

# FUN FACTS



Carnivals are outdoor festivals offering games, rides, food, and a most cheerful atmosphere. Originating in Europe hundreds of years ago, these events were seen as a celebration of life, and were often based around a seasonal change. Let's Go!!!



A diary is a book in which to record daily events. Hand written remarks document experiences, thoughts, and feelings of the writer. Considered private to many, diaries are sometimes tucked away, out of plain view. Where do you keep yours?!!



Milk, according to many historians, has been used as a beverage for about 10,000 years. Although it looks rather creamy, surprisingly, it's mostly made of water. 90% of the entire planet's milk supply comes from dairy cows. Mmmmmooooooooo!!!



Tea cups are available in countless shapes and styles. Designed for serving tea and coffee, these delicate creations are collected around the world. Some folks buy them only in sets, while others prefer to select unique individual cups. Tea anyone?



Cheddar cheese is pale yellow in color when initially produced, but is sometimes given an orange hue by using the seed from the Annatto tree. The author's home state of Wisconsin is one of the top producers of cheddar in the United States.



Eggs produced by chickens are most often white or brown. Funny enough, it's their earlobe that determines the pigment. Hens with white earlobes lay white-shelled eggs, and hens with red earlobes lay brown-shelled eggs. Unique, huh?!?!?



Cake decorating can be traced back to the 1600's, when elaborate desserts were presented at the feasts and celebrations of the very wealthy. Though sometimes offering a delectable treat...they were actually regarded more as a display piece.



Vanilla extract is made from the vanilla bean. Farmed in Mexico, Tahiti, and Indonesia, it's one of the most expensive crops in the world to grow. It's great for baking, but can also be used to enhance drinks such as milk. Very tasty!!



Refrigerators are common household appliances. Almost exclusively white until the mid-1950's, designers began to introduce such colors as turquoise and pink, with gold, green, and almond soon to follow. In the 1980's black was quite stylish, and stainless steel is a popular look of today. Do you know what color yours is?!!