provide regular checkups to help keep pets healthy. — Dedicated Vet in Boston

DEAR DEDICATED: Thank you for sending this! Establishing a care routine with a veterinarian is so important. It should sit at the top of owners' to-do lists, along with providing comfortable warm bedding, a clean and safe environment, and especially for puppies, a daily training routine. Mark your calendar with key dates, including checkups with the vet, appointments with a trainer and

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



food appetizing? Will it encourage seniors to eat? Are there low-sodium options, as well as foods for lactose intolerant residents? Try to talk to staff who actively work with the residents and ask questions.

Ask about the staff/resident ratio, the turnover rate and the level of training given to staff. How did they do during the Covid pandemic, as well as with other illnesses? Does the facility look and smell clean?

Find out about cost (do they accept Medicare?), social and recreation activities for residents, physical therapy and use of psychiatric drugs.

If anyone doesn't want to answer your questions, consider it a red flag.

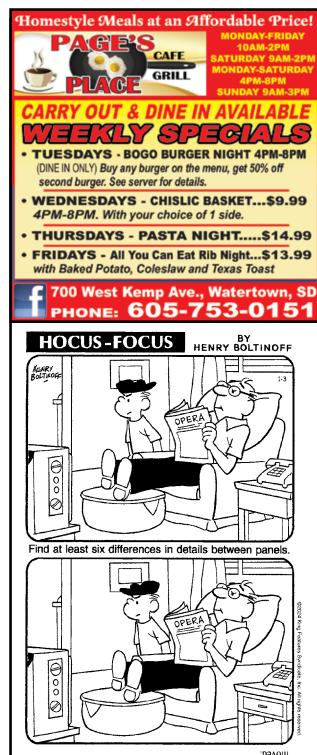
Don't wait until the last minute to choose a nursing home. This is not a decision to make quickly. Start now to get a handle on the facilities near you; you'll be many steps ahead when the need arises.

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How to Give Your parvovirus, for example, so bolstering their immune system is very important. Your vet can also provide advice and your new pet needs.

Here's to a happy, healthy and fun New Year with your pet!

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.



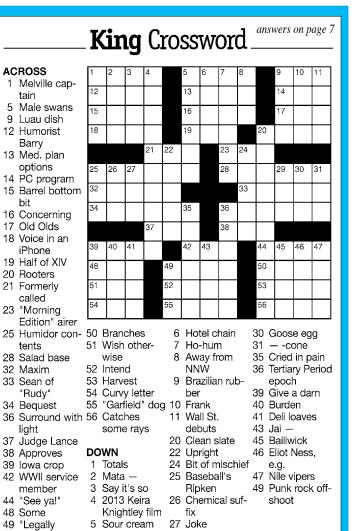


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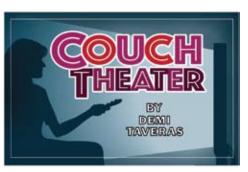
string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together

• The first 72 hours in jail pose the highest risk of death for an inmate, for any reason.

• The cat in "The Godfather" was a stray that director Francis Ford Coppola found in the studio and handed to Marlon Brando before the shot. The animal took a shine to Brando and settled in his lap, purring so loudly that the crew was afraid the noise would drown out the dialogue!

- And speaking of cats ... cheetahs communicate with house cat-like meows rather than roars like most big
- Benjamin Franklin sold chocolate in his print shop in Philadelphia.
- Forget about whether pineapple belongs on a pizza -- how about snake? For a limited time snake will be on Pizza Hut's menu in Hong Kong, as the restaurant partners with another eatery known for its snake stew.
- A tool bag lost during a spacewalk orbits Earth and is visible to people on the ground.
- Researchers at George Washington University found that the skin behind our ears and between our toes has a different set of microbes than those found on more frequently washed areas, so heed Mama's advice and don't forget to scrub them.
- In 1873, billiards became the first sport to have a world championship.
- Prior to the 17th century, common folk seated themselves on stools and benches, while chairs were designed for royalty and the rich.
- Pogonophobia is the fear or dislike of beards.
- For Scrabble's 50th anniversary in 1988, a giant game utilizing six-foot tiles that required two large men to lift was played in Britain's Wembley Stadium.

