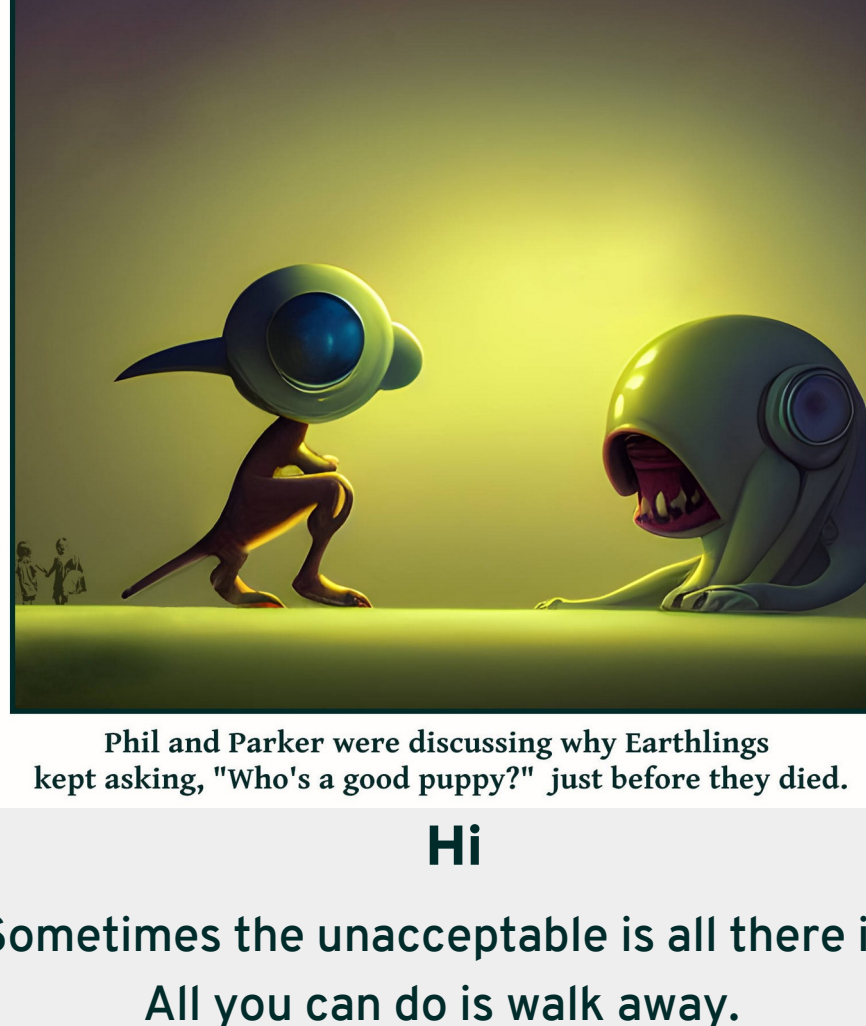


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## The Alien Life



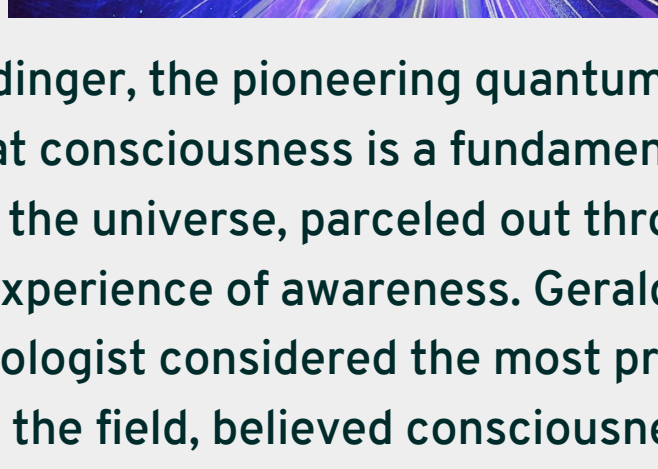
Phil and Parker were discussing why Earthlings kept asking, "Who's a good puppy?" just before they died.

