

Trivia

did you know that ...

When airplanes were still a novel invention, seat belts for pilots were only installed after the consequence of their absence was observed to be fatal - several pilots fell to their deaths while flying upside down.

Carbonated beverages became popular in 1832 after John Mathews invented an apparatus for charging water with carbon dioxide gas.

The LEGO company was founded by Ole Kirk Christiansen in Billund, Denmark in 1932. The name 'LEGO' is an abbreviation of the two Danish words "leg" and "godt", meaning "play well".

Many stand-up comedians say their cleverest quips occur to them in taxicabs, often on the way back to their hotel after the show.

Ambidextrous is taken to mean "able to use both hands equally," but it really translates as "having two right hands."

Artificial rain was first used near Concord, New Hampshire, in 1947 to fight a forest fire.

There are 18 different animal shapes in the Animal Crackers cookie zoo.

The strongest bone in the body, the thigh bone, is hollow. Ounce for ounce, it has a greater pressure tolerance and bearing strength than a rod of equivalent size in cast steel.

<http://www.coolquiz.com/trivia>

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Product Spotlight

PTFE Smooth Bore and Convolute Hose & Fittings

Dixon Specialty Hose's Nominal Smooth Bore PTFE Hose offers a wide range of uses:

conveying chemicals, *non-conductive convoluted hose* foods, pharmaceuticals, oils, gas, fuels and steam. These hoses are constructed with a white, non-conductive tube or with a black conductive tube. When selecting this product, remember that Nominal Hose has a slightly smaller I.D. and follows SAE 100R14 tubing standards, which is typically labeled in 'dash' sizes.



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non-conductive convoluted hose

Our True Convolute PTFE ID hose's are suitable for conveying acids, chemicals, foods and pharmaceuticals. These products can be ordered with a convolute tube or a heavy wall true ID smooth bore tube. The True ID Hose will have the same I.D. of schedule 40 pipe allowing for an exact match for sizing.

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Product Safety

Dixon is available to consult, train and recommend the proper hose, connection and correct application of our products. We strongly urges that distributors and end users utilize Dixon's trained technical staff to answer any questions. The STAMPED acronym below will aid you in the proper selection of fittings and hose.

Size
Temperature
Application
Media
Pressure
Ends
Delivery

Dates in History

1892 On February 2nd, William Painter patented the bottle cap with a cork seal.

1954 On February 23rd, Pittsburgh begins the first mass inoculation of children against polio in the US, using the vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk.

1998 On February 6th, President Bill Clinton signs a bill to rename Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan National Airport.

(www.datesinhistory.com)

On the Lighter Side

Realizing that their home just wasn't big enough with the new baby in the house, Little Johnny's parents discussed moving to a bigger one. Little Johnny sat patiently listening to his parents, then piped in, "It's no use. He'll just follow us anyway.

When my grandson, Billy, and I entered our vacation cabin, we kept the lights off until we were inside to keep from attracting pesky insects. Still, a few fireflies followed us in. Noticing them before I did, Billy whispered, "It's no use, Grandpa. The mosquitoes are coming after us with flashlights."

A mother was telling her little girl what her own childhood was like: "We used to skate outside on a pond. I had a swing made from a tire; it hung from a tree in our front yard. We rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this in. At last she said, "I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

A little girl was diligently pounding away on her father's word processor. She told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he asked. "I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."

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