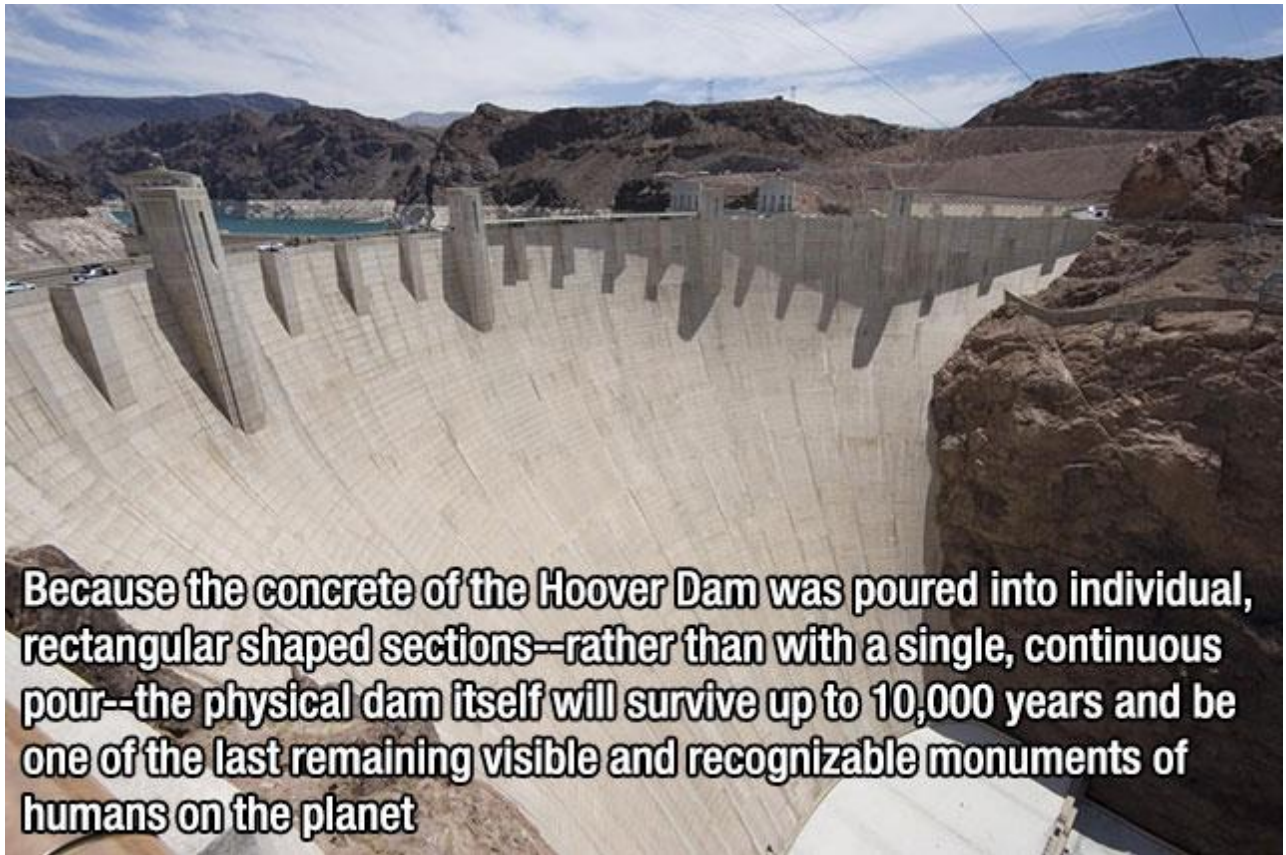
