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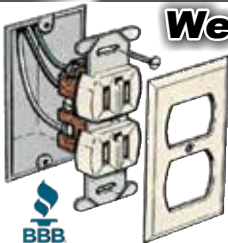


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Cybersecurity Awareness Month. This year's theme, "See Yourself in Cyber," will focus on the "people" part of cybersecurity, providing information and resources to help educate the public and ensure all individuals and organizations make smart decisions, whether on the job, at home, or at school, now and in the future.

Down Syndrome Awareness Month. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately one in every 772 babies in the United States is born with Down syndrome, making Down syndrome the most common chromosomal condition. About 5,100 babies with Down syndrome are born in the United States each year.

National Substance Abuse Prevention Month. Millions of Americans suffer from substance abuse, which includes underage drinking, alcohol dependency, nonmedical use of prescription drugs, abuse of over-the-counter medications, and illicit drug use. Early intervention helps prevent substance abuse and reduce the negative consequences of addiction before they occur.

Daily

International Coffee Day, Oct. 1. A celebration of coffee, launched in Milan in 2015, this day also is used to promote fair trade coffee and raise awareness of the plight of the coffee growers.



World Teacher's Day, Oct. 5. Established in 1994, World Teachers' Day is devoted to "appreciating, assessing, and improving the educators of the world" and providing an opportunity to consider issues related to teachers and teaching.

Indigenous People's Day, Oct. 10. Celebrated on the second Monday of October to honor the cultures and histories of the Native American people.

Columbus Day, Oct. 12. Date Italian explorer Christopher Columbus reached the Americas in 1492. (Observed on Oct. 10 in the U.S.)

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- Egypt's Great Pyramids
- The Taj Mahal
- The Grand Canyon
- The Panama Canal
- The Empire State Building
- St. Peter's Basilica
- The Great Wall of China



The teacher noticed that one young girl hadn't participated. She asked for the girl's own thoughts.

"I couldn't make up my mind," the student said, "because there are so many."

"Why don't you tell us what they are, and maybe we can help you choose?" the teacher suggested.

The girl hesitated, and then read her list:

- To see
- To hear
- To touch
- To taste
- To feel
- To laugh
- To love



Moral: The things we overlook as simple and ordinary, that we take for granted, are the most truly wondrous.

No single answer to leadership

Leadership consultant and blogger Tim Milburn likes to tell this story about the noted leader John C. Maxwell:

As he finished up a speech, Maxwell was approached by a young man with a determined expression on his face: "Dr. Maxwell, what's the one thing I need to know in order to be an effective leader?"

Appreciating the young man's sincerity, Maxwell replied with the same determination: "Young man, the one thing you need to know is that there is more than one thing you need to know."

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What to know about monkeypox



Monkeypox has become a global health crisis, with more than 28,000 cases reported around the world. According to NPR, here’s what you need to know:

- **Monkeypox is a virus.** Its name comes from the fact that it was discovered in monkeys used for research in 1958, though that doesn’t mean that monkeys are the source of the disease. It’s similar to smallpox (which was eradicated by 1980 due to global vaccinations), but it’s not as dangerous or easily transmissible.
- **It’s not necessarily fatal.** The West African strain of monkeypox currently spreading across the world is serious, but it probably won’t kill you. The CDC estimates that 99% of people who get infected will survive. Still, it can be deadly for children under eight, people with compromised immune systems, or people who are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- **Symptoms.** The symptoms of monkeypox include fever, headaches, muscle aches, and fatigue—similar to those of smallpox. It may also cause a rash or blisters anywhere on the body. The rash may appear before other symptoms, and can persist for two to four weeks.
- **How it spreads.** The virus is transmitted through close personal contact, including sexual contact as well as contact with an infected lesion. It can spread on surfaces, though that seems to be rare. Respiratory droplets can also spread the disease, putting health care workers and anyone living in close proximity with an infected person at higher risk. In general, though, the risk of catching monkeypox in the U.S. is considered low by the CDC.
- **How to protect yourself.** Avoid close contact with large groups of people. If you’ve been exposed, keep potentially contaminated items like clothing, bedsheets, and towels contained until they can be thoroughly washed. Wash your hands frequently. Keep track of the spread of the virus in your community.

