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**Everybody's Talking**

**Lovely lynx:** Anastasia Poznyak of St. Petersburg, Russia, loves cats, but she didn't expect to become the owner of two lynx. Her house is home to several other animals, who are all dogs. When she decided that it was finally time to get a cat, she took an unusual route. She approached a lynx fur farm and asked about adopting a lynx kitten. That's how she became the proud owner of Geralt when he was only a few weeks old. The dogs and the playful Geralt got along well. With this success, Poznyak adopted a second lynx kitten, whom she named Bulochka. The pair quickly became friends, and the dogs love her, too.

**Butter fingers:** The New York State Fair in Syracuse, New York (U.S.), couldn't take place in 2020 due to the pandemic, but the annual butter sculpture was still made and revealed on social media. Using the theme "Nourishing Our Future," the creation portrayed two scenes: a home-schooled child receiving milk from a dairy farmer, and a child at school receiving a meal tray from a dietician. The artists, Jim Victor and Marie Pelton, used 800 pounds (363 kg) of butter and took 10 days to make their creation. The pair has been making the annual butter sculptures since 2003.

**Matching scars:** The father of a young boy in England didn't want his son to feel different just because he had a scar on his chest. Joey, son of Martin Watts, had to undergo an operation to correct a heart problem he'd had since birth. The successful operation took place at Leeds Children's Hospital and left him with a long scar on his chest. That's where his father stepped in and asked a tattoo artist to work his magic on his own chest. The result? Father and son have matching scars, and both are proud of their accomplishments!

**Honey lovers:** Cooper, a toddler from a farm near Nashville, Tennessee (U.S.), probably knows more about bees than do many adults. That's because his grandmother, Susanne Cooper, is a beekeeper who decided to share her passion with her little grandson. The little boy helped his grandmother build a hive, full of his very own bees to tend. Cooper has learned not to be afraid of the bees, and he wears a bee suit for protection. The best part for both grandmother and son, of course, is eating the honey that their hives produce.

**Quoteable Quotes**

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"Virtue can only flourish amongst equals." —Mary Wollstonecraft

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**Oct 1 to 31-The Haunted Hike** It's scary good time at this one-of-a-kind Haunted House located in a giant warehouse in Vegreville. Do not miss this event, open every weekend in October. This is a tentative date. Exact dates and hours TBA. [www.thehauntedhike.ca](http://www.thehauntedhike.ca)

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# Your Weekly Horoscope

**ARIES**  
**(March 21 - April 20)**  
 You may need to find a new perspective on your lifestyle. Don't force yourself to make key decisions unless you feel completely comfortable with the changes. Lucky Numbers: 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 35.

**TAURUS**  
**(April 21 - May 21)**  
 You may have to gather in your scattered forces and concentrate more on making plans for your future. You might need to rely only on yourself and your own resources. Lucky Numbers: 3, 17, 22, 40, 44, 47.

**GEMINI**  
**(May 22 - June 21)**  
 You may need to turn a miscommunication into a change of plans. Co-workers who keep the flow running smoothly might not have your true interests at heart. Lucky Numbers: 6, 8, 9, 26, 28, 29.

**CANCER**  
**(June 22 - July 22)**  
 You may be inclined to act on the wilder impulses and deeply felt desires. Your inventive streak could make a startling new discovery or breakthrough. Lucky Numbers: 2, 5, 13, 16, 22, 33.

**LEO**  
**(July 23 - Aug. 23)**  
 You may need to speak up and clear the air of any grievances you have. Personal subjects may be the topic, and reminiscing and reflecting on the past could occur. Lucky Numbers: 10, 23, 24, 26, 36, 48.

**VIRGO**  
**(Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)**  
 Now may be a good time to communicate with someone who is in a position to help you achieve your goals. Sharing your thoughts and hopes with them could be very fruitful. Lucky Numbers: 12, 13, 18, 24, 29, 41.

**LIBRA**  
**(Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)**  
 Your physical drive and energy level may feel high. You might be able to accomplish a great deal fairly easily. You may likely be successful at whatever you attempt. Lucky Numbers: 6, 11, 19, 39, 41, 46.

