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Every year, the Muslim world joins in celebration for Eid Al-Fitr, but how much do you really know about the holiday?

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Yuri Milner's recently revealed Fundamental Physics Prize is now the most lucrative science prize in the world

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Letters

Email: letters@readme.ae

A selection of the letters we've received this week. Write in to have your say.

✉ Dear Read., I'm looking for some guidance. Now that Ramadan has come to an end and I've done my charity—although I believe that charity is something that should be offered all year round—I want to concentrate on myself a little and reward myself for my good deeds. Having not taken in much of what was going on around me for this past month, as the city tends to quieten down, I'm unaware of anything exciting coming up, and I want to fill my weekends with excitement. So anything that can steal some of my time and make me forget about work for a few hours would be greatly appreciated. Thanks in advance,

Ruksana Sabir

For one, we're headed for a windfall of new releases at the cinema with the summer's biggest blockbusters all reaching Dubai's screens, like the fourth biggest screen in the world at Meydan. Live music will also be back in full swing before you know it, so just keep your ears peeled for upcoming events.

✉ Dear Read., I am a special needs adult and a frequent user of my electronic wheelchair. The Dubai Metro is really convenient for me as all the lift buttons are within my reach and there are ample places for



SPECIAL NEEDS PASSENGERS CAN EASILY TRAVEL ON THE METRO

wheelchairs within the transport's compartments. I'm very thankful to the RTA for being considerate about the special needs community and will continue to enjoy the ease and comfort of the Metro. Kudos, RTA.

Sharan Budhran

Every consideration was taken when the Dubai Metro was first envisioned and the implementation of every aspect of the system in place is a sign that the RTA strives only for the best standards.

✉ Dear Read., I've been reading your publication since I moved to Dubai eight months ago, and have kept all the issues. I just wanted to say I think it's the best magazine available in Dubai, and, even better, it's free. Keep up the good work and thank you.

Kashif Mustafa

Thank you for your letter, Kashif. We hope that everyone finds *Read.* just as satisfying to read on the Dubai Metro network as you. Happy commuting.

My Metro life

Anna Ustuzhanina and Yanka Katrich
Visiting



We are two friends from the Ukraine and this is our first ever visit to Dubai. In our 21 years on

this planet, we have visited many different countries across the world, however, we are completely amazed at the city of Dubai—especially the Metro. We have never seen a train or Metro network as clean and modern as the one in Dubai. The seats are very comfortable, the carriages are spacious, the voice of the man announcing the stations is friendly and pleasant, and the views over the entire city as you travel are unforgettable.



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table. During our time here in Dubai, we can honestly say we have fallen in love with the Metro. For us, it has been unbelievable!

Tell us about your experiences on Dubai Metro. Send your story to mymetrolife@readme.ae for a chance to appear in next week's *Read.*

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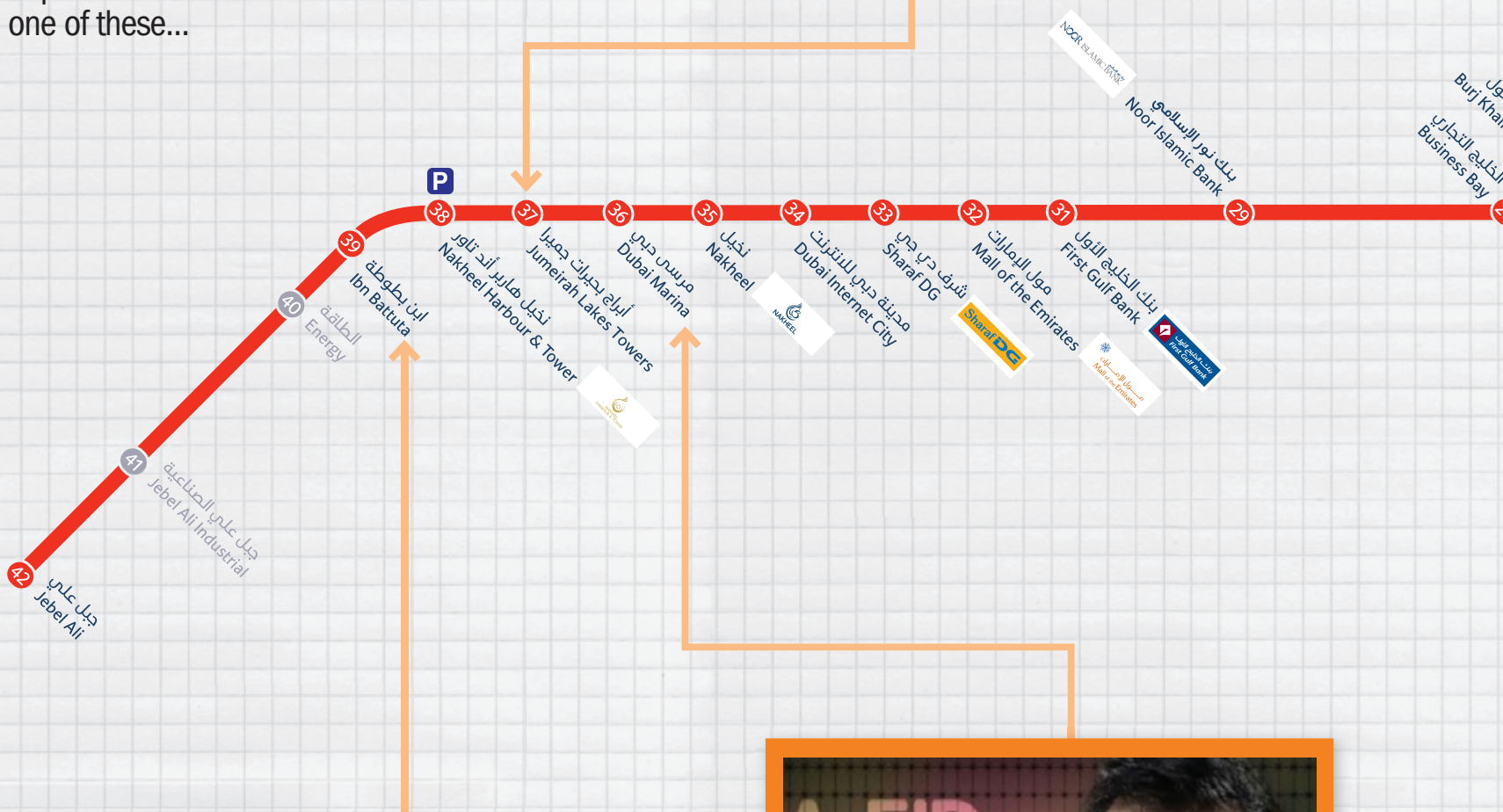
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Iranian art

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The latest group exhibition currently on display at this hidden gem of an art gallery features the varied and thought-provoking works of five Iranian artists, including key sculptures from Taha Behbahani such as 'Hou Hagh' and 'Lock and Bird'. Entry to the exhibition is free, for more information call 04 420 3471.



The Dark Knight Rises

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The most talked about movie of the year so far is finally out on the big screen in Dubai, so why not gather a few of your comic book loving friends and check it out on one of the biggest screens of all? The conclusion of the latest *Batman* trilogy promises to be a dark and thrilling flick, so, get the popcorn ready and make sure you don't miss out on this summer's biggest blockbuster.



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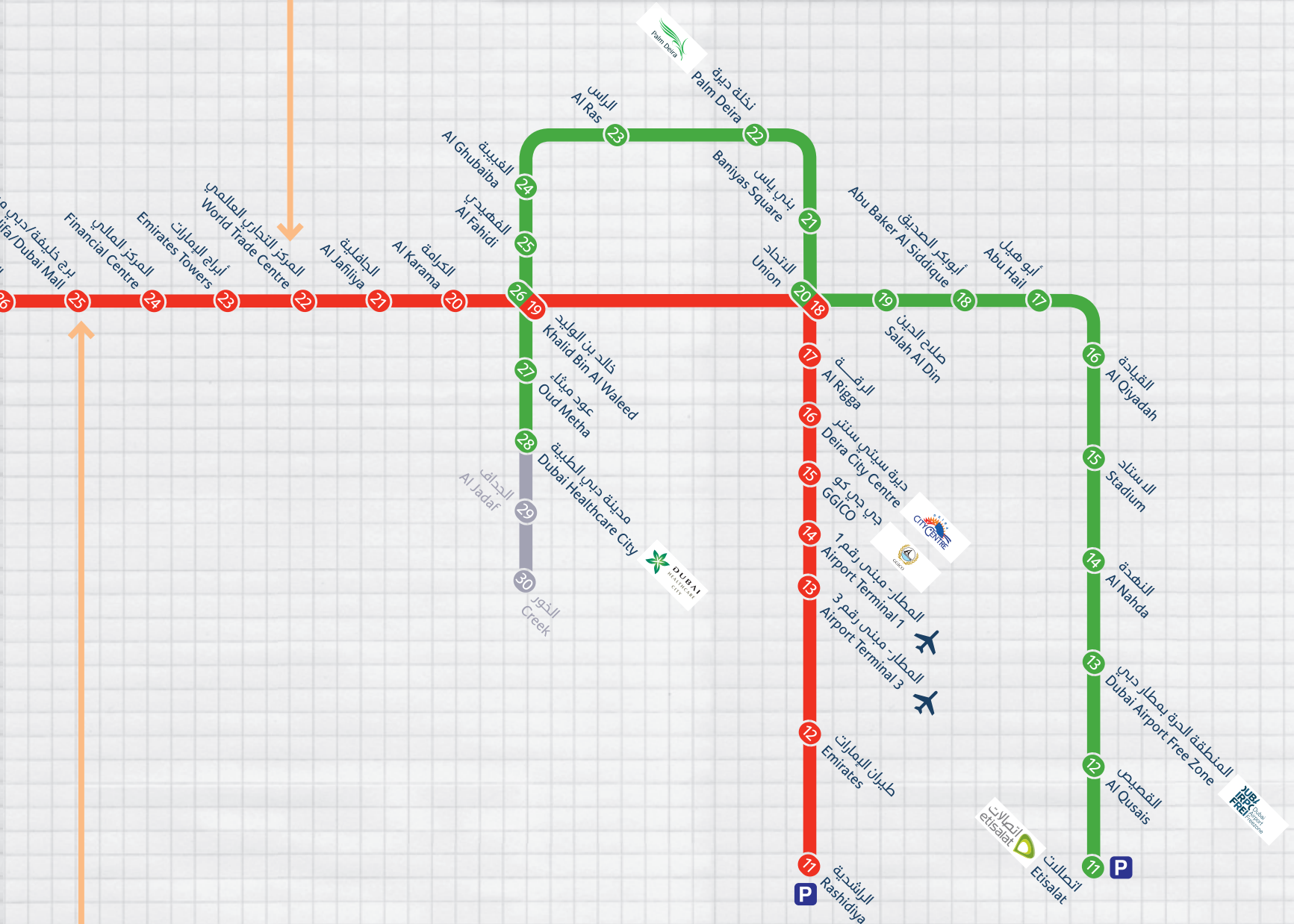


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Segway tour

TUE - SUN 10AM - 7PM

THE PAVILION, DOWNTOWN DUBAI

We are often too busy rushing around in our daily lives to take some time out to appreciate the city in which we live. But what better way could there be to take in the sights of Dubai than aboard one of these two-wheeled mean machines? While riding a Segway takes a few minutes to master, once you've got the hang of it there will be no stopping you as you whizz around some of the city's most famous landmarks. Dh150 per person for 30 minutes, Dh300 for 60 minutes.

