



Brain teasers

1. Would you rather a crocodile attack you or an alligator?
2. Can you name four days that start with the letter “T”?
3. If you are in a dark room with a candle, a wood stove and a gas lamp. You only have one match, so what do you light first?
4. Three people check into a very cheap hotel. They pay \$30 to the manager and go to their room. The manager suddenly remembers that the room rate is \$25 and gives \$5 to the bellboy to return to the people. On the way to the room the bellboy reasons that \$5 would be difficult to share among three people so he pockets \$2 and gives \$1 to each person. Now each person paid \$10 and got back \$1. So they paid \$9 each, totaling \$27. The bellboy has \$2, totaling \$29. Where is the missing \$1?

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Solutions

1. I would rather the crocodile attack the alligator. Read it again...the sentence can be interpreted two very different ways.

2. Tuesday, Thursday, Today, and Tomorrow.

3. The match!

4. We have to be careful what we are adding together. Originally, they paid \$30, they each received back \$1, thus they now have only paid \$27. Of this \$27, \$25 went to the manager for the room and \$2 went to the bellboy.

PS: Did you find the error in last months puzzle? There were four correct answers to this one, not one. Here it is again...

“Two friends are chatting:

- Peter, how old are your children?
- Well, Thomas, there are three of them, and when you multiply their ages together the total is 36.
- That is not enough information...
- The sum of their ages is exactly the number of beers we have drunk today.
- That is still not enough.
- OK, the last thing is that my oldest child wears a red hat.

How old were each of Peter's children? There can only be one answer.”

Correct Answers:

- 2, 2, and 9
- 2, 3, and 6
- 3, 3, and 4
- 1, 1, and 36