Cutting back to afford health care

Health care is expensive, and these days many people are cutting back on other expenses to pay for it, according to Gallup. A recent survey looked at where the cutbacks are:

Delayed medical care or getting prescription drugs	38%
Driving less	26%
Cut back on utilities	10%
Skipped meals	7%
Borrowed money	6%



More than half of adults in households earning less than \$48,000 per year report having to cut spending to pay for health care, but they’re not alone. In households earning \$180,000 or more, 19% also had to shave some expenses for medical needs. Women are hit harder, with 30% saying they’ve had to trim spending on health care because of the cost, compared to 20% of men.

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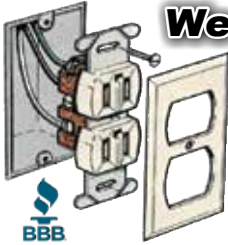
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The two sons

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The father said, "First, go to Kelly's farm and see if they have any geese for sale. We need to add to our stock."

The brother soon returned. "Yes, they have five geese they can sell us."

The father said, "Good. What's the price?"

The son went back to the farm and returned shortly with the answer: "The geese are \$10 each."

The father asked, "Can they deliver the geese tomorrow?"

Again the son went back, and came back soon with the answer: "They can deliver the geese tomorrow."

The father asked the older brother to wait and listen, then called the younger brother in from the fields. "Go to Davidson's farm and see if they have any geese for sale. We need to add to our stock."

The younger brother soon returned with the answer. "They have five geese for \$10 each, or ten geese for eight dollars each; and they can deliver them tomorrow. I asked them to deliver the five unless they heard otherwise from us in the next hour. And I agreed that if we want the extra five geese we could buy them at six dollars each."

The father turned to the older son, who nodded. He now realized why his brother was given more responsibility and reward.

Essay test

A teacher called little Johnny to her desk. "This essay you wrote about your dog Spot is the exact same essay your brother wrote word for word. What do you have to say for yourself?"

"Of course it's the same essay," Johnny said. "It's the same dog!"



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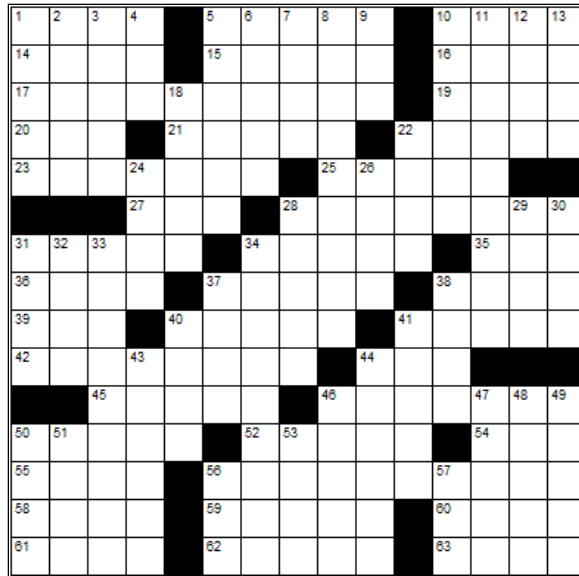
Just imagine if we laughed more frequently, if we had the unmitigated courage to touch each other, it would be just the beginning of paradise — now.

— **Maya Angelou**



ACROSS

- 1. Abbey area
- 5. Avoid
- 10. Declines
- 14. Mongrel
- 15. Fables
- 16. Adopted son of Claudius
- 17. Out of breath
- 19. Alumnus
- 20. East southeast
- 21. Metal fastener
- 22. Noodles
- 23. Substitute
- 25. French for "Red"
- 27. Donkey
- 28. Wizard
- 31. Profundity
- 34. Perhaps
- 35. Malayan isthmus
- 36. Mormon state
- 37. Flying toys
- 38. Burn the surface of
- 39. Our star



DOWN

- 40. Not over
 - 41. Invoke misfortune
 - 42. Greek goddess
 - 44. Before, in poetry
 - 45. Farewell
 - 46. Dissent
 - 50. Snow house
 - 52. Fool
 - 54. Neither ___
 - 55. Neophyte, in modern slang
 - 56. In an overly proud manner
 - 58. Pitch
 - 59. Late Superman actor, Christopher ___
 - 60. Notices
 - 61. 1 1 1 1
 - 62. Sea eagles
 - 63. Once, long ago
- 1. Yellowish-brown
 - 2. Pocketbook
 - 3. Precipitous
 - 4. Estimated time of arrival
 - 5. High standards
 - 6. Flow controller
 - 7. Away from the wind
 - 8. Type of warship
 - 9. S
 - 10. Captivate
 - 11. Ancient Norse warrior
 - 12. Spoiled child
 - 13. Fizzy drink
 - 18. Garbage
 - 22. Purple shade
 - 24. Strip of wood
 - 26. Spheres
 - 28. Satisfies
 - 29. Ages
 - 30. Scarce
 - 31. Detritus
 - 32. Decorative case
 - 33. Buffoon
 - 34. Summer solstice
 - 37. Leg joint
 - 38. Tallow source
 - 40. Freshwater mussel
 - 41. Hag
 - 43. Sun-dried bricks
 - 44. Wears away
 - 46. Put to the test
 - 47. Go in
 - 48. Undersides
 - 49. Secret meeting
 - 50. Not "Out of"
 - 51. Thug
 - 53. Portent
 - 56. Anger
 - 57. South southeast