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"Priscilla" (R) — Since it is so often the case with Hollywood to tout out similar movies back-to-back while interest is still up, we all knew that a foil to Baz Luhrmann's "Elvis," which tells the story of musical legend Elvis Presley, was surely on its way. And a year later, it came by way of Sofia Coppola and Presley's ex-wife, Priscilla. In this biopic, Cailee Spaeny plays a young Priscilla just as she meets the man who would become one of the most popular singers in the world, and her future husband, this time played by Jacob Elordi. While the film didn't wow at the box office, it received positive reviews from critics for Spaeny and Elordi, with Spaeny snagging a nomination for Best Actress at the Golden Globes. Out now to rent. (Amazon Prime Video)

"Good Grief" (R) — Dan Levy ("Schitt's Creek") makes his directorial debut in this comedy-drama film out Jan. 5. A true triple threat, Levy stars as the lead character, while also directing and having written the screenplay himself. At the film's start, his character, Marc, is struggling with the unexpected death of his husband, and after spending a year grieving with his best friends, Sophie (Ruth Negga) and Thomas (Himesh Patel), the trio decides to go on a weekend getaway to Paris. This weekend proves to be a rebirth for Marc and his friends, as they all work to unearth the inconveniently intense feelings that they've all been harboring. Luke Evans, Emma Corrin and Kaitlyn Dever make appearances in this very touching and strong debut from Levy. (Netflix)

In Case You Missed It

"Official Competition" (R) -Multimillionaire businessman Humberto Suarez reaches his 80th birthday and feels that he doesn't have anything long-lasting to show for it. On a whim, he decides to produce a film that can live on past his lifetime, with eccentric director Lola Cuevas (Penelope Cruz) at the forefront. Lola has a strict creative vision for this film, which includes hiring two egotistical lead actors from different sides of the acting spectrum. Method actor Ivan Torres (Oscar Martinez) isn't fond of pomp and glamour, while Hollywood actor Felix Rivero (Antonio Banderas) relishes in everything celebrity and combining the two results in a chaotically hilarious performance. Cruz, Banderas and Martinez were the perfect trio for this Spanish black comedy. Out now. (Hulu)



Courtesy of Netflix

Dan Levy makes his directorial debut in "Good Grief."

"The Morning Show" (TV-MA) — This critically acclaimed show starring Jennifer Aniston and Reese Witherspoon is an addicting binge-watch. Aniston plays Alex Levy, co-anchor of "The Morning Show" alongside Mitch Kessler (Steve Carell). When Mitch's sexual misconduct results in his firing from the show, Alex is forced to protect her job and reputation. Meanwhile, West Virginia field reporter Bradley Jackson finds herself like a fish out of water when she lands the position as co-anchor. After its first season, the show expands on topics like racial inequality, the Russian-Ukrainian war and the Capitol riot. All three seasons are out now. (Apple TV+)

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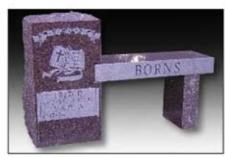
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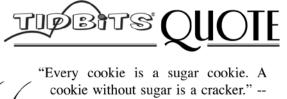
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2 Barrier Reef A	Welcome E
3. Code maker R	Mighty or Minnie U
4. Sir or Dame, e.g L	Promise 10% H
5. Green Bay athlete A	Reaction to a lemon U
6. Sewing basket item D	Intimidation T
7. Burn with hot water A	Reprimand O
8. Bart's baby sister G	Black-and-white crow P
9. Modify E	Where to go to marry A
10. Get along with I	Hen house sound U

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- If you like taking baths, you can invest in a second rubber bath mat to drape over the side of the tub. The edge will be nonslip, so you can hold on for support and your hands will not slide.
- Sunburn happens in the winter too, especially on the slopes. Use a cotton ball soaked in cold tea to ease tight dry skin. Be sure you apply sunscreen to your face and wear eye protection when going out to play in the snow.
- For drains slowed by grease, sprinkle a half-cup each of salt and baking soda down the drain, and follow it with an entire kettle or pot of boiling water.
- If the smell in your cedar chest has faded, you can bring it back easily with extra-fine sandpaper. A very light sanding is all it takes in most cases.
- For delicious baked potatoes, boil a pot of salted water, add whole potatoes with skin, remove from heat and let stand for 15 minutes. Finish in the oven for a sturdier skin. Start

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checking for doneness after 15 minutes in the oven. Baking time can be cut in half! -- J.L. in Florida

• Remove musty smell from stored clothes by adding either vinegar or ammonia to the wash water. Be sure to check for smell removal BEFORE drying, as the dryer can bake the smell into clothes, making it more difficult to remove.

