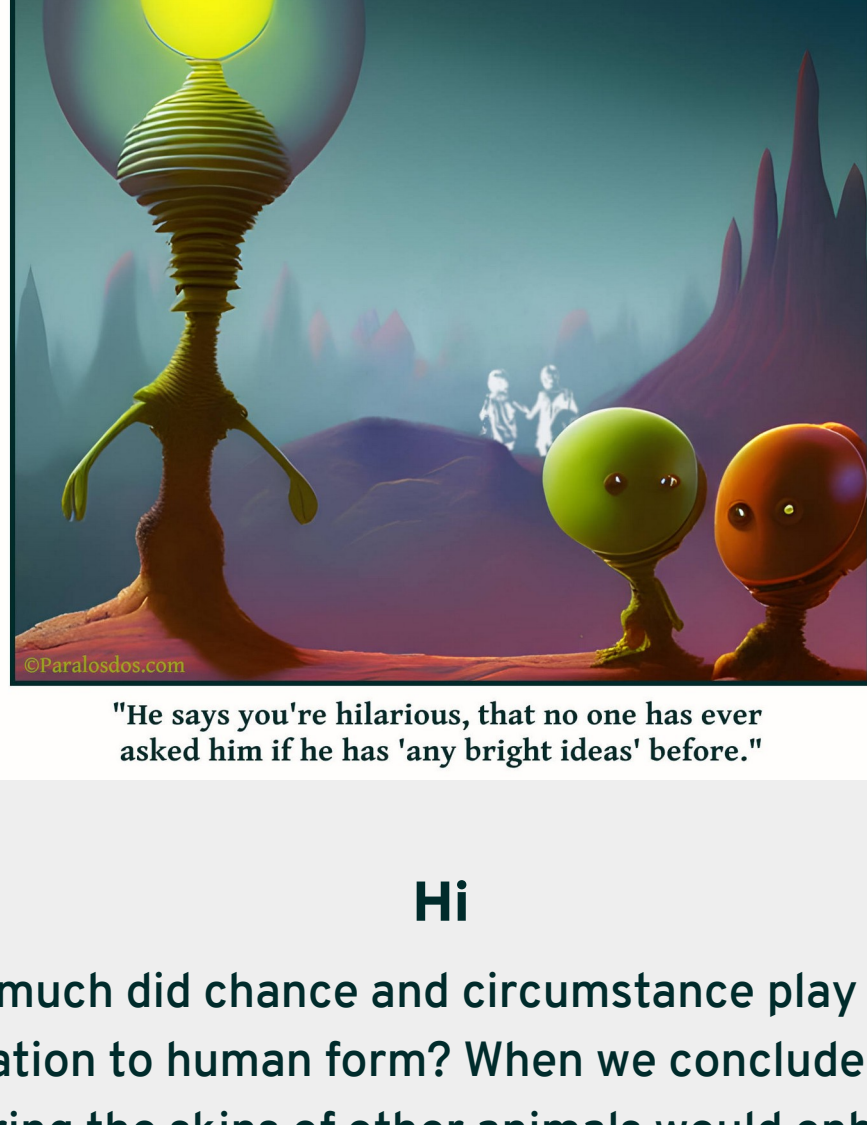


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Have a great day,
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The Alien Life



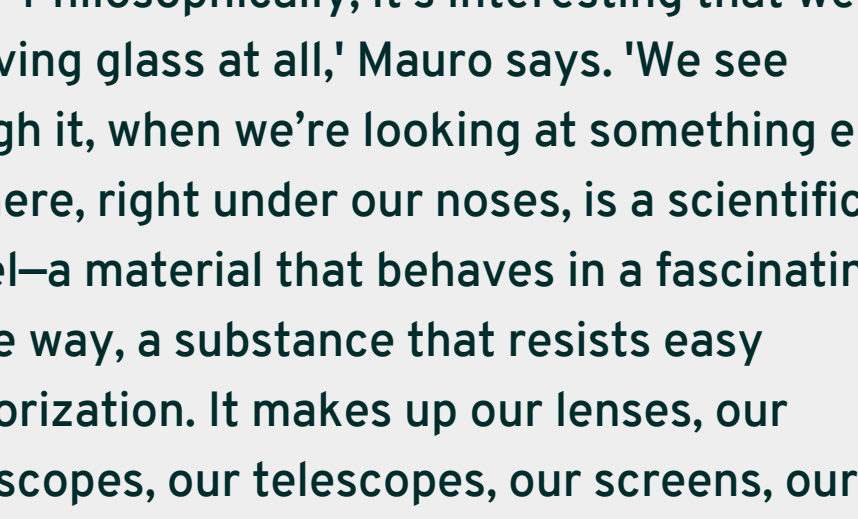
"He says you're hilarious, that no one has ever asked him if he has 'any bright ideas' before."

Hi

How much did chance and circumstance play in our migration to human form? When we concluded that wearing the skins of other animals would enhance our survival, did we consider ourselves now more or less than animal? As our facility with enhancing ourselves mechanically grows, do we make ourselves more or less human?

