

SUNDAY

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In Spain, people eat 12 grapes on December 31 at midnight. This is believed to bring good fortune throughout the year.

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Many people make a resolution on New Year's Day, but close to 88% fail within the first two weeks!

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Did you know, astronauts say that moon dust sticks to their suits and has a burnt smell!

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It's **World Braille Day**. Braille was invented by Louis Braille when he was only 15 years old.

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Octopuses have taste buds on their tentacles. They can taste what they touch!

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The world's largest desert isn't the Sahara—it's Antarctica! Because it gets so little rain, it is classified as a cold desert.

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You can tell the age of freshwater turtles and terrapins by their shell rings—like counting tree rings!

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Did you know, the Indian Ocean is the warmest ocean on Earth.

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India celebrates **Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (NRI Day)** today to honour Indians living abroad and their contributions.

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Today is **World Hindi Day**. Hindi is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world with over 600 million speakers.

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Believe it or not, of the six sides of a snowflake, not one is exactly like the other!

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Today marks the birthday of Swami Vivekananda, who was born in 1863. He once said, "Arise, awake and stop not till the goal is reached."

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North India celebrates **Lohri** today. It is celebrated with a bonfire and songs to welcome longer days and warmer weather.

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Today, the sky of Gujarat will be filled with colourful kites soaring towards the sun—a joyful way of celebrating Makar Sankranti.

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Today is **Indian Army Day**. It is celebrated in recognition of Lieutenant General KM Cariappa's taking over as the first commander-in-chief of the Indian Army.

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The horned lizard can squirt blood from its eyes to scare away predators! It shoots the blood to a distance of 2mts.

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The banyan tree, India's national tree, grows roots down from its branches in order to form new trunks.

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A giraffe's tongue is about 45 to 50cms long and dark purple to protect it from sunburn while eating leaves all day.

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Cacti can live for years without rain because they store water in their stems.

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Penguins have waterproof feathers and a layer of fat to stay warm in icy waters.

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Water drops just roll off lotus leaves—this is called the lotus effect and scientists study it to design self-cleaning materials.

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A cheetah can reach speeds of up to 113kms/hr in short bursts!

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It's **Vasant Panchami**, a day to celebrate spring and honour Goddess Saraswati.

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India celebrates **National Girl Child Day** today. This day raises awareness about the rights and education of girl children in India.

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The smallest owl in the world, the elf owl, is just 13cms tall—about the size of a sparrow!

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It's India's **Republic Day** today. This marks the day in 1950 when the Indian Constitution came into effect.

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Dolphins sleep with one eye open to stay alert for predators.

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Neem leaves have antibacterial properties and are used in traditional medicines.

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Did you know, birds are the only animals with feathers—they use them for warmth, flight and display.

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Ant eaters can eat 30,000 ants or termites in one day.

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Elephants can recognise themselves in a mirror, which is a sign of high intelligence!