The Burning Question

Q Eid is traditionally a time for celebration and giving gifts to loved ones. What is the best present that you've ever received?



Irene Mora

SERVICE, DEIRA

My best gift ever was one that I got for myself earlier this year—my new house.

Ernesto Celestial

**WAREHOUSE MANAGER,
AL DIYAFAH**

The best gift I ever received was a plot of land in the Philippines, which my father gave to me to build a home on.



Ginalean Limon

SUPERVISOR, SHARJAH

My favourite gift has to be my job; I love my work. Also, I work for an Arabic company, so my employers gifted me this traditional dress that I'm wearing now, which I absolutely love.



Laurent Le Strat

SOMMELIER, JLT

My best present was when I went to visit Montreal in Canada for my birthday. I would love to go back there again one day, if I had the chance.



Kumud Ranjan

SALES OFFICER, BUR DUBAI

My father has always given me the best gifts, including my first ever mobile phone when I was about 19 years old. It was definitely one of the gifts that I enjoyed the most.



Neshar Ahmad

WAITER, AL QUOZ

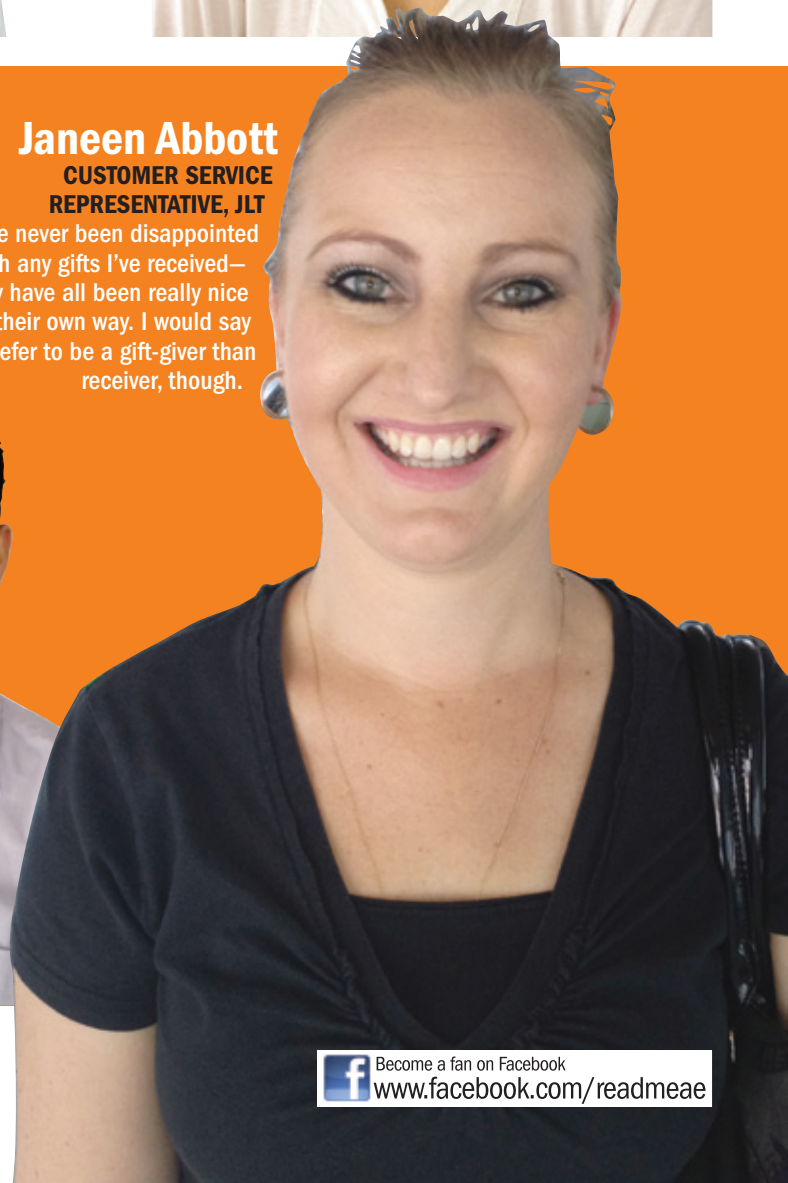
My parents gave me my first mobile phone when I was in high school. I remember it was a Nokia 6600 and, as it was my first phone, it was very special. It's nice to be able to give back to my parents now that I'm older and working.



Janeen Abbott

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I've never been disappointed with any gifts I've received—they have all been really nice in their own way. I would say I prefer to be a gift-giver than receiver, though.



Facebook chatter

Here's what you have been saying on the *Read*.

Facebook page.

(Responses only edited for length)

The US has conducted a test of its Mach-6 hypersonic jet. Do you see the advantage of machines that can travel at such speeds?

The Arms Race is a cruel testimony to the fact that the rich and powerful economies will continue to squander money on unnecessary pursuits whereas elsewhere tens of thousands are dying of hunger. SHAMEFUL.

—Shiuli Lara Dutt

Yea. Less time, less effort, more advantages.

—Bejealaine Tamondong De Leon

All of it is because of the bragging rights that such country has the "most" of anything. The only benefit I see from it is that of countries advantages when it comes to warfare. I don't see any good it'll do for humanity.

—Ferdie Salas Santiago Jr.

How likely would you be to use a car that can be driven by your smartphone?

This is something which is beyond we expected from this technology world. ofcourse, am looking forward to c this and try it atleast once in my lifetime..am sure der will be lot of downsides and most powerfull one will b"radiation".

—Nouman Owaize

I would love this but since it will have other disadvantages. So instead of taking risks, it's better to use man power rather than technology power. But, yeah I would



WOULD YOU GET INTO A PHONE-DRIVEN CAR?

love it to try it but as Nouman said the downside is radiation. The fact is radiation may affect our brain. So if you sleep in your car while mobile robot is driving, the radiation might affect your brain..

—Muzammil Mohammed

People will lose driving skills thus no need for a driving license!

—Ang Bubuyog

How important do you think the Olympic Games are to inspiring our youth to become more active?

The recently concluded Olympics showcased the fittest in their respective fields and it is a good motivation for every youth to be competitive and healthy at the same time.

—Clen David

Well funded sports program means happy and motivated athletes.

—Rojel Quiocson

Even if done something its better to keep in secret..as islam says..

—Noufal Nattukal



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John D. Carmack



Though he is barely over the age of 40, John Carmack is one of the most influential figures to have ever been involved in the video games industry. As the co-founder of id Software, he was the lead programmer of games such as *Wolfenstein 3D*, *Doom* and *Quake*, as well as their sequels. All of these

“He was reported to have broken into a school to help steal some Apple II computers”

games took 3D gaming to untold new levels, and advanced the video games industries further than ever before.

Carmack

became interested in computers at an early age. In one biography, he was reported to have broken into a school to help a group of kids steal some Apple II computers at the age of 14. He was caught, arrested and sentenced to a year at juvenile hall, though he eventually went to university, before withdrawing to become a freelance programmer.

In 1991, after a stint at computer company Softdisk, Carmack co-founded id Software, where he pioneered techniques used in computer graphics, including adaptive title refreshing, raycasting and MegaTexture technology, each of which improved the look of 3D gaming by leaps and bounds.

Many of Carmack's id Software engines have been licensed for use in popular first-person shooter games such as *Half-Life*, *Call of Duty* and *Medal of Honor*, though Carmack is also a supporter of open source software, and equates software patents to “mugging someone”. As such, he has released the source code for many of his games and allowed anyone to tinker with his inventions.



To the victor go the spoils

How a new and exciting science prize is rewarding the cream of the crop.

When we think of every great achievement in the world of physics, from the creation of the atom bomb to the recent discovery of the Higgs Boson, we imagine it to be the result of years' worth of research on the part of some of the most dedicated and intelligent people in the world. The great scientific leaps of the past century are, we assume, completely down to the men and women who spend their lives perfecting theories and experimental procedures before eventually feeling confident enough to put them into practice.

That these experiments cost vast sums of money often eludes those who carry a casual interest in modern physics. The Large Hadron Collider, at which the Higgs Boson was

discovered, cost around \$4.4 billion to build, while another \$1.1 billion has been set aside for the actual experiments. It's not cheap, this particle physics business, and it's important that people realise it because these researchers need all the monetary help that they can get.

Happily, a Russian billionaire, Yuri Milner, has cottoned onto this fact, and has set up the Fundamental

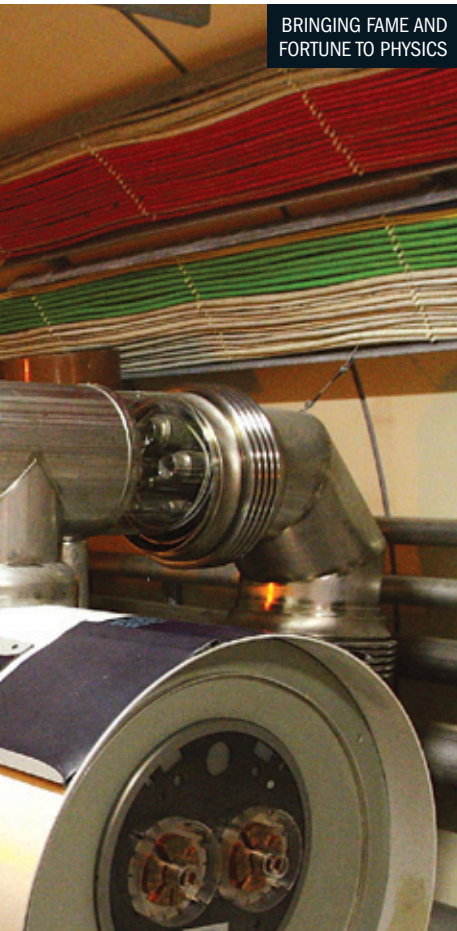
\$3 million

The Fundamental Physics Prize offers the full \$3 million to every recipient.