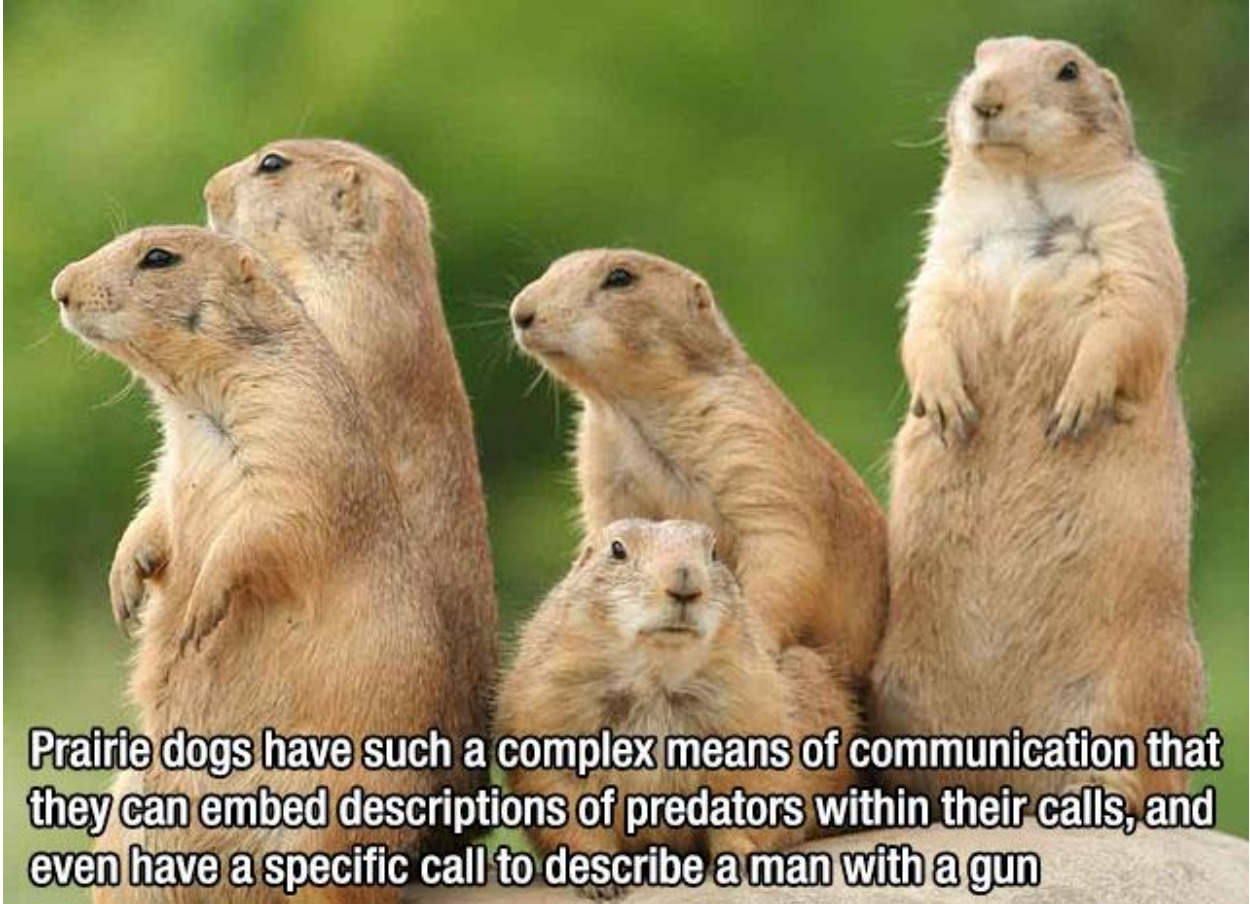


