

Making emphasis on objects, events and processes

Read curious facts about world-famous objects, processes, events and animals. Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the correct form. Use contractions and capital letters when necessary.

1. All gondolas in Venice, Italy must _____ (paint) black unless they belong to a high official.



2. The modern Frisbee _____ (invent) by the Frisbie Pie Company in 1946 when their pie tins _____ (throw) around by employees during breaks.

3. Since its origin, Korea _____ (invade) more times than any other country in the world.

4. The white surface of the Taj Mahal _____ (gradually / damage) by pollution and it is turning yellow.

5. British guidebooks in the nineteenth century advised women to put pins in their mouths. Apparently, women _____ (kiss) in the dark when trains were going through tunnels.



6. You will more likely _____ (kill) by a champagne cork than by a poisonous spider, but most people are more afraid of spiders.

7. Kangaroos can _____ (find) in the wild in only two countries: Australia and New Zealand.

8. When Christopher Columbus 'discovered' America in 1492, the continent _____ (already / explore) by the Vikings from Norway over three centuries earlier.