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Psalm 30:7-8

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LORD, when you favored me, you made my royal mountain stand firm; but when you hid your face, I was dismayed. To you, LORD, I called; to the Lord I cried for mercy:

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally Unlisted clue hint: 50TH STATE

Citrus Cotton Fiesta

Gator

Holiday Independence Liberty Military

Orange Outback Peach Rose

Sugar Sun Super Bowl

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1. GENERAL KNOWL-EDGE: When is Three King's Day celebrated typi-2. TELEVISION: In the

drama series "Mad Men," what product is presumed to be Don Draper's last advertisement?

- 3. GEOGRAPHY: What is a chain or collection of islands called?
- 4. MOVIES: To which city is the McCallister family traveling in the holiday classic "Home Alone"?
- 5. LEGAL: What is a moot court?
- 6. LITERATURE: What is the name of the heroine in "The Scarlet Letter"?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nut is used in marzipan? 8. MUSIC: What is the gift on the 11th day in the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas"?
- 9. SCIENCE: How much of the Earth's surface is covered with water?
- 10. HISTORY: What are the two Japanese cities that the United States hit with atomic bombs in WWII?

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Take time to relax and enjoy these Tidbits facts about yoga, one of the oldest physical disciplines in the world, originating in India over 5,000 years ago.

- The word "yoga" has its origins in the Sanskrit word meaning "to yoke" or "to unite," reflecting the goal of yoga to bind the breath, the body, and the mind.
- Yoga wasn't introduced to the U.S until the 18th century, and it was only for men. Women were not allowed to participate until 1937. The first official studio opened in Hollywood, California, in 1947. Today, 36 million Americans regularly practice yoga, spending \$16 billion on classes and equipment each year. 72% of yoga practitioners are women. Men are known as "yogis,", while females are referred to as "yoginis."
- The original yoga practitioners used woven grass or animal skins for mats. In 1982, yoga teacher Angela Farmer invented the first modern yoga mat, composed of carpet underlayment.
- There are 84 basic yoga postures, or Asanas as they are called, with the most widely-recognized poses the downward-facing dog and the lotus. All are designed



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to improve strength, flexibility, balance, posture, and endurance. Yoga also adds breathing techniques, called pranayama, to calm the mind and reduce stress, as well as yamas and niyamas, which are guidelines for ethical and moral behavior toward self and others.

- The headstand is considered the most dangerous yoga pose.
- There are several different styles of yoga, including Hatha, Vinyasa, Ashtanga, and Kundalini, which vary according to posture sequences and level of intensity and strength. Yogasana is for the advanced practitioner, and is a fast-paced vigorous practice. Bikram yoga is commonly known as hot yoga and is practiced in a room heated to 105 degrees F (41 C) with 40% humidity, and is designed to promote flexibility and detoxification.
- Yin yoga focuses on the connective tissues of the body, improving flexibility and relaxation. A more recent type, aerial yoga, involves performing poses while suspended in the air using a hammock or silk ropes. The unusual SUP yoga has practitioners performing poses on a stand-up paddleboard while floating on water.
- There are numerous health benefits of yoga, including a boost in the circulation of immune system cells caused by molecular changes. Research indicates that yoga classes twice a week can reduce depression, anxiety, and obsessive



of diabetes, with studies finding that blood glucose levels drop by 10% in people who practiced yoga for ten consecutive days. It's been shown to improve cardiovascular health, back pain, and other chronic pain. The Alzheimer's Research Foundation has found that yoga and meditation can delay impairments in cognitive functions.

• Know your yoga terms! Yoga's hand gestures are known as mudras. The body's energy centers are referred to as the chakras, running from the base of the spine to just above the top of the head. Yoga's principles include Saucha (cleanliness), Santosha (contentment), Tapas (self-discipline), and Svadhyaya (self-reflection). Surya Namaskar is a sequence of poses done to warm the body, while Savasana is the resting pose used at the end of the session. You will often hear the yoga teacher say "Namaste" at the closing of the class, a word that translates to "I bow to you."





