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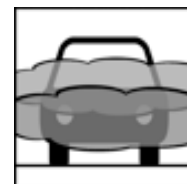
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*The Answers To These And
Many More Questions Are Inside*



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Boom! Bang! And Wow!

Fireworks and the summer may bring memories of a magical time with your nose pressed against an upstairs window to catch a glimpse of detonating delights that filled the sky. Or a time when you sat spellbound in the park as both starbursts and your imagination soared.

If you wonder how the pyro-technicians produce the many different colors, the answer is: chemistry. Colors are achieved by adding certain compounds to the fireworks mixture. Barium produces green, strontium generates red, and sodium is responsible for yellows. Copper adds the blue and strontium plus copper can create purple.

Fireworks are thought to have originated in China more than 1000 years ago. A mixture of sulfur, charcoal, and potassium nitrate gave a satisfying flash that was used in special ceremonies.

By the 1800's, chemists began to create the mixtures that make up most of our fireworks today. Before that time only yellows and oranges were produced using steel and charcoal. Chlorates added reds and greens in the 19th century, but good blues and purples did not appear until the 1900's.

Improvements have allowed the colors we see to be more vivid as each year passes. Magnesium and aluminum have been added to create silver and sparkle. Each fireworks company has their own special secret formulas that make their fireworks distinctive. The color, excitement, and magic come alive. But remember: the first rule of fireworks is "Safety first."



Do You Have A Question About Car Maintenance That You Want Answered?

We love to hear from all of our good friends and clients who enjoy reading our monthly newsletter. If you have a question about anything related to your vehicle, feel free to give us a call at

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Truckers Know What To Do In Rain And Fog. Do You?

Before you get behind the wheel on a day that could produce rain or fog, do what truckers do.

They first make sure that their windshield is free of any type of oily film and dirt. Both can interfere with the effectiveness of windshield wipers.

The North American Trucking Association says rain can be a particular problem after a spell of dry weather. With a slight drizzle and all the oil on the road, it can be more slippery than ice.

Both visibility and stopping distance are dramatically cut when driving in rain or fog. Truckers increase their awareness and double the distance they would normally allow between them and the vehicle ahead.

Foggy conditions can be the most hazardous. It's tricky because it opens up, and then closes. In dense fog, the Association recommends pulling off the road for a time. If that's not possible, adjust your speed to whatever vision you have.

The North American Trucking Association offers this advice for those who must travel in foggy conditions.

- ❖ Drive with headlights on low beam whether it's day or night.
- ❖ Reduce your speed. There is a tendency to increase speed in fog because there are fewer reference points.
- ❖ Roll down your windows. You may be able to hear traffic you can't see.
- ❖ Use your defroster in addition to your wipers for maximum vision.
- ❖ Use the right edge of the road as a guide. Be patient and don't pass.
- ❖ Never stop on the roadway when there is fog.

Quote

“Family is not an important thing. It’s everything.”

-Michael J. Fox



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Devin Prasad

From The Minds Of Youngsters

Young innocent minds sometimes are the wisest and funniest. Here are some quotes from children that can apply to all ages:

- ▶ "When you want something expensive, ask your grandparents." - Matthew, Age 12
- ▶ "Listen to your brain. It has lots of information." - Chelsey, Age 7
- ▶ "Never dare your little brother to paint the family car." - Phillip, Age 13
- ▶ "Never ask for anything that costs more than \$5 when your parents are doing taxes." - Carrol, Age 9
- ▶ "Don't pick on your sister when she's holding a baseball bat." - Joel, Age 12
- ▶ "Wear a hat when feeding seagulls." - Rocky, Age 9

Building An Artificial Limb Is More Fact Than Fiction

Cyborgs and bionic people may have originated in science fiction, but they're closer and closer to becoming a reality these days. Doctors in Switzerland, as reported by *The Independent*, are preparing to attach a prosthetic hand that will enable a patient to feel; the patient will also be able to control the hand directly by thought.

The new hand will be attached to the two main nerves in the patient's arm, the median and ulnar nerves. Doctors hope the new technology will allow information to flow quickly back and forth between the patient's brain and the limb, providing real-time feedback for grasping and touch.

The patient, an Italian worker in his 20s, will wear the bionic hand for about two months initially to see how well he adapts to it. If early tests are successful, a full working model will be ready for more testing in about two years.