Physics Prize, which offers a prize of \$3 million to the most cutting-edge work within the world of science and physics. This year was its inaugural one, and the prize was given to nine scientists from around the world, with the total \$27 million being put up by Milner himself. There's also a \$100,000 prize for any promising young researchers.

The amount of money involved in the Fundamental Physics Prize, also dubbed the Milner Prize, means that it is almost three times more lucrative than the Nobel Prize, which also awards outstanding Physics achievements. However, unlike the Nobel Prize, there is no limit on the number of physicists who can win the Milner Prize, and it also awards outstanding theoretical works that haven't yet been practically proven, which the Nobel Prize does not. If the theories turn out to be proven wrong,

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no matter, as Milner has explained that the point of the prize is to afford scientists the financial freedom to pursue their ideas and improve human knowledge.

"This intellectual quest to understand the universe really defines us as human beings," he said.

The winners were picked by Milner himself, after he conferred with dozens of experts from as many scientific fields. You could be forgiven for wondering what kind of say a billionaire businessman has in terms of scientific recognition, but Milner is no idiot when it comes to the world of science. In the 1980s, he was working on a PhD thesis on quantum chromodynamics, the theory of the strong nuclear force, although he eventually abandoned his research to become an internet entrepreneur and was, in fact, one of Facebook's early investors.

While Milner realised that he personally didn't have the know-how to contribute much to the scientific world, he does believe that other, more capable, people should be given the chance, and so set up the prize.

“This intellectual quest to understand the universe really defines us as human beings.”



THE MAN BEHIND THE PRIZE, YURI MILNER

Among the winners were India's Ashoke Sen, who works on string theory, Alan H. Guth, who realised the idea of cosmic inflation at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Alexei Kitaev, who works on quantum computers at the California Institute of Technology.

While some competitions might split prize money between winners, the Fundamental Physics Prize offers the full \$3 million to every recipient, meaning the recipients went from modest earners to millionaires overnight. It is hoped this will deter many physicists from heading to Wall Street, in order to set up and run complex trading algorithms.

Next year's winners will be chosen by this year's recipients, a job that comes with the prize. It's unlikely that any of the winners will complain about having to do this, though, as they'll not only be properly rewarding those who they feel deserve recognition, but also inspiring a new generation of scientists to work harder than ever before to improve the human race's understanding of the universe that surrounds us. ●

Tech beat



MOTOROLA CUTS JOBS

Motorola Mobility, which was bought by Google last year, has announced that it will cut 4,000 jobs across the world as part of a restructuring plan. The firm said that it plans to either merge or close 30 of its facilities, meaning that it will lose around 20 per cent of its total workforce in the hope of bringing home a profit.

BLIZZARD HACK HITS MILLIONS

An attack on *World of Warcraft* and *Diablo* developer Blizzard has resulted in the account details of millions of users being stolen. The games company posted details about the breach on its Battle.net account, advising all players to change their login details, although credit card numbers and other details were apparently still secure.



WIKILEAKS SURVIVES ATTACK

Whistle-blowing website WikiLeaks has returned to normal service after a week of bombardment from a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack. A group called Anti Leaks has taken responsibility for the attack, which worked by overwhelming the web site and clogging network connections, making it slow and unresponsive to the casual user.

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In your hands

What the ancient art of palmistry can reveal about a person.

It is often said that our future lies in our own hands. Many people may consider this to be more true than others, however, particularly if they believe in the art of palm reading—predicting a person's future from 'reading' the various lines and marking on the palms of their hands.

The origins of palm reading (also called palmistry) are unclear, however historical artifacts have been found that show the art has been practised for thousands of years, particularly in the Far East, where it is thought to have been born.

A palm reader will evaluate a person's character and what the future holds for them by 'reading' their palm, paying particular attention to lines, bumps, size, shape, even the fingernails and skin texture. While there is no scientific basis for how accurate these predictions may be, palmistry is practised—and believed in—by many people the world over, and in some cases it can prove spookily correct. So why not have a go at reading your own palm with our basic beginner's guide?

The head line

This line starts at the inside edge of the palm under the index finger and flows across the centre of the palm towards the outer edge. Palm readers generally interpret this line to represent the way in which a person's mind works, including their individual learning style, preferred methods of communication, intellectual ability and inclination, and their thirst for knowledge. It is also believed to indicate which side of the brain is the most dominant, which could reveal a preference for creative or analytical careers, hobbies or skills.

Left or right

The hand you use to write with (your dominant hand) is referred to by palm readers as the major (or outer) hand. This hand is believed to indicate future events, as well as what your personality is like on the outside. The other hand is known as the minor (or inner) hand, and shows your potential, as well as what you are truly like on the inside.

Right-handed people tend to be deemed more logical because a dominant right hand shows a link to the analytical, left side of the brain, while left-handed people tend to be thought of as more creative, due to the connection with the intuitive, right side of the brain.

A very lengthy matter

The length of the fingers is also believed to provide a palm reader with various information about the person's character. A long-fingered person is believed to be analytical and academic, often preferring to go into detail and research things, while a person with short fingers is more practical and intuitive, often preferring to go with their gut instinct.

The life line

This line begins at the edge of the palm above the thumb and travels in a curved line towards the wrist. The life line is believed to represent the person's vitality for life, physical health and general well-being. It is also said to reveal any major life changes that may lie ahead. Contrary to popular belief, however, the length of a person's life line is not tied to the length of their life—a short line does not mean you will have a short life.

A long life line is said to show good health and vitality, while a short line is more likely to be explored in terms of its depth, direction, or any forks and breaks in the line etc, which could show changes in direction, low energy, or possible struggles that may lie ahead.



The heart line

This represents love and attraction. It is found towards the top of the palm, starting from the outer edge of the palm and travelling under the fingers, usually stopping somewhere around the middle finger. The heart line is said to represent matters of the heart, such as our emotional well-being and the future of our relationships.

A long line is said to show idealistic views towards love and a dependence on your spouse or future spouse, while a short line is believed to reveal a self-centred approach. A straight line shows intensity, while a curved line shows a balanced approach. The absence of a heart line or a very faint one does not mean you will be lonely forever, it is simply believed to represent a ruthlessness towards emotional involvement, where logic will often rule over matters of the heart.





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Flying fatigue

We all like to get away from the hustle, bustle and soaring summer heat; but what does flying across the globe in a pressurised metal tin do to our bodies?

Some of the side effects we associate with long flights might crop up on other forms of transport. Catching an infection from a fellow passenger could happen just as easily on a train as when travelling by plane, and you might be just as vulnerable on an overnight coach trip as an aeroplane when it comes to developing deep-vein thrombosis (known as DVT), a condition whereby blood clots form in the legs that can, in some cases, be life-threatening if they reach your heart or lungs.

But what is clear is that flying at high speed and high altitude in a sealed container across several time zones produces a cocktail of negative effects that can, at the very least, make the journey extremely uncomfortable. So what exactly does flying do to your body? And what can you do to avoid the worst?

DEHYDRATION

We usually feel most comfortable when the humidity in the air around us is about 40 to 70 per cent. In an aircraft cabin it falls to about 20 per cent. It is unlikely that your body will become seriously dehydrated for this reason alone, but it is common to suffer from dry eyes (which can cause serious problems for contact lens

wearers) and a sore or dry throat and nose. This is not only uncomfortable, but it might also make you more prone to infections.

LOWER PRESSURE

Although the cabin is pressurised, during a flight the maximum pressure is much lower than you would experience at or near sea level. It's the equivalent of an altitude of 6,000 to 8,000ft. Research has confirmed that subjecting someone to this lower pressure reduces the amount of oxygen absorbed by the blood (known as hypoxia). One effect of this is to leave you listless, drained, dizzy or faint. There are also concerns that it can increase the likelihood of clotting or DVT. Lower pressure can also cause pain or discomfort in your ears, which is made worse by a cold, and some people find that it causes their feet and legs to swell.

RECYCLED AIR

About 50 per cent of the air in the cabin is likely to be recycled, although the oxygen level remains pretty constant. There have been reports of infections—some serious, such as TB—being transmitted during flights. But there is disagreement as to whether this could be through the air being recycled around the plane (it is cleaned by very fine filters), or simply because the victim is seated close to someone with an infectious disease.

CONFINEMENT

This is the biggest issue for most travellers and the most controversial on health grounds. Apart from the sheer discomfort of minimal legroom—cramps, neck cricks, restless legs and so on—long periods of immobility lead to a higher risk of DVT, and the risks may be greater at lower

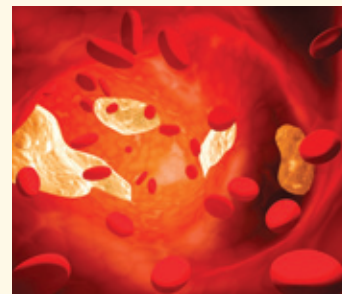
pressure. DVT occurs when blood in the lower leg flows sluggishly and eventually clots, causing pain and swelling in the short term and a risk of sudden death from clots reaching the heart or lungs.

JET LAG

Being unable to sleep properly can be made worse by the inevitable stresses of travel and fear of flying. As a rough guide, for each time zone you cross where the clock moves forward or back by an hour, it takes about a day for your body's natural rhythm to re-adjust to the change. After a long flight you can be left feeling ill, disorientated and unable to keep awake during the day, or you may find yourself wide awake in the middle of the night. Some people suffer more than others, but few of us escape entirely. The farther east or west you fly, the worse you are likely to feel, though many people believe that the shortened nights that you suffer when flying west to east make things worse. ●

SPOTLIGHT ON...

Statins



Cholesterol-lowering drugs called statins have been shown to increase the risk of diabetes in some people, but this potential harm is outweighed by the benefits of the drugs, a new study says. Statins reduce the amount of 'bad cholesterol' your body makes. Cholesterol is essential for your body to work well, but too much "bad cholesterol" (called low-density lipoprotein or LDL) is unhealthy.

