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## ***What's The Answer?***



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



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## *The Rich Really Are Different...*

Earth is home to 1,426 billionaires, according to Forbes magazine. Some of them are familiar and fairly normal folks (Carlos Slim, Warren Buffett), but others are a little more colorful. Forbes recently shared some of the more outlandish stories of 2013's richest people:

- **God is a billionaire.** Not that God—God Nisanov, who was born in Azerbaijan, currently resides in Moscow, and built his \$3 billion fortune in real estate.
- **Money buys you love?** Jeff Greene, who also made his billions in real estate deals, spent \$1 million on his wedding at an estate he bought for \$35 million and then spent \$15 million renovating. His best man? Boxer Mike Tyson.
- **Money supports some unusual hobbies.** Tuncay Ozilhan collects pens—and currently owns more than 3,000 of them. He can afford them because his worth is \$1.6 billion, thanks to being the producer of the most popular beer in Turkey, a brew known as Efes.
- **Win some, lose some.** Brazilian entrepreneur Eike Batista remains on the Forbes list of billionaires in 2013 despite having lost some \$8.8 billion since last year. That comes out to over \$53 million a day, or \$2 million an hour.
- **Money doesn't solve all problems.** Pharmacy billionaire Stewart Rahr was reportedly banned for life from New York's celebrity sushi restaurant Nobu for a meltdown that occurred when he couldn't get his favorite table.



## *Sounds Like Fun*

Read the following nonsense phrases out loud until you "hear" the answer. All the answers are the names of real people. If you get stuck, put the inflection on another word. The answers are on page 3.

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| 1. Gap Denim Ericka | 6. Bee League Ram          |
| 2. Share Runs Toe   | 7. Thud How less Cow Poise |
| 3. Check Hinge Heal | 8. Pat Wrecks Weigh Sea    |
| 4. Rye Known Hill   | 9. Lit Lower Fun Nanny     |
| 5. My Kojak Sun     | 10. Men Hean Hurl          |

## *Love Is In The Air, And Here's How It Stacks Up*

June is traditionally a month for weddings. Two top wedding websites, The Knot and Wedding Channel, recently completed a survey of over 17,500 brides married in 2012 to determine the state of the wedding industry. Some of their findings:

- ◆ Average wedding budget: \$28,427
- ◆ Average amount spent on a wedding dress: \$1,211
- ◆ Most expensive location for a wedding: Manhattan (average \$76,678)
- ◆ Least expensive: Alaska (average \$15,504)
- ◆ Average age: Bride, 29; Groom, 31
- ◆ Average number of wedding guests: 139
- ◆ Most popular month to get married: June (17 percent)
- ◆ Average length of engagement: 14 months



## *Today's Spelling Lesson*

Here's one spelling rule to remember:

The letter I always comes before E, except when you want to pull off a feisty heist on a weird beige foreign neighbor.



## *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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**Brook Taylor**

## ***School's Out! Now What Do We Do?***

If you've got children, you know what June means: summer vacation. Weeks and weeks of uninterrupted freedom, maybe a family trip or two—and lots of time for kids to grow bored because they have nothing to do.

You don't have to be a full-time cruise director for your family. You can, however, consider these ideas for keeping children busy and happy until school starts again in the fall:

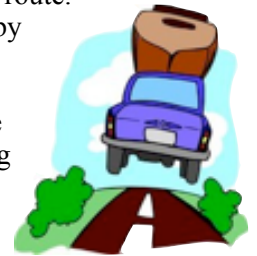


- ★ **Museums.** Scout your community for offbeat little museums in addition to the major institutions of art and history that may be nearby.
- ★ **Libraries.** Visit your local library often. In addition to checking out books and DVDs, look for summertime activities that many libraries offer to children.
- ★ **Volunteer work.** Older children can get a lot out of volunteering for charities and other causes in your community. Look for age-appropriate opportunities that allow kids to do good for others.
- ★ **Sports programs.** Find a sport your child is interested in. Many park districts and schools offer programs in baseball, soccer, and other sports during the summer months.
- ★ **Berry picking.** If you live anywhere near the country, look for farms that offer the chance to pick fresh fruit and vegetables. You'll get some healthy produce at a good price while spending a few productive hours outdoors.
- ★ **Down time.** Don't try to schedule every minute in your kids' days. Give them some time to relax and chill out so their vacation really feels like a vacation.

