

## Fun Facts

### Some interesting facts about English:

- Stewardesses is the longest word typed with only the left hand and Lollipop with your right  
 Orange, silver, month and purple do not rhyme with any word in English.  
 -The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog uses every letter of the alphabet.  
 Racecar, kayak and level are the words which read same whether they are read left to right or right to left.

### A song for my sisters

By Lauren Huntsman

As each day passes and the closer I get to graduation, my upcoming wedding to Michael, and a new life away from school and seeing the sisters I have grown to love on a daily basis, I thought for this article, my first and last that I would send a song to my sisters. Each of you has impacted my life in some shape or form, and for that I will be forever grateful. This song is for those times. I love you all.

### "Whenever You Remember"

When you look back on

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### Suicidal Pets

By Kat Shirmer

I decided I needed to change my fish tanks the other night. There are two tanks. One of them has a beta fish named Willy. The other tank has four neon fish named Julio, Squirt,

times we had  
 I hope you smile  
 And know that through the good and through the bad  
 I was on your side  
 when nobody could hold us down  
 We claimed the brightest star  
 And we, we came so far  
 And no they won't forget

Whenever you remember times gone by  
 Remember how we held our heads so high  
 When all this world was there for us  
 And we believe that we could touch the sky  
 Whenever you remember, I'll be there  
 Remember how we reached that dream together  
 Whenever you remember

When you think back on all we've done  
 I hope you're proud  
 When you look back and see how far we've come  
 It was our time to shine  
 And nobody could hold us down  
 They thought they'd see us fall  
 But we, we stood so tall  
 And no we won't forget

Meekah, and Nemo, as well as a frog named Hopper. The process of cleaning out my fish tanks involves carrying them into the kitchen, getting all the fish into a separate bowl, changing the water, redecorate the

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We claimed the brightest star  
 And we, we came so far  
 And know that we showed them all  
 And no they won't forget

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 When all this world was there for us  
 And we believe that we could touch the sky  
 Whenever you remember, I'll be there  
 Remember how we reached that dream together  
 Whenever you remember

tanks, and finally putting my little friends back in their homes. This time though, things didn't run as smoothly. As I was carrying the first tank into the kitchen, I noticed it had a leak. I was leaving a pretty nice

Abstemious and facetious are the only two words in the English language which have all five vowels in order: (Yes, admit it, you are going to Say ..... a e i o u)  
 -Typewriter is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.

### Other facts:

- All 50 U.S. states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial and on the back of the \$5 bill  
 - A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.

- Almonds are a member of the peach family.

- Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.

- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

- February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.

- If you are an average American, in your whole life, you will spend an average of 6 months waiting at red lights.

- Leonardo Da Vinc invented the scissors.

trail of water from my bedroom into the kitchen. The water was leaking out fairly fast and I was worried the fish would run out of water. I get that situated and I start to attempt catching them with the little net. I go for Hopper first and I catch him no problem. As I am turning to put him into a bowl he jumps out of the net onto the kitchen floor, and my cat Rusty's eager eyes watch him hop around. Now I'm scared that Rusty is going to eat him. I

try to grab Hopper, but he keeps hopping around. Rusty is following him around the kitchen. Mind you this frog can't survive out of water. I finally catch him and get him into water after the longest 30 seconds ever. Then I successfully get all the fish into their bowls. I start cleaning the tanks and drying the little plastic plants. I reach behind me to put the dried objects on the table, and I feel something slimy. I look, and there is little Julio

flopping around on the table. The little monster jumped out of the cup! I was freaking out again. Rusty didn't see this happen, so I was a little more relieved. But this guy is a lot harder to grab. After I caught him I decided to put styrofoam bowls on top of their temporary homes so I wouldn't have any more suicidal attempts. I finally finished the rest of the job stress free and got them back to my bedroom. Everyone lived happily ever after.

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### Crazy dogs

By Allore

After owning two dogs I've found that they do some of the craziest things. Tyler, my first dog, was a lab/golden retriever mix who was afraid of just about everything. He thought that the basement was a monster that was going to swallow him up every time we'd let him out the back door. He'd hesitate to go down

the steps to the back door and slowly make his way down. As a puppy, he was quite the hyper mutt. He chewed all the noses and eyes off the stuffed animals that my brother, sister, and I had. He once chewed up a whole couch while we were away for the day. Stuffing and ripped fabric were all over the basement floor when we got home.