The study did find that

"People in this group showed significant reductions in their risk of heart attack and stroke"

people with certain diabetes risk factors, such as obesity and high blood sugar levels, had an increased risk of developing diabetes while taking statins. But people in this group still showed significant reductions in their risk of cardiovascular events, such as heart attack and stroke. In fact, for those predisposed with diabetes risk factors, the statins prevented 134 cardiovascular events or related deaths for every 54 cases of diabetes that the drugs caused.

Among those without diabetes risk factors, taking statins did not increase diabetes risk. In this group, statins prevented 86 cardiovascular events or related deaths without causing any new cases of diabetes.

Statins may cause fatigue, muscle pains, nausea and memory problems. However, although the cholesterol busting drugs raise the risk of developing type 2 diabetes in those already prone to the disease, the cuts in heart attacks and strokes could make them worth it.



Solutions to flying's downsides

Dehydration: Drink plenty of liquid throughout the flight—ideally water. And don't worry if you have to keep getting up to go to the lavatory on the plane—the exercise might help to prevent deep-vein thrombosis.

Lower pressure: There is little you can do to combat hypoxia, although swallowing, sucking sweets and yawning all help to "pop" your ears. Removing shoes and avoiding tight clothing will make swelling less uncomfortable.

Recycled air: If you are seated next to someone with obvious symptoms of a contagious illness, ask the airline staff if you can be moved.

Confinement: Buy a seat with as much legroom as you can afford and wear comfortable, non-restricting clothes.

Jet lag: Some of the advice for avoiding fatigue, such as taking day flights where possible, and avoiding heavy meals just before trying to sleep, also applies to dealing with jet lag.

Wishing well with Xerox

Xerox Emirates teams up with the Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE to help children with life-threatening illnesses.

CHARITY

Xerox Emirates, a member of the Mohamed Hareb Al Otaiba group, recently launched a *Make a Difference* campaign in alliance with the Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE, which ran through the entire Holy Month of Ramadan.

The *Make a Difference* campaign included donations from employees of Xerox Emirates for the children of the Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE, which went toward granting the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE is an international non-profit organisation with 38 active offices dedicated to fulfilling the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions.

"Xerox Emirates dedicated two heart giving days, where employees at Xerox Emirates visited the children



from the Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE and their families, making these children's wishes come true," said Abeer Safa, Marketing Manager at Xerox Emirates.

"At Xerox Emirates, we're focused on making a difference and the way we do this is through the promise we make to our employees, customers, suppliers, shareholders and communities. Our entire organisation is increasingly aligned to community engagement and generating positive social impacts, and over the next couple of years, our objective is to enhance our support and increase these numbers. We are happy to have this chance to work with the Make-A-Wish Foundation UAE and thankful to our employees and Xerox Emirates' commitment and passion to making a difference in the lives of these children and their families and turning their dream into reality," Safa added.

The Dog Stars

By Peter Heller

BOOKS

Hollywood is full of post-apocalyptic tales of a lone man struggling to survive, and the films are almost always successful. Take a look at *I Am Legend*, starring Will Smith, or Danny Boyle's harrowing *28 Days Later* for proof. And in Peter Heller's new book, *The Dog Stars*, Hollywood may have found its latest candidate.

This is no work of Zombie fiction; it follows Hig, a pilot who survived the flu that killed his family, friends, and apparently, most of civilisation. Living in the hanger of a small, abandoned airport, his only company comes in the form of his dog and his



neighbour, a gun-toting imbecile. He flies a 1956 Cessna aircraft, patrolling the airfield's perimeter or travelling to the mountains to fish. He longs for his old life, and when a cracked radio transmission comes through to his plane, he sees a chance to get a part of it back.

Risking everything, flying past the point of no return, Hig follows the radio signal, but what he finds is more horrifying than he could have imagined. However, in the horror there is also beauty, making this book an entertaining thrill-ride, both funny and sad.

If you like this then you could try...

The Orchardist by Amanda Coplin

The reclusive William Talmadge's daily routine is shattered upon the arrival of two pregnant teenagers. He takes them in and shows compassion, but soon they're whisked away by men bearing guns, and Talmadge takes it upon himself to rescue the unknown girls.

The Lumineers

Artist The Lumineers Label Dualtone Music ★★★★★

ALBUM

Alternative folk-rock trio The Lumineers have seemingly come out of nowhere, with their debut, self-titled album peaking at 17 on the Billboard 200 charts and topping a number of alternative charts in a matter of months. The debut single, *Ho Hey*, peaked at number 55 on the Billboard Hot 100 and has sold more than 406,000 copies.

So what is all the fuss about? Well, aside from the odd comparison to Mumford and Sons, The Lumineers seem to have brought something entirely new to the table, and the masses are only too happy to eat it up. Consisting of three core members—Wesley Shultz on guitar, Jeremiah Fraites on drums and Neyla Pekarek on cello—the band dances across the lines between alternative rock and classic folk, keeping the listener interested by experimenting with all manner of timbres and tones, even in the space of a single song.

The new album, then, is something of a masterpiece, as so many debuts from up-and-coming groups are. Much more intimate than the aforementioned Mumford and Sons, tracks such as *Slow it Down* and *Charlie Boy* are as sombre as it gets, though the band show their upbeat side with the lead single *Classy Girls*. The strings, percussion, piano and guitars are all layered beautifully, as are the three core members' voices, making the album an eclectic collection of musical magic.



Aqua Fest hits RAK Iceland

Music, dancing, fashion and fun come together with a splash at Iceland water park for a uniquely cool event.

EVENTS



Say adieu to the summer heat with Aqua Fest, a festival under the sprinklers of RAK Iceland Park—the largest water park in the Middle East.

The Aqua Fest will rock all the way from the evening of August 30 (6pm), until the early hours of the next morning (3am) under the musical spell of leading local band, The Rhythm Twisters, who will be supported by DJ Saby and DJ Adrian David, spinning the best beats.

In addition to the music, Aqua Fest



will also have a fashion show on the catwalk showing some of the season's best clothes and accessories.

There will be competitions and on the spot give-away prizes worth Dh100,000. For those who can't resist the lure of shopping there will be retail points throughout the venue for discount deals and free tasting and testing of many FMCG products from the participating companies.

There is even free transport from Dubai to the park. Special buses will run from 5pm at regular intervals from Dubai to Ras Al Khaimah and will return to Dubai at 3am.

Tickets are priced at only Dh95, which includes free transport from Dubai, a buffet dinner, free gifts worth up to Dh100,000 and a musical night to remember.

For tickets and more details about the event, contact 055 656 6716.

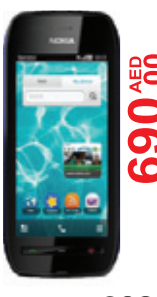
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Come as you are



The laid-back and cool nature of **Brisbane** sets the city a world apart from its more well-known neighbours.

At first glance, the Australian city of Brisbane is a strange case. To the uninitiated, it appears to be the poorer cousin to Sydney and Melbourne—less well known and certainly not as glamorous, with its tall buildings and modern development masking the fact that it is still a sleepy town inhabited by Australia's country bumpkins.

And yet Brisbane is currently the country's fastest-growing city, with an estimated 1,000 people moving there every week, meaning that it's now home to more than two million people. The fact that the city has played host to a number of high-profile sporting events over the past two decades goes some way in explaining Brisbane's surge in popularity, but to see such an influx of people so keen to put down roots suggests that there's much more to this west coast metropolis than meets the eye.

The suspicion is confirmed the moment you step off the plane. There's a certain vibrancy here that somehow eludes the likes of Melbourne and Sydney, which are both beautiful in parts but struggle to carry the weight and responsibilities of



being a major tourist destination in others. Being a young, up-and-comer, Brisbane maintains its enthusiasm in a cool and collected manner. It's busy, yes, but no one seems stressed about getting anywhere quickly, with passersby only too keen to take a break by stopping for a quick chat with a stranger or retreating from the sun for a cool Frappuccino at one of the city's numerous cafes. It doesn't take long to understand why the locals here think they have found the perfect lifestyle.

That said, any number of lifestyles is open to visitors of Brisbane. It's

true that the entire city shares an upbeat yet laid-back atmosphere, but travelling from district to district will yield a host of different experiences, each one as individual as the next. Each of the city's urban villages do things in their own way, meaning it's up to every resident or tourist to decide on what he or she wants to take away from Brisbane.

The first stop on most visitors' itineraries is the central business district (CBD), which, as its name suggests, is home to the city's major businesses. But it's not all suits and conference calls here; the impressive buildings



are interspersed with several shopping malls, parks and historical sites, making it a major tourism hotspot. Any keen Dubai shopper will revel in the Queen Street Mall, the most famous shopping destination in all of Queensland, while history buffs will be drawn to the Museum of Brisbane, a free museum in the heart of the city that features one floor dedicated to exhibits about the history of Brisbane and another featuring the works of local artists.

For real culture vultures, though, a trip to South Bank is certainly in order. This district is famous for its edgy cafes, ethnic restaurants and eclectic nightlife, though it's just as good for a pleasant stroll along the riverside boardwalks and inner-city

beach, which plays hosts to throngs of laid-back people soaking in the year-round sun. As nice as all of this is, though, South Bank's real draw is the quality of its arts institutions, located in the Cultural Precinct. Here, there's the hugely popular Performing Arts Centre, the Queensland Museum, the State Library and the Queensland Art Gallery. There's also the recently opened and utterly fabulous Gallery of Modern Art, which features works from the world's most famous artists, such as Andy Warhol or Pablo Picasso, plus an array of collections from the very best local talent that the city has to offer.

It's easy to spend an entire day in this district, soaking up the academia until your brain is fit to burst, but it's wise to save some energy for the West End, too. Located just behind South Bank, it's an alternative, bohemian district full to the brim of artistic shops and cafes, plus a number of quirky bookstores and cult video shops. This is the hang-out of Brisbane's weird and wonderful, and its pleasant nature proves that there's

nothing wrong with a little eccentricity from time to time.

For a more upper-class cultural injection, head to New Farm, which features an array of high-end shops and restaurants and is frequented by both local celebrities and the city's well-off inhabitants. Though it can be expensive, it's one of the trendiest places in Queensland to be spotted and is well worth a look. On the other hand, to let your hair down a little, head to Fortitude Valley, a vibrant hotspot for dancing and nightlife, featuring world-class superclubs frequented by famous DJs.

All of this, and everything in between, is readily available to the Brisbane visitor. Indeed, it's a wonder that a city can offer so much and to such a high standard. There's something for every traveller in Brisbane, no matter your inclination. And perhaps that's why so many people have flocked to experience this melting pot of personalities over the past couple of decades—after all, how many places in the world allow you to truly be yourself? ●

Did you know?

