

# Tell Us Something We Don't Know

Every year we ask the same question via the website.

Here are some of the answers...

Researchers have found that kids between 4-6 perform boring tasks much better when dressed as Batman.

Movie trailers were originally shown after the movie... that's why they're called 'trailers'.

Both my dog and my mum snore a lot. Sometimes us kids record them both, then play, 'guess that snore'. Mum doesn't think it's funny. The dog is usually indifferent.

Strawberries aren't technically a berry, but an avocado is.

I acquire my years supply of toiletries, hair products and toothbrushes at Meredith each year. Since Golden Plains started, I have a surplus.

The oldest known flamingo died at the age of 83.

On the Saturday morning of last Meredith, as I waited outside Eric's for my breakfast quesadilla, a fly flew up my nose. A few seconds later it flew out, straight into a wall and died. I hope it died happy.

Of all the different cats in the cat family, only one says 'meow'.

The reason why the first pancake is always the worst is that it's not hot enough and it sops up all the extra butter or oil you put on it. Leave it another three minutes and wipe the excess fat off with paper towel and you'll be good to go.

Techno is house and house is techno.

Emperor Penguins can dive to a depth of more than 500m.

Birds can't taste the heat of chilli the same way that humans do. They can eat the hottest chilli and not feel a thing. It can sometimes turn the egg yolk of a chicken bright red.

Corgis closest genetic relative is the Siberian Husky.

My mates and I kept walking past a sign that said 'Waxed Cardboard OK'. We spent the entire Meredith trying to figure out what it meant but never did.

Feral cats were introduced to the remote West Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria in the 1990s and since then have wreaked havoc on the island's native animals. A project to cull the cats started in 2011 and has been so successful that there is now only 1 cat left on the entire island. This is largely due to the work of 'legendary' cat tracker Christine Ellis from the Nyirripi community in the Tanami Desert.

I went to the Ecoplex late on the Saturday night. I wanted to touch the screen, even though I knew I probably shouldn't. I walked up, and just as I reached out my hand, the figures on the screen said "That's how we're watching you now, Emily." MY NAME IS EMILY.

The word 'helicopter' isn't heli+copter, it's actually helico (spiral, as in "helix") + pter (wing, as in "pterdactyl").

Someone turned to me in The Sup' and asked whether the lead singer of The Breeders was Kate Cebrano.

I ran into 3 ex's in the space of 15 minutes on Saturday night.

The name Cassandra has positives and negatives. On the positive side, it means prophetess. On the negative side, Cassandra was condemned in Greek mythology to never be believed.

Cats can carry the cat flu virus from when they are kittens and then get the symptoms when they are adults.

NYC's The Outerbridge, connecting Staten Island to NJ, is not named for its (then) remote location, but rather for Eugenius Harvey Outerbridge. I love it when people's names are their destiny. It's called an 'apronym' when someone's name also describes their profession.

Chicken salt was originally devised to improve the taste of chicken feed.

I Am Irish. In Gaelic hello is 'Dia duit' [God be with you] & the reply is always 'Dia is Muire duit' [God & Mary be with you]. But when we say it, it comes out 'Dia is Meredith' - you're in good company.

I surreptitiously moved (built a house) my partner and I from Melbs to just half an hour drive from the Supernatural. Sneaky I know. But as much as I love her, I love her.

I've never made it past 10pm on the second night of a Meredith or Golden Plains. Almost seems like I come here and catch up on the zzzs.

Male echidnas have a four-headed penis, with each head performing a different task in the mysterious process of procreation.

12% of people dream in black and white. I love death metal and don't dream.

Lego started out as a carpentry business making wooden furniture and tools.

Last year my husband was convinced the clean up song would be Time Warp.

Although Giraffes have really long necks, they're not long enough to reach the ground. Which makes watching a Giraffe drink water from a watering hole with its knees all bent reasonably funny.

Before there was Braille, there was 'night writing', which was devised by Charles Barbier after Napoleon asked for a system that would allow soldiers to communicate at night, silently and without any light.

Art isn't always art.

There is such a thing as a peacherine. It's the best fruit there is.

Eating gravy every day for a week isn't as great as it sounds.