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Everybody's Talking

Good driver: A little boy from Turkey is proving to be quite a good driver. Zayn Sofuoglu is under five years of age and isn't even tall enough to see out of the windshield, but that doesn't stop him from driving better than most adults with licences. Zayn comes by his talent honestly: his father is Kenan Sofuoglu, a famous motorcycle racer. Watching and getting lessons from his dad has allowed little Zayn to develop great expertise in manoeuvring vehicles. He uses a special in-car camera that shows him where he's going. The kid is so good that his dad lets him take his Ferrari out for a whirl in the driveway without a worry.

Different dish: A restaurant in Osaka, Japan, has an item on its menu that is raising eyebrows, but gaining fans. The restaurant is called Franken, and it is now serving bowls of spicy miso ramen with a slab of strawberry shortcake on top. A senior chef at Franken is sure that this is a winning combination because the spongy cake soaks up the soup to make its spiciness perfect. Called Ramen x Shortcake, the concoction was not created overnight. Rather, there were many attempts to get it right. And this bowl of soup has a unique look: white shortcake topped with a juicy strawberry, floating in a bowl of delicious red broth.

Strong man: A nonagenarian from Venice, California (U.S.) is thought to be the oldest man who is actively bodybuilding. Jim Arrington started to lift weights when he was a teenager, after spotting a bodybuilding magazine in a drug store. Using three-pound steel balls that his dad owned, he was able to begin building muscle and has been doing it ever since. Of course, he graduated to proper weights as he got stronger. At one time, he hoped to compete in the Mr. America contest, but soon realized that genetics prevented him from being in that category of bodybuilders. However, he kept it up and has remained healthy and strong well into his later years.

Strange song: Rainforest jungles in South America may sound like relaxing destinations. However, in some spots, they are also quite noisy, especially if capuchinbirds (Perissocephalus tricolour) live there. These unique birds, with their bald little heads and orange plumage, make quite a racket during mating season. The males are the ones who sing the loudest, and they do so by inflating air sacs on their throats, which help to amplify the sounds. That racket has been compared to a buzzing chain saw or even to a mooing cow. The male with the best song attracts the females, who flock around him like rock star fans.

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Trivia

1. Do a plant's leaves or roots absorb sunlight during photosynthesis?
2. An ancient warship with three banks of oars was the bark, skiff, or tireme?
3. The Tasman Sea is located between Australia and ____?
4. Hesiod or Pan was the Greek god of woods, fields, shepherds, and flocks?
5. Vinegar is an acid (acidic) or a base (alkaline)?

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