



READING

FIRST LAUGH, THEN THINK!

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1. Read the text. Which paragraph (A-F) tells us about....

1. the philosophy behind the Ig Nobel prize?
2. a discovery that is explained by the way we see numbers in our mind?
3. an invention that makes it hard to do something that is usually simple?
4. a domestic problem in a particular place in a world?
5. something that allows animals to talk to humans?
6. how to win an Ig Nobel prize?
7. a physical action that can make you think differently?

2. Explain the words from the text in English or give their synonyms

- a) annual
- b) a research
- c) to be aware of
- d) a journal
- e) copper
- f) device
- g) a tap
- h) a pipe

3. Which scientific research or invention in the text did you like the most? Why?

FOR MORE VISIT: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Ig_Nobel_Prize_winners

VELCRO: A SIMPLE BUT USEFUL INVENTION

Listen and read

1. Which paragraph (A-F) tells us about.....

- a) how Velcro has been used in the field of medicine?
- b) a new product which works in the same way but is made of different material?
- c) how nature inspired science?
- d) the use of Velcro to fight gravity?
- e) one area where they decided to stop using Velcro?
- f) some unusual physical activities that you can do using Velcro?
- g) what people first thought of the idea?
- h) the international market for Velcro-like products?

2. Match the underlined words in the article with the definitions.

- a) A strong metal made from iron
- b) Decided to start using
- c) Changed back to
- d) A piece of equipment which you can jump up and down on for exercise
- e) A curved piece of metal or plastic, used for catching or holding things
- f) A medical operation in which a new organ is put into somebody's body