

**IMAGINE YOU WERE BORN IN 1900.**

On your 14th birthday, World War I starts and doesn't end until you are 18. 22 million people perish. Later in the year, a Spanish 'Flu epidemic strikes and runs until you are 20. 50 million people die from it.

On your 29th birthday, the Great Depression begins. Unemployment hits 25% and the World GDP drops 27%. That continues until you are 33. The world economy almost collapses.

When you turn 39, World War II starts. Between your 39th and 45th birthday, 75 million people perish in the war. Smallpox was epidemic until you were in your 40s and it killed 300 million people during your lifetime.

At 50, the Korean War starts. 5 million people perish. From your birth, until you are 55, you dealt with the fear of Polio epidemics. Many of your friends and family are paralysed and/or die because of this disease.

At 55, the Vietnam War begins and doesn't end for 20 years. 4 million people perish in that conflict. During the Cold War, you lived each day with the fear of nuclear annihilation. On your 62nd birthday you have the Cuban Missile Crisis, a tipping point in the Cold War. Life on our planet, as we know it, almost ended. When you turn 75, the Vietnam War finally ends.

Many people who were born in 1900 endured all of that and survived. Keep the current restrictions on our usual activities and travel in perspective by remembering what our parents and/or grandparents went through. By comparison, WA's 4-phase roadmap will be relatively easy to navigate.

No matter what the world or the weather has thrown at us, the pétanque players have proved to be an intrepid and adaptable group.



Practising pétanque ... and social distancing!



Don't mind us ... just ducking through!



Admiring the DIY freshly-raked pitch from 'our' great new shelter.

# NATURAL WONDERS

These are all photos of real flowers!



Flying Duck Orchid  
(Caleana Major)



White Egret Orchid  
(Habenaria Radiata)



Angel Orchid  
(Habenaria  
Grandifloriformis)



Swaddled Babies  
(Anguloa Uniflora)

Telemedicine is currently allowing doctors to see, diagnose and offer treatment to patients via their phone, tablet, computer or any smart device connected to the internet. You may be surprised to learn that this service has been available for years and it was first used by 'The Two Ronnies'! Here's proof:

<https://www.facebook.com/medicspotuk/videos/the-two-ronnies-medical-examination/2196603673921767/>

If you don't read the newspaper  
you are uninformed.  
If you do read the newspaper  
you are misinformed.

~ Mark Twain

## COLLECTIVE NOUNS

Here are some more examples relating to animals:

- A Bask of Crocodiles
- A Congregation of Alligators
- A Flink of Cows
- A Stud of Mares
- A Passel of Possums
- A Warren of Wombats
- A Cloud of Gnats
- An Intrusion of Cockroaches
- A Glint of Goldfish
- An Aurora of Polar Bears



**A snapshot of global air traffic, taken at 10.10am on Sunday, 24 May 2020.**  
**What are the chances of coronavirus being contained any time soon?**

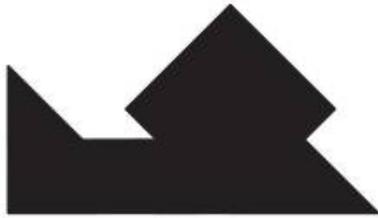


# The Tangram Challenge

This week, try to recreate these shapes:



Bird



Lion



Swan



Butterfly

You must use all 7 tans, they must touch and they may not overlap. Note that the parallelogram may have to be flipped over  to create some of the shapes in the various challenges.

If you need the template to make the 7 tans (pieces), please contact Cheryl via email (contact details on last page). Solutions in the next issue of KIT.