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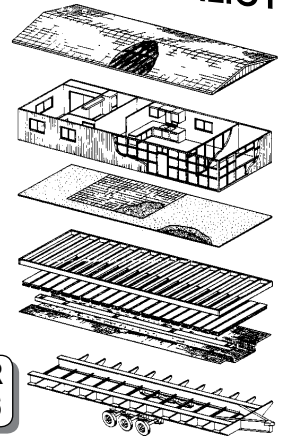
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When do people lie? Thirty percent say they lie when asked if they like what someone else is wearing, and 27% will lie if someone makes them a meal they don't like.

Are you a convincing liar? The survey, which focused on poker, found that only about 24% of people believe they have a good poker face, while 37% think they do a good job of misleading others. Only about one in 20 people say they have a bad poker face. On the other hand, 53% of people in the survey believe they can spot when someone is lying to them, and just eight percent say they're poor at it.

On the whole, 42% of people surveyed said they feel they have a hard time concealing their true feelings, and 54% said they consider honesty very important. Assuming they're telling the truth.

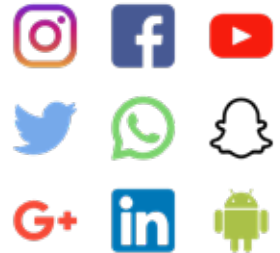
Social media distrust is widespread

If there's one thing we can all agree on in these divided, polarized days, it's that we don't trust social media with our personal data. The Washington Post reports that although social media is ubiquitous these days, 64% of Americans feel the government should rein it in.

Among the top social media platforms, Facebook is the least trusted, with 72% expressing little or no trust in its handling of users' personal information, with 20% saying they trust it a lot. That's followed by TikTok, which 63% of social media users don't trust, and Instagram, with 60% trust.

Amazon seems to have earned the most confidence, with 53% of customers saying they trust it a great deal or a good amount, followed by Apple at 44% and Microsoft at 43%.

Fifty-six percent of people surveyed feel that Facebook has a negative impact on society, with only 10% finding it a positive.



Age is just a number. It's totally irrelevant unless, of course, you happen to be a bottle of wine.

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"However, I'm pleased to say that as the days passed I soon realized that this sad fellow was a frightful exception and that this parish was indeed a wonderful place full of kind and decent people."

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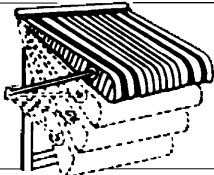
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	<p>CRAFT FAIR Event date: Saturday, October 15th at 9 am. Shady Lane Oaks clubhouse - 1577 Boilesta Road - Clearwater. Bake sale, raffles, breakfast/lunch.</p>	<p>Vendors needed Christmas Craft Show November 5th, 8 to 2. Park Royale 10611 66th, Pinellas Park. For more information contact Jane at jimjane1394@gmail.com</p> <p>Regency Heights Carport Sale: Friday and Saturday, November 4-5, 8am-2pm. 2550 State Rd 580, Clearwater.</p> <div data-bbox="873 868 1263 1047" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">10TH ANNUAL PURPLE HEART CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT JOIN US ON SAT. NOV. 5TH AT COVE CAY COUNTRY CLUB FOR ONE INCREDIBLE DAY OF MILITARY HONOR GOLF & MUSIC THAT YOU WILL NEVER FORGET! ONE MILLION DOLLAR HOLE IN ONE PRIZE! ALL EVENT DETAILS AND TEAM REGISTRATION: WWW.HEARTSTRINGSFORHEROES.ORG SUPPORTING WOUNDED COMBAT HEROES</p>   </div>

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Email: silkoaklodge_mgr@equitylifestyle.com

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Office Hours For Community And New Home Sales Info.....
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