

Never smile at a crocodile...!

You know how important it is to brush your teeth properly, well, how would you feel about brushing a crocodile's teeth? It is unlikely anyone would want to give it a try - even with a giant toothbrush! But did you know that crocodiles' teeth regularly fall out? Luckily for them, there is a brand-new tooth waiting underneath, ready to come through and replace it! Phew! 'Crocodiles can live up to 75 years (and even longer in captivity). That's a long time for teeth to last, which is why the crocodile has 4-5 backup sets', says Brandi Allred, a non-fiction animal writer. Crocodiles use their teeth to



Pictured: A Saltwater crocodile.
Source: Canva.

capture and eat mammals, fish and birds, hunting mainly at night. It's the saltwater crocodiles that have the most powerful bite force of any living mammal. Their teeth are large, and they have 36 at the top of their jaw and 30 at the bottom, so 66 altogether! That's a lot of teeth!

Did you know that crocodiles have been around for about 250 million years?

Daffodils are the pick of the bunch!



Pictured: Beautiful spring daffodils!
Source: Canva.

On Wednesday 12th March, it's Plant a Flower Day, which is perfectly timed for when lots of beautiful spring blooms will be popping up to say hello! The Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) has recently launched its 'daffodil diaries' project, in honour of it being 100 years since the famous plant charity helped to save the lovely, yellow sunshine flower, as it almost became extinct. Gardeners and businesses across the UK have been asked to record where daffodils are blooming, as well as noting

additional information, such as the flower's height, type and colour. Scientists at the RHS will then use the information to help better understand the types of conditions needed for them to grow and learn more about rare daffodils. Dr Kalman Konyves, an RHS daffodil expert, said, 'There's more to this ubiquitous yellow flower than meets the eye, with 31,000 known varieties available in green, pink and red'.

What is your favourite flower?

Why do we judge people based on their appearance?



Sometimes people don't mean to judge others. And they might feel bad about it after.

Elsie

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World's Smallest Park!

Guinness World Records has announced that a Japanese park is the new holder of the world's smallest park title! The tiny park, in Nagaizumi Town, Shizuoka, is less than one square metre. It has an entrance, bench, and grass, even though it is the same size as two sheets of A3 paper (0.24 m²). The park, used by locals as a place to sit and relax, often features



Pictured: World's smallest park being measured.
Source: Guinness World Records on Facebook.



Pictured: World's smallest park being verified by Guinness World Records.
Source: Guinness World Records on Facebook.

in the media and has proved to be a popular place for tourists to take photographs. Shuji Koyama, Team Leader of Nagaizumi Town's Construction Management Division, said, 'We want to continue maintaining the park with the community, as well as creating a landscape that is more social media friendly, so that even more people will find attractions of our town.' **Do you think it is important for places to have 'selfie' spots?** **Would you like to visit this park? Are there any other parks you would rather go to?**

Name for a Newborn

Graves Park Animal Farm, in Sheffield, has welcomed an adorable new addition, and they are asking people to help name him! A baby llama (or cria) was born at the end of January, to mum Nancy, and has two siblings called Lettuce and Humus. Llama mums can't lick their babies clean after birth, as their tongues are attached and do not reach very far out of their mouths. Instead, the pair bond by humming to each other. Llamas can grow up to 1.8 metres tall and weigh between 130 and 200kg. Located in Sheffield's biggest park, the farm is home to some of the rarest breeds of farm animals in the country, including Tamworth pigs, Highland cattle and Jacob sheep. Visitors can get up close to the goats, donkeys and waterfowl and buy



Pictured: Nancy and her new baby, with stockperson at the farm. **Source:** Graves Park Animal Farm on Facebook.

special food to feed the adult llamas. 'I'm asking people to get their thinking caps on and come up with some clever and imaginative names. The Council and the staff at Graves Parks Animal Farm cannot wait to see what you come up with!' said Councillor Kurtis Crossland, from Sheffield City Council, who run the farm.

Have you ever seen a llama?
Do you know any interesting llama facts?
Can you think of a good name for this baby?

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You should get to know someone for who they really are.
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