- Brisbane takes its name from the river on which it sits, which itself is named after the late Sir Thomas Brisbane, who governed New South Wales between 1821 to 1825.
- Brisbane was chosen as the capital of Queensland when it was agreed that Queensland would be a separate colony from New South Wales in 1859.
- It is frequently ranked one of the world's most livable cities.
- Many streets in Brisbane's CBD are named after members of the British royal family.

THE GOOD LIFE DOWN UNDER



A time to celebrate

Make the most of this Eid Al-Fitr with a great selection of gifts and special offers around Dubai.

Special Armani Exchange T-Shirts

Armani Exchange, the urban label from Armani that is inspired by popular music and youth culture, has created two exclusive T-shirts for the UAE in celebration of Eid Al-Fitr. The T-shirts are exclusive variations on best-selling Armani Exchange designs. Easy to wear and in vibrant energetic colours; they make fun and wearable gifts.

The women's sequin wings tee comes in poppy red and has a sequined winged logo across the chest, while the men's hot wings tee comes in Hawaiian ocean blue with an Armani Exchange logo at the chest and wings across the top of the back. Each T-shirt retails at Dh175. The new T-shirts are available at Armani Exchange stores at the Dubai Mall and Deira City Centre.



Eid at Emirates Grand Spa

Emirates Grand Hotel offers the best way to pamper yourself this Eid with a special package at Emirates Grand Spa. The Eid promotion at Emirates Grand Spa includes a 60-minute Royal Moroccan bath, a 30-minute back massage and a 50-minute manicure and pedicure without nail polish, for Dh499. The promotion is valid until August 31, 2012.

The Royal Moroccan bath cleanses and invigorates the skin, making you feel fresher and younger, while the back massage leaves you feeling light and relaxed. The manicure and pedicure help relieve stress and maintain healthy, good-looking nails, hands and feet.

Located on the 45th floor of the Emirates Grand Hotel, the Emirates Grand Spa is a sanctuary from the hustle and bustle of the city. It also offers a wide range of spa experiences through its highly-trained therapists and first-rate facilities, including an opulent Jacuzzi area, steam sauna, terrace and sunrise pools, a well-equipped health club, and private treatment and relaxation rooms. For more information on the spa or any of its treatments, call 04 323 0000.



Eid Mubarak

Magnolia Bakery, located in Bloomingdale's Home, The Dubai Mall, has created a speciality Eid Cupcake that is available until August 23, 2012. Magnolia's classic vanilla and chocolate cupcakes, topped with vanilla or chocolate butter cream icing, complete with an edible ode to Eid are priced at lip-smackingly good Dh14 a piece.

Salalah Eid packages

The Sultanate of Oman's Ministry of Tourism and Air Arabia have teamed up to offer special Eid 2012 packages to Oman's Salalah region.

Under the five-night package, travellers can opt to check in at the Hamdan Plaza Hotel (Dh2,300 per person), the Salalah Marriott Resort (Dh2,450 per person), the Juweira Boutique Hotel (Dh2,930 per person), or the Hilton Salalah (Dh3,490 per person). Amenities include return air fare on Air Arabia, accommodation on double or twin sharing basis, daily breakfast, and return airport transfers by hotel shuttle bus.

The deals coincide with the 'Khareef', Salalah's cool weather season, which runs from July to September.

Oman's Ministry of Tourism and Air Arabia have recently partnered on several promotions aimed at drawing in more local, regional and international visitors to Salalah and other tourist-friendly venues across Oman.



Damiani celebrates Eid

This Eid, choose a symbolic gift with one of these exquisite pendants from Damiani. With its balance of volumes and shapes—and universal symbols such as the heart, star, crescent and full moon—the design of the Belle Époque collection enhances the chromatic effect of pairing diamonds with rubies, sapphires or emeralds, set in white gold.

One of Damiani's most successful jewellery collections, Belle Époque is inspired by the vibrant, artistic, cultural and social life in Europe at the dawn of the 20th Century.

The Damiani boutique is located in The Dubai Mall.

TI'ME for Eid celebrations

TI'ME Hotels will celebrate this Eid by offering a delectable Eid brunch, with two of TI'ME Hotels properties displaying an array of local and international dishes with a combination of salads, soups, entrées and desserts for Dh120 per person at Petals TI'ME Oak Hotel and Dh130 per person at Brio TI'ME Grand Plaza.

Kids below five can dine for free, while there is 50 per cent off for children between six and 12 years of age. The Petals TI'ME Oak Hotel buffet is available on the first day of Eid only, while at Brio TI'ME Grand Plaza the buffet will be available throughout Eid. Timings from 12 noon to 4pm.



Summer wedding

Daytime wedding-comfy and stylish

If you're attending a wedding in casual surroundings or an outdoor location, it's often best to think about your comfort first and foremost so that you can enjoy the occasion. Casual doesn't mean you can stroll in wearing a sundress and flip-flops; you still have to look like you're going to a wedding. Focus on wearing breathable fabrics like cotton or linen, especially if the wedding is outdoors. Lighter colours are a great idea too, just stay clear of ivory or white. Opt for a full length maxi dress in bright hues paired with high wedged sandals and a simple clutch bag for the perfect ensemble.

Her

The wedding season is in full swing and the invites are piling up. Whether it's on a beach, in a luxury hotel or a relaxed evening affair, make sure you dress to impress for the occasion.

Evening wedding-fancy and formal

Dressing for a black-tie wedding in the summertime is all about looking elegant. Heels are a definite yes, and a pashmina is a good idea as the air conditioning will most likely be on.

As for your dress, a floor-length chiffon gown is a popular option. It's soft, ethereal, and light enough for any romantic setting. It's the perfect time to experiment with layers and textures like silk, lace, and artful draping.

Cocktail attire is always a tricky dress code to decipher. When it comes to pulling off this semi-formal look, something simple and solid coloured is always a safe bet because it's easy to dress up or down.

If the occasion calls for a hat, opt for race-day style and choose a large, tilting hat.





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Suited and booted

The suit is the staple of men's wedding fashion and the style and colour depends on the type of attire specified in the invitation.

If it's a formal wedding or black tie specified, you'll need a basic tuxedo. Go with a black jacket with satin or grosgrain lapels, trousers which usually have a silken stripe down the side, a bow tie, and a cummerbund to complete the look.

For a more relaxed event or daytime wedding, you'll look sharp wearing a cotton, tweed or linen suit in an earthy colour or a classic dark hue.

If the wedding is formal with no dress code, opt for a slim fit suit with clean lines and a peak lapel to add interest. Alternatively, lose the tie altogether and put your efforts into an interesting pocket square.

FASHION OPINION

GEMMA MATTHEWMAN
DUBAI PARTY QUEEN



The Duchess effect

Kate Middleton is not only a beautiful princess that we Queens adore, she's also a worldwide fashion phenomenon. In the past two years, Kate Middleton has transformed into a style icon and here are some reasons why.

Reason One. Kate Middleton has an impeccable ability to turn conservative looks into polished and modern staples. At the BOA Olympic Concert, the Duchess was spotted wearing a teal, laced Jenny Packham dress. Lace has been scrutinised as old-fashioned but when Kate wears lace and looks elegant as ever with sassy Jimmy Choos, the trend is revived.

Reason Two. The Duchess' hair and make-up looks effortless and picture-perfect every time. Her bouncy and sleek locks are complemented with flawless make-up. Even with access to the finest make-up artists in the world, the Duchess chooses to apply her own and always looks spot on.

Reason Three. Kate Middleton makes dressing like a fashion icon easy. The Duchess creates feminine looks on a relatively modest budget with high street labels such as Reiss and Zara, and sales rocket for replicas; now known as The Duchess Effect. At the Olympics closing ceremony, Kate put aside the Team GB polo shirt and flaunted a marble patterned Whistles dress, which promptly sold out in all UK stores. The Duchess Effect indeed.

This young woman certainly makes an impact when it comes to fashion. And, loving both princesses and fashion trends, K-Middy gets our vote every time.

"At the Olympics closing ceremony, Kate flaunted a marble patterned Whistles dress which promptly sold out in all UK stores"

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The knight is darkest before the dawn

The Batman trilogy comes to an explosive conclusion in **The Dark Knight Rises**, offering a final word on the need for superheroes.

NEW RELEASE

After seven years and two films that have pushed Batman ever deeper into the dark, director Christopher Nolan has completed his post-modern, post-September 11 epic of ambivalent good versus multidimensional evil with a burst of light. As the title promises, day breaks in *The Dark Knight Rises*, the grave and satisfying finish to Nolan's operatic bat-trilogy.

The legacy of Harvey Dent, vanquished Batman foe and activist-district attorney turned murderous lunatic, looms over this one, the literal

and metaphysical personification of good intentions gone disastrously wrong. Eight years later in story time, Batman (Christian Bale), having taken the fall for Dent's death, and mourning the woman both men loved, has retreated into the shadows. Dent has been enshrined as a martyr, held up as an immaculate defender of law and order.

Bruce Wayne's initial metamorphosis, in *Batman Begins*, exacts a high price: by the end of the second film, along with losing the girl and being branded a vigilante, Bruce-Batman rides

virtually alone, save for Commissioner Gordon (Gary Oldman) and the Wayne family butler, Alfred (Michael Caine), a fussy uncle with a remarkable skill set. It's central to where Nolan wants to take *The Dark Knight Rises* that Batman will be picking up new acquaintances, including a beat cop, John Blake (a charming Joseph Gordon-Levitt), and an interesting philanthropist called Miranda Tate (Marion Cotillard).

Nolan again sets his machine purring with two set pieces that initiate one of the story's many dualities, in this case between large spectacle and humanising intimacies: one, an outlandishly choreographed blowout that introduces a heavy, Bane (Tom Hardy); the other, a quieter cat-and-bat duet between Bruce and a burglar, Selina Kyle (Anne

ANNE HATHAWAY PLAYS CATWOMAN



A CHARMING JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT PLAYS COP JOHN BLAKE

Did you know?

- According to Gary Oldman, Christopher Nolan told the actors the ending of the film verbally to avoid any leaks.
- One of the reasons why Christopher Nolan cast Tom Hardy as Bane was because of his performance in the film *RocknRolla*. Hardy stated that he thought he was cast because of his role in *Bronson*. He arrived on set only to learn that Nolan had never even seen *Bronson*.
- This is the fifth film in a row that Christopher Nolan has worked with Michael Caine. The other films were *Batman Begins*, *The Prestige*, *The Dark Knight*, and *Inception*.

