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A wealthy family lived in a big circular house. They had a maid, a butler, and a gardener. The parents were going to a party, so they tucked the younger kids into bed and kissedthem goodnight and said goodbye, and kissed the older kids goodnight. When the parents came home, all the kids were gone they had beenkidnapped. The authorities ask the butler, maid, and gardener what theywere doing at the time of the kidnapping. The butler says he was organizing the library, the maid saysshe was dusting the corners, and thegardener says he was watering the plants. Who's lying and actually kidnapped the kids?

A farmer went to a market and bought a wolf, a goat, and a cabbage.
On his way home, the farmer cameto the bank of a river and rented a boat. But crossing the river by boat, the farmer could carry only himself and a single one of his purchases: the wolf, the goat, or the cabbage. Ifleft unattended together, the wolf would eat the goat, or the goat would eat the cabbage. The farmer'schallenge was to carry himself and his purchases to the far bank of the river, leaving each purchase intact.

How did he do it?

A woman is sitting in her hotel roomand hears a knock at the door. She opens the door to see a man whom she's never met before. He says, "I'msorry, I have made a mistake, I thought this was my room." He thengoes down the corridor and into the elevator. The woman goes back intoher room and calls security. What made the woman so suspicious of the man?

Grandpa went for a walk, and it started raining. He forgot to bring anumbrella and didn't have a hat.

When he got home, his clothes weresoaking wet, but not a hair on his head was wet. How was thispossible?

You walk into a room and see a bed. On the bed, there are two dogs, fivecats, a giraffe, six cows, and a goose.

There are also three doves flying above the bed. How many legs areon the floor?

A California farmer owns a beautifulpear tree.

He supplies the fruit to a nearby grocery store. The store owner calls the farmer to see how much fruit is available for him to buy. The farmer knows the main trunk has 24 branches. Each branchhas exactly 12 boughs and each bough has exactly 6 twigs. Since each twig bears one piece of fruit, how many plums will the farmer beable to deliver?

A man is found unconscious in front of a store at two in the morning. Hishead is bleeding and there's a bricklaying next to him. When the policearrive, they carry the man to jail.

Why did they arrest him?

In a one-story house at the corner ofthe road, the bedrooms were yellow, the kitchen was orange, the living room was red, the garage was blue, the entry hall was green and the sitting room was purple. What colorwere the stairs?

My first is in chocolate but no in ham. My second is in cake and also injam. My third at tea-time is easily found. Altogether, this is a friend who is often around. What is it?

I am beautiful, up in the sky. I am magical, yet I cannot fly. To people Ibring luck, and to some people, riches. The boy at my end does whatever he wishes. What am I?

I am a five-letter word and people eat me. If you remove the first letter I become an energy form. If you remove the first two letters, I amneeded to live. Scramble the last three letters and I am a drink. What word am I?

A prisoner is called to be questionedby the guards. The guards tell the prisoner: "If you tell a lie, we will hang you and if you tell the truth, wewill shoot you." What did the prisoner say to save himself?

A father told his three sons he woulddie soon and he needed to decide which one of them to give his propertyto. He said, "Go to the market and buysomething that is large enough to fill my bedroom, but small enough to fit inyour pocket. From this, I will decide which of you is the wisest and worthy enough to inherit my land." They all went to the market, and each came

back with a different item. The father told his sons to come into his bedroomone at a time and try to fill up his

bedroom with their item. The first soncame in and put some pieces of clothhe bought and laid them across the

room, but it barely covered the floor. The second son came in and laid somehay on the floor, but there was only enough to cover half the floor.

The third son came in and showed his father what he bought. He wound up getting the property. What didthe third son show his father?

Riddle 14

It spends most of its day eating white, but when it's quick enough, it gets to eat fruit and sometimes someblue things. It's in a dark room, where the walls are blue, it runs from a ghost that roams the halls and haunts it all the time. What is it?

One night, a man runs away fromhome. He turns left and keeps running. After some time he turns left again and keeps running. Later, he turns left one more time and runsback home—but when he gets home,he finds a man in a mask. Who was the man in the mask?

I look flat, but I am deep. Hiddenrealms I shelter. Lives I take, but food I offer. At times I am beautiful. Ican be calm, angry, and turbulent. Ihave no heart, but offer pleasure as well as death. No man can own me, yet I encompass what all men must have. What am I?

A woman named Maria was at thefuneral of her mother. She met a nice young man that she had neverseen before and after the service, they spent a bit of time together. Then she got busy and didn't get hisname or phone number before he left. She tried to find him, but no oneknew who he was or how to contact him. A few weeks later, Maria's older sister dies and the police suspectmurder.

