

Fun Tips and Crafty Ideas from TaleTrove

Fun tip 1: How many days in a month? Count your knuckles!

Have you ever had trouble remembering how many days each month in the year has?

Does July have 30 days or 31 days? How about September?

Here is a fun way to remember:

- 1) Make your hand into a fist so you can see your knuckles
- 2) Each knuckle and trough (space between two knuckles) stands for a month in the year
- 3) Months that fall on the knuckles have 31 days while months that fall in the troughs have 30 days. Of course, the exception is February with 28 days (except in a leap year when it has 29 days)
- 4) Here is how it goes:
 - Little (pinky) finger's knuckle-January (31 days)
 - Trough-February
 - Ring finger's knuckle-March (31 days)
 - Trough-Apr (30 days)
 - Middle (tall) finger's knuckle-May (31 days)
 - Trough-June (30 days)
 - Index (pointing) finger's knuckle July (31 days)
 - Start again with the little finger:
 - Little (pinky) finger's knuckle-August (31 days), Trough-September (30 days), and so on.

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Fun tip 2: Colors in a rainbow

Do you get the colors in a rainbow mixed up?

VIBGYOR is an easy acronym to recall the colors of a rainbow in the order they appear.

V-Violet

I-Indigo

B-Blue

G-Green

Y-Yellow

O-Orange

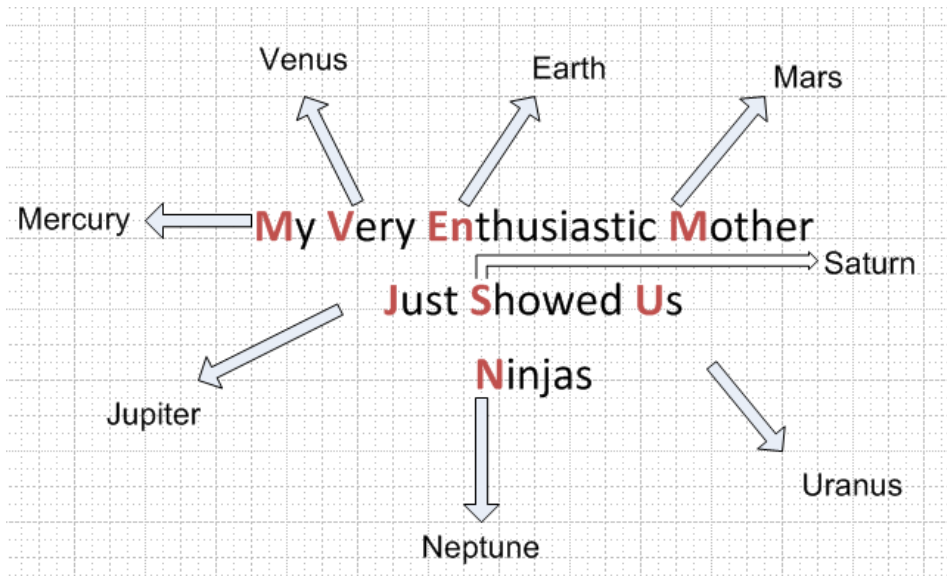
R-Red

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Fun tip 3: Planets in our solar system

This is a sentence to remember the names and order of planets in our solar system-

'My Very Enthusiastic Mother Just Showed Us Ninjas.'



As of 2006, Pluto has been classified as a 'Dwarf Planet' and excluded from the initial nine-planet solar system.

So the next time your science teacher asks, you will be the first to raise your hand to answer!

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Crafty idea 1: Colorful geometry

Download and print these patterns made from squares and rectangles and color them however you like!