Check The Back Seat Before Leaving The Car

Certainly you would never intentionally leave a baby, child or pet locked in the car when the weather is hot, or anytime. Within 10 minutes, the temperature in a car can cause heat stroke.



But you could be very busy or preoccupied. A sleeping child in the back seat could be forgotten. The CDC recommends placing a stuffed animal on the front seat, or put your purse or briefcase in the back seat to help you remember. Always check to see that everyone is out of the car before leaving it.

The Lighter Side Of Traffic Court

A woman was found guilty in traffic court and when asked her occupation, she said she was a schoolteacher. The judge rose from the bench. "Madam, I have waited years for a schoolteacher to appear before this court."

He smiled with delight. "Now sit down at that table and write 'I will not run a red light' five hundred times."



Traveling With Pets In The Car

From the Canadian Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals:

- ▶ Pets should wear a flat collar with tags having your name, home and destination addresses and phone numbers.
- ▶ Never leave a pet unattended at rest stops, at gas stations, or in a very hot or very cold car.
- ▶ Acclimate the pet for a long trip by taking a series of shorter drives.
- ▶ Feed a light meal two hours before departure, never in a moving vehicle.
- ▶ Don't allow pets to put their heads outside the window. It can cause eye and inner ear damage and lung infection.
- ▶ Consider a dog harness or a dog "car seat." Pets should ride in the rear seat.
- ▶ Pets that are very young, very old, pregnant, or sick shouldn't travel.



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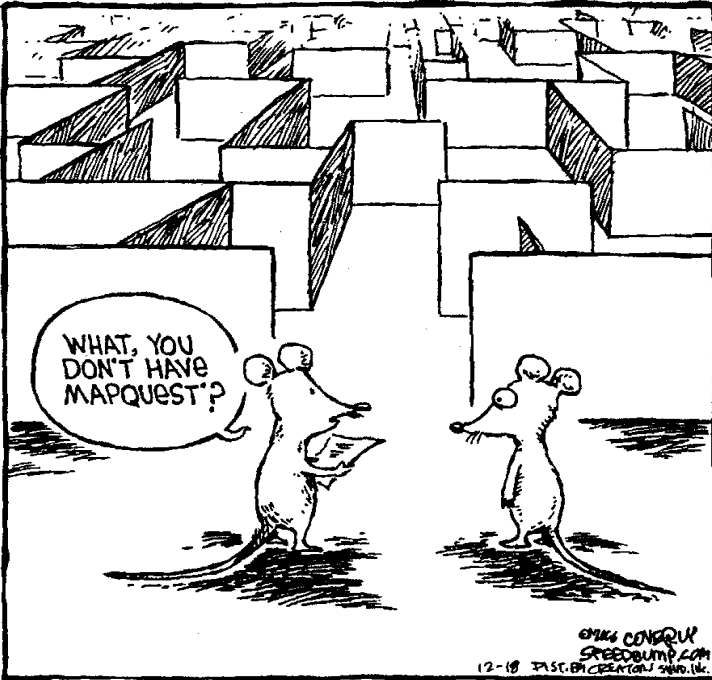
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Donna Kuntz



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**FROM THE COMMITTEE
ALIDA KRUK**

Washing The Car



A warm, clear day seems the perfect time to wash the car. But don't do it in bright sunlight, advise the automotive experts. The sun can cause the metal to heat up so that water will boil off immediately, leaving caustic soap and grime behind. Also, moisture left on the car will increase the power of the sun's rays, damaging the finish so that it may never really shine again. It's much better to wash your car in the early morning or late afternoon, or on cloudy, overcast days.

Happy Canada Day to all of you.

It is now July, and half the year is gone. Our granddaughter graduated this June and will be going to SFU to study law. Our son Steve will be coming down here for the summer from Dease Lake, BC. 2 hours from the Yukon border. Last month I mentioned that we were flying to Edmonton and then driving to Lloydminster for a wedding. The night before leaving I was rechecking our flight times and discovered our return flight was at 9:30am instead of the 7:30pm that I thought was booked. It was too late to do anything about it till I got to Lloyd. Finally at 6am Sunday morning and \$380 later got it changed to the 7:30 flight, now that is a rip off.

Gerry's wife Alison has gone to England for a month to spend some time, (and probably the last time) to visit with her mom, so he will be batching for a month.

For all of you who have health challenges, may God's healing hand be upon you, and help you thru.

- Dr. Phil

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