Who killed the sister?

You stand in front of two doors. A guard stands next to each door. Youknow the following things: one pathleads to paradise, the other leads todeath. You cannot distinguish between the two doors. You alsoknow that one of the two guards always tells the truth and the otheralways lies. You have permission toask one guard one question to

discover which door leads to paradise. What one question wouldyou ask to guarantee you enter thedoor to paradise?

A spy was in Canada trying to steal insider information on how to set up new Maple Syrup factories in their country. He was introduced to the operations manager of the biggest factory in Canada. However, the manager was suspicious and decided to test him with a question before hetrusted him. So he asked, "What would you be sure to find in the middle of Toronto?" The spy thoughtfast and came up with an answer for the manager.

What was his answer?

There's a girl who has a large family. She has an equal amount of brothersand sisters, but each brother only has half as many brothers and sisters. What's the correct amount ofbrothers and sisters?

There is a basket full of hats. Three are white and two are black. Three men, Tom, Tim, and Jim, each take ahat out of the basket and put it on their heads without seeing the hat they selected or the hats the other men selected. The men arrange themselves so Tom can see Tim and Jim's hats, Tim can see Jim's hat, and Jim can't see anyone's hat. Tom is asked what color his hat is and he says he doesn't know. Tim is asked the same question, and he also doesn't know. Finally, Jim is asked the question, and he does know.

What color is his hat?

If you paint a brown house white it will become a white house. If the stoplight changes from red to green, then the light is green. So, if you throw a white shirt into the Red Sea, what will it become?

Consider this about a word: The first two letters signify a male, the first three letters signify a female, the first four letters signify a great, whilethe entire world signifies a great woman. What is the word?

Sally lives in a place where six months of the year is mild summerand the temperature drops significantly the other six months. She owns a lake where there is asmall island. She wants to build a house on the island and needs to getmaterials there. She doesn't have a boat, plane, or anything to transport them to the island. How does Sally solve this problem?

You walk into an old horror house. Ithas no power or plumbing. Once inside, you see three doors. Each door has a number on it. Behind each door is a way for you to die. Behind door number one, you die bygetting eaten by a lion. Behind doornumber two, you die by getting murdered. Behind door number three, you die by electric chair. You can't turn back, so you have to go through a door.

Which door do you go through?

The captain of a ship is telling you aninteresting story, and then poses a question. He says, "I have traveled the oceans far and wide. One time, two of my sailors were standing on opposite sides of the ship. One was looking west and the other one east. And at the same time, they could seeeach other clearly. Can you tell me how that was possible?"

A girl says this to her best friend: "Iwas born in 1955, and I celebrated my 17th birthday last weekend." Herbest friend thinks she's lying, but she's actually correct. How is that possible?

There once were seven dwarfs who were all brothers. They were all borntwo years apart. The youngest dwarfis seven years old. How old is his oldest brother?

A thief enters a store and threatensthe clerk, forcing her to open the safe. The clerk says, "The code for the safe is different every day, and ifyou hurt me you'll never get the code." But the thief manages to guess the code on his own. How did he do it?

You're out on the water and see aboat filled with people. You look away for a second and look back again, but this time you don't see asingle person on the boat.

Why? Hint: The boat did not sink.

The person who makes it has no need for it. He who purchases it does not use it. The person who does use it does not know they are. What is it?

Jim and Sarah are in a long-distance relationship. Jim buys an engagement ring for Sarah and wants to mail it to her.

Unfortunately, the only way to ensure the ring will be received is toplace a lock on the package. Jim haslocks and Sarah has locks, but neither has keys for each other's locks. How can they make sure thering isn't stolen?

A man is shown a portrait painting.

He looks closely, then yells,

"Brothers and sisters have I none, but that
man's father is my father's son!" Who is the man
in the portrait?

There were five men at church, and itstarted raining while they were outside. The four that ran still got wet, but the one that was still stayedcompletely dry. Why did he stay dry?

Mrs. Jones has four daughters. Eachof her daughters has one brother.

How many children does Mrs. Joneshave?

There was a competition where the contestants had to hold something. At the end of the event, the winnerwas a person who had no hands or feet. What was it that the contestants had to hold?

A man was at a carnival and went to a booth where a carny said to him, "IfI write your exact weight on this piece of paper, then you have to giveme \$100, but if I cannot, I will pay you \$100." The man saw no scale near the booth so he agrees, thinkinghe'll lie to the carny either way abouthis weight. However, the man ends up paying the carny \$100. How didthe carny win the bet?

The owner of a popular clothing store comes up with his own methodof pricing items. A vest costs \$8, socks cost \$10, a tie costs \$6, and ablouse costs \$12. Using the owner's method, how much would a pair of underwear cost?

