

Welcome to *TEKTOK*
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You can't build a reputation on what you are going to do.
– Henry Ford

Web Sites

World Wildlife Day – 3rd Mar each year

The World is full of amazing creatures from every possible medium. From the birds of the air to the majestic whales of the sea, wildlife abounds in the most unusual and unexpected places. Wildlife benefits us in many ways, and has since time out of mind. World Wildlife day is a day to remind us of our responsibilities to our world and the lifeforms we share it with.

History of World Wildlife Day

On March 3rd, 1973 the United Nations General Assembly took a stand against to protect Endangered Species throughout the world. Whether plant or animal, the importance of these species in every area of human life, from culinary to medical, could not be understated. At this time hundreds of endangered species were being threatened every year, and extinction was at a staggeringly high rate. CITES was put into place (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) to ensure that the world did not continue to hemorrhage species that would never be seen from again.

On December 20th, 2013 another step was taken to help spread awareness of the fragility of endangered species in the world. At its 68th session, the UN declared that each year World Wildlife Day would be dedicated to a new purpose and idea to help keep people abreast of the changing nature of our world, and the treasures we stand to lose from the animal and plant kingdom if we don't take care.

How to Celebrate World Wildlife Day

The first thing that always comes to mind when we think about World Wildlife Day is heading out to our local zoo or botanical conservatory and reminding ourselves of the vast variety of life our world offers. If you have children, this can be one of the best ways to really introduce them to the wonders of the animal and plant kingdom. If you're feeling particularly adventurous, an outdoor excursion with a book of local flora and fauna (That's plants and animals) can help make that connection come even closer to home.

Another way you can get involved is finding out what this year's theme is by stopping by <http://www.wildlifeday.org/>, and finding ways to get involved.

There are few things as important as making sure that the world's biosphere remains healthy, every time we lose a plant or animal, we have no way of knowing if a cure for a disease or some new medical breakthrough was lost with them. World Wildlife Day is your opportunity to do your part in preserving our world.

[Hinterland Who's Who: Benefits of Wildlife](http://www.hww.ca/en/issues-and-topics/benefits-of-wildlife.html)

Learn about the importance of wildlife in our lives. Look at the role of wildlife in natural processes, as well as in science, agriculture, and medicine. Also, discover how wildlife factors into the Canadian economy. Finally find out how we can sustain the benefits we have from wildlife and how we can preserve them for future generations. A list of resources completes the discussion.

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[National Geographic: Photo Gallery: Winter Wildlife](http://animals.nationalgeographic.com/animals/photos/winter-wildlife.html)

This ten image photo gallery from National Geographic takes us on a visual exploration of the wildlife active in the wintertime. [Archived Version]

<http://animals.nationalgeographic.com/animals/photos/winter-wildlife.html>

[National Wildlife Federation: Ranger Rick](http://www.nwf.org/Kids/Ranger-Rick.aspx)

This is a very fun and engaging resource for kids and teachers. Students can learn about wildlife and ecology while reading stories and articles, playing games, and doing activities.

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Hardware/Software

How to Get a Faster iPad in Just Five Seconds

If you've been using your iPad or iPhone for a while you may find Safari pages load slower than they used to, and/or apps start to crash that have always been stable before.

Has this begun happening to you?

If so then make sure to remember this simple tip, which should speed up your iPhone (or iPad) in around five seconds.

Step one:

- Hold down the power button till the 'slide to power off' slider appears.

Step two:

- Don't use the slider and don't tap cancel, instead just hold down the Home button until the app screen appears (usually around five seconds).

And that's it – you should see some immediate improvement in iPhone performance.

So what just happened?

- Your iPhone will clear its memory (RAM) whenever it is fully switched off and restarted, but if you keep it active all the time it never gets the chance to flush it out. This tip lets you force the RAM to flush without going through a full restart –it can lead you to a faster iPhone in just over five seconds.

Hints/Tips

How To Find Your Phone Number on iPhone, iOS

Not every tip needs to be complicated. I've lost track of how many times friends and family have asked me for help finding their own phone number (particularly after they change carriers). The good news is .. it's easy once you know what to do!