Hathaway). After checking in with his personal armourer, Lucius Fox (Morgan Freeman), Bruce-Batman swoops into an intrigue that circles back to the first film and brings the series to a politically resonant conclusion that fans will argue over long after this one leaves theatres.

Much of the complexity has been directly written into the franchise's overarching, seemingly blunt story of good versus evil. It's an old, familiar tale that Nolan has layered with open and barely veiled references to terrorism, the surveillance state and vengeance as a moral imperative.

In *The Dark Knight Rises*, Nolan further muddies the good-and-evil divide with Bane. A swaggering, over-muscled brute with a scar running down his back like a zipper, Bane comes at Batman and Gotham hard. Fortified by armed true believers, Bane first beats Batman in a punishingly visceral fist-to-foot fight and

then commandeers the city with a massive assault.

The accomplished Bale continues to keep Batman at a remove with a tight performance that jibes with Nolan's head-over-heart filmmaking.

After repeatedly sending Batman down Gotham's mean streets, Nolan ends by taking him somewhere new. That's precisely the point of a late sequence in which he shifts between a multitude of characters and as many locations without losing you, his narrative thread or momentum. The action interludes are more visually coherent than in his previous Batman films and, as in *Inception*, the controlled fragmentation works on a pleasurable, purely cinematic level.

But it also serves Nolan's larger meaning in *The Dark Knight Rises* and becomes his final say on superheroes and their uses because, as Gotham rages and all seems lost, the action shifts from a lone figure to a group, and hope springs not from one but from many. ●



TOM HARDY GIVES A CONTROLLED PERFORMANCE AS VILLAIN BANE

A-Z OF MOVIES

“V” is for Vampires



Vampires have been an eternal force in Hollywood horror since silent-movie days, yet they have risen to new heights as the *Twilight* franchise, TV's *True Blood* and other incarnations put the bite on viewers.

In studio flicks, independent and foreign-language films and small-screen series, there are more bloodsuckers out there today than you can shake a wooden stake at. With so many vampires afoot, will Hollywood's favourite night creatures lose their flavour with fans?

While Dracula's brethren have a strong pulse in Hollywood, some expect the genre to fade into the night. Vampires benefit from modern fans' hunger for fantastic stories. Otherworldly tales were once aimed mostly at specialised horror, science-fiction or fantasy audiences. Moviegoers today, however, besiege theatres for out-of-this-world stories, from *Harry Potter* and *The Lord of the Rings* to the latest adventures of *Batman* or the *X-Men*.

Sometimes, there are trends with audiences and with film studios, who both go wild and run like lemmings in one direction until they go over the cliff. But when the heap gets too big, everybody turns away.

We're at a supernatural height right now with superheroes and science fiction, but much like any other fad, it will bleed out and breed fresh blood, thanks to overexposure... eventually.

“Otherworldly tales were once aimed mostly at specialised horror audiences.”

Bollywood news

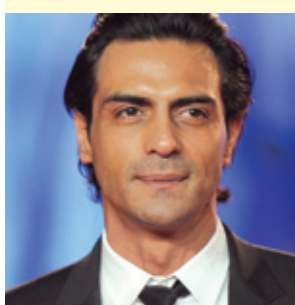
Re-igniting the chemistry

Word on the street is that, after a break of nine years, Kareena Kapoor and Hrithik Roshan may be sharing screen time together once more. The estranged friends are tipped to play a couple on filmmaker Karan Malhotra's next project. Rumours say they haven't worked together recently due to personal reasons.



Anushka meets Amir

Following the release of *3 Idiots* way back in 2009, Amir Khan took a break from the big screen, instead concentrating on his talk show, *Satyamev Jayate*. But Amir is back, and it seems like Anushka Sharma will be the first to get to embrace the star as she has landed the coveted leading lady spot in the upcoming *Peekay*.



Master of his art

Next up for Arjun Rampal is *Chakravyuh*, when he'll be taking screen siren Esha Gupta into his arms for some sensual scenes. Arjun, however, has said that it wasn't easy getting to grips with the passionate scenes in his movies. But now he sees it differently. “In *Chakravyuh*, the intimate scenes are incorporated in the right manner. It's my job and I have to do it,” he realised.

Listings

THE READ. WEEKLY GUIDE TO WHAT'S ON AT THE MOVIES.



THE EXPENDABLES 2

MOVIE GUIDE

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Venue: Dubai World Trade Centre
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THE START OF EID IS DEPENDANT UPON THE MOON'S SIGHTING

Eid Mubarak!

Muslims around the world get ready to celebrate the festival of Eid Al-Fitr.

CULTURE

During Ramadan, Muslims observe a strict fast and participate in pious activities such as charitable giving and peace-making. It is a time of intense spiritual renewal for those who observe it. At the end of Ramadan, Muslims throughout the world observe a joyous three-day celebration called *Eid Al-Fitr* (the Festival of Fast-Breaking).

Eid Al-Fitr falls on the first day of Shawwal, the month which follows Ramadan in the Islamic calendar. It is a time to show charity to those in need, and celebrate with family and friends about the completion of a month of blessings and joy.

Before the day of Eid, during the last few days of Ramadan, each Muslim family gives a determined amount as a donation to the poor. This donation is of actual food—rice, barley, dates, etc.—to ensure that the needy can have a holiday meal and participate in the celebration. This donation is known as *sadaqah al-fitr* (charity of fast-breaking).

On the day of Eid, Muslims gather early in the morning in outdoor locations or mosques for the Eid prayer.

After the Eid prayer, Muslims usually scatter to visit various family and friends, give gifts (especially to children), and make phone calls to distant relatives to give well-wishes for the holiday. These activities traditionally continue for three days. In most Muslim countries, the entire three-day period is an official government/school holiday.

Eid Al-Fitr is considered an exclusive celebration for Muslims. Firstly, it contains the spiritual and moral elements and, secondly, it comes after an entire month of "absolute" fasting during the days. The conception of

Eid in Islam is not confined only to celebration, lavish feasts, friendly handshakes and embraces; it is much more than that. Eid is a humble festival, and, like other Muslim festivals, it has a modest indulgence and stoical pleasures.

The people of the UAE indulge in Eid Al-Fitr celebrations with great zeal and enthusiasm. Usually wearing the crisp white dress we've all become accustomed to seeing, with its long traditional thoub and accompanying keffiyeh. The keffiyeh is the check patterned scarf which is held in place by the agal. Wearing

this traditional dress, the people offer prayers at the mosque. They also offer gifts to their loved ones on this special day. During Eid Al-Fitr, festive fairs are held throughout the UAE with the women painting their hands with henna and preparing sweets to gift to their dear ones. ●



SHARE THE CELEBRATION THIS EID AL-FITR

Eid Al-Fitr around the world:

India: Eid Al-Fitr is considered a national holiday in India. People gather at the Jama Masjid mosque in New Delhi to offer their prayers. On this special day, Muslims try out different recipes including sweet delicacies. Most indulge in Eid Al-Fitr celebrations by preparing a special dish - the 'Siwaiyaan'. This recipe is made of toasted sweet vermicelli noodles, dried fruits, and milk. This is the day when Muslims send cards to loved ones to convey best wishes.

United States: Eid Al-Fitr has, as yet, not been declared a federal holiday in the United States. On this day, Muslims get up early to offer prayers at the mosque or in their outdoor space. They often get new clothes, decorate their homes with special lighting and also offer money to the poor. This is the day when Muslims in the United States take delight in preparing and sharing a special meal with their friends and family. They also thank God for all the good things they've received in their lives.

Turkey: Eid Al-Fitr in Turkey is known as the Ramazan Bayrami. Since it's a public holiday, educational institutions and government offices remain closed. An important celebration of Eid Al-Fitr in Turkey is kissing the right hand of a senior person and placing it on one's forehead while wishing that the person enjoys the festival with mirth and joy. Children convey their wishes to their dear ones by visiting relatives' houses. In return they're gifted with sweets.

Canada: Eid Al-Fitr is not currently a national holiday in Canada. However, Muslims participate in celebrations and enjoy the festival with great enthusiasm. They wake up early and offer outdoor prayers, wear their finest clothes and decorate their homes with lights. Many people gather in Ottawa to celebrate the festive occasion.

All full of air



With road safety a priority, *Read.* takes a closer look at the technology that lies behind the automotive airbag.

The idea of mounting an exploding bag in front of the face of a person in charge of a moving vehicle sounds like lunacy, but airbags are now virtually standard on all cars across the world.

The first commercially viable air bags appeared on cars back in the 1970s, but it took almost 20 years for the idea to really catch on, with airbags becoming must-have items for motorists in the 90's.

Amazingly, two different inventors on two different continents both registered patents within three months of each other. German Walter Linderer registered his idea just three months after American John Hetrick. In the long run, neither of their technologies was adopted, with the system of Japanese inventor Yasuzaburo Kobori being adopted by the motor industry.

A modern airbag contains a small computer or 'Airbag Control Unit', which monitors a huge range of sensors dotted around the car. These sensors can monitor impacts, decel-



YOUR INFLATABLE FRIEND

eration, wheel speed, brake pressure and, rather importantly, the number of occupants in the car.

The bag is tucked inside a small compartment, in the case of a driver's airbag behind the steering wheel centre. The fabric bag is inflated by a gas propellant, which is ignited by an initiator. In effect the bag explodes with enough force to pop it out of its hiding place and inflate to its full size, but not enough to burst it.

The bag needs to inflate in between 20 to 30 milliseconds to be fully inflated before the car's occu-

pant reaches the edge of the bag. Any slower and the bag will not cushion the impact. In most modern cars the computer will decide to deploy the airbag within 15 to 30 milliseconds of the start of the impact.

When the car is involved in an accident, the airbag usually works in tandem with a number of other systems, but most commonly the seat belt pretensioners. These tighten the belts, stopping too much lateral movement of the passenger. The airbag then protects the passenger as they are thrown forward by the deceleration of the car.

But the job of the airbag isn't over once it has cushioned the passenger. The bag then needs to deflate to allow the occupant to get out of the car.

In recent years, manufacturers have also developed side airbags, curtain airbags, knee airbags, a centre airbag and airbags on the seatbelts to reduce chest injuries.

Without a doubt airbags have been the greatest safety enhancement to modern motoring since the seatbelt. We just hope you are never unlucky enough to have to use one. ●

Airing the facts

- The very first airbags were invented as early as 1951.
- The bag deploys in just 20 to 30 milliseconds.
- An airbag suit has been developed for motorbike use.
- The US-built Blackhawk military helicopter also has airbags fitted.