**Hi**

Sometimes the unacceptable is all there is.  
All you can do is walk away.

*Exactly*

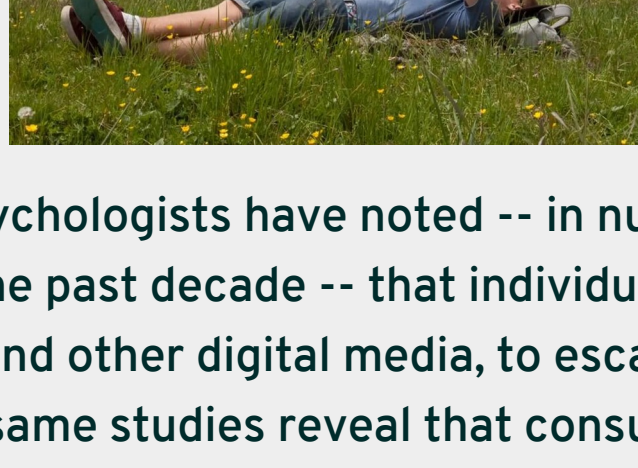
## Who Knows What Consciousness Is?



" Erwin Schrödinger, the pioneering quantum physicist, postulated that consciousness is a fundamental feature – the fabric – of the universe, parceled out through the individuated experience of awareness. Gerald Edelman, a Nobel neurobiologist considered the most prominent 'materialist' in the field, believed consciousness is entirely a function of embodiment. "

*Perpetuating boredom*

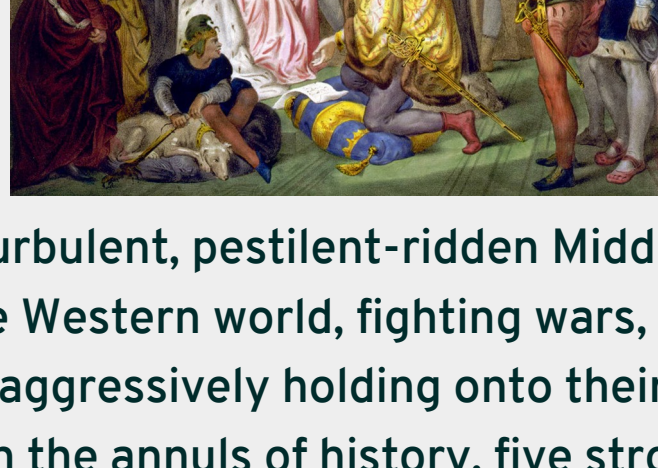
## Scrolling YouTube videos is making us more bored



" Cognitive psychologists have noted -- in numerous studies over the past decade -- that individuals engage in social media, and other digital media, to escape boredom. However, the same studies reveal that consuming such media can amplify boredom in individuals rather than alleviate it. "

*Some women rule*

## Meet 5 of the fiercest queens from medieval times



" During the turbulent, pestilent-ridden Middle Ages, kings dominated the Western world, fighting wars, making alliances, and aggressively holding onto their power. But hidden away in the annals of history, five strong queens used their exceptional skills, political savvy, and tenacity to exert power in unexpected, and often disastrous, ways. "