Later on he actually chewed some of the bumper on the inside of my dad's canoe! When he got older he would bang my bedroom door open with his head just so I'd let him out.

My new dog, Guinness, also has some weird behaviors. Guinness is a terrier and they are known for being strange. He has a fetish with any kind

-The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

- The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.

- There are more chickens than people in the world.

- Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

- Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears Never stop growing.

of paper products. You name it, he will eat it. His breed is particularly fond of used dryer sheets and he is no exception. Guinness loves to bark while looking out our living room window at dogs and squirrels. Sometimes he'll be sound asleep and jump up barking like the Hound of the Baskervilles. Another funny quirk is that after a bath, being tired, or frustrated he will scratch the ground. This will progress to slowly chasing

his tail and going into an all out chase. He will growl at it. He then stops to catch his breath and then chases the tail in the opposite direction. Guinness also likes to pull apart his bedding before he goes to sleep. He goes into his kennel and pulls out all his blankets and then actually takes the pad from the bed. He likes to rat and play with the blankets. If you close the kennel before he can get to it, he growls and whines because he

wants to get in there. Finally, Guinness is afraid of TV. remotes, cell phones, cordless or wireless phones, and most other electronic equipment that can fit in your palm. He will growl and bark at them.

So in conclusion, each dog is never the same and has their very odd behaviors and quirks. As with all pets you come to love them even though they act like they are out of their minds.

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Internet Searches  
Raise Money for the  
National  
Foundation  
By Christina Sears

Did you ever wish you could do more to help out the non-profit National Foundation, but don't have the time to volunteer or extra money to send in? Well, Yahoo! has introduced a new search engine, GoodSearch, ([\[arch.com/\]\(http://www.arch.com/\)\) which will let you help without any extra effort on your part.](http://www.goodse</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

The way it works: for every search that is run through the engine, they will donate half the profit (about one cent) to the charity of your choice. It works just like any internet search engine, and the results are the same as a Yahoo! search.

I was a bit skeptical, but I went

and tried it out, and I can honestly say that it is a decent search engine. The first time you use the site, you specify the charity you want (type Alpha Omega Epsilon into the box on the main page and click 'verify'). The charity will then remain the same until you change it.

In order for the search engine to take off, people need to pass the word along. There

Quotes

"Give a man a free hand, and he'll run it all over you." -Mae West (Phoebe)

"Dream as if you'll live forever. Live as if you'll die today"-- James Dean (Christina)

"True friends stab you in the face"- Oscar Wilde (Robyn)

"Today's fashion models look like walking clothes racks." (Allore)

"All you need is Love" John Lennon (Lauren)

is a huge list of charities available, so even if your friends and family aren't into AOE, they can provide support for other causes, including disaster relief, schools, environmental protection, animal rescue and many others.

The site is still very new, so they are still building it up, but it really is a

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This was in my company's October newsletter, and it really hit in a way I wasn't expecting. It is so easy to complain about things we don't like, wish we had what we see other's with or just want to walk away from where we are. But it takes a clear moment to stop and think about being grateful for where we are. This comes into my mind at random times now, so I really wanted to

good way to give back without really going out of your way at all. On October 26, they posted a note on the main page: More than 21,000 charities & schools are now on-board and 100 new nonprofits are signing up daily!

Check it out, folks. Find a charity you like, switch charities daily, whatever gets you. Pass the word on to make the site well known, and in the end, the world a

pass it on to people who are important to me. --Christina 'VooDoo'

**I AM THANKFUL**  
FOR THE WIFE WHO SAYS IT'S HOT DOGS TONIGHT,  
BECAUSE SHE IS HOME WITH ME, AND NOT OUT WITH SOMEONE ELSE.  
FOR THE HUSBAND WHO IS ON THE SOFA BEING A COUCH POTATO,  
BECAUSE HE IS HOME WITH ME AND NOT OUT AT THE BARS.  
FOR THE TEENAGER WHO IS COMPLAINING ABOUT DOING DISHES

better place. There's also a neat feature on the main page that lets you track how many searches have been run for your cause and the total that is being donated to them.

