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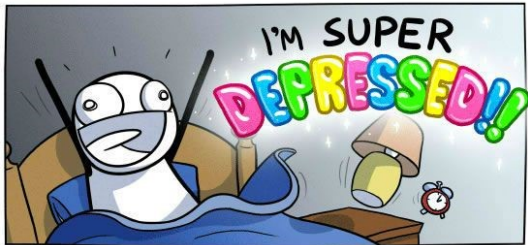
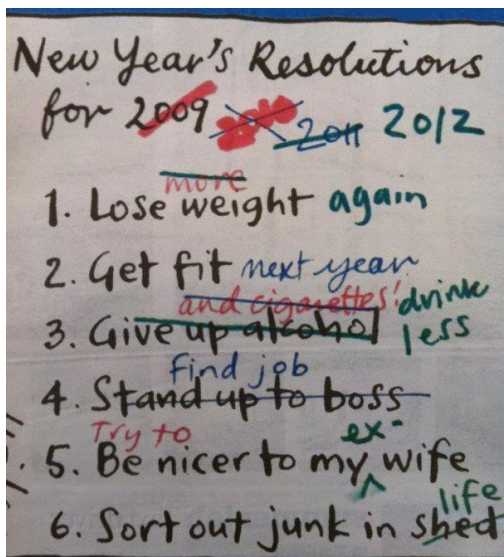
"IF ANY MAN BE IN CHRIST, HE IS A NEW CREATURE: ALL THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY; BEHOLD, ALL THINGS HAVE BECOME NEW." 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

**UPCOMING
EVENTS:**

- Sorry about not having any UJ's recently, but we should be back with our weekly schedule!
- We are planning lots of exciting new OPS activities this quarter. Make sure to check your email for updates.



"Ummm."



**QUOTE OF THE
WEEK**

"TODAY ME WILL LIVE
IN THE MOMENT UNLESS
IT'S UNPLEASANT IN
WHICH CASE ME WILL
EAT A COOKIE."
—COOKIE MONSTER

So, it's "Thirty days have September,
April, June, and November.
All the rest have thirtyone,
Except February, which has 28,
except in leap years, when it
has 29. A leap year is any year
evenly divisible by four, unless
it is also evenly divisible by one
hundred; in which case it is only
a leap year when it is divisible
by four hundred. the calculation
of leap years is subject to change"

± I liked it better before the lawyers
got a hold of it.



30 second story

A Bad Dream?

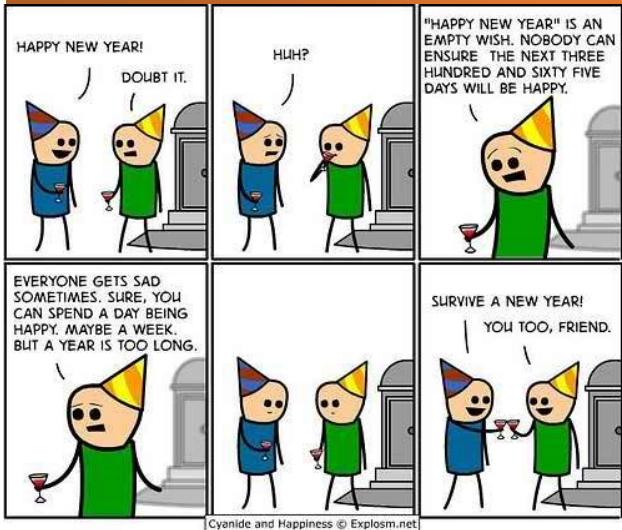
Jemima was taking an afternoon nap on New Year's Eve before the festivities. After she woke up, she confided to Max, her husband, 'I just dreamed that you gave me a diamond ring for a New Year's present. What do you think it all means?' 'Aha, you'll know tonight,' answered Max smiling broadly. At midnight, as the New Year was chiming, Max approached Jemima and handed her small package. Delighted and excited she opened it quickly. There in her hand rested a book entitled: "The meaning of dreams."

RANDEST FACT YOU'LL EVER READ

"THE AVERAGE SPEED OF A FART COMING OUT OF YOUR BUTT IS 7 MPH."