Here goes:

Method One

(The best method if using a new SIM)

- Open Settings>Phone. The My Number field at the top will show your number. You can copy or edit this if required.

Method Two

- Open Contacts. Scroll right to the top. You will see your contacts card right at the top.. tap it to get to your contact details.

One More Thing

- You can also find useful information about your iPhone's serial number, IMEI number and more in Settings>General>About. You need to know how to access this if purchasing a second hand iPad, or iPhone. Apple allows you to check the IMEI against a database of reporter stolen devices.

Riddles You Can Tell in Class

1 – How many feet are in a yard?

2 – What do you call a fly without wings?

3 – What do you say to spoiled lettuce?

- 1 – It depends how many people are standing in it.
- 2 – A walk.
- 3 – You should have your head examined.

This Day in History

Birthdates which occurred on March 6:

- 1475 Michelangelo Buonarroti painter/sculptor/architect (David, Pieta)
- 1619 Cyrano de Bergerac famous nose, dramatist (A Voyage to the Moon)
- 1900 Robert "Lefty" Grove baseball pitcher (300 game winner)
- 1905 Bob Wills Kosse TX, actor (Lone Prairie, Tornado in the Saddle)
- 1906 Lou Costello Paterson NJ, comedian/actor (Abbott & Costello)
- 1922 Frankie Howerd York England, actor/comedian (Mr Mustard–Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, That Was The Week That Was, Runaway Bus)
- 1923 Ed McMahon Detroit MI, TV host (Johnny Carson Show, Star Search)
- 1926 Alan Greenspan economist/Presidential advisor (Federal Reserve Board)
- 1937 Doug Dillard actor (Clem–Popeye)
- 1937 Merle Haggard country singer
- 1940 Willie Stargell outfielder/1st baseman (Pittsburgh Pirates, 1971 National League homerun leader)
- 1944 Mary Wilson Detroit MI, vocalist (Supremes–Where Did Our Love Go)
- 1945 Rob Reiner Bronx NY, actor/director (All in the Family, Stand By Me)
- 1947 Judy Loe Urmston Manchester UK, actress (Singles, Meaning of Life)
- 1947 Kiki Dee Yorkshire England, singer (Don't Go Breaking My Heart)
- 1949 Donald York rocker (Sha Na Na)

On This Day:

- 1521 Magellan discovers Guam
- 1831 Edgar Allen Poe removed from West Point military academy
- 1836 3,000 Mexicans beat 182 Texans at the Alamo, after 13 day fight
- 1857 Dred Scott Decision: Supreme Court rules slaves cannot be citizens
- 1865 President Lincoln's 2nd Inaugural Ball
- 1896 1st auto in Detroit MI, Charles B King rides his "Horseless Carriage"
- 1899 "Aspirin" patented by Felix Hoffmann
- 1918 US naval collier "Cyclops" disappears in Bermuda Triangle
- 1922 Babe Ruth signs 3 years at \$52,000 a year New York Yankee contract
- 1923 Cards announce their players will wear numbers on their uniforms
- 1930 Brooklyn's Clarence Birdseye develops a method for quick freezing food
- 1933 FDR declares a nationwide bank holiday
- 1944 USAF begins daylight bombing of Berlin

1957 Ghana (formerly Gold Coast) declares independence from UK
1966 Barry Sadlers' "Ballad of the Green Berets" becomes #1 (13 weeks)
1967 Muhammad Ali is ordered by selective service to be inducted
1973 In an exhibition game with the Pirates, Twins Larry Hise becomes the 1st designated hitter (he hits 2 homeruns & knocks in 7 RBIs)
1983 US Football League begins its 1st season
1985 Mike Tyson KO's Hector Mercedes in 1 round in his 1st pro fight
1985 Yul Brynner appears in his 4,500th performance of "King & I"
1991 Following Iraq's capitulation in the Persian Gulf conflict, President Bush told Congress that "aggression is defeated; The war is over"

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