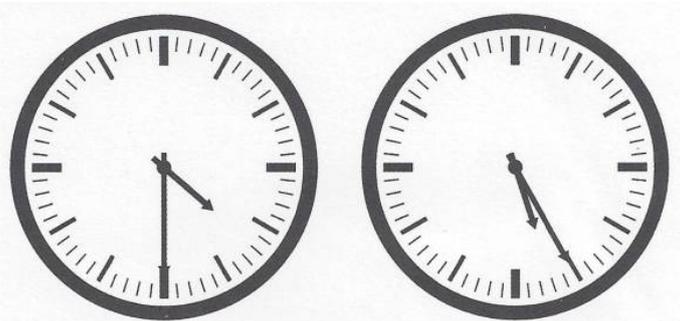
## PUZZLES

(solutions on last page)

### WHAT TIME IS IT?

Find the correct time, given that:

- One of the clocks is 1 hour and 20 minutes slow (behind the correct time)
- One of the clocks is 2 hours and 15 minutes fast (ahead of the correct time)



### SHERLOCK HOLMES

One snowy night, Sherlock Holmes was in his house sitting by a fire. All of a sudden, a snowball came crashing through his window, breaking it.

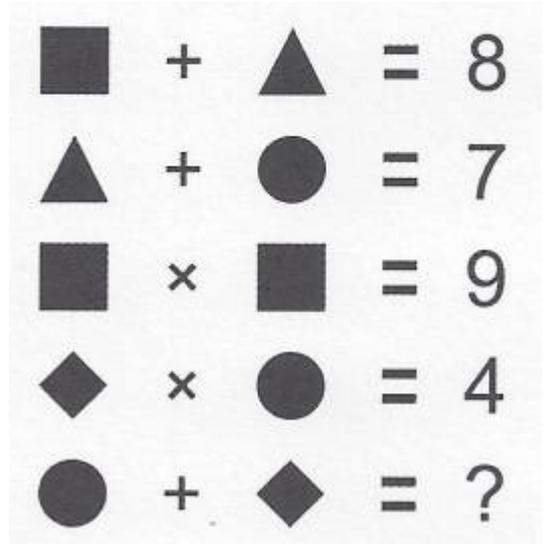
Holmes got up and looked out the window, just in time to see three neighbourhood kids run around a corner. They were the brothers John Dash, Mark Dash and Paul Dash.

The next day, Holmes received a note that had been slipped under his door. It read "? -. He broke your window."

Which of the three Dash brothers should Sherlock Holmes question about the incident?

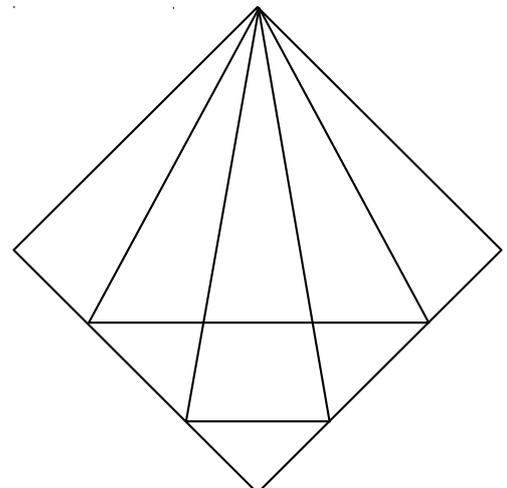
### SHAPES

Each shape represents a whole number between 1 and 9. Two shapes may have the same value. What is the result of the last operation?



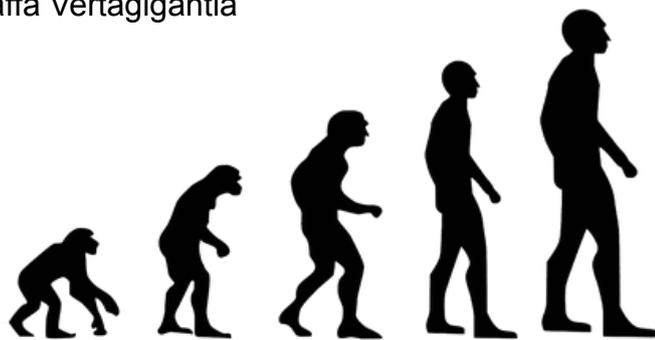
### TRIANGLES

Count the number of triangles in this shape.