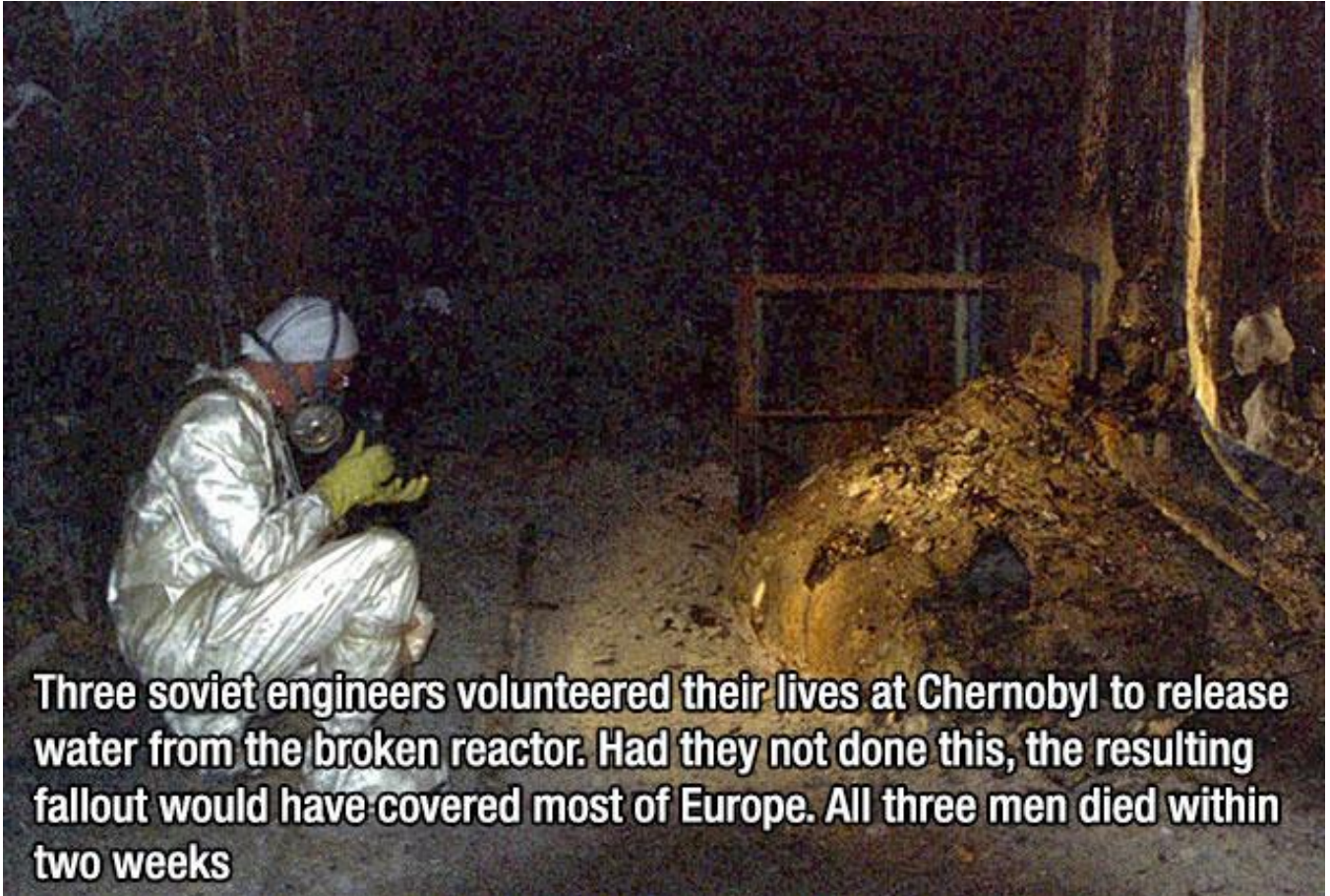
Your lessons for today, some history, some other