Andrew's doctor gives him three pillsand tells him to take one every half hour. How much time will have passed by the time Andrew's takenall three pills?

What does man love more than life, and hate more than death or mortal strife; that which satisfied men want; the poor have, and the rich require; the miser spends, the spendthrift saves, and all men carry to their graves?

A woman wants to enter an exclusive club, but she doesn't know the password. A man walks to the door and the doorman says 12, the mansays 6, and is let in. Another man walks up and the doorman says 6, the man says 3, and is let in. Thinking she's figured it out, she walks up to the door and the doorman says 10, she says 5, and she isn't let in. What should she have said?

Chef Andrea has to light the kitchen stoves to open her restaurant for theday. There are three stoves in the kitchen: A glass stove, a brick stove, and a wood stove. She only has one match. Which does she light up first?

Jessica is telling her friends this story and asks them to guess if it's the truth or a lie: "There was a man sitting in a house at night that had nolights on at all. There was no lamp, no candle, and no other source of light. Yet, he sat in the house and read his book happily." Her friends say she's lying, but Jessica corrects them and says she's telling the truth. Jessica's story is true—but how?

Wednesday, Steve and Pam go to a restaurant to eat lunch. After eatinglunch, they pay the bill. But Steve and Pam do not pay the bill. So...whodoes?

An evil man kidnapped someone andmade them take one of two pills. Onewas harmless, but the other was poisonous. Whichever pill the victimtook, the kidnapper took the other one. The victim took their pill with water and died. The kidnapper survived. How did the kidnapper getthe harmless pill?

A man is sitting in a bar when a richman sits next to him. He turns to therich man and says, "Did you know I know almost every song that has ever existed?"

The rich man laughs. The man then says, "I bet you all the money you have in your wallet that I can sing a genuine song with a lady's name of

your choice in it. The rich man laughsagain and says, "OK, how about mydaughter's name, Jamie Armstrong-

Miller?" Minutes later, the man collects his cash and the rich man goes home cashless.

What song didthe man sing?

Consider this: Arnold Schwarzenegger has a big one. Michael J. Fox has a small one. Prince doesn't have one. The Pope has one but never uses it. Bill Clintonhas one and uses it all the time. Whatis it?

A red house is made out of red bricks. A yellow house is made out of yellow bricks. And, a blue house is made out of blue bricks. So, what is agreen house made of?

Two fathers and their two sons go on a fishing trip together. Each one catches a fish to take home with them. They don't lose any fish, and yet when they get home they, only have three fish. How is this possible?

One night, a woman receives a callfrom the police. They tell her that her husband was murdered, and sheshould come to the crime scene as soon as possible. The woman drops the phone, shocked, and drives 20 minutes to the crime scene. As soonas she reaches the crime scene, the police arrest her and she is convicted of murder. How do thepolice know she committed the crime?

Riddle 51
On the first day of school, someone murdered the English teacher. Therewere four people at the school that the police suspected had done it: thejanitor, a history teacher, a basketball coach, and the principal. These were their alibis: The janitor said he was cleaning the bathrooms. The history teacher said he was giving a mid-year test. The basketball coach said he wasrunning practice drills with hisplayers. The principal said he was in his

office. After giving their alibies, the police

arrested the killer immediately. Whokilled the

English teacher and howdid the police know?

A monkey, a squirrel, and a bird are racing to the top of a coconut tree. Who will get the banana first, the monkey, the squirrel, or the bird?

I'm part of a bird that's not in the sky, I'll drown in an ocean but still bedry. The last part of man, I refuse to die, in mourning, I'm tossed at your feet to lie. I begin my job early, at your ankles and thighs. I work my way up to your waist, and in the middle of the day, away I'm chased.

I'll return quite quickly for the armsof my taste. As the evening falls, I move to your lungs, down past yourmouth and tongue. When darkness falls, away I go. A relief for some, until morning comes. What am I?

I heard of a wonder, of words moth-eaten. That is a strange thing, I thought, weird. That a man's song beswallowed by a worm. His blindedsentences, his bedside stand-byrustled in the night - and the robber-guest. Not one wit the wiser. For thewords he had mumbled.

I have been the beginning of ideas for all time, yet I am just one simple small object, the things that you canuse me for can be frustrating and also I can be pretty. I have some ofthe most valuable thing in the world on me, yet almost everyone owns me. With me you can make anything.

What am I?

Two fathers and their two sons go ona fishing trip together. Each one catches a fish to take home with them. They don't lose any fish, and yet when they get home they, only have three fish. How is this possible?