>Quick note: just randomly searching things to "get the numbers up" is discouraged and if it looks like that is going on, they reserve the right to unlist the charity you were supporting

**BECAUSE IT MEANS SHE IS AT HOME, NOT ON THE STREETS. FOR THE TAXES I PAY BECAUSE IT MEANS I AM EMPLOYED. FOR THE MESS TO CLEAN AFTER A PARTY BECAUSE IT MEANS I HAVE BEEN SURROUNDED BY FRIENDS. FOR THE CLOTHES THAT FIT A LITTLE TOO SNUG BECAUSE IT MEANS I HAVE ENOUGH TO EAT. FOR MY SHADOW THAT WATCHES ME WORK BECAUSE IT MEANS I AM OUT IN THE SUNSHINE. FOR A LAWN THAT NEEDS MOWING, WINDOWS THAT NEED CLEANING, AND GUTTERS THAT NEED FIXING**

"If you don't know, make up an answer and fake it"- anonymous (Shanna)

"Nice ass. Sorry about the face"- Tony (Amy)

"If you know what you need, then to get what you want, better see that you keep what you have."

-Stephen Soundheim , "Into the Woods" (Andrea H.)

Some days I just pray to the gods of sex and drums and rock and roll"- Meatloaf (Abi)

"If you've, got it...Flau nt it!" -Mel Brooks, "The Producers" (Andrea H.)

"the best way to predict the future is to create it"- Peter F. Drucker (Laurie)

"You are what you protect, what you believe" (Kat)

"Life is like a game of chess, you need to make your next move your best move"-T.I. (Trina)

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" -Holy Bible (Trina)

Terrin does not like quotes! (Terrin)

**BECAUSE IT MEANS I HAVE A HOME. FOR ALL THE COMPLAINING HEAR ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT BECAUSE IT MEANS WE HAVE FREEDOM OF SPEECH. FOR THE PARKING SPOT I FIND AT THE FAR END OF THE PARKING LOT BECAUSE IT MEANS I AM CAPABLE OF WALKING AND I HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH TRANSPORTATION.**

**FOR MY HUGE HEATING BILL BECAUSE IT MEANS I AM WARM. FOR THE LADY BEHIND ME IN CHURCH WHO SINGS OFF KEY BECAUSE IT MEANS I CAN HEAR. FOR THE PILE OF LAUNDRY AND IRONING BECAUSE IT MEANS I HAVE CLOTHES TO WEAR. FOR WEARINESS AND ACHING MUSCLES AT THE END OF THE DAY**

**BECAUSE IT MEANS I HAVE BEEN CAPABLE OF WORKING HARD. FOR THE ALARM THAT GOES OFF IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS BECAUSE IT MEANS I AM ALIVE. Live well, Laugh often & Love with all of your heart! --Sukhpreet**

Try to learn everything about something and something about everything. -Thomas H. Huxley (Yolanda)

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By Yolanda Haynes I know that everyone wants to hear about my interview and my trip to Seattle. Well here it is; the whole crazy story.

Thursday While boarding the plane Thursday night I heard people talking about the wind in Seattle. I did really think anything about it because all I could think about was getting there. The pilot of the plane told us that there was winds about 95 MPH and that we would experience some turbulence when we landed. We did experience some, but the pilots

did a good job landing the plane.

Anyway we landed I got my luggage then I went to pick up the rental car. Everything was going find and I had no problems. The wind was really strong though. When I open the window to give the guy at the parking garage my license I had to fight the wind. Next thing was getting to the hotel. So I was driving on the freeway when I came to some traffic. A tree fell into the freeway and branches when everywhere. Eventually I passed

that and got to the hotel. When I got there I was so tired that I check in went to my room and went to sleep. As I was in bed I could hear the wind blowing outside.

Friday The next morning when I woke I noticed that my clock was not on. I got up and tried the lights and they did not work either. So went to the phone by the elevator and called the front desk. They told me that all of the rooms in the hotel had not power and most of the area was out too.