## ***On The Road Again... With Money-Saving Strategies***

Planning a road trip or two this summer? Just make sure you're not wasting money that could be better spent on fun. Before you leave, check out these tips:

- \* **Get a vehicle check up.** A vehicle that's in good repair will consume less gas on the road. And you'll catch any potential problems that might turn into expensive repair jobs far from home. Just give us a call, we can make sure your vehicle is road trip worthy.
- \* **Plan your route.** Whether you use Google maps or the old-fashioned folding variety, spend some time looking for the most efficient (or picturesque) path from point A to point B. Be realistic about your expected daily progress so you don't get overtired driving late.
- \* **Look for deals.** Check the Internet for price breaks on motels and attractions along your route. You can often save some money by signing up for a motel chain's loyalty plan, for instance.
- \* **Pack your own food.** You'll save time and money by bringing along some sandwiches and snacks so you don't have to stop at a restaurant when you get hungry.



## ***Exercise And Sleep, Any Time Is Good***

If you're not getting enough sleep, your work will suffer the next day. If it becomes an ongoing problem, you could find yourself out of the running for promotions and opportunities that will go instead to more energetic (and well-rested) colleagues.

One solution: Work out a little every day. The National Sleep Foundation recently reported on a study which found that people who exercise for as little as 10 minutes per day tend to sleep better and wake up feeling more rested than those who don't exercise at all.

The belief that working out before bedtime is harmful to good sleep was the standard, but this study from the University of South Carolina proves something else. Researchers found that young males in good physical condition reported no sleep problems after riding stationary bikes for up to three hours before going to bed. Exercise, at any time of the day or night, appears to be vital to getting the rest you need.

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## Congratulations To Our Client Of The Month!

Every month, we choose a very special client of the month. It's our way of acknowledging our great clients and saying thanks to those that support our business with referrals and repeat business.

This month's Client of the Month is

**Michael & Karen Strain**

## Here's Hoping People Read These Warnings...

You'd think people would know how to handle common household items safely, but you may think different after checking out some of these warning labels:

- ➔ **"Remove child before folding."** (On a baby stroller)
- ➔ **"Harmful if swallowed."** (On a brass fishing lure with a three-pronged hook on the end)
- ➔ **"This product moves when used."** (On a popular scooter for kids)
- ➔ **"Do not use this product as a toy, pillow, or flotation device."** (On a bag of air used as packing material)
- ➔ **"Do not use for personal hygiene."** (On a flushable toilet brush)
- ➔ **"Never use hair dryer while sleeping."** (On a hair dryer)
- ➔ **"This product not intended for use as a dental drill."** (On an electric drill for carpenters' use)
- ➔ **"Do not drive with sunshield in place."** (On a cardboard car sunshield)
- ➔ **"Not intended for highway use."** (On a 13-inch wheel on a wheelbarrow)
- ➔ **"Do not use snow thrower on roof."** (On a snow blower)



Hope you had a good long (Victoria Day) weekend. We were thankful for the dry weather, and I imagine the people at the Cloverdale Rodeo were thankful as well. For our weekend, we spent at our trailer near Maple Falls, Wash. It was supposed to be a time of relaxing, but the next morning (Sunday) to start breakfast I opened the drawer and found mice droppings. (I had left the hot water cover off and I think they got through that way.) So before breakfast I had to clean all the drawers, wash all the utensils. While I was doing this Marj had accidentally broken the hot water spout off our water dispenser, with the hot water shooting out. Had to make a plug from the end of a paint brush to plug it off. We were then able to use the cold water tap. (anyone have a water dispenser that you want to get rid of). Finally started breakfast at 11:30 am.

Then heard that evening (around our camp fire) that our son, Steve's trailer may have had raccoons under the roof. So on Monday spent a few hours plugging off all accesses to the roof. After that no desires to golf, so tried to relax until we came back that evening.

Then at the end of May, Marj and I will be flying to Edmonton, renting a car and driving to Lloydminster to attend a wedding. We lived in Lloydminster for 12 years before moving to Surrey. Lots of family and friends will be there.

While I am writing this, it is raining outside and supposed to continue for the rest of this week, but thankfully it held off this past weekend.

We look forward to June for warm weather and hopefully sunshine and visiting with you. **Happy Father's Day** to all you fathers, and hopefully you will be honored for all your work and sacrifices.

- Dr. Phil

## Thanks For The Kind Words

*On behalf of the Dry Grad Committee of Johnston Heights Secondary School graduating class 2013. We would like to thank Ambassador Auto Repair for your generous donation. It is because of people like you Phil that makes our dry grad event safe and successful.*

*- Johnston Heights Sec. School Dry Grad Committee*

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Captain America    | 5. Michael Jackson     |
| 2. Sharon Stone       | 4. Ryan O'Neal         |
| 3. Jack and Jill      | 9. Little Orphan Annie |
| 7. The Dallas Cowboys | 8. Patrick Swayze      |
| 6. Billy Graham       | 10. Minnie Pearl       |

## Answers

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