Secrets a boss must know

Get inside the minds of your employees to find out what they really want from you and their own careers.

MANAGEMENT

What is the potential, if you could get inside the minds of your employees and find out what they really want to say? Here's the truth of the matter; employees keep secrets from their bosses. They rarely reveal the real reason behind them quitting or why they won't stay—even when given a better opportunity or a promotion. Giving a raise is like buying a bigger house; soon, more becomes the new normal. Since a higher salary isn't the main motivator for employees to automatically perform at a higher level, employers should be in direct contact with their employees from the very start. Akhtaboot offers a number of tips to help you to better understand your employees.

REWARDING THE RIGHT PERSON

Employees usually work in teams, and no matter how organised the tasks are divided between them, there is always one person within the team who works harder than anyone else, helps others with their tasks and is somewhat doing the majority of the work. Rewarding everyone in the team is a great thing indeed. However, you should be able to pinpoint the employee who works the hardest

and give him or her that extra push to help them stay motivated and excited about work. Employers should always keep their eyes open when it comes to tracking the work progress and to be able to identify who's excelling at their job. Rewarding the right person will instill a sense of fairness at the workplace and set an example for all on what they need to do in order to shine.

ALLOWING EMPLOYEES TO BREATHE

Even the most devoted employee dreams of escaping on a vacation every once in a while. As an employer you may be tempted to avoid the topic because of the particular hass-

les involved with your staff leaving for a few days. However, the long term benefits your business will gain from offering employees vacation time off can far outweigh the negatives, particularly if the proper plans are put in place.

Allowing your employees to take a few days off at the right time or during low seasons will help your employees regain their enthusiasm and energy for work. If you believe that a certain employee is incapable of handling the responsibility that comes with it, then they're probably incapable of handling other responsibilities, so perhaps you shouldn't hire them to begin with.

“In the end, satisfied employees generate satisfied customers, who, in turn, build long-term relationships and spend more money.”

and outs, the small and big stuff happening at the workplace. They should know if the company's core values and basic office rules are being followed and abided by, they should find out if some people are being mistreated by others, and should take the proper action immediately.

“Our employees come first” is an overused statement by hundreds of top companies; however, some businesses just seem to forget what it really means and what mechanism should be taken to ensure that this statement is genuinely followed. Employees' needs and wants should always be tackled. In the end, satisfied employees generate satisfied customers, who, in turn, build long-term relationships and spend more money. ●

By Akhtaboot—the career network (www.akhtaboot.com)



HAPPY EMPLOYEES EQUAL HEALTHY PROFITS

LOOK AT THE SMALLER PICTURE

We always hear the expression, ‘looking at the bigger picture’; however, when it comes to employee management employers need to look and concentrate on the smaller one. Employers should know all the ins

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Room/bed space available for rent. Arab nationals only. Located in Baniyas Square, near Day to Day. Call 0508553061.

Furnished bed space available for rent. Keralites only. Located in Deira, near Union metro station, behind Maktoum Hospital. Internet available. Rent for Dh450 + DEWA. Call 0561771549,0505983599,0559912761,0557694329.

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Shared accommodation available for rent. Keralite Christian couples/working ladies only. Located in Deira. Call 0561539594.

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RTA signs Tecom parking deal

Under new agreement, RTA will manage car parking areas in Media City, Internet City and Knowledge Village.

PARKING

The RTA has signed an agreement for operating, managing and regulating the parking lots of Tecom Investments, a subsidiary of the Dubai Holding Group. The agreement lasts for 10 years and covers around 9,084 parking slots in Dubai Media City, Dubai Internet City, and Dubai Knowledge Village.

The agreement was signed on behalf of the RTA by Mattar Al Tayer, Chairman of the Board and Executive Director, and on behalf of Tecom by Group CEO Abdullatif Al Mulla.

Al Tayer expressed his delight with the signing of the agreement, the first of its kind in the free economic zones. "The agreement aims to streamline the use of public parking, reduce traffic grids, provide the largest possible number of parking slots for users, and curb the disorderly and dangerous parking practices undermining the safety of road users. The implementation of paid parking zones contributes to optimising the use of parking slots through enabling a single parking slot to be used by



MATTAR AL TAYER IN THE PRESENCE OF SENIOR RTA AND TECOM OFFICIALS

more than one vehicle, particularly in congested parts of the city, which are bustling with diverse trading and business activities."

Al Mulla said, "The agreement will help sort out traffic congestion in areas where Tecom is operating, which is triggered by the disorderly parking of vehicles, and also streamline the entry and exit from our facilities." Al Mulla added that Tecom gave due considerations to the needs and requirements of investors and clients.

According to the agreement,

Tecom parking zones will be divided into two categories. The first is parking lots booked for partners and clients of Tecom, and the second is a paid parking zone. The RTA will provide three types of prepaid parking cards—annual, semi-annual (six months), and quarterly (three months). The paid parking zone will be subject to fees as of 8am up to 6pm from Saturday to Thursday, and will be free to use on Friday.

The RTA will install paid parking machines and activate the payment

of parking fees through mobile phones, and will also respond to the queries and feedback made by parking users in Tecom facilities through the RTA Call Centre. It will also enforce a monitoring regime of parking use, and issue tickets to violators, bearing fines ranging from Dh100 up to Dh500.

The agreement was signed in the presence of senior officials from the Traffic and Roads Agency, Strategy and Corporate Governance and Corporate Technical Support Services.

RTA service timings during Eid Al-Fitr

PUBLIC SERVICE

The Roads and Transport Authority (RTA) has announced the service timings for availing different RTA services during the Eid Al-Fitr holidays via its customer service centres, paid parking zones, public buses, Dubai Metro, marine transit means, driving schools and vehicles' testing and registration centres.

Ahmed Mahboob, Director of RTA Customer Service, stated that the customer service centres will be off during the Eid holidays starting from the 29th day of Ramadan and will resume duty on the fourth day of Shawwal.

All paid parking zones in the Emirate of Dubai would be free to use, except for the parking lots of the Fish Market and the multi-level parking as of the 29th day of Ramadan and the fees system would be reactivated on

the fourth day of Shawwal.

Mahboob added, "The RTA will extend the working hours of the Dubai Metro during the Eid holidays, with the service starting at 5:50am and continuing up to 1am (past midnight). During the Eid holidays, the timing of public buses will be as follows: Main Stations (such as Gold Souq and Al Ghubaiba) will start at 6am and remain open up to 12 midnight. Subsidiary stations (such as Satwa, Al Qusais, Al Quoz Industrial, and Jebel Ali) will also start at 6am and remain open up to 12 midnight. Metro Feeder Bus Stations at Rashidiya, Mall of the Emirates, Ibn Battuta, Abu Hail, Burj Khalifa and Etisalat will offer service from 6am up to 1am.

"During the Eid holidays the timing of commercial buses and inter-city bus service will be as follows: Main



AHMED MAHBOOB

Stations (like Ghubaiba) will remain operational 24 hours a day, while subsidiary stations (such as Sabkha, Union Square, Deira City Centre and Karama) will be on duty from 6am up to 12 midnight. External stations (such as Sharjah-Bur Dubai) will be on service round-the-clock during the Eid holidays, while Sharjah, Deira,

Abu Dhabi, Fujairah, Ajman and Hatta services will start at 6am and continue up to 12 midnight during the holidays," stated Mahboob.

He also indicated that the working hours of marine transit systems during the Eid holidays will be as follows: Water Bus from 7am up to 10pm, Water Taxi from 10am up to 10pm, and Ferry Dubai from 9am up to 9pm. As for driving schools and centres, Emirates Driving Institute, Belhasa Driving Center, Dubai Driving Center, Galadari Driving Center, Al Ahli Driving Center, and Dubai International Driving Center will be off during the first and second days of Eid and will resume duty on the third day of Eid. Vehicles' testing and registration centres will be out of service during the three days of Eid Al-Fitr and will resume duty on the fourth day of Shawwal.

I'll keep annoying dad until he stops texting.



I WON'T LET IT HAPPEN

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If you're in a car with a person who is texting while driving, stop him or her in the best possible way. Or if your spouse refuses to buckle up, don't get into the car. Or if a friend is speeding, sing off key until he or she slows down. Don't let an accident happen. A safer road is everyone's responsibility.

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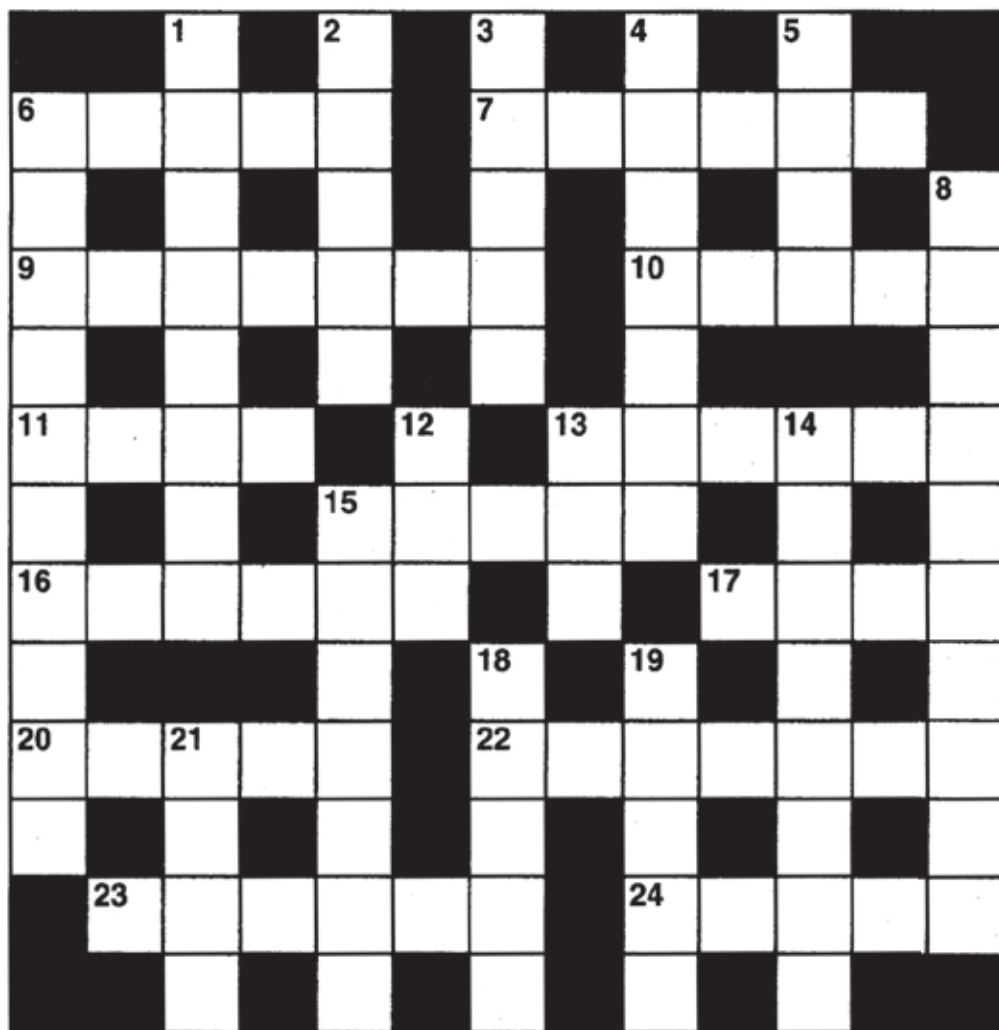
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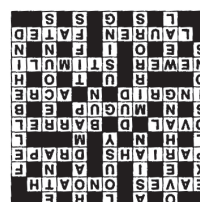
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20 More up-to-date (5) 22 Actions capable of evoking a response in an organism (7) 23 Ralph ____ US fashion designer (6) 24 Destined, doomed (5)