Everyday weirdness

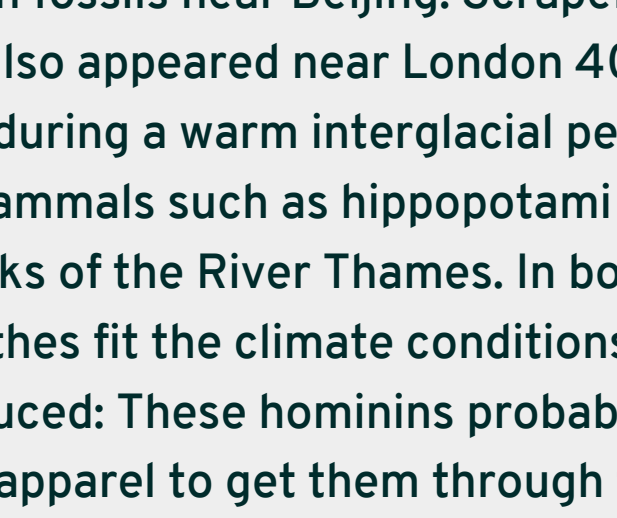
The Strange Life of Glass



" From a thermodynamic point of view, he explains, glass wants to become a solid. When observed on a molecular level, glass behaves more like a viscous liquid than a solid, yet we experience it like a solid because of how slowly it shifts. 'Philosophically, it's interesting that we're observing glass at all,' Mauro says. 'We see through it, when we're looking at something else.' Yet there, right under our noses, is a scientific marvel—a material that behaves in a fascinatingly unique way, a substance that resists easy categorization. It makes up our lenses, our microscopes, our telescopes, our screens, our glasses. It allows us to see the world clearly, yet so rarely do we really see glass. "

Substance came before style

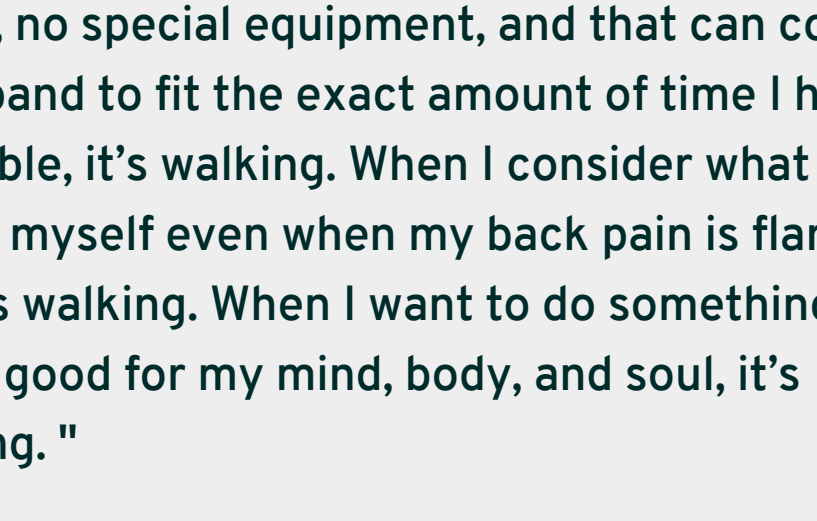
When Did Clothing Originate?



" Hominins with hide scrapers occupied what is today northern China during a warm phase 800,000 years ago, as evidenced by the famous Peking Man fossils near Beijing. Scraper-equipped hominins also appeared near London 400,000 years ago during a warm interglacial period when tropical mammals such as hippopotami waddled on the banks of the River Thames. In both cases, simple clothes fit the climate conditions and the tools produced: These hominins probably donned cloak-like apparel to get them through the winters. "

Sometimes simple is the way

Don't Underestimate the Power of a Walk

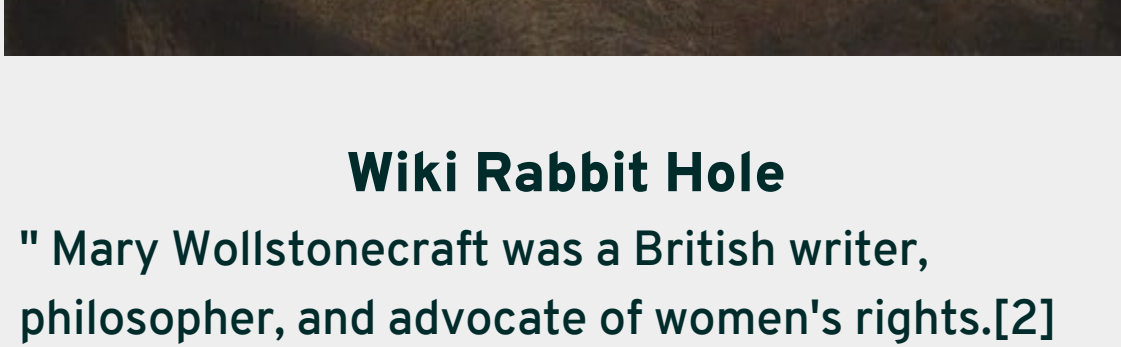


" But, when I think about the simplest and most strategic thing I am able to do for myself, it's walking. When I weigh what activity I can do almost every day, with little preparation, minimal effort, no special equipment, and that can contract or expand to fit the exact amount of time I have available, it's walking. When I consider what I can do for myself even when my back pain is flaring up, it's walking. When I want to do something that's good for my mind, body, and soul, it's walking. "

