

Are you looking for difficult riddles? Here you will find a great list with both short and long hard riddles (with answers).

1. The shorter I am, the bigger I am.
What am I?
2. What is bought by the yard by is worn by the foot?
3. With pointed fangs it sits in wait,
With piercing force it doles out fate,
Over bloodless victims proclaiming its might,
Eternally joining in a single bite
What is it?
4. What has a foot but no leg?
5. What stinks when living and smells good when dead?
6. What takes hours to pull off
Is most satisfying when it's done
And requires consent from the person you're doing it to?
7. What has a big mouth, yet never speaks?
8. The more you take the more you leave behind.
9. The virgin gave birth to a child and threw away the blanket.
10. There is a creature of God whose body is hard; it does not wish to eat
unless you strike its head.
11. I have three hundred cattle, with a single nose cord.
12. What do you have when you're sitting down that you don't have when
you're standing up?
13. First you see me in the grass dressed in yellow gay; next I am in dainty
white, then I fly away. What am I?

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14. Born of sorrow, grows with age.
You need a lot to be a sage.
What is it?
15. Patch upon patch, without any stitches, if you tell me this riddle, I'll
give you my breeches.
16. Some are quick to take it. Others must be coaxed.
Those who choose to take it gain and lose the most.
17. I go in dry and come out wet,
The longer I'm in, the stronger I get.
What am I?
18. No thicker than your finger when it folds.
As thick as what it's holding when it holds.
19. I work hard most every day, Not much time to dance and play,
If I could reach what I desire, all like me would now retire.
What am I?
20. Begotten, and born, and dying with noise,
The terror of women, and pleasure of boys,
Like the fiction of poets concerning the wind,
I'm chiefly unruly, when strongest confined.
21. They can be harbored, but few hold water,
You can nurse them, but only by holding them against someone else,
You can carry them, but not with your arms,
You can bury them, but not in the earth.
22. Full of dark, filled with everything
Both on my skin they color
With my pack, I am always
Afraid of the cat.
What am I?
23. What goes up, but at the same time goes down?
Up toward the sky, and down toward the ground.
Its present tense and past tense too,
come for a ride, just you and me!



24. We travel much, yet prisoners are, and close confined to boot.
Yet with any horse, we will keep the pace, and will always go on foot.
What are they?
25. I bubble and laugh
And spit water in your face.
I am no lady,
And I don't wear lace.
26. When the creeper passes, all the grass kneels.
27. What goes in the water black and comes out red?
28. Iron roof, glass walls, burns and burns and never falls.
29. You can only have it once you have given it.
30. What can you fold but not crease?
31. I bind it and it walks. I loose it and it stops.
32. I have a tongue but cannot taste. I have a soul but cannot feel. What am I?
33. We are five little objects of an everyday sort,
You will find us all in a tennis court.
34. To unravel me, you need a key. No key that was made by locksmith's hand, but a key that only I will understand. What am I?
35. I can always go up, never down,
I can always turn left, never right,
I am always hot when I'm cold.
36. I don't exist unless you cut me, but if you stab me I won't bleed. I hate no one yet am abhorred by all. What am I?
37. I do not listen to reason, but I hear every siren's song and will try to steer us towards the rocks if you let me take the wheel. Who am I?
38. I am something all men have but all men deny. Man created me but no man can hold me. What am i?