Are you a history buff? Do you love random trivia tidbits? Do you just want to keep your mind busy and active? These 18 facts will have your cogs spinning and your mind racing with interesting new information about the past, the present, and the future.





Prairie dogs have such a complex means of communication that they can embed descriptions of predators within their calls, and even have a specific call to describe a man with a gun



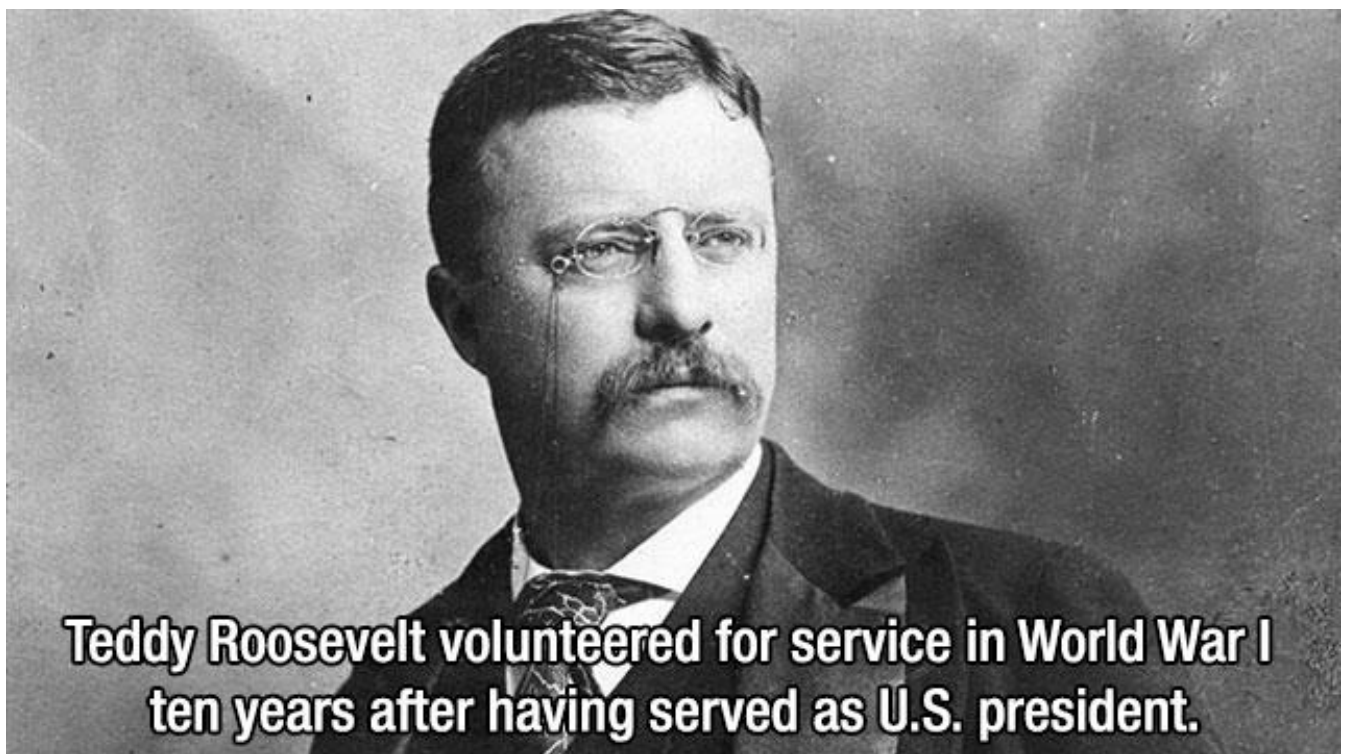
Three soviet engineers volunteered their lives at Chernobyl to release water from the broken reactor. Had they not done this, the resulting fallout would have covered most of Europe. All three men died within two weeks



In 1933 America's most senior, most decorated Marine, General Smedley Butler, told the House of Representatives that wealthy businessmen tried to recruit him to overthrow President Roosevelt in a coup, and install a fascist government.