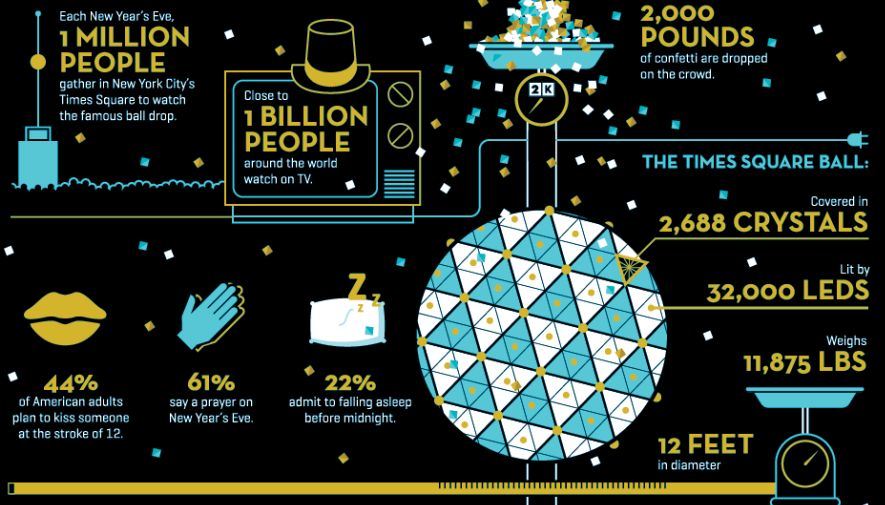
FACTS!!!

- Like a fingerprint, everyone's tongue print is different.
- If you eat a polar bear liver, you will die. The human body can't handle that much vitamin A.
- 40,000 American's are injured by toilets every year
- 100% of people who drink dihydrogen monoxide die.
- You have a 96% chance of surviving a plane crash.



NEW YEAR'S BY THE NUMBERS

3... 2... 1...HAPPY NEW YEAR!

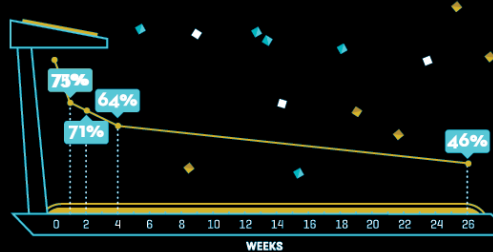


45% OF AMERICANS MAKE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

WHAT ARE THE MOST POPULAR GOALS?



HOW LONG DO THEY KEEP THEIR RESOLUTIONS?



NEW YEAR'S FOODS

FOOD	Meaning	COUNTRY
Legumes and leafy greens	Money or financial fortune	Italy, Germany, Ireland, Southern United States
Pork	Progress and prosperity	Cuba, Austria, Hungary, Portugal
Ring-shaped cakes and pastries	The year has come full circle	The Netherlands, Mexico, Greece and elsewhere
Long noodles	Long life	Japan

Many people celebrate the new year by popping open a bottle of bubbly. Americans consume close to

360 MILLION glasses of sparkling wine during the holiday season.



Ring in the New Year dates back **4,000 YEARS** to the Babylonians, who celebrated it at the first full moon after the spring equinox.

The ancient Egyptian year began with the annual **FLOODING OF THE NILE.**



Julius Caesar made **JANUARY 1** the first day of the year in 46 B.C., but England and its American colonies wouldn't do the same until 1752.

Dating back to 1890, the Rose Parade in Pasadena, California, features floats festooned with **10 MILLION FLOWERS.**



At the Mummers Parade in Philadelphia, **10,000 PARTICIPANTS** march through the city and perform in elaborate costumes.



London, England, greets the New Year with fireworks over the Thames. In 2012, to celebrate the queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympic Games, an extra-large display included **12,000 INDIVIDUAL FIREWORKS.**

In Australia, **OVER 1 MILLION PEOPLE** line Sydney Harbour's 40 miles of shoreline to watch the fireworks show.

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