



Unveiling Earth's Secrets

Today, on April 6, 2025, we celebrate World Geologists' Day, honoring the scientists who dedicate their lives to studying the Earth. Observed on the first Sunday of April, this day recognizes the invaluable contributions of geologists in uncovering the planet's mysteries and ensuring sustainable development. Geologists play a crucial role in identifying natural resources, understanding seismic activities, and mitigating environmental challenges. On this occasion, geologists and enthusiasts worldwide engage in field explorations, discussions, and awareness programs to highlight the significance of Earth sciences. With pressing environmental concerns and the need for responsible resource management, their expertise is more vital than ever.

#FESTIVITIES

Rejoicing in Righteousness: The Glory of Ram Navami

A Celebration of Devotion, Triumph, and Tradition!



As the sun rises today, ushering in the auspicious occasion of Ram Navami, the air resonates with sacred chants, the fragrance of incense, and the rhythmic chime of temple bells. Across the nation and beyond, millions come together to celebrate the birth anniversary of Lord Ram, the epitome of virtue, courage, and righteousness. Observed on the ninth day of Chaitra Navratri, this festival is not just a religious occasion but a grand spectacle of devotion, faith, and cultural heritage.

The Divine Essence of Ram Navami

Ram Navami marks the birth of Lord Ram, the seventh incarnation of Lord Vishnu, who descended to establish dharma and vanquish evil. According to the ancient epic Ramayana, Lord

Grand Celebrations Across India

From the sacred city of Ayodhya to temples across the country, Ram Navami is celebrated with grandeur and fervor. Ayodhya, believed to be Lord Ram's birthplace, becomes the epicenter of festivities, drawing thousands of devotees who take holy dips in the Sarayu River, chant hymns, and participate in magnificient processions. In Varanasi,

The Rituals and Spiritual Significance

The celebrations typically begin with an early morning puja and abhishek of Lord Ram's idol with milk, honey, and sacred water, followed by the recitation of Ramayana. Houses and temples are adorned with flowers and lights, and spiritual discourses highlight Lord Rama's teachings. Mayans enact Ramila, a dramatic retelling of Ramayana's key episodes, drawing huge crowds who immerse themselves in the timeless story of good triumphing over evil.

A Festival Beyond Borders

While India remains the heart of Ram Navami celebrations, the festival also resonates among Hindu communities in Nepal, Trinidad and Tobago, Fiji, Mauritius, Guyana, and Suriname, where temples host grand processions and religious gatherings, reinforcing Lord Ram's universal appeal as Maryada Purushottam, the ideal man.

Ram Navami in the Modern Context

And sing in unison, Ram Navami becomes more than a festival; it transforms into a spiritual experience, a reaffirmation of faith, and a moment of shared inner peace.

So whether you celebrate with elaborate rituals or in quiet devotion, may this Ram Navami bring blessings, harmony, and the strength to walk on the path of righteousness, just as Lord Ram did.

Bird-dropping spider



The Most Weird Animals On Earth

Holly Spanner

Our planet is mind-bogglingly diverse. Different environmental conditions give rise to different characteristics in weird animals of all shapes and sizes. Some evolve for the dark, gloomy depths of the oceans, while others elicit an existence in dry, seemingly inhospitable deserts. Others look seemingly 'normal', until something triggers their weirdness to come out (a bit like humans?).

Many of nature's weirdest creations hail from the ocean, where complete darkness, sediment-rich waters, high-pressure environments, and near-freezing waters have each led to unique adaptations and some of the most bizarre-looking creatures. Scientists estimate there are anywhere between a few hundred thousand, to over ten million new species waiting to be discovered in the depths of our oceans.

But there are plenty of oddities on land, too. Here are some of the weirdest animals on the planet!

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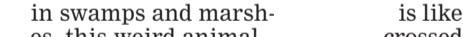
Star-nosed mole



