

75 RIDDLES AND BRAIN TEASERS FOR KIDS

Q: What gets wetter the more it dries? A towel.

Q: When you look for something, why is it always in the *last* place you look? Because when you find it, you stop looking!

Q: A cowboy rode into town on Friday. He stayed in town for three days and rode out on Friday. How was that possible? Friday was the name of his horse.

Q: One night, a king and a queen went into a castle. There was nobody in the castle, and no one came out of the castle. In the morning, three people came out of the castle. Who were they? The knight (night), the king, and the queen! (This one must be read out loud in order for it to work.)

Q: Railroad crossing, watch out for cars. Can you spell that without any "r's"? T-H-A-T

Q: What has a face and two hands, but no arms or legs? A clock.

Q: What has to be broken before you can use it? An egg.

Q: Lives in winter, dies in summer, and grows with its roots upward. What is it? An icicle.

Q: It starts out tall, but the longer it stands, the shorter it grows. What is it? A candle.

Q: What belongs to you but is used more by others? Your name.

Q: What goes up and never comes down? Your age.

Q: How can a man go 8 days without sleep? He only sleeps at night!

Q: What gets sharper the more you use it? Your brain.

Q: If I have it, I don't share it. If I share it, I don't have it. What is it? A secret.

Q: What can you catch, but not throw? A cold.

Q: How many months have 28 days? All 12 months of the year!

Q: They come out at night without being called, and are lost in the day without being stolen. What are they? Stars.

Q: What is full of holes but can still hold water? A sponge.

Q: Two in front, two in behind, and one in the middle. How many are there? Three. (1 2) 3 1 (2 3) 1 (2) 3

Q: What word is spelled wrong in every dictionary? The word "wrong!"

Q: What is easy to get into, but hard to get out of? Trouble.

Q: The more you take away, the bigger this becomes. What is it? A hole!

Q: What word contains 26 letters, but only three syllables? Alphabet.

Q: A girl fell off a long staircase. She wasn't hurt. Why? She fell off the bottom step!

Q: It follows you and copies your every move. But you can't touch it or catch it. What is it? Your shadow.

Q: What building has thousands of stories? The library!

Q: What has a neck but doesn't have a head? A bottle.

Q: I'm full of keys but I can't open any door. What am I? A piano.

Q: What has a thumb and four fingers but is not alive? A glove.

Q: A man found an old coin and declared that the date on it was 150 B.C. This could not be true. Why? Because B.C. is counting backwards from the birth of Christ. If Christ hadn't been born yet, there were no dates labeled B.C. at that time!

Q: Which is heavier, a pound of bricks or a pound of feathers? The same - a pound is a pound no matter what you're weighing!

Q: I'm light as a feather, yet the strongest man can't hold me for more than a minute. What am I? Your breath.

Q: Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday? Yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

Q: Timmy's mother had three children. The first was named April, the next was named May. What was the name of the third child? Timmy of course!

Q: What kind of coat can only be put on when wet? A coat of paint.

Q: What occurs once in a minute, twice in a moment, and never in one thousand years? The letter M.

Q: What has three feet but cannot walk? A yardstick.

Q: What runs, but never walks, often murmurs - never talks, has a bed but never sleeps, has a mouth but never eats? A river.

Q: If you are running in a race and you pass the person in second place, what place are you in? Second place!

Q: A bat and a ball cost \$1.10. The bat costs \$1.00 more than the ball. How much does the ball cost? 5 cents.

Q: What invention allows you to look right through a wall? A window!

Q: What are two things you can NEVER eat for breakfast? Lunch and dinner!

Q: What goes up and down but never moves? The temperature! (Alternative answer - a flight of stairs.)

Q: The more you take, the more you leave behind. What are they?
Footprints!

Q: I have no eyes, no ears, and no legs, and yet I help move the earth. What am I? An earthworm!

Q: If there are three cookies and you take away two, how many do you have? Two! (If you take away two, then of course you have two.)

Q: What do dogs have that no other animal has? Puppies!

Q: A man was in the middle of nowhere and it started to rain. He had no umbrella and no hat, but not a single hair on his head got wet. How can this be? The man was bald!

Q: Give me food, and I will live. Give me water, and I will die. What am I?
A fire!

Q: First, I threw away the outside and cooked the inside. Then I ate the outside and threw away the inside. What did I eat? Corn on the cob.

Q: What is white when it's dirty and black when it's clean? A chalkboard.

Q: What do eggs, a safe, and a whip all have in common? They all crack.

Q: I go all around the world, but never leave the corner. What am I? A stamp.

Q: I have cities, but I don't have houses. I have forests, but I don't have trees. I have rivers, but I don't have fish. What am I? A map.

Q: If someone asks you this question, you can never answer "yes." What is the question? "Are you asleep?"

Q: What has a thousand needles but can't sew? A porcupine.

Q: I sometimes run, but I cannot walk. What am I? Your nose.

Q: When I'm ripe, I'm green. When you eat me, I'm red. What am I? A watermelon.

Q: What can you break without touching it? A promise.

Q: Where does today come before yesterday? In the dictionary.

Q: What has many teeth but cannot bite? A comb.

Q: What has a head and a tail but no body? A coin.

Q: What tastes better than it smells? Your tongue.

Q: I am an odd number. Take away a letter and I become even. What number am I? Seven.

Q: Two fathers and two sons are sitting at the table, yet there are only three people. How? One grandfather, one father, and one son.

Q: What five-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it? Short.

Q: The person who makes it has no need for it. The person who buys it has no use for it. The person who uses it cannot see it or feel it. What is it? A coffin.

Q: Before Mt. Everest was discovered, what was the tallest mountain in the world? Mt. Everest - it just hadn't been discovered yet!

Q: What needs to be answered but never asks a question? The phone.

Q: If I said tomorrow, "The day before yesterday was Saturday," which day is it now? Sunday.

Q: Your friend says that she can throw a ball so that it flies away from her, changes direction suddenly, and then comes back to her. How is this possible? She throws the ball straight up in the air.

Q: Billy's pet rabbit eats 1 carrot on Sunday, 2 carrots on Monday, 4 carrots on Tuesday, and so on. How many carrots does he eat in a week? 127.

Q: What kind of beans can you not grow on a farm? Jellybeans!

Q: If your uncle's sister is not your aunt, then what relation is she to you? Your mother.

Q: When is it okay to lie? When you are in bed!

Q: What has the head of a cat and the tail of a cat, but is not a cat? A kitten!