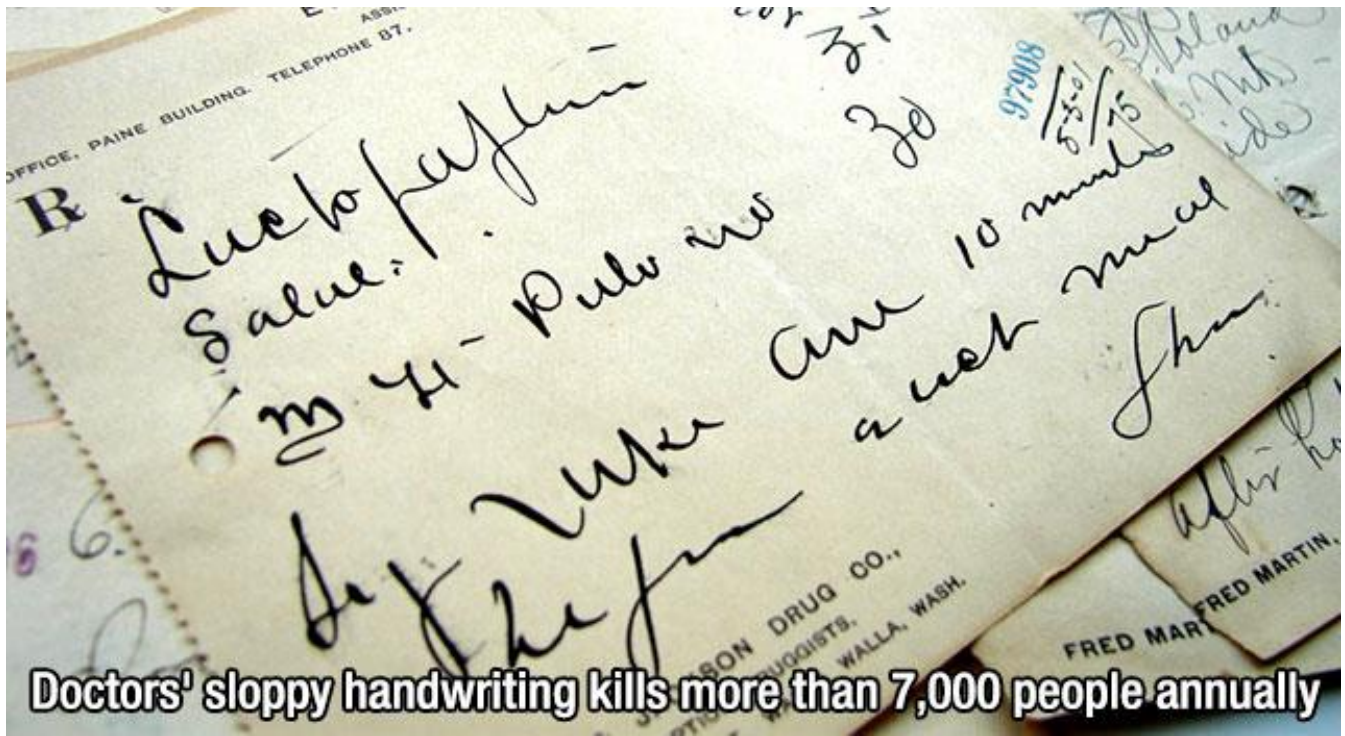
FedEx uses several empty cargo planes that roam the country's skies overnight in circuitous flight paths, ready to divert on demand in order to accommodate unexpected package volume



Teddy Roosevelt volunteered for service in World War I ten years after having served as U.S. president.



Humans are the kings and queens of the planet when it comes to long distance running. We can outrun every animal on the planet, and run in conditions that no other animal can run in.