Down

1 Projecting part (8) 2 From the largest continent (5) 3 Terrible (5) 4 Route layout (4,3) 5 Volcano on the eastern coast of Sicily (4) 6 Sudden violent bursts (10) 8 Straggled (4,6) 12 Defective bomb (3) 13 Roll or knot of hair (3) 14 Tells (8) 15 Dressing-table items (7) 18 Applying (5) 19 Quarrels (5) 21 Raised red mark on the skin after a blow (4)

ANSWERS



Recipe

Summer strawberry shortcake

This fresh and creamy strawberry dessert hits just the right spot on a summer's day.

Ingredients

1 quarter strawberries, sliced
1/2 cup white sugar
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 cup white sugar
4 tspns baking powder
1/4 tspn salt
1 pinch ground nutmeg
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs, separated
1/4 cup white sugar
2 cups sweetened whipped cream
3 sprigs fresh mint (optional)

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 150C. Lightly grease two medium-sized, round

cake pans.

2. Gently stir the strawberries and 1/2 cup of sugar into a bowl, then put in the fridge to chill.

3. Combine the flour, 1/4 cup of sugar, baking powder, salt, and nutmeg into another bowl, then add the butter in chunks and combine with clean hands until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs.

4. Whisk the milk and egg yolks into a bowl, then stir this into the flour mixture until just moistened. Divide the mixture in half and pat into the prepared cake pans.

5. Beat the egg whites until foamy in

Serves

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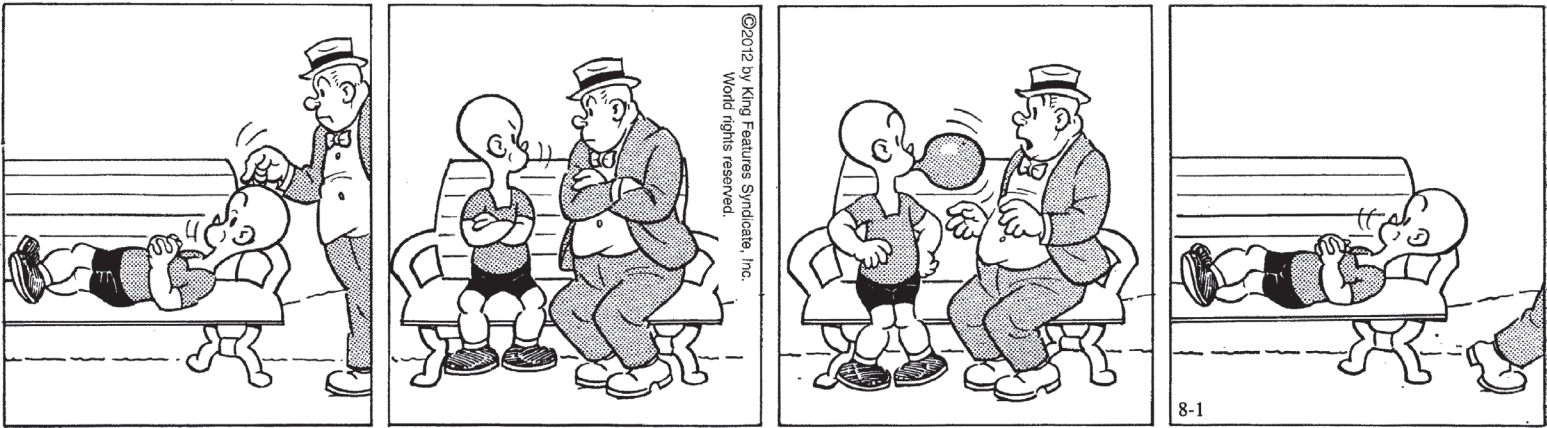


a large bowl until stiff peaks form. To test the consistency is correct, lift your beater or whisk straight up; the egg whites should form sharp peaks that holds their shape. Spread the egg white mixture over the dough in the cake tins and sprinkle with 1/4 cup of sugar.

6. Bake in the preheated oven until golden, for around 40 to 45 minutes. Allow to cool for 10 minutes before removing from the pan and onto a wire rack to cool completely.

7. Place one cake layer on a large serving plate, spread with half of the whipped cream then spoon half the strawberries over the cream. Repeat the layers then garnish with fresh mint if you choose.

Henry



Spiderman



Dennis the menace



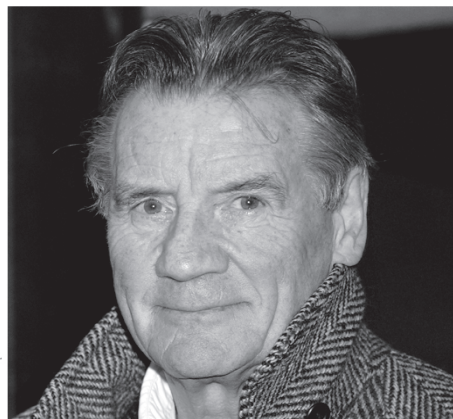
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Puzzles

Arrowword

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Great divide	▼	___ O'Hanlon, star of <i>My Hero</i>	▼	Fingerless gloves	▼	Groups of musicians	▼	Ski resort in Colorado				
	▼		▼		▼	___ constrictor, snake	▼					
Skilled craftsmen	▶							Algarve town		▼	Teapot top	Buzzing insect
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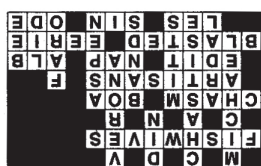
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Sudoku 2

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ANSWERS

ARROWWORD



SUDOKU 1

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What's in your stars?

The *Read.* astrologer tells you what you can expect over the next seven days.

ARIES

(MAR 21 - APR 20)

There seems to be an energy building around you at the moment. Positive changes are likely, particularly when it comes to your own self-development. Luckily, after a recent grey period, you are now fighting fit and ready to face any challenges head first.



TAURUS

(APR 21 - MAY 21)

You are one of the more 'melodic' signs of the zodiac, Taurus. This allows you to easily tune in to the finer things in life, but be careful that you don't ignore the less pleasing notes that are being played at the same time. It's easy to hear only what we want to listen to.



GEMINI

(MAY 22 - JUN 21)

It may be time to catch up on some 'pruning' of your social circle and out-of-work commitments. While the thought doesn't fill you with excitement, the after effects will make you feel much lighter and able to face the busy period that lies ahead.



CANCER

(JUN 22 - JUL 23)

A decided shift in mood and dynamics is on the cards and it is likely to happen before the weekend is through. Your daily schedule may be affected, although you are fully aware that a change in routine is what's needed to make things work out for the best.



LEO

(JUL 24 - AUG 23)

Thoughts could turn to security, both financially and career-wise. This is about more than just hard cash, though. The next few days could find you finally confronting a fear and achieving something that's been a personal ambition for some years now.



VIRGO

(AUG 24 - SEP 23)

Imagine you are preparing to set sail on a journey. While the adventure isn't due to start for some time yet, now is a crucial time for getting the right supplies and crew on board. Think carefully about who and what you need around you to make this a success.



LIBRA

(SEP 24 - OCT 23)

You are one of the natural leaders of the zodiac. With this in mind, being called upon to take charge of a situation or travel plans seems natural. While you enjoy taking control and getting things sorted, be careful not to trample on other people's ideas or ambitions.



SCORPIO

(OCT 24 - NOV 22)

Your 'star-quality' could shine through this week, particularly when it comes to settling a dispute. Other people could look towards you to save the day, but be sure you don't allow them to pile on too much pressure; stars can only shine brightly for so long.



SAGITTARIUS

(NOV 23 - DEC 21)

It seems you have a lot on your to-do list at the moment. There is a high probability that you'll need to rethink your general direction and adjust your aims accordingly. This doesn't have to mean you lose out, though, just think of it as a new and exciting journey.



CAPRICORN

(DEC 22 - JAN 20)

Pluto is moving through your sign, which suggests you're well within a period of reinvention. You could feel pressured to make career adjustments, however, against a difficult global financial background, you would be wise to think carefully about expenses.



AQUARIUS

(JAN 21 - FEB 19)

Something you've always wanted to do as a hobby—perhaps since childhood—could resurface. An old friend may return to the scene and remind you of a talent you once had, which, with the confidence of age, you may take more seriously this time around.



PISCES

(FEB 20 - MAR 20)

If the planets all play a different style of music, yours is the only sign that can move through each genre with ease. This means that any new challenges—particularly those which may arise midweek—do not faze you as easily as they would other people.



This week's local weather

SUN



19th

HOT
HIGH 47C
LOW 30C
HUMIDITY 41%

MON



20th

HOT
HIGH 46C
LOW 32C
HUMIDITY 43%

TUE



21st

HOT
HIGH 46C
LOW 30C
HUMIDITY 40%

WED



22nd

HOT
HIGH 46C
LOW 32C
HUMIDITY 42%

THU



23rd

HOT
HIGH 47C
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HUMIDITY 44%

FRI



24th

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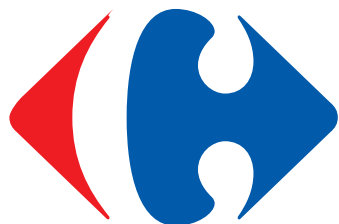
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25th

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LOW 30C
HUMIDITY 40%

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