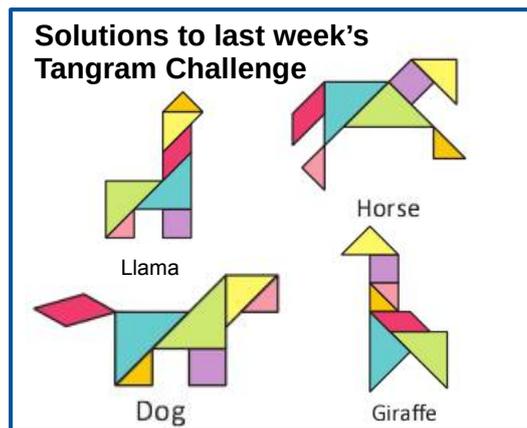
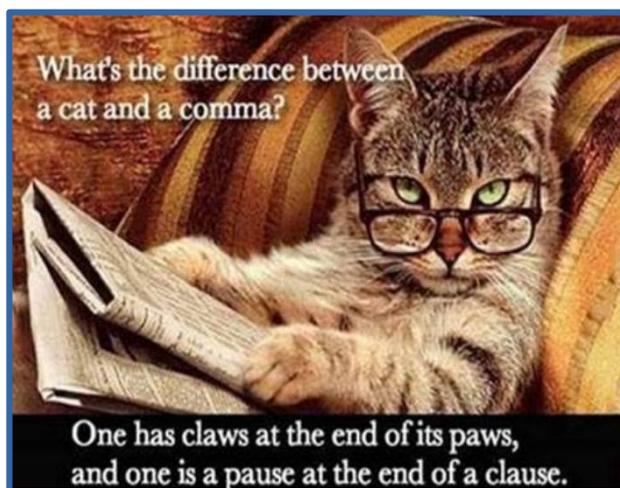
## QUIZ

1. What is the scientific name of the giraffe?  
a) Giraffa Camelopardalis b) Giraffa Loxocollum c) Giraffa Vertagigantia
2. How many vertebrae do giraffes have?
3. What is the primary ingredient in hummus?
4. What is the primary ingredient in tahini?
5. What is a tittle?
6. What is an aglet?
7. Who is the youngest person to win a Nobel Prize?
8. Who is the oldest person to win a Nobel Prize?
9. If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
10. On which ship did Charles Darwin make his famous expedition, which led to his theory of evolution?



## Have you ever wondered .....

- Why some people say they 'slept like a baby' when most babies wake up every two hours?
- Why people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are almost dead?
- How important a person has to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?
- Why it is that, no matter what colour bubble bath you use, the bubbles are always white?
- Why banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money in the account?
- Why, in winter, we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?
- Why people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialised?



## We welcome U3A Wanneroo members' contributions to KIT

Please email your submission/s to one of the editors:

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**PUZZLE SOLUTIONS** WHAT TIME IS IT? The correct time is 6.45 SHAPES = 4 TRIANGLES: 17 (8 of 1 area, 5 of 2 areas, 3 of 3 areas, 1 of more than 3 areas) SHERLOCK HOLMES: Mark. ("? -" = question mark dash, so the note reads "Question Mark Dash. He broke your window.")

**QUIZ ANSWERS** 1. a) Giraffa Camelopardalis 2. 7 (the same number as humans and most other mammals) 3. Chickpeas 4. Sesame seeds 5. The dot over the letter 'i' 6. A small sheath, often made of plastic or metal, used on each end of a shoelace. 7. Malala Yousafzai, at the age of 17. She was the co-recipient of the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize for her struggle against the suppression of children and young people and for the right of all children to education. 8. John Goodenough, at the age of 97. He won the 2019 Nobel Prize for chemistry. 9. Humans did not evolve from the other great apes that live today. Instead, we share a common ancestor that lived roughly 10 million years ago. 10. HMS Beagle