Doctors' sloppy handwriting kills more than 7,000 people annually

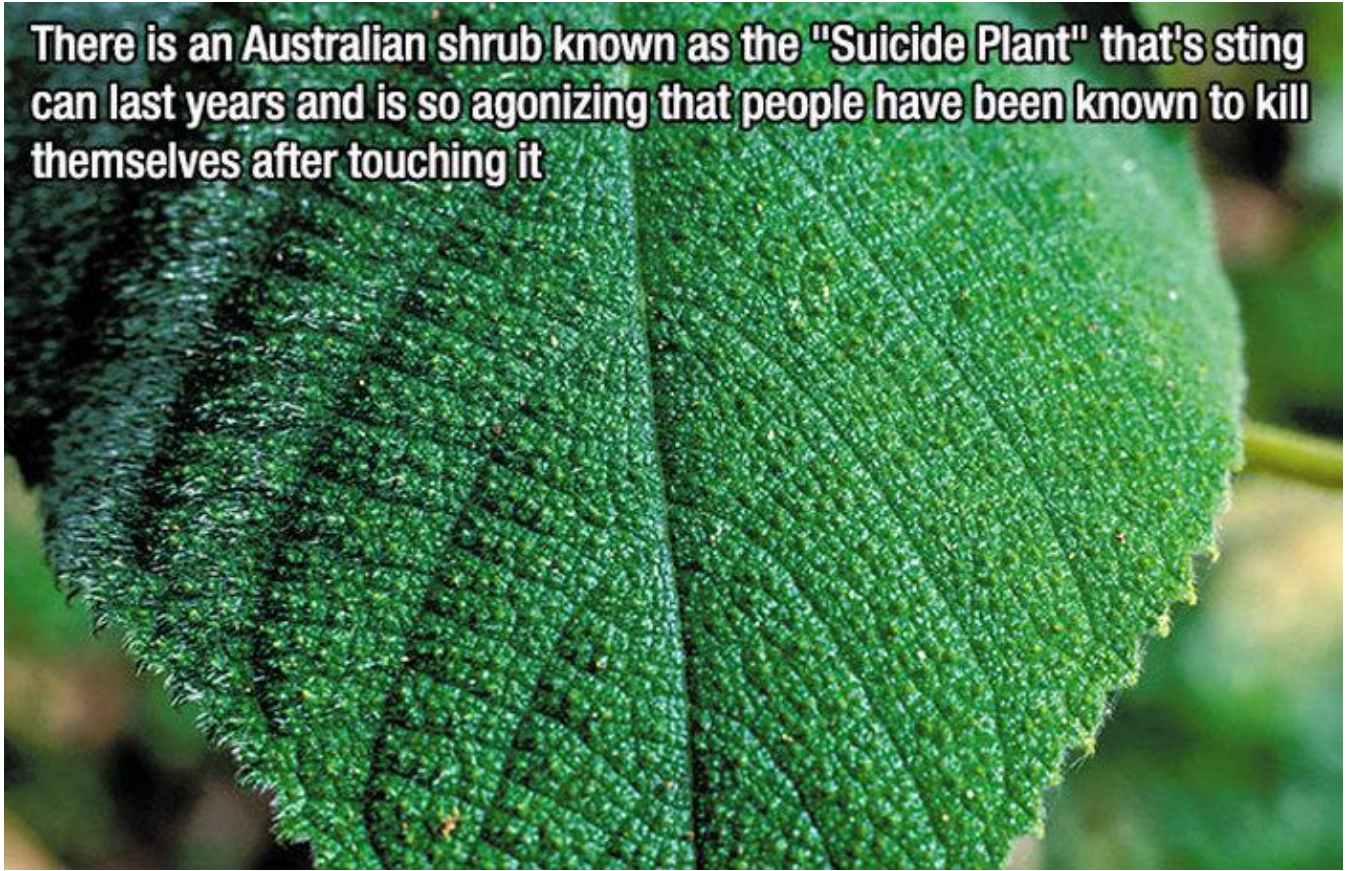


There is a man in Australia who ages one year for every four. After celebrating his 40th birthday, he had the physical body of a 10 year old

The blades in a Rolls Royce jet engine are so technologically advanced and intricately designed that each blade is roughly worth the price of an average family car