• On Jan. 1, 2011, the Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) debuted on television. The "Queen of All Media" had previously THE HISTORY CHANNEL described her vision for the

network as one that "inspires our viewers and makes them want to be who they are on their best day."

- On Jan. 2, 1919, locksmith and far-right politician Anton Drexler founded the German Workers' Party, the forerunner of the Nazi Party, in Munich, Germany, from a group that met regularly to discuss political matters. Among other things, the party advocated for nationalism and extreme antisemitism.
- On Jan. 3, 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X after he failed to recant 41 parts of his Ninety-Five Theses, which started the Protestant Reformation. The pope had called the offending statements heretical, scandalous and offensive to pious ears, though he did not specify exactly which ones fell under that category.
- On Jan. 4, 1957, the Hamilton Electric 500 watch made its public debut. It was the first timepiece to never need winding (though it did need frequent battery replacement) and came in "modern" asymmetrical designs to reflect its revolutionary technology. Production ended 12 years later with the advanced technology of quartz movements that rendered the "watch of the future" obsolete.



On Jan. 5, 1992, a landslide that occurred near San Francisco killed 33 people and caused the Golden Gate Bridge to close. Heavy rain in the amount of nearly half of the city's average annual precipitation had previously fallen for a straight 36 hours

On Jan. 6, 2000, a severe flu outbreak in the United Kingdom caused National Health Service hospitals to be stretched to their limits, leaving many forced to cancel all non-emergency surgeries and facing intensive care bed shortages. The outbreak was blamed on a low rate of flu vaccinations.

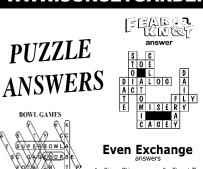
On Jan. 7, 1927, the first transatlantic telephone service was established. A three-minute call between New York and London cost about \$45, which would translate to roughly \$550 today.

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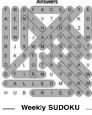
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1. Jan. 6, the 12th day of Christmas.

2. Coca-Cola.

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10. Click, Cluck

- 3. An archipelago.
- 4. Paris, France.
- 5. A simulated court to give law students a chance to practice what they have learned.
- 6. Hester Prynne.
- 7. Almond.
- 8. 11 pipers piping.
- 9. Almost 71%. Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

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This musical cigarette

dispender dates to the

Smoking Paraphenalia

Some collectibles aren't what they seem at first glance. This green enameled piece that sold for \$252 at Morphy Auctions

looks like a covered jar. A closer look at the finial, shaped like a seated cherub or putto playing a stringed instrument, suggests its true purpose. It's really a music box that plays two tunes.

That's not all it is: Wind it up and the panels open, revealing a silver toned pocket behind each panel. The pockets were originally meant to hold cigarettes. It's a music box and a cigarette dispens-

It's well-known that smoking was more common in the first half of the 20th century before its links to lung

cancer had been determined. Smoking is less popular today, but smoking paraphernalia and tobacciana are collectible. Ashtrays,

especially with advertising, are popular and often inexpensive. Collectors of advertising and packaging look for antique tobacco tins. Lighters have their own category in Kovels' price guide. Smoking stands appear in antique furniture collections.

Some collectors may repurpose their smoking collectibles by using ashtrays as ring dishes, cigarette cases as credit card holders or smoking stands as

plant stands. This cigarette dispenser's decorations and multiple their value. It may not be possible to determine the country or functions could make it part of a collection of tobacciana, enamels or music boxes.

Q: My father was an official of a Merchant Marine union. The seamen would often bring back gifts, such as rugs, from overseas. I have several rugs in different colors and sizes. I have no idea of their country of origin or value. How can I find out something about them and their value?

A: An expert on rugs would have to see the rugs to determine **CURRENT PRICES**

teaspoon powdered ginger) 8 cups (64 ounces) chicken bone

1 teaspoon ground turmeric

Freshly ground black pepper

Big pinch red pepper flakes

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

removed

chopped

1 cup frozen peas

broth or low sodium chicken broth

3 pounds chicken leg quarters, skin

small bunch kale, stems removed,

Heat the oil in a large soup pot, set

on medium heat. Add the onion, car-

rot and celery, and saute for about 5

minutes, stirring frequently. Add the

mushrooms, garlic and ginger, and

stir to combine. Ahhhh, the aroma!