I was pissed because I needed to iron my shirt for my interview at 10:30. So anyway I got ready using the light from outside and I got in the car and drove to the recruiting center. When I got to the street all of the lights were out in the area. When I got closer to the recruiting building at Microsoft I noticed that they did not have power either. I failed to realize that the power was out in more than 5 cities surrounding the area. It was a big, BIG storm.

After I parked my car and entered the building I was told that they could not conduct interviews and that I had to reschedule. I was told to write down my info then I was free to go. So here I was with a car to drive around in and nowhere to go, but the hotel. So I drove back to the hotel to change and think about what to do.

Back at the hotel I decided to get something to eat then study. Since the street lights did not work I went on a walk to find a place to eat. I found a Quizno's that had power, but the line was all the way to the back of the store. But it was the only option that was logical. So I stood in line for about 45 minutes just to get some food. I got my lunch and went back to the hotel to eat. After I ate I tried to study and I fell asleep.

When I woke up it was too dark to study so I had to think of something else to do. I tried going back to sleep, but that did not work. Then my mom called me to see how I was. I talked to her for a while then my battery on my phone died. So I got dressed and walked to the Barnes and Noble across the street because they had power. When I got there I could not believe my eyes so many people were there sitting in the

aisle and corners reading and charging laptops and cell phones. I found a spot and plugged my phone in to charge it and talk to my mom again. Then I went back to the hotel to get my laptop and I charged that too. I stay there until about 11:00. By that time the power was back on at the hotel.

Saturday

The next day I had to check out of the hotel so all I had was the car. So I drove around the city trying to find a place to eat and then study. Only the immediate area around the hotel had power so I was limited. I went to the mall and it seemed like everyone else had the same idea. All of the restaurants were full. So I decided to go to Whole Foods and get something there. Again everyone had the same idea. I was able to get food, but I had to eat outside. I drove around for a while trying to find something to do

and I found Darth Vader and the stormtrooper in front of Toy's R US. Then I figured that I should just go to the airport because I was wasting gas and there was no where to go. It was about 3'o clock when I did that I my plane did not leave until 10:06. So I went

towards the airport and I remembered that I had to get gas so that the car was full when I returned it. The gas station by Whole Foods had a line that continued for almost half a mile no joke. I saw people stop on the side to take pictures. I decided

not to get gas there and I found a place by the airport with a shorter line. After that I returned the car and sat at the airport waiting for my flight. When the time came I think I was one of the first people on the plane. I was so anxious to get home.

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I'm Chelsea Calderone and I'm a candidate this semester for aoe. I'm currently a sophomore in Electrical Engineering. So, let's see... what is there to say about me? I have one sibling, a younger sister. I still live with my parents. I

play piano and I'm learning guitar (although I'm still really bad at it). I'm obsessive about Star Wars, cheesecake, penguins, fashion, and music. Music-wise, I'm into metal/rock, industrial and some electronic. I talk a lot and laugh even more. So hopefully this semester

will be great and give me plenty more things to make me smile.



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My name is Farah Barada I am currently a freshman at the university of Michigan Dearborn. My major is engineering

(undecided), but planning on going into biomedical or biochemical engineering. I am Lebanese-American born in Lebanon. I have 2

brothers, one 17 and the second is 10. I love sports, I am very athletic, I play basketball and volleyball and I can also throw a football around.

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My name is Nada Noor. I am currently working on my undergraduate degree in biomedical engineering. I enjoy being active in the

community and on-campus activities/organizations. Some random stuff about myself: I'm a chocoholic. I played the violin throughout grade school and my

favorite sport is tennis. I love to read and I absolutely LOVE to travel. I live with my parents and my two sisters. My family and my faith mean the world to me :)

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## Nicknames

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BABY  
BASHFUL  
BROADWAY  
BUBBLES  
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CHILLYWILLY  
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DISCO  
DULCINEA  
FLOURPOWER  
JAVA  
LADY  
MAVERICK  
MIX  
MOTHERSUPERIOR  
NEVA  
OVERKILL  
PROFESSOR  
SENORITA  
SNOWBUNNY  
STARLET  
SUBTLE  
TRAPPERKEEPER  
VOODOO  
WOLVERINE