

Fun Page

How much did you learn?

The answers to all these questions can be found in the newsletter...see if you can remember!

- 1 What household item is featured in the winning video of "The Story of Your Stuff"?
- 2 How old is the tree cross-section on page 3?
- 3 Is the Sycamore tree native to Ireland?
- 4 A specimen sunfish was caught off Kerry in 2003. How long was it?
- 5 Is a Sanderling a garden bird or a wader?
- 6 Which is older, heartwood or sapwood?
- 7 What pigment is causing the unusual polka dots on the zebra foal?
- 8 Who launched IceSat-2 in September 2018?
- 9 What stands for "S" in the A to Z of Trees?
- 10 What is Baltimore Lifeboat's new inshore lifeboat called?
- 11 How many trees do the Irish government want to plant by 2040?
- 12 Which organisation first catalogued Humpback Whales #1 and #2 in 1999?
- 13 Where does the Labyrinth Spider hide while waiting for its prey?
- 14 Where in Baltimore is the Lifeboat Station?
- 15 Which cheese is in the Smoked Mackerel Pâté recipe?

ANSWERS TO ABOVE: (1) A toothbrush; (2) 12 years old; (3) No; (4) Over 3 metres; (5) A wader; (6) Heartwood is older; (7) Melanin; (8) NASA; (9) Shade; (10) Rita Daphne Smyth; (11) 440 million; (12) Irish Whale & Dolphin Group (IWDOG); (13) In a funnel that it creates on its web; (14) Near Bull Point; (15) Cream cheese.
ANSWERS TO "PARTS OF A TREE" PAGE 10: ACROSS: 2. Trunk; 3. Heartwood; 4. Pith; 5. Root system; 6. Tap root; 7. Cambium layer; 11. Bark; 12. Annual ring.
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Think of a Title

Have fun making up a title for this photo of a Least Auklet, taken at St Paul Island, Alaska, USA. The Least Auklet is the smallest member of the Auk family and the bird is about the size of a Sparrow.

Nature Jokes



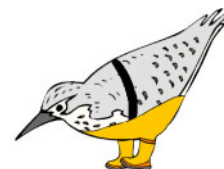
What sport do spiders like to do?
Fly fishing.

Which fish is the hottest?
The sunfish.



Why did the squirrel get lost in the forest?
It followed the wrong root.

What kind of footwear do Sanderlings wear?
Waders.



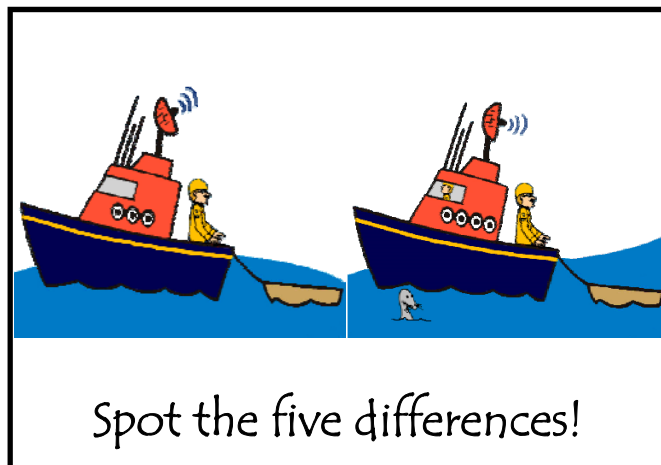
What do you call a tree with lots of friends?
Poplar.

Can you give a brief description of an acorn?
In a nutshell, it's an oak tree.



What is a gust of wind's favourite colour?
Blew.

What animal can you always find at a baseball game?
A bat!



Spot the five differences!