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**A compilation of Fun Facts About
Our Crazy, Mixed-Up World**

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Hey mom, how about closing that window!?

In Detroit in the 1930s, a baby fell from a high window and landed on a man called Joseph Figlock who was passing below. Both survived the incident.

BUT... about a year later, the SAME baby fell from the SAME window and, get this, he landed on the SAME guy!

Again, both Figlock and the baby lived to tell the tale(s).



[Source: <http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Aprender.JPG>]

The Famous 'Flying Baby of Detroit' Went on to Become a Moderately Successful Internet Marketer in His Spare Time.

A couple of funnies from comedian Ronnie Shakes...

- "After 12 years of therapy, my psychiatrist said something that brought tears to my eyes. He said, 'No hablo ingles.'"

- "I spend money with reckless abandon. Last month I blew \$5,000 at a reincarnation seminar. I thought, 'What the hell, you only live once.'"

- "My doctor gave me two weeks to live. I hope they're in August."

In 2001, Indian Railways cited over 14 million people for not having a ticket. (To put this in perspective, however, it's worth noting that they transport 30 million passengers daily!)

"In the beginning there was nothing. God said, "Let there be light!" And there was light. There was still nothing, but you could see it a whole lot better."

-- Ellen DeGeneres

Only four countries in the world have single-syllable names: France, Spain, Greece, and Chad.

Guinness stout is brewed in over 50 countries around the world, and sold in more than 150 countries. About 5.5 million pints (2.6 million liters) of Guinness is consumed every day. Sláinte!

In Disney's Fantasia, the Sorcerer to whom Mickey played an apprentice was named Yensid.

Do you notice anything interesting about that name? No?

It's 'Disney' spelled backward...

There are at least 8,000 man-made objects orbiting the Earth

Some Thoughts On Marriage...

- "Marriage is the triumph of imagination over intelligence. Second marriage is the triumph of hope over experience." (Anon.)

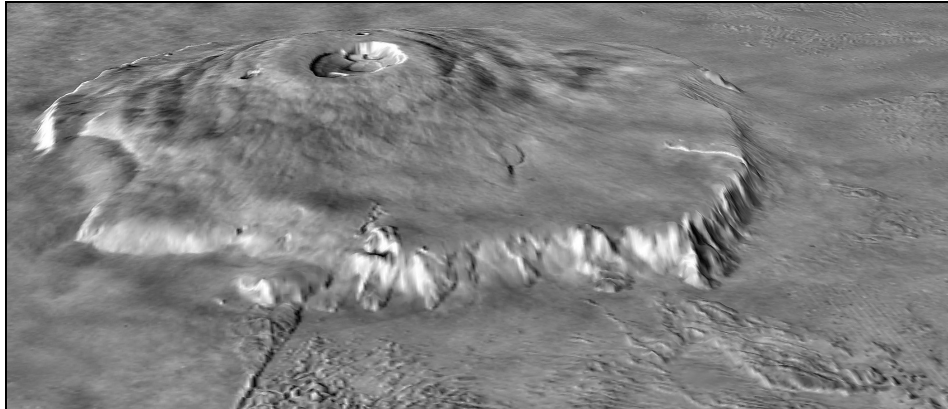
- "Before marriage, a man yearns for the woman he loves. After marriage, the 'y' becomes silent." (Anon.)

Q. What's the largest know volcano in the solar system?

A. Olympus Mons, on Mars.

It's 14 miles (22 km) high and 388 miles (624 km) wide. It's almost three times higher than Mount Everest, and wide enough to cover Arizona. The city of London would easily fit inside the crater at the top.

However, because of its wide base, climbing to the top of Olympus Mons – while tiresome – would not require any mountaineering experience.



[Source: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Olympus_Mons_topography.jpeg]

Olympus Mons as Seen From a Helicopter

When the US Secret Service was first established (back in 1865), its job wasn't to spy on foreign enemies. Instead, it was founded with the aim of combating the counterfeiting of money.

This is less surprising when you consider that, at the end of the American Civil War, around 40% of paper currency in circulation was counterfeit.

Some Demetri Martin Funnies

- "If I have to move up in a building, I choose the elevator over the escalator. Because one time I was riding the escalator and I tripped. I fell down the stairs for an hour and a half."

- "I was on the street. This guy waved to me, and he came up to me and said, "I'm sorry, I thought you were someone else." And I said, "I am.""

- "I went into a clothes store and a lady came up to me and said, "If you need anything, I'm Jill". I've never met anyone with a conditional identity before."

- "I wrapped my Christmas presents early this year, but I used the wrong paper. See, the paper I used said 'Happy Birthday' on it. I didn't want to waste it so I just wrote 'Jesus' on it."

- "'Sort of' is such a harmless thing to say... Sort of. It's just filler. Sort of. It doesn't really mean anything. But after *certain* things, 'sort of' means everything. Like after "I love you" or "You're going to live" or "It's a boy!"

- "I feel stupid when I write the word 'banana'. Its like, how many *na's* are on this thing? I'm like 'Bana...' Keep going... 'Bananana...' Damn!"

When George W. Bush introduced a tax cut in 2001, it added over 14,300 pages to the US tax Code.

The popular sports drink *Gatorade* was developed at the University of Florida and was named after the school's football team, The Florida Gators.

In 1914 a German lady took a photograph of her young son and gave the film to a photography shop in Strasbourg (France) to be developed.

Shortly after that, however, World War I broke out and, because she couldn't return to France, she gave the photo up for lost.

A couple of years later, the same lady went to a shop in Frankfurt (Germany) to buy a film plate – which back then were sold individually – to take a picture of her baby daughter.

When the film was subsequently developed – it turned out to be a...
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