- 39.** I cannot be other than what I am,
Until the man who made me dies,
Power and glory will fall to me finally,
Only when he last closes his eyes.
- 40.** I saw a man in white, he looked quite a sight.
He was not old, but he stood in the cold.
And when he felt the sun, he started to run.
Who could he be? Please answer me.
- 41.** A hundred brothers lie next to each other;
Each white and fine - they've only one spine.
I am the tongue that lies between two.
Remove me to gather their wisdom to you.
- 42.** For our ambrosia we were blessed,
By Jupiter, with a sting of death.
Though our might, to some is jest,
We have quelled the dragon's breath.
Who are we?
- 43.** What must be in the oven yet cannot be baked?
Grows in the heat yet shuns the light of day?
What sinks in water but rises with air?
Looks like skin, but is fine as hair?
- 44.** I dig out tiny caves, and store gold and silver in them.
I also build bridges of silver and make crowns of gold.
They are the smallest you could imagine.
Sooner or later everybody needs my help, yet many people are afraid to
let me help them. Who am I?
- 45.** What is put on a table, cut, but never eaten?
- 46.** Slayer of regrets, old and new, sought by many, found by few.
- 47.** I ate one and threw away two.
- 48.** Kills the bad ones and the sad ones. Tightens to fit, so one size fits.



- 49.** Break it and it is better, immediately set and harder to break again.
- 50.** An open ended barrel, it is shaped like a hive. It is filled with the flesh, and the flesh is alive!
- 51.** Two legs I have, and this will confound, only at rest do they touch the ground. What am I?
- 52.** A deep well full of knives
- 53.** We hurt without moving. We poison without touching. We bear the truth and the lies. We are not to be judged by our size. What are we?
- 54.** The strangest creature you'll ever find: Two eyes in front and many many more behind.
- 55.** I cover what is real and hide what is true,
But sometimes I bring out the courage in you.
What am I?
- 56.** I'm so simple I only point,
Yet I guide people all over the world.
What am I?
- 57.** Goes over all the hills and hollows,
Bites hard, but never swallows.
- 58.** What is that which goes with a carriage, comes with a carriage, is of no use to a carriage, and yet the carriage cannot go without it?
- 59.** Thousands lay up gold within this house,
But no man made it.
Spears past counting guard this house,
But no man wards it.



- 60.** I cut through evil
Like a double edged sword,
And chaos flees at my approach.
Balance I single-handedly upraise,
Through battles fought with heart and mind,
Instead of with my gaze.
What am I?
- 61.** No head has he but he wears a hat. No feet has he but he stands up straight. On him perhaps a fairy sat, weaving a spell one evening late!
- 62.** What has everything inside it? Everything you can imagine even god, wind, world, sky, heaven, earth and everything that comes to your mind?
- 63.** Above the kingdom I reign,
Spotted, speckled, with a mane,
I travel in packs,
And if you're lucky, you'd ride me.
What am I?
- 64.** I am made from an animal,
Although you nickname me after a different one.
You can't eat me; you can only hold me,
And once a year a festival is erected in my honor.
What am I?
- 65.** What grows in winter, dies in summer, and grows roots upward?
- 66.** Downward grows the root. Outward grows the skin.
Upward grows the shoot. What way blows the wind?
- 67.** Shorter than my four siblings, but easily the strongest,
Sometimes I wear a funny hat.
- 68.** With head without hair. With mouth without tooth.
- 69.** What flies around all day but never goes anywhere?
- 70.** What's as small as a mouse but guards a house like a lion?



- 71.** What gets whiter the dirtier that it gets?
- 72.** On the wall, in the air,
You just want me out of your hair,
Try to catch me, but you cannot,
For my vision is thousand fold.
What am I?
- 73.** I am born in fear, raised in truth,
And I come to my own in deed.
When comes a time that I'm called forth,
I come to serve the cause of need.
- 74.** I am slim and tall
Many find me desirable and appealing
They touch me and I give a false good feeling
Once I shine in splendor
But only once and then no more
For many I am to die for.
What am I?
- 75.** A little pool with two layers of wall around it. One white and soft and the other dark and hard, amidst a light brown grassy lawn with an outline of a green grass. What am I?
- 76.** Looks like water, but it's heat.
Sits on sand, lays on concrete.
People have been known,
To follow it everywhere.
But it gets them no place,
And all they can do is stare.
- 77.** You use me for multiple reasons,
I am many colored, and many shaped.
I may or may not also tell you your sexual preference.
What am I?