April 27, 1759

Mary Wollstonecraft

Born well before her time



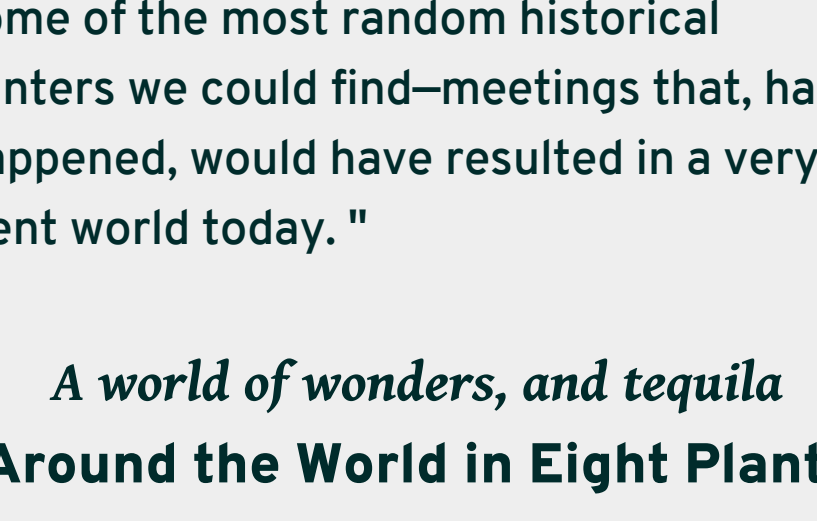
Wiki Rabbit Hole

" Mary Wollstonecraft was a British writer, philosopher, and advocate of women's rights.[2] [3] Until the late 20th century, Wollstonecraft's life, which encompassed several unconventional personal relationships at the time, received more attention than her writing. Today Wollstonecraft is regarded as one of the founding feminist philosophers, and feminists often cite both her life and her works as important influences. "

" She died 11 days after giving birth to her second daughter, Mary Shelley, who would become an accomplished writer and the author of Frankenstein. "

The power of friendship

Chance Meetings That Changed the World



" Some call it fate. Others call it destiny. And some just brush it off as coincidence. But however you view it, life has a funny way of bringing people together at just the right place and time. Check out some of the most random historical encounters we could find—meetings that, had they not happened, would have resulted in a very different world today. "

A world of wonders, and tequila

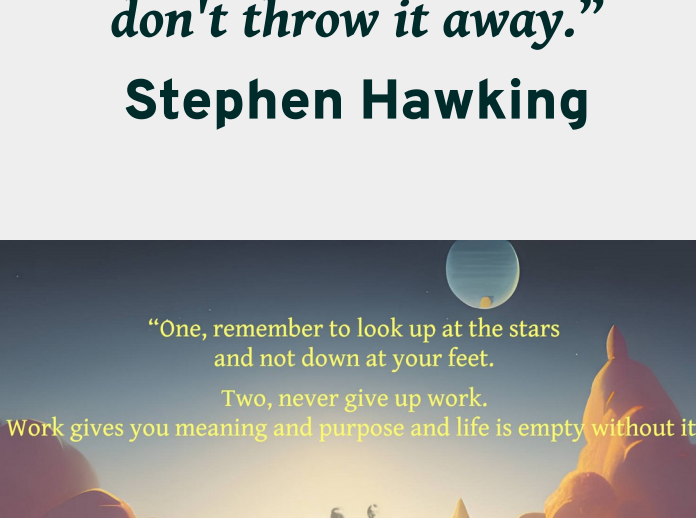
Around the World in Eight Plants



" Blue agave (Agave tequilana) can be found in parts of the southern United States and Central America, but it's most frequently grown in a sunny swath of rolling hills in Jalisco, a state in the western portion of Mexico. It's there, in a town called Tequila, where the world's top distillers make tequila using the piñas (hearts) found at the center of the spiky blue succulents. "

A disagreeably necessary measurement

Who Invented the Measurement of Time?



" In modern times, clocks underpin everything people do, from work to school to sleep. Timekeeping is also the invisible structure that makes modern infrastructure work. It forms the foundation of the high-speed computers that conduct financial trading and even the GPS system that pinpoints locations on Earth's surface with unprecedented accuracy. "

“One, remember to look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Two, never give up work. Work gives you meaning and purpose and life is empty without it. Three, if you are lucky enough to find love, remember it is there and don't throw it away.”

Stephen Hawking



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you understand

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