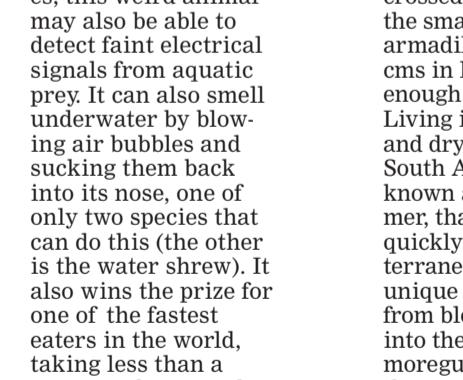
Pink fairy armadillo



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Great otter



Ghost shark

Sea pig

Penis snake

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Pink river dolphin

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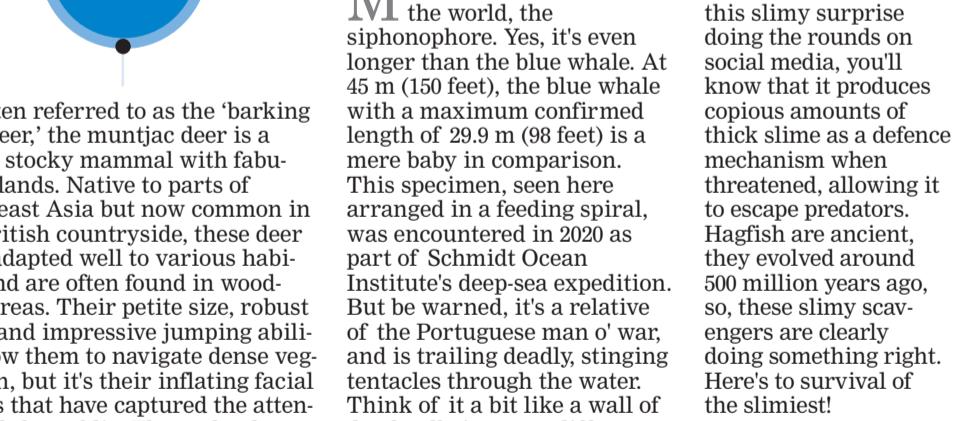
Muntjac deer

Siphonophore

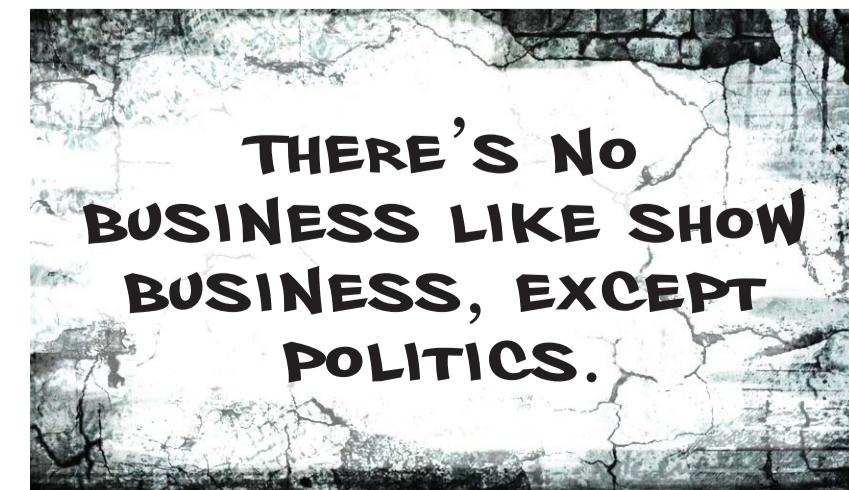
Hagfish

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#CLOSER WORLD VIEW



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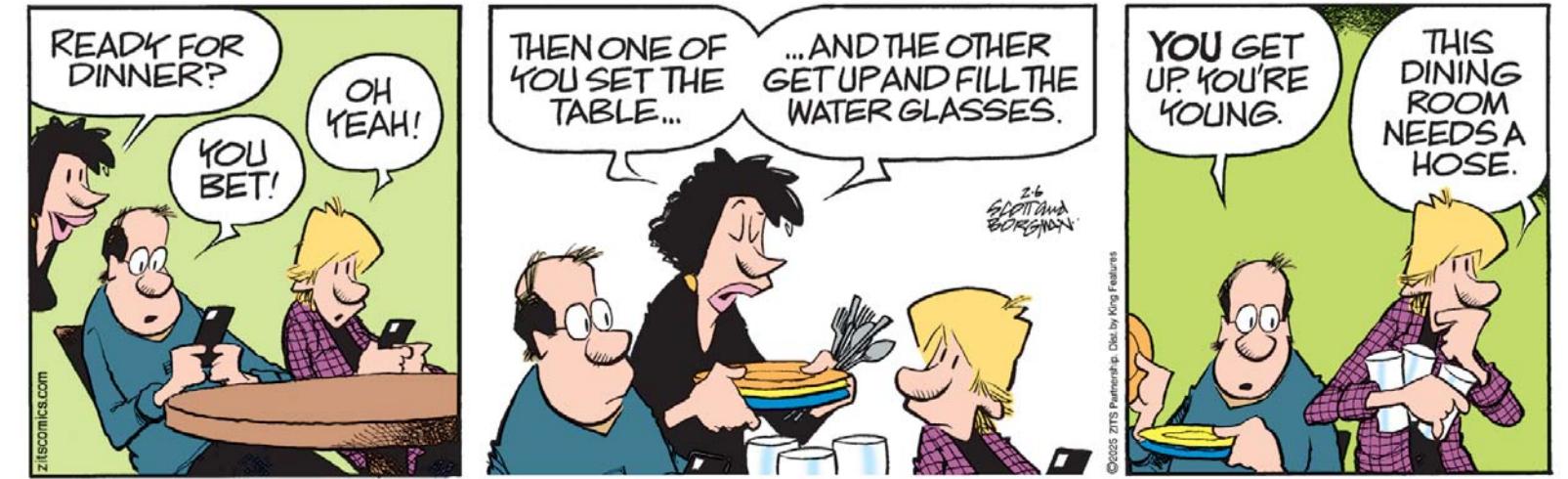


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