**SCORPIO**  
**(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)**  
 You may speak out about your deep concerns regarding practical matters. Good communications with those in a position to act on your ideas could come to the fore. Lucky Numbers: 3, 7, 13, 17, 23, 27.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
**(Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)**  
 You may need to make some serious decisions. You might have to surrender or eliminate something from your life in order to achieve your goals. Lucky Numbers: 3, 4, 12, 16, 29, 44.

**CAPRICORN**  
**(Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)**  
 The world of imagination, fantasy, entertainment, or art may hold more attraction for you. You may feel more impressionable and open to the ideas of others. Lucky Numbers: 10, 11, 12, 31, 35, 42.

**AQUARIUS**  
**(Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)**  
 You may easily grasp new concepts, but may tend to be impatient with others. Allow them the time to read the data and provide them with helpful methods to understand the content. Lucky Numbers: 6, 10, 14, 18, 38, 44.

**PISCES**  
**(Feb. 20 - March 20)**  
 The need for personal recognition may be your key issue. You might feel a deep urge to be less dependent on others and to achieve more freedom in your life. Lucky Numbers: 5, 6, 8, 18, 28, 38.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Leo winners with the luckiest number being 10.

## Did You Know...

**More teeth:** When a crocodile loses a tooth, a small replacement tooth is at the ready to take its place. These large reptiles can weigh up to 2,000 pounds (907 kg) and live between 30 and 75 years.

**Two presidents:** Only one man can say his son and his father were both presidents of the United States. John Scott Harrison's father, William Henry Harrison, and his son, Benjamin Harrison, were presidents. John Scott Harrison was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Ohio.

**Topical treatment:** Tea tree (*melaleuca*) oil comes from a tree that is native to Australia. Indigenous people in Australia discovered the oil's use as a topical antiseptic and as an antifungal treatment. Never take it by mouth.

**Hot chocolate:** While their drink may have tasted a bit different than today's version, Mayans began drinking hot chocolate in 500 BCE. They made it from ground cocoa seeds mixed with water, cornmeal, and chili peppers.

**Fluffy towels:** Old bath towels start to lose their softness the more they are washed. To bring back the fluffiness, some people occasionally add one cup of white vinegar to the wash water.

## On the Lighter Side

Baby snake: "Mommy, are we poisonous?"  
 Mommy snake: "Why do you ask?"  
 Baby: "Because I just bit my tongue."

Veni, Vedi, Velcro—I came, I saw, and I stuck at it.

Channel your fears into something positive. Remember, Walt Disney was scared of mice.

What is very light, but can't be held for long? Your breath.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

## Answers

Trivia answers: 1. Calliope 2. A dome 3. 776 BCE 4. Golf 5. About 70 km per hour (43 mph)

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**Recipe of the month**  
**Watermelon Steaks with Warm Pickled Shrimp**  
 1 cup apple cider vinegar  
 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided  
 1 tablespoon plus 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, divided  
 2 teaspoons coriander seeds, lightly crushed  
 12 ounces peeled and deveined tail-on raw large shrimp  
 1 medium-size red onion, thinly sliced  
 1 medium jalapeño, thinly sliced  
 1 (2-inch-thick) watermelon round (from the centre of 1 large seedless watermelon), quartered  
 1/4 cup fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves  
 Lime wedges, for serving  
 Prep Time: 25 min. Yield: 4 servings  
 1 Stir together vinegar, 1/2 cup olive oil, 1 tablespoon salt, and coriander seeds in a medium saucepan; bring to a boil over high. Add shrimp, onion, and jalapeño. Cover pan, and remove from heat; let stand 20 minutes, stirring once after 10 minutes.  
 2 Meanwhile, preheat grill to high (450°F to 500°F). Brush watermelon quarters with remaining 2 tablespoons oil, and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt. Place watermelon on grill grates, and grill, uncovered, until slightly softened and grill marks appear, about 4 minutes per side. Transfer to a platter.  
 Using a slotted spoon, top watermelon wedges evenly with pickled shrimp mixture. Spoon a few tablespoons of pickling liquid over top of each, and garnish with parsley. Serve immediately with lime wedges.  
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