



1. **GEOGRAPHY:** What canal connects the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea?
2. **MOVIES:** Which of Disney's animated princess movies was the first to get a live-action version?
3. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a male duck called?
4. **LITERATURE:** In which famous museum does a murder take place in the novel "The Da Vinci Code"?
5. **SCIENCE:** What part of the plant is responsible for photosynthesis?
6. **TELEVISION:** When did the animated TV sitcom "The Flintstones" debut?
7. **U.S. CITIES:** Which city is known for the saying, "Where young people go to retire"?
8. **FOOD & DRINK:** Which Southeast Asian fruit has such a strong smell that it's banned on public transportation?
9. **ASTRONOMY:** Which star is the brightest in the night sky?
10. **MEASUREMENTS:** How many meters are in a kilometer?

**Answers**

1. Suez Canal.
2. "Cinderella."
3. A drake.
4. The Louvre in Paris, France.
5. The leaves.
6. 1960.
7. Portland, Oregon.
8. Durian.
9. Sirius.
10. 1,000.



- ♦ Mix a quarter cup of salt in with two tablespoons of bath wash for a sudsy, refreshing, skin-soothing salt scrub.
- ♦ "Here is a fun game to play with a group of kids (and adults). Everyone gets a piece of paper and begins to draw something. The group leader (mom or dad, usually) says "Pass it left (or right)" and you pass your paper to the next person, who continues your drawing, and so on. We play this at the restaurant until the food gets there. The drawings are fun to look at later." - T.T. in Ohio
- ♦ Here's a cheap trick to keep cut flowers fresh longer: Stir a tiny bit of sugar into the water in your vase. Then drop a penny in the vase.
- ♦ Long-sleeve shirts make great beach or lake coverups. They can be tied around your waist if you aren't using it, and they cover your whole arm.
- ♦ Need to put on a bracelet but have no one to help with the clasp? Head to your home office supplies. Grab a large paperclip and twist it open so it is in the shape of an "S." Thread one loop of the "S" into the jump ring (where the clasp attaches) and use your hand to hold the rest of the paper clip. Bring the bracelet around your wrist and it'll be easy to attach!
- ♦ "Do you have trouble keeping ants out of your hummingbird feeders? How about giving them their own cup of sugar water? Put 1/2 cup of sugar water on the ground near where you hang feeders. Then check it when you change the feeder." - G.B. in Pavilion, NY

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**Handy travel tips from a well-traveled pet owner**

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** As a seasoned traveler with hunting dogs, as well as puppies and family pets, going cross-state and cross-country, I find that you left out a few crucial items in your travel list important for dog safety/health when traveling. First, an IIHS/NHTSA approved crate(s) for the dog(s) or, at minimum, safety belt harness(es) that will restrain the dog(s) in the event of a crash. I have personally seen where dogs have gotten loose from an accident scene, and run off in fear and gotten lost because they were not restrained! Small dogs sitting on laps are not "restrained." Second, a basic animal first aid kit in case of emergency due to a cut, bite, ingestion of something, etc., before one can get to emergency vet care on a trip. Third, water. It's always best to bring at least a couple quarts of water from home to have handy for rest areas or pull-offs with no services like running water. Thank you for considering my input on this topic.

- Betsy M., via email

**DEAR BETSY:** Absolutely essential items! Thank you for adding to the list. A separate first aid kit for pets, included in their bag of supplies so that it's easy to find, is important. And using an Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) or National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) approved crate has been shown to reduce or prevent pet injuries in the event of a crash. For dogs in the back seat, rather than a crate, a pet safety belt and harness is a much safer option than a collar and leash, or worse, just letting your pet sit unbelted.

Make these investments for your pet before a trip - and for everyday travel.

**SENIOR NEWS LINE**

by Matilda Charles

**Save money at the Habitat Re-Store**

It's that time of year again. Summer is fading and it's time to start thinking about what cold weather might bring. As well as revisiting the parts of the to-do list that didn't get completed during the summer.

In my house that incomplete portion of my list includes painting the stairs before management notices the peeling and issues a fine and having a new window installed in the living room.

The reasons for not having done those things yet are the price of a can of paint (\$42 for a gallon when I need less than a quart) and over \$500 for the window, installation not included.

Do you see a pattern here?

And yes, it's the price of nearly everything nowadays that keeps so many of us from taking care of things like we should.

However, I've just learned of a way to get at least a few things on my list: The Habitat for Humanity ReStore. They have 900 locations across the country, and one of those just happens to be near me.

Started in 1976, Habitat for Humanity is the group that will build homes around the world that are then sold for affordable amounts to low and moderate income families, improve and repair houses for seniors so they can stay in their homes, provide disaster response, and much more.

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