**August 21, 1940**

## Leon Trotsky

**Assassinated**

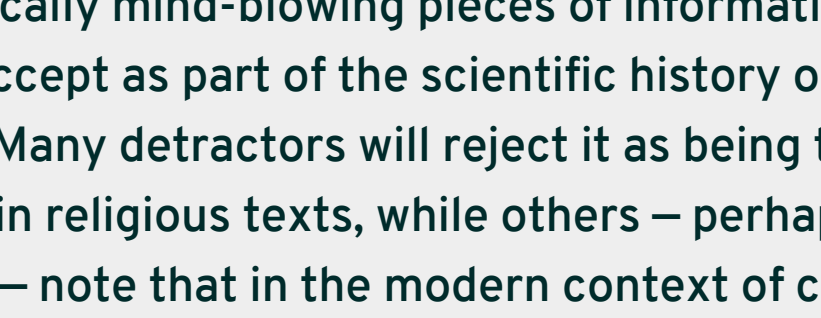


**Wiki Rabbit Hole**

" Lev Davidovich Bronstein (7 November [O.S. 26 October] 1879 – 21 August 1940), better known as Leon Trotsky, was a Russian revolutionary, Soviet politician, and political theorist. He was a central figure in the 1905 Revolution, October Revolution, Russian Civil War, and establishment of the Soviet Union. Trotsky and Vladimir Lenin were widely considered one of the two most prominent Soviet figures and was de facto second-in-command during the early years of the Russian Soviet Republic. Ideologically a Marxist and a Leninist, his thought and writings inspired a school of Marxism known as Trotskyism. "

*We measure what we can*

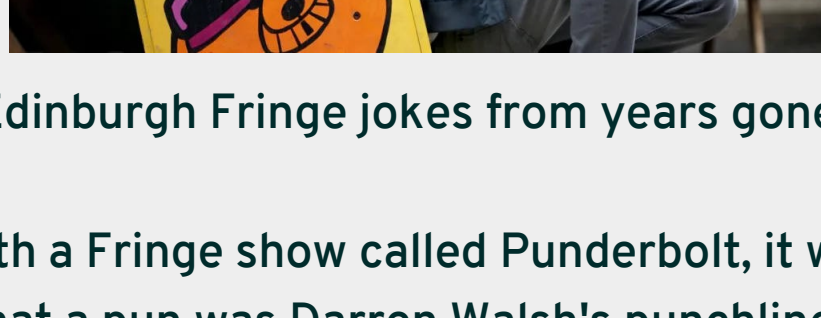
## Why do we count the Universe's age from 13.8 billion years ago?



" According to the theory of the hot Big Bang, the Universe had a beginning. Originally known as 'a day without a yesterday,' this is one of the most controversial, philosophically mind-blowing pieces of information we've come to accept as part of the scientific history of our Universe. Many detractors will reject it as being too in-line with certain religious texts, while others – perhaps more justifiably – note that in the modern context of cosmic inflation, the hot Big Bang only occurred as the aftermath of a preceding epoch. "

*Dad puns*

## Funniest Edinburgh Fringe jokes from years gone by

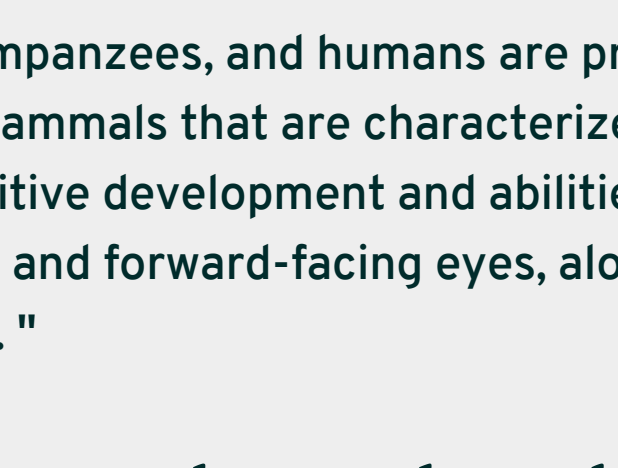


Funniest Edinburgh Fringe jokes from years gone by

" 2015: With a Fringe show called Punderbolt, it was no surprise that a pun was Darren Walsh's punchline. 'I just deleted all the German names off my phone. It's Hans free.' "