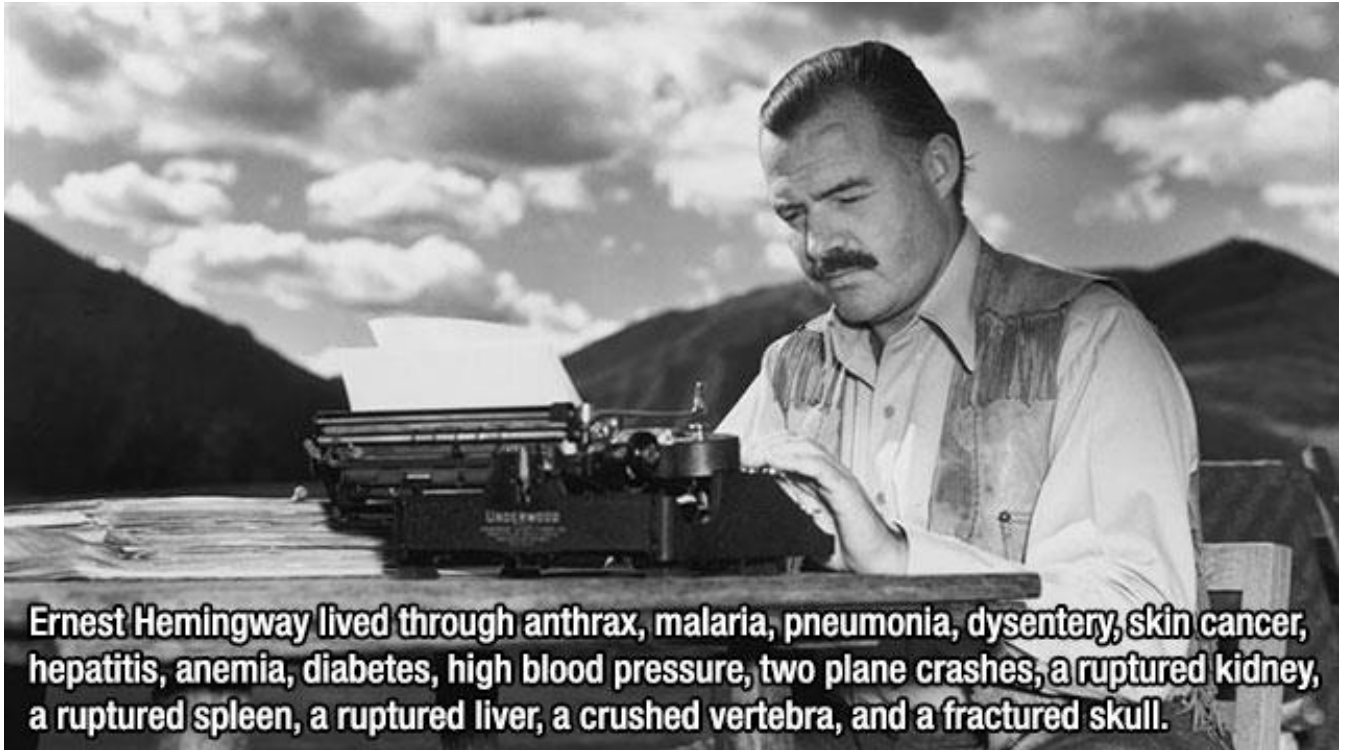


There is an Australian shrub known as the "Suicide Plant" that's sting can last years and is so agonizing that people have been known to kill themselves after touching it





Blind people can get issued a guide horse. Miniature horses are used instead of guide dogs if the person is for example afraid of, or allergic to, dogs



Ernest Hemingway lived through anthrax, malaria, pneumonia, dysentery, skin cancer, hepatitis, anemia, diabetes, high blood pressure, two plane crashes, a ruptured kidney, a ruptured spleen, a ruptured liver, a crushed vertebra, and a fractured skull.