

# Trivia

*The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle.*

The Hawaiian alphabet has only 12 letters; 5 vowels (a, e, i, o, u) and 7 consonants (h, k, l, m, n, p, w).

*Mississippi Bay is nowhere near Mississippi. It is outside of Yokohoma, Japan.*

The world's biggest pyramid is not in Egypt, but in Mexico, the Pyramid of the Sun.

*When a rider loses their reins, their horse can run out of control. This is how the phrase, "out of hand" was started.*

Mr. Potato Head was the first toy product ever advertised on television. It was advertised in 1952.

*The firing of guns at funerals, which is still practiced at military funerals, started as an attempt to frighten away evil spirits.*

The capitol building in Washington D.C. has 365 steps to represent every day of the year.

*To save a 40-foot tree, a stack of newspapers averaging 4 feet tall must be recycled.*

Lemons are typically served with fish because at one point, it was thought that lemon juice would aid in dissolving fish bones and help prevent choking.

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# Product Spotlight

## Garden Hoses

Dixon offers nine different types of garden hoses to suit a variety of needs.

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- self-storing hose that automatically recoils when not in use
- soft textured, rubber vinyl hose
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- heavy-duty, crush resistant, full-flow brass couplings
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## Dates in History

**1766** On April 8<sup>th</sup>, the first fire escape was patented. It consisted of a wicker basket on a pulley and chain.

**1856** On April 21<sup>th</sup>, the first railroad bridge across the Mississippi River was completed. It spanned between Rock Island, Illinois and Davenport, Iowa.

**1865** On April 14<sup>th</sup>, President Lincoln was shot in Ford's Theatre by John Wilkes Booth.

**1877** On April 12<sup>th</sup>, a catcher's mask was first used in a baseball game.

**1912** On April 15<sup>th</sup>, the Titanic sank at 2:27 am in the North Atlantic.

## On the Lighter Side

• Mrs. Trent, seated in her living room, heard the back door slam. Thinking it was her young son, she called: "I'm in here, darling. I've been waiting for you." There was no answer for a moment. Then a strange voice faltered: "I'm sorry, but I ain't your regular milk deliverer."

• Two lawyers were arguing a case in court and began to call each other names. "You're a loop-brained shyster," roared one. "And you're an ambulance-chasing cockroach," roared the other. The judge finally rapped for order. "Now that you two have introduced each other to this court," he said, "you may proceed with the case."

• A golfer, trying to get out of a trap, said to her competitor: "The traps on this course are very annoying, aren't they?" The second golfer, trying to putt replied, "They are, indeed, so would you please close yours?"

• There is little chance for people to get together as long as most of us want to be in the front of the bus, the back of the church, and the middle of the road.

• Zoo visitors were amazed to see a cage, labeled "Coexistence," containing a lion and some lambs. The zoo director explained there was nothing to it. "Just add a few fresh lambs every now and then."

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