*Computer skills*

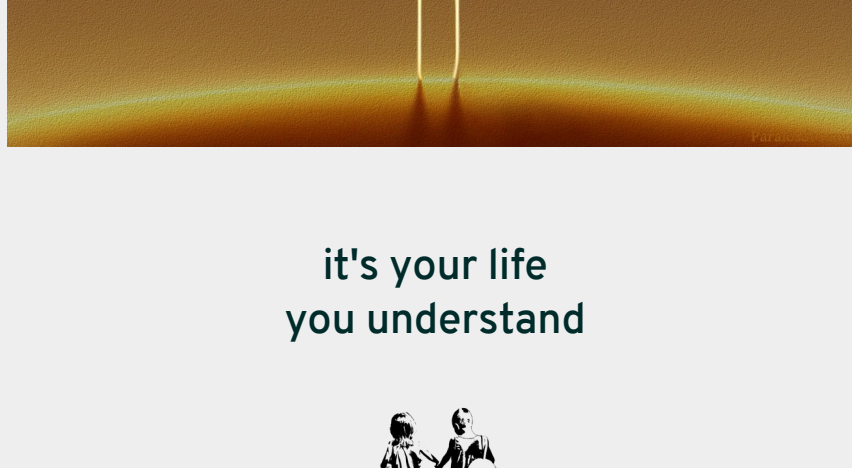
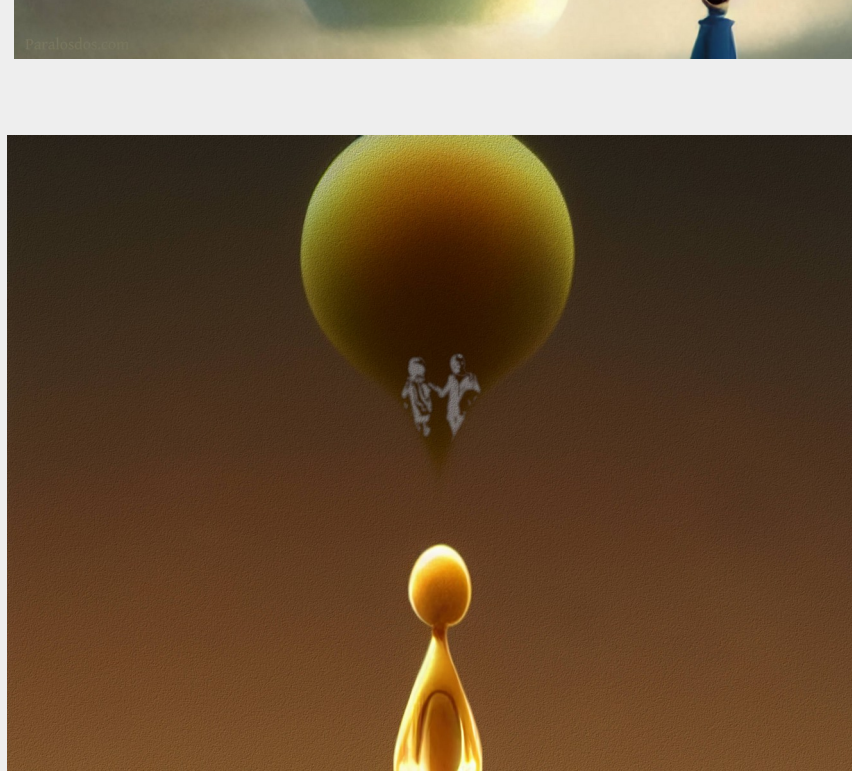
## Chimps, humans, and monkeys: what's the difference?



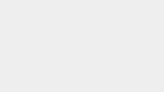
" Monkeys, chimpanzees, and humans are primates. Primates are mammals that are characterized by their advanced cognitive development and abilities, grasping hands and feet, and forward-facing eyes, along with other characteristics. "

**" We are living in dangerously weird times now. Smart people just shrug and admit they're dazed and confused. The only ones left with any confidence at all are the New Dumb."**

**Hunter S. Thompson**



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you understand



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