Add the chicken broth, turmeric and

salt and give it another stir. Place the

chicken pieces in the soup and bring

to a boil. Once boiling, reduce heat to

LOW and let simmer for 40 minutes.

Now, fish out the chicken pieces and

set aside to cool. Add the peas and

the bones to make bone broth!

to handle, shred the chicken and

add it back to the soup. Reserve

Why is this chicken soup so

effective? Because its ingredients

create an ideal combination of

anti-inflammatory and detoxifying

ingredients with great immunity

support. Here's to a healthy and

"Let thy food be thy medicine

and thy medicine be thy food." -





origin unless there is something unique in the design or technique that identifies them. Contact stores in your area that sell authentic Oriental rugs to see if they can help. If you have a friend who has old Oriental rugs, they may be able to tell you who to contact.

TIP: To loosen a rusted metal part on a toy, try soaking it in cola.

Cut glass cruet, Ramona pattern, hobstar, vesica, strawberry diamond, prism and fans, oval, double notched handle, rayed base, bulbous stopper, American Brilliant, Pairpoint, 6 1/4 x 3 3/4 inches, \$200.

Political button, Martin Luther King, celluloid, sepia photograph, pinback, integral stand and hanger, 1968, 9 inches, \$465.

Toy, Busy Cart Robot, construction robot, pushes wheeled cart, yellow and black, battery operated, Horikawa, Japan, original box, 12 inches, \$800.

Magazine, TIME, Feb. 18, 1957 issue, Rev. Martin Luther King picture on cover, signed and inscribed, sold with letter of authenticity, \$3,120.

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Нарру New Year!

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Fresh Start, Fresh Meals: Budget-Friendly Detox Chicken Soup

As we step into the blank canvas of a new year, many of us are eager to embrace healthier habits without breaking the bank. For this week, we're diving into the realm of revitalization with a nutrient-packed recipe filled with detoxifying and immune boosting ingredients that won't drain your wallet.

In the realm of soul-soothing concoctions, nothing quite rivals the nutritional prowess of a steaming bowl of chicken soup. It's not just about comfort; it's about embracing a holistic approach to health. So, let's dive into the science behind this detoxifying, inflammationfighting powerhouse.

Broth Brilliance: In an ideal world, we'd start with homemade bone broth — loaded with gelatin, chondroitin and immune-boosting nutrients. It's a remedy for gut health and hydration, thanks to minerals like zinc, calcium, phosphorus and magnesium. Opt for low-sodium store-bought broth if time is of the essence.

Antioxidant Allies: Onion and garlic — culinary superheroes bring not just flavor, but also antioxidants and antibacterial properties to the table. Carrots, celery, peas and kale join the fray, delivering a vitamin-packed punch that supports a robust immune system.

Mushroom Magic: Don't overlook the fungi! Mushrooms provide B vitamins and selenium, an antioxidant that plays a vital role in supporting the immune system.

Spice It Up: Elevate your soup's anti-inflammatory game with ginger, turmeric, black pepper and a dash of red pepper flakes. These ingredients bring potent antioxidants and antiinflammatory properties to the mix.

Poultry Power: Let's not forget the star of the show — the chicken. Poultry is rich in vitamin B-6, essential to produce healthy red blood cells. I used chicken leg quarters in this recipe because they're very affordable and the dark meat stays succulently tender. But you could use any cut of chicken you have on hand, even a whole chicken. As a bonus, it cooks right in the soup, making your life easier.

This recipe is very forgiving. Feel free to customize the recipe based on what's in your pantry. Don't have turmeric? No problem. This soup is forgiving, allowing you to work with what you have, and it'll turn out great.



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This detoxifying soup has antiinflammatory properties.

IMMUNITY BOOSTING CHICKEN SOUP

1 tablespoon olive oil 2 cups onion, diced

4 medium carrots, sliced 3 celery stalks, chopped

8 ounces mushrooms. sliced 6 to 10 cloves of garlic, minced 1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger (or 1

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