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**Bird brains:** If you have a pet macaw, don't let it fly free. A Taiwanese man discovered this after he took his two macaws to a local park. He set the birds free to fly around but one approached a jogger from behind, landing on his back. The startled jogger, who turned out to be a doctor, fell and hurt himself. While recovering, he had to miss work so he lost income. Not surprisingly, he sued the birds' owner. The owner, whom the court ruled should have better supervised the birds, received a short prison term and a fine of NT\$3.04 million. Hopefully, a responsible person will look after his macaws while he's serving time!

**Shop crazy:** Those who love shopping might want to try Gekås Ullared. This giant Swedish department store is said to be the biggest in the world. Larger than five football fields, it is located in the small town of Ullared, in the southern part of the country not far from Gothenburg. Opened in 1963, Gekås Ullared has made its namesake town famous, with millions of shoppers a year elbowing their way through the store. The mall-style store has departments for everything from toys to food to technology, along with home décor, clothing and much more. There's even a hotel for those who want to spend multiple days shopping for deals to their hearts' content.

**Shhhh!** Two of the quietest rooms in the world are found in the United States: one at Orfield Labs in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and the other at Microsoft's Audio Lab in Redmond, Washington. Both rooms are known as anechoic chambers, which are built to stop any outside noise from getting inside. Apparently, visiting one of these chambers is quite an eerie experience, as the only audible sounds are produced inside the room, such as a visitor's heartbeat, breathing, and stomach gurgles. Even extremely faint sounds seem loud because there is no background sound to muffle them. Most people can only stay in an anechoic chamber for a short time as it's disorienting and odd.

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☛ **Kids' Shopping Experience with Party Chef** will take place Saturday, November 18 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Kids can buy presents for their parents, while the parents hang out at the Sylvan Lake Municipal Library with refreshments. Visit library website for complete details or call 403.887.0631.

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1. *The Nutcracker* ballet is based on a book by this writer.
2. Dalmatian puppies are born without spots – T/F?
3. The Tour de France bicycle race began in 1903, 1933, or 1973?
4. What is the largest lake in the world?
5. An early, wooden ancestor of the tuba was called a serpent, frog, or duck?

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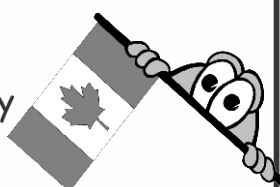


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**ARIES**  
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At midweek, you may  
come face to face with  
an unpleasant truth  
from the past. It may  
be encouraging you to adjust your  
view of the situation and release it.  
Lucky numbers: 6, 10, 12, 21,  
29, 35.

**TAURUS**  
(April 20 - May 20)



Some who are Taurus  
put up with an  
upsetting issue for a  
long time, then  
suddenly reach a boiling point.  
Be aware that such a potential  
exists this week. Lucky numbers:  
11, 13, 19, 24, 41, 47.

**GEMINI**  
(May 21 - June 20)



For the next three  
weeks, you may find  
your emotions are in  
conflict, seesawing  
between two views. Be careful  
about projecting this conflict  
onto others as you interact. Lucky  
numbers: 4, 6, 7, 9, 43, 47.

**CANCER**  
(June 21 - July 21)



Cancers are often good  
at nurturing people.  
At midweek, you may  
be tempted to be  
overly indulgent to others. Be  
careful of them taking advantage  
of it. Lucky numbers: 5, 9, 11, 29,  
33, 42.

**LEO**  
(July 22 - Aug. 22)



Your natural enthusiasm  
may expand for the  
next few weeks,  
especially in communi-  
cations with others. To avoid  
repercussions, be sure you can  
deliver on promises you make.  
Lucky numbers: 6, 8, 9, 14, 18, 24.

**VIRGO**  
(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)



Your detail-oriented  
nature may be  
heightened early this  
week. Consider a solo  
project where this is useful. Try  
not to be overly critical when  
interacting with others. Lucky  
numbers: 12, 15, 26, 28, 46, 47.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favour Sagittarius  
winners, with the luckiest number being 17.

**LIBRA**  
(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



Love is in the air.  
Venus, which rules  
Libra, will be in your  
sign for the next  
three weeks. Who and what you  
love may be a focus for you  
during this time. Lucky numbers:  
9, 16, 18, 19, 31, 40.

**SCORPIO**  
(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)



Your ability to see  
deeply into people  
and situations may be  
heightened at week's  
end. Be aware of this when  
interacting with others and act  
accordingly. Lucky numbers: 3,  
5, 6, 28, 35, 42.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
(Nov. 22 - Dec. 20)



Mercury, planet of  
communications, is  
in Sagittarius for the  
next few weeks. You  
may be busy, and might have an  
opportunity to successfully  
communicate with others. Lucky  
numbers: 12, 17, 18, 29, 35, 36.

**CAPRICORN**  
(Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)



This week you may  
find yourself in deep  
thought or having  
serious discussions.  
Speak from your values, and  
others might respect your argu-  
ments even if they disagree. Lucky  
numbers: 2, 6, 11, 23, 29, 33.

**AQUARIUS**  
(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)



The next few weeks  
may have a potential  
that allows you to  
develop deeper  
emotional connections to others.  
But you might need to actively  
reach for the opportunity. Lucky  
numbers: 1, 4, 13, 28, 42, 44.

**PISCES**  
(Feb. 19 - March 19)



Pisces often under-  
stand the invisible  
realm, but struggle to  
communicate it. This  
week, tweaking your communi-  
cation style may let you successfully  
express your understanding. Lucky  
numbers: 11, 14, 24, 32, 35, 36.

## Did You Know...

**Slang start:** Most everyone says "OK" multiple times a day. That started in 1839 when the *Boston Morning Post* in Massachusetts used it for "oll korrekt," a then-popular, intentional misspelling of "all correct."

**Female pilot:** In 1911, journalist Harriet Quimby received a pilot's licence, the first American woman to do so. The following year, she was the first woman to fly across the English Channel.

**Money makers:** The blockbuster movie *Jaws* hit theatres June 20, 1975. It made more money than any previous movie. Of course, that record has been broken a number of times since, including by *Avatar* and *Titanic*.

**Walking wire toy:** A toy still popular today is the Slinky, that coil of wire that can "walk" down a set of stairs. It was the brainchild of Richard James, a mechanical engineer who invented it in the 1940s.

**Scary story:** Readers were first able to buy the famous book *Dracula* in 1897, when it was made available in bookshops in London, England. The classic novel was written by Irishman Bram Stoker.

## On the Lighter Side

Knock! Knock! *Who's there?* Noise. *Noise who?* Noise to see you. How are you?

What do you get when you cross a cat with a lemon? A sour puss.

People who scuba are a divers group of people.

Did you hear about the pig on the baseball team? She played snort stop.

Pet shop customer: "Do any of your dogs go cheap?"

Owner: "Sorry, all our dogs go woof."

## Answers

4. Caspian Sea 5. Serpent  
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