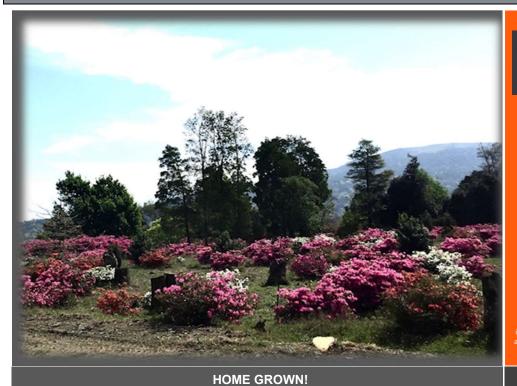
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FACTS AND QUOTES

#### **JUST GOOGLE IT**

Margaret Mead (December 16, 1901 – November 15, 1978) was an American cultural anthropologist, author and speaker, who appeared frequently in the mass media during the 1960s and the 1970s.

She had a bachelor's degree from Barnard College of Columbia University and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia. Mead served as president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1975.

She is said to have stated:

"CHILDREN MUST BE TAUGHT HOW TO THINK, NOT WHAT TO THINK."

This statement is even more relevant today even though it was quipped in the mid-1900s.

It starts with thinking for ourselves and not just using Doctor Google unless we are googling how to think.

It also means raising questions as a result of critical thinking rather than following blindly.

#### **LEAD OR FOLLOW**

They say the people we elect to lead us are similar to us.

It is a scary thought when we examine who our local population voted for in the elections and who is campaigning for presidency in the United States.

But in South Africa, the two main parties are not dictatorships like some of the others.

Hopefully, this means the broader electorate has learned what to think.

But be careful of the wolf in sheep's clothing promising that once elected, he or she will become vegetarian.

"I want AI to do my laundry and dishes so that I can do art and writing, not for AI to do my art and writing so that I can do my laundry and dishes."
- Joanna Maciejewska.

"Alice: How long is forever? White Rabbit: Sometimes, just one second." - Lewis Carroll.

"A lie doesn't become truth, wrong doesn't become right, and evil doesn't become good, just because it's accepted by a majority." - Booker T Washington.

"Do we settle for the world as it is, or do we work for the world as it should be?" - Michelle Obama.

"I believe in kindness. Also in mischief. Also in singing, especially when singing is not necessarily prescribed." - Mary Oliver.

"Sometimes you have to toot your own horn because nobody else is going to do it." – Guess Who?

"Well done is better than well said." -Benjamin Franklin. TAPIN PAGE 2

#### **BRAINTEASERS**

A man pushes his car to a hotel and tells the owner he's bankrupt. Why?

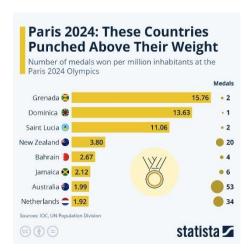
If you overtake the last person in a running race, what place are you in?

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Paul McCartney dreamed the melody for 'Yesterday' one night, composing the music the next morning.

Reebok was founded in 1895.

#### **NO EXCUSES**



South African (SA) sportsmen and women are highly talented but face many obstacles, mostly due to a lack of financial support from Sports SA. Kudos to people like Tatiana Smith who has self-funded a lot of her journey and the latter part of her

career through sponsorship – NO SPORT SA!

Imagine if.....

Investing for one's future is similar especially if we have to start from nothing. But we must at least start and keep at it! Perhaps, the SA

stock market will finally realise its current potential providing an opportunity to invest with some conviction and certainty. It has made a comeback as the eighth best performing market worldwide in 2024 to date:

Country/Region	Ticker	2024 TR	Country/Region	Ticker	2024 TR	Country/Region	Ticker	2024 TR
Argentina	ARGT	22.3%	Japan	EWJ	13.0%	Finland	EFNL	7.5%
Peru	EPU	21.0%	Austria	EWO	12.4%	Norway	NORW	6.6%
Malaysia	<b>EWM</b>	20.2%	Singapore	<b>EWS</b>	12.2%	China	MCHI	4.8%
US	SPY	19.0%	Spain	<b>EWP</b>	12.2%	France	EWQ	4.6%
Taiwan	EWT	18.2%	Kuwait	KWT	12.0%	UAE	UAE	4.1%
Denmark	EDEN	17.9%	Germany	EWG	11.9%	New Zealand	ENZL	2.8%
India	INDA	16.9%	Poland	<b>EPOL</b>	11.7%	South Korea	EWY	2.6%
South Africa	EZA	16.2%	EAFE	IEFA	11.5%	Saudi Arabia	KSA	22%
Italy	EWI	16.1%	Switzerland	EWL	11.1%	Indonesia	EIDO	2.1%
Greece	<b>GREK</b>	16.0%	Canada	<b>EWC</b>	10.7%	Qatar	QAT	1.1%
United Kingdom	EWU	15.4%	Eurozone	EZU	10.4%	Thailand	THD	-1.6%
Turkey	TUR	15.2%	Philippines	<b>EPHE</b>	8.6%	Chile	ECH	-1.6%
Total World	VT	15.1%	Belgium	<b>EWK</b>	8.6%	Vietnam	VNM	-2.8%
Ireland	EIRL	15.1%	Australia	<b>EWA</b>	8.5%	Hong Kong	EWH	-6.5%
Netherlands	EWN	14.5%	Colombia	GXG	8.2%	Brazil	EWZ	-10.1%
Israel	EIS	13.5%	Sweden	EWD	8.0%	Mexico	EWW	-17.6%

#### WORDCRAFT

- 1. If a bottle of poison reaches its expiration date, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?
- 2. Which letter is silent in the word "scent"? The "s" or the "c"?
- 3. Do twins ever realise that one of them is unplanned?
- 4. Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.
- 5. More than 100 years ago, everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.
- 6. Why is there a "d" in fridge, but not in refrigerator?

- 7. As I've grown older, I've learned that pleasing everyone is impossible, but irritating everyone is a piece of cake.
- 8. I'm responsible for what I say, not for what you understand.
- 9. Common sense is like deodorant. The people who need it the most never use it.
- 10. My tolerance for idiots is extremely low these days. I used to have some immunity, but obviously, there is a new strain out there
- 11. As I watch this generation try to rewrite history, I'm sure of one thing: it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.
- 12. I want to be 18 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.
- 13. I'm on two simultaneous diets. I wasn't getting enough food on one.
- 14. My mind is like an internet browser. At least 18 tabs open, three of them frozen, and I have no clue where the music is coming from.
- 15. My wife says I keep pushing her buttons. If that were true, I would have found "mute" by now.

### **LAST LAUGH**

Facebook is a perfect example of socialism. You get it for free. You have no say in how it works. The guy who runs it is rich. You have no privacy, AND if you say one thing they don't like, they shut you up...