I cannot be other than what I am, Until the man who made me dies, Power and glory will fall to me finally,
Only when he last closes his eyes.

A thief enters a store and threatensthe clerk, forcing her to open the safe. The clerk says, "The code for the safe is different every day, and ifyou hurt me you'll never get the code." But the thief manages to guess the code on his own. How did he do it?

I am a fruit, but also a shape. If youhad two of me, I would sound just the same. If you rearrange my letters, it could be a crime.

Add meto a montage and I can become a different fruit. Remove my head and you can still listen; take away the end and I can still be eaten. Without a piece of the center, I am still a word; take away all of the middle and I am just an acronym. What am I?

An evil man kidnapped someone andmade them take one of two pills. Onewas harmless, but the other was poisonous. Whichever pill the victimtook, the kidnapper took the other one. The victim took their pill with water and died. The kidnapper survived. How did the kidnapper getthe harmless pill?

Alexander is stranded on an islandcovered in forest. One day, when the wind is blowing from the west, lightning strikes the west end of the island and sets fire to the forest. The fire is very violent, burning everything in its path, and without intervention the fire will burn the whole island, killing theman in the process. There are cliffs around the island, so he cannot jump off. How can the Alexander survive thefire? (There are no buckets or any other means to put out the fire)

Four golfers named Mr. Black, Mr. White, Mr. Brown and Mr. Blue werecompeting in a tournament. Thecaddy didn't know their names, so heasked them. One of them, Mr. Brown, told a lie. The 1st golfer said "The 2nd Golfer isMr. Black." The 2nd golfer said "I am not Mr. Blue!" The 3rd golfer said "Mr. White? That's the 4th golfer." And the 4th golfer remained silent. Which one of the golfers is Mr. Blue?

One night, a woman receives a callfrom the police. They tell her that her husband was murdered, and sheshould come to the crime scene as soon as possible. The woman drops the phone, shocked, and drives 20 minutes to the crime scene. As soonas she reaches the crime scene, the police arrest her and she is convicted of murder. How do the police know she committed the crime?

One day, a magician was boastingabout how long he could hold his breath underwater. His record was 6minutes. A kid that was listening said, "that's nothing, I can stay underwater for 10 minutes using noequipment or air pockets!" The magician told the kid if he could do that, he'd give him \$10,000. The kiddid it and won the money. How?

There are 25 red balls, 47 green balls and 3 blue balls in a basket. There is a blind man. What is the minimum number of balls that the blind man has to pick to make sure that there are at least 2 balls of different colors?

It roars a challenge, and I respond. Ittakes the abuse and goes beyond. Filled up with liquid, in hurried haste, I wield my staff in this impossible ace. Once I won against this mightyfoe, I'll float like a thistle and move extremely slow. What am I talking about?

I am never exactly what I appear tobe. I may seem straight forward, but I'm afraid that is only skin deep. Mystery most often lies beneath mysimple words. Sharpen your wits, and open your eyes. Read mebackwards, forwards, upside down. Look beyond my exteriors andanswer this simple question.

Whatam I?

Riddle 68

Each day many people all over theworld come and visit me. They usually only stay for a couple of minutes. I am considered by many tobe very dirty, yet few people would want to live without me. Whenever people come to see me, they show apart of themselves that they rarely show to others.

What am I?

Riddle 69

There are 500 coffins and 500 men who need them. The undertaker asksthe first man to go to every coffinand open them. Then he tells the second man to go to every one and close it. The third one goes to everythird coffin and so on. How many areopen?

Riddle 70

A man lives on the top floor of ahotel. When he is out with a friend or outon a rainy day, he comes back, goes to the elevator, and goes to the top floor. When he goes out alone or on a sunny day, he goes half way up and walks the rest of the way up. Why?

Answers

Riddle 01: Answer

The maid—she said she was dusting the corners, but the family lives in acircular house, so there are no corners.

Riddle 02:

The farmer takes seven trips over—here are his steps:

- 1. Take the goat over
- 2. Return
- 3. Take the wolf or cabbage over
- 4. Return with the goat
- 5. Take the cabbage or wolf over
- 6. Return
- 7. Take goat over

Riddle 03:

If he really thought it was his hotelroom, he would have tried to open the door—not knock on it first.

Riddle 04:

Grandpa is bald.

Riddle 05:

Six—the bed's four legs, plus yourtwo legs.

Riddle 06:

None—a pear tree doesn't growplums.

Riddle 07:

The man was trying to rob the store. He threw a brick at the store's bullet-proof window and it bounced back

and hit him.

Riddle 08:

There's no color because there areno stairs—it's a one-story house.

