

That's a Fact!

Summer Edition

Sudan has more ancient pyramids than Egypt. Sources vary, but Sudan is claimed to be home to around 250 pyramid structures, that were built by the rulers of the ancient Kushite kingdoms between 2500BC to 300AD. Egypt is thought to have more than 100 pyramids.

Japanese trains, reputedly the most punctual in the world, issue passengers with a 'delay certificate' if a train is running more than five minutes behind schedule. The documents can be shown to bosses or teachers to explain a passenger's lateness. Delay certificates are also issued on some trains in Germany and in Paris.

India's trains transport roughly 23 million passengers each day; that's the entire population of Australia.



Despite spanning five geographical time zones, China only has one set time, which is observed throughout the country. China Standard Time is UTC+8

Banana is a popular pizza topping in Sweden and often is paired with curry powder.

The so-called 'Double Sunrise' service by Qantas, which ran from Australia to Sri Lanka from 1943-45, often lasted more than 30 hours, with passengers seeing the sunrise twice. Today the longest commercial flight is the Singapore Airlines Singapore to New York route, with an average journey time of 17 hours and 50 minutes.



Incredibly, the shortest commercial flight, operating between the neighboring islands of Westray and Papa Westray in Scotland's Orkney islands, takes around one and a half minutes. With the fastest recorded flight taking less than 50 seconds.

FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

As part of standard convention, pilots and co-pilots do not eat the same food before a flight in case of food poisoning (or worse). If one of the pilots is incapacitated (unable to leave the bathroom) then the other pilot can take over.



Saudi Arabia has no rivers, one of the 17 countries in the world without a single river flowing through it.