Riddle 09:

Cat—"c" is the first letter in "chocolate," "a" is the second letterin "cake" and "jam," and "t" is the third letter in "teatime."

Riddle 10:

A rainbow.

Riddle 11:

Wheat.

Riddle 12:

"You will hang me."

Riddle 13:

A box of matches. Whenever he lit amatch, it filled the room with light.

Riddle 14:

Pac-Man

Riddle 15:

A catcher—they're playing baseball.

Riddle 16:

The ocean.

Riddle 17:

Maria—she hoped the man would show up at her sister's funeral just ashe had for her mother's funeral

Riddle 18:

Ask, "Which door would the otherguard say leads to paradise?"

Riddle 19:

"0"—it's the middle letter in "Toronto."

Riddle 20:

Four sisters and three brothers.

Riddle 21:

The hat is white. If Tom doesn't knowhis hat color then the other two men's hats cannot be both black otherwise he would know his hat is white. When Tim doesn't know his hat color either, that means Jim's hat could not be black otherwise Tim would have to know his hat waswhite based on Tom's answer.

Riddle 22:

Wet—the shirt won't change color because the Red Sea isn't actually red.

Riddle 23:

Heroine.

Riddle 24:

She waits to take the materials overduring the colder months because the lake will freeze over, so she can walk over it.

Riddle 25:

Door number three—the house hasno power, which means it doesn't have electricity.

Therefore, the electric chair won't work.

Riddle 26:

The sailors were standing at opposite ends of the ship, but facing one another.

Riddle 27:

She was born in room 1955.

Riddle 28:

19 years old—if you thought the oldest was 21, you likely didn't countthe seven-year-old dwarf as one of the seven brothers.

Riddle 29:

The clerk already told him the code—she said it's "different" every day.

Riddle 30:

All the people on the boat are inrelationships.

Riddle 31:

A coffin.

Riddle 32:

The ring is sent through the mail multiple times. First, Jim puts a lockon the package and sends it to

Sarah. Then, Sarah places one of herlocks on the package and sends it back to Jim. Then, Jim removes hislock and sends the package back to Sarah. Finally, Sarah unlocks the package and gets the ring.

Riddle 33:

The man's son.

Riddle 34:

He was in a coffin—the other menwere at his funeral.

Riddle 35:

Five—all her daughters have the same brother.

Riddle 36:

Their breath.

Riddle 37:

The carny handed the man a piece ofpaper that said, "Your exact weight."

Riddle 38:

\$18—the method is charging \$2 foreach letter needed to spell out the clothing item.

Riddle 39:

One hour. Andrew will take one rightaway, then take one a half-hour later, then take the final one a half-hour after that.

Riddle 40:

Nothing.

Riddle 41:

Three—the code is the number of letters that are in the number the doorman says.

Riddle 42:

The match.

Riddle 43:

In Jessica's story, the man is blindand is reading braille.

Riddle 44:

Their friend Wednesday.

Riddle 45:

Both pills were harmless—the poisonwas in the water.

Riddle 46:

Happy Birthday.

Riddle 47:

A surname.

Riddle 48:

Glass

Riddle 49:

Only three people were on the fishing trip—a grandfather, his son, and his grandson.

Riddle 50:

The police didn't tell her where thecrime scene was, yet she already knew where to go.

Riddle 51:

The history teacher killed the English teacher. He said he was giving a mid-year test, but it was the first day of

school.

Riddle 52:

None of them, because you can't geta banana from a coconut tree.

Riddle 53:

Shadow.

Riddle 54:

Bookworm.

Riddle 55:

Paper.

Riddle 56:

Only three people were on the fishing trip—a grandfather, his son, and his grandson.

Riddle 57:

prince

Riddle 58:

The clerk already told him the code
— she said it's "different" every day.

Riddle 59:

Pear.

Riddle 60:

Both pills were harmless — the poison was in the water.

Riddle 61:

Alexander picks up a piece of wood and lights it from the fire on the west

end of the island. He then quickly carries it near the east end of he island and starts a new fire. The windwill cause that fire to burn out the eastern end and he can then shelter in the burnt area.

Riddle 62:

The 3rd one.

Riddle 63:

The police didn't tell her where thecrime scene was, yet she already knew where to go.

Riddle 64:

He filled a glass of water and held itabove his head for 10 minutes.

Riddle 65:

48 balls. There is a small chance hemay pick up 47 green balls in a row.

Riddle 66:

A waterfall.

Riddle 67:

A riddle.

Riddle 68:

A toilet.

Riddle 69:

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Riddle 70:

He was using an umbrella or had atall friend to push the buttons forhigh floors.

